

Tuto Super One Series, Round 4, Clay Pigeon

2nd-3rd June

The fourth round of the 2018 season saw high temperatures on Sunday at the fast Dorset track and some great racing, particularly in the TKM classes. Honda Cadet and the three Rotax Max classes were also on the programme.

Honda Cadet, TKM Extreme and Senior Max all had entries big enough for a Repechage and numbers in the other classes remained more than respectable, to give a total of 237 entries for the weekend.

Honda Cadet and the TKMs will now head to Rowrah at the opposite end of the country in less than two weeks time to join the X30s for the next round.

MSA TKM Junior National Championship

Abbi Pulling took pole, 0.08s ahead of Spencer Stevenson and 0.12s ahead of Ben Watson, with arch-rival Daniel Butterworth in 4th. Pulling won Heat 1 on Saturday half a second ahead of Butterworth, then on Sunday morning Archie Strong beat them both. Pulling did however keep pole for Final 1 on equal points with Butterworth but Qualifying as the tiebreaker.

Butterworth leapfrogged into the lead at the start of Final 1 but was soon repassed by Pulling before he briefly retook the lead. The latter half of the race was marked by a lead battle between Spencer Stevenson and Oliver Richardson with Pulling attacking wherever possible too. Richardson was ahead at the chequered flag of an epic race with Strong slipping through to 2nd ahead of Stevenson.

Final 2 was a continuous battle between Richardson and Pulling with Richardson leading most of the way apart from a few brief periods with Pulling ahead. They pulled away from Strong who took 3rd from Stevenson on lap 14. Richardson was again triumphant, almost two tenths ahead of Pulling.

Results

Final 1

- 1 Oliver Richardson (Tal-ko) 12:47.95s
- 2 Archie Strong (ARC) +0.14s
- 3 Spencer Stevenson (Tal-ko) +0.36s
- 4 Connor Kearney (Tonykart) +0.45s
- 5 Ben Watson (Tal-ko) +0.7s
- 6 Abbi Pulling (Tal-ko) +0.95s

Final 2

- 1 Oliver Richardson (Tal-ko) 12:46.47s
- 2 Abbi Pulling (Tal-ko) +0.19s
- 3 Archie Strong (ARC) +1.88s
- 4 Connor Kearney (Tonykart) +2.07s
- 5 Spencer Stevenson (Tal-ko) +2.16s
- 6 Dan Mckeown (Birel ART) +2.27

MSA TKM Senior National Championship

Kristian Brierley qualified fastest on Saturday morning with both Lee Whittingham and Ryan Cole 0.07s behind him, while in the heats Brierley, Whittingham and Adam Sparrow won a heat each with Whittingham taking pole for Final 1.

There was more close racing in the Senior class with Brierley, Whittingham and Sparrow taking turns in control. However, Chris Whitton took the lead three laps from the end to win by a small margin from Whittingham.

In Final 2 Whittingham and Robert Welham overtook Whitton but Whitton bided his time to retake the lead for the last five laps to win. Welham had dropped to 3rd but overtook Sparrow in the closing stages although he wasn't quite close enough to take the win on the last lap.

Results

Final 1

- 1 Chris Whitton (Tal-ko) 12:46.11s
- 2 Lee Whittingham (Tal-ko) +0.07s
- 3 Adam Sparrow (Tal-ko) +0.77s
- 4 Robert Welham (Tal-ko) +1s
- 5 Ryan Cole (Tal-ko) +1.4s
- 6 Lewis Wadley (Tal-ko) +1.8s

Final 2

- 1 Chris Whitton (Tal-ko) 12:48.36s
- 2 Robert Welham (Tal-ko) +0.6s
- 3 Adam Sparrow (Tal-ko) +0.76s
- 4 Louis Beaven (Tonykart) +1.09s
- 5 Sam Fowler (Birel ART) +1.26s
- 6 Lewis Wadley (Tal-ko) +1.69s

ABkC Honda Cadet National Championship

Archie Walker was the poleman after the two sessions of Qualifying with Mikhail Singh 2nd and Sonny Smith 3rd, but 10th qualifier Daniel Guinchard came through to win both of his heats and take pole for Final 1.

Oliver Greenall made the best start in Final 1 but poleman Guinchard soon repassed and held the lead until near the end, he and Alfie Rigby pulling away from the pack which was headed by Sebastian Bloch and Theo Micouris. The pair closed back up to the leaders at the end and Rigby took the lead in the last lap battle to go on to win from Micouris, but he was penalised a lap so Bloch and Guinchard took the remaining podium positions.

In Final 2 Rigby led most of the race but didn't have it all his own way, leading a pack of several karts, including Guinchard, Greenall, Bloch and Kean Berta. Guinchard and Greenall both had a turn in the lead but Rigby retook control on the last lap to win ahead of Guinchard and Berta.

Results

Final 1

- 1 Alfie Rigby (Synergy) 13:08.51s
- 2 Sebastian Bloch (Project One) +1.86s
- 3 Daniel Guinchard (Synergy) +2.56s
- 4 Sonny Smith (Synergy) +2.57s
- 5 Edward Pearson (Synergy) +2.65s
- 6 Oliver Greenall (Synergy) +3.19s

Final 2

- 1 Alfie Rigby (Synergy) 13:13.60s
- 2 Daniel Guinchard (Synergy) +0.06s
- 3 Kean Berta (Synergy) +0.37s
- 4 Oliver Greenall (Synergy) +0.5s
- 5 Edward Pearson (Synergy) +0.95s
- 6 Sebastian Bloch (Project One) +2s

ABkC Minimax National Championship

Myles Barthorpe narrowly took pole ahead of Brodie Trayhorn and Sean Cuss but a penalty for Barthorpe dropped him down to 4th on the Final 1 grid despite a win, while Trayhorn took pole with a 1st and 2nd in the heats.

Trayhorn held the lead early on in Final 1, but Barthorpe gained back four places in quick succession to take the lead on lap 4. Barthorpe never managed to shake Trayhorn off but they pulled away from 3rd-placed Charlie Knight until the end of the race.

Barthorpe led from lights to flag in Final 2 while Cuss moved up to 2nd early in the race before Trayhorn retook the position in mid-race. Knight again took 3rd after fighting off Archie Kitching.

Results

Final 1

- 1 Myles Barthorpe (Tonykart) 13:04.49s
- 2 Brodie Trayhorn (Luxor) +0.22s
- 3 Charlie Knight (Kosmic) +5.76s
- 4 Sean Cuss (Tonykart) +5.94s
- 5 Archie Kitching (Tonykart) +7.45s
- 6 Maciej Hamera (Alonso) +7.98s

Final 2

- 1 Myles Barthorpe (Tonykart) 13:05.33s
- 2 Brodie Trayhorn (Luxor) +0.08s
- 3 Charlie Knight (Kosmic) +3.5s
- 4 Archie Kitching (Tonykart) +3.57s
- 5 Sean Cuss (Tonykart) +4.08s
- 6 Sam Gornall (Exprit) +4.78s

ABkC Junior Max National Championship

Guy Cunnington dominated the early stages of the Clay Pigeon round with pole in Qualifying and two heat wins, with James Lowther the closest to him.

Lowther made a good start from 2nd but Cunnington quickly retook the lead and pulled away from Lowther slowly throughout the race with Oakley Pryer taking 3rd at half-distance.

Cunnington could only hold the lead for a few laps in Final 2 though, with Lowther taking control a couple of laps in and going on to win. Pryer took 2nd for much of the race but Cunnington retook the runner-up spot with three laps to go.

Results

Final 1

- 1 Guy Cunnington (Tonykart) 12:57.82s
- 2 James Lowther (Tonykart) +0.81s
- 3 Oakley Pryer (Tonykart) +1.04s
- 4 Ben Burgess (Tonykart) +3.21s
- 5 Kai Hunter (Kosmic) +3.54s
- 6 Cameron Thomson (Kosmic) +5.92s

Final 2

- 1 James Lowther (Tonykart) 12:59.62s
- 2 Guy Cunnington (Tonykart) +0.17s
- 3 Oakley Pryer (Tonykart) +0.68s
- 4 Kai Hunter (Kosmic) +0.95s
- 5 Ben Burgess (Tonykart) +1.1s
- 6 Cameron Thomson (Kosmic) +2.62s

ABkC Senior Max National Championship

Bradley Barrett took pole ahead of the 60-kart Senior Max field and stayed ahead in the Intermediate Classification with a 1st and 2nd in the heats. Charlie Turner and Joe Turney both also took 1st and 2nd in the heats to take 2nd and 3rd on the grid for Final 1.

Barrett was never headed in Final 1, with Turner initially 2nd before he was overtaken by Turney. Turney closed up on Barrett but not quite enough, although he had escaped from the threat of Turner.

Tommy Foster had been fastest in Final 1, and after early leader Turney's Final 2 came to an abrupt end after an incident with Barrett, he was 2nd behind Turner. Foster reeled Turner in and pulled away once he had taken the lead to win by a second from Turner with Tom Edmunds a further four tenths back.

Results

Final 1

- 1 Bradley Barrett (Alonso) 12:56.79s
- 2 Joe Turney (Kosmic) +0.35s
- 3 Charlie Turner (Alonso) +5.11s
- 4 Myles Apps (Alonso) +5.26s
- 5 James Johnson (Alonso) +5.42s
- 6 Tom Edmunds (Kosmic) +5.56s

Final 2

- 1 Tommy Foster (Tonykart) 12:59.32s
- 2 Charlie Turner (Alonso) +1.01s
- 3 Tom Edmunds (Kosmic) +1.42s
- 4 Kieran Gifford (Gillard) +1.76s
- 5 Morgan Rose (Tonykart) +2.39s
- 6 Myles Apps (Alonso) +4.15s

ABkC Rotax 177 National Championship

Chris Thomas took pole in Rotax 177 with Daniel Martin close behind, with both heat wins going to Thomas. Championship leader Louis Large came through to take 2nd in both heats for 2nd on the Final 1 grid with Colin Davis 3rd.

Thomas dominated Final 1, finishing 1.2s ahead of the experienced Davis with Large 3rd, and it was the same in Final 2 despite the efforts of Martin early on.

Results

Final 1

- 1 Chris Thomas (Tonykart) 13:09.73s
- 2 Colin Davis (Kosmic) +1.2s
- 3 Louis Large (Tonykart) +3.1s
- 4 Daniel Martin (Tonykart) +3.37s
- 5 Alexander Luck (Tonykart) +3.92s
- 6 Jason Wilson (Tonykart) +10.28s

Final 2

- 1 Chris Thomas (Tonykart) 13:09.46s
- 2 Colin Davis (Kosmic) +0.47s
- 3 Louis Large (Tonykart) +4.39s
- 4 Alexander Luck (Tonykart) +4.47s
- 5 James Moorcroft (Tonykart) +4.6s
- 6 Daniel Martin (Tonykart) +7s

