



THE 320 CHALLENGE

3 RACES > 10 ROUNDS > 2 CLASSES > 1 CHAMPIONSHIP

DATE 04.11.08 > TRACK BUCKMORE PARK > TRACK CONDITION DAMP > DRIVERS 13
FASTEST LAPS STANDARD RICHARD FOSSEY 51.504 – LIGHT LUKE COLEMAN 50.955

It had been yet another wet week but Round 9 of the 320 Challenge the clouds had moved away and it was a dry night, although the track had damp patches in places.

Signing on, weigh-in and driver briefing over the small grid hurried to the pits to start practice before the rain returned! The weight split was 85kg.

(#denotes – Standard Class)

A quiet qualifying with drivers changing karts which they thought were off the pace after ONE lap! In this event the drivers change karts per heat so they would eventually get the kart back warmed up.

After the practice/qualifying session the karts were gridded up for the race but it appeared not in qualifying time. Somehow the list that went to the grid was in time order and not qualifying. A quick lap of the track for the drivers and we re-grid again – what value for money an extra lap!!

Peter Sharp took pole, Luke Coleman 2nd, Mark Pearson 3rd, #Steve Hall 4th, Chris Roy 5th, Monkey Harris 6th, Stuart Jones 7th, #Lee Probert 8th, #Chris Tatnell 9th, #Norman Kenvyn 10th, Glenn Marrison 11th, #Richard Fossey 12th and Adam Jenner 13th.

With only 13 regular, experienced drivers on the grid, you would hope a good clean start and we were not disappointed. Peter, Luke and Mark all kept their positions at the front of the grid. Monkey Harris and Chris Roy moved into 3rd & 4th by lap 5. Chris Tatnell was to have the first of many changes relegating him to 11th.

Chequered flag for heat one goes to Peter Sharp, Luke Coleman 2nd, Monkey Harris 3rd, Mark Pearson 4th, #Steve Hall 5th, Stuart Jones 6th, Chris Roy 7th, #Norman Kenvyn 8th, #Lee Probert 9th, Glenn Marrison 10th, #Chris Tatnell 11th, Adam Jenner 12th, and #Richard Fossey 13th.

The reverse grid for heat 2. Another good, clean start with both #Lee Probert & #Norman Kenvyn making ground. Both Monkey Harris and #Chris Tatnell making kart changes again. After yet another change on lap 6 #Chris Tatnell decided to retire from the heat. Mark Pearson and #Richard Fossey were both keeping up with the leaders. Stuart Jones started as he meant to go on and had taken the lead by lap 3.

Second time for the chequered and a great drive by Stuart Jones to take the win. #Richard Fossey 2nd, #Lee Probert 3rd, #Norman Kenvyn 4th, Luke Coleman 5th, Mark Pearson 6th, #Steve Hall 7th, Peter Sharp 8th, Glenn Marrison 9th, Monkey Harris 10th, Chris Roy 11th, Adam Jenner 12th and #Chris Tatnell 13th but would not get any points as he did not finish the race.

Points added together and drivers gridded according to the most points from heats 1 & 2.

With one of the closest races so far for points, 5 drivers have 57 points which would then mean we go to lap times. Luke Coleman takes pole position for the final heat, Peter Sharp 2nd, #Steve Hall 3rd, #Norman Kenvyn 4th, #Lee Probert 5th, #Richard Fossey 6th, Stuart Jones 7th, #Mark Pearson 8th, Monkey Harris 9th, Glenn Marrison 10th, Chris Roy 11th, Adam Jenner 12th and #Chris Tatnell 13th.

Lights to green for the final time. Another good, clean start although the track was now glistening and #Richard Fossey found the slippery bit. A great move by Peter Sharp on Hairpin 1 to take the lead. #Lee

ROUND 9 RACE RESULT LIGHTWEIGHT CLASS

- 1 Luke Coleman
- 2 Peter Sharp
- 3 Stuart Jones
- 4 Mark Pearson
- 5 Monkey Harris
- 6 Glenn Marrison
- 7 Chris Roy
- 8 Adam Jenner

ROUND 9 RACE RESULT STANDARD CLASS

- 1 Steve Hall
- 2 Norman Kenvyn
- 3 Lee Probert
- 4 Richard Fossey
- 5 Chris Tatnell

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Probert and #Chris Tatnell having a good battle, hopefully the gremlins that #Chris had experienced had all gone now – or had they!!

Halfway through the heat and Peter Sharp and Luke Coleman were swapping places lap by lap. #Steve Hall and #Norman Kenvyn for the Standard weights and Chris Roy and Adam Jenner for the Lightweights wheel to wheel further down the grid.

Lap 18 and #Chris Tatnell was stationary in the cut-through – his chain had come off. It was not his night – he again retired! Luke Coleman had again traded places with Peter Sharp and Stuart Jones took a place from Mark Pearson.

As the clock ticked the call was either kart 42 or 4 would be crossing the line as the winner. As we waited to see who had the edge as they passed the Café, Peter Sharp “just” had a wheel in front to take the win 0.10 seconds ahead of Luke Coleman 2nd with Monkey Harris 3 seconds behind in 3rd. First of the Standard Weight drivers was #Steve Hall 4th just ahead of #Norman Kenvyn 5th, #Lee Probert 6th, Mark Pearson 7th, Stuart Jones 8th, Glenn Marrison 9th, Chris Roy 10th, Adam Jenner 11th, #Richard Fossey 12th and #Chris Tatnell 13th.

All the points for all three rounds are added together and another round where the positions are decided by lap times.

Lightweight Class – 1st Luke Coleman, 2nd Peter Sharp, 3rd Stuart Jones, 4th Mark Pearson, 5th Monkey Harris, 6th Glenn Marrison, 7th Chris Roy and 8th Adam Jenner

Standard Weight – 1st Steve Hall, 2nd Norman Kenvyn, 3rd Lee Probert, 4th Richard Fossey and 5th Chris Tatnell.

Our driver of the day goes to Mark Pearson who finished a very close (joint on points for 3rd) 4th in the Lightweight Class.

**We look forward to seeing you for round
10 on
Tuesday 2nd December 2008**



Lightweight Podium
Stuart, Luke & Peter



Standard weight Podium
Norman, Steve & Lee



Driver of the Day
Mark Pearson

CHAMPIONSHIP AFTER R9

1	Norman Kenvyn	769
2	Peter Sharp	675
3	Luke Coleman	660
4	Glenn Marrison	657
5	Steve Hall	606
6	Stuart Jones	574
7	Dave Austen	560
8	Lee Probert	512
9	Bill Jennings	395
10	Chris Roy	365
11	Jamie Scoging	244
12	Paul Lancaster	239
13	Matt Allen	233
14	Gerrard Hubbert	171
14	Monkey Harris	171
16	Max Bridger	170
17	Rusty Clarke	158
18	Richard Fossey	153
19	Russell Lord	147
20	Chris Dodge	145
21	Colin Wilson	140
22	Ashley Grant	137
23	John Carter	136
24	Adam Jenner	131
25	Chris Tatnell	113
26	Robert Browning	85
26	Matt Jones	85
28	Andy Bridger	83
29	Lee Hawley	82
29	Jay Bridger	82
29	Mark Pearson	82
32	Chris Journet	81
32	James Austen	81
34	Joe Flay	80
35	Brian Reeve	80
36	Andy Nunn	79
37	Michael Lazarou	78
38	Michael Marrison	77
39	Alan Smith	76
39	Jonathon Bloohn	76
39	Michael Coventry	76
42	Tom Knight	75
42	Martin Marrison	75
44	Steve Bentley	74
45	Alan Beckley	73
45	Karl Martinez	73
45	David Farndon	73
45	Ben Philpott	73
45	John Osman	73
50	Andy Paton	72
50	Colin Becklev	71