



ENDURO SERIES 2010

ONE HOUR TEAM ENDURANCE CHAMPIONSHIP

DATE 11.08.10 > TRACK BUCKMORE PARK > TRACK CONDITION DRY > TEAMS 18
FASTEST LAPS TEAM ALIMATT – 50.363

AIS – ANOTHER INTELLIGENT STRATEGY

It had been a mixed bag of weather this week but for a change tonight it was dry and warm – well it is August after all!

As has become the norm in qualifying a few drivers changed their karts only to find the one they had started with was probably the best bet. A mechanical problem picked up on the grid by pit crew meant a change for Lock & Stock.

AIS took pole tonight with a time of 50.585, Luke & Tuck 2nd, Team Phoenix 2010 3rd, KP Nuts 4th, Team Alimatt 5th, Datech 6th, Revolver Racing 7th, Lift Away 8th, Cobra Racing 9th, Barry Racing 10th, R & A Racing 11th, GPL 12th, Lock & Stock 13th, Still Game 14th, Grand Pre 15th, The McUshers 16th, Screaming Tarts 17th and Steve & Matt 18th.

As the lights go green, AIS reach the end of the straight first, very closely followed by Luke & Tuck, Team Phoenix 2010 and Team Alimatt. As the pack approach hairpin one KP Nuts are caught in a mix of drivers and spins relegating them to the back of the pack. Lift Away gain 3 places and Cobra Racing gain 2.

GPL come into the pits for a kart change at the end of lap 1, whilst KP Nuts are no longer last and on a mission.

A great battle at the front of the pack sees a change of leader three times. Five teams were bumper to bumper and playing very nicely together. AIS, Team Phoenix 2010, Team Alimatt, Luke & Tuck and Lift Away.

Lap after lap the teams were trying to gain the advantage. Team Alimatt puts pressure on 2nd place Team Phoenix 2010 passes him but then he regains position, but "Alice" tries again and this time passes and off she goes for 1st place AIS. All the while Team Phoenix 2010 has Lift Away knocking on the door and tightly behind is Luke & Tuck. After persevering, Team Alimatt make a move are now leading. Will Willard of AIS had worked hard to keep the team in the lead and now team strategy was needed – were they going to "pull something out of the hat" in the second half of the race.

A lot of courtesy driving tonight as the McUshers who changed their kart and were now one of the back markers "feels" the leaders approaching and waves them past. Grand Pre and Screaming Tarts also do the same.

Further down the grid Steve & Matt are having a steady race whilst KP Nuts are now 8th.

As we approach the driver change window, AIS have regained the lead from Team Phoenix 2010 now 2nd, Team Alimatt 3rd, Luke & Tuck 4th, Lift Away 5th, Datech 6th, R & A Racing 7th, KP Nuts 8th, Revolver Racing 9th, Cobra Racing 10th, GPL 11th, Grand Pre 12th, Barry Racing 13th, Still Game 14th, Screaming Tarts 15th, Lock & Stock 16th, The McUshers 17th and Steve & Matt 18th.

CHAMPIONSHIP AFTER R6

1	Luke & Tuck	1080
2	Datech	991
3	Team Phoenix 2010	974
4	Lift Away	970
5	KP Nuts	922
6	GPL	912
7	AIS	880
8	Revolver Racing	830
9	Grand Pre	790
10	Alimatt	780
11	Barry Racing	766
12	Lost the Plot	615
13	R & A Racing	571
14	Still Game	517
15	Cobra Racing	497
16	Screaming Tarts	328
17	Davelution	296
18	The McUshers	246
19	Little & Large	232
20	RD Racing	195
21	A Right Pair	137
22	Billy No Mates	135
23	Egg & Padwin Racing	126
24	50's Plus	123
25	Rogue Traders	117
26	Team Pez	107
27	Mario Karts	106
28	Lock & Stock	104
29	Motokraft	99
30	Who's the Daddy	98
31	Steve & Matt	88
32	That'll Do	83



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The first team to pit are R & A Racing followed by an executive decision by "Team Principle" Paul Griffiths of AIS to pit Will whilst the battle at the front of the grid carried on and they could rejoin and whilst the other teams then pitted take the lead. An unfortunate mis-calculations from when the window was declared open saw Luke & Tuck arrive into the pit lane with 3 seconds to spare (rules are you must be in the pit lane within the 10 minute window) and Lift Away arriving behind them but now 6 seconds too late resulting in them having a drive through penalty and costing them an extra 10 seconds of time. Obviously not "hoppy bunnies!"

With the "excitement" of the driver changes a call is made as "fur" appears to be flying as one of the drivers has a "Hare-raising" moment when a Rabbit runs out onto the track into his path going down the hill. "Peter and the Rabbit" came face to face whilst the spectators shouted "Run rabbit Run Rabbit, run, run run".

Next yellows were deployed whilst Squires of the Pit-crew was sent to try and chase the rabbit away. Every time he approached the rabbit hopped off further down the hill to look for his "Warren", but unfortunately Warren was on holiday this month.

Eventually after a few "harey" moments for the karts on track the bunny was put over the tyre wall away from the oncoming traffic.

Now back to the race and after all the changes, excitement AIS still lead the pack, Luke & Tuck 2nd, Team Phoenix 2010 3rd, Team Alimatt 4th, Lift Away 5th, Datech 6th, KP Nuts 7th, Revolver Racing 8th, R & A Racing 9th, Cobra Racing 10th, GPL 11th, Barry Racing 12th, Grand Pre 13th, Still Game 14th, The McUshers 15th, Lock & Stock 16th, Screaming Tarts 17th, Steve & Matt 18th.

With the second drivers all settled in, Lift Away and Datech are battling with GPL in the mix but a lap down, but replacement driver for this round Michael giving both drivers a good run for their money, (running round would be have preferable to a couple of karts tonight, but that's another story.....) and from what seemed like nowhere KP Nuts arrive to take 7th. Once again lap after lap Datech tries to pass Lift Away but can't find a way past.

With six karts including backmarkers and those at the front lapping all arriving at "harepin" one together you knew that there would be tears and the main casualty was KP Nuts who were in the tyres after their great comeback with Lift Away going wide but losing out 5th place to Datech who take advantage.

After 71 laps and leading the race for last 30 laps, AIS cross the line to take the win after a well timed driver change to keep them in the lead. Luke & Tuck 2nd, Team Phoenix 2010 3rd, Team Alimatt 4th, all on the same lap. Datech 5th, Lift Away 6th, KP Nuts after a courageous battle from the back of the grid 7th. Revolver Racing 8th, R & A Racing 9th all a lap down. Cobra Racing 10th, Barry Racing 11th, GPL 12th, Grand Pre 13th, The McUshers 14th, Still Game 15th, Lock & Stock 16th, Screaming Tarts 17th, and Steve & Matt 18th.

For those of you with a nervous disposition, look away now. After everyone had finished on track the long arm of the law, Sergeant Geoff did the honourable and kind thing reading the last rights and using the powers that bestow him of euthanasia. The rest I will leave to your imagination and I will stop "Rabbiting on!" but "hare" are a few tributes to "Peter Rabbit!".

ROUND 6 RACE RESULT

- 1 AIS**
- 2 Luke & Tuck**
- 3 Team Pheonix 2010**
- 4 Team Alimatt**
- 5 Datech**
- 6 Lift Away**
- 7 KP Nuts**
- 8 Revolver Racing**
- 9 R & A Racing**
- 10 Cobra Racing**
- 11 Barry Racing**
- 12 GPL**
- 13 Grand Pre**
- 14 The McUshers**
- 15 Still Game**
- 16 Lock & Stock**
- 17 Screaming Tarts**
- 18 Steve & Matt**

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How do you know carrots are good for your eyes? - Because you never see a rabbit wearing glasses!
Why did the bunny eat the wedding ring? - Because he heard it was 18 carrots!
What did the rabbits do after their wedding? - They went on their bunnymoon!
What do rabbits put in their computers? - Hoppy disks!
Why did the bunny bang his head on the piano? - He was playing by ear!



Luke & Tuck 2nd, AIS 1st, Team Pheonix 2010 3rd

**We look forward to seeing you for round 7 on
Wednesday 22nd September 2010**