



THE 320 CHALLENGE

3 RACES > 10 ROUNDS > 2 CLASSES > 1 CHAMPIONSHIP

DATE 03.11.10 > TRACK BUCKMORE PARK > TRACK CONDITION WET > 10 DRIVERS
FASTEST LAPS STANDARD STEVE HALL 51.464 – LIGHT LUKE COLEMAN 50.454

STEVE HALL FINDS HIS MOJO! LUKE LEADS LIGHTS

The penultimate round and a very even but sparse field tonight.

Race Director Phil Ling was back from his hols and had raced down from London where he had been setting up an exhibition in the day.

A very quick sign-in, weigh-in and driver briefing for the 10 regulars in tonight's race. An average weight of 83kg was the cut-off which meant 4 Standard weight drivers and 6 Lightweights.

Qualifying saw #Norman Kenvyn change a couple of times within the 10 minute period and then unfortunately on the last lap he came in again to change his kart (Cold tyres!!)

#(denotes Standard Class)

Glenn Marrison who had a "Golden" birthday last week, was on form and qualified on pole with a time of 51.638, his team-mate in the Enduro Rusty Clarke 2nd, Peter Sharp 3rd, a return after "another" holiday #Steve Hall 4th, #Adrian Matthews 5th, Steve Bateman 6th, Luke Coleman 7th, Chris Mercer 8th, #Simon Gammage 9th and #Norman Kenvyn 10th.

As the lights go green for the first time, Glenn Marrison takes the first corner closely followed by Rusty Clarke who passes him as they approach hairpin one. Chris Mercer holds on at the back of the pack as they huddle together.

The top three of Rusty, Peter and Glenn were all very evenly matched tonight with only the swapping of places but nothing that would stick for very long.

Further down the grid #Steve Hall who had not had a very good year racing but enjoyed plenty of holidays was on a mission as it was his last race for this year. In 4th position he led the Standard weight drivers with #Adrian Matthews very close behind knocking on the door but there was no answer.

Luke Coleman who is usually at the front of the pack a day or two ahead today was struggling with the kart. He had Steve Bateman in his sights passing him and looking for #Adrian ahead.

As they cross the line Rusty Clarke takes the win, Peter Sharp 2nd, Glenn Marrison 3rd, #Steve Hall 4th, #Adrian Matthews 5th, Luke Coleman 6th, Steve Bateman 7th, Chris Mercer 8th, #Norman Kenvyn 9th and #Simon Gammage 10th.

Heat 2 and the reverse grid. With a small experienced grid it was text book stuff. #Norman Kenvyn has a much better start and leads the pack with Luke Coleman from 5th into 2nd. #Adrian Matthews had a kart that was on a go slow.

CHAMPIONSHIP AFTER R9

1	Luke Coleman	780
2	Norman Kenvyn	775
3	Adrian Matthews	763
4	Peter Sharp	666
5	Steve Bateman	602
6	David Little	600
7	Dave Austen	497
8	Peter Massey	488
9	Steve Hall	484
10	John Carter	401
11	Simon Gammage	381
12	Haydn Brown	338
13	Glenn Marrison	334
14	Gary Wenbourne	329
15	Matt Sykes	238
16	Rusty Clarke	238
17	Mathewe Bennett	234
18	Doug Christie	215
19	Paul Lancaster	153
20	Iain McMillan	84
21	Christophe Boudet	79
21	Aziz Rahman	79
21	Chris Mercer	79
24	Richard Fossey	77
24	Peter Tyler	77
24	Phil Lowe	77
27	Tom Lyle	75
28	Jonathan Barry	74
28	Laury Curran	74
30	Dan Wood	73
31	Simon Heaver	71
32	Adrian Case	70
33	Ricky Davies	69
34	Andrew Taylor	67
35	Tim Bennett	65
36	Alex Port	60
37	Matthew Rudd	58
38	Colin Forrest	0



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Luke Coleman is already back on form and side by side with #Norman Kenvyn into the Esses sees him glide past to take the lead on lap 3. This is the start of Steve Bateman's bad day, as he receives a contact warning and mistakenly comes into the pits and is quickly sent on his way. #Adrian Matthews also arrives in the pits for a kart change.

Although in different classes, Chris Mercer 4th has #Norman Kenvyn first in class behind him looking to pass as both #Simon Gammage and #Steve Hall are close behind in the Standards and looking for maximum points.

After 24 laps, the chequered goes to Luke Coleman who led from lap 3, 20 seconds behind Glenn Marrison 2nd, #Norman Kenvyn managed to move up to 3rd, with Chris Mercer 4th, #Simon Gammage 5th, #Steve Hall 6th, Rusty Clarke 7th, Peter Sharp 8th, #Adrian Matthews who we later found out had a "soft rear tyre" 9th and Steve Bateman 10th.

After adding the points and fastest laps, #Steve Hall takes pole on 58 points with #Norman Kenvyn also on 58 points in 2nd. Luke Coleman 57 points 3rd and Glenn Marrison 57 points 4th and Rusty Clarke 57 points 5th. More joint points #Adrian Matthews 56 points 6th, #Simon Gammage 56 points in 7th. Peter Sharp 8th, Chris Mercer 9th and Steve Bateman 10th.

For the final time tonight lights green and #Steve Hall guides the pack round with Luke Coleman squeezing into 2nd followed by #Norman Kenvyn and Glenn Marrison. A touch of wheels sees Peter Sharp in a spin and now last. Then Chris Mercer and Luke Coleman have a love-kiss resulting in both on the grass at hairpin two facing the opposite direction!

#Steve Hall and Glenn Marrison are racing for the lead with Glenn passing at Conways and seeing Luke Coleman in his metaphorical mirrors a gnats behind #Steve.

The unfortunate Steve Bateman comes in for another kart change and looks as though retirement is beckoning but he jumps into another kart and carries on very last.

With #Steve Hall now in 2nd, he can feel the lightweight Luke Coleman breathing down his exhaust and waves him past on the straight knowing they are in different classes and Luke is "Quite" a bit lighter and faster.

Rusty Clarke and Peter Sharp are the next two to do battle and a little play with Rusty gaining the advantage. Although going round in last place Steve Bateman keeps going relentlessly!

After another 20 minutes and 24 laps, the chequered flag for the second time tonight, Luke Coleman takes the win with Glenn Marrison 2, #Steve Hall 3rd, Rusty Clarke 4th, Peter Sharp 5th, #Norman Kenvyn 6th, Chris Mercer 7th, #Adrian Matthews 8th, #Simon Gammage 9th and Steve Bateman 10th.

Our Driver of the Day goes to Steve Bateman for pure determination and not giving up.

All the points for all three heats are added together for all three heats.

ROUND 9 RACE RESULT LIGHTWEIGHT CLASS

- 1 Luke Coleman
- 2 Glenn Marrison
- 3 Rusty Clarke
- 4 Peter Sharp
- 5 Chris Mercer
- 6 Steve Bateman

ROUND 9 RACE RESULT STANDARD WEIGHT CLASS

- 1 Steve Hall
- 2 Norman Kenvyn
- 3 Adrian Matthews
- 4 Simon Gammage



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**WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU FOR ROUND 10 ON
WEDNESDAY 1st DECEMBER 2010 AT 7PM**



Adrian Matthews 3rd, Steve Hall 1st,
Norman Kenwyn 2nd



Glenn Marrison 2nd, Luke Coleman 1st, Rusty
Clarke 3rd



Driver of the Day
Steve Bateman