

Forest Edge Race Report Round Five

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Iame Cadet

Weather conditions made for very close racing on the Sunday, which was reflected in the close run heats across all classes.

Callum Bradshaw taking heat one, two and three was victorious in all heats, by very fine margins. Luke Francis, Brandon Lovell Toby McDonald Jamie Mead Harry Foster Jay Keyes and Alfie Woodrow all in close proximity Harry Pears being best novice in two heats and Zak Rowledge being best novice in one heat, who would take best novice trophy.

In the final the main protagonists led away the field with very strong drives, Bradshaw taking win from Lovell, Mead, Foster Luke Francis and Toby McDonald after ten fierce laps only separated by some 1.6 seconds. Foster setting fastest lap and Pears taking best novice, although Rowledge setting fastest novice time.

Bradshaw (zip) Lovell (ZIP) (SHARK)
Mead (SHARK) Foster (SHARK) Francis (SHARK) McDonald (SHARK)

Honda Cadet

Once again a strong field of twenty six Hondas including two novice drivers took to the grid, giving the club an excellent display of close highly competitive racing.

Heat one saw Ryan Taylor Trueman take the win, closely followed by Ben Burgess and Jake Cranstone, Chris Simpson, Luke Roberts and Ruben Brown with the fastest lap time going to Jake Cranstone and Zak Oates taking fastest novice. The front three being covered by only some 0.24 seconds. Heat two saw Mathew Herbert take the win from Harrison Collins and Tom Law, with the fastest lap completed by Ryan Taylor Trueman .The fastest novice going to Zak Oates and the front three being separated by 2.97 seconds. Heat three saw Cranstone take the honours, followed by Tom Law and Jack Finch. Cranstone fastest lap and Oates taking fastest novice lap.

The final saw Cranstone take win from Taylor-Trueman and Herbert, all competitors having provided a fine display of close racing. Oates capping off a great day by winning the best novice.

Cranstone (PROJECT 1) Taylor-Trueman (PROJECT 1) Herbert (PROJECT 1).

Mini Max

Heat one saw Tommy Foster taking the victory, followed by Ben Hodge and Mason Ruff 2.65 seconds covering the three. Fastest lap going to Harry Gooding in this heat. Heat two saw Gooding from Luke Oliver and Thomas Edmunds some 0.74 seconds covering all three, Foster taking fastest lap. Heat three saw Jordan Timberlake, Hodge and Jenson Brown covered by 1.1 seconds, Brown taking fastest lap. The final saw Foster, Gooding, Brown followed by fast charging Jordan Timberlake who had not been out of the first five all day. Gooding taking the fastest lap again. Jai Hadley the only novice having some good drives throughout the day.

Foster (TONY KART) Gooding (COSMIC) Brown (TONY KART)
Timberlake (TONY KART).

Junior Rotax

Heat one saw Tom Knill taking the honours, followed by Mathew Humphries and Connor Hall . Heat two saw Hall, Ben Hunt and Knill. Heat three saw Knill, Ollie Ellis- Richardson and Fletcher Trueman making for a very interesting final. Once again Hall did not put a foot wrong, winning the final by some 3.42 seconds from Ellis Richardson Trueman with a very strong drive after some disastrous heats. Halls day was faultless, although Trueman taking fastest laps in two heats and still pushing hard for championship honours. Once again James Reid showed promise as the only novice.

Hall (Tony) Richardson (Alonso)Trueman (KOSMIC)
James Reid (TONY)

X30 Junior

There was once again a small but very select grid of junior X30 drivers, giving an outstanding display of close fair fast driving; it would be nice to see this class really take off.

Heat one saw Alfie Brown from Josh Pickford and Philip Hanson Heat two saw Pickford, Brown and Hanson. Heat three saw Brown Hanson and Pickford, who would take honours in this closely fought class in the final.

Final saw Brown, Pickford and Hanson with only some 0, 6 seconds after twelve closely fought laps. Hanson taking fastest laps in all heats and final.

Brown (TONY KART) Pickford (TONY KART) Hanson(TONY KART)

Senior Rotax

Heat one saw a good win for Scott Wylie, followed by Michael Finch and Abdullah Al Rawahi; Gifford taking the fastest lap. Heat two saw Dan Dunham victorious, followed by Hamlet and fast charging Danny Russell, Gifford once again taking the fastest lap. Heat three saw Gifford, from Russell and Taylor Rea, Dunham taking fastest lap. The final saw Gifford crossing line first, Dunham and Hamlet. Gifford

taking the fastest lap. It was nice to see three of the top M Sport drivers coming back to compete at Forest once again, namely the Al Rawahi brothers and Faisal Al Zubair.

Gifford (Gillard) Dunham (Alonso) Hamlet (TONYKART)

177 Rotax Max and Masters

A full grid was to be seen in this ever growing class, necessitating four heats. Not only were the numbers of entrants good but there was a wealth of talent in this field. Heat one saw Oliver Smith take the win from Richard Renshaw and Rob Roddy. Heat two saw Aaron Bailey from Chris Wright and Johnathan Drabble taking the top positions, Heat three saw a win for Andrew Cole with Joe Holloway and Drabble third. Heat four saw Mark Redding take the win from heat three winner Cole, Michael Kent taking third. The final saw Michael Kent win by some 0.17 seconds from Christopher Wesemael, with Alex Pointing third and a very good performance from Melvin Francis (M) in fourth, unfortunately several of the top finishers being excluded.

Kent (CRG) Wesemael (GILLARD) Pointing(ALONSO)

Masters

Melvin Francis (TONY KART) Joe Holloway (INTREPID) Richard Renshaw (GILLARD) Gary Anderson and Matt Martin (GILLARD)

125 Gearbox

As conditions were perfect to say the least, gearbox once again put on an entertaining show.

Heat one saw Charlie Robertson take win, from Nick Jenkins and Joe Sumner. Baldwin taking fastest lap. Heat two saw another win for Robertson followed by Lee Hasler and Joe Sumner, Baldwin took fastest lap once again. Heat three saw Jenkins followed by Baldwin and Robertson, Baldwin taking fastest lap. The final saw Baldwin, Robertson, Jenkins and Sumner with an excellent fourth place. Rising star Daniel Arlott had another great weekend being fastest novice in all heats and final.

Baldwin Robertson(TONY KART) Jenkins(ENERGY)
Sumner(ENERGY) Arlott (ALPHA)

250 Gearbox

Heat one saw Ray Thomas from Spencer Chappell and Nigel Steed, fastest lap going to Thomas. Heat two saw a fine win for Ray Thomas by some 8.17 seconds, followed by Nigel Steed and Frazer Everett, Thomas taking fastest lap. Heat three saw Chappell Steed and Everett take the top three spots, Chappell taking fastest lap. The final saw Chappell take the win from Steed, Everett taking third, fastest lap to Chappell.

Chappell (ENERGY) Steed(SWIFT) Everett (JADE)

I apologise that the report for the Southern Championship and the club round were not correctly published, and I am hoping the full report as submitted will be published with this report in the next programme.