

BARCLAY GET SOAKED AND TIRED BUT WIN SOME TROPHIES AT CAMBERLEY KART CIRCUIT ON SATURDAY.

It was always going to be a challenge: long journeys there and back in the dark, a depressingly wet weather forecast, a circuit that never seems to dry out and a team heavily weighted, this term, with younger drivers. Being so late in the year, the short daylight hours available meant we had a "2-heats-and-a-final" format instead of the usual "4-heats-best-3-to-count" arrangement.

Once the racing started, it was clear that the rain-soaked track did not suit everyone especially our less experienced drivers, so it was with some relief that our 3 novices (Danny Mead, George Keogh & Josh Potts) drove well enough to gain signatures towards their full racing licences.

Jack Habershon won 1st place in class 11 (Junior Honda), but Katie Hodgkinson, Dylan Wright and Dylan Squibb were ... er... less successful. Our class 12 (Senior Honda) drivers (Max Ellis, Max Homfray-Cooper and Byron Simpson) also found the conditions challenging and came in the last 3 paces in the final.

Our older drivers did much better in the high power classes. Anthony Reynolds came 2nd and Owen Hammond 4th out of a grid of 17 in Class 7 (TKM).

In Class 15 (Rotax) Joe Habershon was 2nd, Team Captain Ross Wilcox 3rd, Will Clarke 6th and Kellan Veitch came 7th out of a grid of 19.

There were some very wet and very weary drivers for the return journey to Stevenage, but there were also several smiles just visible over top of their tightly gripped trophies.

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