



Historic Formula Ford Newsletter



HSCC HISTORIC FORMULA FORD 1600 CHAMPIONSHIP

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Rounds 8 and 9: Brands Hatch GP, 29/30 June

Jackson and Tarling share the wins

Cameron Jackson's remarkable winning run in the Historic Formula Ford 1600 Championship finally came to an end after a magnificent battle with Richard Tarling during the HSCC Legends of Brands Hatch meeting on the Grand Prix circuit (29/30 June).

In the opening race, run in Saturday's sweltering heat, Jackson made it eight wins from eight starts in the Neil Fowler-run Winkelmann as Tarling and Ed Thurston shared the podium. However, on Sunday, Tarling drove a stormer to finally end Jackson's winning run as Thurston again joined them on the podium. Meanwhile, Clive Richards topped the over 50s, but only by a tiny margin from Rob Smith in the opening race.

An excellent 31-car field arrived in Kent for the annual chance to tackle the glorious Grand Prix circuit. But this time, a heat wave arrived at the same time as drivers and



teams had to deal with 34-degree heat on Saturday. Thankfully, Sunday proved to be a lot cooler.

Lotus 51A racer Lee Penson had more on his mind than the heat, however. Their second child was due the day before the event and he was ready to dash home to Hampshire if wife Lucy went in to labour, and decided to only do Saturday's race. Just in case he got the call, he loaded the car into the trailer after qualifying, but was able to complete the race in 20th place without drama.

Jackson bagged pole by half a second from the Speedsport trio of Thurston, Ben Tusting and Pierre Livingston with Linton Stutley fifth in his first proper run in the Royale RP3 and Tarling back in sixth with a misfire after making a very late call to enter the 'for sale' Jamun T2. Only 5 seconds filled the field to 19th making for an even hotter contest. Tarling's return to Historic Formula Ford in his 2017 title-winning Jamun posed a big threat to date to Jackson's dominance.

However, with Tarling back in sixth on the grid and further handicapped by a first lap misfire, Jackson romped clear on Saturday. Spins for Ben Tusting and Pierre Livingstone cost them time and the charging Tarling blitzed through to second from Ed Thurston. Tusting retired to the pits to clear grass from his nosecone on a day when engines needed no encouragement to run hot.

Stutley dropped away in a secure fourth as Livingston recovered from his Druids spin for fifth before a gaggle of cars that delivered some tremendous battling in the lower reaches of the top 10. At the flag, Danny Stanzl headed Clive Richards who pipped Rob Smith by a tenth of a second for the best of the Over 50s, while Ross Drybrough and Will Nuthall were not far behind.



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Penson was the only non-starter on Sunday morning for another tremendous race with battles all down the field and just three retirements. Tarling started second on the grid and had a titanic battle with Jackson. It was racing of the highest order and the lead changed constantly. However, into Paddock on the penultimate lap Tarling just squeezed ahead of two backmarkers and earned a small margin. Jackson responded but Tarling won round nine by just a second.



Richard Tarling (L) Sunday o/all winner, Ed Thurston (3rd both days), Clive Richards O50 Winner on both days (but only just on Saturday, to;) Rob Smith O50, Ted Pearson O50 3rd & 2nd & Saturday o/all Winner Cameron Jackson (R). ALL, OH SO CLOSE...

Thurston headed the chase of the two champions and edged clear of Livingstone and Stutley, while Danny Stanzl had a fairly lonely run to sixth. However, things were far from lonely in the next pack as five seconds eventually covered eight cars after some fabulous racing. Nuthall and Over 50s winner Richards were at the head of the pack before Drybrough just beat second Over 50s racer Ted Pearson.

Paul Lawrence



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Ed (L) is happy with the size of his and shows it to his Mum; Richard's, however, seems to be under scrutiny by Cameron, Ted, Brian & Clive. While (Dr.) Ross (R) in the shade, has seen it all before....



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Tiff Needell & Will Nuthall watch the show.

'It was fantastic to race with a great bunch of people' sayeth the ex Grand Prix racer. Praise indeed and good manners, you can come again Tiff.



A blissful Kevin Stanzl (L), gets his while Anthony Ross (9 hundredths of a second behind) Tim Brise get theirs...



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2020.... We had a little meeting to discuss next years calendar.

Seven double meetings three weeks apart are on the cards (none in July) with an option for one more.

Feelings towards racing with our Classic FF Cousins were discussed in order to have our own race at Spa, and the conclusion was that before we do we'll check their manners during the year.

Half wanted to go to Zandvoort or Zolder if the opportunity arised. Not many wanted to pay big money for Silverstone Classic (and race at 9am like last time), ALL wanted to do Goodwood if they would like to invite us...

We spoke about our being mentioned in the National Press ref our dealings with Double Yellows flag incidents. The message was WE LIFT – in order to save the lives of our disadvantaged Orange-clad heroes who don't have crash helmets or cages around them and ourselves, who do. Please may this be CLEAR.



Anglesey next.

Practise on Friday, slots are available, campers can stay until Monday morning. Café open until 9pm Fri & Sat and 5 pm Sunday. We won't have our hospitality there but maybe we can throw a few camper awnings together. Different venue – with pleasant views- great track and nice beach. Take bucket and spade.



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“I wouldn’t have made it had it not been for Formula Ford. I learned the basic ground rules of racing in that formula. It was the most valuable stepping stone in my career... Nothing is cheap these days; but Formula Ford is still the most reasonable way to go real racing. It’s close and competitive and the lessons you learn in setting up an FF car to make it competitive are basically the same techniques that are used in Formula 1.”

— Tom Pryce



Photos courtesy of Anne and Jane.

Action shots courtesy of Charlie Wooding.

Race report Paul Lawrence.

Chairs and welcome hospitality marquee bravely manned in the sun by David Alderson.

Charlie Wooding's photo 2018 Album is now available covering our exciting and silly moments. Order on his website.

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Good motor racing book out soon. Register here <http://www.refugeoftheroads.co.uk/blog>

Technical housekeeping. AS stated in the last newsletter;

Our projected change in 2020 of Avon controlled compound Tyres is to be deferred for at least 2-3 years.

Wheel/Hub Spacer plates...be on your guard! The scrutineer boys are looking for unattached versions of them... attach yours and they become acceptable, ie ADAPTER plates.

More reports on the CFF1600 site here <https://ff1600website.com/2019/06/16/jackson-extends-hscc-winning-run-at-cadwell-park/>



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