



TVKC Winter Series Round 4 – FINAL ROUND 2nd March 2014

The 4th and Final Round of the 2013-2014 Winter Championships provided another stunning entry of 250 drivers. The weather forecast looked good and the popular format of Timed Qualifying Practice plus a long Pre Final & long A Final was adopted for this event.

Cool temperatures and an initial wet track made TQ tricky, conditions remaining challenging all day.



IAME Cadet – Oh my...63 drivers for a club meeting - shows the popularity this class is having on the future of Karting! Proof of how even the class is as shown in TQP when the top 16 drivers were all within a second of each other! Top of the pile was front runner Tom Wood – 1.20.61, Jonny Edgar was a fine 2nd and Zac Robertson completed the top 3. All that said, the two Pre Finals provided two pairs of runaway leaders – Tom Wood led home Zac Robertson in PF1 while Kiern Jewiss led home Lewis Thompson in PF2. The A Final was going to be a cracker and so it proved, 12 great laps of high class cadet racing. There was little to choose between Thompson and Jewiss in the Final but the race ran out with these two in that order – a delighted Lewis Thompson on top of the podium and well deserved under great pressure to the line from Jewiss. Tom Wood hung on initially but could not maintain the pace of the front two but still ended up a creditable 3rd (and overall Winter Series Champion). Jonny Edgar led home the main pack in a worthy 4th place with the pack hot on his heels.

2013-2014 WINTER SERIES CHAMPION – TOM WOOD



HONDA Cadet – A stunning entry and as always, brilliant racing. Similar to the two IAME Pre-Finals, the Honda boys did it in tandem also – PF1 was won by Chris Lulham but had to work oh so hard to 'just' keep Myles Apps at bay – 0.01 splitting the boys as they crossed the line! PF2 belonged to Nicholas Reeve who held on for the win over the 10 lap race, his rival Keaton Samra ended up in an excellent second. So to the Final which was close and produced a fine win for Nicholas Reeve, a brilliant drive up the grid gaining 11 places in the process and finishing second – Harry Thompson, Keaton Samra was a solid third while Oliver Clarke also gained many places to finish 4th.

2013-2014 WINTER SERIES CHAMPION – HARRY THOMPSON



JUNIOR MAX –40 drivers battled it out for top spot in TQP – Tom Gamble made the most of the tricky conditions to claim it, while Dave Wooder looked smooth as he claimed second fastest. PF 1 went pretty much to plan for Gamble as he stroked home to win, however Josh Skelton had a cracking race moving up the field to claim an excellent second, Will Shaw rounding out the top 3. PF2 similarly went to Wooder who opened out a good gap on the pack, lead by Jack McCarthy finishing second and Jordon Brown-Nutley third. The Final was very interesting as all these drivers were, as expected, involved. The status quo remained however as Tom Gamble took another measured win, Skelton just holding off Wooder for second.

2013-2014 WINTERSERIES CHAMPION – STEF CHARALAMBOUS



MINI MAX – Split TQP sessions such as the numbers of drivers, and good to see a mix at the top of the timesheets! Heading the list was Tom Bayley who made the best of the drying track, Sean Butcher qualified second (from the slower group – the 101% rule applying) with Thomas Turner a fine 3rd. Onto the racing and some excellent wheel to wheel combat in the Pre Final indicated there was going to be some very close action come Finals time. PF1 provided Jonathan Hoggard with a fine win, up 7 places from his grid slot, he was however hounded to the line by Thomas Turner who looked in great form, Sam Pooley rounded out the top 3. PF2 saw several grid reversals as front runners dropped back and back grid drivers moved forward – the most ‘eye catching’ charge came from Dean MacDonald, he had to race hard to fend off Luke Wooder but did so at the line. Wooder was also another ‘mover’ up from grid 14 to claim second! Jordon Cane had a solid race to complete the top 3. A lights to flag victory for Dean MacDonald was on the cards and so it turned out – class drive to take the win. Lucas Vaus had a brilliant 13 laps as he made giant strides through the field and was a very satisfied driver in second. Third place looked to be heading to Luke Wooder but a misjudged late breaking attempt at the hairpin almost cost the front three runners – the placings didn’t however change to the line but Wooder received a 5 place penalty post race promoting Thomas Turner to third after a strong race.

2013-2014 WINTER SERIES CHAMPION – DEAN MACDONALD



SENIOR MAX – An excellent grid and some ‘big hitters’ present, again split TQP in changing conditions brought in the 101% rule – fastest overall was James Johnson with Brett Ward second and Nathan Aston third. It was Josh Gardner who stole the show in PF1, strong drive and great result – 1st. James Johnson finished second with Connor O’Brien a determined third. (A shame for Championship leader Aston who had to retire after feeling the effects of a pre event rib injury). In PF2, Brett Ward just managed to hold on for the win but was under great pressure from Luke Knott who chased him hard to the line – finishing second just in front of Lewis Seville. The Final was ‘hot’, some very close & exciting racing but the day belonged (just) to Brett Ward – 14 pressured laps he endured but held on for an excellent win. James Johnson continued his good days work and nearly caused an upset – he worked very hard for his brilliant second place at the flag. Adam Glear was always in the mix at the sharp end and ended up third.

2013-2014 WINTER SERIES CHAMPION – THOMAS ARME



IAME X30 JUNIOR - Daniel McAuley is really getting it together in the new Junior Class, his measured performances particularly in the Final when he drove a ‘masterclass’ to take the win. Euan Wilson and Harry Whittaker had a great battle for the runners up spot with Wilson just piping Whittaker by 0.06 of a second.

2013-2014 WINTER SERIES CHAMPION – DANIEL MCAULEY



IAME X30 SENIOR – Toby Sowery and Josh Hatton turned this into a two horse race – there was little between the two as the Final wore on. For 7 laps Sowery was in control but for the next 6 Hatton took control. It looked however as Sowery was awaiting his opportunity and he made the move one lap from home – nice – taking the win by 0.06 second. Harrison Newey, as last month, drove a calm and confident race into third.

**2013-2014 WINTER SERIES CHAMPION –
ANDREW REES-REYNOLDS**



JUNIOR TKM - The winner on the day and overall Winter Series Champion was Alex Forward.

2013-2014 WINTER SERIES CHAMPION – ALEX FORWARD

All Results and current Championship standings can be found on the website.

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