

The May meeting usually signifies a lower than normal entry as Championships have kicked off and drivers start to 'pick & choose', hence the reason to include a round of the NKF Championship. As is now the 'norm' though in 2016 at PFi the entry number was staggering..setting a new record for a club meeting at 320! This caught everyone by surprise and considerable thought and balanced judgements went into how best to accommodate this brilliant entry. The format had to be 3 Heats/Final (NKF Regulations) and TVKC followed that with all of their classes. To accommodate this a set of Heats were run on Saturday late afternoon after practice – while not ideal, it did work and in many cases was accepted as a sensible compromise. Sunday was a full on day with the remainder of the Heats, 'C' Final for X30J, 'B' & 'A' Finals for all other classes – Game On! We hope our visiting NKF drivers enjoyed their weekend with us at PFi.



IAME Cadet – Entries required a 'B' Final which proved to be a two driver race – Curtis-Rohun Stewart looked strong throughout and just held onto the win from a hard charging Charlie Rippin, Kai Bachini and Zac Meakin being the other qualifiers. From the Heats it was Jonny Wilkinson who took a well-deserved 'Pole', but despite holding the 'A' Final lead for many laps it was Grid 2 starter, Maxwell Dodds who took the lead when it mattered, he crossed the line a jubilant winner just 0.03 in front of an on form Freddie Spindlow who finished second, Wilkinson slipping to third.

1st Rookie – Zac Meakin

1st Novice - George Blessett



HONDA Cadet – Oh my goodness – the entry numbers just keep rising!! Two FULL grids and mixed Heat starts took their toll and some unfortunate incidents happened along the way, but in general, as always, what a stunning contribution they make to our events – excitement all the way. Race starts were excellent (well done all drivers). Heats.....not so excellent...in fact, practice was full of issues! This meeting returned to the standard club format of 3 Heats (not TQ), which looking at the mix of driver abilities and experience, didn't work very well! 6 Heats required to establish the top 32 for the 'A' Final, the rest fighting out an exciting 'B' Final – despite a standing start, a multiple kart pile up at the end of the straight brought out the red flag and eliminated 3 drivers. Tristan Rennie made the most of the re-start to head out lap 1 but that was short lived as Oliver Greenall hit the front and headed for victory. Rookie Oscar Teutan drove a solid race into second, Tristan dropping to third and Kacper Skuza completed the four qualifiers. The 'A' Final – proved to be a two driver affair – Ben Fayers had claimed an impressive Pole after his Heats and lead away for the first 7 laps. Olivier Bearman though had plans on the spot and hounded the leader upto lap 8 when he made his move for the front, this he never gave up to the line claiming an excellent race win. Ben was close behind in a solid second, while James Walker had a dazzling race climbing many places to take an excellent third.

1st Rookie – Daniel Guinhard

1st Novice – Alex Molov



JUNIOR MAX - An excellent grid of 30 drivers provided great racing all day. The Final was a real 'up & down' race with several drivers heading the pack. Pole sitter Rhys Hunter was beaten off the line by Charlie Bennett (who took the win but suffered a 10 second 'jump start' penalty). Hunter, Ethan Ling & James Lowther all took turns at the front but Rhys held out over James who ended up second and Sam Holgate an excellent third after making up 5 places. Abigail Ross had a strong drive in the front pack but unfortunately a nose cone penalty dropped her out of contention.

1st Rookie – James Lowther

1st Novice – Samuel Walker

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

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MINI MAX - Joe Ellison was in fine form after the three Heats and claimed Pole for the 'A' Final, initially it looked as though he would have a lights to flag victory, that was until Alex Lloyd came onto the scene, taking the lead on lap 4 and never looking back – cool win. Joe ended up second with Klass Kooiker a solid third and a strong drive forward from Jamie Rogers who ended up fourth and closing.

1st Rookie – Oliver Hunter

1st Novice – Zak Aldred



SENIOR MAX - Grid numbers still struggling but a combination with X30 in the Heats allowed the class to race. The Final was 'stand alone' and provided a run away win for Ben Davies. Darren Allen missed out on second after a nose cone penalty so Nathan Chafer picked up the pieces claiming second, Ryan Garvey in a solid third.

1st Rookie – Nathan Chafer

1st Novice – Mark Eglington



X30 JUNIOR - For a club class to again have a 'C' Final is nothing but sensational – great support from the British Karting fraternity and a great array of young driver talent on display. The 'C' Final should have belonged to Alfie Glennie but his win was reduced to fifth place after the mandatory nose cone penalty of 10 seconds! Starr Casey gratefully took the win with James Barratt hot on his heels in second. With a full grid of 36 drivers all aiming for the Top 4 qualifying slots from the 'B' Final, this was going to be a 'cracker' – as it turned out it was mostly the drivers who were at the front who held out to take the places. Max Barratt held sway for a few laps but then Henry Laws took over, and it was only towards the end of the race that a storming drive from Luke Whitehead was rewarded with the win. Henry was second, Max third and final qualifier was Alessandro Ceronetti. Onto the all-important 'A' Final – a great race with the letters 'EH' looking to be significant! From Pole you wouldn't have bet on Elliot Harvey not holding out for the win.....that was until Ethan Hawkey decided he would play a role. These two diced out a great and competitive race allowing Owen Byatt to muscle in halfway through but he slipped away as the two 'EH' slugged it out – at the flag it was a very well deserved win for Ethan, Harvey pressuring to the line but second. The rest of top the finishers were scrabbling for track space as they fought out a real 'dog fight' to the finish. Ed Hack came out on top as he took a strong third, Patrick Kibble held onto fourth and Morgan Porter pushing up the grid to finish 5th. Again just for the record and considering the relentless close action during all 11 laps only 3 nose cone infringements – LETS RACE.

1st Rookie – Ian Mutch

1st Novice – James Barratt



X30 SENIOR - Another stunning grid – requiring a ‘B’ Final and a 3 Heat system that turned things upside down – that said, isn’t it strange how the ‘cream’ always comes to the top whatever? ‘B’ Final – A ‘full house’ all going for just 4 places – again there was going to be some action. Alex Spinks from Pole lost out on lap one and it was Max Stilp who held sway at the front for 5 laps (later to be excluded). Harry Whittaker however had been making excellent progress and took over the lead on lap 7 and held onto the win. Thomas Prior drove a stunning race making up an incredible 23 places to finish second – wow! Third was a rather subdued Tom Healey who looked in race winning form in the Heats until a DNF. Completing the qualifiers was Yukinori Ishii in fourth. ‘A’ Final – what a fight at the front – maybe not the intensity of the Juniors but never the less, in its way, very absorbing. The Seniors tend to have a slightly more measured approach and this showed with the ‘hard but fair’ style at the front. Derek Morgan was delighted with his Pole and must have thought he was in for an easy win conversion – he led lap 1 but then had to contend with first Danny Keirle and then Levi King disposing him of his position. Throw into that Oliver Hodgson, Jay Rudd and Scott Snell all snarling around the Top 6 places and things were looking exciting. In the end it was Levi who crossed the line first but with a dislodged nose (10 second penalty dropping him to 12th) Derek Morgan picking up the pieces – which he deserved – strong drive to a race win. Oliver held sway in second, while Lewis King finished third, Danny 4th and Jay 5th.

1st Rookie – Antonio Gagliasso

1st Novice – Frank Bird



JUNIOR TKM – With our ‘guest’ NKF drivers present this gave the JTKM drivers chance to race at PFi – Welcome to see. Kristian Brierley looked the class of the field, despite a glitch in one of the Heats, he took a well-deserved lights to flag victory in the Final. Ian Sissons had a solid race into second while Cameron Sharpe progressed forward to claim third.