

The Doodson Motorsport BSMA National

Series 2010

Round 3



Round 3 of the Doodson Motorsport B.S.M.A. National Series was hosted by Rhayader YMX Club at their Neuadd, Penybont circuit in Mid Wales. A long established track managed and manufactured in this fantastic part of Wales on the banks of the River Wye. The effort of the Club to run their first National was very professional.

Juniors were first to race on this long undulating track with local ace Alex Walton taking an excellent win pushed hard by Taylor Hammal and Jack Booker. Race 2 was much the same up front with Harry kimber taking 3rd. Race 3 was a disaster for Walton as Albie Wilkie improved as the meeting progressed taking 3rd chasing home Taylor Hammal and Harry Kimber. The second day saw a revival in performance from Albie Wilkie taking 2 superb wins with Alex Walton chasing hard for 2 runner up spots which was enough to give him 1st overall on the week-end just ahead of Taylor Hammal who fell heavily in his last outing with Albie Wilkie 3rd and Harry Kimber 4th.

A good line up of small wheel 85cc were next to the line with Danny Lanfear not disappointing his supporters with a superb maximum but he had to catch holeshot man Henry Williams in every race, who gained a deserved runner up spot with 4 2nd positions and a 3rd Jordan Saunders finishing strong in every race was never out of the top 6, completed the podium. Several riders had good races but were caught out by this demanding track. Michael Ellis, Jamie Carpenter and William Wall battling it out for the minor positions.

Big wheel 85 cc Liam Garland dominated the group with a superb maximum, Charlie Mills giving his usual 100% chased hard to gain 2 second positions but a heavy fall spoilt his chances . The mantle was left to Jake Gardener, but he could not keep the pressure on Garland and he had to settle for runner up in the last 3 races. Kieran Gregory rode consistently and was never out of the top 5. Improving after a poor start Liam Knight finished 4th from Olly Jones just in front of Rob Holyoake who spoilt his week-end with a disaster in Race 2. Jordan Bachelor could have easily taken 3rd on the week-end but a DNF in race 2 cost him dear in this very competitive group.

Senior 125 was dominated by Chambers Wittle with an excellent maximum. The battle was always for runner up spot with Chase Neale and Jake Penny taking turns behind the leader but one bad race was enough to allow Nick Morris to snatch 2nd overall with just 3 points covering the 3 riders. Simon Booth and Calum Sloman completed the top 6.

Senior 144/250 was where the action really started. If you looked at the points with 4 wins and a 2nd you might think Shaun Springer had an easy week-end, but he fought for every point battling through in every race to gain an almost perfect maximum. Race 1 saw Luke Newman wheel to wheel for the last couple of laps just hanging on to take the win but a couple of punctures not helping his cause. Jordan Divall normally out of the gate 1st had a disastrous start to the week-end coming from last in his first race to just inside the top 10, with a similar finish in race 2. On the second day he was back to his usual form with 2 runner up positions and a 3rd. Consistent finishes gave Liam Knight a 1 point advantage over Lloyd Pettett who produced some top 3 finishes on the 2nd day just in front of Damon Brooks and Luke Newman.

AMX Carl Jones despite hitting the deck a couple of times recovered well to gain a maximum. Darren Arscott was safe in 2nd spot with 4 runner up positions and Paul Willis riding a 125 was a creditable 3rd. Ben Pearson with some consistent riding edged out Graham Heasman followed by Rhys Jones. Luke Hawkins only riding the 2nd day as a support rider was something special and I'm sure he impressed the many spectators with his efforts winning all 3 races.

Open Class Ashley Thomas was never challenged once in front and gained a deserved maximum. Aaron Jenner finished with 5 2nd places improving as the meeting progressed. Charlie Heatley and Graham Lamb battled it out for 3rd. Quick starting Chris Morris was the most consistent of the support riders but Luke Blanchard was the most competitive certainly giving Ashley Thomas a hard time but a DNF in Race 3 spoiling his overall position.

Once again a big thank you to the Rhayader Club and the Landowner for all their efforts in making this a memorable meeting.

Next round will be held at Pontrilas, nr Hereford 24/25 July hosted by Cotswold Club supported by the BSMA management.

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