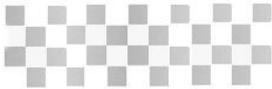


# SPRINT SERIES

**TOYOTA**  **2013**

**Event Report - Round 1 Blyton Park 28th April 2013**

A windy yet dry Blyton park was the host circuit for the 1st round of the 2013 Toyota Sprint Series. 35 drivers lined up for the opening round, and as always at the first round of the year, everyone is wondering what the others had been up to over the long winter lay off. Who would be quick, who would have problems? So many questions and all soon to be answered.

The "Pit Lane" was buzzing with activity and as soon as the cars were scrutineered, the drivers signed on and then started their sighting and practise laps.

The track was in great condition and the use of a split "Y junction" enabled a testing layout. Blyton is a firm favourite with the drivers and plenty of "run off" allows them to really push the limits in search of that perfect run.

With 12 classes the Toyota Sprint Series really caters for a wide range of both driver ability and vehicle providing a challenge for everyone from the novice to the professional team.



## Results in class order:



### **Class F Pro** – Up to 1.0

A new entry this year but driving a familiar car was Debbie Cooper driving her TRD Vitz, this was Debbie's first ever competitive event and despite a few nerves on the first few runs she soon settled in, thoroughly enjoying her day and winning her class with a 118.50s run.



### **Class D Pro** – Up to 1.6 Normally Aspirated

Matt Hopkins in his MR2 had a great day getting faster and the run 5 the first after lunch with colder rear tyres had a big spin but recovered well to go even faster in the afternoon to claim the D Pro class with a 118.31 recorded on the 8th run.



### **Class C Street** - Over 1.6 Normally Aspirated

Dan Quinn (above right) was back again in his trusty Supra and spent the day getting faster and faster, knocking 5s off his lap time by run 8 to record a 101.21, however it wasn't enough to keep up with Paul Thomas (above) in his brand new GT86. Paul a "series veteran" by now was thoroughly enjoying his new car and went on to win the class with a very quick 99.83s.



**Class C Pro-** Over 1.6 Normally Aspirated

Chris Girdler (above) stamped his authority in this class, again getting quicker times as the day went on, Chris took the class with a 104.38 with Ed Stracey another new driver was getting to grips with his Supra and every run was faster than his previous to finish 2nd in class with a 108.89.



**Class B Street**

Sai Seebaluck in his Starlet Glanza, the lone entrant in Class B Street, but that doesn't stop him trying hard! Sai had a great day and finished up with a 103.56.



**Class B Pro – Up To 1.6 Forced Induction**

Barrie Newsome returned to the series in his very quick Starlet turbo, Barrie recorded a 98.06 to take the lead from Phil Cutler in his supercharged MR2. Phil was chasing hard but disaster struck on run 4 when his engine "let go" finishing his day and handing the honours to Barrie.



### **Class A3 Street** – Over 1.6l Forced Induction

Roger Greaves now in his 3rd year of TSS was the class winner in his Celica GT4 with a time of 104.72. Avi Seebaluck was in his spare "immaculate" GT4 and finished up 2nd in class with a 108.66.



### **Class A3 Pro** – Over 1.6l Forced Induction – Modified

With 6 entrants in A3 Pro it's a highly competitive class! Brothers James and John Crabtree sharing the same car and swapping tenths all day in what must be the ultimate brother battle! It was James who came out on top by the slenderest eleven hundredths of a second to claim 1st in class and an excellent 3rd overall.



### **Class A2 Pro** – Over 1.6 Forced Induction

Another popular class where cars up to 440bhp are doing battle. Iain Gard (above), the 2012 Champion was out in his new Celica an ex Jonny Milner Championship winning car which made an awesome pairing. Iain was on it form the word go taking the class lead and overall lead on the 1st run of the day. Iain's lead was further cemented with fastest time of the day on run 7 a stunning 89.10s. Try as he might Barry Mason chased hard all day in his newly rebuilt celica gt4, Barry's fastest was a 92.05.



Class	Pos	No	Name	Best Time	Run							
					One	Two	Three	Four	Five	Six	Seven	Eight
P Tuner	1	86	Adrian Smith	92.32	94.78	VOID	95.77	95.16	93.39	92.32	99.63	VOID
A1 - P	1	5	Christian Timms	95.64	97.93	97.53	95.80	95.94	95.64	VOID	97.13	NR
A2 - P	1	1	Iain Gard	89.10	91.13	91.64	VOID	90.63	VOID	VOID	89.10	NR
	2	17	Barry Mason	92.05	94.02	VOID	93.26	105.14	92.05	VOID	92.64	93.19
	3	15	Andy Bunney	93.33	95.02	95.83	94.57	94.28	94.13	93.33	93.85	94.38
	4	16	Nigel Levinson	93.98	97.09	97.10	95.36	98.03	95.92	93.98	94.13	94.41
	5	14	Neil Latham	97.91	98.26	97.91	119.10	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
	6	12	Paul Atkinson	98.01	104.26	103.06	101.25	102.90	101.16	100.41	98.01	VOID
A3 - P	1	31	James Crabtree	92.16	94.43	94.47	92.16	92.91	93.91	99.20	93.55	93.07
	2	32	John Crabtree	92.27	97.33	95.75	96.36	96.01	VOID	94.05	92.27	VOID
	3	21	Andrew Falkingham	94.20	98.09	96.60	95.41	95.41	94.20	109.89	NR	NR
	4	24	Jay Wood	98.29	101.49	100.40	101.26	100.75	99.61	98.86	98.29	98.47
	5	25	Andrew Haw	100.77	104.61	104.46	103.98	105.16	104.90	102.80	102.15	100.77
	6	23	Joe Tapply	106.37	108.47	109.05	109.15	107.80	109.52	109.32	108.10	106.37
A3 - S	1	33	Roger Greaves	104.72	104.72	105.53	106.75	105.33	106.37	107.62	105.31	108.06
	2	26	Avi Seebaluck	108.66	112.23	110.94	110.57	109.86	110.97	110.06	108.66	108.91
	3	34	Lee Rogerson	109.60	114.43	113.21	113.76	112.12	112.32	110.85	109.71	109.60
B - P	1	43	Barrie Newsome	98.06	108.11	101.12	VOID	101.32	98.86	98.06	98.40	98.24
	2	41	Phil Cutler	99.37	100.64	100.13	99.37	127.50	NR	NR	NR	NR
	3	42	Steve Vincent	107.03	112.92	108.93	107.03	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
B - S	1	46	Sai Seebaluck	103.56	107.75	107.07	107.87	104.82	105.55	103.56	115.37	106.05
C - P	1	53	Chris Girdler	104.38	106.33	105.09	104.82	105.51	106.11	105.15	104.68	104.38
	2	52	Ed Stracey	108.89	112.94	112.21	110.33	121.54	109.38	109.18	109.16	108.89
C-S	1	61	Paul Thomas	99.83	101.93	100.88	101.19	101.74	101.62	101.25	103.14	99.83
	2	62	Dan Quinn	101.21	106.60	102.88	102.51	103.97	103.11	101.61	101.21	101.26
D - P	1	69	Matt Hopkins	118.31	121.88	VOID	120.50	VOID	119.40	120.31	119.03	118.31
F - P	1	76	Debbie Cooper	118.50	122.28	122.72	121.50	123.40	118.50	119.40	119.20	120.12
X	1	202	Simon Warr	98.35	99.57	98.80	98.94	98.75	99.24	98.51	VOID	98.35
	2	204	Gordon Wilson	100.03	VOID	105.23	103.60	106.68	100.68	100.85	100.40	100.03
	3	205	Ben Talton	100.37	101.61	100.81	100.70	100.77	113.95	101.78	101.07	100.37
	4	209	Luke Warr	101.79	106.83	107.18	105.40	105.34	105.06	104.87	103.03	101.79
	5	207	Marc Turnbull	102.60	106.25	106.34	104.69	104.44	NR	102.67	103.01	102.60
	6	203	Peter Brown	103.79	107.38	107.40	107.05	104.47	105.20	104.77	103.79	103.98
	7	210	Gerry Hatrick	107.71	109.35	109.47	VOID	109.03	109.42	117.52	107.71	109.86
	8	206	Nick Turnbull	108.08	111.52	111.30	108.94	110.02	109.55	110.99	108.65	108.08

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**Round 1 Summary:**

A fantastic start to year, Round 1 was thoroughly enjoyed by all, organisation by Javelin was slick as ever and 2013 is looking like a very competitive year already, the answers are here, everyone knows where they are and what they have to do to win their class or even challenge for overall honours.

Congratulations to Iain Gard who took the overall honours with a fabulous drive, Iain has certainly set the bar and it's up to the others to give chase! Can they catch him?

With only 3 weeks to the next round the competitors are going to be very busy getting their cars prepared and one thing's for certain, they will all be trying their very best.

Don't miss round 2 - **Woodbridge 19th May**

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