

Culham Capers!

Club: CJSC

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The 1st Round of British Cobra Cup Challenge, Rounds 3 & 4 of GP-Pro Series & R5 & R6 Summer Championship was held at the excellent Culham circuit.

First out were the Autos in the 1st Round of the British Cobra Cup Challenge with great prizes up for grabs including a Cobra sponsorship deal for 2011. With 31 riders entered over the first two rounds of the series and six races over the weekend it was Lewis Townsend who started well with the first two wins and then Daniel Breen took over with the next four race wins to lead the championship, leaving Lewis to add two seconds a fourth and fifth for second at this stage. William Mills consistent rides all in the top six with two seconds holds third at this stage. A mention for Lewis Hall with two last race thirds to show great improvement over the weekend to hold fourth in the championship at this stage. Three other riders who placed a race third which helped their championship totals, Max Ingham (all the way from the Isle of Mann), Charlie Burt, Lee Percy the Irish lad.

The Juniors 65 class again were at it again with exciting racing throughout the field with 34 riders and 21 of these of national level. With the results of the two days counting towards trophies and then separated for Club Championship points mistakes could not be afforded. Tom Hume took the weekend honours with three race wins two seconds and a third followed by Ryan Vickers with two wins amongst his haul and Drew Warren with the other race win. Fourth were Jake Edey, fifth Nathan Harlow and sixth Max Broadbelt.

The Small Wheels saw the British Championship leader Oliver Osmaston take all six wins although Jack Seabourne was not far behind in the last encounter. It was all very close behind Oliver for the next places with runner up going to Dan Whitehead two points ahead of Will Jeonney in third. Jack Seabourne took fourth, Will Keogh fifth and Declan Whittle in sixth.

The Big Wheels saw Rob Davidson take the top spot over the weekend with four race wins and two seconds. Robert Hales took second overall with consistent racing and Lewis Holland in third. Ben Cole was fourth and Connor Clarke in fifth, who would have been better placed if he had not had a dnf and Ryan Monkton in sixth.

Emerson Jones took the first race win of the weekend and then George Clarke stepped it up with a win to follow his second in race one, three further wins and a second to take top honours over the weekend. Shaun Southgate pushed George on many occasions and left with second overall whilst the ever-improving Ashley Smith in his first season on the 125 machinery took third overall with a race win on the Saturday. Mathew Wild took fourth overall, Emmerson Jones fifth and Brody Knibbs sixth.

In the Adult Clubman class it was the Warren Field show with all six-race wins. Jason Wells and Kenneth Fuller were not far behind taking second and third respectively. Brian Carter, Craig Smith and Adam Cooper took up the remaining top six places.

It was round 3 & 4 of the GP Pro series with £6,000 prize money up for grabs in the series running together with the Adult Elite class over two 25 minutes plus 1-lap races on each day. Luke Benstead was in a class of his own as he took three race wins and second with Josh Waterman taking the race three win. Third place over the weekend was Jack Rowland then Matty White, Ben Howard and Lewis Meadows. With the best 12 scores counting from 16 three riders with bad luck over the weekend, James Lassu, Tom Crittenden and George Baldwin remain strong in the championship with the top six being, Benstead, Crittenden, Bryn Clarke, who deserves a special mention as he is on a two stroke 125, Meadows, Fytche and Justin Penty.

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Schoolboys

1st George Clarke 2nd Shaun Southgate 3rd Ashley Smith 4th Matthew Wild 5th Emmerson Jones 6th Brody Knibbs

GP-Pro

1st Luke Benstead 2nd Josh Waterman 3rd Jack Rowland 4th Matthew White 5th Ben Howard 6th Lewis Meadows

Adult Elite

1st Luke Benstead 2nd Jack Rowland 3rd Matthew White 4th Ben Howard 5th Lewis Meadows 6th Bryn Clarke

Adult Clubman

1st Warren Field 2nd Jason Wells 3rd Kenneth Fuller 4th Brian Carter 5th Craig Smith 6th Adam Cooper