1/10 IC & GT8 BRCA Nationals 2021 Round 1 Brookland



The 1st National of the 2021 season took place at the ultra fast Brookland Raceway on the 23rd and 24th May. The local club had smartened up the circuit and followed covid safety procedures.. A good entry with racers on Saturday arriving to a damp circuit. The track dried quickly allowing a few drivers some timed practice. However torrential showers soon followed with the rest of the day time spent in car preparation and catching up with one another.



Sunday morning started out dry for the practice round and first two qualifying heats . The heavens then opened with most drivers waiting while some braved the rain trying the usual damp and wet tyres.





The rain eventually cleared with the best chance of a good run all on the final round. With several current and previous national champions in attendance and performing well the final qualifying standings were as follows:



GT8 Nitro 1st Mark Green TQ

2nd. Matt Baker

3rd. Adam Southgate

200mm Touring 1st. Alex Thurston TQ

2nd Stefan Chodzynski3rd. James Connolly

220mm GT. 1st. Rob Scott

2nd. Craig Woods3rd. Byron Russell



The Colchester contingent out in force!

Finals:

B Final 220mm GT

Adrian Dew led from start to finish ,with Ian Arkell in second. Bailey and Darren Keeble dropped out. Ian Arkell held second with Darren rejoining after repairs . Ian crashed out allowing Darren to take second place.

1st Adrian Dew (Serpent) 2nd Darren Keeble (X-ray) 3rd Ian Arkell (Serpent)



B Final GT8 Nitro

A close battle between Ian and Craig with Craig taking it by 3 laps

1st Craig Fisher

2nd Ian Hartill (Serpent)
3rd Pete Yaffia (Serpent)



A Final GT8 Nitro

Dominated from start to finish by multi national champion Mark Green. A great tussle behind with Matt Baker eventually chasing down Dave Dixon to take second.

1st Mark Green (Serpent)

2nd Matt Baker 3rd Dave Dixon



A Final 200mm Touring

TQ Alex Thurston led from start to finish .A good battle for second with Stefan just coming through by 3 seconds! from James Conolly

1st Alex Thurston (Capricorn)

2nd Stefan Chodzynski

3rd. James Connolly (Capricorn)



A Final 220mm GT

TQ Rob Scott led from start to finish. A charging Craig Woods was chasing Rob down before a flame out dropped him back. The fight for third changed several times with Byron Russell reeling in Richard Boult to take the final podium place.

1st Rob Scott (Capricorn)
2nd Craig Woods (Serpent)
3rd Byron Russell (Serpent)



After a difficult year it was nice for everyone to meet up (socially distanced), and enjoy a great days racing. A great start to the 2021 season. Thanks to the Brookland Club for all their hard work.

The next National is at the highly technical Cotswold circuit in June.