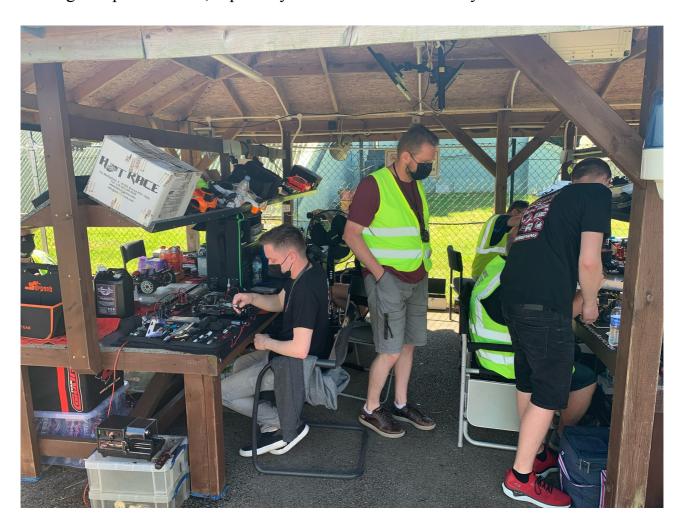


1/10 IC & GT8 BRCA Nationals 2021 Round 2 Cotswold

The 2nd British National of the 2021 season took place at the highly technical Cotswold circuit on the 19th and 20th June. An entry of 45 drivers included a a return of many familiar faces, including former National Champion Joe Kerry, who were welcomed by blazing sunshine on the Saturday.



With both open practice and timed heats there was plenty of opportunity for set up and engine tuning. The high temperatures posed the question of performance vs. preserving the power units, especially for the finals on race day.



Sunday morning was dry and warm for the usual practice round. Qualifying saw a fight for the TQ in the various classes with Alex Thurston and James Connolly in



200mm Touring, Rob Scott and Richard (Ryszard ) K. in 200mm GT and the closest between Glyn Beal and Mark Green in GT8 Nitro.

The final qualifying standings were as follows:

200mm Touring 1st. Alex Thurston TQ

2nd. Joe Kerry3rd. James Conolly

220mm GT 1st. Ryszard Kozakiewicz TQ

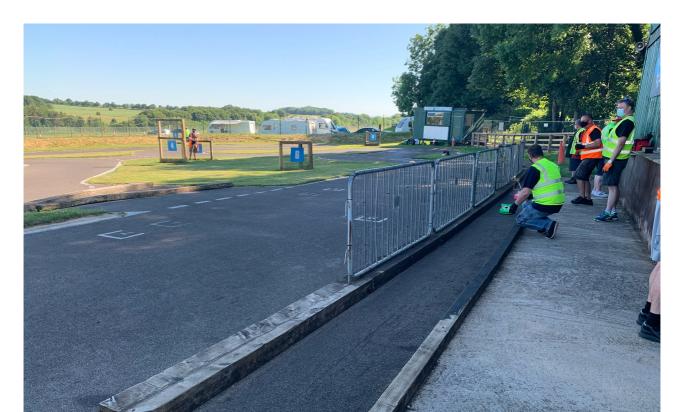
2nd. Rob Scott

3rd. Bailey Rice Draycott

GT8 Nitro. 1st. Glyn Beal TQ

2nd. Mark Green3rd. Adam Southgate







### Finals:

## **B Final 200mm Touring**



Mark Owen led off but suffered a few problems allowing Devendra Mahatme to take the lead. A close battle for second saw Frank Noel just pip Bob Harley by one lap leaving Devendra having a trouble free drive to win by seven laps.

1st Devendra Mahatme (Serpent)

2nd Frank Noel

3rd Bob Harley (X-ray)

#### B Final 220mm GT

A close battle between Ian Arkell and local driver Jerome Evans with Ian taking the win. 14 year old junior Jack Caffery took a creditable third.

1st Ian Arkell (Serpent) 2nd Jerome Evans (X-ray)

3rd Jack Caffery



### **B Final GT8 Nitro**

A very close battle between Ian Hartill and Pete Yaffia both ending on the same lap with Ian snatching the win. Paul Dewsnap completed the podium.

1st Ian Hartill (Serpent)
2nd Pete Yaffia (Serpent)
3rd Paul Dewsnap (iGT8)



# A Final 200mm Touring



Dominated from start to finish by Alex Thurston who won by 5 laps. Second qualifier Joe Kerry dropped down the field allowing James Conolly into second. Joe Kerry then charged back up through the field but just missed the podium by six seconds to Neil Wallace.

1st Alex Thurston. (Capricorn)2nd James Conolly. (Capricorn)3rd Neil Wallace. (Serpent)

### A Final 220mm GT 200mm

TQ Richard K drove a faultless race despite constant pressure from Rob Scott, winning by a lap. A special mention for junior driver Bailey Rice Draycott who took the last podium place.

1st Ryszard Kozakiewicz (Serpent)
2nd Rob Scott (Capricorn)
3rd. Bailey Rice Draycott (Serpent)



#### A Final GT8 Nitro

A close tussle between former National Champions Glyn Beal and Mark Green. Nose to toe for several laps before Glyn increased his lead with Mark having to do shorter fuel stop intervals. Glyn was pulling away when he ran out of fuel allowing Mark through with Adam Southgate into second .Glyn rejoined charging through the field to take back second before another flame out? no fuel again dropped him back. Mark took the win with Glyn charging again and on the last lap overtaking Adam on the penultimate corner before Adam did the same on the final corner holding off Glyn by eleven hundredths of a second!

1st Mark Green (Serpent)

2nd Adam Southgate

3rd Glyn Beal (iGT8)



A great weekend's racing. The next round is at Colchester in July.