

**BMCRC
Sidecar Revival
Cadwell Park**

Bemsee's annual hosting of the Sidecar Revival Festival again saw a plethora of three-wheeled action descend on Cadwell Park, and, despite the inclement weather, spectators were treated to racing from the British F1 and F2 championships and classics across multiple different series.

In addition, the club's own F1 and F2 classes were in action, while the DFDS Yamaha Past Masters provided some solo entertainment.

BMCRC F1 and F2 Sidecars

The club's F1 and F2 Sidecar Championships were in action across four races, with Nicol and Pattie taking three overall victories and, with them, three F1 wins. Unfortunately they were denied a clean sweep after retiring from race four.

Qualifying set the stage for their dominance, the pair asserting their dominance by securing the quickest overall time by over a second and a half. MacLaurin and Hope were second quickest overall, with Gilbert and Hildige third. The fastest F2 qualifier was Eastell and Eastell in sixth overall, however, after finishing race one fourth in class, a problem would see them miss the rest of the weekend.

Race one kicked off with a stunning display from Nicol and Pattie, as they proved untouchable, clinching both the F1 class victory and the overall win by nearly 10 seconds..

Wright and Bailey delivered a solid performance, securing second place overall and in the F1 class in the process. Meanwhile, MacLaurin and Hope claimed third overall, also maintaining their position in the F1 class.

In the F2 category Handcock and Bevan celebrated victory, while Russel and Cooke and Buchanan and Evans secured second and third places, respectively.

In race two, Nicol and Pattie's display of consistency once again saw them dominate to secure another overall victory, again by nearly 10 seconds. Wright and Bailey and MacLaurin and Hope replicated their positions from race one, finishing second and third overall, as well as in the F1 class.

Likewise, the F2 category witnessed a repeat winner, with Handcock and Bevan taking the top spot, while Buchanan and Evans finished third in class and and Remnant and Tilley third.

As the racing continued with race three, Nicol and Pattie continued their reign with a triumphant performance, securing their third consecutive overall win and F1 class victory. Wright and Bailey and MacLaurin and Hope also maintained their consistency, finishing second and third overall.

Handcock and Bevan once again took the honours in the F2 class, claiming another victory. They were joined on the podium by Buchanan and Evans and Saunders and Stell.

The final race took place on a dry track. MacLaurin and Hope took advantage of Nicol and Pattie's retirement on lap two - which denied them a perfect weekend - to take the win comfortably.

Wright and Bailey continued their impressive form, finishing second overall though narrowly ahead of Pearson and Dodd, who took the F2 win in third overall.

Clarke and Johnson were fourth and third in the F1 class, despite retiring from race three.

Handcock and Bevan continued their strong showing, taking second place in the F2 category in fifth overall, followed by King and Sigsworth who were third in class.

DFDS Yamaha Past Masters

The DFDS Yamaha Past Masters action-packed solo racing across the two days. With the rain on Saturday, the riders had to grapple with the wet track during qualifying and races one and two.

In qualifying, it was Doug Edmondson who showcased his mastery over the treacherous conditions, clinching pole position on his Yamaha TZR250, sponsored by Stan Stephens Tuning. His performance left the competition trailing, after setting a time over five seconds faster than anyone else.

Meanwhile, championship leader Kevin Wholey secured the third spot on the grid.

Unsurprisingly, race one saw Edmondson dominate in the wet conditions, displaying superior performance. He stormed to victory, leaving Paul Welch and championship leader Wholey to claim second and third places, respectively, as he took the win 10 seconds to the good.

As the rain persisted into race two, Wholey was determined to prove his mettle. In a thrilling battle with Edmondson, he managed to snatch the win by a mere three-tenths of a second, with Welch again on the podium in third.

With a shift in the weather on Sunday morning, the track dried up for race three. Edmondson and Wholey once again engaged in an intense battle for supremacy, but it was Edmondson that clinched a nail-biting victory, beating Wholey by less than a tenth of a second.

The final race, held on a damp track after another downpour, got underway with Edmondson sadly failing to make the start. This allowed Wholey to seize the opportunity and claim a convincing victory when the chequered flag waved for the last time. With a four-second lead, he took the win from Richard Hayward and Geoff Mook, who took second and third.