

**Strata 21 BCV8 Championship
RACE REPORT ROUND 3.
AMOC Mallory Race Meeting
22nd April 2007**

After getting up far too early to go to Mallory Park because we thought we could get a VERY late entry into the race (on arrival at the circuit!!), we turned up and found everyone still asleep. Our car didn't need to even leave the trailer as AMOC claimed we were too late to enter as it contravened the MSA insurance rules!

PRACTICE

As the cars went out to Practice John Wilson looked to be in a class of his own setting pole, 2 seconds quicker than anyone else! Joe Parrington looked impressive in Class C and Mike Harris was the man to beat in Class B as he set a blistering Class B pole. Bob Luff had Class AB all to himself and Ken Deamer held Class A pole from Rob Muir. Sadly, after a 5 hour drive to get to Mallory Park, Peter Collis had serious vibration problems after just 7 practice laps which were traced to a damaged prop shaft and he was left with no option but to withdraw from the race.

THE RACE

D Class

As the lights changed John Wilson stormed away, he always looked comfortable for a win but Brian Halford drove very well to try and keep him honest throughout the race, one mistake from Wilson and Halford would have been in for a chance. However there was no mistake and John Wilson brought his car home for the win, Brian in 2nd, and Paul Sibley driving well to finish 3rd.

C Class

Joe Parrington drove a great race leading from lights to flag, Paul White certainly kept him under immense pressure for the first half of the race, and Paul Sibley and Joe Parrington touched at one point coming down the straight, my heart went into my mouth!! Piers Townsend finished in 3rd and the C class times were all very close.

B Class

Mike Harris looked set for the win with his fantastic qualifying performance. But as the lights changed Mike started well but when he went for second gear it wasn't there! He had to settle for 3rd and watch the B class go past him. Tom Jones got the best start from 3rd place and found himself leading by the first corner with a very quick Peter Samuels behind him. Ian Prior in 3rd and as the race went on a battle at the front continued. Peter Samuels trying everything in his power to stick on the back of Jones's car and challenge for a pass. But Tom Jones defended extremely well and added another B class win to his belt. Peter Samuels finished in 2nd, and in a very close 2nd I may add. Mike Harris fought his way back to 3rd. Ian Prior 4th. Mike Breedon drove well also having a monster slide and just managed to keep it out of the wall around Gerrard's. Kevin Swann, Howard Grundon and Paul Atkinson rounded up the B class field.

AB Class

Bob Luff drove a great race; he had his FIA car sliding round the long sweeping Gerrard's Bend in a stunning way!!

A CLASS

Ken Deamer drove extremely well leading from lights to the flag. Again Rob Muir kept him under pressure for the first few laps but with much less grip he couldn't stick with Ken. Rob still finished in a very comfortable 2nd. Terry Savory and Brian Smethurst had a good battle, Savory claiming victory and the final place on the podium for A class by the end. Brian Smethurst finished in 4th.

Congratulations to:

John Wilson for race and Class D win.

Joe Parrington for his Class C win

Tom Jones for his Class B win

Bob Luff for his Class AB win

Ken Deamer for his Class A win.

JAMES WHEELER

See MST Timings for Practice and Race results under Results