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The TW Steel Dmax 2015 Enduro Championships

Round Two – Daytona Sandown Park - GP Circuit – 15TH MARCH 2015

Heavy

Qualifying

Wet and greasy conditions greeted the heavy drivers as they took the new TW Steel DMAX karts onto the circuit for the qualifying session. David Vincent and Jamie Pender were the early pace setters with Vincent provisionally topping the timesheet. Gareth Holt soon joined them, demoting Vincent with a 1:01.913 to head Vincent by 0.265 seconds with Pender a further 0.277 seconds behind. These three continued to swap fastest lap times in their bid for pole position as they began to find the grip on the circuit. Chris Carter made it a four way fight with 5 minutes remaining as he jumped up to 2nd, only to be dropped by Holt and Andrew Haine. Times continued to tumble with each passing lap as the session approached its end. Carter claimed pole position heading Rob Bennett by 0.287 seconds. Vincent and Haine made up the second row with Holt and Gary Mills behind them.

pos	competitor	best time	In lap	best speed	diff	gap	laps
1	Chris Carter	59.93	11	54.063 km/h			11
2	Rob Bennett	01:00.2	14	53.805 km/h	0.287	0.287	14
3	David Vincent	01:00.5	13	53.586 km/h	0.533	0.246	14
4	Andrew Haine	01:00.7	12	53.406 km/h	0.737	0.204	14
5	Gareth Holt	01:00.7	12	53.367 km/h	0.782	0.045	14
6	Gary Mills	01:00.9	12	53.225 km/h	0.944	0.162	14
7	Jamie Pender	01:01.0	12	53.118 km/h	1.066	0.122	14
8	Vinod Hirani	01:01.0	13	53.117 km/h	1.067	0.001	14
9	James Griffith	01:01.1	10	53.032 km/h	1.165	0.098	14
10	Malcolm Clark	01:01.4	12	52.811 km/h	1.421	0.256	14
11	Daljeet Bahia	01:01.5	14	52.722 km/h	1.525	0.104	14
12	Michael McKeegan	01:01.6	14	52.624 km/h	1.639	0.114	14
13	Vince Cogzell	01:01.7	8	52.492 km/h	1.794	0.155	14
14	Chris Munro	01:02.0	13	52.285 km/h	2.038	0.244	14
15	Adrian Wisniewski	01:02.0	12	52.25 km/h	2.08	0.042	13
16	Andrew Sirkett	01:02.1	10	52.137 km/h	2.214	0.134	14
17	Lee Witney	01:02.6	13	51.788 km/h	2.633	0.419	13
18	Tomasz Zaustowicz	01:02.6	13	51.761 km/h	2.665	0.032	13
19	Andy Parish	01:03.8	11	50.821 km/h	3.823	1.158	13
20	Gary Martin	01:04.0	14	50.658 km/h	4.028	0.205	14
21	Andy Archer	01:05.3	12	49.642 km/h	5.337	1.309	12
22	Alasdair Collins	01:07.6	12	47.935 km/h	7.661	2.324	13
23	Douglas Hunter	01:09.7	10	46.481 km/h	9.776	2.115	11



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Race

Chris Carter and Rob Bennett led the field around to the start finish line with the lights flashing to green to signal the start. Andrew Haine got off well from the second row as Carter was nearly swamped into turn 1. Bennett emerged ahead with Haine following him through. Haine then followed Bennett for a lap before taking the lead through Vale on lap 2 with Carter taking Bennett for 2nd a few corners later. Carter then set after Haine, quickly closing up to him and regaining the lead on lap 4. Carter was using some extreme wet lines to good effect as he then began to pull away from Haine, Bennett and David Vincent. Vincent had settled in after 10 minutes and was beginning to close down Bennett in front of him in the fight for 3rd with a pass on him on lap 13 moving him up into 3rd place. Gary Mills picked up a black flag for an unfortunate coming together with another driver at the exit of turn 1, dropping him down the order.

With the first quarter of the race done, Carter had extended his lead to 6.7 seconds over Haine with the fight for 3rd being hotly contested between Vincent, Bennett and now Jamie Pender with Pender briefly getting ahead of Bennett only to have the position taken back from him as Bennett out-dragged him out of the final corner. James Griffith popped in a new fastest lap in 8th place with a 56.768 as he chased after Malcolm Clark and got away from Chris Munro. A dry line was beginning to appear with times becoming ever quicker and the fight for 3rd between Vincent, Bennett and Pender becoming more intense as they continued to swap positions with each other. Their persistent fighting allowed Holt and Griffith to join them with Griffith getting ahead of Holt as they got caught up in traffic through the final three corners. Vincent used this time to try and make a break for it, leaving the group behind as Griffith continued to make gains, passing Pender and getting onto the back of Bennett. Griffith had found a groove through the last corners allowing him to get a good exit out of the final corner and a run on other drivers into Vale with the drying line becoming more and more visible.

After two thirds of the race gone, Carter was out front on his own with an advantage of 7 seconds over Haine in 2nd. Griffith had worked his way into 3rd and was a further 16 seconds behind with Bennett just a few kart lengths behind him and with Vincent not far behind either. Holt, Munro and Pender were continuing the fight that the three ahead of them had managed to escape as they tussled for 6th. Griffith had undone all of his hard work as he spun under braking for turn 4, allowing Bennett and Vincent to slip past into 3rd and 4th respectively with Griffith re-joining the race in 5th. Mills and Adrian Wisniewski had a coming together at the final corner as Mills ran wide onto the slippery part of the circuit with the kart then gripping up and sending him into Wisniewski who hit the tyre wall at the start/finish line. Mills picked up a second black flag for the incident, dropping him down to 16th.

With 10 minutes of the race remaining, Carter was still out front, but Haine had considerably closed the gap as it was now down to 2.5 seconds with Bennett in 3rd putting in some fastest laps in 3rd to gain on the pair in front of him – the gap to Haine, 12 seconds. Haine took the lead from Carter at the final corner as Haine hooked up the final corner to get a good run as the pair caught a back-marker. Haine got his head down to try and eke out a gap and pulled away to the chequered flag, taking it from Carter by 3.309 seconds with Bennett completing the podium and Vincent and Griffith rounding out the top 5.



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pos	competitor	laps	diff	best time	best lap	best speed
1	Andrew Haine	67		46.77	66	69.275 km/h
2	Chris Carter	67	3.309	46.951	65	69.008 km/h
3	Rob Bennett	67	18.79	46.787	64	69.25 km/h
4	David Vincent	67	19.707	47.057	65	68.853 km/h
5	James Griffith	67	20.889	46.546	64	69.609 km/h
6	Jamie Pender	67	37.445	47.092	67	68.801 km/h
7	Gareth Holt	67	37.843	47.121	65	68.759 km/h
8	Vinod Hirani	66	1 lap	47.715	65	67.903 km/h
9	Vince Cogzell	66	1 lap	47.97	58	67.542 km/h
10	Malcolm Clark	66	1 lap	47.865	62	67.69 km/h
11	Tomasz Zaustowicz	66	1 lap	47.096	63	68.796 km/h
12	Michael McKeegan	66	1 lap	47.335	60	68.448 km/h
13	Adrian Wisniewski	65	2 laps	47.377	65	68.388 km/h
14	Daljeet Bahia	65	2 laps	47.456	62	68.274 km/h
15	Andrew Sirkett	65	2 laps	47.995	62	67.507 km/h
16	Gary Mills	65	2 laps	47.238	59	68.589 km/h
17	Gary Martin	65	2 laps	47.602	65	68.064 km/h
18	Lee Witney	64	3 laps	47.276	62	68.534 km/h
19	Andy Parish	64	3 laps	47.681	63	67.952 km/h
20	Andy Archer	63	4 laps	48.525	63	66.77 km/h
21	Alasdair Collins	61	6 laps	50.039	61	64.749 km/h
22	Douglas Hunter	55	12 laps	58.675	52	55.219 km/h
23	Chris Munro	49	18 laps	50.907	48	63.645 km/h



Rob Bennett

Andrew Haine

Chris Carter



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Inters

Qualifying

Oliver Peacock was the early pacesetter on a drying track with Bobby Trundley at the top of the timesheet with him. Trundley's 46.272 put him ahead of Peacock for provisional pole as James Perry, Joseph Ellis, Andrew Knapp, Andrew Tempest and Anthony Kirk all within 0.178 seconds behind Trundley's time with 5 minutes of qualifying remaining. Ellis found a little extra to pop in a 46.006 to put him into provisional pole with 1 second covering the top 17 drivers. Trundley claimed pole with a 45.785 as the rain began to fall once again, edging out Joe Holmes by 0.034 seconds. Ben Chapman took 3rd ahead of Peacock, Ellis and Kirk with the first three rows of the grid covered by 0.301 seconds.

pos	competitor	best time	In lap	best speed	diff	gap	laps
1	Bobby Trundley	45.785	11	70.766 km/h			14
2	Joe Holmes	45.819	16	70.713 km/h	0.034	0.034	16
3	Ben Chapman	45.989	15	70.452 km/h	0.204	0.17	18
4	Oliver Peacock	45.994	13	70.444 km/h	0.209	0.005	17
5	Joseph Ellis	46.006	13	70.426 km/h	0.221	0.012	19
6	Anthony Kirk	46.086	12	70.303 km/h	0.301	0.08	18
7	Tim McKeegan	46.171	17	70.174 km/h	0.386	0.085	19
8	Stuart Foster	46.176	16	70.166 km/h	0.391	0.005	19
9	Adam Nakar	46.185	14	70.153 km/h	0.4	0.009	19
10	Andrew Tempest	46.197	16	70.134 km/h	0.412	0.012	19
11	James Perry	46.21	16	70.115 km/h	0.425	0.013	18
12	Ronan McClintock	46.229	15	70.086 km/h	0.444	0.019	18
13	Andrew Knapp	46.263	17	70.034 km/h	0.478	0.034	18
14	Bruno Botelho	46.266	16	70.03 km/h	0.481	0.003	19
15	Ben Oliver	46.612	15	69.51 km/h	0.827	0.346	19
16	Matthew Conroy	46.656	15	69.444 km/h	0.871	0.044	19
17	Stuart Shearman	46.661	16	69.437 km/h	0.876	0.005	19
18	Sam Harris	46.81	13	69.216 km/h	1.025	0.149	18
19	Luke Charman	46.865	16	69.135 km/h	1.08	0.055	19
20	Simon Gibson	46.901	15	69.082 km/h	1.116	0.036	18
21	Michael Coppin	47.021	13	68.905 km/h	1.236	0.12	18
22	Seb Cook	47.118	14	68.764 km/h	1.333	0.097	17
23	Andrew Grove	47.13	12	68.746 km/h	1.345	0.012	19
24	Robert Purtak	47.139	12	68.733 km/h	1.354	0.009	18
25	Chris Baister	47.866	12	67.689 km/h	2.081	0.727	18
26	Matt Bickerton	48.28	17	67.109 km/h	2.495	0.414	18
27	Blaze Sienko	48.555	14	66.728 km/h	2.77	0.275	18

Race

Bobby Trundley and Joe Holmes brought the field around the final corner to the start/finish line at a snail's pace with Trundley and Holmes neck and neck as the lights switched to green with nothing between them as



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they shot down to Vale. As Holmes and Trundley emerged from behind the bank, Holmes was up the inside and through at turn 2. The pair quickly broke away from the chasing pack as the entire field had a close couple of opening laps with Joe Ellis taking up 3rd ahead of Anthony Kirk and Tim McKeegan as the two at the front edged away. Trundley was not going to allow Holmes to get away as he got back onto Holmes' rear bumper and began to put him under pressure for the lead. Trundley followed in Holme's wheel tracks for 2 laps before setting himself up for a run out of the final corner and a move for the lead into Vale which Trundley made stick.

Trundley had proceeded to pull a gap over Holmes in the opening 15 minutes, but as they began to make their way through heavy traffic, Holmes closed the gap back up to 1.4 seconds with Ellis behind them also beginning to close the gap. Holmes saw his chance and took it as Trundley got caught up at turn 5 to retake the lead after 20 minutes of racing with Ellis getting onto Trundley's rear bumper as a result. Holmes got his head down to put in a new fastest lap and began to open up a lead as Ellis added to Trundley's misery having passed him for 2nd. The field soon proceeded to spread themselves out with the closest fight on track being the one for 8th between Tim McKeegan and James Perry as Perry followed tucked under McKeegan's exhaust. Ben Oliver, Ben Chapman and Andrew Tempest were having an equally close fight in their battle for 12th with Chapman getting the upper hand on lap 39 to head the trio.

With a third of the race remaining, Holmes had extended his lead to 7 seconds over Ellis with Trundley still running in 3rd just a second behind him. Andrew Knapp was running in a lonely 4th as he was 9 seconds behind those ahead and 3 seconds ahead of Kirk in 5th. Trundley was closing the gap to Ellis to get onto his rear bumper with his head ducking down behind the wheel in an attempt to extract any extra mph out of the kart. Trundley's efforts were rewarded as Ellis out-braked himself into turn 4, handing the position, and a few kart lengths, back to Trundley. Ellis stayed on Trundley's rear bumper, following in his wheel tracks, looking for moves where he could as the race entered its final 10 minutes.

With Holmes comfortably out front, all eyes were on the fight for 2nd as Ellis got a run into Vale and lined himself up for turn two. Trundley held on around the outside to give him the inside for turn 3, but Ellis got the run and regained the position as they hit traffic once again. Ellis was getting through the back-markers more efficiently to pull a small lead over Trundley as the chequered flag was readied. Holmes took the win, beating Ellis by 7.335 seconds with Trundley completing the podium a further 2.399 seconds behind and Knapp and Kirk rounding out the top 5.

pos	competitor	laps	diff	best time	best lap	best speed
1	Joe Holmes	78		45.341	44	71.459 km/h
2	Joseph Ellis	78	7.335	45.355	66	71.436 km/h
3	Bobby Trundley	78	9.734	45.521	53	71.176 km/h
4	Andrew Knapp	78	18.532	45.37	58	71.413 km/h
5	Anthony Kirk	78	23.001	45.504	70	71.203 km/h
6	Oliver Peacock	78	29.087	45.502	34	71.206 km/h
7	Tim McKeegan	78	42.652	45.715	57	70.874 km/h
8	Adam Nakar	77	1 lap	45.82	73	70.711 km/h
9	James Perry	77	1 lap	45.714	72	70.875 km/h
10	Ben Chapman	77	1 lap	45.773	56	70.784 km/h



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11	Stuart Foster	77	1 lap	45.936	58	70.533 km/h
12	Ben Oliver	77	1 lap	45.974	43	70.475 km/h
13	Andrew Tempest	77	1 lap	45.729	51	70.852 km/h
14	Matthew Conroy	77	1 lap	46.059	64	70.345 km/h
15	Ronan McClintock	77	1 lap	45.901	54	70.587 km/h
16	Simon Gibson	77	1 lap	46.053	75	70.354 km/h
17	Sam Harris	76	2 laps	46.157	75	70.195 km/h
18	Bruno Botelho	76	2 laps	45.983	73	70.461 km/h
19	Andrew Grove	76	2 laps	46.028	67	70.392 km/h
20	Michael Coppin	76	2 laps	46.421	49	69.796 km/h
21	Luke Charman	76	2 laps	46.448	45	69.755 km/h
22	Seb Cook	76	2 laps	46.249	53	70.056 km/h
23	Stuart Shearman	76	2 laps	46.082	66	70.309 km/h
24	Chris Baister	75	3 laps	46.4	58	69.828 km/h
25	Matt Bickerton	74	4 laps	47.193	59	68.654 km/h
26	Blaze Sienko	73	5 laps	46.572	72	69.57 km/h
27	Robert Purtak	72	6 laps	46.321	51	69.947 km/h



Bobby Trundley

Joe Holmes

Joseph Ellis



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Light

Qualifying

With the track proving slippery despite its dry appearance, the first few laps were plagued by drivers putting their karts into spins. Once everyone had settled down, it was Tom Sibley that was setting the early pace. A full course yellow was brought into place as rain began to fall and drivers began to be caught out once more. With the greens waving to signal the restart, the drivers cautiously made their way around the circuit with times unlikely to improve it appeared as though Sibley would be on pole ahead of Chris Hackworth, Kamran Moussa-Zadeh and Tom Golding as times were 15 seconds slower on average. The session ended in the rain meaning the earlier times would stand giving Sibley pole from Hackworth, Moussa-Zadeh, Golding and Cameron Noble.

pos	competitor	best time	In lap	best speed	diff	gap	laps
1	Tom Sibley	46.013	6	70.415 km/h			15
2	Chris Hackworth	46.419	6	69.799 km/h	0.406	0.406	16
	Kamran Moussa-Zadeh						
3	Zadeh	46.633	6	69.479 km/h	0.62	0.214	15
4	Tom Golding	46.669	6	69.425 km/h	0.656	0.036	15
5	Cameron Noble	46.727	5	69.339 km/h	0.714	0.058	15
6	Joseph Conroy	46.822	5	69.198 km/h	0.809	0.095	15
7	Dom Whiting	46.845	6	69.164 km/h	0.832	0.023	15
8	Jake Butler	46.909	6	69.07 km/h	0.896	0.064	15
9	James Wickham	46.994	6	68.945 km/h	0.981	0.085	16
10	Sam Bennett	47.125	4	68.753 km/h	1.112	0.131	14
11	Alexandru Damian	47.438	6	68.3 km/h	1.425	0.313	15
12	Mez Evans	47.442	5	68.294 km/h	1.429	0.004	15
13	Tom Clark	47.635	6	68.017 km/h	1.622	0.193	15
14	Peterson Lim	47.741	5	67.866 km/h	1.728	0.106	14
15	Ben Leslie	47.763	6	67.835 km/h	1.75	0.022	16
16	David Glover	48.141	4	67.302 km/h	2.128	0.378	14
17	Nikolay Angelov	48.385	5	66.963 km/h	2.372	0.244	14
18	Martin Chuter	48.708	5	66.519 km/h	2.695	0.323	13
19	Andrea Savagni	48.878	6	66.287 km/h	2.865	0.17	14
20	Michael Headington	49.285	5	65.74 km/h	3.272	0.407	15
21	Jacob Davies	49.481	5	65.48 km/h	3.468	0.196	14
22	Robert Gamble	49.92	6	64.904 km/h	3.907	0.439	14
23	Andrew Pettitt	52.099	5	62.189 km/h	6.086	2.179	14
24	Said Ali	53.432	4	60.638 km/h	7.419	1.333	11
25	Tanzi Besant	53.767	5	60.26 km/h	7.754	0.335	14
26	William Thomas	53.978	5	60.024 km/h	7.965	0.211	15
27	Richard Clegg	54.06	6	59.933 km/h	8.047	0.082	14
28	Nigel Foot	01:00.5	5	53.579 km/h	14.459	6.412	12



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Race

Tom Sibley made pole count as he led the field at the start with Cameron Noble quickly climbing up to 2nd. Joe Conroy moved into 3rd but was deemed to have done so through contact at the start into turn 1 and was black flagged as a result. Noble passed Sibley for the lead on lap 2 with Tom Golding following him a lap later to take 2nd from Sibley. The rain began to fall once more as Golding passed Noble for the lead at turn 2 but the big mover was Dom Whiting as he made quick progress from 7th on the grid to be sat in 3rd by lap 4. Ben Leslie had to pull his kart in having bent the sprocket through excessive use of the kerbs, scuppering any hopes he had of a top result.

After 10 minutes of racing, the rain ceased with the faint squeal of tyres signalling the return of a drying line. Golding was trying to build a lead over Sibley behind him with traffic soon beginning to play a part. Dom Whiting took advantage of this to move himself into 2nd and set after Golding ahead of him. Chris Hackworth was running in 4th, just a second behind Sibley as Sibley set a new fastest lap of the race on lap 19.

Golding had put his foot down and pulled out a decent gap of 15 seconds as the race approached the half way stage with Whiting being chased by Sibley in the fight for 2nd with Hackworth just 2.9 seconds behind in 4th. Tanzi Besant picked up a black flag for speeding under yellows at the far end of the circuit with the timing screen confirming it, dropping her down the order. Sibley was all over Whiting's rear bumper as the rain again started to fall. Sibley slipped past Whiting at turn 5 and had the move done, but out-braked himself on the slippery surface, allowing Whiting to dive back underneath him and regain the position as Hackworth closed in. Daytona Sandown Park regular, Jake Butler, was sitting in 6th on his own as he was 3 seconds clear of Mez Evans and 15 seconds adrift of Noble and was looking good for a respectable finish but out front, Golding was continuing to put distance between himself and Whiting as he enjoyed the wet conditions and a 21 second lead with 20 minutes remaining.

As the race approached the finish, Hackworth had caught and passed Sibley for the final podium spot with Golding gradually being reeled in by Whiting whose lead was down to 12 seconds with 5 minutes remaining. A small spin on entry to the final corner put any chance of catching him to an end with the chequered flag greeting him a couple of laps later. Golding won ahead of Whiting, Hackworth, Sibley and Noble.

pos	competitor	laps	diff	best time	best lap	best speed
1	Tom Golding	69		45.958	26	70.499 km/h
2	Dom Whiting	69	15.254	45.81	26	70.727 km/h
3	Chris Hackworth	69	19.577	46.079	25	70.314 km/h
4	Tom Sibley	69	37.621	45.657	26	70.964 km/h
5	Cameron Noble	69	37.648	45.934	25	70.536 km/h
6	Jake Butler	68	1 lap	45.99	25	70.45 km/h
7	Tom Clark	68	1 lap	46.442	25	69.764 km/h
8	Joseph Conroy	68	1 lap	47.016	21	68.913 km/h
	Kamran Moussa-					
9	Zadeh	67	2 laps	46.138	25	70.224 km/h
10	William Thomas	67	2 laps	45.966	22	70.487 km/h
11	Mez Evans	67	2 laps	45.809	22	70.728 km/h
12	Alexandru Damian	67	2 laps	46.725	20	69.342 km/h



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13	James Wickham	67	2 laps	46.884	22	69.107 km/h
14	Michael Headington	67	2 laps	47.34	25	68.441 km/h
15	Sam Bennett	67	2 laps	46.315	21	69.956 km/h
16	Ben Leslie	67	2 laps	46.171	23	70.174 km/h
17	Martin Chuter	66	3 laps	46.564	22	69.582 km/h
18	Jacob Davies	66	3 laps	46.1	25	70.282 km/h
19	David Glover	66	3 laps	46.827	21	69.191 km/h
20	Robert Gamble	66	3 laps	48.4	22	66.942 km/h
21	Said Ali	65	4 laps	47.359	22	68.414 km/h
22	Nikolay Angelov	65	4 laps	47.295	24	68.506 km/h
23	Andrew Pettitt	64	5 laps	49.331	22	65.679 km/h
24	Richard Clegg	64	5 laps	47.396	24	68.36 km/h
25	Tanzi Besant	64	5 laps	48.341	23	67.024 km/h
26	Andrea Savagni	63	6 laps	48.139	20	67.305 km/h
27	Nigel Foot	58	11 laps	55.304	21	58.585 km/h
28	Peterson Lim					0 km/h



Chris Hackworth

Tom Golding

Dom Whiting

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