



Daytona DMAX Heats Champs 2017 Round 5 – Shenington

Heavy Heat 1

Blaze Sienko and Zaustowicz led the pack away for the first heat of the day, with Zaustowicz shooting into the lead on the first lap. He pulled out an advantage straight away, with Sienko comfortably in 2nd. Behind him, Chris Munro led a gaggle of karts behind that. Almou and Vergara both then passed Munro on lap 4.

Paul Manton made a couple of great passes to move up to 5th with a host of drivers trying to edge him out for the same position.

At the front, Zaustowicz ran away with it, taking a comfortable victory from Vergara who made his way passed Sienko with just a couple of laps left.

Pos	Competitor	Laps	Diff	Best time	Best lap
1	Tomek Zaustowicz	10	0	51.269	3
2	Eli Vergara	10	4.222	51.231	9
3	Blaze Sienko	10	8.131	51.84	6
4	Paul Manton	10	9.875	51.852	10
5	Malcolm Clark	10	10.344	51.672	10
6	Andy Mitchell	10	11.574	51.732	10
7	Rob Bennett	10	12.84	51.749	7
8	Chris Munro - SH	10	13.054	52.109	7
9	Robert Purtak	10	13.348	51.811	6
10	Alex Pritchard	10	13.405	51.992	7
11	Tarik Almou	10	16.543	51.389	7
12	Lee Witney	10	17.756	52.254	3
13	Richard Newton - SH	10	18.056	52.211	10
14	Vinod Hirani - SH	10	19.118	52.75	7
15	Ben Benneyworth	10	26.086	52.432	9
16	Will Blackshaw	10	34.645	53.783	4
17	Ben Moody - SH	10	42.163	53.717	5

Light Heat 1

Kameron Khan and Kurt Fawdry led the grid into turn 1, with O'Shaughnessy directly behind on the second row. Fawdry dropped back on the first lap as Slijepcevic, O'Shaughnessy, Khan and Thomas broke away from the rest of the grid. Slijepcevic did fantastically to pull out a slight gap on the karts behind him as Thomas made a move for 3rd place. Khan was quick enough to stay ahead of the chasing pack but didn't quite seem to have the pace of the top 3.

With just over a minute remaining, Thomas made a move up the inside of the first corner on O'Shaughnessy to claim 2nd. Slijepcevic came home for the win, with Thomas holding on to pip O'Shaughnessy to 2nd.

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Pos	Competitor	Laps	Diff	Best time	Best lap
1	Axel Slijepcevic	10	0	50.031	4
2	William Thomas	10	0.447	49.803	10
3	Max O'Shaughnessy	10	1.237	50.052	4
4	Kameron Khan	10	3.724	50.424	9
5	Zack Swannell	10	7.081	50.316	4
6	Joshua Craft	10	7.389	50.325	10
7	Graeme Cobb	10	7.793	50.387	10
8	Sam Lovelace	10	9.775	50.135	7
9	Cameron Noble	10	10.006	50.711	7
10	Matthew Bees	10	10.111	50.238	8
11	Ollie Ursell	10	11.847	50.696	6
12	Dante Dhillon	10	11.85	50.382	7
13	Kurt Fawdry	10	12.236	50.622	10
14	Ben Leslie	10	13.731	50.457	10
15	Charlotte Manton	10	14.724	50.82	10
16	Andrew Hunt	10	19.617	51.251	10
17	Tyler Parslow	10	22.21	51.133	8
18	James Richardson	10	22.943	51.474	8
19	Anatolij Dulko	10	23.933	52.038	8
20	Mark Martin	10	31.684	51.953	10
21	Sheridan Shepherd	10	31.92	51.473	9

Inter Heat 1

George Hucknall and Jordan Taylor made up the front row and led the field into turn 1 but it was the midfield which saw the early action. Chris Hackworth received a black flag for an advantage by contact at turn 9 as Hucknall and Taylor did well to solidify their positions at the front of the pack. Andy Kennington seemed to be helping the top pair by holding back the rest of the chasing pack from 3rd. He then however began to pull away himself, pumping in a fastest lap in the process.

The top 3 had done enough with the main pack having no response to their pace. Hucknall took the win, with Taylor and Kennington behind.

Pos	Competitor	Laps	Diff	Best time	Best lap
1	George Hucknall	10	0	50.908	10
2	Jordan Taylor	10	0.542	51.001	7
3	Andy Kennington	10	2.566	50.904	5
4	Bobby Trundle	10	5.044	51.095	8
5	Mike Coppin	10	5.478	50.822	10
6	Xander Mahony	10	5.569	50.71	10
7	Richard Lacey	10	7.42	50.929	10
8	Joe Ellis	10	7.878	50.941	10
9	Curtis Mitchell	10	7.992	50.47	10
10	Philip Senior	10	9.235	51.193	10
11	David Stephen	10	9.497	51.2	5
12	Chris Alcock	10	10.57	51.364	2

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13	Allan Curtis	10	13.717	51.496	10
14	Lee Carey	10	13.915	51.387	7
15	Joe Phillips	10	14.797	51.182	10
16	Tom Eastwood	10	15.894	52.124	10
17	Andre Careless	10	16.098	51.594	8
18	James Browning	10	16.496	51.388	10
19	Chris Kirk	10	16.722	51.274	8
20	Chris Hackworth	9	0	50.619	9

Heavy Heat 2

Second time around, it was Hirani and Pritchard who led into turn 1. Pritchard almost instantly got through and was followed by Vergara and Clark. The trio seemed to be pulling away until Zaustowicz cleared the traffic and made a move for the front.

Pritchard began to drop back as Zaustowicz moved through to the front. Clark moved up to 2nd just ahead of Vergara only for Pritchard to fight back through into the top 3. Vergara couldn't respond in time as Zaustowicz claimed the win, with Clark and Pritchard behind.

Pos	Competitor	Laps	Diff	Best time	Best lap
1	Tomek Zaustowicz	10	0	50.767	8
2	Malcolm Clark	10	0.798	50.877	7
3	Alex Pritchard	10	1.274	50.891	8
4	Eli Vergara	10	3.173	51.301	7
5	Rob Bennett	10	9.538	51.418	8
6	Tarik Almou	10	10.001	51.207	8
7	Paul Manton	10	10.523	51.269	10
8	Ben Benneyworth	10	13.355	51.966	6
9	Vinod Hirani - SH	10	14.474	52.143	8
10	Blaze Sienko	10	14.555	51.449	7
11	Richard Newton - SH	10	14.778	51.883	8
12	Lee Witney	10	16.28	52.012	9
13	Chris Munro - SH	10	19.159	52.393	5
14	Robert Purtak	10	23.905	52.063	8
15	Andy Mitchell	10	24.139	51.095	8
16	Will Blackshaw	10	24.465	52.031	2
17	Ben Moody	10	29.491	53.152	5

Light Heat 2

Mark Martin got a terrible start from pole which meant that Zack Swannell headed into turn 1 first. Thomas and Noble were the first to chase down Swannell in the lead. Dhillon and Slijepcevic began to form a chasing pack to hunt down the leaders until Thomas inexplicably pulled into the pits to change karts. This left the road clear ahead but Swannell had done

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enough in the early laps to secure a fairly comfortable victory. Noble came home in 2nd with Dhillon doing a great job of holding off Slijepcevic for 3rd.

Pos	Competitor	Laps	Diff	Best time	Best lap
1	Zack Swannell	10	0	50.278	8
2	Cameron Noble	10	0.176	49.929	7
3	Dante Dhillon	10	0.663	50.058	9
4	Axel Slijepcevic	10	0.759	49.943	6
5	Kameron Khan	10	2.236	49.584	9
6	Sam Lovelace	10	3.941	50.351	9
7	Charlotte Manton	10	9.437	50.78	9
8	Joshua Craft	10	10.782	50.674	9
9	Mark Martin	10	11.035	50.839	9
10	Graeme Cobb	10	11.832	50.561	5
11	Ben Leslie	10	12.226	51.234	9
12	Anatolij Dulko	10	12.761	50.731	6
13	Andrew Hunt	10	12.987	50.342	9
14	Tyler Parslow	10	13.155	50.851	7
15	Kurt Fawdry	10	13.42	50.692	9
16	Matthew Bees	10	14.957	51.137	9
17	Ollie Ursell	10	18.849	51.714	4
18	Sheridan Shepherd	10	23.376	51.931	10
19	James Richardson	10	42.668	51.097	5
20	William Thomas	9	0	50.713	9
21	Max O'Shaughnessy	-	0	0	-

Inter Heat 2

Chris Kirk was on pole in his first DMAX round and led the drivers into turn 1 but was quickly swallowed up by the field. Trundley quickly made his way to the front of the pack with Allan Curtis and David Stephen for company. Joe Ellis was trying to make a move for the top 3 but didn't quite have the pace to really threaten those in front from 4th. That was until it all went wrong for him as his kart misfired on circuit before he pulled off to halt it at the side of the track – an unfortunate end to what was otherwise a promising heat for him.

Regardless, Trundley was the deserved winner, with Curtis and Stephen coming home in 2nd and 3rd.

Pos	Competitor	Laps	Diff	Best time	Best lap
1	Bobby Trundley	10	0	50.651	9
2	Allan Curtis	10	0.559	50.619	10
3	David Stephen	10	0.886	50.629	10
4	Jordan Taylor	10	2.396	50.664	9
5	Richard Lacey	10	2.472	50.438	10
6	Philip Senior	10	4.862	50.957	6
7	Xander Mahony	10	5.657	50.752	8
8	Andy Kennington	10	6.442	50.921	6

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9	George Hucknall	10	8.401	50.829	10
10	Mike Coppin	10	9.566	51.097	9
11	Joe Phillips	10	9.6	51.155	7
12	Andre Careless	10	9.933	51.183	9
13	Chris Alcock	10	10.153	51.28	2
14	Chris Hackworth	10	10.174	50.906	10
15	Curtis Mitchell	10	11.015	51.21	10
16	Chris Kirk	10	11.835	51.272	9
17	James Browning	10	12.048	51.191	9
18	Tom Eastwood	10	17.304	51.225	6
19	Lee Carey	10	22.53	52.067	6
20	Joe Ellis	6	0	50.811	6

Heavy Heat 3

Paul Manton and Ben Benneyworth made up the front row for the final Heavy Heat and Manton got away extremely well only for Almou to come from the second row to the lead by the end of the lap. Bennett was trying absolutely everything possible to make up positions early, making a couple of risky moves which seemed to pay off, as he made it up to 4th. Benneyworth found himself off the circuit following contact with Lee Witney. The resulting yellows forced the field to bunch together with Zaustowicz hot on Bennett's heels in 5th. But it was Almou and Clark who still led the way with only a couple of laps remaining. Almou then lost out, being overtaken by Clark, Zaustowicz and Bennett. On the penultimate lap, Zaustowicz wrestled the lead from Clark who then held off Bennett for 2nd.

Pos	Competitor	Laps	Diff	Best time	Best lap
1	Tomek Zaustowicz	9	0	50.809	9
2	Malcolm Clark	9	0.782	51.301	9
3	Rob Bennett	9	1.861	51.153	9
4	Paul Manton	9	2.62	51.387	7
5	Tarik Almou	9	2.959	51.637	5
6	Eli Vergara	9	4.691	51.57	9
7	Lee Witney	9	5.298	51.786	6
8	Blaze Sienko	9	6.22	51.344	5
9	Richard Newton - SH	9	6.889	51.914	7
10	Alex Pritchard	9	6.966	51.503	7
11	Andy Mitchell	9	7.285	51.683	8
12	Chris Munro - SH	9	8.229	51.77	9
13	Will Blackshaw	9	13.309	52.702	4
14	Vinod Hirani - SH	9	18.579	53.111	7
15	Ben Benneyworth	9	50.69	52.773	9
16	Robert Purtak	8	0	53.12	4
17	Ben Moody	7	0	53.455	6

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Light Heat 3

Andrew Hunt got a slow start allowing Dhillon to get away first and build a lead straight away with Charlotte Manton following him to the front. Graeme Cobb made a great move into the last section of corners to take 3rd from Matthew Bees. O'Shaughnessy was also having a strong race, having started towards the back, he was up to 5th by the halfway stage. But Hunt wasn't done and fought back to briefly re-pass O'Shaughnessy. Dhillon drove well to the chequered, with Manton 2nd. Slijepcevic diced his way through the field late on to take a strong 3rd position.

Pos	Competitor	Laps	Diff	Best time	Best lap
1	Dante Dhillon	10	0	50.1	9
2	Charlotte Manton	10	1.466	50.369	5
3	Axel Slijepcevic	10	2.031	49.741	7
4	Graeme Cobb	10	2.593	50.184	10
5	Matthew Bees	10	3.078	50.044	7
6	Max O'Shaughnessy	10	3.317	50.135	9
7	Zack Swannell	10	3.598	50.022	6
8	Andrew Hunt	10	3.945	50.297	9
9	Kameron Khan	10	6.386	50.093	9
10	Sam Lovelace	10	6.663	50.489	5
11	William Thomas	10	6.754	50.135	9
12	Anatolij Dulko	10	8.207	50.612	9
13	Ollie Ursell	10	9.759	50.342	10
14	Kurt Fawdry	10	12.229	50.65	7
15	Ben Leslie	10	12.485	50.481	7
16	Joshua Craft	10	13.773	50.922	4
17	Tyler Parslow	10	16.17	51.347	3
18	Mark Martin	10	16.45	51.006	6
19	James Richardson	10	17.163	50.721	10
20	Sheridan Shepherd	10	17.177	50.827	7
21	Cameron Noble	10	35.242	51.064	7

Inter Heat 3

Mahony and Lacey were too quick on the front row resulting in a false start which allowed 2 drivers to quickly pit for kart swaps. Mahony led with Coppin doing well to slot in behind following a strong first lap. Mitchell ramped up the pressure on the top 2, pumping in some quick lap times in 3rd. The race became slightly processional as everyone got into their rhythm. However, Trundley, as one of the drivers who had swapped his kart on the spare lap, was making his way through the field. He did well up until being deemed to have gained an advantage by contact on Kennington at turn 4 resulting in a trip to the pits. On the last lap Mitchell made a huge effort to snatch 2nd from Coppin, but to no avail. Mahony had looked solid from the start and did well to bring it home for the win in the last heat of the day.

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Pos	Competitor	Laps	Diff	Best time	Best lap
1	Xander Mahony	10	0	50.578	7
2	Mike Coppin	10	4.822	50.882	7
3	Curtis Mitchell	10	5.022	50.654	7
4	Andre Careless	10	7.143	51.073	6
5	Chris Alcock	10	7.267	50.661	3
6	Richard Lacey	10	7.379	50.887	9
7	Jordan Taylor	10	8.222	50.492	8
8	David Stephen	10	8.397	50.955	7
9	Philip Senior	10	9.075	50.576	6
10	Allan Curtis	10	10.218	50.452	7
11	George Hucknall	10	12.466	51.071	7
12	Andy Kennington	10	16.298	51.428	10
13	Chris Hackworth	10	17.075	51.454	10
14	Lee Carey	10	17.996	51.47	10
15	Tom Eastwood	10	19.68	51.458	10
16	James Browning	10	20.083	51.366	10
17	Joe Phillips	10	21.481	52.091	6
18	Chris Kirk	10	24.574	50.999	10
19	Bobby Trundley	10	48.659	50.256	7
20	Joe Ellis	8	0	51.752	6

Heavy Final

Zaustowicz and Clark led the Heavies away for their final. Zaustowicz pulled out a lead almost instantly with Vergara and Bennett slotting in behind Clark. The race observers were keeping a close eye on the 3rd and 4th placed drivers as their battle for the last podium slot heated up.

At the front, it looked like a walk in the park for Zaustowicz who was extending his lead by a second a lap. Bennett made a very brave move stick as he moved into 3rd in pursuit of Clark. It then all began to get a bit messy behind as too many drivers were bunched together and approaching corners at the same time. Clark dropped down to 4th in the chaos, with Manton getting involved from 5th. Vergara came out on top, with Bennett just behind.

Further back, Lee Witney, made a good move on Pritchard heading into turn 1 for 8th.

Further up, Almou made a lovely move on Clark at turn 2 to take 4th, with Clark dropping further down the pack.

Bennett was doing all he could to pressurise Vergara as the 2nd placed driver began to go defensive to try and hold off Bennett's advances but to no avail as they crossed the line side by side and Bennett squeezed through into second with just over 2 laps to go.

Zaustowicz looked imperious as he cruised home to victory, but the 2 behind couldn't stop switching positions on the last lap with Vergara just pipping Bennett by 6 hundredths to the second step of the podium. Richard Newton was the winner of the Super Heavy category, crossing the line 9th.

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Pos	Competitor	Laps	Diff	Best time	Best lap
1	Tomek Zaustowicz	14	0	50.709	11
2	Eli Vergara	14	8.625	51.09	10
3	Rob Bennett	14	8.690	50.881	11
4	Tarik Almou	14	10.086	50.786	14
5	Paul Manton	14	13.163	51.063	5
6	Lee Witney	14	14.282	51.223	7
7	Malcolm Clark	14	15.278	51.38	13
8	Alex Pritchard	14	16.767	51.565	14
9	Richard Newton - SH	14	18.049	51.629	8
10	Chris Munro - SH	14	21.247	51.779	7
11	Will Blackshaw	14	21.355	51.373	11
12	Andy Mitchell	14	21.484	51.645	13
13	Ben Benneyworth	14	23.95	52.032	6
14	Robert Purtak	14	25.052	51.78	8
15	Blaze Sienko	14	26.217	51.415	5
16	Vinod Hirani - SH	14	32.709	52.64	10
17	Ben Moody	14	45.046	53.184	9



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Light Final

Slijepcevic crossed the line 1st but Dhillon got an absolutely outstanding start from 3rd and crept up the inside to take a huge lead from the 1st lap. Further back, Swannell dropped from the front row to 4th after the 2nd lap. It was a catastrophe for O'Shaughnessy as his

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clutch seized resulting in a full course yellow and the young man having to run back to the pits for a spare, but deciding not to re-join the circuit.

Dhillon, Cobb and Lovelace all got great restarts, Lovelace in particular gaining 4 positions, with Manton also making gains. One of O'Shaughnessy's main title contenders, Slijepcevic, also had a kart issue, being forced to pit and swap and effectively ending his chances of a podium finish.

Lovelace, Swannell and Manton were all being watched closely for too much contact but the racing was fantastic as the pack behind Cobb jostled for 3rd place. Manton, Lovelace, Thomas, Khan, Noble and Swannell were all in with a shout of the podium with 2 laps remaining.

Dhillon was absolutely dominant from the start and fully deserved his win. Cobb avoided chaos behind to take 2nd and then there was too many drivers heading into the last corner at the same time. Thomas lost out, careering off the circuit as Noble stormed home for 3rd.

Pos	Competitor	Laps	Diff	Best time	Best lap
1	Dante Dhillon	14	0	49.96	10
2	Graeme Cobb	14	9.198	50.603	10
3	Cameron Noble	14	10.502	50.111	6
4	Charlotte Manton	14	10.905	50.297	6
5	Joshua Craft	14	11.628	50.373	11
6	Sam Lovelace	14	12.64	50.543	8
7	Tyler Parslow	14	13.18	50.234	12
8	Zack Swannell	14	13.211	50.283	7
9	Kameron Khan	14	13.3	50.29	6
10	Ollie Ursell	14	13.761	50.561	9
11	Kurt Fawdry	14	20.052	50.63	7
12	Matthew Bees	14	20.485	50.791	11
13	Mark Martin	14	20.85	50.937	11
14	Ben Leslie	14	21.321	51.154	8
15	James Richardson	14	21.695	50.736	8
16	Anatolij Dulko	14	25.081	51.245	11
17	Sheridan Shepherd	14	25.656	51.223	9
18	Andrew Hunt	14	31.717	51.85	9
19	William Thomas	14	47.852	49.882	10
20	Axel Slijepcevic	13	1 lap	49.709	10
21	Max O'Shaughnessy	1	13 laps	54.484	1

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Inter Final

Mahony again went off too fast on the out lap resulting in a false start, but second time around he did get the race underway, with Taylor alongside him on the front row. Coppin made a move for the lead in turn 1 which he didn't quite pull off.

Trundley, following his black flag in the heats, found himself in the midfield and was put under investigation (to be reviewed after the race) for contact at turn 5 with Lacey, on the opening lap. At the front, Mahony was doing a great job of maintaining his lead from Coppin who made a great pass stick on Taylor. Trundley then followed Coppin through with a move at turn 4 on Taylor. Coppin pumped in fastest lap times as he hunted down Mahony for the lead. In the midfield, Philip Senior was awarded a 5 second penalty for a cone infringement, pushing him back to 17th despite running 14th on track.

Mahony got too much kerb on the exit of turn 4 which allowed Coppin a run into turn 5 and he didn't waste his opportunity, moving into the lead with 7 minutes gone. Trundley was the next through, moving past Mahony in the final corner. This went from bad to worse for the number 06. He got swamped into turn 2 and found himself back in 5th following an extremely promising start. At the front, Coppin and Trundley were bumper to bumper with less than 2 minutes to go.

Coppin just managed to hold Trundley off for the win. Trundley came home 2nd* and Taylor held on for 3rd. The award ceremony went ahead with the top three as above, pending the investigation into the incident in the chicane at the start of the race.

*After reviewing the footage of Trundley v Lacey, Trundley was awarded a post-race 60 second penalty for advantage by contact, promoting Taylor to 2nd and Allan Curtis into 3rd.

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Pos	Competitor	Laps	Diff	Best time	Best lap
1	Mike Coppin	14	0	50.552	5
2	Bobby Trundley	14	0.298	50.541	11
3	Jordan Taylor	14	1.238	50.598	4
4	Allan Curtis	14	2.746	50.553	14
5	Richard Lacey	14	3.894	50.657	7
6	Chris Hackworth	14	3.968	50.546	13
7	Xander Mahony	14	4.725	50.81	13
8	George Hucknall	14	8.072	51.169	8
9	Joe Ellis	14	8.842	50.546	12
10	Chris Alcock	14	9.023	50.738	8
11	Andre Careless	14	9.466	50.787	8
12	Curtis Mitchell	14	11.722	51.016	4
13	David Stephen	14	12.643	50.974	10
14	Andy Kennington	14	12.823	51.261	4
15	Philip Senior	14	18.675	51.282	9
16	Lee Carey	14	18.943	51.614	9
17	James Browning	14	21.462	51.433	9
18	Tom Eastwood	14	21.645	51.797	13
19	Joe Phillips	14	25.754	51.859	10
20	Chris Kirk	14	26.106	51.374	5



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The next round is at Whilton Mill on 16th July – Call Mark on 033 033 27870 to book your place on the grid.