



Live in the North West

£500 raised for North West Air Ambulance

As but one part of the overall Ormskirk Motorfest, many of the 30,000+ visitors may have missed this event all together. The Ormskirk Motorfest event was organised by Aintree Circuit Club supported by West Lancashire Borough Council.



Free to attend, with so much happening from 10:00pm until 4:30pm in Ormskirk, petrol heads and families alike had much to see. The Go Motorsport Live event started at 12:30pm and had 16 North-West

drivers taking part in the Under 17 Motor Club PCA, an AutoSOLO with passengers. All the donations for passenger rides going to the North West Air Ambulance. Sixteen year old Alex Tait (6th o/a 463.1secs) and Harry Fonseca (pictured) waiting to start, showed how clean and accurate driving makes for a quick time and you can start driving at 14 years old on these events! In class A, Andy Williams (5th o/a 461.9secs) in the 998cc Nissan Micra just held off a strong challenge from Hazel Johnson (7th o/a 464.0secs)

The discipline of AutoSOLO shows just how families can have great fun at motorsport events. Dan Darkin won the event in 438.4 seconds from Nick Darkin's 441.0 seconds sharing a 1600cc Vauxhall Nova. Steve Mather was third overall; his son Jack unfortunately having to give this event a miss due to work. The Sherriff

family all out in a Ford Fiesta 1400cc. Dad, Gary 8th overall with 466.5secs, daughter, Melanie 9th overall, (467.3secs) and son, Anthony 10th overall, (468.7secs) We saw father and daughter team from the Fields family along with father and son team Andy and James Williams.

All drivers had 18 tests with the best 17 counting for the overall time.

- 1st - Dan Darkin - 438.4
- 2nd - Nick Darkin - 441.0
- 3rd - Steve Mather - 456.1
- 4th - Roger Barfield - 460.7

13th overall was James Williams (pictured in the Micra) on 478.6secs, only 18 seconds behind 4th overall, that is one second a test!



All competitors had a great time, Roger Barfield shows the sport off to the 30,000 plus visitors to the town.

Great team work with all the competitors helping to marshal and put the public into the cars for their passenger ride. Council officials and even the Town Crier had trips around the test to experience grass-roots motorsport.

I would like to thank all the PCA competitors from local motor clubs for their help in running Go Motorsport Live in the North West on the day.

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