

Darvill Racing Parkgate House Victoria Road Castletown Isle of Man IM9 1EN 8th May 2013

Times tumble.....

ARA Championship

As the weekend of the 4th/5th May drew close preparations were as feverish at Darvill HQ, we had been busy bees. Slick had been working his 'magic' on the clutch, which was now fully functional now with added Sigma 'Slipper' action. We have commissioned new RaceTech forks required for the rigours of the S100 and TT Mountain Course but these would not be ready in time for the next round of the ARA Championship so Slick spent some time rebuilding the HyperPro's for this round, and WHAT a difference...!



Race day and we were all ready to go; the sound of generators began to kick into life as the clouds were rolling over Jurby Aerodrome. It looked like we were set for another dry but windy race.

We are joined again by Champ who needed just a single signature for his TT Mountain license and our good friend Andy Cowie who would be using his Steelie 600 and Champ's SuperStock Kawasaki.

This round was again being run in a clockwise configuration giving us a 1.7mile lap and only for the second time (new ACU requirement).



The wind was whipping across the circuit keeping tyres cool and lap times down however Keef and Champ qualified well for the Singles, Twins and Triple race. Our Darvill SV was handling better than it ever had and this was evident in grin on Keef's face when he made his way back to the paddock. This was repeated for the 650 Championship qualification and just in time for lunch.





























The sun was peeking through the clouds as we headed out for race 1. It was a hectic race and was made all the more frustrating at the timing system has decided to implode so we had no idea where we were finishing throughout the day. It is a strange feeling watching multiple classes out on track and having no clue as to how well we were doing?

So where did we finish? We were unable to find out until Tuesday but were pleasantly surprised:

Singles, Twins and Triples Championship

- Race 1 10th Place
- Race 2 7th Place

650 Championship

- Race 1 14th Place
- Race 2 13th Place

The 650 championship is hotly contested with KMR (Ryan Farquhar) and JHS prepared machines that will be hurtling down Bray Hill in a couple of weeks at TT 2013. They have about 20HP more than we do with all the latest electricity and suspension however; we are in the mix and climbing up the table.





























Summary

What a weekend.... Champ now has all his signatures and bagged two podiums on his EvoMoto Kawasaki, Keef has been able to reduce his lap times by a jaw-dropping 9 seconds claiming more points and we have been able to add some more points to our tally.

We have another test day on the 21st May and then it's all-out for TT2013 supporting Champ in his endeavours. We have a TT accredited photographer working with us so look forward to some amazing pictures and with a bit of luck some amazing stories to tell. 2013 really is shaping up to be a great year!

Thank you again for all your support.



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