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(Still) The Greatest Show on Earth,

What can you say that hasn't already been said about the TT. I guess you either 'get it' or you don't! Having been based on this fair Isle for over eight years now we have been watching and part of its growth. Its popularity is growing year on year and doesn't show signs of slowing down, the TT is back and better (and faster) than ever!



After the disappointments of 2014 we approached this year refreshed and with every digit crossed. Darvill Racing we providing support (technical/equipment/logistics etc) for a number of teams (Kingston University, Franck Barbier / Emmanuel Debroise French Sidecar Team & University of Nottingham).



The TT fortnight is relentless, honestly it never stops and its not only racing, we were invited to exhibit at Peel TT Day (held on Mad Sunday) which is one of the official TT events (fuelled by Monster Energy). It was a welcome respite from the racing endeavours and marked the end of practice week and the departure of the horrendous weather earlier in the week; there were severe gales (standard winter weather here) that caused devastation across the Island.



Peel TT Day was very well attended with a great deal of interest in all our machines, the TT Zero bike generated a lot of questions and with the eBikes now knocking on a 120mph average speed for the 37.75 mile Mountain Course they are quickly catching their internal combustion engine counterparts!



The sun shone and the crowds began to swell as the Monster Energy stunt show began, with the weather on our side when the Wing Walkers swooped into Peel Bay all eyes swept skywards to watch this spectacle. Its been many years since any of us have seen Wing Walkers and they didn't disappoint, we were very impressed with the show and a little taken aback when they unclipped their safety harnesses and (almost) skipped across the upper wing jumping into the rear seats – nutters!

Race week saw records smashed, riders back on form and many disappointments however two of our three teams made it to the start line:



- **Sidecar Race 1** – P30 Race Time 01:07:39.635 Speed 100.375
- **Sidecar Race 2** – P21 Race Time 01:06:04.645 Speed 102.779
- **TT Zero** – P6 Race Time 30:56.695 Speed 73.156

Notts Uni arrived with a massive task (their bike wasn't yet built), however with them working round the clock and us chipping in when/where required they made it and qualified. During the race Micko (Michael Sweeney) had to stop ten times due to a reoccurring issue. Afterwards we discovered that there was a fluid leak causing a sensor to short. Had this not happened they would have shattered the magical 100mph barrier.

It was our pleasure to have had the opportunity to work with them and they will be back next year. Notts are also competing at MotoE this year so





we will be sharing the paddock with them shortly but this time we on the other side of the pits as competitors!

So that's the TT over and the TT Blues have kicked in however with the International Southern 100 just a few weeks away we are now back in the workshop busily preparing the bikes for the event.

A massive thank you to all our sponsors, supporters and the Darvill Devils whom without their support this wouldn't be possible.

A special thank you to Rupal & MotoE, Phil and the I2V Team, Tony/Sue/Pru at IsayDingDong for everything that they have done and continue to do.



Even Guy was impressed with the eBike, he came back twice to look at it!

(Written and compiled by the Team at Darvill Racing)

Best Regards,

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