

Daytona DF1 Champs 2016

Round 1 – 29th March

Daytona Manchester's DF1 Championships returned at the end of March for the first round of the nine round series. With the weight classes set after the initial driver weigh-in, the Heavies took to the track first for their opening qualifying session...

Heavies Round 1

In Q1 Michael Gauci was the only one to break into the 33's setting a time of 33.912s, Daz Ravenscroft was a close second with a 34.056 and Steve Gray rounding out the top 3 for Q1 with a 34.074. We lost Ryan Lee, Nigel Walne, newcomer Mick Dearden and Nick Rowland from Q1.

In Q2 there was no change in the top 3, with Michael improving his time from Q1 by two-tenths, Daz was much closer to Michael in Q2 than Q1 managing to get within eight-hundredths of Gauci . Steve Gray was consistently setting low 34s in the session. Once the chequered flag was waved it was Ernestas, Nathan Smart, Ryan Gilmore and Tim Hockham who missed out for a shot at pole in Q3.

In Q3, continuing their form from Q1 and Q2 saw Michael Gauci take pole with a 33.4 with Daz in second with a 33.748. Tomek Zaustowicz managed to pinch 3rd from Steve Gray with a 33.784. Ali Topley and Ben Drake rounded out the top 6.

The Heavies race saw Steve Gray and Michael Gauci drop out relatively early on due to on track incidents. This enabled Ali Topley to win setting a 33.722 in the process. Daz Ravenscroft chased hard throughout and finished 2.965 down the road with Tomek Zaustowicz a further 3.054 behind Daz.

Heavies - > 85.1kgs										
Name %	Ind, Round	Round	Round & Round	Round 6	und , Round &	Ro _{Und} o Total				
Ali Topley	25					25				
Daz Ravenscroft	22					22				
Tomek Zaustowicz	20					20				
Ben Drake	19					19				
Nick Rowland	18					18				
Ernestas Bilvinas	17					17				
Ryan Gilmore	16					16				
Tim Hockham	15					15				
Nigel Walne	14					14				
Nathan Smart	13					13				
Mick Dearden	12					12				
Ryan Lee	11					11				
Michel Gauci	10					10				
Steve Gray	9					9				



Lights Round 1

Q1 saw Luke Gore go through with a 33.551 followed by the ever consistent Dave Parker six-tenths down with a 34.103, Dominic Payne rounded out the top 3 five-thousandths behind Dave. James Hesford, Jordan Owen and Colin Samuel were the drivers eliminated from Q1.

Q2 saw no change at the top with Luke improving on his Q1 time with a 33.325, Dave Parker also improving to a 33.865. Adam Davis rounded out the top 3 with a 33.918. James Clarke, Julian Phillipe, Blair Henry and Ryan Welch were the drivers who missed out on Q3.

Q3 pole shoot out saw Luke improve further to a 33.186, Adam Davis also improving to take second with a 33.665 and Mark Hitchcock in third with a 33.702. Dave Parker dropped to fourth, Dominic Payne started in P5 and Ross Heale-Whittle starting P6.

Luke Gore started the lights race from pole and led from start to finish setting a 32.963 lap time in the process. Dave Parker raced hard throughout from P4 to finish second only 3 seconds behind Luke and Dominic Payne rounding out the top three a further 26 seconds behind Dave.

Lights - < 85.1kgs													
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Luke Gore	25									25			
Dave Parker	22									22			
Dominic Payne	20									20			
Adam Davis	19									19			
Colin Samuel	18									18			
Ryan Welch	17									17			
Blair Henry	16									16			
Julian Philippe	15									15			
Ross Heale-Whittle	14									14			
Jordan Owen	13									13			
Jamie Hesford	12									12			
James Clarke	11									11			

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