

THORL

The HO Racing League

Welcome to the latest THORL newsletter.

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THORL 2015/16 Round 8 @ HONK May 29th 2016 - Race Report

Sunday 29th May 2016 saw HONK (HO North Kent) Host the penultimate THORL round at their venue in Orpington, Kent. Round 8 saw 9 competitors arrive, and take advantage of the low turnout by collecting those all-important championship points.

The Morning started with the Open Wheel Class. Using an extended version of HONK's club track, most were having fun though some of the tighter turns!

Dave Peters deciding that his Tyco was more suited to this track than the usual Mega G. Qualifying saw Clive taking top spot from Tony and Andy. Tony very quickly getting to grips with the Mega G+ and showing he could be up there in the A final.

Al Wood narrowly missing out getting into the top final, struggling with the twisty layout.

The First of the finals was won by Dave P with his Tyco from Jim and Josh.

The B Final was won by Callum from Al, Dave H and Dave P.

The A final could have been anybody's. All the drivers struggling to put in a crash free session, but Tony making the most of it by nearly half a lap from Andy. Clive was a very close Third (0.1 lap behind Andy), followed by Callum. Tony becomes the 6th different Open Wheel winner of the season!



The Open Wheel Class was followed by elevenses (how very posh!!!) ready for the only closed wheel class to run, Grand Touring. With a mix of Marchons, Life Like 'T's, Super G and an SRT, it really was a mix of chassis types. As expected, the Marchons were the fastest thing out there, with Al struggling to get his showing the pace that we knew had been in it.

Qualifying saw the Marchons of Callum and Dave P taking the top spots, followed by the LifeLike of Dave H. Andy's SRT threw it in the mix, followed by Clive's LifeLike, and Al Woods Marchon.

The final qualifying spots were filled by Tony, Jim and Josh



The first of the finals saw Tony, Jim and Josh battle it out. With Tonys maiden win still fresh, it was actually 9 year old Josh who would take the win and step up into the 'B' Final.

The B final was Andy, Clive, Al and Josh, all who had shown great pace, but lacking the usual consistency on the technical HONK track. Andy took the win and would step up into the A Final.

The A Final was a mx of 2 Marchons, a LifeLike and an SRT, and anyone could win it.

Callum took the lead, which was never challenged with his Marchon, followed by Dave H and Andy, splitting up the other Marchon of Dave P. Callum kept the flying in the slot, recording his best score, and laptime of the day.



With a short break for lunch, it was time for the PRO Mod class.

Running a Segmented race, everyone took part, with most electing to use VSR Vipers, in practice for next seasons changes. However it was Clives finely tuned Wizzard which would set the most consistent pace. Andy closely followed with a mildly tuned Viper with Pro 10 magnets in. Tony showed his consistency from the morning, coming in Third. Best lap was by Al using a Viper with Pro 10 Magnets and a hot stock arm.

The Winners for the day were:

Open Wheel: Tony Mills
Grand Touring: Callum Norris
Pro Mod: Clive Harland
Top Junior: Joshua W

Another great day came to end, and many thanks go to HONK for hosting.

All the results, and links to all the photos can be found at: <http://thorl.weebly.com/round-8---orpington.html>

The Championship tables, now including a list of all the seasons winners can be found on the results pages: <http://thorl.weebly.com/results.html>

The Final round is on 26th June, hosted by Larkfield SCC, Nr Maidstone, Kent.
Grand Touring, Le Mans and Pro Mod top spots have all been secured, but there are plenty of places to be made up throughout the championship tables.

Open Wheel is still open, with Clive mathematically able to take the top spot from Elliot.
Will we have our 7th Open Wheel Winner of the Season?

THORL Round 9 - June 26th @ Larkfield SCC, Maidstone, Kent.

Larkfield will be hosting the final round of the THORL season in near Maidstone, Kent.

All equipment can be provided for racers of all ages and abilities.

An order for food from the local 'chippy' will be available on the day.

Directions and more are available on the website, and on our Facebook event page, where you can sign up for the event.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/200744646991899/>



THORL Rules 2016/17

The rules for the next racing season see some significant changes.

The morning sessions for Open Wheel Cars stay largely unchanged (Renamed Formula HO).
In the afternoon Closed Wheel Classes, all racing results will be a total of running on all 4 lanes.

Racers will be able to run in all 3 afternoon classes.

Racers will score THORL Championship points in all classes.

Le Mans Class running AFX Mega G cars stays unchanged.

Grand Touring and PRO MOD are replaced with LMP and GT Jet Classes.

The LMP class runs either Super G+ or Viper V1 (Pro4 Magnet) Cars. The GT Jet class runs exclusively VSR Viper Jets with brass weights and Phil Rees supplied lightweight bodies.

A set of the rules for reference are already on the THORL website. An update with some minor changes will be uploaded soon, alongside an updated body list for the GT Jet class.

More details of our events are available on the website and on our [Facebook Page](#).

News, information, and the latest results can be found on the [THORL](#) website.

Links to other HO Clubs and Organisations can be found in the LINKS page of the website.

If you would like to be involved with THORL or would like more information or advice on HO Scale Slot cars, please get in touch.

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