



Honda Cadet gets heated

By Graham Smith

Full grids and long trains of karts contesting every place led to some great racing, overheated at times.

Billy Monger, the current champion, was guesting to test a Birel for his Prima team, but only qualified mid-grid whilst Max Wieteska and Ben Thompson headed the table, each taking a heat win.

Final 1

The first Final was red-flagged to attend to Gordon Mutch, who was unhurt but unable to rejoin, granting a reprieve to Kyle Petricca who had come off on the opening lap.

In the action packed race, Thompson hit the hole shot, but in rapid succession, Jordan Brown-Nutley, Monger, Jack McCarthy, and later Jack Young from grid 16, all had turns leading.

From the leading positions Young and Monger clashed at Stratford hairpin, (Monger later getting a five-place penalty from 4th), leaving McCarthy in the lead



but he came off so Sandy Mitchell was the delighted winner over Thompson and Petricca. McCarthy was placed 15th.

Final 2

Mitchell was shuffled back to 8th after three laps in the lead of the second Final, as Young sped up ahead of Petricca. When Thompson took Petricca, the latter fell back, then did the same to Young.

Young quickly recovered to regain the lead within a few laps, until the last lap at

the Stratford hairpin when he ran wide, allegedly pushed by McCarthy as they all jostled for position.

McCarthy came over the line 1st from Luke Wooder with Thompson 3rd and saying: "At Cafe I was hanging a kart length back when two of them hooked up and I squeezed through, then on the last lap I went to the outside and saw Jack go wide. It was a tight race."

Along with Brown-Nutley, McCarthy was docked five places but lost his appeal to the Stewards. He has now appealed the penalty further to the National Court so the results are provisional. Mitchell came a provisional 3rd after the revisions, ahead of the erstwhile leader Young. ●



Final 1 winner Sandy Mitchell
Chris Walker

Results

Final 1

1	Sandy Mitchell	Project One
2	Ben Thompson	Project One
3	Kyle Petricca	Project One
4	Alex Quinn	Project One
5	Max Wieteska	Zip
6	Jordan Brown-Nutley	Octane

Final 2

1	Luke Wooder	Project One
2	Ben Thompson	Project One
3	Sandy Mitchell	Project One
4	Jack Young	Project One
5	Billy Monger	Birel
6	Jack McCarthy	Project One

Final 2 provisional until Jack McCarthy's appeal is heard