

The Lubricant Consultancy Mk2 Golf GTI Championship 2011.

Rounds 11 & 12.

Snetterton – 15th / 16th October.

The Mk2 Golf GTI Championship headed to Snetterton, for a double header on the new '300' circuit, with the top 3 in both classes still to be decided !. The organisers laid on TV coverage (to be shown on Motors, November 12th @ 6.25 PM), grid girls and an end of season barby with the objective of making the event a memorable end to a great season !.

Qualifying

Jamie Martin set a blistering pace around the Snetterton 300 circuit to secure pole position.

Martin was 1.342 seconds quicker than fellow title rivals Lewis Hopkins while James Bark, who was a possible winner of the championship third fastest.

Championship leader Guy Stevens was 10th overall and second in Class 1 ahead of Clive Belton and Alex Harris, who were both hoping for championship glory.

Final times :

Class 1

Pole : Guy Stevens.

2nd Clive Belton.

3rd Alex Harris.

4th Dawn Boyd.

5th Antony Theaker.

Class 2

Pole : Jamie Martin.

2nd Lewis Hopkins.

3rd James Bark.

4th Luke Schlewitz.

5th James Colbourne.

Race 1

The MK2 Golf GTI Championship took another decisive twist as Lewis Hopkins came through to record what could have turned out to be a crucial victory in the final race of the day.

Jamie Martin had started from pole position but in the end he was unable to halt the progress of Hopkins. The Oulton Park race winner enhanced his championship hopes by taking the victory by 4.620 seconds from Martin, with fellow title contender James Bark in third.

Behind the top 3 action, Bedford and Colbourne had a very close race long battle, which ended in the formers favour.

Guy Stevens helped his cause by recording yet another Class win, but Alex Harris' championship hopes were dented by a retirement after five laps. This left the dice for podium positions to Boyd and Belton with the final positions in that order

Overall results :

1st Lewis Hopkins (Class 2 Winner).

2nd Jamie Martin.

3rd James Bark.

4th Darren Bedford.

5th James Colbourne.

Class 1 results :

- 1st Guy Stevens.
- 2nd Dawn Boyd.
- 3rd Clive Belton.

Class 2 results :

- 1st Lewis Hopkins.
- 2nd Jamie Martin.
- 3rd James Bark.

Race 2.

The MSVR Judgement Weekend closed in high drama as James Bark inherited a win on the final lap of the race, while Guy Stevens provisionally won the MK2 Golf GTI Championship overall.

Lewis Hopkins seemed certain to record a stunning victory, only for mechanical failure to rob him of victory at the final corner of the last lap. Hopkins had built a solid lead after a safety car period in the early stages of the race, but his car dramatically slowed at Murrays allowing James Bark to claim the win ahead of Darren Bedford and James Colbourne. Hopkins trundled over the line with flames coming from the car in fourth position.

The Class 2 title was provisionally wrapped up by race winner Bark.

Class 1 driver Guy Stevens continued his impeccable form, as he took the top honours in his class, which proved enough to provisionally win the overall championship. A superb battle behind Stevens saw Belton take second position followed closely by Theaker in third and Boyd close behind. Congratulations to Antony Theaker on his first podium !.

Overall results :

- 1st James Bark (Class 2 Winner).
- 2nd Darren Bedford.
- 3rd James Colbourne.
- 4th Lewis Hopkins.
- 5th Pete Milne.

Class 1 results :

- 1st Guy Stevens.
- 2nd Clive Belton.
- 3rd Antony Theaker.

Class 2 results :

- 1st James Bark (Class 2 Winner).
- 2nd Darren Bedford.
- 3rd James Colbourne.