

**2011**

**Competition Car Insurance**

**Dunlop**

**Ford**  
**Fiesta**  
*championship*

Race report for: Rounds 5 & 6

Donington 14/15 May 2011

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## Introduction

### Nearly drive of the meeting –

The anticipated participation by Ford Focus touring car driver Andy Neate was thwarted at the eleventh hour by Ford Motor Company declaring he was able to race, but, it had to be a current car. Obviously the full specification Fiesta Junior ST did not fit that criteria and so the chance to put the Ford Fiesta Championship further up the media scale was undone. Shame really, as Andy being a good friend and ex-competitor is a good ambassador for the Ford Fiesta Championship. Perhaps we might be able to find another BTCC driver who does not drive for Ford able to come out and play. Thanks to Daniels Motorsport for the Junior spec car to be available though.

### Donington



A few years have passed by since the championship saw its wheels turning on the demanding and picturesque undulating track. Undeniably a spectacular circuit and it was good to come back here. A good grid of cars, especially a better outing of class A cars too. The weather was uncertain with one shower of rain hitting the paddock in the morning but all sessions competed on 'slicks'. It looked as though some drivers had benefitted from some testing here as they posted perhaps better than anticipated times; a result of some hard work and time spent at Donington worked well for them.

## Competition Car Insurance Ford Fiesta Championship (Class A, B & D) FREE PRACTICE SESSION - CLASSIFICATION

| POS | NO | CL | NAME             | ENTRY             | TIME     | ON | LAPS | GAP    | DIFF  | MPH   |
|-----|----|----|------------------|-------------------|----------|----|------|--------|-------|-------|
| 1   | 43 | A  | Alan DONNELLY    | Ford Fiesta Si    | 1:30.013 | 5  | 7    |        |       | 79.15 |
| 2   | 73 | B  | Scott BAINES     | Ford Fiesta Zetec | 1:30.224 | 9  | 12   | 0.211  | 0.211 | 78.96 |
| 3   | 31 | A  | William THORESEN | Ford Fiesta Si    | 1:31.495 | 10 | 12   | 1.482  | 1.271 | 77.86 |
| 4   | 7  | A  | John LANGRIDGE   | Ford Fiesta Si    | 1:31.867 | 3  | 4    | 1.854  | 0.372 | 77.55 |
| 5   | 88 | B  | Nikolas BARTON   | Ford Fiesta Zetec | 1:31.876 | 11 | 13   | 1.863  | 0.009 | 77.54 |
| 6   | 55 | B  | Ken BATEMAN      | Ford Fiesta Zetec | 1:32.561 | 9  | 9    | 2.548  | 0.685 | 76.97 |
| 7   | 45 | A  | Nicholas TILEY   | Ford Fiesta Si    | 1:32.883 | 10 | 12   | 2.870  | 0.322 | 76.70 |
| 8   | 27 | B  | James APPLEBY    | Ford Fiesta Zetec | 1:33.022 | 11 | 12   | 3.009  | 0.139 | 76.59 |
| 9   | 53 | B  | Kevin STIRLING   | Ford Fiesta Zetec | 1:33.268 | 12 | 12   | 3.255  | 0.246 | 76.38 |
| 10  | 32 | B  | Claire KEMP      | Ford Fiesta Zetec | 1:34.696 | 12 | 12   | 4.683  | 1.428 | 75.23 |
| 11  | 77 | B  | Michel EDWARDS   | Ford Fiesta Zetec | 1:38.158 | 7  | 12   | 8.145  | 3.462 | 72.58 |
| 12  | 40 | A  | David ELSOM      | Ford Fiesta Si    | 1:40.444 | 3  | 4    | 10.431 | 2.286 | 70.93 |

Donington Park National Circuit Length = 1.9791 miles. Start: 09:23 End: 09:44. Weather / Track : Cloudy / Dry

## Competition Car Insurance For Fiesta Championship (Class A, B & D) QUALIFYING - RACE 7 - CLASSIFICATION

| POS | NO | CL | NAME             | ENTRY             | TIME     | ON | LAPS | GAP   | DIFF  | MPH   |
|-----|----|----|------------------|-------------------|----------|----|------|-------|-------|-------|
| 1   | 7  | A  | John LANGRIDGE   | Ford Fiesta Si    | 1:26.302 | 10 | 13   |       |       | 82.55 |
| 2   | 40 | A  | David ELSOM      | Ford Fiesta Si    | 1:27.799 | 9  | 11   | 1.497 | 1.497 | 81.14 |
| 3   | 31 | A  | William THORESEN | Ford Fiesta Si    | 1:28.330 | 4  | 6    | 2.028 | 0.531 | 80.65 |
| 4   | 73 | B  | Scott BAINES     | Ford Fiesta Zetec | 1:29.017 | 7  | 11   | 2.715 | 0.687 | 80.03 |
| 5   | 88 | B  | Nikolas BARTON   | Ford Fiesta Zetec | 1:30.338 | 13 | 13   | 4.036 | 1.321 | 78.86 |
| 6   | 55 | B  | Ken BATEMAN      | Ford Fiesta Zetec | 1:30.595 | 13 | 13   | 4.293 | 0.257 | 78.64 |
| 7   | 53 | B  | Kevin STIRLING   | Ford Fiesta Zetec | 1:30.764 | 13 | 13   | 4.462 | 0.169 | 78.49 |
| 8   | 17 | B  | Keith CHAPMAN    | Ford Fiesta Zetec | 1:30.988 | 11 | 13   | 4.686 | 0.224 | 78.30 |
| 9   | 45 | A  | Nicholas TILEY   | Ford Fiesta Si    | 1:31.206 | 11 | 13   | 4.904 | 0.218 | 78.11 |
| 10  | 27 | B  | James APPLEBY    | Ford Fiesta Zetec | 1:31.246 | 12 | 12   | 4.944 | 0.040 | 78.08 |
| 11  | 32 | B  | Claire KEMP      | Ford Fiesta Zetec | 1:31.686 | 6  | 9    | 5.384 | 0.440 | 77.70 |
| 12  | 77 | B  | Michel EDWARDS   | Ford Fiesta Zetec | 1:32.806 | 8  | 13   | 6.504 | 1.120 | 76.76 |

Donington Park National Circuit Length = 1.9791 miles. Start: 13:39 End: 14:01. Weather / Track : Cloudy / Dry



## Competition Car Insurance Ford Fiesta Championship (Class C) FREE PRACTICE SESSION - CLASSIFICATION

| POS | NO | CL | NAME            | ENTRY          | TIME     | ON | LAPS | GAP    | DIFF  | MPH   |
|-----|----|----|-----------------|----------------|----------|----|------|--------|-------|-------|
| 1   | 72 | C  | David GRADY     | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:23.393 | 6  | 8    |        |       | 85.43 |
| 2   | 35 | C  | Jason COOPER    | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:23.999 | 9  | 12   | 0.606  | 0.606 | 84.81 |
| 3   | 28 | C  | Harry COCKILL   | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:24.161 | 10 | 11   | 0.768  | 0.162 | 84.65 |
| 4   | 21 | C  | Andrew WILMOT   | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:24.320 | 13 | 13   | 0.927  | 0.159 | 84.49 |
| 5   | 29 | C  | Edward COCKILL  | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:24.363 | 11 | 11   | 0.970  | 0.043 | 84.45 |
| 6   | 26 | C  | Steve PAPWORTH  | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:24.819 | 13 | 13   | 1.426  | 0.456 | 83.99 |
| 7   | 33 | C  | Matthew PARR    | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:24.853 | 9  | 10   | 1.460  | 0.034 | 83.96 |
| 8   | 24 | C  | Lee NAPOLITANO  | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:24.885 | 8  | 11   | 1.492  | 0.032 | 83.93 |
| 9   | 82 | C  | Matthew FOLEY   | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:25.254 | 10 | 11   | 1.861  | 0.369 | 83.56 |
| 10  | 18 | C  | Nicholas POPE   | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:25.486 | 11 | 13   | 2.093  | 0.232 | 83.34 |
| 11  | 4  | C  | Michael BUSHELL | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:25.538 | 9  | 9    | 2.145  | 0.052 | 83.29 |
| 12  | 10 | C  | Ian WILSON      | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:25.725 | 11 | 11   | 2.332  | 0.187 | 83.11 |
| 13  | 51 | C  | Nicholas BOWERS | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:26.085 | 11 | 13   | 2.692  | 0.360 | 82.76 |
| 14  | 68 | C  | Terence UPTON   | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:26.459 | 10 | 13   | 3.066  | 0.374 | 82.40 |
| 15  | 3  | C  | David ABBOTT    | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:27.090 | 9  | 11   | 3.697  | 0.631 | 81.80 |
| 16  | 13 | C  | Graham FIELD    | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:27.813 | 13 | 13   | 4.420  | 0.723 | 81.13 |
| 17  | 6  | C  | Joanne EASON    | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:28.952 | 9  | 10   | 5.559  | 1.139 | 80.09 |
| 18  | 44 | C  | Ian FLETCHER    | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:29.952 | 12 | 12   | 6.559  | 1.000 | 79.20 |
| 19  | 5  | C  | Al DALY         | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:30.223 | 10 | 12   | 6.830  | 0.271 | 78.96 |
| 20  | 39 | C  | Stuart WILSON   | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:32.740 | 10 | 12   | 9.347  | 2.517 | 76.82 |
| 21  | 9  | C  | Chris TOUMAZOS  | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:33.438 | 6  | 7    | 10.045 | 0.698 | 76.24 |
| 22  | 15 | C  | Euan WILSON     | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:36.319 | 8  | 10   | 12.926 | 2.881 | 73.96 |
| 23  | 20 | C  | Rex NYE         | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:41.321 | 3  | 4    | 17.928 | 5.002 | 70.31 |

Donington Park National Circuit Length = 1.9791 miles. Start: 10:27 End: 10:49. Weather / Track : Cloudy / Damp.





## Competition Car Insurance Ford Fiesta Championship (Class C) QUALIFYING - RACE 8 - CLASSIFICATION

| POS | NO | CL | NAME            | ENTRY          | TIME     | ON | LAPS | GAP   | DIFF  | MPH   |
|-----|----|----|-----------------|----------------|----------|----|------|-------|-------|-------|
| 1   | 72 | C  | David GRADY     | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:22.818 | 9  | 11   |       |       | 86.02 |
| 2   | 35 | C  | Jason COOPER    | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:23.239 | 7  | 12   | 0.421 | 0.421 | 85.59 |
| 3   | 21 | C  | Andrew WILMOT   | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:23.553 | 6  | 13   | 0.735 | 0.314 | 85.27 |
| 4   | 33 | C  | Matthew PARR    | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:23.873 | 6  | 12   | 1.055 | 0.320 | 84.94 |
| 5   | 51 | C  | Nicholas BOWERS | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:23.922 | 12 | 14   | 1.104 | 0.049 | 84.89 |
| 6   | 28 | C  | Harry COCKILL   | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:24.015 | 4  | 13   | 1.197 | 0.093 | 84.80 |
| 7   | 4  | C  | Michael BUSHELL | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:24.032 | 9  | 13   | 1.214 | 0.017 | 84.78 |
| 8   | 29 | C  | Edward COCKILL  | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:24.038 | 5  | 11   | 1.220 | 0.006 | 84.77 |
| 9   | 82 | C  | Matthew FOLEY   | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:24.277 | 13 | 13   | 1.459 | 0.239 | 84.53 |
| 10  | 10 | C  | Ian WILSON      | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:24.463 | 10 | 11   | 1.645 | 0.186 | 84.35 |
| 11  | 26 | C  | Steve PAPWORTH  | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:24.770 | 12 | 14   | 1.952 | 0.307 | 84.04 |
| 12  | 24 | C  | Lee NAPOLITANO  | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:24.801 | 5  | 12   | 1.983 | 0.031 | 84.01 |
| 13  | 18 | C  | Nicholas POPE   | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:24.934 | 7  | 12   | 2.116 | 0.133 | 83.88 |
| 14  | 44 | C  | Ian FLETCHER    | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:25.169 | 11 | 14   | 2.351 | 0.235 | 83.65 |
| 15  | 20 | C  | Rex NYE         | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:25.486 | 9  | 13   | 2.668 | 0.317 | 83.34 |
| 16  | 68 | C  | Terence UPTON   | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:25.589 | 8  | 13   | 2.771 | 0.103 | 83.24 |
| 17  | 3  | C  | David ABBOTT    | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:25.857 | 6  | 11   | 3.039 | 0.268 | 82.98 |
| 18  | 13 | C  | Graham FIELD    | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:26.657 | 13 | 13   | 3.839 | 0.800 | 82.21 |
| 19  | 6  | C  | Joanne EASON    | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:27.078 | 12 | 12   | 4.260 | 0.421 | 81.81 |
| 20  | 5  | C  | Al DALY         | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:27.245 | 7  | 14   | 4.427 | 0.167 | 81.66 |
| 21  | 39 | C  | Stuart WILSON   | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:27.625 | 11 | 13   | 4.807 | 0.380 | 81.30 |
| 22  | 9  | C  | Chris TOUMAZOS  | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:27.830 | 9  | 11   | 5.012 | 0.205 | 81.11 |
| 23  | 15 | C  | Euan WILSON     | Ford Fiesta ST | 1:28.455 | 12 | 13   | 5.637 | 0.625 | 80.54 |

Donington Park National Circuit Length = 1.9791 miles. Start: 15:10 End: 15:31. Weather / Track : Cloudy / Dry

## Qualifying

A busy session for all classes, with the times quite different between the almost relaxed free practice and a full blown qualification session. Not surprisingly, times were better in the 'proper' session with class A going to John Langridge as he set the benchmark time on the tenth out of his 13 completed laps. Class B remains the soul preserve of Scott Baines as he quickened his pace by over a second to take class pole on his lap 7. I thought that class C may see an upset, but David Grady kept up his relentless attention to smooth driving style and plopped in a quick lap of **1:22.818** on his ninth lap out of eleven. Also worthy of note were the times put in by Andy Wilmot (3<sup>rd</sup> fastest) and Steve Papworth (11<sup>th</sup>). The recent pace of both Cockill brothers saw them quick but now under pressure as Cooper, Wilmot, Parr and Bowers all managing to best them. Time will tell and it was looking good for an interesting race.

## RACE 1 – Class A, B and D



They went out at 9.40 am in the dry and were to end the race with light rain falling. As in recent races though the dominance of the Si of John Langridge was evident as he put in a good race to lead the combined As and Bs home. Early incidents on track saw Claire Kemp's race over. The race saw a black/white flag brandished at Alan Donnelley who was racing in a spare rental car from O'Dell Motorsport. Alan, having obtained the consent of the race drivers started from the pitlane for safety reasons after competing some lappery in Porsche qualifying. His regular steed had bottom trouble (big ends).



As the red lights went out we were to see 14 laps for the race winner as Thoresen smoked his tyres and as the commentator said three offs at Redgate the dust cleared and Kemp went off at the Old Hairpin but out in front was Langridge with Elsom behind but as one lap down and Baines in his Zetec 2<sup>nd</sup> and Stirling up to 3<sup>rd</sup> from 7<sup>th</sup> on the grid and Barton 4<sup>th</sup> and Chapman 5<sup>th</sup> with Appleby 6<sup>th</sup>. Elsom must have had a problem on track and was back in 9<sup>th</sup>. Bunched into Coppice and a whole throng on Dunlop straight. Thoresen had a minor off at Redgate and was well back. On lap 3 Elsom was in 7<sup>th</sup> just behind Stirling. Donnelley was making

steady progress up the field and by the half-way point he was 3<sup>rd</sup> but still some thirteen seconds off the leader but with his new lease of life he quickly got by Baines as Elsom had got by Stirling earlier in the race. Langridge upped his game and now increased his lead as Baines held the healthy lead on the nearest B car of Barton. John Langridge cruised to the chequered flag for the race and class A win and Scott Baines made another B win in fine style.

## RACE 1 - CLASSIFICATION

### Competition Car Insurance For Fiesta Championship (Class A, B & D)

| POS | NO | CL | NAME                    | ENTRY             | LAPS | TIME      | GAP     | DIFF   | MPH   | BEST     | ON |
|-----|----|----|-------------------------|-------------------|------|-----------|---------|--------|-------|----------|----|
| 1   | 7  | A  | <b>John LANGRIDGE</b>   | Ford Fiesta Si    | 14   | 20:49.727 |         |        | 79.81 | 1:26.262 | 8  |
| 2   | 43 | A  | <b>Alan DONNELLY</b>    | Ford Fiesta Si    | 14   | 20:52.938 | 3.211   | 3.211  | 79.60 | 1:26.330 | 13 |
| 3   | 40 | A  | <b>David ELSOM</b>      | Ford Fiesta Si    | 14   | 20:58.281 | 8.554   | 5.343  | 79.27 | 1:26.357 | 9  |
| 4   | 73 | B  | <b>Scott BAINES</b>     | Ford Fiesta Zetec | 14   | 21:13.959 | 24.232  | 15.678 | 78.29 | 1:28.996 | 9  |
| 5   | 88 | B  | <b>Nikolas BARTON</b>   | Ford Fiesta Zetec | 14   | 21:35.919 | 46.192  | 21.960 | 76.96 | 1:30.288 | 8  |
| 6   | 45 | A  | <b>Nicholas TILEY</b>   | Ford Fiesta Si    | 14   | 21:44.902 | 55.175  | 8.983  | 76.43 | 1:30.364 | 7  |
| 7   | 55 | B  | <b>Ken BATEMAN</b>      | Ford Fiesta Zetec | 14   | 21:45.679 | 55.952  | 0.777  | 76.39 | 1:29.343 | 7  |
| 8   | 17 | B  | <b>Keith CHAPMAN</b>    | Ford Fiesta Zetec | 14   | 21:46.455 | 56.728  | 0.776  | 76.34 | 1:29.920 | 9  |
| 9   | 53 | B  | <b>Kevin STIRLING</b>   | Ford Fiesta Zetec | 14   | 21:46.857 | 57.130  | 0.402  | 76.32 | 1:30.634 | 9  |
| 10  | 77 | B  | <b>Michel EDWARDS</b>   | Ford Fiesta Zetec | 14   | 22:30.777 | 1:41.05 | 43.920 | 73.84 | 1:31.843 | 5  |
| 11  | 31 | A  | <b>William THORESEN</b> | Ford Fiesta Si    | 13   | 21:14.800 | 1 lap   | 1 lap  | 72.65 | 1:28.930 | 7  |

#### NOT CLASSIFIED

|     |    |   |                      |                   |    |           |       |  |       |          |   |
|-----|----|---|----------------------|-------------------|----|-----------|-------|--|-------|----------|---|
| DNF | 27 | B | <b>James APPLEBY</b> | Ford Fiesta Zetec | 13 | 20:13.938 | 1 lap |  | 76.29 | 1:30.572 | 7 |
| DNF | 32 | B | <b>Claire KEMP</b>   | Ford Fiesta Zetec | 0  |           |       |  |       |          |   |

#### FASTEST LAP

|    |   |                       |                   |   |          |           |            |
|----|---|-----------------------|-------------------|---|----------|-----------|------------|
| 7  | A | <b>John LANGRIDGE</b> | Ford Fiesta Si    | 8 | 1:26.262 | 82.59 mph | 132.92 kph |
| 73 | B | <b>Scott BAINES</b>   | Ford Fiesta Zetec | 9 | 1:28.996 | 80.05 mph | 128.83 kph |

Donington Park National Circuit Length = 1.9791 miles. Start: 09:40 End: 10:03 Weather / Track : Cloudy / Dry

Car 43 - Transponder not working

## Race 2 Race report A, B and D



This race would see Langridge under more pressure as the newly substituted car of Donnelly was already in 2<sup>nd</sup> place after the race start and end of the first lap. The gap, just over a second. Baines in his B class car got another good start. This time all got safely through the Redgate bend then as we breathed a sigh of relief a car went off on the Old Hairpin and this was Edwards who ran out of friction. On the second lap Bateman pushed the car hard but found himself back down in time from his class leader. Barton had had an off and his tailgate was up and flapping and he subsequently

pitted for attention before re-joining. Donnelly set a race fastest lap so far but there was still a lot of ground to cover. Over the next few laps it was Stirling and Bateman who were giving some entertainment to the spectators. With seven out of fourteen laps gone, Donnelly was very much in touch with the leader and 2.2 secs in arrears. Elsom was a way back from these two as was Baines who lead B class. Behind him though the cars of Bateman, Stirling and Appleby were bunched and showing some steam but Appleby had been shown a ten second penalty for being out of position on the start. Eventually, Elsom split the Bateman/Stirling battle and Langridge held off Donnelly for another win. Baines was consistent in his drive and took his second meeting class win.

## RACE 2 – Class A and B

### Competition Car Insurance Ford Fiesta Championship (Class A, B & D)

| POS | NO | CL | NAME           | ENTRY             | LAPS | TIME      | GAP      | DIFF     | MPH   | BEST     | ON |
|-----|----|----|----------------|-------------------|------|-----------|----------|----------|-------|----------|----|
| 1   | 7  | A  | John LANGRIDGE | Ford Fiesta Si    | 14   | 20:12.989 |          |          | 82.23 | 1:25.692 | 4  |
| 2   | 43 | A  | Alan DONNELLY  | Ford Fiesta Si    | 14   | 20:15.016 | 2.027    | 2.027    | 82.09 | 1:25.437 | 12 |
| 3   | 40 | A  | David ELSOM    | Ford Fiesta Si    | 14   | 20:30.266 | 17.277   | 15.250   | 81.07 | 1:26.404 | 14 |
| 4   | 73 | B  | Scott BAINES   | Ford Fiesta Zetec | 14   | 20:59.879 | 46.890   | 29.613   | 79.17 | 1:28.504 | 13 |
| 5   | 45 | A  | Nicholas TILEY | Ford Fiesta Si    | 14   | 21:29.814 | 1:16.825 | 29.935   | 77.33 | 1:28.940 | 10 |
| 6   | 55 | B  | Ken BATEMAN    | Ford Fiesta Zetec | 14   | 21:30.555 | 1:17.566 | 0.741    | 77.28 | 1:29.798 | 12 |
| 7   | 53 | B  | Kevin STIRLING | Ford Fiesta Zetec | 14   | 21:33.600 | 1:20.611 | 3.045    | 77.10 | 1:30.067 | 11 |
| 8   | 17 | B  | Keith CHAPMAN  | Ford Fiesta Zetec | 13   | 20:13.897 | 1 lap    | 1 lap    | 76.30 | 1:30.787 | 6  |
| 9   | 77 | B  | Michel EDWARDS | Ford Fiesta Zetec | 13   | 20:14.178 | 1 lap    | 0.281    | 76.28 | 1:30.004 | 8  |
| 10  | 32 | B  | Claire KEMP    | Ford Fiesta Zetec | 13   | 20:15.739 | 1 lap    | 1.561    | 76.18 | 1:30.430 | 8  |
| 11  | 88 | B  | Nikolas BARTON | Ford Fiesta Zetec | 13   | 21:33.986 | 1 lap    | 1:18.247 | 71.57 | 1:29.562 | 10 |

#### NOT CLASSIFIED

|     |    |   |                  |                   |   |           |         |        |       |          |   |
|-----|----|---|------------------|-------------------|---|-----------|---------|--------|-------|----------|---|
| DNF | 27 | B | James APPLEBY    | Ford Fiesta Zetec | 8 | 12:54.379 | 6 laps  | 5 laps | 73.60 | 1:30.903 | 5 |
| DNF | 31 | A | William THORESEN | Ford Fiesta Si    | 4 | 6:30.795  | 10 laps | 4 laps | 72.92 | 1:32.735 | 4 |

#### FASTEST LAP

|    |   |               |                   |    |          |           |            |
|----|---|---------------|-------------------|----|----------|-----------|------------|
| 43 | A | Alan DONNELLY | Ford Fiesta Si    | 12 | 1:25.437 | 83.39 mph | 134.20 kph |
| 73 | B | Scott BAINES  | Ford Fiesta Zetec | 13 | 1:28.504 | 80.50 mph | 129.55 kph |

These results are provisional until the conclusion of any judicial and technical matters.

Donington Park National Circuit Length = 1.9791 miles. Start: 16:36 End: 16:58. Weather / Track : Cloudy / Dry

## RACE 1 – Class C



The commentator made much of the ability of left foot braking and the choice of tyres giving the uncertain weather as the track was wetter than damp but not absolutely wet. My own view was to go for slicks, but what do I know ? (*polite answers on a postcard please*). I believe that most front runners, and indeed most of the drivers had elected to stay on their slick tyres as the race got underway there was no choice and they had to run what they brought. Poleman Grady certainly was on Dunlop slicks as they went off to Redgate.

Grady led through the Old Hairpin

and had literally everyone behind him as we saw some extremely late braking. End of lap 1 of 14 and Grady led Cockill (H) from Cooper and Wilmot and then Parr led Bowers and Bushell with a then train of cars headed by Foley, Napolitano, Wilson and Cockill (E). All 23 cars were still running. The script was then lost as Grady lost successive places to Cockill (H) and Cooper as he slip slid the car on the damp track. Cooper took the battle to the leader but was to discover it was one thing to lead a race and quite another for the second place Cooper to find a way by. Meanwhile, back a bit down the order and on laps 8 and 9, Cockill (E) had found the impetus to move up from 6<sup>th</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> and then 4<sup>th</sup> only to see that gain wiped out on lap 10 as he was relegated back to 6<sup>th</sup>. The big drama was the fate of the leader Harry Cockill as he went off unaided to bash the back of his car with a big thump and was out. Jason Cooper inherited a lead on lap 9 and was able to steer to victory, notwithstanding the pressure from David Grady in second and a splendid third from the ever improving Nick Bowers.

## RACE 8 - CLASSIFICATION

### Competition Car Insurance Ford Fiesta Championship (Class C)

| POS            | NO | CL | NAME            | ENTRY          | LAPS | TIME      | GAP       | DIFF   | MPH        | BEST     | ON |
|----------------|----|----|-----------------|----------------|------|-----------|-----------|--------|------------|----------|----|
| 1              | 35 | C  | Jason COOPER    | Ford Fiesta ST | 14   | 21:06.076 |           |        | 78.78      | 1:28.109 | 6  |
| 2              | 72 | C  | David GRADY     | Ford Fiesta ST | 14   | 21:09.479 | 3.403     | 3.403  | 78.57      | 1:28.432 | 3  |
| 3              | 51 | C  | Nicholas BOWERS | Ford Fiesta ST | 14   | 21:10.162 | 4.086     | 0.683  | 78.52      | 1:27.696 | 6  |
| 4              | 29 | C  | Edward COCKILL  | Ford Fiesta ST | 14   | 21:11.036 | 4.960     | 0.874  | 78.47      | 1:27.473 | 6  |
| 5              | 4  | C  | Michael BUSHELL | Ford Fiesta ST | 14   | 21:12.456 | 6.380     | 1.420  | 78.38      | 1:27.991 | 7  |
| 6              | 82 | C  | Matthew FOLEY   | Ford Fiesta ST | 14   | 21:13.383 | 7.307     | 0.927  | 78.33      | 1:27.533 | 6  |
| 7              | 33 | C  | Matthew PARR    | Ford Fiesta ST | 14   | 21:13.645 | 7.569     | 0.262  | 78.31      | 1:27.928 | 6  |
| 8              | 10 | C  | Ian WILSON      | Ford Fiesta ST | 14   | 21:14.913 | 8.837     | 1.268  | 78.23      | 1:28.802 | 5  |
| 9              | 24 | C  | Lee NAPOLITANO  | Ford Fiesta ST | 14   | 21:18.269 | 12.193    | 3.356  | 78.03      | 1:27.902 | 6  |
| 10             | 21 | C  | Andrew WILMOT   | Ford Fiesta ST | 14   | 21:44.858 | 38.782    | 26.589 | 76.44      | 1:29.482 | 6  |
| 11             | 6  | C  | Joanne EASON    | Ford Fiesta ST | 14   | 21:57.072 | 50.996    | 12.214 | 75.73      | 1:31.491 | 9  |
| 12             | 44 | C  | Ian FLETCHER    | Ford Fiesta ST | 14   | 22:03.475 | 57.399    | 6.403  | 75.36      | 1:31.287 | 5  |
| 13             | 18 | C  | Nicholas POPE   | Ford Fiesta ST | 14   | 22:05.945 | 59.869    | 2.470  | 75.22      | 1:30.808 | 6  |
| 14             | 5  | C  | AI DALY         | Ford Fiesta ST | 14   | 22:37.475 | 1:31.399  | 31.530 | 73.47      | 1:32.599 | 6  |
| 15             | 13 | C  | Graham FIELD    | Ford Fiesta ST | 14   | 22:42.966 | 1:36.890  | 5.491  | 73.18      | 1:32.701 | 3  |
| 16             | 68 | C  | Terence UPTON   | Ford Fiesta ST | 14   | 22:42.971 | 1:36.895  | 0.005  | 73.18      | 1:32.376 | 3  |
| 17             | 26 | C  | Steve PAPWORTH  | Ford Fiesta ST | 13   | 21:36.764 | 1 lap     | 1 lap  | 71.42      | 1:31.852 | 3  |
| 18             | 15 | C  | Euan WILSON     | Ford Fiesta ST | 13   | 21:58.335 | 1 lap     | 21.571 | 70.25      | 1:35.186 | 6  |
| 19             | 39 | C  | Stuart WILSON   | Ford Fiesta ST | 13   | 22:05.513 | 1 lap     | 7.178  | 69.87      | 1:35.984 | 6  |
| NOT CLASSIFIED |    |    |                 |                |      |           |           |        |            |          |    |
| DNF            | 28 | C  | Harry COCKILL   | Ford Fiesta ST | 11   | 16:36.516 | 3 laps    | 2 laps | 78.64      | 1:28.128 | 7  |
| DNF            | 3  | C  | David ABBOTT    | Ford Fiesta ST | 8    | 13:22.570 | 6 laps    | 3 laps | 71.01      | 1:32.654 | 3  |
| DNF            | 9  | C  | Chris TOUMAZOS  | Ford Fiesta ST | 5    | 8:15.018  | 9 laps    | 3 laps | 71.96      | 1:31.538 | 3  |
| DNF            | 20 | C  | Rex NYE         | Ford Fiesta ST | 1    | 2:01.414  | 13 laps   | 4 laps | 58.68      |          |    |
| FASTEST LAP    |    |    |                 |                |      |           |           |        |            |          |    |
|                | 29 | C  | Edward COCKILL  | Ford Fiesta ST | 6    | 1:27.473  | 81.44 mph |        | 131.08 kph |          |    |

Donington Park National Circuit Length = 1.9791 miles. Start: 10:49 End: 11:12. **Weather / Track : Rain /Wet**

## RACE 2 – Class C



This was always going to be the one to watch. Clear away the wet weather, bring in the breeze and reasonable track temperatures and light the blue touch paper and stand back. Unfortunately, the damage sustained to Harry Cockill's previously immaculate ST was not even worth attempting to repair, so far gone was the rear end. Harry was unscathed after the shunt and was to spectate. Our anticipation for a good full length race went a bit awry – more of that later. Race started at twelve minutes to six. Red lights off and away. Good start by Ed Cockill who was looking to get the drop, Cooper held the lead – just – from Grady but the latter did get by between Redgate and the Old Hairpin.

Someone off in the gravel and we saw Joanne Eason hobbling along. Another car off at McLeans and it looked like Ian Wilson – it was , but he re-joined the field. Pressure at the front as Grady led Cooper by the merest margin then again by almost the same amount to third placed Ed Cockill. Bushell and Parr looked set for a ding

ding but the on lap 3, the Safety Car was deployed as we saw a car on its roof – the red and black car of Rex Nye who had been unlucky in trying to avoid a spinning Toumazos. Lap 7 saw the resumption of the race proper and obviously the pack was now tightly bunched as Grady crossed the line just .23 of a second ahead of Cooper. Cockill led Bushell and Foley with Parr just behind him. Small gap back to Napolitano then a shade of paint between Wilmot and Bowers. Strangely, a near 4 second gap then back to a four car train of Daly, Abbott, Pope and Papworth with a hint of daylight to Field, Wilson (Ian) and Wilson (Stuart) and yet another Wilson (Euan). The race was now about groups as the leading trio of Grady, Cooper and Cockill had just a few seconds separating them. The battle for fourth to ninth had a spread of another 3 seconds and then 10<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> by just over three seconds. It looked good and was good. The safety car had dealt a time /lap penalty for racing so with the end of 12 laps in sight, the chequered flag was waved out to David Grady from Jason Cooper and Ed Cockill. Leading Veteran driver was Ian Wilson from Steve Papworth and Al Daly.



## RACE 19 - CLASSIFICATION

### Competition Car Insurance Ford Fiesta Championship (Class C)

| POS | NO | CL | NAME            | ENTRY          | LAPS | TIME      | GAP    | DIFF   | MPH   | BEST     | ON |
|-----|----|----|-----------------|----------------|------|-----------|--------|--------|-------|----------|----|
| 1   | 72 | C  | David GRADY     | Ford Fiesta ST | 12   | 20:52.693 |        |        | 68.24 | 1:22.744 | 11 |
| 2   | 35 | C  | Jason COOPER    | Ford Fiesta ST | 12   | 20:53.047 | 0.354  | 0.354  | 68.23 | 1:22.809 | 11 |
| 3   | 29 | C  | Edward COCKILL  | Ford Fiesta ST | 12   | 20:57.513 | 4.820  | 4.466  | 67.98 | 1:23.401 | 12 |
| 4   | 4  | C  | Michael BUSHELL | Ford Fiesta ST | 12   | 21:05.807 | 13.114 | 8.294  | 67.54 | 1:24.121 | 11 |
| 5   | 33 | C  | Matthew PARR    | Ford Fiesta ST | 12   | 21:06.060 | 13.367 | 0.253  | 67.52 | 1:23.489 | 11 |
| 6   | 82 | C  | Matthew FOLEY   | Ford Fiesta ST | 12   | 21:06.729 | 14.036 | 0.669  | 67.49 | 1:23.869 | 11 |
| 7   | 24 | C  | Lee NAPOLITANO  | Ford Fiesta ST | 12   | 21:07.252 | 14.559 | 0.523  | 67.46 | 1:24.340 | 11 |
| 8   | 21 | C  | Andrew WILMOT   | Ford Fiesta ST | 12   | 21:07.454 | 14.761 | 0.202  | 67.45 | 1:23.822 | 8  |
| 9   | 51 | C  | Nicholas BOWERS | Ford Fiesta ST | 12   | 21:08.352 | 15.659 | 0.898  | 67.40 | 1:24.279 | 8  |
| 10  | 10 | C  | Ian WILSON      | Ford Fiesta ST | 12   | 21:22.268 | 29.575 | 13.916 | 66.67 | 1:24.840 | 11 |
| 11  | 18 | C  | Nicholas POPE   | Ford Fiesta ST | 12   | 21:22.661 | 29.968 | 0.393  | 66.65 | 1:25.656 | 12 |
| 12  | 26 | C  | Steve PAPWORTH  | Ford Fiesta ST | 12   | 21:22.921 | 30.228 | 0.260  | 66.64 | 1:24.739 | 12 |
| 13  | 5  | C  | AI DALY         | Ford Fiesta ST | 12   | 21:25.872 | 33.179 | 2.951  | 66.48 | 1:26.895 | 12 |
| 14  | 3  | C  | David ABBOTT    | Ford Fiesta ST | 12   | 21:26.013 | 33.320 | 0.141  | 66.48 | 1:26.091 | 12 |
| 15  | 13 | C  | Graham FIELD    | Ford Fiesta ST | 12   | 21:26.966 | 34.273 | 0.953  | 66.43 | 1:26.038 | 12 |
| 16  | 39 | C  | Stuart WILSON   | Ford Fiesta ST | 12   | 21:43.637 | 50.944 | 16.671 | 65.58 | 1:30.006 | 11 |
| 17  | 15 | C  | Euan WILSON     | Ford Fiesta ST | 12   | 21:49.033 | 56.340 | 5.396  | 65.31 | 1:29.924 | 10 |

#### NOT CLASSIFIED

|     |    |   |                |                |   |          |         |         |       |  |  |
|-----|----|---|----------------|----------------|---|----------|---------|---------|-------|--|--|
| DNF | 9  | C | Chris TOUMAZOS | Ford Fiesta ST | 1 | 1:40.888 | 11 laps | 11 laps | 70.61 |  |  |
| DNF | 20 | C | Rex NYE        | Ford Fiesta ST | 1 | 1:41.900 | 11 laps | 1.012   | 69.91 |  |  |
| DNF | 68 | C | Terence UPTON  | Ford Fiesta ST | 1 | 2:19.777 | 11 laps | 37.877  | 50.97 |  |  |
| DNF | 6  | C | Joanne EASON   | Ford Fiesta ST | 0 |          |         |         |       |  |  |
| DNF | 44 | C | Ian FLETCHER   | Ford Fiesta ST | 0 |          |         |         |       |  |  |

#### FASTEST LAP

|    |   |             |                |    |          |           |            |
|----|---|-------------|----------------|----|----------|-----------|------------|
| 72 | C | David GRADY | Ford Fiesta ST | 11 | 1:22.744 | 86.10 mph | 138.57 kph |
|----|---|-------------|----------------|----|----------|-----------|------------|

These results are provisional until the conclusion of any judicial and technical matters.

Donington Park National Circuit Length = 1.9791 miles. Start: 17:48 End: 18:10. Weather / Track : Cloudy / Dry



*Engine problems side-lined this Donnelley motor but he found the fizzy orange substitute*

