

CADWELL PARK
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Boston denied hat-trick again in race three

ROB BOSTON WAS LEFT FRUSTRATED after a five-second time penalty denied him a clean sweep of wins in the Mazda MX-5 SuperCup at Cadwell Park, having led every race from pole.

After also missing a hat-trick in the opening round at Brands Hatch, Boston held off the challenge of Luke Herbert in the first two races at Cadwell before a track-limit infringement caused him to lose out to Tom Roche in race three. It was a frustrating weekend too for reigning SuperCup champion James Blake-Baldwin, forced to retire on the opening lap of race one with engine woes. As a result, he joined the B grid on Sunday, losing valuable points.

In the Mazda MX-5 Championship, Will Blackwell-Chambers continued his scintillating form with another two wins to add to his trio in the season opener. All three races were agonisingly close throughout, and the margin of victory was less than a second each time. Blackwell-Chambers survived enormous pressure to pip James Harris by 0.2 seconds in the opening race but lost out to Samuel Smith by a similar margin in race two. Normal service resumed in race three, as Blackwell-Chambers fought off Smith and Oliver Allwood to make it five wins out of six this year.

In the three combined Mazda MX-5 Championship and MX-5 SuperCup B races, George Grant, Blake-Baldwin and Ben Short took wins respectively.

There was drama in the weekend's two Fiesta Championship races, with as much happening off the track as on it. A broken steering column caused a heavy shunt for polesitter Danny Harrison, and race one was flagged early for repairs to the barrier. The win was eventually awarded to Samuel



Rob Boston's wait for a clean sweep goes on after Cadwell miss

Watkins, but only after David Nye and series debutant Josh Gollin had received time penalties for earlier Code 60 infringements. Harrison's luck deserted him again in race two, as a driveshaft failure left him stranded on the grid. Joshua Watkins took advantage of a squabble between his younger brother Sam and Lewis Kent to snatch his maiden series win. Gollin was again on the wrong side of the law as his second place was later taken away as a result of avoidable contact.

In the Fiesta Junior series, Nicholas Reeve held off James Waite to take the win in race one. Jack Davidson came through from the back of the grid and only narrowly missed out on third place to Lochlan Bearman.

Davidson became the star of the show in race two, picking off Bearman and Waite from fourth on the grid, before reeling in and passing Reeve on the last lap for a well-earned victory.

After a pointless opening weekend at Brands, Lee Morgan proved he is the class of the Formula Jedi field to claim two wins and a second place. Morgan looked on course for a comfortable victory in the opening race before a wheel issue allowed Michael Watton to close in and snatch the

lead on the last lap. The win ended a two-year victory drought for Watton on the weekend of his 28th birthday. Starting seventh for the reversed-grid race, Morgan was in no mood to hang about and duly took his first win of the campaign after a good battle with Paul Butcher. He then repeated that performance in race three.

Chris McFie was a surprise double-winner in the Alfa Romeo Championship, benefiting on both occasions from the disastrous luck of modified frontrunner Bryan Shrubbs. McFie romped to an easy win in race one in his Fiat Punto after Shrubbs's Alfa 33 dropped out with a broken wheel hub and fellow modified racer Vincent Dubois pulled over with smoke coming from his 156's engine. Shrubbs was back on the grid for race two. After battling through the field to take the lead, a gearbox issue meant he dropped out on the last lap, gifting McFie another win.

Ed Hayes extended his lead of the Toyo Tyres Porsche Championship with a win and a second place. Adam Southgate provided his main competition throughout. Hayes looked unstoppable as he took a lights-to-flag win in race one, but a slow start cost him dearly in race two as Southgate took the spoils. Pip Hammond and Andrew Baker were the victors in the 924 and Production Boxster classes respectively.

Paul Trayhurn scored a dominant win in the Sports 2000 Duratecs. His Van Diemen was 13 seconds clear at one point but eased off toward the end to beat Tom Stoten (Gunn) by a comfortable 7s.

The Sports 2000 Pinto race was a much closer affair in which Simon Aldworth and his Lola T492 edged Charles Fogg (Tiga) by just 0.7 seconds. Aldworth led from the start but struggled to pull clear of Fogg, who remained within a second of him throughout.

ROB WATTS



Hayes extended his championship lead in the Porsches

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