

# Race Results



<b>Date</b>	12 <sup>th</sup> & 13 <sup>th</sup> March 2011
<b>Location</b>	Mallory Park
<b>Conditions</b>	Cold, cloudy, but dry. Track damp
<b>Passenger</b>	Stephen Cowin

Practice 1	
Lap	Time
1	
2	1.16
3	1.16
4	1.14
5	1.14
6	1.15
7	1.12.769
<b>Max Speed</b>	

Race 1	
Lap	Time
1	1.15
2	1.14
3	1.13
4	1.11
5	1.11
6	1.11
7	1.10.357
<b>Max Speed</b>	71.123

Warm up	
Lap	Time
1	1.18
2	1.18
3	1.17.140
4	1.15.201
5	1.17
6	1.19
7	1.17
8	1.18
<b>Max Speed</b>	

Race 2	
Lap	Time
1	1.10
2	1.08.328
3	1.09
4	1.09
5	1.10
6	1.10
7	1.12
8	1.11
9	1.10
10	1.10
11	1.08
12	1.09
<b>Max Speed</b>	73.235

Race 4	
Lap	Withdrawn
<b>Max Speed</b>	

Summary	
<b>Quickest Lap</b>	1.08.328
<b>Slowest Lap</b>	1.18
<b>Quickest Speed</b>	73.235

### Race Report

Thanks to kindness of strangers and two very close friends, disaster was averted.



Thanks to Derek from [www.dcd-images.co.uk](http://www.dcd-images.co.uk) for sending us this picture.

Prior to going to Mallory Park spare parts had to be acquired due to a problem which arose on the previous Sunday at the Duke track day at Jurby. Broken push rod and gear selector.

Thundersport Technical Inspectors and racing officials congratulated us a presenting an immaculate F2 Sidecar. Well Oscar took some pushing and eventually got started only to cut out just going out of the holding area on going out for qualification. All others F2 sidecars whizzed off leaving Stig pushing like mad up the pit lane and me screaming at him words like "come on Stig push we have not come all this way to give up now"!. Then RED Flag due to an oil spillage. This was so fortunate for us because they declared the lunch break and a re start of sidecars after. Pushed to the Camp by the exhausted Tony and Stig. Ruth Laidlaw came out of the crowd rushing over asking what was up and I told her the second push rod had snapped I was certain. To which she grabbed the tools and set about installing a new one of us. With a minute or so to go we started her up and gently proceeded to the holding area with Ruth's words ringing in my ears "Just get one lap in that's all you need to do to qualify". We did qualify but not in style.

The afternoon race was brought to an immediate halt due to a very serious accident in the warm up lap. Fortunately both Driver and Passenger I can report are OK. Lady luck once again played her part because the race was cut from 18 laps to 8 and we just would not have survived with the misfire plus slipping clutch. We finished so got the signature.

Back to camp and I decided to take the clutch apart. To see what was going on and with the great-full assistance of two strangers Doug Chandler and a gentleman called Jim. Only to find the clutch plates had been put in incorrectly and one was missing all together!! Head in hands time..... but no Doug and Jim on the phone and next thing is an engine with clutch would be available at 8.30am for me to use for spare parts.....wow.....I honestly could have cried. But decided a few beers and good company may help.

Up early and true to their word the clutch plates were there to use, and also very kindly fitted. Then to the second problem the misfire! Coils looked at but it turned out to be a smashed plug! Lots of rubbish blown out and up "Oscar" came and breathing a lot better due to a small alteration and a new part installed from a fire extinguisher!!!! Out we went for the race, a little worried about everything and not totally focused and determined as I had been in October. Times were well down engine over fuelling. Stig put in a great effort both days and deserves to get the two signatures to bring him up to the National Licence, which he will now be applying for.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Julie Canipa and Tony Corlett for keeping us watered and fed but most importantly keeping our spirits up when we thought all was lost. Great people salt of the earth. Secondly a great big thank you to Ruth Laidlaw, Doug Chandler, and Jim without you, Oscar would have been cleaned and polished and put back in the van and the whole trip would have been a waste of time.

Work to do before the meeting at Jurby on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> March and good news report hopefully to follow.

They may not show us on the TV due to the fact we were in last place but anyone interested in watching the racing it is on Motors TV on sky on the 24<sup>th</sup> March at 19.00.

