

## Pembrey Sprint Sunday 16 August

For our third event of the year we travelled west to the Pembrey circuit for a sprint. Each run would consist of one lap and three quarters, a total of 2.4 miles. The forecast was not good and it was touch and go whether we would get rain. There were five of us, 'locals' Fin and Max Mackintosh along with Alistair Dent and then Andy Raynor and Mike Wood making the long journey west.

The meeting format only had a single practice and true to form it rained just before our practice, meaning it was slippery, and with goggles rain coated and misting, finding the layout was a challenge. However, the shower soon stopped and the first timed run took place before lunch. A light breeze and some sun between the clouds meant the track was now largely dry. Fin was immediately into his stride with a clear lead over son Max and then a gap back to Andy and Alistair, separated by a whisker. Mike found a damp patch and spun out early in the lap.

After lunch we all had our fingers crossed the rain would not re-appear, which fortunately it didn't. Alistair had adjusted his gearing and on the next run drew fractionally ahead of Andy. All cut significant chunks off the first run times as the layout became more settled in our minds.

The last run of the competition saw more improvements for all and although Max closed the gap, the day still belonged to Fin. Andy found a just a little more than Alistair to take third place.

BARC Wales and Bristol Motor Club looked after us well, allowing us to start individually and go almost straight to the start line. Everyone was happy it had remained dry and that we had had some good competition.



### Results

Fin Mackintosh	Cooper Mk XI Norton	156.53	144.39	<b>141.74</b>
Max Mackintosh	Cooper Mk VI JAP	167.41	147.01	<b>143.26</b>
Andy Raynor	Cooper Mk V Norton	171.27	154.64	<b>151.65</b>
Alistair Dent	Hornet JAP	171.79	154.18	<b>151.96</b>
Mike Wood	Iota CB2 JAP	Fail	161.09	<b>155.61</b>

*A fuller report will appear in the yearbook*