

# **MSCC Techniques Speed Championship 2013**

## **Event Report**

Venue: Ty Croes National

Date: 31<sup>st</sup> August 2013

Weather: Warm and Dry

TY Croes sits on the south coast of Anglesey, looking out across the Irish Sea to the west with the mountains of Snowdon to the east. A truly picturesque circuit with great views and weather to match – sometimes.

Due to the length of the course, 1.85 laps, there is only a need to complete one practice session so this inevitably results in more available time for the all important timed runs.

Clive Glass was on the pace immediately with a time that would be only a tenth or so shy of his fastest run of the day whilst Tim and Simon were still taking things fairly carefully. Rob Stones was visiting the venue for the first time so he was experiencing a steep learning curve on this twisty course.

The 1<sup>st</sup> timed runs were completed before lunch with improvements for all, with Tim now taking the lead from Simon by 0.4 seconds. Rob had lopped over 6 seconds off his time now he knew where the track was going and as we all relaxed over lunch, we knew that there was still more time to be found.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> timed runs were soon upon us, the results indicating mixed fortunes. Clive and Tim both posting slower times whilst Simon edged into 1<sup>st</sup> place and Rob, still learning, took another 4.5 seconds off his time.

And so to prepare for the 3rd and final run but what's this? Clive was seen removing a front wheel that had been found to be flat - probably the cause of his slower 2<sup>nd</sup> run – but he was then seen to heading off in his towcar to rescue Judy who was being chased by bulls in a nearby field!

With Judy rescued, he then searched out the nearest tyre repair depot after which he still made it back to the course for his timed run.

As for the rest of us, improvements were made by everyone. Simon managed to maintain his lead over Tim but only by 0.3 seconds, whilst for Rob, even though he selected the wrong gear at Rocket, he still posted a faster time.

Simon Baines

