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Solid Results at the SMRC Spring Race Meeting for *bh racing*

It was the largest entry ever for the SMRC on a sunny 27th April, and 24 XR2's for rounds 3 & 4 of the championship. It was a fantastic day's racing for *bh racing* with good results in both races.



Qualifying: The track was in perfect condition for qualifying and being near the front of the pack helped improve our effort. The session itself was relatively un-remarkable with Barry taking 9th position on the grid for the first race.

Race 1: Barry made a perfect start to the race though there were plenty incidents just behind on lap one which brought the red flags out on the second lap. At the restart, Barry didn't get off the line quite as well but held off John Sherridan through Scotsman to hang onto the position. From here it was to be a titanic tussle for fifth position fought between Callum Dryburgh, Ian Munro, Steven Gray and Barry. Steven nipped by both Calum and Ian to take fifth and pulled

out a slight gap leaving the remaining three to fight for sixth. Barry's passing moves were fruitless and those attempts at the hairpin compromised the exit and allowed Stuart Wilson to catch up slightly. Barry returned to fight for the place again but couldn't quite make it through and held a watching brief for the final few laps until Callum made a challenge on Ian at the hairpin on the last lap. This compromised Ian's exit allowing Callum and Barry to slip past, with Callum taking sixth and Barry nipping into seventh.

Race 2: The start of race two was clean though Barry lost a position at the first corner, slipping to eighth but was soon promoted back to seventh as Charlie Cope spun out at Scotsman on the opening lap. Barry again found himself battling with Callum and Steven for sixth but again was left unable to gain enough ground to make the pass. Both Calum and Steven left the door open for Barry on occasions with mistakes through Scotsman on separate laps, though both made very hard but fair defensive moves up to the chicane and again Barry settled for a chasing role. With one more car retiring ahead through a spin at Butchers, we were promoted to sixth.

The improvements made to the car since the previous race have helped immensely and we have



now achieved our goal of a top six finish. The focus now is to consolidate this position at Croft.

Photos courtesy of Laura Kettlewell

bh racing to carry Teenage Cancer Trust logo at Croft and beyond.

At the Croft race meeting on 17th and 18th May and for the remainder of the season, *bh racing* will carry the logo of the Teenage Cancer Trust. We hope to



help raise awareness of this very worthwhile charity and help the



Remember Zoe Appeal reach it's fund raising target on behalf of TCT. Donations can be made online, just follow the links from bhracing.com.

Looking forward to Croft

The weekend of May 17th and 18th sees the Scottish XR2 Championship make it's way down south to Croft Circuit, near Darlington for this seasons only round away from Knockhill. The last time Barry raced there was in 2004, and the performance then was promising. The track is flat and long, with some spectacularly fast corners and one of the slowest hairpins in the country. With so many of the cars tuned to perfection for Knockhill, Croft could throw up some interesting results. We will have some new parts on the car for this meeting and we're keen to maintain out top six form and improve on our championship position.

XR2 Championship Standings – After round 4

1	Peter Cruickshank	93	5	Callum Dryburgh	41
2	David Sleigh	72	6	Gerriant Jones	38
3	Charlie Cope	61	7	Ian Munro	34
4	Steven Gray	45	8	Barry Holmes	30

(Provisional standings)