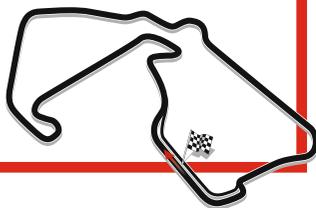


GP3

Silverstone (GB)

July 5-6

Round 3/11



RESULTS

RACE 1: 15 LAPS, 54.824 MILES

1	JIMMY ERIKSSON (S)	27m32.301s
Koiranen GP; Grid: 1st-2m05.322s		
2	ALEX LYNN (GB)	+0.958s
Carlin; Grid: 2nd-2m05.638s		
3	MARVIN KIRCHHOFER (D)	+7.150s
ART Grand Prix; Grid: 3rd-2m06.385s		
4	EMIL BERNSTORFF (GB)	+9.882s
Carlin; Grid: 5th-2m06.669s		
5	NICK YELLOLY (GB)	+10.937s
Status Grand Prix; Grid: 7th-2m06.805s		
6	RICCARDO AGOSTINI (I)	+12.774s
Hilmer Motorsport; Grid: 8th-2m07.202s		
7	RICHIE STANAWAY (NZ)	+14.413s
Status Grand Prix; Grid: 6th-2m06.704s		
8	DINO ZAMPARELLI (GB)	+16.895s
ART Grand Prix; Grid: *9th-2m06.392s		
9	JANN MARDENBOROUGH (GB)	+18.661s
Arden International; Grid: 4th-2m06.430s		
10	DEAN STONEMAN (GB)	+20.132s
Manor Racing; Grid: 16th-2m07.613s		

Winner's average speed: 119.449mph. Fastest lap: Lynn, 1m48.963s, 120.938mph.

RACE 2: 15 LAPS, 54.824 MILES

1	STANAWAY	27m39.436s
Grid: 2nd		
2	YELLOLY	+2.737s
Grid: 4th		
3	BERNSTORFF	+7.789s
Grid: 5th		
4	KIRCHHOFER	+14.363s
Grid: 6th		
5	AGOSTINI	+16.508s
Grid: 3rd		
6	LYNN	+17.503s
Grid: 7th		
7	ZAMPARELLI	+18.743s
Grid: 1st		
8	MATHEO TUSCHER (CH)	+19.748s
Jenzer Motorsport; Grid: 14th		
9	LUIS SA SILVA (AO)	+21.217s
Carlin; Grid: 18th		
10	ALFONSO CELIS (MEX)	+27.015s
Status Grand Prix; Grid: 16th		

Winner's average speed: 118.936mph. Fastest lap: Roman de Beer, 1m49.360s, 120.499mph. All drivers in Dallara-Mecachrome GP3/13. * 5-place grid penalty.

DRIVERS' CHAMPIONSHIP

1	LYNN	86	6	YELLOLY	38
2	ERIKSSON	78	7	TUSCHER	25
3	STANAWAY	68	8	ZAMPARELLI	25
4	BERNSTORFF	58	9	STONEMAN	22
5	KIRCHHOFER	49	10	KUJALA	16

TEAMS

1	CARLIN	148	4	ART GRAND PRIX	74
2	STATUS GRAND PRIX	106	5	MANOR RACING	38
3	KOIRANEN GP	78	6	JENZER MOTORSPORT	25

POINTS SYSTEM EXPLAINED

In race one: 25-18-15-12-10-8-6-4-2-1 to top 10 finishers. In race two: 15-12-10-8-6-4-2-1 to top eight finishers. Two points for fastest lap among top-10 finishers in each race.



Pack shuffles at start of race one

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Eriksson on the race one podium with Lynn (I) and Kirchhofer

The rise and fall of Jimmy Eriksson

JIMMY ERIKSSON ATE INTO ALEX LYNN'S POINTS LEAD

with his first-ever GP3 victory at Silverstone on Saturday, but a rash move on Sunday not only took him out of the race — and promoted Lynn to restore a more comfortable advantage — but earned him a grid penalty for the next race too.

Koiranen GP's Eriksson scored his first pole in wet conditions on Saturday, nailing a fine lap on wets that were very much one-shot wonders to beat Carlin-run title rival Lynn to the spot by three tenths of a second. "I was quite happy with my lap; Jimmy just went a little better," acknowledged Lynn.

Conditions had dried out for that afternoon's opening race, but the battle between them was no less intense. Lynn's poor start allowed Eriksson to rocket away, and the Swede built a formidable 2.7s advantage by lap four. But as the fuel loads came down, Lynn's car balance improved much more to his liking and he carved into Eriksson's advantage as the laps unwound.

Lynn took a second out of Eriksson's lead on lap 11 alone, and was right on him with a couple of tours remaining. But, try as he might, the Briton just couldn't get close enough to attempt a pass to snatch a home victory.

Eriksson admitted he was worried, though, saying: "I knew my tyres were going away a bit, and I could see he was pushing a lot, but I was quick at the start and quick enough at the end."

Lynn admonished himself for "putting too much emphasis on beating Eriksson at the start", but was pleased with his pace and lack of tyre degradation, and was keen on making progress from seventh on the reversed grid on Sunday. Once again, he suffered wheelspin away from the line, and although Eriksson made an even worse start, he managed to get ahead of Lynn — although they were duelling over 11th place this time and not first.

This meant Eriksson was ahead of Lynn when he tripped over a squabbling Patric Niederhauser and Pal Varhaug at Club, putting all three out and gaining a five-place grid penalty for Hockenheim. Lynn ducked past the shunt ("I saw it coming a mile off") and then picked up places from fellow



Stanaway heads Bernstorff in race two

Brits Jann Mardenborough, Dino Zamparelli and Dean Stoneman in the second half of the race, regaining four of the nine points he'd lost to Eriksson the day before.

Richie Stanaway won Sunday's race, his first series win since 2011, despite encountering some tyre graining at mid-distance. "Had it not been for a messy qualifying we would have had an even better weekend," said Stanaway. "We have really turned the car around, and it's quite radically different from what we've done before this year."

He was followed home by Nick Yelloly to make a one-two for Status Grand Prix at its home track. Yelloly smartly outbraked the fast-starting Emil Bernstorff for second at Brooklands on lap two. "It was nice to pull away from a Carlin car — we haven't been able to say that before," said Yelloly, who kept up his 100 per cent series podium record at Silverstone.

Marvin Kirchhofer had a productive weekend for ART Grand Prix, taking third and fourth across the races, with Bernstorff and Yelloly chasing him home on Saturday. Riccardo Agostini impressed again, scoring his first points in the series (sixth on Saturday; fifth on Sunday) in his second race weekend with Hilmer.

The other points scorers were Zamparelli, who made a poor start from reversed-grid pole position on Sunday and slumped to seventh, Stoneman (P16 to 10th on Saturday but a retirement on Sunday) and Matheo Tuscher.