

210 Challenge 2026

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Newsletter

April 12th Kimbolton Round 1 Incorporating the 2026 'O' Plate and Round 1 of the Supa 60's

A packed grid fired up Round 1 of the 210 Challenge at Kimbolton, and it was a real pleasure to welcome Mick Newman (81) back for his first outing with us in many years. We also introduced a fresh name to the roster, with Ian Taylor (28) stepping in as our Novice after gaining previous experience in the class. The headline surprise, though, was 18-year-old Harry Morris (41), who takes over from Rob Perkins in the seat for this year's Championship. It's a neat full-circle moment: 30 years ago, Rob put Harry's father Chris in the seat Chris went on to win the GP and earn the seeded No. 1 spot in the 210 class.

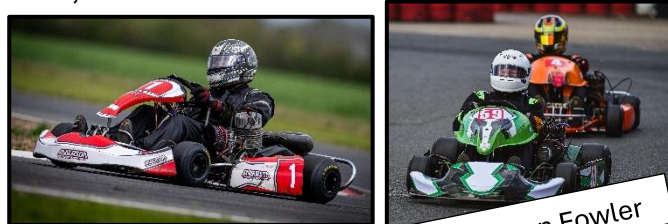


Chris Morris No. 41

Heat 1 opened the 210 Challenge in cool, dry conditions with a standing start for the Villiers-powered field. Harry Morris nailed the launch and broke clear at lights-out. Behind, David Smith briefly held P2 before Dan Bury moved up, but Lionel Sifleet starting 11th was flying, sweeping around the outside of Bury by lap 2 to claim 2nd, with Bury 3rd and Thomas Stone close behind. Out front, Morris controlled the pace with the quickest laps while Bury closed back in on Sifleet and Stone stayed in the fight. Traffic bunched the chasers, but Morris stayed clear and held on despite a final-lap lock-up as a tyre began to deflate, sealing a commanding flag-to-flag win. Behind him, the order held to the flag. The top five were the only drivers to finish on the lead lap in an entertaining opening race for the 2026 210 Challenge
1st Morris, 2nd Sifleet, 3rd D. Bury, 4th Stone, 5th Henry, 6th Ray Sloane.

Heat 2 With expectations high after Morris's dominant Heat 1 performance, the complexion of the race changed immediately as Morris made a bad getaway and failed to get away cleanly, being tagged from behind and suffering a bent axle, forcing his retirement and leaving the door wide open for the rest of the field. It was reigning champion Sifleet (1) who capitalised, making a strong start and taking the lead on the run down to Dan Wheldon Corner. From there, Sifleet quickly began to build a commanding advantage. Behind him, Paul Fowler (59) initially ran second before Bury moved up, the pair engaging in a close battle through the opening stages. As the race settled, Bury edged clear into a secure second place, while Stone (4) charged through from the back of the grid to fourth and steadily closed on Fowler. With Sifleet running unchallenged at the front and beginning to lap backmarkers, attention turned to the fight for the remaining podium places. Stone eventually displaced Fowler to claim 3rd, while Stuart Henry and Smith completed the top five. Sifleet cruised home to take a dominant Heat 2 victory, with Bury a distant second after a consistent drive.

1st Sifleet, 2nd D. Bury, 3rd Stone, 4th Henry, 5th Smith, 6th Sloane.



Stone closing on Fowler

Heat 3 Bury made the best getaway to lead early, with Sifleet quickly into 2nd as the pack streamed through the opening corners. After lap one, Bury led from a close-following Sifleet, with Stone third. Morris was already working his way into the lead group. Sifleet then attacked into Stowe Corner to take the lead. Morris climbed to third and set the pace as he closed on the front two. In the closing laps, Morris was the quickest on track and reeled Sifleet in through traffic, setting up a last-lap run to the flag. Morris latched onto Sifleet's rear bumper but couldn't find a way through in the final corners.

1st Sifleet, Morris 2nd, 3rd Bury, 4th Stone, 5th Sloane, 6th Smith



Sifleet held on to win by just 0.3 seconds

LIONEL SIFLEET HEAT TROPHY

		KIMBOLTON			
		HEAT 1	HEAT 2	HEAT 3	TOTAL
1	LIONEL SIFLEET	19	20	20	59
2	DAN BURY	18	19	18	55
3	TOM STONE	17	18	17	52
4	RAY SLOANE	15	15	16	46
5	OLIVER SHELLEY	13	14	14	41
6=	TONY BURY	14	12	13	39
	HARRY MORRIS	20	0	19	39
8	MARK SHEPHEARD	12	13	10	35
9	STUART HENRY	16	17	0	33
10	DAVID SMITH	0	16	15	31
11	PAUL FOWLER	11	0	12	23
12	MICHAEL OWEN	10	0	11	21
13	MICK NEWMAN	9	0	0	9
14	IAN TAYLOR N	8	0	0	8
15=	TONY COX				0
	DAVID SKULL				0
	WILLIAM SHELLEY				0
	JOHN HUTTON				0
	RUSSELL HOPES				0
	NEIL HANCOCK				0

Final

The grid formed up Sifleet on pole, joined by D. Bury on the front row, with Stone and Morris just behind. As the lights went out Sifleet made the cleaner launch, though Morris got away strongly from the outside and slotted into 2nd despite briefly tagging wheels with Bury at Turn 1. Sifleet led the early laps with Morris close behind and Bury holding 3rd from Stone, Henry and Sloane. Once green-flag running resumed, Morris began to apply pressure and on the run down the Dan Wheldon Straight he powered past Sifleet to take the lead with a decisive move. The pair immediately broke clear, Morris showing impressive straight-line speed while Sifleet stayed close enough to challenge.

For several laps the front two circulated nose-to-tail, Morris setting fastest laps in the low 40-second bracket as he tried to edge away. Behind them Bury, Stone and Henry were locked together in a tight scrap for the final podium place.

Just past mid-distance the race took a dramatic turn when Morris slowed exiting Kimbolton Corner, his kart losing power. He headed to the pits shortly afterwards, leaving Sifleet back in command with a comfortable margin over Stone and Bury. From there the race settled, Sifleet managing traffic cleanly and maintaining a strong pace at the front.

Stone and Bury continued their close battle for 2nd, running only a few kart lengths apart, while Henry held a solid 4th. Further back Fowler, Smith, Sloane, Shelley, Shephard and Owen circulated steadily to complete the running order.

Sifleet took the O-Plate victory in fine style, rounding off a strong weekend for the reigning Champion. Stone secured 2nd after a consistent drive, with Bury 3rd and Stuart Henry 4th completing the trophy winners.

1st Sifleet, 2nd Stone, 3rd Bury, 4th Henry, 5th Fowler, 6th Smith, 7th Sloane, 8th Shelley, 9th Shephard, Owen completed the top ten.



Bury (2) and Stone (4), close battle for 2nd. A lap later and Stone was past !



Henry secures 4th place.

It's worth highlighting that Oli Shelley, (52) Mark Shephard (9) and Ray Sloane (10) delivered a flawless run of consistency—scoring points in all four races. Paul Fowler, David Smith (96) and Michael Owen (72) also put in strong performances, banking some well-deserved scores along the way.



Congratulations Lionel Sifleet 2026 210 'O' plate Champion



2026 210 SHORT CIRCUIT CHALLENGE							
CHAMPIONSHIP POSITIONS							
KIMBOLTON							
		HEAT 1	HEAT 2	HEAT 3	FINAL	ATT	TOTAL
1	LIONEL SIFLEET	19	20	20	32	20	111
2	DAN BURY	18	19	18	28	20	103
3	TOM STONE	17	18	17	30	20	102
4	RAY SLOANE	15	15	16	24	20	90
5	OLIVER SHELLEY	13	14	14	23	20	84
6	STUART HENRY	16	17	0	27	20	80
7	MARK SHEPHEARD	12	13	10	22	20	77
8	DAVID SMITH	0	16	15	25	20	76
9	PAUL FOWLER	11	0	12	26	20	69
10	MICHAEL OWEN	10	0	11	21	20	62
11=	TONY BURY	14	12	13	0	20	59
	HARRY MORRIS	20	0	19	0	20	59
13	MICK NEWMAN	9	0	0	0	20	29
14	IAN TAYLOR N	8	0	0	0	20	28
15	TONY COX	0	0	0	0	20	20
16	DAVID SKULL	0	0	0	0	20	20
17=	WILLIAM SHELLEY					0	0
	JOHN HUTTON					0	0
	RUSSELL HOPES					0	0
	NEIL HANCOCK					0	0

SUPA 60'S							
KIMBOLTON							
		HEAT 1	HEAT 2	HEAT 3	FINAL	ATT	TOTAL
1	LIONEL SIFLEET	19	20	20	32	20	111
2	DAVID SMITH	0	16	15	25	20	76
3	PAUL FOWLER	11	0	12	26	20	69
4	TONY BURY	14	12	13	0	20	59
5	MICK NEWMAN	9	0	0	0	20	29
6	IAN TAYLOR	8	0	0	0	20	28
7	DAVID SKULL	0	0	0	0	20	20
8	WILLIAM SHELLEY				0	0	0
9	JOHN HUTTON				0	0	0

COLOURED TEAMS

RED TEAM	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	T
Tom Stone	1								1
Stuart Henry	1								1
Oli Shelley	1								1
Ray Sloane	1								1
Tony Cox									
	4								
YELLOW TEAM	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	T
Lionel Sifleet	1								1
Neil Hancock									
Tony Bury									
John Hutton									
Mick Newman									
	1								

GREEN TEAM	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	T
Harry Morris									
Russell Hopes									
David Smith	1								1
Michael Owen	1								1
David Skull									
	2								
BLUE TEAM	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	T
Dan Bury	1								1
Mark Shepheard	1								1
William Shelley									
Paul Fowler	1								1
Ian Taylor									
	3								