



Paul Holmes doubles his British Championship lead!

8th June 2015, Cusses Gorse, Wiltshire

Round 4 of the 2015 British Quad Championship was held this past weekend at a new venue for the series at Cusses Gorse, a hard and fast track in the south of England. Paul Holmes entered round 4 as the championship leader and after a brilliant podium finish he doubled his margin at the top of the standings.

Learning the new course in the short 20 minute free practice and timed qualification session was extremely difficult for Holmes as he had to pit at the end of lap one with a throttle issue. He struggled through the session but still managed to post a top 6 lap time despite completing less than half the laps of the other racers in the top 10.

Race 1: Despite getting boxed in on the inside of turn 1, Holmes managed to come out of the turn in the top 10. At the end of lap one Holmes was already into 6th and riding strong. At the half way point Holmes was in 5th place but with the track conditions proving very fast and all the racers having similar speed it was 5th place for Holmes at the finish flag.



Race 2: Getting a better start, Holmes was in the top 5 coming out of turn. Managing to get into 4th place he kept the leaders in sight and despite posting lap times quicker than eventual race winner, Holmes couldn't make the passes he wanted to and had to settle for 4th.

Race 3: Holmes achieved another top 5 start despite the excessive watering of the start area which made a 6th place gate choice unlucky for Holmes. Feeling much better with his set-up after making adjustments throughout the day to suit the track, he came into his own and worked his way into the lead before the half way point of the race. Holmes led until 4 laps to go in the 20minute + 2 lap race but after an un-characteristic stall of the quad, he lost the lead but held on to 2nd place.

Claiming 3rd overall and bagging 131 points, Holmes now extends his lead to 40 points over his nearest competitor.

Round 4 results:

1 st Justin Reid	139 points
2 nd George Calloway	134
3rd Paul Holmes	131
4 th Carl Bunce	121
5 th David Cowan	119

2015 Championship standings:

1st Paul Holmes	529 points
2 nd Justin Reid	489
3 rd Dean Colhoun	473
4 th Carl Bunce	470
5 th George Calloway	467

Holmes commented after the day's action: "Today has been difficult as I haven't really gelled with this new track. The team did a great job and we improved the set-up throughout the day and the last race was better and the quad was great. My DWT tires hooked up great on the hard packed ground and PEP suspension worked brilliantly over the rough terrain that got more difficult throughout the day. I am happy with another podium finish but know I have work to do for Round 5 which I am really looking forward to."

