

Icon Motorsport's Weekend of Promise:

A third place finish by Derryn Harrison in the opening race was the highlight of the weekend for the Icon Motorsport team at Wakefield Park Raceway during the opening round of the New South Wales (NSW) Formula Ford 1600 Championship.

Although the weekend ended in disappointing fashion due to being involved in someone else's mistake during the middle stages of the third and final race that resulted in sustaining race ending damage, Harrison was over the moon with his performance aboard the # 6 Icon Motorsport Spectrum 09B.

Harrison qualified sixth before going on to claim a third place finish on Saturday afternoon in the opening race. A couple of uncharacteristic spins during the second race saw Harrison finish further down the field in ninth, but he managed to bounce back in one of his most impressive drives yet, to charge his way through the field up to fifth place in the final race before the incident in the middle stages of the race spoiled a potential return to the podium.

"I certainly had a pleasing weekend and it just unfortunate that a few incidents denied me of better and consistent results, but there is no question about it, we are a top 5 contender this year," enthused Harrison.

"Running the newer model spectrum has given me a lot more confidence out there on the circuit, like with passing and trusting the car's capabilities, and with more circuit time I'm only going to improve."

Over the weekend Harrison performed the double duties running the Icon Motorsport Mazda RX7 in the Production Sports Car class where he finished just outside the top 10 overall and first in Class D.

Joining the Icon Motorsport team for the first time was Englishman Adam Lucas who drove the # 14 Vodafone Mobile Advertising supported Spectrum 06B in the Formula Ford ranks and he has confirmed that he will be contesting the entire NSW Championship with the team.

Lucas certainly impressed over the weekend and came away with a seventh place in the opening race, after qualifying ninth, before recording a pair of sixth place finishers in race two and three.

"Adam [Lucas] did extremely well considering he has had almost no previous racing experience. He drove the car for the first time over the weekend and surprised us all with his speed and ability. He actually got himself up to third position at one point, so it will be good to see how he goes from here once he has the chance to spend more time in the car," commented Icon Motorsport team manager, Ben Morley.

“Heading into the weekend Adam had only completed less than a dozen laps in a Formula Ford when he used to live in England, and now that he has moved over to Australia he is looking forward to continuing his Formula Ford initiation with the Icon Motorsport team.”

The second round of the NSW Championship is to be held at Eastern Creek Raceway on the weekend May 24 – 25.

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