

NG Road Racing.... Pembrey Preview



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Pembrey proves popular, and gives proper close racing.....



Turn One, Hatchets Hairpin. It can be a very busy place on the first lap. It is no place for the feint-hearted. Go tight or go wide. The choice is yours.

For the last two years this Pembrey meeting had some of the best grids and some of the best weather of the year. When the sun shines at Pembrey the grip levels soar and the lap times tumble. That is certainly borne out by the outright lap record set by Phil Bevan at 57.85 seconds in 2015

I have always said that if you can get under the magic-minute then you are not hanging around, and that is the target for most.

With Phil concentrating on the National Endurance series with the KT Motorsports Team the way is open for someone else to step up. That could be Josh Day, who has set new lap record figures at will this year, but that 57.85 will be tough to beat. He will need the competition to push him to getting down to those times....so.....the question is, can Phil be tempted out for a one off outing at his favourite circuit? If not, who will be the fastest this year. Odds are on Josh, but it could easily be Peter Carr on

his ZX10 or James Kiff on his ZX10 or Chris Pope on his R1 or possibly one of the new Suzuki men Nick Williamson or Shaun Hennessey....take your pick.

Max Symonds heads up the 600's but there are plenty wanting to beat him as the season reaches its climax, Jon Wright, Allister Haynes, Aaron Ridewood to name just a few. Speaking of Allister Haynes, he is in a tight three way scrap for the Sound of Thunder title with David Irons and Dave Mackay.

Paul Wardell will be hoping to continue his winning ways in the Mini Twins, whilst William Holland returns to the Super Twins after visits to Ireland and the Isle of Man.

Paul Jeffery and Ciaran Bligh still have scores to settle in the 1300 Streetstock whilst Simon Bastable and Leif Williams argue over the 700 series.

Two classes too for the pre injections with Thomas Payne and Paul Harlington both eyeing 2017 glory in the big class. In the smaller 700cc category my money would be on defending champion Jon Wright. He just needs a few points to retain the tittle over Liam Turberfield, who is however in great form as the season winds up.

The F400's have bothers Tom and Ben Harrison in the mix with Will Bryant, in another class too close to call.

Sidecars are also back on the menu after not making the trip to Anglesey..... F2 600 v Open...which is quickest ? Anyone who has half an eye on one of the coveted class championships is in a tricky situation. Do you risk all, and keep pushing for points....or do you sit back and see what your challengers are doing?...time will tell. Each rider will treat this round differently.

The Pembrey Circuit

This 1.456-mile Pembrey circuit throws up a series of demanding challenges for the riders. The circuit has two very distinct sections split by the Hatchets and Brooklands hairpins. The technical section from Hatchets, through Spitfires, Diben, Paddock and the Esses changes after heavy braking at Brooklands as the fast sweeping sections through the Speedway, Woodlands and Honda Curve take over. Despite the hairpin sections lap speeds in excess of 90mph are needed for glory.

NG's fastest round Pembrey

Welshman Phil Bevan has been "The Man" around the 1.456mile Pembrey circuit for well over 10 years and his current lap record set in 2015 of 90.60mph (57.85sec) looks almost untouchable. To get near that we need perfect conditions and a very fast and committed rider... any takers?

Adding extra interest to the weekend

NG Road Racing is again running and promoting the British National series for 125cc and 250cc GP machinery. This is the only place in the UK that you will see these ex-GP machines racing for a full British Championship title backed by the ACU (The sports governing body in the UK). We also have the Ducati Desmo Due and the ever growing band of Formula Prostock runners..... There is something for everyone.

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Pembrey, a track of two halves, Twisty and Technical...but fast.



Dave Mackay, David Irons and Allister Haynes are all vying for 2017 Sound of Thunder glory.

This penultimate round of 2017 sees us with two days at Pembrey. The 1.456-mile track that has a bit of everything, from the flat out Woodlands kink to the hard-on-the-brakes Hatchet's hairpin. The two hairpins of Hatchets and Brooklands that bisect the circuit can make or break a lap. All the classes are out on track this weekend from the Formula 125's right through to the 1000cc Superbikes, plus 125 and 250 GP ACU National, the ever growing grids of Formula Prostocks, The Ducati Desmo Dues and the Sidecars. So there really is something for every type of race fan.

With just one more round after this one, anyone with an eye on a coveted 2017 title needs to be on top form.

Riders with championships already sorted include Josh Day with the Open and Powerbike.... Paul Wardell in the Mini Twins... Phil Webber in the Formula Prostocks... Ant Hodson in the 250 National GP series and Max Symonds in the 600 Open. Some classes are still in the balance, one in particular sees the top three of David Irons, Dave Mackay and Allister Haynes separated by just ONE point.... you want it close... you've got it.

Admission Prices.

Ticket Type	Saturday	Sunday
Adults	From £12	From £12 (Take advantage of advance online ticket savings)
Children (U14)	Free	Free (when accompanied by an adult)
Paddock Access	Free	Free

Note : For full conditions of admission and ticket information go to www.pembreycircuit.co.uk

Directions to the Circuit

The circuit is situated in Carmarthenshire, South Wales near Llanelli. It is approximately 10 miles from J48 of the M4. The chequered flag race circuit brown signs are evident from the motorway. **Sat Nav : SA16 0HZ**

Race Day Timetable

Timetable	Sat	Sun	
Technical Inspection	7:00am	8:00am	See the bikes being checked by the Scrutineers, and wander round the pits.
Free Practice	9:00am	9:00am	Watch the riders get familiar with the circuit in free practice.
Qualifying Races	10:30am	10:00am	The competitors race for grid positions for the finals.
Championship Races	14:00pm	13:30pm	Now it gets serious....Championship points, trophies and glory at stake.

Note : All timings are subject to change by the promoting organisation or the circuit management.

What's on track

20 NG Road Racing championship each day split into qualifiers and finals for each of the classes. That means some 8 hours of on track action each day. I suggest you get in nice and early, take a wander around the paddock and soak up the atmosphere as the riders go through technical inspection and free practice before taking to the track in anger for the qualifiers. The main finals kick off early afternoon when all the championship points and prizes are contested.

Feature races: 125/250GP ACU National Championship The Phoenix Open

NG Support classes: F125 | F400 | 500cc | 600cc | Powerbike | Sound of Thunder | Supermono | Ducati Desmo Due Super Twin | Mini Twin | Streetstock | Pre Injection | Formula Prostocks | Sidecars | Newcomers

The Season

Round 1	Brands Hatch	18th and 19th March	Round 5	Castle Combe	8th and 9th July
Round 2	Oulton Park	8th April	Round 6	Anglesey	12th and 13th August
Round 3	Donington Park	13th and 14th May	Round 7 Pembrey	2nd and 3rd September	
Round 4	Cadwell Park	3rd and 4th June	Round 8	Thruxton	7th October

For all the info...

For full information regarding this event, including the meeting preview and post race reports check out the NG Facebook page which can be found by searching in the usual way... then just click like... or log on to | www.ngroadracing.org

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