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High Five for White Who Wins Fifth Junior 1000 Round!

The fifth round of the McGrady Insurance Junior 1000 Rally Challenge Ireland, took place on Saturday 13th July at Bishopscourt Race Circuit. Organised by the Ballynahinch and District Motor Club, eight stages lay ahead for the six Junior 1000 crews that started on what was a dry day. It was to prove to be a superb day's rallying, with once again a great battle for the win.

Number one seed was Adam Bustard in the Chevrolet Spark. Adam, leader of the series, going into this round, started off with a second fastest time on the first test, just 0.7 of a second behind Finaghy's Kyle White despite hitting a pigeon with his 107 on the way round! William Creighton had stand in co-driver Johnny Baird in for the day, and the 15 year old Moira driver was five seconds off the lead, admitting to be too cautious. Next up was Philip White in his Micra, ahead of James Partridge in the 107 and Michael McGarrity in his Micra, who had James McKee co-driving in sixth place.

On stages two and three, the dramas started to happen, with White losing the lead after a spin on the second test, and Creighton too lost more ground to the leading pair with a costly over-shoot. He would record a fastest time on stage four, but the new leader was Bustard with two fastest times, and he moved further ahead after stage four to lead by 2.7 seconds. Philip White in fourth was starting to drive very well, and his stage times were moving much closer to the leaders. In turn he was opening up a breathing space ahead of James Partridge who had brake worries an over-shoot on stage two and a moment on the tyres on stage four. Michael McGarrity also had a moment on stage two, but started to get into better rhythm on the next two stages.

Stage five was to prove a turning point as Kyle White took over the lead, despite going off the road after the famous jump. Worse befell Adam Bustard who got a tyre lodged underneath the Chevrolet and now he was 0.6 of a second behind Kyle. William Creighton on his second lap, got stuck behind Michael McGarrity, who had ran wide on a hairpin, and by this stage he was now over fifteen seconds off the lead, with three stages to go. A similar fate befell William on the next stage, as once again he lost time behind the Micra, and it was a matter of settling for points at this stage. After six stages White's lead was 1.5 seconds, and he rounded off the day with two excellent fastest times to take victory from Adam Bustard. William Creighton was third, despite a big tank slapper slide on the final stage, and Philip White took an excellent fourth, thoroughly enjoying the day with co-driver Glenn Campbell. There was hard luck for James Partridge and Billy Regan in the 107, when the clutch packed up on the penultimate test, and they had to retire, letting Michael McGarrity into fifth place.

This series, now in its second year is also supported this season by the dedicated rallying classified website www.rallysales.eu and Yokohama tyres. Round six of the McGrady Insurance Junior 1000 Rally Challenge Ireland, takes place at Shackleton on 3rd August, and it promises to be quite a battle.

To keep up to date please type in Junior 1000 Challenge Ireland into Facebook, and the latest points are also on www.anicc.org.uk

McGrady Insurance Junior 1000 Rally Challenge- Rnd 5 Positions

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| 1 | Kyle White/ Alan Purdy | Peugeot 107 | 32m40.9s |
| 2 | Adam Bustard/Brian Bustard | Chevrolet Spark | +5.2s |
| 3 | William Creighton/Johnny Baird | Citroen C1 | +37.4s |
| 4 | Philip White/ Glenn Campbell | Nissan Micra | +1m 28.6s |
| 5 | Michael McGarrity/James McKee | Nissan Micra | +7m 33.2s |
| DNF | James Partridge/ Billy Regan | Peugeot 107 | |

Championship Points after Round 5

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| 1 | Adam Bustard | 57pts |
| 2 | William Creighton | 51pts |
| 3 | Kyle White | 48pts |
| 4 | James Partridge | 29pts |
| = | Philip White | 29pts |
| 6 | Michael McGarrity | 27pts |
| 7 | Eoghan Bogue | 23pts |

2013 McGrady Insurance Junior 1000 Rally Challenge

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| Rnd 1 | New Year Stages | Kirkistown | 500MRCI | 19th January |
| Rnd 2 | Eurocables Stages | Kirkistown | NAMCC | 16th February |
| Rnd 3 | Bishopscourt Stages | Bishopscourt | BADMC | 9th March |
| Rnd 4 | May Day Stages | St. Angelo | EMC | 6th May |
| Rnd 5 | Summer Stages | Bishopscourt | BADMC | 13th July |
| Rnd 6 | Shackleton Rally | Shackleton | MCMC | 3rd August |
| Rnd 7 | Solway Coast Rally | Scotland | Solway CC | 11th August |
| Rnd 8 | St. Angelo Rally | St. Angelo | EMC | 5th October |

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