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Hartwell MCC 2026 Championship: Round 5 (The Grand Finale) Wrap-Up!

Well, race fans, riders, and rain-dance enthusiasts, that's a wrap on the 2026 Hartwell Championship season!

On Saturday, October 31, 2026, we rolled into Broadford Raceway for our final showdown of the year—The Grand Finale. Now, let's address the elephant in the paddock right off the bat: due to a slightly disappointing lack of numbers, we had to compress the entire program into a single, action-packed one-day event. But if anyone thought a shortened schedule or Mother Nature's Halloween mood swings were going to dampen our spirits, they clearly haven't spent much time with the Hartwell faithful.

A Splash of Weather and a Spark of Lightning

Halloween brought us a proper Victorian soaking. It rained all day long—the nice, steady kind of rain that makes you question your life choices while warming up the tyre warmers. We even threw in some complimentary thunder and lightning light shows courtesy of the sky gods just to keep everyone honest. Did it ruin the track? Not a bit of it. In fact, it meant the wet-weather tyres got a phenomenal workout, earning every single dollar of their rubbery keep as riders splashed their way around Broadford from the first flag to the last.

The Legend of Matt and the Slicks

Every championship finale needs a legendary moment, and Round 5 delivered in cinematic fashion.

Midway through the day, in one brief, teasing window, the track dried out to about roughly 80%. While the rest of the paddock clung tightly to their wets like a toddler to a security blanket, Matt from the 400 crew looked at the sky, looked at the tarmac, and decided today was a good day to gamble. He rolled the dice, bolted on a set of slicks for the prestigious Hartwell Feature Lightweight Race, and proceeded to master the drying line to win the race outright!

It was a masterstroke of epic proportions. Because exactly five minutes after Matt crossed the finish line and took the glory, the heavens promptly opened back up, torrential rain returned, and everyone else was left

shaking their heads. Talk about immaculate timing and peak motorsport audacity! For everyone else, it was strictly wets' the whole weekend, but Matt's gamble will go down in club folklore.

Squeezing a Marathon into a Sprint

Condensing a full race meeting into a single day meant our schedule was tighter than a pair of vintage leather trousers after a winter of too many pub Parma nights. But with the incredible efficiency of our officials, marshals, and riders keeping things moving, it turned into an absolute blockbuster. It was high-octane, high-drama, and undeniably value-for-money entertainment from start to finish.

Thank You for an Unforgettable Season!

To all our sponsors, competitors, pit crews, families, dedicated volunteers, and loyal supporters who stuck with us through thick, thin, and horizontal rain: **Thank you**.

Your continued support is the lifeblood of the Hartwell Motorcycle Club, and we simply couldn't do it without you.

Get those bikes cleaned up, let your leathers dry out, rest up over the off-season, and we'll see you all back on the grid for an even bigger and better 2027!

Marty

President, on behalf of the HMCC Committee and.....

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