

## Q&A with .....

### Class D driver, James Ford



#### 1 - Have you always had an interest in motorsport?

My uncle Trevor (Club President) started racing in the championship when formed back in 1987. I was 5 at the time & I would go & watch him race, so was interested in racing cars at an early age

#### 2 - What motivated you to get into motor racing?

My friend & I joked & said we should do it. My dad had a Compact sitting on his driveway, doing nothing. As our family have built race cars in the past, we thought 'let's do it again'

#### 3 - Where & when was your first race?



Silverstone national circuit 2011, but it didn't go well as I broke the gear linkage.

🙄🙄 Must of been too excited!!!

Now 5 years on, I've been 2nd in class for the last 2 years, won several races & got lap records under my belt. Not bad really

#### 4 - When did you start prepping for the 2016 season?

It really started end of January. The car was pretty much ready as I didn't have much to do as I was happy with the car set up from last season.

#### 5 - If you could do any race over again, which race would you choose?

Very tough, too many to mention ummm, it would have to be against Greg Marking (2015 Champion) at Snetterton last year. I didn't get the best start, well back, I had to get my head down & get chasing. Caught Greg up, & we were swapping places for most of the race. Greg just pipped me to the line. We both got out of ours cars, red faced as it felt like we had done a session at the gym. Great, close racing & with no damage ....



#### 6 - What are your goals for the 2016 season?

Finish 1st in Class I guess 🏆

#### 7 - What advice would you give anyone who wanted to start racing in class D 318?

Time in the seat.... Lots of track time, getting a feel for the car, finding out what it can do or can't !  
Setting the car up ready for racing

**8 - What was your first car & what have you got in your garage right now?**

How embarrassing, Citroen AX, H reg in burgundy. I pimped it with tinted windows & lowered it



I'm currently driving black 5 series, 03 plate but I've also had E36 M3, then E46 M3, sold that & went racing

**9 - Who is your all time racing hero?**

That would have to be Senna, he was good in the wet, so am I, & just the car control he had was very impressive

**10 - Last & probably the most important question, Who would win in a race between the Flash & Superman?**

Superman of course!!!!

