



Mayo & District Motorsport Club - Loose Surface Autocross 10th March 2019

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The first Mayo & District Motorsport Club Loose Surface Autocross for 2019 took place in the Valley on Sunday 10th March. This was the first time that the club have run an Autocross event in March and there was a large entry list with competitors travelling from as far away as Kerry to check out the famous Mayo Autocross track. The Mayo Stages Rally usually take place on the second Sunday in March but with no event this year the club decided to use the 2019 date for an additional autocross event.

It was a cold and grey day with showers of hail, sleet and snow, weather conditions seemed to change for each of the three runs which made it a very challenging day for the competitors on the track and the marshals and officials who had to brave the elements.

The main battle of the day was between Peter McCullagh and Derek Mackarel. McCullagh was ahead for the first two runs but Mackarel recovered on the third run to take the lead and the overall win. Nearer to home, Foxford's Stephen Doherty took the honours for the fastest Mayo & District Club member of the day. In class seven which is for fourteen to sixteen year olds, Mossie Costello travelled all the way from Co. Kerry to compete and take home first place, hot on his heels was Shrule native Niall Murphy who took second place and Ella Conway from Newport was third. Jenna McCann from Cavan took the award for the fastest female competitor of the day. The next Autocross Event takes place on Sunday 12th May, for more information check out www.mayomotorsportclub.com

Results:

Overall Winner – Derek Mackarel

Mayo & District Award – Stephen Doherty

Lady's Award – Jenna McCann

Class 1. 1st Darren Connolly

Class 2. 1st Mervyn Galbraith; 2nd Eric Gavin

Class 3. 1st Ruairi Maguire; 2nd Christopher Snow Jnr; 3rd Ciaran McCullagh

Class 4. 1st Hugh McQuaid; 2nd Gerry Reilly 3rd Walter Burke

Class 5. 1st Peter McCullagh; 2nd Cormac McElvaney; 3rd Andrew Mackerel

Class 7. 1st Mossie Costello; 2nd Niall Murphy; 3rd Ella Conway