



# Racer Gault enjoys his best Super Bike finish

CARLUKE motorcycle ace Alex Gault roared to his best ever finish in the British Super Bike Championship at the weekend.

The teenager came home in sixth place in Sunday's race at Oulton Park in Cheshire with one of the best displays of his fledgling career.

The impressive result stands Gault in good stead for when the Championship comes to Scotland for Round Nine at Knockhill on August 8, 9 and 10.

The weekend started well for the youngster when he was third fastest in free practice and he carried on that form to secure eighth place on the starting grid.

That achievement was all the more notable for the fact that he was racing against a strong field of 57 other riders and in wet conditions.

The race also saw Gault reunited with his former mechanic Geoff Coxon, who had been brought out of retirement following the Astro Kawasaki team's problems with bike set-up in recent races.

Coxon was delighted to be back in the thick of the action and said: "I thought I had hung up my spanners for the last time but I know the situation within the team and have offered my services free of charge.

"I'll work with Alex until the end of the season or until the team can find a competent technician to replace me."

The return of Coxon appears to have paid dividends as Alex racked up a top-10 finish despite suffering a slow start to the race.

He had fallen back to 12th place by the first corner but he battled hard during the next 15 laps to pip Yamaha's Leon Hunt by just 0.122 seconds to sixth place.

You can keep up to date with Alex's preparations for Knockhill on his website at: [www.minimotoracer.com](http://www.minimotoracer.com).