

Ossett speedway starlet ends year with morale-boosting victory

RISING speedway star Jack Parkinson-Blackburn has ended 2011 in the best possible way by winning the second round of the Winter Amateur Championships, writes Mark Berry.

Jack, 11, has already experienced great success this year having finished second in the inaugural 125cc British Championships but the Ossett starlet showed that the result was no flash in the pan when he stormed to victory in Scunthorpe two weeks ago.

Riding a bike specially built and tuned by former German international rider Robbie Kessler, Jack reeled off four wins and a second place to lead the qualifiers going into a nail-biting winner-takes-all final showdown.

Heavy rain and quickly-falling temperatures made the track slippery and Jack suffered an uncertain start, going into the first bend in third place.

However, the Ossett youngster showed his met-

tle by tracking the leading riders and producing a superb overtaking manoeuvre to pass the two leaders and clinch victory.

The result is a great way to bounce back from a disappointing first round in which Jack was forced out with mechanical problems having completed just four rides.

Jack is now third in the championship standings, only two points behind the leading rider.

He will be hoping to main-

tain his winning ways when he competes in the next round, also at Scunthorpe, on January 7.

Anyone interested in sponsoring Jack should contact Neal on 07724240347 or via email at nealparkinson106@hotmail.com

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Jack Parkinson-Blackburn gets the power down on his way to victory in the second round of the Winter Amateur Championships.

