

On Monday (22nd June 2026), I headed to Snetterton for one of the biggest steps in my motorsport journey so far: my first proper move into saloon cars, also known as tin tops.

I am aiming to compete in the 2027 Junior Saloon Car Championship, a fantastic series for drivers under 18, with everyone racing identical Citroën Saxo VTRs. It is an incredibly competitive championship and an exciting next challenge for me.

We arrived at the circuit bright and early to meet Cursley Motorsport, the team I will be racing with. The car was soon unloaded, set up, and ready to go. After the drivers' briefing, it was finally time to hit the track. My coach, Ash Miller, took me out first for a few installation laps to help me get familiar with the car and circuit before handing over the wheel.

We had plenty of track time throughout the day, which gave me a great opportunity to learn, build confidence, and take on as much advice as possible. Once I started feeling comfortable in the car, the focus shifted to finding speed and improving lap by lap. As the afternoon heat set in, we had to shorten a few runs, but the progress kept coming. By the end of the day, we had found almost 10 seconds compared with where we started and were closing in on the pace of several other cars testing alongside us. There is still a lot to work on over the next few weeks, but this test gave me a huge boost of confidence and a clear idea of where I need to keep improving before the season begins.

I cannot wait to get back on track and see how we measure up when the racing starts. It is going to be an exciting challenge, and I am looking forward to seeing where we can put ourselves in the order.