

Wood's Oran Park Weekend Plagued by Electrical Gremlins:

Electrical woes have hampered the performance of Kyle Wood during the fourth round of the NSW Formula Ford Championship last weekend at Oran Park Raceway.

These electrical dramas came as a disappointing blow to the Queenslander based 20-year-old, who was looking to get his Championship campaign back on track.

“Yeah, it was once again a weekend cut-short by little problems,” mused Wood.

“We showed a lot of pace throughout the round, but lady luck had other ideas that saw electrical woes end our runs in race one and three.”

Wood continued on by saying that the most disappointing aspect was the fact that his # 22 Alpanel / Subway RF98 Van Diemen had proven the pace in order to be a Top 5 contender.

“There was no doubt that we were good enough for a Top 5 result, as has been the case all year,” he said.

“That’s what is so frustrating, as we know the pace is well and truly there, but it’s just moments of misfortune that is getting the better of us at the moment.”

After a strong practice on Friday, Wood was able to take that form into qualifying by setting the fifth fastest lap for the session. However, things turned pear shaped in the opening race.

“I got away to a good start, and on the second lap I was just about to move into third place before my engine cut-out and as a result I failed to finish,” Wood recalled.

“Once we got back to the pits (after race one) it was discovered that a loose wire had come adrift and subsequently cut the power from the engine.”

For the second race of the weekend Wood started from the rear of the field, due to his race one non finish, and managed to charge his way through the field to end up in seventh after a trouble free run.

A lot of hope was taken into the third and final race of the round, but once again electrical gremlins came back to haunt him and he wasn’t even able to complete a single lap before he slowed and pulled off the track.

Currently, Wood is ranked ninth in the NSW Championship with a total of 144 points.

The fifth round of the NSW Championship is to be held at Goulburn’s Wakefield Park Raceway on August 19 – 20.

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