

Does Daniel have the Formula for success?

Teenager tipped to follow in tyre tracks of Lewis Hamilton



Tipped for the top: Daniel Baldwin, 18, of Holmrook, prepares for his next big race after impressing in Spain

WEST Cumbrian teenager with a need for speed has been hotly tipped by experts as Britain's next Lewis Hamilton.

Daniel Baldwin, 18, first got behind the wheel on a karting circuit at the age of eight.

Now he has just returned from a racing drivers' showcase in Valencia, Spain, where he reached speeds of up to 145mph.

He has also completed test runs for Motaworld Racing at Silverstone and Rockingham, aiming to drive for them in next year's BMW Championship.

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The Holmrook teenager's efforts and skill have now caught the attention of top industry experts. Alf Boarer, a motorsport consultant who has worked with Formula 1 driver Giorgio Pantano, saw Daniel's trial in Valencia, and said: "He stood out because of his passion, desire and raw talent."

Mr Boarer supervises development for potential Formula One drivers and said Daniel could be involved with the British Touring Car Championships next year, if he secures sponsorship.

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Alan Waite, owner of Motaworld Racing, said: "Daniel is the fastest novice we have ever tested. With support and training we have no doubt that he will become an accomplished driver."

Daniel has shown skill for racing from an early age.

Now he is aiming for the top.

He said: "My first target is to do enough test days to improve my speed for the first race. Unfortunately, every test day costs money."

"It would be fantastic if local companies could give me some backing."

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