

NATIONAL RACES

Jewels in the crown

INGLINGTON, Aug 11: The nine event Scottish GM Dealers meeting provided excellent entertainment throughout, spoil only by persistent rain.

The FF1600s started the day in rousing style with polesitter Geordie Taylor pressed by Stewart Roden, determined to show the potential of the Rotor. This lasted until the pair tangled at Caravan, allowing Ewan Buchan to seize a lead he was not to relinquish, despite a fastest lap by Taylor on his way back to second. Roden took third. This trio dropped Kenny Brown, content to consolidate fourth place ahead of a fifth place dispute headed throughout by the venerable Crossle of Ian Morrison who countered every move made by Alex Knox, Duncan Hughes and Guy Csonka.

Sharing the front row in the up to 1600cc Road Saloons race, Olly Ross eased his red Fiesta away from the Sprint Tyres version of Bruce Lyle, Iain Gardner and John Irvine. Glen Mortimer had his work cut out to keep the ebullient Jimmy Fleming at bay, and succumbed on the penultimate lap. Andrew Jeffrey upheld GM honours, the little Nova Sport ousting the understeering Escort of Alan Keith.

With the rain arriving, the Clubmans/Sports 2000 event was somewhat fraught, with a scramble to change to wet tyres. Despite the change, Kenny Allen rocketed his Vision to the front with the Mallock of Eric Paterson following, but being caught by the Chevron B16 of Laurence Jacobsen until a spin on John Fyda's oil got water in the engine. This elevated Les Duncan with Andy Smith next up. Bill Ness took over the Sports 2000 section from Keith Bowmaker, their Lolas in seventh and eighth positions overall.

Cameron Binnie dictated the FF1600 championship race, Tom Brown, being gobbled up by Roy Low then by Willie Rose. Harvey Gillanders held steady in fifth but was reeled in by the forceful Colin Harper.

The longest race of the meeting was the 15 lap Astra Challenge race, (see *Sportscard*, Aug 15, for report).

With his customary aplomb Iain Gardner showed the Road Sports way the way around, his Lotus 7 pulling out 8secs on the throaty TR7 V8 of Tom McCallum. Graham MacCallum slotted his Porsche past the hard top Dutton of Brian Hill who was further downgraded when the yellow open version of Ed Chester got moving. Raymond Stewart's driving was as immaculate as his Clan Crusader.

Despite a streaming track, Ron Cumming unleashed the Claymore Shellfish Esprit, leaving Ian Forrest locked in battle with Eric Munnoch, whose Davrian went off song. This was to the benefit of John Bothamley. Ricky Gauld maintained fifth, but all moved up when Cumming halted with a broken camshaft

belt, handing the lead to Forrest and then Munnoch spun out.

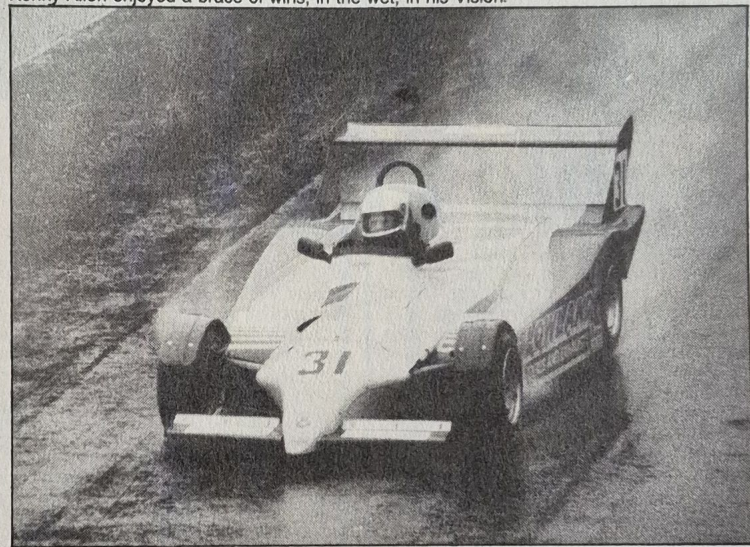
The combined *Libre* and FF2000 race looked to be a repeat of the Clubman affray with Allen sling-shotting away from Paterson and Duncan who had Fyda lurking in his spray. Jimmy Patrick briefly suffered the attentions of Laurence Jacobsen, and David Duffield led the FF2000 class from Stephen Robertson. Alas, the race was stopped when Harry Minty clobbered the barriers.

On the restart, over eight laps, Allen again forged ahead of Paterson with Duncan foiling Fyda. Robertson commanded the FF2000 brigade from Alan Mutter and Duffield.

The closing event was a Sunbeam Lotus benefit and featured a race-long battle between Ian Bruce and Hugh Chalmers, leaving Ray MacDowell to maintain third. Jimmy McRae had a troubled race, eventually retiring, as Neil Gammie took fourth. Keeping the crowd on the boil, Tom Bell had Alistair Gray and Ronnie Irvine climbing all over his Capri, later being joined by Norman Insch, this group all but making contact after taking the chequered flag.

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Kenny Allen enjoyed a brace of wins, in the wet, in his Vision.



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FF1600 race (12 laps): 1, Ewan Buchan (PRS Minister 79/80), 10m 53.9s, 68.05mph; 2, Geordie Taylor (Spartan FF80), 10m 54.4s; 3, Stewart Roden (Rotor JT3), 10m 57.4s; 4, Kenny Brown (PRS 78/79), 11m 08.6s; 5, Ian Morrison (Crossle 32F), 11m 16.2s; 6, Duncan Hughes (Royale RP 21), 11m 17.5s. **Fastest lap:** Taylor, 52.8s, 70.23mph.

Cleland of Peebles Road Saloons up to 1600cc race (12 laps): 1, Olly Ross (1.6 Fiesta), 12m 21.2s, 60.03mph; 2, Bruce Lyle (1.6 Ford Fiesta), 12m 27.4s; 3, Ian Gardner (1.6 Peugeot 205 GTI), 12m 37.6s; 4, John Irvine (1.6 VW Golf GTI), 12m 38.7s; 5, Jimmy Fleming (1.6 Toyota Celica), 12m 43.7s; 6, Glen Mortimer (1.6 Hillman Avenger), 12m 44.7. **Fastest lap:** Ross, 60.3s, 61.49mph (record).

Cavalier Trophy, Lowland Tyres & Exhausts race—Clubmans and Sports 2000 (12 laps): 1, Kenny Allen (1.7 Vision), 11m 11.0s, 66.31mph; 2, Eric Paterson (1.7 Mallock 27), 11m 35.7s; 3, Les Duncan (1.7 Vision V85), 11m 45.2s; 4, Andy Smith (1.6 Vision), 11m 51.9s. **Clubman A:** 1, Allen; 2, Paterson; 3, Duncan. **Fastest lap:** John Fyda (1.7 Mallock), 52.5s, 70.63mph. **Clubman B:** 1, Smith; 2, Mike Upton (Mallock 16); 3, D. MacMillan (Haggi speed). **Fastest lap:** Smith, 57.2s, 64.83mph. **Sports 2000:** 1, Bill Ness (2.0 Lola); 2, Keith Bowmaker (2.0 Lola). **Fastest lap:** Ness, 64.8s, 57.22mph.

John Lindsay (Dumbuck), Hubert Mitchell FF1600 race (12 laps): 1, Cameron Binnie (Van Diemen), 11m 46.3s, 63.00mph; 2, Roy Low (PRS), 11m 49.3s; 3, Willie Rose (Reynard-Minister), 11m 56.5s; 4, Tom Brown (Van Diemen-Scholar), 12m 03.4s; 5, Harvey Gillanders (Van Diemen-Minister), 12m 07.8s; 6, Cliff Harper (Van Diemen) 12m 08.0s. **Fastest lap:** Binnie, 56.7s, 65.40mph.

Astra Challenge race (15 laps): 1, Kingsley Ingram (Astra), 16m 28.1s, 56.29mph; 2, Alan Coates, 16m 35.8s; 3, David Beesley, 16m 36.7s; 4, Steve Easton, 16m 45.5s; 5, Kim Kirk, 16m 49.4s; 6, Brian Furner, 16m 49.7s. **Fastest lap:** Coates, 63.5s, 58.39mph (record).

Halleys of Milngavie Road Sports Car race (12 laps): 1, Iain Gardner (1.6 Ziggi's Lotus 7), 13m 02.6s, 56.86mph; 2, Tom McCallum (3.6 Triumph TR7 V8), 13m 10.3s; 3, Graham MacCallum (2.7 Porsche 911), 13m 23.5s; 4, ED Chester (1.7 Dutton Phaeton), 13m 24.1s. **Up to 1600cc:** 1, Gardner; 2, Raymond Stewart (1.0 Clan Crusader); 3, Peter Jeffrey (1.6 Lotus Europa TC). **Fastest lap:** Gardner, 63.8s, 58.12mph. **Over 1600cc:** 1, McCallum; 2, MacCallum; 3, Chester. **Fastest lap:** Chester, 64.5s, 57.49mph.

Sportstune up to 1000cc GT race (12 laps): 1, Ian Forrest (1.0 Drambie Imp), 11m 50.6s, 62.62mph; 2, John Bothamley (1.0 Bilston Davrian), 12m 25.3s; 3, Ricky Gauld (1.0 Davrian 7), 12m 31.8; 4, Martin Dunn (1.0 Davrian 7), 12m 03.5; 5, Peter Chamberlain (1.0 Davrian Imp); 6, Brian Macleod (1.0 Imp), 12m 14.4s. **Fastest lap:** Forrest, 57.5s, 64.49mph.

Monza Trophy, Bernard Hunter Crane Hire FF2000 and *Formule Libre* (8 laps): 1, Allen, 7m 22.0s, 67.11mph; 2, Paterson, 7m 25.5s; 3, Duncan, 7m 29.4s; 4, John Fyda (1.7 Agra Mallock), 7m 29.7s. **FF2000:** 1, Stephen Robertson (2.0 Reynard 84SF); 2, Alan Mutter (2.0 Van Diemen); 3, David Duffield (2.0 Mondiale). **Fastest lap:** Robertson, 55.9, 66.33mph. **Formule Libre:** 1, Allen; 2, Paterson; 3, Duncan. **Fastest lap:** Allen, 53.8s, 68.92mph.

The Luckpenny Restaurant Road Saloons over 1600cc race (12 laps): 1, Hugh Chalmers (2.2 Sunbeam Lotus), 12m 58.6s, 57.15mph; 2, Ian Bruce (2.2 Sunbeam Lotus), 12m 59.5s; 3, Ray MacDowell (2.2 Sunbeam Lotus), 13m 14.1s; 4, Neil Gammie (2.0 Escort RS2000), 13m 28.6s; 5, Tom Bell (3.0 Ford Capri), 13m 46.9s; 6, Alistair Gray (2.0 Escort RS2000), 13m 47.2s. **Fastest lap:** Bruce, 63.4s, 58.49mph.