

# Road saloons best

For their final meeting at Ingliston on Sunday last, the SMRC laid on a nine event programme which attracted the largest entry for some considerable time. They even provided excellent weather and a large crowd witnessed first class racing. The opening Formula Ford qualifier saw Willie Rose in his new Reynard held by Tommy Reid's Crosslé, the veteran Irish campaigner countering every move. Cliff Harper had made a flier of a start thereafter holding third place with the field strung out behind.

The smallish field of Roadsports was augmented by a quartet of saloons, which stole their thunder as Olly Ross in his Escort Estate and rallyman Jimmy Fleming's Celica swapped places in an incredible midfield dice. Robin Gray stormed his Lotus Elan away to lead leaving Tony Stubbs in his Panther Kallista to keep the Clan Crusader of Raymond Stewart at bay. Fourth place was held initially by Peter Jeffrey in his black Europa, with Graham MacCallum next, his Porsche 911S about to be gobbled up by the battling saloons.

Chic Stenhouse led the FF2000 until half distance, apparently missing a gear change and letting Leslie Wright through. Tommy Reid dived for third with fellow countryman James Tolerton and Stephen Robertson kept ahead of Derek Palmer to annex the Scottish FF2000 Championship.

The Sports/Clubman, 12 lapper was again dominated by the clubman cars of Kenny Allen (Vision) and the Mallocks of John Fyda and Eric Paterson. Fyda managed to squeeze in front for a few laps but the Vision driver fought back, seizing the lead among backmarkers and holding the advantage to the flag, though Fyda equalled his own lap record.

Laurence Jacobsen used his circuit

knowledge to take the sports class advantage from Nick Bridge in the first customer Shrike P15, which swapped places with the Mallock of Bill Drummond, safely ahead of the leading Clubman's B Vision of Andy Smith.

It was a subdued start to the Historic racing and Sportscar event, but Charlie Munro streaked away in his diminutive Vixen from the smoky Brabham of Bill Ness while third place was contested by the Cooper Bristols of Oliver Robertson and Roddy MacPherson.

Despite practice fuel problems, Scottish champion Tom Brown forced his Crosslé in front of the FF1600 race and when the dust settled Peter Jamieson had his PRS second, leading Neil Cochrane.

Although John Fyda in his Agra Mallock led the smallish *Libre* field from the Vision of Kenny Allen, it was fairly obvious that Jim Stevenson would romp his Ralt RT4 through whenever he wished, and so it happened. This left Jimmy Patrick fourth and Bill Drummond holding off the Van Diemen of Leslie Wright until the Mallock had fuel feed problems. Laurence Jacobsen again led the sports cars from the Shrike, conducted this time by Tony Bridge.

Jim McGaughay fled from the remainder in his Toleman-Lancia and Kenny Coleman hauled his Davrian in front of the fleet Drambuie Imp of Ian Forrest, only to have Ron Cumming hurl his Esprit past both for second place. John Bothamley in the Has Gas Davrian was being pushed along by the PPS Glassfibre Davrian of Ricky Gauld, Harry Simpson and Bob Milne. Such was the close racing that Simpson stormed his Imp into the pits, to shed the bonnet, then Bothamley coasted in and the whole pace changed when Ian Forrest was forced to pit his car also showing traces of contact.

The closing road saloon race featured Jimmy McRae's Chevette this time with a full box of gears, lined up alongside the invincible Talbot Sunbeam of Hugh Chalmers, the latter soon stamping his authority on proceedings, his tidy driving style earning him a new class record.

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## INGLSTON (GB), Oct 7, SMRC

**Formula Ford 1600 (10 lap):** 1, Tommy Reid (Crosslé 55F), 8m 55.6s; 69.23mph; 2, Willie Rose (Reynard-Minister 84FF), 8m 55.9s; 3, Cliff Harper (2.0 Van Diemen RF82), 9m 01.0s; 4, Geordie Taylor (Sparton-Minister FF80), 9m 05.5s; 5, Mike MacPherson (2.0 Van Diemen RF81), 9m 06.4s; 6, Ken Le May (PRS Minister 81F), 9m 17.0s. **Fastest lap:** Reid, 52.6s, 70.49mph.

**Roadsports cars race (12 laps):** 1, Robin Gray (1.6 Lotus Elan), 12m 04.4s, 61.42mph; 2, Tony Stubbs (2.8 Panther Kallista), 12m 19.8s; 3, Raymond Stewart (1.0 Clan Crusader), 12m 21.1s; 4, Olly Ross (2.0 Ford Escort Estate), 12m 49.4s. **Up to 1600cc:** 1, Gray; 2, Stewart; 3, Peter Jeffrey (1.6 Lotus Europa). **Fastest lap:** Gray, 58.8s, 63.06mph. **Over 1600cc:** 1, Stubbs; 2, Graham MacCallum (2.4 Porsche 911). **Fastest lap:** Stubbs, 60.4s, 61.39mph.

**The Robertson's of Edinburgh FF2000 race (12 laps):** 1, Leslie Wright (2.0 Van Diemen RF83), 10m 01.9s, 73.94mph; 2, Chic Stenhouse (2.0 Van Diemen RF83), 10m 03.03; 3, Tommy Reid (2.0 Van Diemen), 10m 05.5s; 4, James Tolerton (2.0 Reynard), 10m 08.4s; 5, Stephen Robertson (2.0 Van Diemen LDC RF83), 10m 15.7s; 6, Derek Palmer (2.0 Reynard SF81), 10m 17.3s. **Fastest lap:** Wright, Stenhouse & Reid, 49.3s, 75.21mph.

**Lowland Tyres & Exhausts Scottish Sportscar Championship for Sports/Clubmans race (12 laps):** 1, Kenny Allen (1.7 Vision 84), 9m 31.4s, 77.87mph; 2, John Fyda (1.7 Agra Mallock), 9m 31.6s; 3, Eric Paterson (1.7 Mallock 20/21), 10m 05.6s; 4, Laurence Jacobsen (2.0 Chevron B60), 10m 10.9s. **S2000:** 1, Jacobsen; 2, Nick Bridge (2.0 Shrike P15); 3, Hugh Chalmers (2.0 Chevron B36). **Fastest lap:** Jacobsen, 50.0s, 74.16mph. **Clubmans A:** 1, Allen; 2, Fyda; 3, Paterson. **Fastest lap:** Fyda, 46.3s, 80.09mph. **Clubmans B:** 1, Andy Smith (1.6 Vision); 2, Alex Dobbie (1.6 Mallock 20B), no other finishers. **Fastest lap:** Smith, 49.8s, 74.46mph; (record).

**McLaren Construction Historic & Sports car race (12 laps):** 1, Charles Munro (1.0 Vixen), 11m 45.2s, 63.10mph; 2, Bill Ness (Brabham), 12m 00.8s; 3, Roddy MacPherson (2.0 Cooper Bristol), 12m 38.8s; 4, Oliver Robertson (2.0 Cooper Bristol), 12m 40.9s; 5, Keith MacLeod (1.7 MGA), 12m 25.2s; 6, B. Symonds (4.5 Invicta), 11m 53.5s; **Pre-war:** 1, Symonds; No other finishers. **Fastest lap:** B. Kirkpatrick, (Fraser-Nash), 67.2s, 55.18mph. **Post War:** 1, Munro; 2, Ness; 3, MacPherson. **Fastest lap:** Munro, 57.2s, 64.83mph.

**Hubert Mitchell Scottish Formula Ford 1600 Championship race (12 laps):** 1, Tom Brown (Crosslé-Scholar 55F), 10m 34.7s, 70.10mph; 2, Peter Jamieson (PRS-Minister), 10m 35.0s; 3, Neil Cochrane (Lola-Harris T642E), 10m 37.1s; 4, Tommy Reid (Crosslé 55F), 10m 42.6s; 5, Stewart Roden (2.0 Van Diemen RF84), 10m 44.1s; 6, Harvey Gillanders (2.0 Van Diemen RF84), 10m 46.2s. **Fastest lap:** Brown, 52.2s, 71.03mph.

**Bernard Hunter Crane Hire Scottish Formule Libre championship (15 laps):** 1, Jim Stevenson (1.6 Ralt RT4), 11m 33.3s, 80.23mph; 2, John Fyda (1.7 Agra Mallock), 11m 37.6s; 3, Kenny Allen (1.7 Vision), 11m 51.4s; 4, Jimmy Patrick (1.7 Mallock), 11m 41.6s. **Libre:** 1, Stevenson; 2, Leslie Wright (Van Diemen); 3, Laurence Jacobsen. **Fastest lap:** Stevenson, 44.5s, 83.33mph. **Clubmans:** 1, Fyda; 2, Allen; 3, Patrick Fyda, 45.2s, 82.04mph (equals class lap record).

**Forth Electrical (Stirling) race for GT cars, Sportstune Scottish GT championship (12 laps):** 1, Jim McGaughay (2.0 Lancia Toleman), 9m 48.7s, 75.57mph; 2, Ron Cumming (3.4 Lotus Esprit), 10m 11.7s; 3, Kenny Coleman (1.0 Davrian Mk8), 10m 31.0s; 4, Ricky Gauld (1.0 Davrian Mk7), 9m 54.3s. **1001-1500cc:** 1, Coleman; 2, Gauld; 3, Bob Milne (1.0 Imp). **Fastest lap:** Ian Forrest (1.0 Drambuie Imp), 51.2s, 72.42mph. **Over 1500cc:** 1, McGaughay; 2, Cumming; 3, William Watt (2.3 Vauxhall Magnum). **Fastest lap:** McGaughay, 47.0s, 78.89mph.

**The Luckpeny Restaurant Road Saloons race (12 laps):** 1, Hugh Chalmers (2.2 Talbot Sunbeam), 12m 11m 57.4s, 62.02mph; 2, Jimmy McRae (2.2 Chevette), 11m 59.3s; 3, Ian Bruce (Sunbeam Lotus), 12m 32.3s; 4, Steven Jeffries (2.0 Ford Escort), 12m 37.6s. **Over 1600cc:** 1, Chalmers; 2, McRae; 3, Jeffries.