



Silverstone

The Jaguar DC's meeting at Silverstone on Saturday provided some interesting racing in lovely weather, tragically marred by the death of Roger Joice. Full meeting report next week.

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Dapper Duffield

For the opening meeting of the 19th Ingliston season, the Scottish circuit's directors struck the right formula for the expeditiously run seven event meeting, which despite a bitter wind, attracted a good crowd, kept well entertained, even if sparse grids characterised some races. Nevertheless David Duffield contrived to smash his own outright circuit record in the Money Concepts Ltd Ralt RT4, while Kenny Coleman revitalised his strikingly painted R.J. Cross Davrian to chip into the GT class record. Chic Stenhouse was suitably inspired to command the FF challenge, while a road car event ended the meeting on a high note.

The opening 10-lapper, a round of the Hubert Mitchell FF Scottish Junior Championship provided Ralph Halley, who is now Scottish Crossle agent, with a runaway victory, his 50F outdistancing the Moores Lemonade/Crusader Insurance Crossle of Sandy McEwan. Charging through the field came the Van Diemen piloted by Neil Gillanders who by the flag just failed to take second as the PRS of Harry Minty demoted the Hawke of Cliff Harper to fifth with Michael MacPherson urging his Van Diemen into sixth.

The big GT race saw the Norfrost Esprit of George Coghill snatch the lead from pole since Jim McGaughay eased away his FES Renault 5T relatively gently in deference to a rebuilt engine. Holding third place initially was Jimmy Fleming, whose ex-Per Eklund Toyota Celica was overwhelmed by Eric Munnoch as he got his Rover engined Davrian Stiletto into its stride, and also by the sleek Agra Scirocco GTL of Angus Young, leaving Stan Share to bring up the rear in his 'Old Clan'.

The Sports 2000/Clubmans race looked good for the pristine Chevron B54 of John Clark, as he shot away followed by John Bothamley, his neat new Lola assuming the front as Clark slowed and retired to the pits. Meanwhile sports champion Brian Stevenson took up the challenge and by the next lap had taken command to open up a 4secs gap. This left Richard Mitchell third in his Link 2000 but threatened all the way by leading Clubman Jim Irwin (Mallock U2 Mk 16) well ahead of Kevin McCormick and the Lola T492 of Keith Bowmaker. Gary McDonald used his experience to keep his Mallock in front of that of Dr John North.

The Marlboro Challenge FF1600 race was a Van Diemen benefit in the opening laps as Chic Stenhouse stormed his Supertramp version to the front leaving champion Tom Brown to deal with Harvey Gillanders, whose car then ran backwards down the field, as third place was claimed by the Royale of Colin Birkbeck. Willie Rose, getting the mea-

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The Edinburgh Students' Charities Cup Race, Formula Ford 1600 (10 laps): 1, Ralph Halley (Crossle-Minister 50F), 9m 22.7s, 65.90mph; 2, Sandy McEwan (Crossle-Nelson), 9m 30.6s; 3, Neil Gillanders (Van Diemen RF78), 9m 30.7s; 4, Harry Minty (PRS 79F), 9m 36.7s; 5, Cliff Harper (Hawke DL15), 9m 37.8s; 6, Michael MacPherson (Van Diemen RF80), 9m 41.1s. **Fastest lap:** Gillanders, 54.6s, 67.91mph.

Fourth Electrical Services Trophy for GTs over 1000cc (12 laps) Overall: 1, George Coghill (2.0 Lotus Esprit), 9m 53.0s, 75.04mph; 2, Jim McGaughay (2.0 Fes Renault 5T), 9m 56.2s; 3, Eric Munnoch (3.5 Davrian Stiletto), 10m 13.6s; 4, Angus Young (1.5 Agra Stiletto GTL), 10m 33.1s. **1001-1500cc:** 1, Young; 2, Stan Share (1.2 Old Clan) 9m 59.8s, 9 laps; no other finishers. **Fastest lap:** Young, 55.3s, 67.05mph. **Over 1500cc:** 1, Coghill, 2, McGaughay; 3, Munnoch. **Fastest lap:** Coghill, 48.1s, 77.09mph.

Mowercare Trophy for Sports Cars (12 laps) — overall: 1, Brian Stevenson (2.0 Chevron), 10m 34.3s, 68.13mph; 2, John Bothamley (2.0 Lola 590X), 10m 38.4s; 3, Ritchard Mitchell (2.0 Link Sports 2000), 10m 53.1s; 4, Jim Irwin (1.6 Mallock U2 Mk16), 10m 53.4s. **Sports 2000:** 1, Stevenson; 2, Bothamley; 3, Mitchell. **Fastest lap:** Stevenson, 51.1s, 72.56mph. **Clubmans:** 1, Irwin; 2, Kevin McCormick (1.6 Mallock U2 Mk20B), 10m 58.1s; 3, Gary McDonald (Mallock). **Fastest lap:** Irwin, 53.1s; 69.83mph.

The Marlboro Challenge, Scottish Formula Ford Championship race (12 laps): 1, Chic Stenhouse (Van Diemen-Scholar RF81), 10m 43.1s, 69.19mph; 2, Tom Brown (Van Diemen-Scholar RF80), 10m 47.4s; 3, Colin Birkbeck (Royale RP31M), 11m 01.2s; 4, Willie Rose (Royale-Minister RP26), 11m 03.1s; 5, Iain Gardner (Crossle-Minister 50F), 11m 09.4s; 6, Stewart Roden (Van Diemen RF80), 11m 11.4s. **Fastest lap:** Stenhouse, 52.6s, 70.40mph.

Permanite Asphalt Trophy for GT cars up to 1000cc (12 laps): 1, Kenny Coleman (1.0 Davrian) 10m 32.0s; 70.41mph; 2, Harry Simpson (1.0 Davrian Mk8), 10m 40.4s; 3, Ricky Gauld (1.0 Davrian), 10m 56.9s; 4, Hugo Faster (1.0 Hillman Imp), 11m 26.2s; 5, Brian McLeod (1.0 Hillman Imp), 11 laps; no other finishers. **Fastest lap:** Coleman, 51.5s, 72.00mph (record)

Scottish Formula Libre Championship Race (15 laps): 1, David Duffield (2.0 Ralt RT4), 11m 24.2s, 81.29mph; 2, George McMillan (2.0 Ralt RT2), 11m 44.8s; 3, John Fyda (1.7 Agra-Mallock), 11m 46.5s; 4, Niall Mulloy (2.0 Chevron B52), 13 laps; 5, Gerard Doherty (2.0 Reynard SF 79), 11 laps; 6, Reg Forrester Smith (1.7 Marquis Mallock), 9 laps. **Fastest lap:** Duffield, 43.5s, 85.24mph (circuit record).

Road Car Race (12 laps): 1, Doug Niven (3.0 Ford Capri X), 12m 58.1s, 57.19mph; 2, Hugh McCaig (2.1 Audi Quattro), 12m 59.0s; 3, Jimmy Fleming (2.0 Toyota Celica), 12m 59.6s; 4, Alistair Gray (2.0 Escort RS2000), 13m 22.4s; 5, Olly Ross (1.4 Renault 5 Gordini), 13m 40.9s; 6, Eddy Beerman (Ford Cortina), 14m 02.7s. **Fastest lap:** Niven, 1m 03.5s, 58.39 (establishes record).

sure of his Royale, slammed past the Crossle of former Toyota conductor Iain Gardner for fourth place, while Stewart Roden squandered his prospects by spinning out his Van Diemen on the opening lap and had to fight back to sixth.

Kenny Coleman led the half dozen up to 1-litre GT cars, his Davrian being challenged by the now black Drambuie version of Ian Forrest, before he reversed this after a couple of laps. Harry Simpson, spectating from third place, was promoted when Forrest retired.

Meanwhile, Ricky Gauld asserted himself and his Davrian to overwhelm the Imps of "Hugo Faster" and Brian Macleod.

The Libre 15-lapper witnessed an exemplary start by George McMillan, slotting the immaculate Bass Rock Garage (Renault) Ralt RT2 in front. David Duffield required two laps to get his Ralt RT4 past before storming away to smash his own outright circuit record.

This left John Fyda to ease his fleet Mallock U2 Mk24 up on McMillan, with Colin Richardson retiring his March 77B after nine laps. Niall Mulloy drove a quiet race in the Chevron B52, his fourth place well clear of the Atlantic Reynard SF79 of Gerard Doherty.

The meeting ended with a lively road car event, only just led throughout by Doug Niven, returning to racing in a 3-litre Capri, from the Audi Quattro of Circuit managing director Hugh McCaig who kept at bay the thundering rally Celica of Jimmy Fleming. The trio lapped in nose to tail formation throughout. Even more entertaining was the antics of the Escort RS2000 of Alistair Gray, while Olly Ross three-wheeled his ubiquitous Renault 5 Gordini through the corners, leaving Eddie Beerman to complete the field with his £30 Cortina

Hugh McCaig's Quattro fends off Jimmy Fleming (Toyota) and Alistair Gray (Escort).



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tow car which he pressed into service by removing the front screen and tow bar and lowering the side windows, after the engine of his Escort blew!

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SILVERSTONE

All BARC, no bite

With heavy rain greeting a small crowd at Silverstone on Sunday, the BARC must surely question their ability to provide entertainment value to the paying punter! Some of the smallest grids ever seen at Silverstone could have done the circuit only harm, for many spectators had long since gone when the days only race was staged. The Gates Varley Batteries Monoposto affair was the only one of six races that could honestly be taken seriously and from that, the Crompton Driver of the Day emerged. Richard Bolton finished second to Godfrey Hall, but what a drive he made of it. Keith Fine kept up the SDC Builders tradition of winning the P&O Ferries FF1600 race (David Wheeler winning the previous four rounds at Silverstone over the past two seasons!), while Malcolm Jackson ran out the clear winner of the Oceanair dice. Also Lawler led home just five finishers in the so called feature Formula Atlantic 25-lapper, with Ian Flux non-starting from pole because of gearbox problems.

Sittingbourne's Phil Brown was the only driver to break the 68sec barrier on a rain-soaked surface for the Oceanair Clubmans 10 lapper, his Mallock U2