

Chalmer's challenge

On Sunday, Inglinton hosted the Scottish GM Dealers' Trophy Meeting, and in scorching weather, attracted the largest attendance of recent years, despite powerful Edinburgh Festival counter attractions. The spectators witnessed an enthralling eight race programme spearheaded by Steve Street's Fall Guys and his Bedford truck antics.

The opening Formula Ford race proved a ding-dong from the outset as Willie Rose, in his neat Reynard, was far from content following the Team Taymac Sparton of Geordie Taylor, which led from pole for most of the race until Rose eased past on the last lap. Their dual took them well clear of Barry Nicholson whose Van Diemen had the PRS of Harry Minty on his tail. This left Mike MacPherson in fifth with a small gap on the PRS of Ken le May, who had Colin Harper tucked in close behind. There was a long gap back to Kevin McCormick in the other Team Taymac Sparton, leaving Alan Mutter to resolve his battle with John Dunn and David Thomas.

From the 10 road sports cars which embarked on their 12 laps, Derek Butcher streaked his Lotus Super Seven away from the second place struggle featuring the Crusader of Raymond Stewart and the Panther Kallista of Tony Stubbs, the local man eventually having to give best to the additional ccs, and in the ensuing chase Butcher spun but held his lead. Another spin at South Stand, which almost took the Crusader off as well, saw the Ingersoll-Rand Kallista in front, but black-flagged for persistently crossing the hallowed turf and with a penalty of 10 secs was dropped to third in the final reckoning.

The Sports/Clubmen race found John Fyda on pole sharing the front with his team-mate Kenny Allen, almost fully recovered from his hillclimb accident. That was the closest they would be for at green the Vision blasted off, never to be caught by the Agra Mallock, which fell sick at mid-race and despite continuing was forced to pit having dropped to seventh place. This gave Eric Paterson a fine second and immediately behind, leading Sports 2000 Laurence Jacobsen, Chevron B60, fended off Tom Brown in the Ecurie Ecosse Chevron B54, the latter car not helped by running on well-used tyres; and to make it a flying wedge of Chevrons, Robin Smith was storming through from the rear of the field in the mighty B36 DFV to collect



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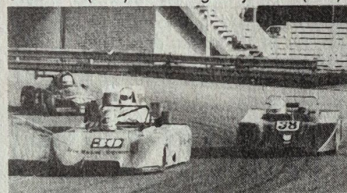
Ulsterman Alan McGarrity made it three-in-a-row at Mondello when he claimed his most significant Formula Ford victory to date on Sunday. Driving a Crossle 55F, young McGarrity led throughout the Irish Formula Ford Festival final, staying off a determined late charge from the similar car of Anthony Murray. In the Rotrans *Formule Libre* race, Alo Lawler (F2 Ralt-BMW) and Trevor Templeton (F Atlantic Ralt) enjoyed a superb dice, which finally fell in favour of the talented Belfast man. Full report next week

third place.

Unfortunately the Astra challenge produced a mere half dozen cars, led throughout by the Looker and Howden version of James Kay from the red Bradburn and Price car of Colin Aitchison. This pair squealed away from T. Hill who dropped back but maintained his third place.

A full grid of GT cars was commanded by Jim McGaughay, his FES Lancia Toleman challenged by the Esprit of Ron Cumming but the pair eased away from Bill Paul in the AC 3000 ME, a lonely third. A keen dispute for fought place ensued with Kenny Coleman (Davrian) fighting off Ian Forrest's Dramba Imp. This allowed Gus Young to extricate his Agra Scirocco from the attentions of Ricky Gauld (Davrian) and leave Jim McDonald's Davrian sandwiched between the Imps of Brian McLeod and Bob Milne.

With Scottish Champion Tom Brown still sore from the incident at the previous meeting Harvey Gillanders was getting the measure of his Royale and looked a threat sharing the front row. Indeed Harvey led the first two laps with Neil Cochrane getting his Lola-Harris past the champion as well. This spurred Colin Birkbeck to take up the challenge and after the leaders disappeared the black unsponsored Van Diemen galloped in front, but was hunted unmercifully as Brown found his every move countered, eventually getting his Crossle in front to hold a tenuous advantage to the flag. Behind, things were just as fraught, with Willie Rose fending off the smoothly-driven PRS of Peter Jamieson while Barry Nicholson held Geordie Taylor at Jacobsen (B60) is challenged by Brown (B54).



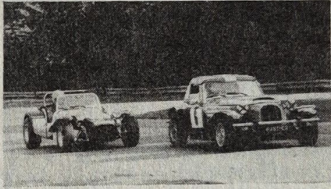
bay until mid-race. Ken le May demoted Mike McPherson to move in to chase Harry Minty as Alan Mutter won his long joust with Colin Harper.

The Libre 15 lapper found Jim Stevenson in scintillating form, his Baker Ralt RT4 well screwed up, especially as Robin Smith stole a march on the Ralt of George MacMillan in the DFV-engined Chevron sports car. MacMillan was not long in re-asserting his Bass Rock Garage car into second which was as well, since later in the race the Ralt spluttered with apparent fuel starvation each time it rounded Arena.

It was well that few spectators left early, as the final event for a large field of road saloons provided what was probably the most entertaining race: certainly it ended the fine meeting on a high note. Jimmy McRae was on the front row with his Opel Manta but Hugh Chalmer was in no way overawed, and streaked his Talbot Sunbeam off to a new class lap record, leaving the rallyman to hold off Niall Mulloy's Ford Capri. Olly Ross led the next group, losing fourth to the Escort of Alistair Gray when his Escort Estate took command at the pits entrance. Jimmy Fleming's Toyota Celica held sway over the fleet Stiletto of Sid Harrison until he found Kevin Pick's Alfa Romeo GTS blocking his line and forcing him to go agricultural — the Stiletto won the place on the tarmac. Further down the field Ronnie Irvine explored unorthodox lines with his Escort Mexico, habitually showering the grandstand in dust and grass clippings.

BILL HENDERSON

Stubbs (Kallista) heads Butcher.



INGLINGTON (GB), Aug 19, SMRC

John Lindsay (Dumbuck) Ltd Formula Ford 1600 race (10 laps): 1, Willie Rose (Reynard-Minister 84 FF), 58.66mph; 2, Geordie Taylor (Sparton-Minister FF 80), 9m09.5s; 3, Barry Nicholson (Van Diemen-Ford RF81), 9m14.1s; 4, Harry Minty (PRS-Ford 79F), 9m14.7s; 5, Mike MacPherson (Van Diemen-Ford RF 81), 9m15.3s; 6, Ken le May (PRS-Minister 81F), 9m18.3s. **Fastest lap:** Rose, 53.4s, 69.44mph.

Manta Trophy Race for Road Sports cars (12 laps): 1, Derek Butcher (1.6 Lotus Super 7), 12m38.5s, 58.66mph; 2, Raymond Stewart (1.0 Clan Crusader), 12m40.4s; 3, Tony Stubbs (2.8 Panther Kallista), 12m48.5s; 4, Peter Jeffrey (1.6 Lotus Europac), 13m01.6s; 5, Ross Seaton (1.7 MGB), 13m28.0s; 6, David Wright (1.6 Datsun 160), 12m 55.9s. **Up to 1600cc:** 1, Butcher; 2, Stewart; 3, Jeffrey. **Fastest lap:** Butcher 59.61mph.

Bilston Garage Co, Lowland Tyres & Exhausts Scottish Sports Car Championship race (12 laps): 1, Kenny Allen (1.7 Vision 84F), 9m40.9s, 76.60mph; 2, Eric Paterson (1.7 Mallock Mk 20/21), 10m10.8s; 3, Robin Smith (3.0 Chevron B36 DFV), 10m11.7s; 4, Lawrence Jacobsen (2.0 Chevron B60), 10m23.7s; 5, Tom Brown (2.0 Chevron B54), 10m24.4s; 6, Bill Drummond (1.7 Mallock Mk20), 10m30.6s. **Sports 2000:** 1, Jacobsen; 2, Brown; 3, Keith Bowmaker (2.0 Lola 492). **Fastest lap:** Brown, 50.6s, 73.28mph. **Clubman A:** 1, Allen; 2, Paterson; 3, Drummond. **Fastest lap:** John Fyda (1.7 Agra Mallock), 46.4s, 79.91mph. **Clubman B:** 1, Alex Dobbie (1.6 Mallock Mk20B); 2, David Childs (1.6 Mallock Mk16); 3, Mike Upton (1.6 Mallock Mk16). **B-1:** 1, Alex Dobbie (1.6 Mallock Mk20B); 2, David Childs (1.6 Mallock Mk16); 3, Mike Upton (1.6 Mallock Mk16). **Fastest lap:** Andy Smith (1.6 Vision 84B) 50.4s, 73.57mph (equals record).

Astra Challenge for Astra Rally Cars (15 laps): 1, James Kay (1.3 Astra), 16m49.7s, 55.09mph; 2, Colin Aitchison (1.3 Astra), 16m54.4s; 3, Terry Hill (1.3 Astra), 17m01.3s; 4, Andrew Duerden (1.3 Astra), 17m07.8s. No other finishers. **Fastest lap:** Kay, 65.6s, 56.52mph (class record).

Forth Electrical (Stirling), Sportstune Scottish GT Championship race (12 laps): 1, Jim McGaughay (2.0 Lancia Toleman), 9m47.9s, 75.67mph; 2, Ron Cumming (3.4 Lotus Esprit), 9m53.3s; 3, Bill Paul (2.0 AC 3000 ME), 10m12.4s; 4, Kenny Coleman (1.0 Davrian Mk 8), 10m31.2s; 5, Ian Forrest (1.0 Dramba Imp), 10m32.5s; 6, Gus Young (1.5 Agra Scirocco), 9m54.4s. **Up to 1000cc:** 1, Coleman; 2, Forrest; 3, Ricky Gauld (1.0 Davrian Mk7). **Fastest lap:** Forrest and Coleman, 51.4s, 72.14mph. **1001 to 1500cc:** 1, Young; 2, Stan (1.1 Clan Crusader). **Fastest lap:** Young, 52.2s, 71.03mph. **Over 1500cc:** 1, McGaughay; 2, Share (1.1 Clan Crusader). **Fastest lap:** McGaughay, 47.5s, 78.66mph.

Halleys of Milngavie, Hubert Mitchell Scottish Formula Ford Championship race (12 laps): 1, Tom Cumming; 3, Paul. **Fastest lap:** McGaughay, 47.5s, 78.66mph.

Cleands of Peebles, Bernard Hunter (Crane Hire) Scottish Formule-Libre & FF2000 Championship race (15 laps): 1, Jim Stevenson (2.0 Ralt RT4), 11m34.8s, 80.05mph; 2, George McMillan (2.0 Ralt RT 2), 12m13.6s; 3, Robin Smith (3.0 Chevron B36 DFV), 12m17.0s; 4, Geoff Todd (1.6 March 77B), 11m38.0s; 5, Chic Stenhouse (2.0 Van Diemen RF83) 11m 49.1s; 6, Derek Palmer (2.0 Reynard SF81), 11m58.7s. **Libre:** 1, Stevenson; 2, McMillan; 3, Smith. **Fastest lap:** Stevenson, 44.2s, 83.89mph. **Up to 1700cc:** 1, Alex Dobbie (1.6 Mallock Mk20 B), no others started. **Fastest lap:** Dobbie, 51.1s, 72.56mph. **FF 2000:** 1, Stenhouse; 2, Palmer; 3, Steve Buxton. **Fastest lap:** Stenhouse, 47.5s, 78.66mph.

Luckenny Restaurant Road Saloon Car race (12 laps): 1, Hugh Chalmer (2.2 Talbot Sunbeam), 12m12.4s, 60.76mph; 2, Jimmy McRae (3.0 Opel Manta), 12m15.6s; 3, Niall Mulloy (3.0 Ford Capri), 12m26.5s; 4, Alistair Gray (2.0 Escort RS2000), 12m43.4s; 5, Oily Ross (2.0 Escort Estate), 12m46.2s; 6, Sid Harrison (1.0 Stiletto), 12m52.1s. **Up to 1600cc:** 1, Harrison; 2, Jimmy Fleming (1.6 Toyota Celica); 3, Ross Sutherland (1.0 Mini). **Fastest lap:** Harrison, 62.3s, 59.52mph. **Over 1600cc:** 1, Chalmer; 2, McRae; 3, Mulloy. **Fastest lap:** Chalmer, 59.0s, 62.85mph (record).