

got the worse end of the conditions and were 90 all out. Alex Wylie (2-14) and Leighton Walters (1-26) turned in impressive performances.

Welsh Brewers South Wales Association

Division One

	P	W	D	L	Ab	Pts
Swansea	17	8	7	1	1	305
Ynysygerwn	17	7	7	1	2	298
Gowerton	17	4	9	4	0	266
Neath	17	4	10	1	2	234
Briton F Steel	17	5	7	3	2	230
*Llangennech	17	5	4	6	2	216
Ammanford	17	5	5	4	3	214
Pontarddulais	17	4	9	4	0	209
Llanelli	17	3	3	11	0	176
Skewen	17	1	5	11	0	119

Division Two

Dafen	17	7	7	3	0	297
Ynystawe	17	7	5	2	3	277
Hendy	17	5	5	4	3	247
Maesteg Celtic	17	5	6	2	4	225
Maesteg Town	17	5	4	4	4	215
Margam	17	2	9	3	3	199
Pontardawe	17	3	5	6	3	188
Morrison	17	3	6	6	2	183
Gorseinon	17	4	1	9	3	165
Port Tal Town	17	3	6	5	3	160

Division Three

Mumbles	17	8	5	3	1	290
Landore	17	8	3	4	2	283
Cowbridge	17	8	3	3	3	281
BS Port Talbot	17	8	4	2	3	271
Swansea CS	17	4	8	3	2	243
Winch Wen	17	4	7	4	2	223
Pontyberem	17	4	7	6	0	203
Clydach	17	3	6	5	3	180
Cwmavon	17	3	5	8	1	171
South Llanelli	17	0	2	12	3	102

Division Four

Carm Wndrs	17	8	6	2	1	304
Briton F Town	17	10	2	4	1	287
Dyffryn	17	8	3	4	2	272
Aberdare	17	6	8	1	2	264
Hirwaun	17	4	6	4	3	231
Bronwydd	17	5	5	6	1	230
Drefach	17	5	7	3	2	209
Felinfol	17	5	3	7	2	193
Kidwelly	17	1	3	11	2	118
Porthcawl	17	0	3	10	4	112

Division Five

Ffynone	17	11	2	3	1	320
Baglan	17	9	4	3	1	299
Hills Plymouth	17	9	5	2	1	254
BP Llandarcy	17	6	5	5	2	238
Ystradgynlais	17	6	2	6	2	226
Cimla	17	6	3	6	2	226
Ystalyfera	17	4	5	6	2	184
Llandeilo	17	4	3	9	1	178
*Glanymor	17	3	4	9	1	153
Glais	17	1	5	10	1	115

*Points deducted

Parker Plant Hire Carmarthenshire Championship

Division One

	P	W	D	L	Ab	Pts
Trimsaran	10	9	0	1	0	200
Trostre	10	4	2	3	1	141
Betws	10	4	1	4	1	118
Penyaer	10	4	0	6	0	118
Llanelli Wndrs	10	3	0	6	1	83
Penygroes	10	2	1	6	1	69

Division Two

Carway	10	9	1	0	0	201
Ferryside	9	5	2	2	0	144
*Laugharne	10	4	0	3	3	106
*Penygroes II	9	3	1	3	2	72
*Llanelli Wndrs II	9	1	0	7	1	23
*Llangyndeyrn	9	0	0	7	2	22

Pembrey hosts Formula 1 test

The top single seater series in Britain makes its annual visit to Pembrey Circuit this weekend when many of the world's best young racing stars hope to improve their ambitions of becoming Grand Prix stars

The British Formula 3 Championship is the most prestigious has a long-established reputation for bringing exciting new talent into the limelight. Ayrton Senna and Nigel Mansell both proved themselves in the series in their formative years.

The present Formula 1 world championship favourite Damon Hill also first tested success in Formula 3 while the winners of previous years at Pembrey have graduated to a higher standard of racing.

Jan Magnussen, who impressed two years ago in taking the chequered flag in both rounds, is now one of the hottest properties in motor racing making his Grand Prix debut last year.

Another former winner Gil de Ferran is making an impact in the IndyCar series and Kelvin Burt competes in the high profile British Touring Car Championship.

This year, a fresh crop of ambitious youngsters from all over the world are battling for the title that can set them on the route to Grand Prix racing. Significantly, the Pembrey meeting hosts a pair of races at a crucial stage in the championship calendar.

With nearly every driver using the Italian-built Dallara chassis, the racing is ferociously competitive and the ability of the driver and his team to tune their car for the demands of Pembrey is critical.

If he scores well in both races, British racer Ralph Firman will move closer to the title that he narrowly missed in 1995, after winning one of the round in Pembrey.

The Norfolk racer has already guided his Paul Stewart Racing entry to three wins this year and goes to Pembrey with a useful points lead.

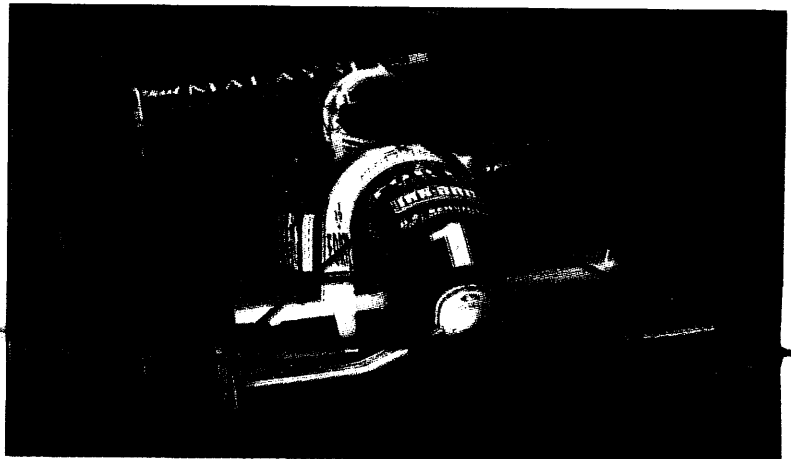
Firman's ability to accrue points - only twice in 11 races has he failed to finish in the top four - has given him the title lead but no less than six other drivers have all won races this year.

British racers Guy Smith, Darren Manning, Jamie Davies and Jonny Kane (in the most recent race at Snetterton) have all taken the chequered flag this year as have Juan-Pablo Montoya (Colombia) and Kurt Mollekens (Belgium). In class B - for cars at least a year old - Walsall racer Martin O'Connell will be flat out to overhaul New Zealander Simon Wills. Having had to miss five races while tending cars in other championships, O'Connell must win the class twice at Pembrey to keep his class title hopes alive.

But this prestigious two day Best of British Meeting organised by BARC meeting is not just about Formula 3.

Race action for sports cars, saloons and single seaters help make the biggest meeting of the season at Pembrey with a mammoth 16 race programme scheduled.

It will feature another round of the



Leading the way . . . Ralph Firman is aiming for another Formula 3 win at Pembrey.

Barrie Thomas reports on the local motor sport scene



Welsh Sports and Saloon Championship which has provided the best racing at the circuit this year.

Class wins has put Haverfordwest ace Martin Davies in contention for the championship a third year running in his Sapphire Cosworth but the most impressive performances in recent rounds has come from Carmarthen's Terry Brown.

In a Kawasaki powered Darran T9, the former rally driver has driven to convincing victories in the last two rounds.

But Llanelli based racer Mike Schmidt who has produced spectacular performances on the Pembrey track this summer, believes he can also close the gap on Davies.

The main problem for Schmidt is that he has been unable to complete races after earning favourable grid position with excellent qualifying times. But he did achieve a class win in Mallory Park earlier this month and is confident of a favourable result.

The BRDC/BARC Supersports Vauxhall Championship reaches round 10 of 12 as teams travel to Wales and promises another thrilling race. In a very open season, there were no less than seven different winners in the first nine races for the 140 mph sports-racing cars as the new rear-engined cars battle with their traditional front-engined counterparts. Defending champion Mike Evans has recently taken over the title lead from former Le Mans competitor Duncan Bain, but the rear-engined cars of Bain, Neil Riddiford and Paul Gibson are getting quicker with every outing.

The Porsche Classic Championship features heavily as the drivers have an extra race to make up for the round that was washed out at Snetterton recently. With one race on Saturday afternoon and another on Sunday, the Porsche pack will produce plenty of fireworks. Current championship

to sit and watch Paul Edwards extend his title lead!

Another class to have a pair of races at Pembrey is the Saloon 2000 Championship. The field is headed by the mighty Nissan Skyline GTR or Andy Middlehurst but the Escort Cosworths of Graham Coomes and Michael Woodcock will be snapping at the heels of the big car around the twists of Pembrey. More widely varying saloon action comes in rounds of the Kumho Tyres BMW Challenge, BBC Top Gear Magazine Renault Clio 16v and Andyspares/Firestone Citroen 2CV Championships.

Racing is all day Sunday, starting at 9am. Qualifying is from 9.15am on Saturday followed by three races starting at 4.15pm.

Regulations for rally

Regulations and entries are currently available for the Port Talbot Motor Club Classic and Historic Rally scheduled for October 5th. The one day daylight road event will again raise funds for the British Diabetic Society, and continues the successful 1995 format of off road special tests, including smooth forestry Regularities within the route through the best South Wales roads, and the National Trust area of the Gower Peninsula. Based again at the Hilton National Hotel, event Regulations are available from Lynn Nedin, Ynysmaerdy Farm Cottage, Ynysmaerdy Briton Ferry, Neath