

Davies lays that boggy

LAMPETER RACING driver Tim Davies travels to Germany this weekend for the fourth round of the Townsend Thoresen European F 2000 series on the Grand Prix circuit at Hockenheim, hoping for better luck all round than he had at Donnington on Sunday.

Davies started the day with a drive in the Euro race where he looked safe in third place until the car's handling began to worry him. Rather than tempt the fates in a quest for points he made a pit stop and it was

found that that there was a large crack in the rear bearing housing.

Davies then took the TDC car in the main event, intending to drive the first 50 miles before handing over to Davina Galica. He stormed from 13th to eighth position before the gear stick fell apart on the 14th lap.

But all ended well with Davies laying the Donnington boggy with an impressive win in the British F 2000 race. His driving during the afternoon was obviously noticed by a group of influential motor racing people who afterwards were seen gathering in the team's garage to discuss plans for 1985.

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Surrey in May because of a back injury while batting.

of the season; a splendid unbeaten 115 as his side declared at 210 for six.

Euro tune up for Tim

LAMPETER'S TIM Davies will be at Snetterton in Norfolk tomorrow in the British F2000 series, keeping his hand in before his next Euro series race at the German Grand Prix meeting at Hockenheim on August 5.

His form in the British series has been good, but his Euro form has been a mixture of scintillating performances and appalling luck.

Last weekend in the Townsend Thoresen Euro race at Zandvoort in Holland, Davies was fastest in practice by a considerable margin and led for the first 12 laps before a clash with the series leader, Sala,

deflated his front tyre. Davies ended his race in the pits.

There were no recriminations, but Davies said, "For once I thought the incident had worked in my favour, as he went off on to the grass and dropped back. I suppose if I had won I'd be laughing about it."

Entries for Snetterton in the British series have slumped dramatically since last year while the Euro series is booming.

Last time at Snetterton Davies won with some ease, leading all the way in his Swallow Reynard. A repeat performance would be a welcome boost.

LAMPETER'S Tim Davies moved into third place in the Townsend Thoresen European formula 2000 championship after a superb win in the third round at Jyllands, Denmark.

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Davies' Danish FF2000

SWALLOW Racing's Tim Davies won the Danish round of the Townsend Thoresen Euro FF2000 at the Jyllandsring on June 3. Davies had qualified fourth, two tenths behind poleman Alfonso de Vinuesa but worked his way up and passed Vinuesa on lap 10 and went on to win. This is a welcome uplift for the experienced Welshman who has so far had a dismal season with his

new equipe. Mauricio Gugelmin commuted between the Snetterton support Racing Displays encounter in which he finished third, forcing him to qualify in the wet in Denmark and then, after starting last, he crashed on the last lap when lying sixth. Championship leader Maurizio Sala did not make the trip preferring instead to stay at Snetterton where he won.

Househam returns

BACK in 1977, the name of Lincoln blacksmith Bryan Househam was being haunted around FF1600 circles

Brands Hatch last Saturday. On pole position? Bryan Househam. . . . "It's purely for fun this time," he

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Sala consolidates

MAURIZIO SALA strengthened his European championship grasp at Zandvoort over the weekend winning the fifteen lap race comfortably from fellow countryman Mauricio Gugelmin.

Tim Davies had secured pole by the enormous margin of eight tenths of a second from Sala and Dane Henrik Larsen, all in Reynards, and Martin Donnelly's Van Diemen. At the start Davies took an immediate lead establishing a three car's length cushion which he initially looked like extending by the lap. Sala as has now become his custom however began to get into his stride by the third or

fourth lap and reeled in Davies finally going round the outside at Tarzan about middle distance. Davies resisted however and the pair banged wheels hard. Tim suffered most with a tyre valve ripped out, posting an immediate retirement. Davies had not been able to maintain his practice form and Sala was generally accepted as having set the fastest lap although the organisers decided differently, and now leads the championship by a healthy margin. The circus will return to Zandvoort later in the year for an extra round of the championship.