

Tim's bid for title is still going strong

LAMPETER'S Tim Davies kept up his challenge for the 1985 Marlborough British Formula Three title with a third place in the fifth round at Donnington Park yesterday.

The race, which was at no time as exciting as the last round, was won by Andy Wallace who started from pole position, winning the 20th round. He was followed all the way by Morris Gugelmin, who set the fastest lap at 99.29mph, with Davies third and Sandro Sala fourth. The Saab Reynard in which Anthony Reid was fifth and title leader Red Spence, who looked well out of touch, in sixth place. Young Welsh Phil Kempé, who was

seventh fastest in practice, put in a heroic performance to finish 10th after his car was badly damaged in a start-line incident.

Kempé's Idencar Rald was hit from behind by Harold Huysman, whose car vaulted onto the back of Kempé's, which carried it piggy-back for 30 yards before it fell off and immediately crashed taking two others with it.

Kempé continued with this rear wing at a crazy angle and said afterwards, "I thought he was going to take me off with him, but after that the car kept going and so did I."

Marlborough British Grand Prix Championship after five rounds: 1, Russell Spence, 35 points; 2, Andy Wallace, 28 points; 3, Morris Gugelmin, 24 points; 4, Tim Davies, 21 points.

Davies signs off in style

British motor racing champion Tim Davies of Lampeter scored a fine win in his last race of the season, the BBC Grandstand Trophy race at Thruxton on Saturday.

Davies, dominating proceedings in practice and the race, broke his own lap record at 110 mph.

But now his most important trial is about to begin. He now has a race against time to find the necessary finance which will enable him to progress to formula three racing before the new season starts in March.

Tim's last gasp deal

Tim Davies again underlined the potential of the Reynard-Alfa Romeo package by leading Sunday's British F3 round at Donington until the gearbox input shaft let go, eight laps from home. Having scored a point first time out at Silverstone, Tim's deal to compete at all was only finalised on race morning, when team boss Richard Dutton, car owner Tom Alpern and numerous sponsors reached agreement on terms.

Eventually, Alpern's the British Formula Three team, Black Tie USA, concerns, TL Amusement Machines and Clover Consultancy (through Roger Cowman Racing), Silkolene, TL Clowes and Swallow Finance came up with the readies to join Rose of Warford and Autowindscreens in funding the run. "I'm tremendously grateful for their support," asserted Davies. "We were £900 short of running last night, but we are all working like mad to ensure that I can continue with a great team."

There is no more money at the moment so the Welshman is resigned to the fact that he may have to stop, but is currently working hard to attract more sponsors plus hopefully a new engine is

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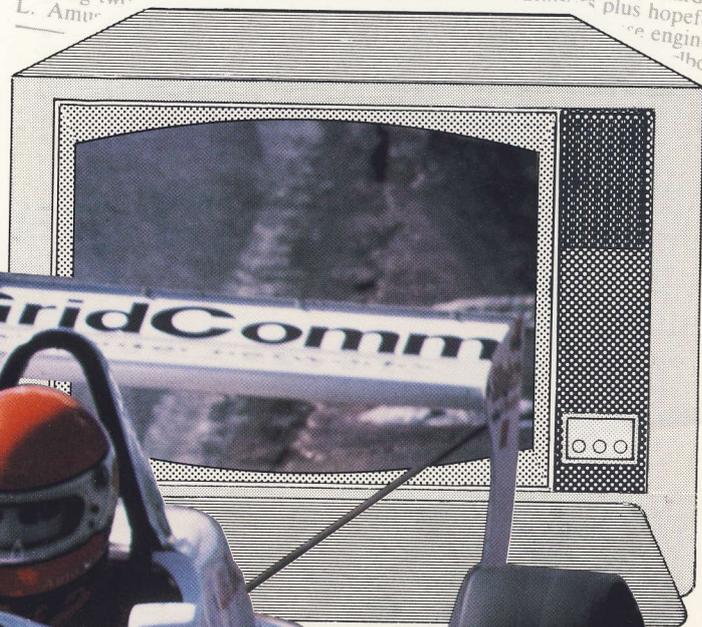
TIM DAVIES lived from mouth over the weekend at Donington, arriving for some £1,050 short of the budget to complete the day's racing. Davies had already resigned himself to the fact that he might have to practice only and miss the race when he and his manager discovered a generous £500 to add to the budget. Still short, Roger Cowman came to the rescue, the Derby F3000 offering two L. Amu-

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Davies' dominance

THE second of the BARC organised races on Bank H Monday provided a good deal more excitement than the day before at Snetterton. Fine weather graced the circuit and brought out a sizeable crowd. Tim Davies' fine win over Mauricio Gugelmin in the Racing Display FF2000 race to further increase his lead at the head of a poorly supported P&O Ferries FF1600, count Hardman took an easy win over team-mate Andy Midwhilst some close racing war Championship battle Pat M Barry Reece. Due to the number of new lap records Davies.

RACING DRIVER Tim Davies' care got a timely boost after Donald Jenki Transport and International Hi Exporters F R Chestwin of Lampeter announced sponsorship for today's r



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The next to April 17 is circ particularly imp- season testing

Marlboro British Formula Three Championship after 12 rounds: 1, Russell Spence 61 points; 2, Andy Wallace 53pts; 3, Maurice Gugelmin 50pts; 4, Tim Davies 36pts; 5, Dave Scott 30pts.