

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.

He was followed all the way by Morris Gugelmin, who set the fastest lap at 99.29mph, with Davies in third and Sandro Sala in fourth place.

Anthony Reid was fifth and title leader Red Spence, who looked well out of touch, in sixth place. Young Welsh driver Phil Kemp, 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.

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

Kempe continued with his rear wing at a crazy angle and said afterwards, "I thought he was going to mistake me off with him, but in fact 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 Grid Comm and 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 Autowindscreen in funding the run. "I'm tremendously grateful for their support," asserted Davies, "we were £900 short of running last night. We are all working like mad to ensure that I can continue with a great team. Consultancies for its contribution. 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 the engine is -thoro

Davies' car

TIM DAVIES lived from mouth over the weekend at Donington, arriving for practice some £1,050 short of the required 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 F2000 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 Mid whilst some close racing was witnessed in the Championship battle between Pat M Barry Reece. Due to the number of new lap records Davies was fastest in practice, and lapped the track at 100mph on his way to a win of the

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Davies damaged the engine of his Reynard after straining it to the limit during his win at Oulton Park

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The next round is on April 17 at Croft, particularly important for season testing

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