NATIONAL **RACES & RESULTS**

CADWELL PARK

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- -> 1000cc R1 Nigel Bancroft
- → 1000cc R2 Dave Methley
- -> Aggregate Dave Methley

"A minuetto pirouetto cost me any chance of winning outright"

Nigel Bancroft has a sense of humour, despite losing





FORMULA THREE IN

its 500cc, 1000cc, 1600cc and two-litre guises traced Cadwell Park's history from the 1950s to 1980 over the Easter weekend, as the HSCC's Wolds Trophy meeting established an intended annual fixture at MSV's glorious Lincolnshire outpost.

Watched by luminaries of the 1964-'70 era including Warwick Banks, Dave Berry, Bev Bond, Natalie Goodwin, Harry Stiller, Mike Walker and Cyd Williams (with Ian Ashlev engaged in the Formula Ford events), more than 20 screamer drivers chased the Justin Haler Trophy, remembering the period AUTOSPORT F3 scribe who died in January.

Nigel Bancroft (Chevron B17) set the pole time, with Dave Methley (Merlyn Mk14) and Frenchman François Derossi (B17) closest. Ian Bankhurst (Alexis Mk8), Stuart Tizzard (Chevron B₁₅C) and Paul McMorran

(Crossle 17F) headed the chase, although the unique Crossle was subsequently shunted too badly to race.

Ten chassis marques were still represented as Bancroft, Methley and Derossi hurtled clear on Sunday. It all so nearly went wrong on the first lap when leader Bancroft spun across the track, narrowly missing Methley (who took to the grass) and Derossi.

"I thought I was going to win it for a second," said the following Tizzard, but they all continued. Methley rounded Derossi boldly at Coppice and pulled away, only to be reeled in by Bancroft who went ahead on the last lap. "I relaxed too much," admitted Methley, who promised to try harder...

That he did on Monday, for when Bancroft spun again Methley sped on to win the trophy – presented by Haler's sister Antoinette on aggregate. The recovering Bancroft, Derossi, Tizzard, Chris two, promoting Paul Smith

Holland (Brabham BT21) and Leif Bosson (in fellow Swede Ulf Svensson's 1970 Cadwell-winning BT28) completed the top six.

Four imperious wins for Benn Simms – spanning Classic F₃ and Historic FF1600 – demonstrated his prowess in March 803B and Russell Alexis Mk14. Simms was particularly chuffed with the Ford successes, over Cadwell debutant Ben Mitchell (Merlyn Mk20) – with David Wild and Ashlev (Lola T200s) completing the podiums – as father Paul had built the car.

Driving the March 743 in which Brian Henton won the circuit's 1974 F3 race, Simon Hadfield chased Simms' six-year younger ex-Eddie Jordan 803 relentlessly in the CF3 opener after Jamie Brashaw (ex-Kenneth Acheson 793) slowed with a broken wishbone. Brashaw profited when Hadfield retired with a loose rear wheel on day

(Martini MK31) to third.

Car debutant Andy Jones dominated the Tony Brise Trophy 1600cc (1971-'73) section with his stunningly presented ex-Randy Lewis

Wrangler Brabham BT38C. Paul Tooms and his fleet Lotus Elan S1 had the legs of Andy Shepherd's early Lotus 7 in Sunday's Historic Road Sports race. Robert Barrie jinked his 7 from the back to third after Russell Paterson briefly pitted his Morgan +8 with a loose bonnet. Shepherd piled on the coals on Monday, but could not

deny Tooms his double. Paterson's third southern raid in as many weeks netted a strong third.

Both '70s Road Sports races featured safety-car interludes and a TVR victory. Peter Shaw (Tuscan) just kept Julian Barter (3000M) behind on Sunday, then went home, leaving Barter in charge. Father Charles (Datsun 240Z) wasn't far adrift at the flag – despite a backmarker being between them at the restart but all eyes were on the progress of Dean Forward's



newly-built Lotus Elan +2 from the back to third. Back where it started in

Methley defeated

hard-trying Bancroft

2007, Historic FF2000's inaugural championship kicked off at a furious pace, with Oliver Thorpe (Royale RP27) passing Russell Love (Reynard SF79) to win with Iames Murray a fine third in his older Reynard. Love was quickest away on Monday and was leading Thorpe when the latter

F3 (12+13 LAPS) 1 Dave Methlev (Merlyn +19.811s: 3 François Derossi (Chevron B17) 4 Stuart Tizzard (Chevron B15C): 5 Chris (Brabham BT28). RACE1 (12 LAPS) 1Bancroft: 2 Methlev +0.571s: 3 Derossi: 4 Tizzard: 5 Holland: 6 Bosson, Fastest lap ncroft 1m36.051s (81.96mph). RACE 2 (13 LAPS) 1 Methley: 2 Bancroft +20 382s B Derossi: 4 Tizzard: 5 Holland: 6 Bosson. FL Bancroft 1m35.904s (82.09mph). CLASSIC F3 (14 LAP) 1 Benn Simms

(March 803B): 2 Simon Hadfield (March 4 Paul Smith (Martini MK31): 5 Chris Drake March 743): 6 Matthew Sturmer (Van iemen GRD 376). Class winner Andy Iones (Brabham-Lotus BT38). FL Hadfield CW Coffey; John Shaw (Porsche 911E). 1m28.629s (88.83mph). RACE 2 (14 LAPS) FL Tooms 1m44.918s (75.04mph). 1Simms; 2Brashaw +9.994s; 3Smith; 4 Drake: 5 Sturmer: 6 Paul Dibden (Ralt RT1).

JUSTIN HALER TROPHY FOR 1000cc HISTORIC FF1600 (13 LAPS) 1 Benn nms (Russell Alexis Mk14): 2Ben Mitchell (Merlyn Mk20) +11.175s: 3 David Wild (Lola T200): 4 Ian Ashlev (Lola

T200): 5 Simon Toyne (Lola T200): 6 Stuart Baird (Merlyn Mk11A). CW John Crowell (Elden PRH8). FL Simi 1m35.416s (82.51mph). RACE2 (13 LAPS) 1Simms; 2 Mitchell +10.561s; 3 Ashley 4 Baird 5 Brian Morris (Macon MR7) 6 Stephen King (Macon MR8). CW vell. **FL** Simms 1m35.277s HISTORIC ROAD SPORTS (12 LAPS) 1Paul Tooms (Lotus Elan): 2 Andv Barrie (Lotus 7): 4 Patrick Ward-Booth (Ginetta G4): 5 Dick Coffey (Turner Mk1)

TVRs of Shaw (ahead) and

Lotus Elan of

retired in a shower of sparks.

efforts to rebuild top

qualifier Simon Toyne's

Reynard after he crashed

were rewarded with fourth

and third places, the latter

(Merlyn M28) overhauled

Dave Clark (Dulon MP21)

Chased by a race rusty

Lotus 59 emerging from a

three-season hibernation

reigning champion Ian

Gray (Brabham BT16) drove

beautifully to bag a Classic

Young Jack Woodhouse

Racing Cars pair.

(Elva 100) blitzed the

front-engined Formula

moved his rare Condor

Junior race, repeating last

year's victory. Stuart Roach

through to second before a

harmless gyration handed

it back to septuagenarian

Brian Mitcham (U2).

for an early class sweep.

Ian Jones – the Kiwi's

ahead of Roger Price's

Delta. Antony Raine

Neil Fowler Motorsport's

6 Russell Paterson (Morgan +8). RACE 2 (12 LAPS) 1 Tooms; 2 Shepherd

3000M) +0.578s: 3 Oliver Ford (Lotus Europa): 4 Charles Barter (Datsun 240Z): 5 Mark Bown (TVR 3000M): 6 Mark Bennett (Alpine-Renault A310). CW Ford: John Thomason (Triumph GT6 Mk3): David Lane (Jensen Healey); Ralph Harwood-Penn (MG Midget). FL Julian Barter 1m45436s (7467mph)

RACE2(10 LAPS)1JBarter;2CBarter 4 Bown: 5 Bennett: 6 Howard Bentham (Lotus Elan). CW Forward: Thomason: Harwood-Penn. FL Julian Barter 1m44.473s (75.36mph).

There was no catching

rear-engined set with the

third Barry Westmoreland

Memorial Trophy at stake.

On his favourite circuit,

thrilled onlookers. With

the work done he throttled

back, allowing Denis Welch

glimpse into Cadwell Park's

four-wheeled roots, with

11-time circuit victor Phil

Robinson presenting the

trophy. Fittingly, after a

mighty tussle with Nigel

Ellingworth prevailed in

Ashman (Cooper), Richard

the last Kieft-Norton raced

by period ace Don Parker.

Ellingworth dedicated his

success to its long-time

custodian Reg Hargrave,

who died last week.

FI. Tooms 1m45 (018s (74 97mph)

70s ROAD SPORTS (12 LAPS) 1 Peter

Marcus Pye

(Lotus 22) to shadow him

the Cooper T59 star's

phenomenal control

under the chequer.

The 500cc F3 race

provided a fascinating

Jon Milicevic in the

HISTORIC FF2000 (14 LAPS) 1 Oliver Thorpe (Royale RP27); 2 Russell Love (Revnard SF79) +10.497s: 3 James Murray (Reynard SF77); 4 Simon Toyne (Reynard SF79): 5 Dale Spruce (Revnard SF79): 6 6 Larry Kennedy (Lotus Elan). CW Shaw. Phil Walker (Lola T580). CW Antony

Raine (Merlyn Mk28): Jon Randall (Lola T324 FSV). FL Thorpe 1m31.210s (86.31mph). RACE 2 (13 LAPS) 1 Love; 2 Murray +7.730s: 3 Toyne: 4 Roger Price (Delta T79): 5 Spruce: 6 Walker, FL Love

CLASSIC RACING CARS (12 LAPS) 1 Ian Grav (Brabham BT16): 2 Ian Jones (Lotus 59) +11.078s: 3 Jon Milicevic (Cooper T59); 4 James Claridge (Lola Mk5A) 5 Chris Holland (Brabham BT21) 6 Christoph Widmer (Brabham BT18A) CW Milicevic; Holland; Harvey Sykes (Merlyn Mk17) FI. Grav 1m35 918s (82.08mph). RACE 2 (12 LAPS) 1 Grav: 2 Jones +6.691s; 3 Claridge; 4 Holland; 5 Ronnie Haines (Cooper T82): 6 Stev Wilkinson (Brabham BT21). CW Claridge Holland; John Crowell (Elden PRH8). FL Gray 1m35.069s (82.81mph

FORMULA JUNIOR, FRONT-ENGINED (11 LAPS) 1 Jack Woodhouse (Elva 100) Boach (Condor S2): 4 Simon Goodliff (Lol

HISTORIC TOURING CARS CADWELL PARK, APRIL 24-25

OUALIFYING 16TH

and 14th respectively for

the Historic Touring Car

double-header spurred

on Dan Cox and Mark

Jones, who threw their

Lotus Cortinas around

to win a race apiece.

Debuting his new

two-litre version, triple

had the car - father Tim's

Jones, running a 1600cc

mount for Monday – in

fine fettle for race one.

engine, did the entire

practice in third gear,

champion Cox lost his brakes in qualifying, but

Winning recoveries for

Lotus Cortina racers

Dan then moved into exuberant overdrive and slithered home ahead of Fuller and Godfrey.

led until its engine died

two laps from home.

took Fuller and Godfrey into Coppice at Monday's start and was not headed. **Fuller outgrunted Godfrey** for second, while Mike Smith (Cooper S) and Imp battlers Steve Platts and David Heale completed the top six.

RESULTS (BOTH 11 LAPS) RACE 1 1 Dan Cox (Ford Lotus

the lever having snapped. Cox started gently, only passing Jones on lap four as he forged into fifth behind the flying Andy Jones (Singer Chamois), Jimmy Fuller (Alfa Romeo) and the Mini Cooper Ss of 2010 champ Roger Godfrey and Tim Harber. He picked off the Minis and the raucous Alfa quickly, but the 'posh Imp' was still seven Jim Clark (Cortina). FL Jones seconds up the road, and



From row two, Jones

Cortina); 2 Jimmy Fuller (Alfa Romeo Giulia Sprint) +1.033s; 3 Roger Godfrey (Austin Cooper S): 4 Mark Jones (Cortina): 5 Tim Harber (Cooper S); 6 Mark Garritt (BMW 1800). CW Godfrey; Jones; Steve Platts (Singer Chamois); Paul Hopkinson (Alfa Sprint GT). **FL** Cox 1m48.551s (72.53mph). **RACE 2 1 Jones**; 2 Fuller +6.322; 3 Godfrey; 4 Mike Smith (Cooper S); 5 Platts; 6 David Heale (Hillman Imp). **CW** Fuller: Godfrev: Platts: 1m50.052s (71.54mph).

Mk2): 5 Gordon Russell (Gemini) 6 Peter St Barbe (Elva 100). CW Vernon liamson (Scorpion): Gordon Wright (Stanguellini). FL Woodhouse 1m44650s

(12 LAPS) 1 Jon Milicevic (Cooper T59); 2 Denis Welch (Lotus 22) +1.176s: 3 James Murray (Lola Mk5A); 4 Michael Hibberd (Lotus 27); 5 Callum MacLeod (Caravelle Mk2): 6 James Claridge (Lola Mk5A). CW MacLeod; Crispian Besley (Cooper T56). FL Milicevic 1m38.748s (79.73mph

F3 (10 LAPS) 1 Richard Ellingworth (Kieft +2.044s-3 Mike Fowler (Cooper Mk5): 4 Neil Hodges (Cooper Mk8): 5 JB Jones (Coucy No2): 6 Martin Shepherd (Coope Mk12) CW Fowler-Peter Kumlin (Effvh) FL Ellingworth 1m54.731s (68.68mph).

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