

Reece goes clear in title chase

CAERPHILLY'S BARRY Reece, driving his 850cc Isis Talbot, emerged as the clear leader of the Wendy Wools British Special Saloon Championship after taking his third win in a row at Silverstone.

Reece sets new lap record

THERE were plenty of problems for local drivers at Castle Combe on Monday, and in the Special Grand Touring Championship, Caerphilly's Bob Hemmings had to miss the race after suffering a series of setbacks in practice.

However, Barry Reece's Isis Talbot and John Morgan's Jaguar finished sixth and seventh overall after holding their positions unchallenged throughout. Although the race was fairly eventful, both drivers had a quiet time.

Reece, however, was quick enough to set a new lap record for his class, one and a half seconds faster than the record he set last year.

In the Formula Ford 1600 race, Dave Llewellyn was tenth fastest in practice while Mike North and Newport's Robert Moore, who was making his race debut, had practice problems.

When the race got under way the positions were reversed as Llewellyn dropped back and North began to make up ground for a respectable finish in mid-field, a couple of places up on Llewellyn and another debutant, Steve Clarke, of Abertillery.

Both Clarke and Moore, who spun on the first lap but recovered well, suggested that they could do well in the future.

Reece set a class lap record of 89.92mph, almost one-and-a-half seconds faster than the old record, and finished third overall. Second in the same race was Pontypridd's Viv Buster. Wallace in the one-litre Aalco Banannas car won his class and also set the fastest lap in the class although he was some way down on the larger capacity car of the overall winner.

In the third round of the Pace British Formula Ford 2000, Lampeter driver Tim Davies gave his new Royale RP 32M its debut. The car obviously needs developing, but Davies did well to finish seventh.

Davies was eighth fastest in practice, and just managed to earn the extra points by crossing the finishing line half a second in front of the next man.

Meanwhile at Oulton Park, Liantwit Major garage owner Martin Williams driving a Toyota Celica won the 2-litre class in the opening round of the 1982 British Production Saloon Championship.

Williams leads in 'saloon'

MARTIN Williams is the early season leader in the British Production saloon championship.

The Liantwit Major garage owner took his two litre Toyota Celica to fifth place overall, as well as winning his class and setting fastest lap, in the second round of the series at Snetterton.

His second win in a row gives him a one point lead. Lampeters' Tim Davies took a well earned fifth place in the Pace British Formula Ford 2000 race, also at Snetterton.

Davies was 10th fastest in practice and weaved his way through the field in a splendid drive in the slowly developing Royale RP 32 M.

Wallace hoping for better fortunes

VIV WALLACE and Barry Reece are at Mallory Park, Leicester, on Monday for the sixth round of the 1982 Wendy Wools British Special Saloon Championship — and Wallace will be hoping he won't have enough time to wave at the spectators this week.

Wallace spent most of the last race at Cadwell Park waving his broken gearstick at the crowds after it had snapped off and left his Aalco Banannas car jammed in second gear.

Reece will be hoping to maintain his lead in the championship after suffering engine problems in the last round which reduced his pace to that of an also-ran.

Lampeter's Tim Davies should also be at Mallory for the Pace British Formula Ford 2000 championship.