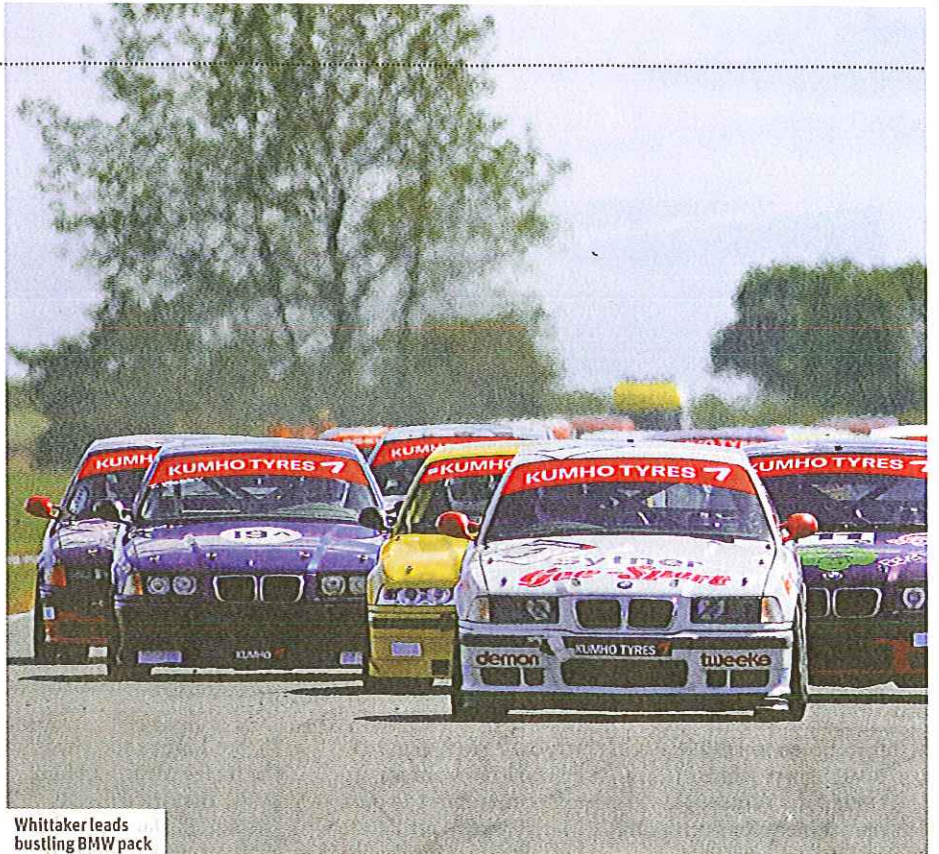


# Whittaker and Kempton star in BMW battles

**ONE OF THE** strongest UK saloon car series away from British Touring Cars is the Kumho BMW Championship. Former champions Martyn Trill and Rick Kerry have both moved onto the larger age, and there is no reason why some of the drivers from the current campaign can't emulate them. Foremost among them are championship stalwarts Garrie Whittaker and David Kempton, who moved the point with their victories at Croft. In Saturday's race Whittaker's E36 M3 was able to make an early but decisive break as the battles behind raged. Kempton slotted into second, with both James and Tom Webb in his wake.

James had some tentative looks at second, as their three-way fight allowed Tom Knight to join in too. Kempton received a couple of taps, but it was Knight who was first to progress, taking fourth into the Hairpin on lap seven and third a lap later into Sunny. Kempton's hold on second became ever more tenuous and into the chicane with three laps left Knight went by. Whittaker cruised to the flag with over eight seconds in hand, but Kempton retook the runner-up place as Knight slowed. "I was losing gears from lap four and only had a couple to choose from at the end," he explained after dropping to third on the last lap. Tom Webb clinched fourth after



Whittaker leads bustling BMW pack

ousting brother James with three laps remaining. Having led as far as the chicane on the opening lap, Whittaker was out of race two with a broken wheel, leaving Kempton at the helm before red flags brought a four-lap restart. Kempton kept his cool and was never headed. Ian

Crisp, Stephen Pearson and Colin Whitmore followed.



Theodore took first Formula Renault win

**KUMHO BMW (03 LAPS)**  
Garrie Whittaker (E36 M3), 2 David Kempton (E36 M3) +8.314s; 3 Thomas Knight (E36 M3), 4 Tom Webb (E36 M3); 5 James Webb (E36 M3), 6 Ian Crisp (E36 M3 Evo). Class winners Richard Marsh (E36 M3), Jason Holyhead (E36 318is). Fastest lap Whittaker 1m32.731s (82.49mph).  
**RACE TWO (4 LAPS)** 1 Kempton, Crisp +3.696s; 3 Stephen Pearson (E36 M3); 4 Colin Whitmore (E36 M3); 5 Colin Wells (E36 M3), 6 T Webb /W Des Thresh (E30 M3), Holyhead. T. Kempton 1m34.112s (81.28mph).  
**FORMULA RENAULT BARC (6 LAPS)** 1 James Theodore, Alice Powell +2.744s; 3 Josh Webster; 4 Kasper Krogh; 5 Luke Wright; 6 Mitchell Hale. FL Theodore 1m21.649s (93.69mph).

**RACE TWO (16 LAPS)** 1 Wright, 2 Powell +0.130s; 3 Joseph Reilly; 4 Webster; 5 Theodore; 6 Hale. FL Wright 1m21.881s (93.42mph).  
**DDMC NORTHERN SPORTS SALOONS (11 LAPS)** 1 Bill Addison (Caterham R400 Superlight), 2 David Headen (Caterham R400 Duratec) +9.982s; 3 Sam Arrenberg (Caterham R400); 4 Simon Blanckley (SEAT Leon Cupra); 5 Andrew Morrison (SEAT Leon Cupra); 6 Cam Forbes (Westfield SeiW). CW Blanckley, Forbes, Mark Benson (Renault Clio), Paul Moss (Citroen Saxo), Alan McPherson (Ford Formula 27); Brian Morris (Datsun 240Z) FL Addison 1m29.045s (86.91mph).  
**RACE TWO (11 LAPS)** 1 Addison, 2 Blanckley +5.467s; 3 Morrison;

4 David Botterill (Porsche 944 Turbo); 5 David Brewis (Suzuki SC100); 6 Kyle Murchie (Stuart Taylor Locoblade). CW Blanckley, Ian Humphish (VW Beetle RS), Benson, Moss, McPherson, Morris. FL Arrenberg 1m30.693s (84.35mph).  
**WESTFIELDS (10 LAPS)** 1 Chris Davison; 2 Martin Gartside +27.692s; 3 Mark Pasquill; 4 Harry Gordon-Finlayson; 5 Chris Gould; 6 John Gordon-Finlayson. FL Davison 1m34.730s (80.75mph).  
**RACE TWO (10 LAPS)** 1 Davison, 2 H Gordon-Finlayson +18.527s; 3 Gartside; 4 Pasquill; 5 Gould; 6 J Gordon-Finlayson. FL Davison 1m34.490s (80.96mph).  
**NORTH WEST SPORTS SALOONS (15 LAPS)** 1 Peter Davies (Caterham R400); 2 Robert Chalmers

(Caterham R400) +0.890s; 3 Simon Allaway (Lotus Daytona Esprit V8); 4 Wayne Schofield (Suzuki Cappuccino); 5 Chris Maries (MK Indy Busa); 6 Cam Forbes (Westfield SeiW). CW Allaway, Schofield, John Garnett (Porsche 911 GT3 Cup), Kingsley Ingram (Mazda 323F), Paul Ingram (Ford Fiesta). FL Chalmers 1m29.201s (85.76mph).  
**RACE TWO (15 LAPS)** 1 Chalmers, 2 Robert Spencer (Stuart Taylor Locosak) +0.474s; 3 Allaway; 4 Simon Blanckley (SEAT Leon Cupra); 5 Danny Keenan (MK Indy Busa); 6 Maries CW Allaway, Spencer, Blanckley, K Ingram, Phil Hall (Banks Europa). FL Blanckley 1m29.764s (85.22mph).  
**2CV (12 LAPS)** 1 Wayne Cowling, 2 Steve Panas +0.429s; 3 Nick Paton;

4 Sammie Fritchley; 5 Lewis Hopkins; 6 Alec Graham. FL Panas 2m04.186s (61.60mph).  
**RACE TWO (12 LAPS)** 1 Phil Myatt, 2 Paton +0.092s; 3 Simon Clarke; 4 Ainslie Bousfield; 5 Graham; 6 Richard Hollis. FL Paton 2m04.594s (61.40mph).  
**CHEVRON GR6 CHALLENGE (25 LAPS)** 1 Mark Hales; 2 Jordan Witt +12.979s; 3 Jeff Hodgson/John Murphy; 4 Lee Maxted-Page; 5 David Witt; 6 Adam Lippitt/Matthew Round. FL Hodgson/Murphy 1m31.880s (83.26mph).  
**RACE TWO (26 LAPS)** 1 Neil Primrose; 2 Hales +1.113s; 3 J Witt; 4 Hodgson/Murphy; 5 D Witt; 6 Lippitt/Round. FL Primrose 1m31.185s (83.89mph).