

Hunt takes convincing win in Freddie March Memorial Trophy

Saturday, September 8

Martin Hunt claimed honours in the 25-minute Freddie March Memorial Trophy race, which brought the curtain down on Saturday's on-track action. The HWM-Jaguar driver vied for the lead with four-time winner Darren McWhirter in his Lagonda V12 for the first few corners, but he had streaked into a lead of 3.9sec by the end of the opening lap. McWhirter fought back while dropping third-place man Richard Woolmer in Matthew Collings' HWM-Cadillac, and briefly looked set to challenge for the lead on the second tour, but Hunt responded and stamped his authority. His advantage was nullified, however, following a safety car period to rescue Alain Rüede's stricken Cunningham C4R from a gravel trap.

Once racing resumed with nine minutes left to run, Hunt picked up from where he left off and recorded a time that was eight-tenths of a second faster than his pole lap. His margin of victory after 13 storming laps was 10.359sec. McWhirter held on for second, with last year's winner Woolmer claiming the third spot.

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