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### 1962 League Line-ups Announced

Middlesex League: Bushy Kangaroos(Herts), Chessington Aces(Surrey), Estuary Eagles (Essex), Hendon All Stars(Middlesex) Raynes Park Tigers(Surrey), Stonebridge Eagles(Middlesex), Tolworth Tudors(Surrey), Uxbridge Pirates(Middlesex), Wembley Lions (Middlesex), Whipps Cross Aces(Com. Essex), Weston Stars(Middlesex)

Essex League: East Ham Stars, Estuary Eagles, Hawbush Hammers, Leigh Aces, Whipps Cross Comets.

Southend and District League: Benfleet Buccaneers, Estuary Eagles, Gainsborough Goblins, Hadleigh Heathens, Rayleigh



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### Work Started on Track in Southchurch Park

Estuary Eagles hoped to open their new track on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> September with a Middlesex League match against Weston Stars from Wormwood Scrubs!

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## Cycle Speedway Review

### NEW TRACK OPENS AT THUNDERSLEY

GRANGE Cycle Speedway Club (Leigh Aces, Thundersley Cobras and Hadleigh Heathens) opened their new track at Thundersley Common on Sunday.

The track has the only cinder surface in the district and it is hoped floodlights will be installed soon for winter fixtures.

In the Essex Intermediate League Hadleigh Heathens beat East Ham Stars 55-17. Scores:-

**Hadleigh (55):** Hatcher 12, Horrex 11, Smith 10, Beasley 8, Berry 7, Ryall 7. **East Ham (17):** Wraith 7, Duffy 3, Butler 3, Dye 2, Hashill 1, Sarony 1.

In the junior league the Heathens beat East Ham 43-29. Scores:-

**Heathens:** J. Spurgeon 12, Smith and Ryall 9, Jeffries, D. Spurgeon 5, Smith 3. **East Ham:** Wraith 8, Sarony 7, Butler 6, Hashill 4, Sarony 2, Noaks 2.

### Tigers crushed

**Thundersley Tigers 16, Rayleigh Rocketeers 56**

Despite the score the Tigers never gave up in this match and gave the Rocketeers, strengthened by the inclusion of Rockets' rider Frank Ebdon, a hard match. Ray Watson, whose previous highest score was three points, scored his first maximum for the Rocketeers. Scores:-

**Tigers:** Alan Palmer 4, Barry Chalk 3, Rod Hilton 3, John McCormick 3, Colin Mynoth 2, Ray Palmer 1.

**Rocketeers:** Ray Watson 12, Dave Harper 12, Colin Binfield 11, Rob Dowling 9, Frank Ebdon 8, John Butcher 4.

### Last heat decides

**Ebdon's Eagles 37, Burgoyne's Bears 35**

In a close and exciting match Frank Ebdon's Eagles defeated John Burgoyne's Bears 37-35. Thanks to a last heat win by Ebdon. Scorers:- **Eagles:** Frank Ebdon 11, Doug Berhill, 9, Alan Palmer 6, Rod Hilton 6, John McCormick 3, Mike Har-kin 2.

**Bears:** John Burgoyne 10, Barry Chalk 8, Ken Chase 8, Colin Binfield 6, Mick Cooper 3, Ray Palmer 0.

### Johnny's big day

Saturday is a big day for Estuary Eagles rider Johnny Brooks. For at Hungerford he lines up with 15 other riders to race for the National Junior Cycle Speedway Championship.

Brooks becomes the second Southend rider to qualify for this final. In 1957 Stan Thompson (Southend Lions) was runner up to the winner Andy Bright (Tatnan Tigers). A win for Brooks could well help the Eagles in the opening meetings at Southchurch Park (East).

The new circuit will now be officially opened on Saturday, 29th September at 5.15 p.m.

One change in the Southend team to met Oxford is that Pete Chilton (Estuary Eagles) will now be unable to ride. His place will now be taken by John Berry (Leigh Aces).

Sunday September 16<sup>th</sup> 1962

New Track on Thundersley Common Opened  
With an Essex Intermediate League match,  
Hadleigh Heathens 55 – East Ham Stars 17

The track was to be shared by the Leigh Aces, Thundersley Cobras and Hadleigh Heathens who formed the Grange Cycle Speedway Club.

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## CYCLE SPEEDWAY REVIEW

# New track opens on Saturday

ON Saturday, commencing at 5.30 p.m., Estuary Eagles entertain Hungerford Panthers in the opening fixture at the new circuit in Southchurch Park (East).

The Eagles will be without John Brooks, John Pace and Pete Chilton. This gives a chance to some of the youngsters on the club's books and the line up on Saturday will be: Bernard Hill, Ricky Alderton; Pat Wilkins, Barry Hill; Mick Webb, Len Kent; George Cooper and A. N. Other.

On Sunday, also at Southchurch Park (East), Southend meet Oxford in a Test Match. Southend will be represented by Mick Webb, Robin Rose (Rayleigh Rockets), Pat Wilkins (capt., Estuary Eagles), Austin Horrex, Roger Rolph, Roy Giggins (Leigh Aces), John Pace (Estuary Eagles) and John Berry (Leigh Aces).

The Oxford team is Rod Holloway, Geoff Blake (Minster Lovell Meteors), Alan Lawrence (Gt. Milton Rockets), Joe Hunt, George Byles (capt., Littlemore Lions), Glynn Bullock (Abingdon White Harts), Tony D'Anger (Gt. Milton Rockets) and John Dale (Littlemore Lions).

The Junior Test follows this match and the teams are:—

**Southend:** Ricky Alderton (Gainsborough Goblins), Alan Drane (Benfleet Buccaneers, capt.), Johnnie Brooks, Bernard Hill, Roy Russell (Estuary Eagles) and Doug Berrill (Rayleigh Rockets).

**Oxford:** P. Goode, R. Measor, A. Lewis (Wood Farm Wasps), M. Finlay (Littlemore Lions), P. Green, K. O'Hare (Minster Lovell Meteors).

Three riders—John Pace (Estuary Eagles),

Bob Jefferies and John Spurgeon (Leigh Aces)—will ride off for the remaining two places in the final of the Southend and District Riders' Championship Final which will take place at the Thundersley Common track on Sunday, October 7th.

Another ride off will take place between Estuary Eagles riders Johnnie Brooks and Bernie Hill to decide the Eastern Area Champion (Junior).

The winner will be presented with the National Amateur Cycle Speedway Association award.

### TIGERS LOSE

|                           |    |
|---------------------------|----|
| Rayleigh Rocketeers ..... | 41 |
| Thundersley Tigers .....  | 31 |

In this the return match, Thundersley Tigers, although showing great improvement, lost to Rayleigh Rocketeers 41—31. Scorers:—

**Rayleigh Rocketeers:** Dave Harper 12, Colin Binfield 10, Rob Dowling 10, John Butcher 3, Ray Watson 3, John McCormick 3.

**Thundersley Tigers:** Keith Chase 8, Alan Palmer 7, Barry Chalk 6, Rod Hilton 5, Mick Cooper 5, Colin Mynott 3.

### ROLPH WINS

At Thundersley Common track on Sunday, September 23rd, an individual riders' championship was won by R. Rolph (Leigh Aces) after a run off with A. Horrex (Leigh Aces). Top scorers: 1, R. Rolph (Leigh Aces), 14; 2, A. Horrex (Leigh Aces), 14; 3, R. Giggins (Leigh Aces), 11; 4, J. Beasley (Hadleigh Heathens), 11.

Saturday September 29<sup>th</sup> 1962

Estuary Eagles to open their new track in  
Southchurch Park (East)

Entertaining the Hungerford Panthers from  
Wiltshire

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## CYCLE SPEEDWAY REVIEW

# Scores maximum to mark return

Estuary Eagles "B" 51 pts., Benfleet Buccaneers 27 pts.

RETURNING to racing after illness, John Pace scored maximum points in the Eagles' win over Benfleet. For the visitors, Alec Kinch put in one of his best performances to score seven points. Scores:

Estuary Eagles "B" (51): J. Pace 15, J. Brooks 11, G. Cooper 11, Bernard Hill 7, P. Chilton 4, L. Kent 3.  
Benfleet Buccaneers (27): A. Kinch 7, J. Wyatt 6, J. Casson 4, M. Anthony 4, G. Walker 3, P. Smith 3.

Brian Wiles' Eagles 24, Pete Chilton's Goblins 23

Two Juniors were outstanding in this challenge match—John Brooks (Eagles) and Bernard Hill (Goblins), who each scored 10 points. Scorers:

Eagles (24): J. Brooks 10, G. Walker 6, B. Wiles 4, L. Kent 4.

Goblins (23): Bernard Hill 10, P. Chilton 7, Barrie Hill 6, G. Cooper 0.

### TITLE FOR BROOKS

At Southchurch Park (East) on Sunday Johnnie Brooks won the ride-off for the National Amateur Cycle Speedway Association Eastern Area Junior Championship by defeating his team mate, Bernard Hill, by two runs to one.

### SUNDAY'S FIXTURES

Estuary Eagles v Rayleigh Rockets (Southend and District League)

2 p.m.; Estuary Eagles v Hendon All Stars (Middlesex League) 3 p.m.; Junior Challenge match, 4 p.m. (All at Southchurch Park, East).

### LEAGUE TABLES

#### MIDDLESEX LEAGUE

|                     | P  | W  | D | L  | Pts |
|---------------------|----|----|---|----|-----|
| Whipps Cross Comets | 15 | 13 | 0 | 2  | 29  |
| Tolworth Tudors     | 15 | 11 | 0 | 4  | 29  |
| Uxbridge Pirates    | 15 | 11 | 0 | 4  | 27  |
| Weston Stars        | 12 | 10 | 0 | 2  | 25  |
| Raynes Park Tigers  | 13 | 9  | 0 | 4  | 22  |
| Hendon All Stars    | 15 | 8  | 0 | 7  | 20  |
| Estuary Eagles      | 13 | 5  | 0 | 8  | 12  |
| Hawbush Hammers     | 8  | 4  | 0 | 4  | 11  |
| Wembley Lions       | 18 | 4  | 0 | 14 | 10  |
| Chessington Aces    | 13 | 2  | 0 | 11 | 5   |
| Stonebridge Eagles  | 14 | 0  | 0 | 14 | 0   |

#### MIDDLESEX INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE

|                         | P  | W | D | L  | Pts |
|-------------------------|----|---|---|----|-----|
| Gainsborough Goblins    | 11 | 9 | 0 | 2  | 23  |
| Wembley Tigers          | 13 | 9 | 0 | 4  | 23  |
| Raynes Park Stars       | 10 | 8 | 1 | 1  | 21  |
| Chessington Eagles      | 7  | 7 | 3 | 1  | 18  |
| Whipps Cross Comets "B" | 11 | 5 | 0 | 6  | 13  |
| Hawbush Hunters         | 6  | 3 | 0 | 3  | 7   |
| Uxbridge Lions          | 12 | 3 | 0 | 9  | 7   |
| Hendon Stars            | 12 | 1 | 1 | 10 | 4   |
| Stonebridge Pirates     | 10 | 1 | 0 | 9  | 2   |

#### SOUTHEND AND DISTRICT LEAGUE

|                      | P | W | D | L | Pts |
|----------------------|---|---|---|---|-----|
| Leigh Aces           | 8 | 7 | 0 | 1 | 14  |
| Estuary Eagles       | 6 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 10  |
| Rayleigh Rockets     | 6 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 8   |
| Gainsborough Goblins | 8 | 2 | 0 | 6 | 4   |
| Benfleet Buccaneers  | 8 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 0   |

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## League Tables

### Middlesex League

|                                   | P  | W  | D | L  | Pts |
|-----------------------------------|----|----|---|----|-----|
| Whipps Cross Comets (East London) | 15 | 13 | 0 | 2  | 29  |
| Tolworth Tudors                   | 15 | 11 | 0 | 4  | 29  |
| Uxbridge Pirates                  | 15 | 11 | 0 | 4  | 27  |
| Weston Stars                      | 12 | 10 | 0 | 2  | 25  |
| Raynes Park Tigers                | 13 | 9  | 0 | 4  | 22  |
| Hendon all Stars                  | 15 | 8  | 0 | 7  | 20  |
| Estuary Eagles                    | 13 | 5  | 0 | 8  | 12  |
| Hawbush Hammers                   | 8  | 4  | 0 | 4  | 11  |
| Wembley Lions                     | 18 | 4  | 0 | 14 | 10  |
| Chessington Aces                  | 13 | 2  | 0 | 11 | 5   |
| Stonebridge Eagles                | 14 | 0  | 0 | 14 | 0   |

### Southend & District League

|                      | P | W | D | L | Pts |
|----------------------|---|---|---|---|-----|
| Leigh Aces           | 8 | 7 | 0 | 1 | 14  |
| Estuary Eagles       | 6 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 10  |
| Rayleigh Rockets     | 6 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 8   |
| Gainsborough Goblins | 8 | 2 | 0 | 6 | 4   |
| Benfleet Buccaneers  | 8 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 0   |