# RESULTS

NATIONAL INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIP - LONDON FINAL

1st.J.Riley(Weston Stars) 15,2nd.B.Betts (WestonStars) 10½, 3rd.Shaw (Weston Broadsiders) 10,& Claydon (Mersham) 10.

CHALLENGE MATCH

GREENFORD ACES 42 (C.Brooks 8,B.Whyte 8,J.Woods 7.)
WESTON BROADSIDERS 54 (M.Shaw 13,Hammond 12,T.Wildman 11.)

Latest League averages are as follows:- Murden(Tolworth Tudors) 2.6 per race,Ruffell(Weston Stars) . Riley(Weston Stars) 2.51,Halford(Cheam Indians) 2.36,M.Crawley(Chobham Rockets)2.34.

NATIONAL INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIP - SURREY FINAL

1st.P.Murden(Tolworth Tudors)13,2nd.D.Bailey(Tolworth Tudors 12,3rd.B.Axe(Chobham Rockets)11.

Latest riders to accept the invitation to ride in the Hammersmith Borough Council Individual Championship are Leckie holder in 1954(Harefield Pirates),B.Axe Surrey Champ 1955 (Chobham Rockets),Robinson(Greenford Aces)—Cowell(Edmonton Wood(South London),Mason(Peckham Stars) have yet to reply to the invitations.

DRAW FOR THE MANCHESTER GRAND PRIX

1.Rob Cooper(Belgrave Red Devils,Leicester),2.Dewi Williams (Carrs Wood Tudors,Lancs.)3Tommy Lawton(Openshaw Monarchs, Lancs.)4Brian Moston(Carrs Wood Tudors,Lancs.),5.Ewart Edwards(Birmingham Lions,Warks.),6.Dave Hemus(Sutton Stars, Warks.),7 John Brown(Whipps X Comets,Herts.),8Ron Bagley (Woodbridge Wildcats ,Suffolk)9Ken Graham(Belle Vue Cobras, Lancs.),10.Alec Clark(Carrs Wood Kestrels,Lancs.),11.Trevor Jones(Langstone Eagles,Wales),12.A.N.Other,13.Derek Garnett (Offerton Devils,Cheshire)14Len Adams(Tottenham Kangaroos, Essex.),15.Derek Tegg(Carrs Wood Kestrels,Lancs.),16.Norman Collier(Carrs Wood Tudors,Lancs.)

Invitations were sent to Edinburgh but have now been withdrawn as no confirmation has been received. Therefore, No.12. is open awaiting acceptance from Berkshire. World Speedway Champion Peter Craven will present the awards.

# LeicesterLook

FROM CHRIS LYM

Coalville Stars take over leadership of the Summer Cup League and look unlikely to lose it.

Kibworth gained their first Summer Cup League points in a close finish at West End. The Cyclones have only won two matches this year.

Belgrave Red Devils made their first visit to London this year when they rode against Peckham Stars. What should have been a very good match was spoilt by one of the Peckham riders persistently waiting a whole lap behind and riding the visiting riders off the track! After this had occured twice, the steward told all riders that should such tactics be used again, the offending rider would be reported to the Control Board. In heat 16, the same rider, again a lap behind, rode both Belgrave lads off the track. HAS THIS RIDER BEEN REPORTED TO THE HERTS. CONTROL BOARD?

Geoff Pickering, Belgrave heat-leader, has left the club and signed for Coalville Stars. The acquisition of this leading rider should enhance their chances in the N.T.C

Kibworth are through to the semi-finals of the Coronation Cup, after defeating Aylestone on aggregate 108-84. The Rockets, however, did not fare so well in Coventry, losing to the Coventry Team 77-19. Commented Kibworth manager, Eddie Bromley, "The only time our boys saw the Coventry riders was at the gate".

For the second time in a week, Belgrave met a team from London, this time being hosts to the Saints from Edmonton. The match was a real thriller, the result being in doubt until the end of heat 16. All through the match, neither side led by more than four points. Came the 'Nom', and Edmonton were two points down. Belgrave Captain, Rob Cooper shot into the lead, with Westwood and Jeffery in hot pursuit. On the third lap, the Belgrave rider lost control momentarily, and, amid great excitement, both Edmonton riders swept by to take the only 5-1 of the night, and the match 49-47.

City team Aylestone Aces entertained Rugby club, Long Lawford Lightnings on Wed. July 4th. There was little flash about the Warwickshire team, and Aces won 54-42.

The recent scores of Carrs Wood Tudor Allan Pennington have not gone unnoticed by his team's N.T.C opponents.....

# HERTS.

BY KEN COOPER

HERTS. LEAGUE UP TO AND INCLUDING SATURDAY 14TH. JULY.

| TEAM | PLD | HOME | | | AWAY | | | PTS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | W | D | L | W | D | L | |
| HODDESDON KANGAROOS | 8 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 17 |
| WHIPPS X COMETS | 10 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 14 |
| PECKHAM STARS | 6 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 12 |
| WALTHAMSTOW WOLVES | 7 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 12 |
| EDMONTON SAINTS | 10 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 12 |
| CLAY HILL ACES | 8 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 7 |
| LANGLEY LIONS | 10 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 5 |
| FINCHLEY SABRES | 9 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 3 |

The last two weeks have seen the qualifying rounds of the Herts. section of the National Individual Competition come and go - thank goodness!!!!!

Every year these qualifying rounds turn out to be a bit of a farce, with many more riders entering than actually take part. But at any rate, the riders who have qualified appear to merit inclusion. Actually, it looks as if this years Final will be the best to date.

I don't intend to, make any forecast as to the eventual winner, but whoever it is, we expect him to bring the National title back to Herts. this year!

For the Final, the Control Board unanimously elected Mr. Tony Clark as Steward of the Meeting.

The match will commence at 3.30.p.m., but a run-off will be held at 3.0.p.m. to decide who shall ride in the two final positions on the programme - three riders are due to take part.

We are pleased to say that the Mayor of Edmonton has consented to be present at this Meeting.

By the way, the disputed result of the Whipps X v Walthamstow match has been upheld by the Control Board, and the score has thus been recorded as Whipps X Comets 69 Walthamstow Wolves 68. The result is included in the above Table which should now give a true picture of the positions.

Well, it's back to the League again next week. It's still anybody's Championship, but the next few weeks may decide which team takes the title.

# RESULTS

CHALLENGE MATCHES

WHIPPS X COMETS 76 (Hemsley 13,Nastri 5,Bunce 14,Kingsnorth 9,M.Brown 12,Howse 12,Taylor 7,J.Brown 4.)
WEMBLEY ALL STARS 32 (Fraser 5,Hunter 4,Gadsby 3,Dewhurst 6,Carter 2,Dean 10,Freear 2.)

LANGLEY LIONS 48½ (Cull 6,Fay 0,Woolard 10½,Reeves 3,Graves 5,Ovey 3,D.Bottazzi 17,Wheeler 4.)
BECKENHAM PIRATES 88½ (Spalding 15½,Willgress 10,Jarman 18, Daniels 16,Jarrett 10,Baker 7,Freeman 3.)

NATIONAL INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIP-CHESHIRE FINAL-WILMSLOW

D.Garnett 14,F.Heath 14,K.Bass 14,P.Rollason 11,V.Hinchcliffe 10,H.Wood 10,B.Williams 8,J.Mottershead 7,B.Rollason 6,F.Latham 6,P.Moore 5,B.Ham 5,B.Swindells 3,B.Heath 3, T.Cooper 2,D.Maude 2.)

INTER COUNTY MATCH AT WILMSLOW

CHESHIRE "B" 48 (P.Rollason 12,J.Mottershead 8,G.Riley 8, V.Hinchliffe 7,F.Latham 6,T.Pashley 4,M.McDonald 3.)
LANCASHIRE "B" 72 (D.Marshall 15,D.Barlow 14,J.Yacoby 12 J.Hughes 12,B.Taylor 9,N.Edwards 5,R.Boole 4,B.Hope 1.)

INTER-LEAGUE REPRESENTATIVE MATCH-AT BELLE VUE

MANCHESTER 65 (B.Moston 10,D.Tegg 9,B.Cramer 9,D.Garnett 8 K.Graham 8,D.Williams 7,N.Collier 7,A.Pennington 7.)
BIRMINGHAM 31 (E.Edwards 7,G.Kean 6,P.Blackwell 5,D.Hill 4, H.Loasby 4,G.Hancox 2,D.Hemus 2,J.Ward 1.)

MANCHESTER KNOCK OUT TROPHY 1ST.RND

CARRS WOOD TURDORS 77 (D.Williams 15,A.Pennington 12½,T. Pashley 12,)
LADYBARN KINGPINS 31 (R.Boole 7,E.Moss 6,R.Davis 5.)

LADYBARN KINGPINS 33 (B.Hope 6,S.Drury 6,R.Boole 5.)
CARRS WOOD TUDORS 75 (T.Pashley 15,M.Spray 12,D.Williams 12)
AGGREGAT: CARRS WOOD TUDORS 152 LADYBARN KINGPINS 64

We would once more draw our readers attention to the fact that news must reach us by the Tuesday prior to Publication date to ensure that it appears in the current issue.
YOUR NEWS SHOULD BE SEND TO ARRIVE NOT LATER THAN TUESDAY 24TH.JULY FOR INCLUSION IN ISSUE NO.15.

# N.W.MDDX.

RESULTS
from
R. SEYMOUR.

LATEST LEAGUE TABLE

| TEAM | PLD | WON | DRN | LST | FOR | AGT | PTS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| HAREFIELD | 6 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 365 | 208 | 14 |
| GREENFORD | 5 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 213½ | 208½ | 12 |
| LANGLEY | 7 | 2 | 0 | 5 | 298 | 372 | 5 |
| HILLINGDON | 5 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 226½ | 251½ | 4 |
| UXBRIDGE | 7 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 274 | 393 | 0 |

NORTH WEST MIDDLESEX LEAGUE MATCHES

HILLINGDON 43½ (J.Jacobs 11½,J.Rance 10,F.Tillyer 8,K.Sibley 8,R.Twitchen 4,K.Bates 2.)
GREENFORD 52½ (R.Gray 11,B.Whyte 9½,J.Nairn 8,B.Robinson 8, C.Brooks 7,L.Benham 4,M.Porter 2,B.Newton 3.)

GREENFORD 52 (C.Brooks 11,J.Nairn 6,B.Robinson 7,R.Gray 11, B.Whyte 9,R.Cave 2,M.Porter 6,)
HILLINGDON 43 (R.Twitchen 1,F.Tillyer 12,J.Jacobs 6,K.Bates 2,K.Fisher 2,D.Edwards 1,A.Coolman 12.)

LANGLEY 57 (G.Pearce 10,R.Lester 6,P.Clarke 10,J.Unsworth 11,B.Harper 8,G.Frewin 8,D.Kent 1,J.Galbraith 3.)
UXBRIDGE 38 (S.Stevens 2,J.Dunford 6,R.Davies 3,R.Simmonds 4,B.Punter 13,R.Bullivant 0,B.Fewell 8,M.Seymour 2.)

HAREFIELD 61 (E.Collett 1,P.Leckie 9,L.Carter 9,D.Thompson 12,A.James 7,D.Stonex 12,B.Ansell 5,R.Seymour.)
LANGLEY 35 (G.Pearce 12,R.Lester 3,P.Clarke 1,J.Unsworth 12 G.Frewin 3,J.Galbraith 2,D.Kent 0,K.Taylor 2.)

UXBRIDGE 44 (I.Dunford 11,S.Stevens 2,B.Punter 14,R.Davies 5,P.Thomas 6,B.Fewell 5,M.Seymour 1.)
GREENFORD 49 (C.Brooks 9,J.Nairn 6,L.Benham 4,B.Whyte 13, R.Woods 8,M.Porter 2,B.Robinson 7.)

CHALLENGE MATCH

HAREFIELD 62 (D.Stonex 11,J.Unsworth 10,A.James 4,G.Pearce 9,D.Thompson 4,P.Leckie 10,L.Carter 5,R.Seymour 9.)
DRAYTON 34 (F.Tidmarsh 3,D.Rusher 4,E.Buckingham 6,T.Yeates 5,D.Lines 2,D.Hooper 8,N.Sellers 2,G.Allum 4.)

CONGRATULATIONS TO EDDIE COLLETT ON HIS RECENT MARRIAGE. WE'RE GLAD TO HEAR THAT HE IS GOING TO CONTINUE TO RIDE.

# MANCHESTER STO

The last fortnight has provided plenty of assortment in the Manchester area, both of the Individual Championships have been decided and both County Champions retained their titles, so Brian Moston of Lancashire & Dereck Garnett of Cheshire will represent their respective counties in the National Finals.

Moston had little difficulty in taking a 15 point maximum, and so superior was he to the rest of the field that his nearest opponents – four of them – had only 11 points each. The event developed into Moston beating everyone, and the rest of the favourites beating each other to make his win so much easier.

In the Cheshire Final, Garnett had a very hard job to retain his title, and, after 20 exciting races, three Offerton riders, D.Garnett, F.Heath, & K.Bass all finished with 14 points, and each on their showing would have been worthy of carrying off the title. In the decider, Garnett drew the inside and, even though hotly persued by Heath for 4 laps, crossed the line ahead, although there was only half a length in it.

The Birmingham League sent a representative team up and as expected Manchester ran out comfortable winners by 65-31, and so retained their unbeaten home record. In the early stages it seemed that Manchester would have to fight hard to win, because at the half way stage they only had a mere ten point lead, and on their performance it seemed that the Brummies were quite capable of pulling these back. Manchester then reasserted themselves with 5 consecutive 5-1s and the match was over, the final three heats being just a formality. Even so, the Brummies were down but not out, because in the reserves race Brummie G.Kean had a good win, being only the second of the visitors to cross the line in first position. The Manchester team was very evenly balanced with all riders scoring between 7 & 10 points, whilst Birmingham relied almost entirely on E.Edwards, and in a lesser way on reserve G.Kean. The return match has yet to be fixed, but the Brummies will without doubt be out for revenge.

# CKPORT Dist.

WITH F.ASHTONHURST.

The second of the season's "B" matches between Lancashire & Cheshire took place at Wilmslow, and the Lancashire boys won by the almost identical score as earlier in the season 72-48, last time the score was 71-48. The J.Yacoby/D.Barlow pairing was once again the backbone of the red rose team, scoring 26 points from a possible 30, but surprise of the afternoon was Blackley rider Dave Marshall's individual tally of 15 points. Only one rider, Pete Rollason scored double figures on the Cheshire side and along with partner J.Mottershead was the most successful pairing in their side.

LEAGUE TABLE AS AT 8TH.JULY 1956.

| TEAM | PLD | WON | LST | DRN | FOR | AGT | PTS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| OPENSHAW MONARCHS | 17 | 15 | 1 | 1 | 971 | 653 | 31 |
| BELLE VUE COBRAS | 15 | 13 | 2 | 0 | 867 | 563 | 26 |
| CARRS WOOD TUDORS | 15 | 10 | 2 | 3 | 814 | 617 | 23 |
| CARRS WOOD KESTRELS | 16 | 8 | 8 | 0 | 811 | 715 | 16 |
| OFFERTON DEVILS | 15 | 7 | 7 | 1 | 740 | 694 | 15 |
| LONGSIGHT PEGASUS | 16 | 6 | 10 | 0 | 737 | 787 | 12 |
| BLACKLEY FLYERS | 17 | 5 | 11 | 1 | 726 | 898 | 11 |
| WILMSLOW HAMMERS | 15 | 3 | 12 | 0 | 578½ | 853½ | 6 |
| LADYBARN KINGPINS | 16 | 1 | 15 | 0 | 531½ | 995½ | 2 |

In League Matches Wilmslow Hammers won two matches in one week,a thing which has never happened previously in the long history of the club, one of these was a revenge win over Ladybarn Kingpins, but the other, a win over Carrs Wood Kestrels, was something of a shock, admittedly, the Kestrels,with Alec Clark on holiday,were understrength, but even so, they should have been capable of bringing back the match points. Kestrels also lost when visiting Blackley Flyers, who thus broke their two month run of defeats. Flyers have just signed Dave Barlow from League leaders Openshaw, this transfer still awaits approval from the Committee. All other League matches went according to the book, although an understrength Offerton Devils almost pulled off a surprise win when they visited Belle Vue. At one stage Offerton were eight points in front, but Cobras gradually pulled back to win.

# BACK—CHAT

from ME
to YOU
by VIC COWELL

Recent meeting between Peckham Stars and Belgrave Red Devils in London left much to be desired. X.Xxxxx and X. Xxxxxxxxx got overheated.Mr.McPate, Devils' Manager pulled his rider from the match,but Peckham didn't seem to take exception to Xxxxx's part in the argument. When Miss Gooddy isn't around,things tend to get out of hand. If a couple of the Stars riders had shown a willingness to have a sporting match,this debacle could have been avoided.....So it was DENNIS BOTTAZZI who lined up for Langley Lions and took his score from a duck to seventeen in two weeks. Sure finds his form quickly.....would like to apologise to our friends in the Manchester district,several of whom had poor copies of the Spotlight last issue.Naturally,we will replace the same free of charge....up in Leicester,Mr.Sutton certainly strives to keep Coalville on the map. I had the pleasure of meeting him and his wife last week. On two visits to this city have noticed how hospitable they all are... an excellent finish to the Belgrave-Edmonton match,with Saints just pipping Devils in the last heat....the Londoners were involved in a road accident on the way back,being in collision with a car.Both vehicles turned completely around on the wet road,but luckily no injuries....hope all clubs are selling the N.A.C.S.A. draw tickets. Counterfoils must be returned by August 8th.....I learn that Chingford Council may build a Cycle Speedway track.This news was in a London evening paper this week. Perhaps Ron Bull or Dave Stevens have some 'gen' on it...For those of you who enquired about the Bristol Arno's Eagles,the address is:-K.Worlock,104,Minehead Road,Knowle Park,Bristol 4.....our only chance of meeting any Welsh enthusiasts so far this season was at the recent International,which neither Ken nor myself was able to attend;would certainly appreciate anyone,who has a contact in that part of the country,writing to us....T.V. date lined up for the England team from Earls Court shortly on B.B.C. channel will probably be in form of short Individual event. ....Mr.Sutton tells me that he want to floodlight Coalville Stars' track,but finds he is up against some local inhabitants....

# HANTS.

FROM J. A. LINDSAY.

## LEAGUE TABLE

| TEAM | PLD | WON | LST | DRN | FOR | AGT | PTS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| SOUTHAMPTON VIKINGS | 6 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 344 | 232 | 12 |
| BURLEY BROADSIDERS | 6 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 297½ | 275½ | 10 |
| C.F.STARS | 6 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 319½ | 255½ | 6 |
| SHIRLEY BOMBERS | 7 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 365 | 226 | 6 |
| GEM PIRATES | 6 | 1 | 5 | 0 | 237 | 338 | 2 |
| BRANSGORE BULLDOGS | 7 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 277 | 394 | 2 |

The Control Board regret to report the illness of Mr. E.(Ted)Mills, team manager of the Southampton Vikings.Here's wishing you a speedy return to health,Ted.

Latest results are as follows:-

SOUTHAMPTON VIKINGS 54 (Trewin 14,Pearson 10.)
GEM PIRATES 42 (Coward 12.)

SHIRLEY BOMBERS 57 (Angel 14,Francis 12,Tanner 12.)
BRANSGORE BULLDOGS 39 (Barrett 12,Dowding 7,Mudford 7.)

BURLEY BROADSIDERS 50 BRANSGORE BULLDOGS 45 (No scoers avbl

NATIONAL TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP-HANTS.SECTION.

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|---|---|
| CHANDLERS FORD STARS 57 | VIKINGS 39 |
| VIKINGS 52½ | CHANDLERS FORD STARS 43½ |

CHANDLERS FORD STARS WIN ON AGGREGATE 100½-91½

FUTURE MATCHES OF SPECIAL NOTE

On the Shirley Bombers Track on July 14th.,-Hellingley Lions of Sussex versus Heytesbury Hammers of Wiltshire.

On the Burley Bulldogs track on 28th.July,-Gem Pirates of Hampshire versus Thatchem Pirates of Berkshire.

# KENT

NOTES FROM
B A S I L
R U S S E L L.

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|---|---|---|
| WILLESBORO' | 54 | ASHFORD 32 |
| BROAD OAK | 44 | ASHFORD 36(Mirfin9 |
| ROCKETS | 30 | ASHFORD 54(Mirfin12 |

Our Handicap Individual was won by P.MONK 15,2nd.was D.BRYANT 15, 3rd was MOORE with 15. Monk receive 3 pts,Bryant received 2 pts.and Moore started at scratch.

# SUFFOLK v ESSEX

This seemed the perfect setting for a Test Match.Fro the constable directing the array of vehicles into the ca park,to the Union Jack fluttering gaily over the track. T stage was set. What a disappointment the match turned out to be.

In the "A"Team match,Essex went down 50-46,L.Adams breaking the track record from 48.0 secs. to 47.6 secs in heat 4. Ronnie Gibbons again lowered the record to 47.2 s in heat 9,and Stan Stevens lowered it even further,in a flying heat 11,to 46.4 secs. However,this match clearly illustrated the need for National liason concerning the m thod of starting,for what could have been close,fair raci turned out to be a procession of "Rollers". Ipswich opene with a 5-1 from R.Bagley & D.Corcoran,but this was follow by a 5-1 for Essex from R.Goode & L.Adams.

A succession of drawn heats,and at the halfway stage the scores were level at 24 all. With 2 heats to go, the scores were level again at 42 all. In the penultimate hea B.Game & B.Gilbert scored a 4-2 putting Suffolk 2 ahead.R. Goode & E.Lamacq in the nominated and Essex needing a 5-1 to win against R.Bagley & D.Lockwood. The latter pair gat just ahead of the Essex boys,who could never make up the leeway,Goode oversliding on one bend,allowing the Suffolk pair to draw well away. R.Bagley,D.Corcoran & D.Lockwood were the outstanding riders for Suffolk.The only person t scrape double figures for Essex was E.Lamacq. S.Stevens,R. Goode & R.Gibbons backed him up.

In the "B" Team match,Essex ran out winners 51-45, Du to some excellent team riding by Alan Wood & Trevor Turne Top for Suffolk were M.Beamont & C.Hogger.

The match opened with 3 drawn heats,this being put t an end when M.Beamont & E.Skinner scored a 4-2 over Essex pair M.De Courcy & N.Dunn. With one heat to go, Essex were two points up, and T.Turner & R.Boxhall clinched the match for Essex in the Nominated heat,when they scored maximum points over M.Beamont & B.Williams.

It was particularly noticable that both No.8's rode well,and substitution could have brought victory to Suffol

T.P.COLLINS.

# BRUM CALLING

BY HAROLD SMITH

## LEAGUE TABLE

| TEAM | PLD | WON | DRN | LST | PTS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| BIRMINGHAM LIONS | 8 | 7 | 0 | 1 | 14 |
| KINGSTANDING MONARCHS | 5 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 10 |
| ALDRIDGE HAMMERS | 6 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 6 |
| SUTTON STARS | 4 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 4 |
| ELMDON WASPS | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| PELSALL PIRATES | 4 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 2 |
| FASTMOOR BEES | 5 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 2 |
| HALL GREEN HURRICANES | 5 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 |

How did "Bloodthirsty" Dave Smith and "Crasher" Hanchett earn their nicknames? Who were Harry Haddock and Ced Barker?

To most of today's riders they are just names in the record book but the older enthusiasts they conjure up memories of thrilling wheel-to-wheel struggles between Rogues and Bromford Crusaders- now,alas,gone for ever -spectacular "out of this world" spills, and the invincible teamwork of the Black Country's most famous club,Hamstead Hurricanes.

These old-timers have never lost their love of Cycle Speedway and on July 22nd.,following the Alan Hunt Cup Final sixteen of them plan to tear apart the Handsworth track in a special veterans' match. Proceeds of a collection will be donated to local charities.

Kingstanding Monarchs passed into the first inter-County round of the National Team Championship with a 106-81 aggregate win against Birmingham Lions in the Warwickshire Final.

There have been an exceptionally high number of transfers this year. Johnny Varnish and Gerald Kean have rejoined Kingstanding from Birmingham Lions, George Truman left Fastmoor Bees for the Aldridge Hammers and now wants a move to the Hall Green outfit, and Elmdon Wasps have signed ex-Monarch John Mills. Several former Lambeth riders have now linked up with new clubs; Frank Adams has gone to Sutton Stars, Albert Millward and Alan Ford to Sutton Starlets, and Sidney Ford to Kingstanding Monarchs.

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