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ELLIS SCORES SEVENTEEN AGAINST SCOTLAND

writes DEREK GARNETT

The big match of the week was the Scotland v North of England at Edinburgh where the Scots put up a terrific fight in the first half of the meeting before going down 48-72 to a more steady English team. Man of the match was Wolverhampton's Roger Ellis who was beaten only once, by Jack Pinkerton, who was Scotland's top scorer. Scotland took an early lead with a 4-2 and a 5-1 and it wasn't until heat 10 that England took the lead and then they seemed to settle down and scored five maximum heat wins in the last eight heats to romp away.

Scotland 48; J. Pinkerton 13;

T. Daly 9; J. Murphy 9; D. Moir 8; A. Dickson 4; D. Bald 4; R. Waddie 1; J. Speirs 0.

North of England 72: R. Ellis 17; T. Hardy 12; V. Hinchcliffe 10; V. Marsland 10; D. Garnett 8; J. Sanderson 7; P. Bury 6; P. Rennie 2.

The Manchester Match Race Championship resulted in a win for Derek Garnett over the holder, Vic Hinchcliffe, 2-0 at Bredbury Bees track.

Offerton, although still unbeaten in Division 1 have lost the top of the league tag to Gorton on aggregate with Ashton Aces in third spot.

Wilmslow caused the upsets in Division 2 with a 39-33 win over unbeaten Offerton and the Division 2 title is wide open with Offerton, Belle Vue, Wilmslow and Gorton all in with a chance.

Wilmslow are also on level pegging with Belle Vue at the top of the Junior League with Blackley close behind.

In the first round of The National Team Championships the holders, Offerton, had no trouble in beating Bredbury 79-26 with rivals Gorton easily winning against Carrs Wood 75-21. A close match at Openshaw saw Blackley win 49-46. Wilmslow away to Cradley Heath were thrashed 23-73. Second Division team Levenshulme Stars were beaten by Scotland's Granton Griffins by ONE point 47-48 at home.

Heading the Division 1 averages is V. Hinchcliffe with a fantastic average of 2.98, having dropped only ONE point in matches this year from 18 matches. Close behind are J. Watling 2.91; D. Garnett 2.90; V. Marsland 2.81; T. Hardy 2.78; P. Bury 2.63; R. Rose 2.62; K. Taylor 2.58; P. Rennie 2.57; E. Bostock 2.55.

Bottom of the league Bredbury raced two Challenge matches in Sheffield losing 47-48 to Sheffield Tigers and beating Hackenthorpe Saints 53-42.

The League KO Trophy looks like it is going to be an Offerton v Gorton final again with both teams into the semi-finals with big wins in the quarter finals.

The National Individual Championships are well under way with no big shocks as yet (except the holder Vic Hinchcliffe is out through an injury) and the chances of Manchester having a fair amount of finalists looks good.

Southend Grand Prix: G. Swann (Hungerford) 13; V. Hinchcliffe (Offerton) 12; D. Garnett (Offerton) 11; P. Furness (Galley) 11; T. Daly (Scotland) 11; P. Rides (Tolworth) 9; N. Thompson (Estuary) 9; A. Horrocks (Rayleigh) 9; G. Wallis (Wembley) 7; J. Attoe (Galley) 7; R. Kirk (Tolworth) 7; B. Edwards (Wembley) 6; J. Brooks (Estuary) 3; N. Smith (Rayleigh) 2; B. Hollister (Hungerford) 0; D. Spooner (Basildon) 2.

RECORD RIDER



Dixie Dean (Uxbridge)

GOLD CUP SPOTLIGHT

by JOCK MCPATE

The semi-final between Leicester and Tottenham was due to take place on July 4th, but owing to the Leicester team being on tour in Holland, on that date, it was brought forward to Saturday, June 26th.

The result was a resounding victory by Leicester by a 65 to 43 points margin. On a fast track in perfect condition, Tottenham could find no answer to the solid 1 to 8 strength of the home side.

Leicester: Wil Burns 11, Grant Warwick 8, John Knock 10, Harry Glover 8,

Ken Adams 6, Colin Warren 8, Bruce Heath 9, Bruce Ward 5. Tottenham: John Cobbin 12, Len Adams 10, Malc Reading 7, Dave Collins 6, Pete Edwards 3, Pete Hooper 2, Pete Chapman 2, Clive Hill 1.

Leicester now go off on tour with the only question on their minds — will it be Southampton or Oxford in the final and where? Needless to say there is no lack of confidence as to the result when the final test comes.

The Oxford v Southampton tie takes place at Horspath on July 4th.



Tony Hardy, Tom Lawton, Derek Garnett, Vic Hinchcliffe (Offerton)

HOME COUNTIES REVIEW

by **ROGER SEYMOUR**

The first round of the League Knock-out produced some good racing and close results.

Hackney 47, Tolworth 49

Despite a fine 15 points from Vic Haines and 13 from Tony Marsh, Hackney lost to the first division side by two points. At the half-way stage Tolworth led 28-20, Hackney pulled back well but missed heat leader Tony White. Reggie Squires and Roger Kirk were top for Tolworth with 8 each.

East Ham 55, Uxbridge Lions 40

East Ham unearthed a new star in Colin Wheeler, a fine 12 points paved the way to the Stars winning an interesting match 55-40. Keith Jago managed maximum points and Dave Stithman scored 11. Best for the Lions was Roger Seymour with 10 points, Len Waller scored 8, and Ray Clark 7.

Hendon 49, Bucklebury 47

The big shock of the round, Hendon bottom of division 2, clicked at last and beat the Berkshire side in a keenly fought match. Bucklebury made a good start and soon had a six point lead. Hendon pulled back in heat 8 with a Cullinawe/Wallis 5-1 and by heat 10 they were in the lead. Harris and Edwards further increased Hendon's lead with yet another 5-1 in heat 13. They then defended the remaining heats to win. Gerry Wallis 13, and Bonny Edwards 10 were the spearhead, best for the Robins were Basil Hurst 11, Robin Sellwood 10, and the strong pairing of Clark and Pauline scored 9 each.

Estuary 42, Uxbridge Pirates 54

Uxbridge with a rider short slammed home a 5-1, through Grant and Fletcher over Brooks, and this put them on the winning track. Two 5-1's in heats 8 and 9 put the holders twenty points in front. Estuary hit back in ten with Bernie Hill and Val Hockley gaining a 5-1 over King and Norris. King, out again in heat 11, joined Dean for a 5-1, and Uxbridge went on to win by twelve points. Val Hockley was in grand form for Estuary scoring 13 points, John Brooks, with only one win, finished with

9, top for Uxbridge were Dave Dean and Graham Fletcher with 11 each, John Grant and John King scored 8 each.

Bushey 42, Whips Cross 54

Bushey put up a hard fight against the division 1 leaders. Points were level at heat 6, with Bontell and Dunlop putting Bushey ahead in heat 7. The Comets regained the lead in heat 12, and this was further increased in the final heats with two 5-1's to give them a 54-42 win. Pete Saunders was top for the Herts side with 8, Dave Dunlop and Brian Gillett scored 7 each, Mick Curry and Joe Morement were in good form scoring 13 points each and Bill Kemsley chipped in with 10.

LEAGUE RESULTS

Division 1

Whips Cross 61, Estuary 35

Back to league racing, and Whips Cross are back on top of the league with a 61-35 win over a sadly weakened Estuary side, minus Brooks and Thompson. The Comets raced into an early lead and the patched up Eagles were never allowed to settle down, Whips Cross ran out easy winners 61-35. Hemsley with 13 was top for the Comets, he was well supported by Rowlinson and Morement with 10 each and Curry 9. Only Val Hockley 13 and Bernie Hill offered any real challenge to the sound Whips Cross side.

Division 1

Tolworth 56, Rayleigh 39

The "Tudors" opened their new track with an encouraging win over Rayleigh. Heat 1 saw Rides and Gould team up for a 5-1. Rayleigh were slow to settle down and it wasn't until heat 8 that Horreg and Spooner seized a 5-1 over Squires and Page, Nevard and Berrill pulled Rayleigh a little closer with a 5-0 in heat 11, also over Squires and Page. Yolworth recovered to win the match. Pete Rides was on top form scoring 13 and his one defeat was at the hands of Norman Smith in the final heat, Roger Kirk rode well for a 12 point maximum, while for Rayleigh Norman Smith was top with 9, and junior Keith Nevard improved to finish with 7.

Division 1 KO Cup

Wembley 46, Bucklebury 50

Despite a superb 15 point maximum from Chris Hunt, Wembley lost a hard match by four points. Luck is just not with them these days. After trailing for half the match they drew level in heat 9 when Blinman and Hunt slammed home a 5-1. Hunt, out again in heat 11, put Wembley ahead 31-29, only for the "Robins" to hit back with a 5-1 in the next heat. This proved decisive and Bucklebury now visit Uxbridge. Basil Hurst turned in another sound performance scoring 13, Clark and Pauline rode well together scoring 10 and 9 respectively.

Estuary 41, Southampton 55

Estuary fielding a reinforced team, they included new signings John Earrey and Ian Stallard from Ipswich, still went down to the might of the Vikings. Val Hockley rode with a broken bone in his wrist and was down a bit on his points. Southampton led 25-23 at the halfway mark and kept a tight grip throughout the match. Estuary were well led by the two newcomers Earrey 9, and Stallard 8, they look very useful. John Mills enjoyed the banked bends and finished with 12, Dennis and Jennings collected 7 a-piece and Hughes, Burton and Rod Mills scored 7 each, all good steady scoring.

Whips Cross 40, Uxbridge Pirates 55

With the recent league match forgotten, both teams provided good racing. Uxbridge opened well with Fletcher and Seymour scoring a 5-1 over Hemsley and House. Comets hit back in heat 3 when Dean fell. Morement and Kemsley shut out Jarvis to draw level and good team work by Punter and Unsworth earned a 5-1 for Uxbridge in heat 6. This was repeated by King and Fletcher in heat 8 and again by Jones and Dean in heat 10. This was a fine ride by Dean who slipped inside Curry and was joined by Jones for a maximum win. The Comets fell to pieces after this and the holders ran out comfortable winners, Bill Kemsley with 8 led the Comets, Curry and Hemsley scored 7 each. Graham Fletcher was in grand form for

the Pirates scoring a fine 15 point maximum. John King gave sound support being unbeaten by an opponent.

Division 2 KO Cup

Hendon 37, Hackney 59

The visitors showed a great liking for the Hendon Shale and were soon at home. Vic Haines scored his usual maximum (15) and with John Burgess and Tony White scoring 10 each this proved too much for Hendon who were minus Terry Blest. Gerry Wallis rode hard for 11, and only Bonny Edwards 10 gave any support.

Hungerford 63, Raynes Park 33

The league leaders crashed badly at Hungerford and were never able to stop the strong Berks. side from winning, Graham Swan and Robin Morse were in great form scoring 14 each, Dave Scutts had one defeat and scored 11. Best for Raynes Park was Jeff Martin with 9, and Tony Johnson 7.

Uxbridge Lions 58, East Ham 56

This was an evenly contested match with the lead changing throughout. Chamberlain and Harper put the Lions in front with a heat 3 5-1 and East Ham hit back in heat 8, when Wheeler and Langley shut out Hayward and Pearce. Gardner and Grant restored the Lions lead with a well taken 5-1 in heat 10 but Jago and Duffy put East Ham level with a 4-2 in heat 13. The remaining heats were drawn and honours were even. After a short rest the first three heats were re-ridden. Heat 1, Gardner and Grant scored a 4-2 to give Uxbridge a lead. Heat 2 was a 3-3, and with Harper winning heat 3, Uxbridge just won through. Terry Gardner and John Grant were top for the Lions with 13 a-piece, Dave Hayward scored a fine dozen and Bren Harper 8. Outstanding for East Ham were Keith Jago with 18 points, and Colin Wheeler who scored a sound 10.

HOME COUNTIES LEAGUE TABLE

	Division 1									
	P	W	D	L	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Whips Cross ...	6	3	0	0	2	0	1	332	249	12
Southampton ...	6	4	0	0	1	0	1	332	223	11
Uxbridge ...	6	2	0	0	1	2	0	310½	258½	10
Tolworth ...	6	2	0	0	1	1	2	293	275	9
Estuary ...	6	1	1	1	1	0	2	270	303	6
Bucklebury ...	5	1	0	2	1	0	1	195½	262½	5
Rayleigh ...	6	1	0	2	0	0	3	244	238	2
Wembley ...	5	0	0	2	0	0	3	192	282	0

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EDITORIAL by Ross Martakies

Thank-you everyone for helping to make the first issue of Cycle-Speedway Record such a resounding success. In future issues we will try to increase our coverage and already we have been joined by several new correspondents. It is interesting to note that Record was a fast seller at all the Speedway tracks where it was placed on sale. Coventry, West Ham and Newport report first rate distribution figures and we shall increase our advertising and sales promotion in this direction.

The columns of Record are always open to the opinions of anyone interested in Cycle-Speedway Racing. We welcome comment and we will not turn away constructive criticism.

Cycle-Speedway is a clean, active, sport and we shall provide a clean active newspaper to support it.

HOME COUNTIES SEMI-FINAL DRAW

Division 2

Hackney v Uxbridge
Bushey v Hungerford

Division 1

Southampton v Tolworth
Uxbridge v Bucklebury

BITS AND PIECES

John Brooks walked out of the Estuary v Rayleigh match following an exclusion by his own manager. He was rumoured to be joining Hawbush but rode for the Eagles against Southampton. So it appears that he has changed his mind, what with

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ON THE SCENE

with ROSS MARTAKIES
and JOHN WRIGHT

Don't look now but Bournemouth's John White was involved in a spot of bother with the referee at Beckenham recently. Seems that John voiced his opinion of the ref and was overheard by the gentleman concerned. After a pithy lecture, John had his name taken.

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Eastbourne's John Myles rode with his arm in plaster during the British Riders' Championship rounds. Many a man would have taken a seat on the sidelines in the circumstances but not the tough Hellingly heatleader. Heaven knows what it would take to keep John off the track.

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Tops for organisation and presentation—that's Southampton. The club always manages to put on a good show, for both riders and spectators alike, and we must admit that we have never witnessed better organisation at any other Cycle-Speedway centre.

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Recent decisions by N.A.C.S.A. include the imposing of a one pound fine on Barry Shapley, for riding whilst unregistered, and a final ruling on the Brandon v Earlsdon and Longford v Rowley N.T.C. disputes.

Earlsdon and Longford both go on to the next round and they meet Bushey and Longford respectively.

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Swindon Speedway rider, Bob Kilby, once raced Cycle-Speedway himself. Now he contents himself with watching and last year he saw nearly all of Swindon's home C.S. matches. With no Swindon team anymore, Bob has to travel further afield for his Sunday sport.

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Barrie Rose and Mick Greaves, both of Bournemouth, missed the B.R.C. round at Eastbourne because of a car accident en route. Barrie and Mick both reached Eastbourne after the meeting had finished, much begrimed and a little shaken.

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Bristol Manager, Mr. C. R. Bowden, has sent a protest to the British Cycle-Speedway Federation about the non-appearance of the official referee, Mr. D. Warf, for the Bristol round of the British Riders' Championship.

Mr. Bowden held up the meeting until 3.15 and then appointed first team rider, Phil Sposito, to officiate in the absence of any other senior volunteer. Phil made a capable job of handling the meeting but Mr. Bowden still maintains that his appointment should not have been necessary.

In all fairness, when Bournemouth failed to put in an appearance at Birmingham, earlier in the season, they were fined £5. Wonder if the same ruling applies to B.C.S.F. referees.

Talking of Clive Bowden, did you know that he is a former racing car driver. He now makes his living as a Master Locksmith with his own flourishing business in Bristol.

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The Whoberley team which defeated Wembley in the second round of the National Senior Team Championship included only one rider over seventeen years of age. How's that for a fine performance.

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Visitor to Southampton the other week was Southern Counties' Hockey star, Doug Wootton. Doug's father, Les, captained the England Speedway team before the war and Doug himself once rode Cycle-Speedway for Bristol's Whitley Lions.

BRUM SCENE by Harold Smith

Has anyone an old discarded set of cycle speedway breastplates? The design isn't important.

They are wanted by a group of teenage youngsters at Middlesbrough who are trying very hard to organise the sport on Tees-side.

There are no adults with experience of cycle speedway to help them, so it shows their enthusiasm when they arranged among themselves a 180-mile trip to Birmingham to race Kingstanding Monarchs.

John Retires

One week after John Dockerill announced his retirement, the ex-Kingstanding skipper couldn't resist the urge to have a second-half spin...

The following Saturday Monarchs' persuasive team manager, John Ward, had talked him into putting on his jersey, when Robert Bradley, who was delayed travelling to Perry Hall, arrived just in time to ride.

Exactly 21 days after deciding to retire, John Dockerill rode again in a match, but sportingly against Kingstanding for visiting Wolverhampton League team, Wednesfield Dragons, who were a rider short.

With Kingstanding going to be hard hit by holidays when they visit Bournemouth and Southampton on July 10th/11th, it doesn't require any guessing who is likely to fill one of the vacant team places!

Perry Hall will be closed for racing from June 21st to July 17th, while Birmingham

Parks Department carry out modifications to the track.

Programmes

Not a rival yet to the Cycle-Speedway Record, but with an increasing readership, is the free programme service operated by Birmingham club, Kingstanding Monarchs.

After every home meeting, marked copies of their newsy programme are despatched to former riders who have moved from Birmingham but still take an interest in the Monarchs' progress. Present Kingstanding riders who miss matches while away on holiday also find neatly filled-in programmes awaiting their return.

The service is not restricted to Kingstanding riders either. Eric Abbott of Plymouth and Brian Horn at Middlesbrough, at opposite ends of the country, are two names on the mailing list.

Results at Perry Hall:

CHALLENGE MATCHES

Kingstanding (66): P. Blackwell 12, R. Finney 12, I. Walsh 12, L. Broadbent 8, F. Hammond 8, R. Bradley 6, J. Taylor 6, F. Palmer 2, Whoberley (30): P. Moore 7, R. Hardie 6, J. Harrison 5, R. Dennis 4, F. Smith 4, G. Hurley 2, N. Woodbridge 2, E. Allen 0.

Kingstanding (75): P. Allen 12, L. Broadbent 12, F. Palmer 11, R. Bradley 10, R. Caldicott 9, P. Blackwell 8, F. Hammond 7, R. Finney 6, Middlesbrough (21): N. McKewan 5, K. Rose 4, B. Watts 4, B. Horn 2, T. Fairbottom 2, J. Richardson 2, J. Lenihan 1, S. Sadler 1.

Kingstanding (54): I. Walsh 15, P. Blackwell 10, R. Finney 9, F. Hammond 6, L. Broadbent 5, F. Palmer 4, D. Roden 4, R.

Bradley 1, Horspath (41): K. Rowland 12, B. Dawes 7, C. Baldwin 6, D. Morris 6, M. Grant 5, M. Finlay 3, D. Brown 2, G. Fisk 0.

Kingstanding (61): L. Broadbent 12, R. Bradley 11, P. Blackwell 10, F. Palmer 7, J. McGhee 6, P. Allen 5, D. Roden 5, B. Watts 5, Wednesfield (35): D. Parry 12, J. Dockerill 5, M. Morris 5, J. Beech 4, J. Flavell 4, P. Rock 3, R. Caldicott 2, P. Millward 0.

KINGSTANDING & DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIP

I. Walsh 15, P. Blackwell 14, L. Broadbent 13, F. Hammond 11, R. Finney 10, D. Parry 9, P. Allen 8, D. Roden 8, B. Watts 8, R. Bradley 6, R. Caldicott 6.

BIRMINGHAM & DISTRICT LEAGUE RESULTS

Wolverhampton (70): A. Price 12, B. Ellis 11, P. Rhodes 10, T. Shaw 9, M. Price 8, P. Gilchrist 7, C. Adams 7, A. Burton 6, Birmingham L (26): B. Buck 7, K. Nock 5, P. Gould 4, T. Bastable 3, C. Austin 2, R. Faith 2, D. Barnes 2, D. Bird 1.

Cradley Heath (58): D. Underhill 12, B. Thompson 11, J. Clarke 8, S. Mason 8, G. Jones 7, G. Reeve 6, D. Hackett 5, J. Humphries 4, Tipton (37): T. Taylor 8, K. Robinson 8, C. Jukes 7, R. Teasdale 5, K. Teasdale 4, D. Dale 4, M. Roberts 1, G. Bradley 0.

Wolverhampton (55): A. Price 9, B. Ellis 8, R. Ellis 8, P. Gilchrist 7, T. Shaw 7, M. Price 7, C. Adams 6, P. Rhodes 3, Tipton (40): D. Dale 10, C. Jukes 9, K. Teasdale 9, T. Taylor 8, M. Roberts 2, G. Bradley 1, R. Teasdale 1, K. Robinson 0.

Tipton (68): K. Robinson 14, C. Jukes 13, T. Taylor 12, K. Teasdale 10, D. Dale 7, G. Bradley 5, R. Teasdale 4, M. Roberts 3, Rowley (28): J. Andrews 8, R. Moore 8, P. Worwood 6, R. Newell 2, J. Round 2, J. Lown 2, N. Bedford 0, T. Short 0.

Aldridge (52): B. Hardie 12, J. Heaton 12, C. Nye 9, T. Wall 7, F. Smith 5, T. Bowles 3, G. Heaton 2, R. Dennis 2, Rowley (44): J. Andrews 12, R. Moore 12, P. Worwood 6, R. Newell 3, J. Harrison 3, C. Hawkins 3, J. Round 3, P. Whitehouse 2.

Rowley (39): J. Andrews 10, R. Moore 9, R. Woodall 9, P. Worwood 5, J. Lown 4, M. Bedford 2, R. Newell 2, J. Round 2, Cradley Heath (56): J. Clarke 9, D. Underhill 9, B. Thompson 8, M. Wheeler 7, J. Humphries 7, S. Mason 7, G. Jones 6, G. Reeve 3.

Brierley Hill (48): H. Owen 14, R. Jenkins 10, D. J. Underhill 10, A. Wood 5, R. Baynham 5, B. Fovell 2, M. Baynham 2, M. Castree 0, Birmingham L (48): K. Nock 15, A. Bastable 8, D. Barnes 8, B. Buck 6, G. Brimmell 5, D. Bird 4, P. Gould 1, C. Austin 0.

Cradley Heath (64): D. Underhill 13, J. Clarke 9, G. Jones 9, B. Thompson 9, M. Wheeler 8, J. Humphries 6, S. Mason 5, G. Reeve 4, Aldridge (31): J. Heaton 9, B. Hardie 8, T. Bowles 5, C. Nye 3, G. Heaton 2, F. Smith 2, R. Dennis 1, T. Wall 1.

Brr !! Noted leaving Swindon Speedway the other night: Two chappies in a green Morris 1100 car PLUS one pair of feet sticking out of the left hand rear window. Seems that the rear seat owner was having a kip, much to the annoyance of several passers-by who were giving the feet an extremely wide berth.

Why should this interest us? 'Cus the car had a B.C.S.F. badge. May the guilty ones hang their heads in shame.

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A pal of B.C.S.F. Press Officer, Alan Harvey, is Wolverhampton Speedway rider, Pete Jarman. Pete still shows great interest in the cycle-sport.

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John Smith of Brandon has missed his chance of winning the Bob Fletcher Trophy for the third year running. John was given fourteen days suspension for incidents arising in the Suffolk v Coventry test match and his suspension only finished on Monday.

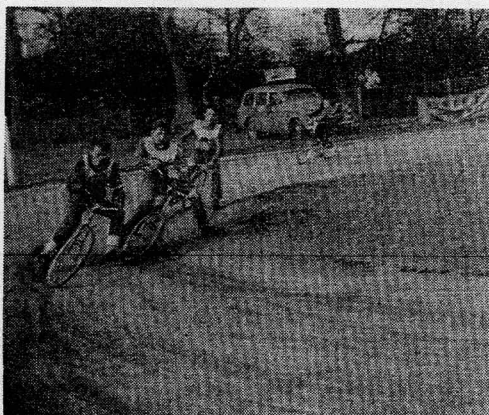
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The Coventry contingent which went to Plymouth for the Devon Knowle trophy, arrived home at 5 a.m. in the morning. Nevertheless, three of them rode in the Brandon v Earlsdon match in the afternoon.

THE BARRY SHAPLEY STORY : : West Midland Column

by ROSS MARTAKIES

Birmingham born Barry Shapley first heard about Cycle Speedway racing in 1947. He noticed the "Skip-pers" weekly C/S column in the Speedway Gazette and wrote to the paper asking for information about teams in Glasgow. A member of the Craigton Eagles saw his letter and Barry was soon making regular trips to the Glasgow track. The young Glaswegian was signed on after a trial in mid-season and became a regular member of the team which won the Glasgow League Championship under the captaincy of Scottish National Champion Pete Bell.



Barry Shapley (Brandon) leads Graham Swan (Hungerford) Brandon.

Barry stayed on with the Eagles in 1948 but in 1949 he moved to the home of the Lossmyloof Giants as captain. True to form the Giants won the Glasgow League Championship—after a great end of season fight with Shapleys former team, Craigton. In the same season Shapley made his debut as captain of the Glasgow test-team. He rode in all five matches against Edinburgh.

Maximum at Stratford

It was also in 1949 that Barry got his first impressions of Cycle Speedway in the South. While on holiday in London he turned out for Stratford Hammers B against Stratford Hammers A and

scored a maximum. 1950 saw him back on top form in his native Scotland and he rode again for the Glasgow test team, against Edinburgh and Sussex.

1951 was an eventful year for the young Scottish star. He rode several early season matches for Glasgow including a test against Lanark and then travelled South to join the Forces. The first thing that Barry did when he settled down in camp was to look around for a new Cycle Speedway track. He found one at once and signed on for Fishergate Flyers of Brighton. But R.A.F. work prevented him from settling down to regular Cycle Speed-

Barry moved yet again. This time he went to Felixstowe and he rode for the Flyers for the remainder of the season. This was one of his most successful years and when the cold weather finally finished Cycle Speedway for the winter, he emerged as the teams second highest scorer.

Wanderer

By now Barry was a junior NCO in the RAF. He signed for the Flyers again in 1954 and had another successful year. But he had progressed to the top of the Cycle Speedway tree. In the seasons which followed, he drifted on from team to team. He had outings in top class competitions and represented Scotland in test matches against England and Wales. The middle fifties period—so well known by Shapley fans—was really stage two in his career.

In fact, stage three did not begin until the early 60's. 1962 was his best year ever. He rode for Littlemore and Hungerford and achieved the following distinctions: 4th in the Southern Championships Final; 5th in the Manchester Grand Prix; represented the Rest of England against the British League and was placed in the Champion of Champions event at Garratt Park.

Barry's reputation as a wanderer held good in 1963 when he decided to sign for Drayton St. Leonard in the British League. He was one of the clubs most successful performers and a great favourite with the crowd.

When Drayton disbanded in 1964, Barry headed back to the Midlands where he now rides in the Coventry League. Currently League Secretary, Barry is happily engaged in fulfilling his nineteenth season of British Cycle-Speedway Racing.

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by FRANK HAMMOND

The battle for the Wolverhampton League title is really hotting up. Last team to lose the distinction of an unbeaten tag were Monmore Demons who were beaten at home by Moxley Monarchs, thanks largely to the consistent riding of Roger Ellis and Mick Price. No-one, however, can take the Silver Sash match race championship from Monmore's Arthur Price who has held it since defeating Len Broadbent (Moreton) early in the season.

League champions, Moreton Monarchs, reached the semi-final of the "Wolverhampton Chronicle" KO Cup, by defeating Moxley at home by 49 points to 35.

Moreton: I. Walsh 11, F. Hammond 9, L. Broadbent 8, R. Finney 7, A. Arrow-smith 7, B. Watts 5, P. Reynolds 2.

Moxley: M. Price 12, R. Ellis 11, K. Allen 4, M. Fresson 3, R. Haywood 2, R. Davies 2, R. Smith 1.

The draw for the semi-finals was made at the Control Board meeting on June 15th and it was decided to base results on an aggregate score, home and away. The draw reads:

Moreton v Monmore
Talismen or Sedgeley
v
Tipton or Wednesfield

Wolverhampton riders, Ivor Walsh, Ron Finney, Len Broadbent and Frank Hammond, represented King-standing Monarchs in their match with British League outfit Horspath Hammers of Oxford. Monarchs ran out

54-41 winners, thanks largely to a fifteen points maximum from Ivor Walsh. The same rider repeated the dose in the first round of the British riders championship the next day. This was Walsh's seventh maximum of the season and accentuated his liking for the tricky Perry Hall circuit. In the second round, at Leicester, on June 20th, Walsh rode superbly to make almost certain of a BRC final place by scoring fourteen points. He was beaten only by fast gating Mike Parkins, who also tallied fourteen, being beaten by home rider, Ken Adams. Ken and Willy Burns got thirteen points each.

In the Birmingham League Wolverhampton Wolves look like retaining the title they won last year. Recently they defeated Tipton by 55 points to 40 points although Tiptons Mick Taylor retained the Birmingham Match Race Championship by beating Arthur Price 2-1.

Wolverhampton: A. Price 9, R. Ellis 8, M. Price 8, P. Gilchrist 7, B. Ellis 7, T. Shaw 7, G. Adams 6, P. Rhodes 3.

Tipton: D. Dale 10, K. Teasdale 9, C. Jukes 9, M. Taylor 8, M. Roberts 2, G. Bradley 1, R. Teasdale 1, K. Robinson 0.

In the N.A.C.S.A. team championship trophy, Wolves have reached the third round. In the equivalent round of the Individual Championship, most of their riders were at Hyde (Manchester) although the luck of the draw again favoured Roger Ellis who rode at Wolverhampton.

Coventry Senior Championship

ROUND ONE

Whitley: J. Sanderson 13, B. Shapley 12, J. Horsley, B. Savage, R. Hardie, R. Dennis 11.

Earlsdon: M. Harban 15, R. Adams 14, D. Henry 12.

Hearsall: W. Truslove 13, R. Pickard 12, G. Ryan 11.

N.I.C.

Uxbridge: C. Hurrell 14, D. Henry 12, A. Horrex 11, J. Unsworth 10.

Southampton: G. Swan 13, J. Mills 12, J. Smith 11, C. Hunt 11.

RESULTS

Coventry 52, Suffolk 44.
Longford 55, Plymouth 40.
Longford/Whitley 60,
Plymouth 36.

National Junior Team Championship 2nd Round

Warwick 20, Whoberley 57.

British Riders Championship

ROUND THREE

Eastbourne (Broad Oak)
A. Ellis 13, T. Kilick 11, K. Dare 11, J. Myles 11, G. Smith 11.

Iford
R. Baker 14, R. Chivers 14, J. Cobbin 13.

Tottenham
L. Adams 15, R. Foy 13, M. Parkins 13, M. Reading 13.

Oxford
J. Knock 14, E. Butler 13, J. White 11, G. Warwick 11.

Cycle-Speedway Racing in Plymouth

ERIC ABBOTT continues his series of features on Plymouth racing.

PART TWO 1951

During the winter months of 1950/51 six new teams joined the Plymouth Cycle-Speedway League, but this was off-set by three teams dropping out. The State Devils' track had a cinema built on it, the Camels Head Mercuries track made way for a reservoir and lastly, the B.B. Falcons were disbanded after causing a lot of discontent among other teams, through using the Eagles' track, clubhouse and machines. They were also financed by the Eagles although they denied everything. Everyone knew that the Falcons were a reserve team for Fulston.

The six new teams coming into the league were Ernissette Boars, Kingsbridge Hammers, Plympton Monarchs, Yelmpont Badgers, Torpoint Flyers and Colebrook Tigers.

Of these new teams, the Monarchs were going to make a mark for themselves the following season. For the first time Cornwall produced a Cycle-Speedway team, the Torpoint Flyers. They had a beautiful track, flat as a billiard table, it was very wide with a red shale surface. The crowds they attracted in their first season were beyond belief and they became one of the most financially stable teams during their three year existence in the Plymouth League. Every club rider was given a Phillips Speedtrack to start them off on the right lines but with a good track, club and machines, they just couldn't settle down to league racing and ended up second from the bottom. This was the turning point for me as I lived in Torpoint and after having got the local lads interested and got the Torpoint Youth Club and businessmen to work in forming a Cycle-Speedway track, they elected me captain because of my experience and my knowledge of Cycle-Speedway.

Twenty-two Riders

We had twenty-two riders on our books come the end of the season which was—looking back—a lot of riders. Naturally, I was thrilled at having my own team and its just a pity that we never clicked.

We had two interesting

visitors from the local Naval Training School HMS Raleigh in the form of Johnnie Layman (Birmingham) and Ken Cooper (Bristol). British star rider, Ken, rode two matches for Torpoint, four points in one and a maximum in the other.

As for the league competition—it was a close fought affair with the Wasps, Lions and Eagles going tooth and nail. At the end of the season it was between the Eagles v Wasps with the Eagles favourites. Everything depended on the Flyers final match with the Eagles of course. The Flyers chances rated Nil, Eagles 100 per cent. They had already told everyone that they had won the league before the match with us. As often in C.S., the unexpected happened and we held the Eagles all the way through the match. In the final heat, yours truly and King lined up against two of the Eagles most experienced riders and somehow King made the gate with me second. Somehow I managed to keep those two Eagles at bay and this gave us both points. The Eagles took the result very badly because they never even thought about losing, being so powerful themselves.

The Battle of Britain Cup went to the Millers, with newcomers, Plympton Monarchs runners up. In the best pairs championship, Dabinette and Friend (Eagles) won from Pooley and Jones (Tigers) with Eddy and Elliot (Monarchs) third. To rub salt into open wounds as it were, Chapman (Wasps), 14 points, beat Dabinette, and Gerry Marshall, in the Plympton Championship.

In 1951 I represented Cornwall at Haves in the N.A.C.S.A. Individual Trophy. But, unfortunately, I missed the final by one point. I had to watch the proper final with another youngster, now a top class Speedway rider, Jim Tebbby, who also failed to qualify. We struck up a friendship whilst in London and he told me then that he wanted to become a proper Speedway rider. We saw Lew Green take the Golden Helmet with an immaculate maximum and the Stratford Hammers hammer the Chorlton Aces 56-38 in the N.A.C.S.A. Team Trophy Final.

PETE BARNES SHOWS UP WELL IN BRISTOL PRACTICE

writes

ROSS MARTAKIES

Recent visitors to the Bristol track were half a dozen Newport Cycle-Speedway riders. The Welsh chappies made the trip by train and were very impressed with what they saw. Seems that some of the Bristol riders are going to receive invitations to compete in the Welsh Open Championship, which will be held at Newport later in the season.

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Bournemouth's Pete Barnes called in at Bristol's regular Wednesday night practice session a week or so back. Pete was in Bristol on business but he brought his bike along just the same. Sorry to say that he showed all the Lions the quickest way home, though.

Cycle-Speedway interest in Bristol is increasing just lately. One or two junior teams have appeared in the city and some of the youngsters have turned up at Lions practice sessions for advice.

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The Lions stage a double header on July 4th when they entertain Tottenham and the Exeter League representative side. If the weather is good they should attract a good crowd.

Pete Hobbs was the first to congratulate manager, Clive Bowden, on the state of the Bristol track after the British Riders Championship Round there. 'Twas superb and all the riders said so too.

NEWCASTLE

Cycle-Speedway racing in Newcastle has been revived on a junior level writes Tony Shelley. There is no league but the city boasts several teams, all of which race against one another regularly.

Most of the riders are in the fourteen to sixteen years age group and the only thing needed to promote the sport in this area is adequate adult supervision and a little backing from the authorities.

With the Newcastle Speedway team drawing large rates every week, Cycle-Speedway racing should have little difficulty in establishing itself and plenty of riders should be forthcoming.

Plymouth Roundup

by BUD ABBOTT

After the Devon Trophy at Plymouth, Pete Neale told Vic Foster that his machine seemed awkward to ride. "It seems to sway" said he. On closer examination of Vic's bike—Pete had borrowed it after his own was damaged—they discovered that the frame was broken at the stem. Pete nearly fainted, muttering "And I rode that, no wonder I fell off".

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Saw Pete Cooke on Sunday and he now has only one week before the plaster comes off his broken leg. I mentioned the coach trip to Longford for last weeks match at Coventry. After a minutes thought, Cooky fished out a couple of quid and told me to book him a seat. "Plaster or no plaster, I'm coming".

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Wrote a letter to Pete Tombs, the other injured Pete, and he hopes to ride in a month or so. He's still nursing a broken arm which he sustained in a fall during the Devon Grand Prix at Easter.

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Kingstanding visit Devon later this year and will ride against Dawlish, instead of Shaldon. When Kingstanding come to Plymouth, we should have our full team riding and after our thrashing in Brum, the boys will be all out for revenge.

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Pete Claussen, the Hornets dry comedian came up to the start of one race at Plymouth with straw hat and

dark glasses. Quipped Pete, "The oppositions so poor in this race I thought I'd do a little sunbathing." Just for the record, he fell off.

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A Devon rider has been invited to Tottenham's August 7th London Youth Championship and who will go out of Pete Neale and Keith Lyons has not yet been decided. But it will be a great experience for one of them.

B.R.C. SECOND ROUND RESULTS

Beckenham: D. Chivers (South London) 13, D. Tarr (Bournemouth) 10, J. White (Bournemouth) 10.

Bournemouth: C. Wheeler (Southampton) 14, R. Baker (South London) 13, D. Butcher (Southampton) 13, D. Massey (Bristol) 9, D. Lilley (Bournemouth) 9.

Eastbourne: B. Cable (Beckenham) 13, R. Foy (South London) 13, R. Chivers (South London) 12, T. Killick (Eastbourne) 12.

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Val Hockley nursing a damaged head, Den Winch the Estuary manager was a worried man. But Den turned up trumps by signing the Ipswich pair John Earrey and Ian Stallard.

If only Wembley manager Ken Harris could do the same. He has had a rider shortage and is only just pulling through. Over at Uxbridge they now have more than enough to stock both teams.

The Raynes Park management wish it to be known that they have not placed a ban on any BCSF rider and have no intention of doing so.

MANCHESTER, STOCKPORT & DISTRICT LEAGUE TABLES

	Division 2							
	P	W	D	L	W	D	L	Pts.
Belle Vue Gladiators	10	4	0	1	5	0	0	18
Offerton Devils	10	4	0	0	5	0	1	18
Wilmslow Hammers	11	3	0	1	6	0	1	18
Gorton Pirates	12	5	0	2	4	0	3	18
Ashton Aces	11	6	0	1	1	0	3	14
Blackley Flyers	11	5	0	2	2	0	2	14
Levenshulme	13	3	0	3	2	0	5	10
Carrs Wood Hunters	9	2	0	2	0	1	4	5
Openshaw Monarchs	10	1	1	3	1	0	4	5
High Bank Tigers	11	1	0	3	0	1	6	3
Adswood Aces	8	1	1	2	0	0	4	3
Bredbury Bees	12	0	0	7	0	0	5	0

	Junior League							
	P	W	D	L	W	D	L	Pts.
Belle Vue Gladiators	8	4	0	0	4	0	0	16
Wilmslow Hammers	9	3	0	0	5	0	1	16
Blackley Flyers	8	3	0	1	3	0	1	12
Ashton Aces	8	5	0	2	0	1	0	10
Openshaw Monarchs	11	3	0	4	1	0	3	8
High Bank Tigers	7	2	1	0	2	0	5	6
Carrs Wood Hunters	9	2	0	3	0	0	4	4
Salford	5	1	0	2	0	0	2	2
Adswood	2	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
Denton	2	0	0	1	0	0	1	0

Plymouth Gain First League Points

Writes BUD ABBOTT

DEVON COUNTY LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Dawlish	4	3	0	1	182½	128½	6
Exeter T.	4	3	0	1	168½	142½	6
Shaldon	4	2	0	2	165	146	4
Whipton	4	2	0	2	165	146	4
Plymouth	2	1	0	1	77	79	2
Exeter E	4	0	0	4	98	214	0

Whipton (Exeter) arrived at Plymouth confident of two more Devon County League points from this dust-up. Plymouth's first league encounter for nearly two years. Before the meeting the Hornets didn't even have a full team but a quick whip-round pulled them back to full strength and Whipton were given a nasty shock. With only three experienced riders in the team, the Hornets out-gated and outrode the Exeter side with everyone pulling their own weight.

Vic Foster and Pete Neale rode brilliantly and ably backed by the rest of the boys, Neale celebrated his eighteenth birthday with a twelve point maximum, beating Keith Lyons in the Red Sash Match Race and finally setting up a new track record of 42 seconds. Well done Pete. Lyons had an off day as did the Aces and they were as subdued as the weather.

In the Match race, Neale sat on Lyons back wheel, faltered and then went through. Once Plymouth settle down with a steady constant side, few teams will beat them.

Plymouth (45): V. Foster 12, P. Neale 12, D. Tout 10, S. Daniels 5, P. Clausen 3, P. Moulder 3, B. Bowden 0.

Whipton (33): Sprysphere 8, York 6, Phillips 5, Lyons 5, Weller 4, Roper 3, B. Drake 2.

machine, Plymouth were left with only four bikes between seven riders. The Hornets pressed on as best they could but had to admit defeat in the end. One consolation—Pete Neale defended his newly-won Red Sash and successfully defeated R. York to retain it. This league match was originally against Exeter Eagles but apparently this club has just about disbanded, due to rider trouble. If they do it will be the second Exeter club to pack up in the last month.

New Names

An item of good news, however, is that a team is being formed at Exmouth and may replace the Eagles in the Devon County League. Also, Yeoford appear to have a team but not up to Devon League standards.

Whipton (46): York 9, Phillips 9, Lyons 7, Webber 7, Sprysphere 7, Roper 6, Drake 1.

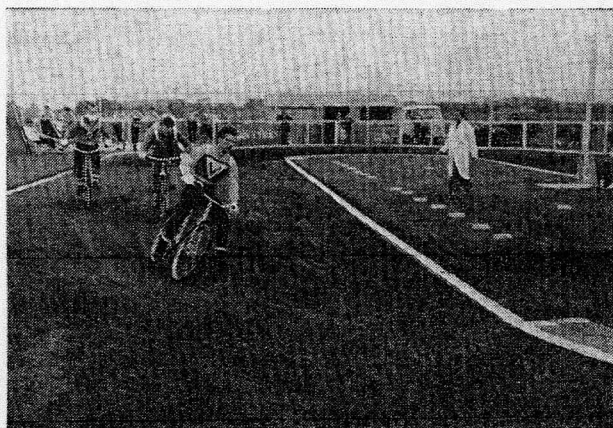
Plymouth (32): Neale 11, Tout 7, Foster 5, Daniels 5, Watson 2, Clausen 1, Abbott 1.

Plymouth should have a forceful team at the end of July when star rider, Pete Cooke, comes off the injured list. The boys are settling down well and with a full season ahead of them, they should prove a team to be reckoned with.

Return

Plymouth tried hard in the return match the next day but with two riders unable to travel, the secretary and track-manager were roped in to ride. Due to our fourteen-stone secretary first shearing off a pedal on one bike and then wrenching the handlebars off Pete Clausens

Thurrock Cycle-Speedway, Essex



SMITH WINS DEVON KNOWLE TROPHY

Big John Smith of Coventry, the lad who's been suspended from local racing until June 30th for incidents in the Suffolk v Coventry test match in May, likes the big open spaces of the Plymouth track. He was beaten only twice when he won the Devon Knowle Trophy on June 19th.

John wasn't the only one to like the circuit. Team-mate, John Harrihy, the winner of the Cleverton Easter Trophy in April, was also scoring well, so much so that he equalled Smith's total. In the resultant run-off, he drew the outside berth and couldn't catch his rival who gated well.

Top Scorers: John Smith (Coventry) 13, John Harrihy (Coventry) 13, Keith Lyon (Plymouth) 12, Rob Lane (Coventry) 11, Dave Henry (Coventry) 9.

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NEWPORT TO RIDE CARDIFF IN TEST MATCH

writes Gareth Rogers

A group of Barry Cycle-Speedway supporters have approached a Newport Control Board official with the news that the Newport revival has spurred them into reinaugurating Cycle-Speedway racing at Barry. They have challenged Newport to a test match at the St. Julians Recreation Ground and the Newport officials are considering the matter.

A reliable source informs me that four years back, a group of Barry Cycle-Speedway enthusiasts had trouble in getting a track going—although a successful team was available—because of neighbours complaints about noise. As a result, they packed it in and rumour has it that they moved on to Cadoxton, Glamorgan.

SOUTH WESTERN LEAGUE

There is a plan afoot in Newport for a young manager in Ringland to take the best riders from the two teams in the area and to sign Rec Rockets, Kingsley Maddon and Stephen Smith, on loan, and to enter a Newport side in the South Western League planned by Cleverton for next season.

I hear that following the first edition of Record, a Cardiff Cycle-Speedway enthusiast drove over one Saturday morning to look things over at the Glebelands track. As a result, Newport will face Cardiff in a test match next week. The Cardiff team is believed to be of a superior age, but on their own ground, Newport will give them a hard fight. The result could go either way.

There are claims from the Ringwood area that they were running Cycle-Speedway last year. This may be so but in my previous article I referred only to major Cycle-Speedway throughout the area. Organised racing in other words.

JUNIORS

A junior team, the Shaftesbury Park Robins, hope to meet some of the major teams this summer. Also causing a lot of interest is a new team, the Bar-rack Hill Barons.

Latest news from the area is that Gerry Escott of Cardiff has signed for the Rec Rockets as a replacement for Kenneth Pike who will shortly be entering hospital.

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COVENTRY CHAT from BARRY SHAPLEY

First to buy one was Leicester's Harry Glover, the reigning British Riders' Champion, then they all saw it. Within minutes the Speedway match between Coventry and Swindon was forgotten. What was it that Harry had? Why, the Cycle-Speedway Record of course.

Maybe a slight exaggeration, but only slight I can assure you. The Record's a winner in this part of the Globe and there's not one of us who would like to see it ever leave the Cycle-Speedway scene.

Jackson Next Challenger?

The Coventry match race championship has been held since 1960 by Earlsdon's top star, Ray Lewis. In the past seasons the title has been decided on a best of three, once a month, race at Spencer Park, Lewis's home track, which until this year was the best Coventry and District circuit.

This year the authorities changed it all. The title challenger is the top rider in the previous months senior league averages and the challenge takes place on a once home, once away basis. Top of the May averages was seventeen-year-old Mart Harban, of Henley Hunters and Mart and Ray are half-way through the challenge. At Henley, the score was one all when torrential rain caused the steward to call off the racing. At Spencer Park, young Mart won by two races to one. The run off of the third Henley Heat was on Tuesday, 29th June, before the Henley v Whoberley league encounter.

Topping the June averages is another of the new stars of 1965, fifteen-year-old Glen Jenkinson of Warwick. In two matches he has yet to meet defeat but this may be changed when Warwick visit Brandon, as the Bees are a powerful combine and in their line-up is Coventry test captain, John Harry, who is at the moment on the 2.6 mark.

Shock For Earlsdon

Fast appearing to have found the form that everyone knew they were capable of, Earlsdon were pretty confident of lowering the colours of Whoberley, at the tight, loose surfaced Hearsall Common bowl, especially as former top scorer, Tony Savery,

made a dramatic "I want a transfer" bid the week before and left the home team with only one senior rider, John Heaton of Birmingham.

Well, that's how it appeared to everyone apart from the Whoberley juniors. Without any fuss, they upset the slow riding visitors and won by twelve points. The loose track certainly contributed to their win, Earlsdon just couldn't master it, but Earlsdon didn't seem to have much fight in them—and that's what all juniors always have.

Whoberley (54): Rob Hardie 11, John Heaton 9, Ray Dennis 7.

Earlsdon (42): Will Truslove 10, Ray Lewis 10, Malcolm Tolan 7.

Co-op Cup

The favourites for this event nearly all did badly in their first rides. Brian Munns took a third placing, Keith Smith likewise, Barry Shapley fell and Bob Colley was last. That is, all of them except Coventry star of the moment, Mart Harban of Henley.

Off gate four in his first outing, on a circuit which the experts said was too loose and dry for overtaking, Mart did just that, beating Tony O'Donnell on the last lap. When he won his next two races in like manner and with the rest dropping points all over the place, the crowd and the riders knew that barring accidents, the Cup was Harban's.

Chris Jones and Graham Doubleday rode very well and consistently for the minor places, whilst not much can be written in defence of the others.

Scores: Mart Harban (Henley) 13, Chris Jones (Earlsdon) 12, Graham Doubleday (Whoberley) 11, Ray Dennis (Whoberley) 9, Brian Wilkins (Longford) 9, Keith Smith (Brandon) 9, Barry Shapley (Brandon) 9.

Brian Munns (Earlsdon) 7, John Harrison (Whoberley) 7, Tony Savery (Whoberley) 7, Tony O'Donnell (Longford) 6, Rich Pickard (Henley) 6, Bob Colley (Brandon) 5, Roy Carter (Longford) 5, Harold Wright (Henley) 4, Shaun Flanagan (Whitley) 1.

COVENTRY RESULTS NATIONAL SENIOR TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP, ROUND TWO

Whoberley (51): Frank Smith 12, Rob Hardie 10, Ray Dennis 7, Paul Moore 7, John Harrison 6, Gary Doubleday 6, Norman Woodridge 2, Loz Hurley 0.

Wembley (45): Chris Hunt 12, Ken Harris 13, Gerry Wallace 6, Terry Blest 6, Sid Russell 4, Roy Tuthill 3, R. Morse 1, Bonnie Edwards 0.

CHALLENGE

Whitley (48): D. Faulkner 9, N. Underwood 9, A. Liddford 9, M. Oakes 7, S. Flanagan 5, M. Jones 5, C. Slater 3, D. Williams 1.

Barras (48): R. Francis 14, W. Fisher 13, H. Wright 11, W. Wright 11, A. Cartwright 7, J. Davies 1, C. Reynolds 1, P. Hollins 1.

A. D. ELLIS CUP SEMI-FINALS

Brandon (74): J. O'Leary 14, J. Sanderson 14, J. Smith 11, D. Henry 10.

Warwick (22): B. Savage 5, C. Daly 4, R. Tilley 4.

Earlsdon (58): P. Lisseman 8, C. Jones 8, B. Munns 8, R. Lewis 8.

Blackhorse (38): N. Harland 14, T. Cater 11, P. Deeming 6.

FINAL

Earlsdon (43): R. Lewis 12, Ray Lewis 8, N. Tolan 7, B. Munns 7.

Brandon (52): J. Harry 14, J. O'Leary 10, B. Colley 8, D. Henry 6.

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Warwick (49): G. Jenkinson 12, B. Savage 11, J. Horsley 6, M. Molony 6.

Blackhorse (47): B. Lewis 7, N. Harland 7, R. Whittem 8, T. Cater 7.

Earlsdon (56): R. Adams 12, D. Lewis 8, W. Truslove 8, R. Lewis 8, G. Colledge 8.

Warwick (40): G. Jenkinson 15, J. Watts 8, C. Dee 4, B. Tilley 4.

Blackhorse (35): T. Cater 12, R. Whittem 7, N. Harland 7.

Brandon (61): B. Shapley 14, J. Harry 9, L. McIlwaine 9, D. Henry 7.

THE POTTERIES

McCUE SHINES BUT STOKE LOSE AGAIN PETER RUSHTON REPORTS

In this second test at Shelton the Stoke team again failed to hold the all experienced "Brummies". With home riders, Rex Leverett, Mick Wheat and Doug Davies unable to ride, Stoke's chances were reduced from the start. It was left to star man Dave McCue to do a lone battle against Birmingham. Dave gained two wins en-route to his 10 points. We in Stoke have learned a lot from the two tests. The riders have all gained experience from them and are in favour of more.

INTER-CITY TEST MATCH

(Senior)

Stoke-on-Trent 27: McCue 10, Colclough 5, Smith 3, Shaw 3.
Birmingham 68: Underhill 12, Gilchrist 10, Price 10, Clarke 10.

JUNIORS IMPRESS

Again, as in the senior match, the class of the Birmingham riders was high. The home team appeared to lack strength in the reserve positions, but the racing itself was interesting, and surprisingly better than that of the seniors.

The final result could have gone either way, until heats 13 and 14 when the Birmingham Juniors got two 5-1's on the trot. Humphries and Worwood were the stars for the visitors. Stoke's best performances came

from Jones, Hacker and Mountford.

INTER-CITY JUNIOR MATCH

Stoke-on-Trent 40: Jones 10, Hacker 6, Mountford 6, Harper 5.

Birmingham 55: Humphries 11, Worwood 10, Heaton 10, Jenkins 9.
STOKE-ON-TRENT & DISTRICT C.S.L.

At the end of the first session of matches in the City League, Whitecock Eagles are on top, being undefeated with 15 points. Second are Shelton Stars, third Bucknall Saints, and fourth Shelton Tigers.

RESULTS

Whitecock Eagles 53: McCue 12, Wheat 12, Leverett 10, Bates 7, Shelton Stars 43: Hacker 11, Jones 10, Waskiel 6, Hughes 6.

Shelton Tigers 39: Colclough 15, Stoddart 7, McGarrigle 6, Morris 5; **Bucknall Saints 52:** Pennington 10, Harper 9, Simmonds 9, Drummond 8.

Shelton Stars 36: Jones 8, Hacker 7, Davis 5, Armstrong 5. **Whitecock Eagles 58:** Leverett 13, McCue 12, Wheat 12, Mountford 10.

Bucknall Saints 37: Pennington 10, Drummond 10, Parkes 4, Yates 4. **Shelton Tigers 56:** Shaw 15, Colclough 14, Shone 8, Elsy 8.

FIXTURE CARD

JULY 10th

British League:

Eastbourne v Beckenham (7)
Bournemouth v Birmingham (C)

(7)

JULY 11th

British League:

Ilford v Tilbury (3)
Oxford v Eastbourne (3)
South London v Beckenham (3)
Tottenham v Eastbourne (B) (3)
Southampton v Birmingham (C)

(3)

Bristol v Bournemouth (C) (3)

Manchester Grand Prix (3)

Home Counties League Div. 1

Estuary v Southampton V (3)

Rayleigh v Reading (3)

Tolworth v Uxbridge (3)

Wembley v Whips Cross (3)

Home Counties League Div. 2

Hendon v Hackney (3)

Hungerford v East Ham (3)

Raynes Park v Uxbridge L (3)

Norwich v Coventry (2.30)

JULY 17th

British League:

Eastbourne v Bournemouth (7)

Southern Championship at Gar-

ratt Park, South London (7)

JULY 18th

British League:

Eastbourne B-O v Bournemouth

(3)

Leicester v South London (3)

Tilbury v Southampton (3)

Bristol v Ilford (C) (3)

Birmingham v Beckenham (C)

(3)

National Individual Champion-

ship Rounds

JULY 24th

British League:

Eastbourne v Bristol (C) (7)

Midland Grand Prix at Leicester

(7)

JULY 25th

British League:

Beckenham v Southampton (3)

Bournemouth v Tottenham (3)

Ilford v Leicester (3)

Oxford v Tilbury (3)

Eastbourne B-O v Bristol (C)

(3)

Birmingham v South London

(C) (3)

National Junior Team Cham-

ionship

Home Counties League Div. 1:

Estuary v Wembley (3)

Tolworth v Rayleigh (3)

Southampton V v Whips Cross

(3)

Uxbridge P v Reading (3)

Home Counties League Div. 2:

Bushey v Hendon (3)

Raynes Park v East Ham (3)

Uxbridge L v Hungerford (4)

COVENTRY AND DISTRICT LEAGUE

SENIOR

at 18th June, 1965

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts.
Brandon Bees	7	7	0	413	249	14
Whoberley Witches	8	6	2	428	338	12
Warwick Blue Diamonds	6	5	3	401	366	10
Earlsdon C.S.C.	6	3	3	301	275	6
Longford Lions	6	2	4	245	320	4
Blackhorse Champs	7	2	5	300	370	4
Henley Hunters	4	1	3	200	181	2
Whitley Rangers	6	0	6	192	382	0

JUNIOR

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts.
Whoberley Witches	8	8	0	0	213	74	16
Warw'k Blue Dmnds	6	6	2	0	152	128	12
Brandon Bees	7	4	3	0	147	104	9
Blackhorse Champs	7	4	3	0	128	123	8
Henley Hunters	4	2	1	1	81	50	5
Whitley Rangers	4	2	1	1	95	121	3
Earlsdon C.S.C.	6	0	6	0	62	153	0
Longford Lion Cubs	6	0	6	0	43	167	0

SCOTTISH NEWS

by Jack Pinkerton

In the Edinburgh League, Sighthill Hammers are still the unbeaten leaders, thanks to their wins over closest rivals, Granton Griffins and Scottish Rangers.

Griffins gave the Hammers a real close match at Sighthill in a meeting that contained eight exclusions. Tom Daly was in brilliant gating form and his partnership with Don Moir was the deciding factor in Hammers victory.

John Murphy of Griffins scored 10 points, but heat leaders Dickson and Waldie were off form, and it was left to the second strings to get by and swing the match.

Scottish Rangers seem to be having a good run lately, and John Meadowbank Stars, Griffins and Hammers in the K.O. Cup semi-finals. John Speirs, Dick Barrie and Brian Gilliland have added class to the Rangers this season, and it looks as though they will soon be very hard to beat, home or away.

Eastern Flyers, who upset many good teams at their own 60 yard track, were found to be far from fit when they tackled Redhall Tigers, whose track is 97 yards long. Redhall found it easy to pass the low geared Flyers, and ran out winners by 63-30.

Liberton Rebels are suffering from an acute rider shortage, and are being forced to use juniors with very little league experience. However, they put up a good show against Eastern Warriors but lost the match 46-47 in a last heat decider.

Meadowbank rider Billy Pennie is certainly having his ups and downs recently. Scoring four against Sighthill and then an 18 point max. to put his team through to the cup semi-finals at the expense of second division outfit, Eastern Heralds.

Brigend Bats are finding it hard to pick up the points of late, but Edinburgh rider Stewart Chapman appears to have recovered his old form again so it should not be long before the Bats are back in business.

Second Division

Liberton Lions who narrowly lost at Pilrig, took their revenge in no uncertain manner when they thrashed the Pirates 70-26 at home. Potworh and Calton seem to be the also-rans of the Second Division. No appearance of key riders being the main cause.

Granton Juniors who are still unbeaten gave the Sighthill Cheetahs their first home defeat when they scraped through 46-49 at Sighthill. The result will be held in abeyance, however, pending a protest from the Sighthill camp.

General News

Granton Griffins, who figured in a 48-47 victory over Levenshulme Stars, Manchester, now meet local rivals Sighthill Hammers to decide who will go through to the N.A.C.S.A. team quarter-finals.

With First and Second Divisions going smoothly, next month should see the start of Division 3, which will probably consist of about six teams. Apart from the Third Division there is a growing interest in cycle-speedway within a 30 mile radius of Edinburgh, and many teams are springing up who at the moment are content to arrange meetings, matches and open meetings.

The next few weeks should see the start of a new series of test trials to see who will be the eight to line up against the formidable Manchester test team. The Coventry touring team which will be racing in Edinburgh for a week in July, should give us a good pointer to the form of certain riders who are at the moment waiting to break through to the test team. Riders in this category are D. Noble (Lions), S. Chapman (Bats), F. Bull (Tigers) and B. Pennie (Stars).

Results:

Rangers 35, Hammers 60.
Redhall 42, Griffins 63.
Warriors 27, Hammers 69.
Tigers 63, Flyers 30.

John Murphy beat Jack Pinkerton 2-1 for the match race title and successfully defended it against F. Bull of Redhall.

It's a boy for John

John Harry (Brandon rider/manager) missed his first round Coventry Senior Championship round when his wife, Valerie, gave birth to a 7lb. 4oz. baby boy on June 21st. It was a case of drinks all round in the Brandon camp that night, as it was their first child. John was winner of the Cleverton Easter Trophy, and runner-up in the Devon Knowle Trophy.

DAWLISH STRENGTHENED

Writes RON VAULTER

Devon County League side, Dawlish Demons, are currently sitting pretty at the top of the league table. The Demons are a very strong side this year and they have been strengthened by the inclusion of several Shaldon riders. On present form there is no other team capable of stopping them from winning the league.

Shaldon are somewhat weaker this year and their team comprises of only three senior riders, Chris, Robert and Martyn Farrell, plus a number of juniors. With a little more time and experience, the Kestrels could mould themselves into a formidable line-up.

Disturbing news from Exeter is the rumour that the Exeter Eagles are disbanding because of difficulties in raising a full team. The Eagles have yet to win a match this season.

WHEELER KNOCKS FIVE SECONDS OFF BOURNEMOUTH TRACK RECORD

Writes IAN HAMPTON

The old track record was beaten twice at Bournemouth during this second round meeting of the British Riders' Championship. First to do the trick was Roy Baker in heat eight but this was overshadowed by Southampton's Colin Wheeler, who clipped five whole seconds off the record when leading home Dave Morris in heat seventeen.

Wheeler, who won the round, was beaten only by runner-up, Dave Butcher. Butcher, in turn, was beaten only by Bristol's Dave Massey and by Oxford's Ken Newham.

Joint second place went to Roy Baker, who was beaten once by each of his top two rivals.

Scorers: C. Wheeler (Southampton) 14, D. Butcher (Southampton) 13, R. Baker (South London) 13, D. Massey (Bristol) 9, D. Lilley (Bournemouth) 9, G. Watkins (South London) 8, A. Dominay (Bournemouth) 7, G. Moffatt (Bournemouth) 6, G. McCormack (Southampton) 6, R. Newham (Oxford) 6, D. Morris (Oxford) 6, C. Dunford (Southampton) 5, B. Rose (Bournemouth) 5, D. Roman (Bristol) 5, D. Ellis (South London) 5, R. Veller (South London) 2.

A Glasgow Revival asks John Wright

In a recent report, Scottish star Jimmy Cobain told me that cycle speedway has been dormant in "Glasgie Toon" for the past three years. Although, says Jim, "There appears to be some sign of a revival".

Since the return of speedway racing to Glasgow, at least a couple of teams of youngsters are known to be riding on a piece of spare ground near one of the former league tracks. But for the time being, Jim and various other interested people are, "hanging on to see if there are any further developments", before offering assistance.

Cycle speedway first took root in Glasgow way back in 1946, with four teams racing each other practically every night.

This state of affairs lasted (with a varying number of teams) until 1950 when a league was formed. The outcome was that a very successful, well organised, and financially sound association came into being. As time went on many of the young Scots were claimed for National Service, and more than a few were lost to cycle-speedway on demob.

"But the biggest single factor in Glasgow's decline", claimed Jim, "was the complete lack of help from our local council. Twice they gave us pieces of ground, both were completely useless for tracks, although we did manage to use one for a time.

"By and large, though, they did everything to hinder us, yet we never broke any of their conditions, which were, to say the least, very trying".

All this plus the loss of tracks for building purposes, and then the closure of White City speedway really knocked the bottom out of the West of Scotland's cycle speedway centre. Undaunted, Jim and thirty other riders struggled on until 1961 when they finally had to call it a day. From there Jimmy and pal, Doug Maxwell, travelled across to Edinburgh to become part and parcel of the Scottish Rangers.

Coming up to date again,

we see 1965 well under way, and Glasgow speedway spurring on the local lads to emulate their big brothers. Yes, this question of a revival is more than a whisper. In the past month or so five ex-Glasgow riders have brushed the cobwebs from their old "tracksters" and have expressed the wish to ride again.

A good sign indeed, but not one we must overrate. Let's hope that if this revival does in fact come about that the local lads will be given a break (or even a track!) by the once harsh authorities.

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