

# HARRINGAY

## SPEEDWAY

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“Sunday Dispatch”

**WORLD SPEEDWAY CHAMPIONSHIP**

CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND MEETING

25th AUGUST, 1950 at 7.30 p.m.



Split Waterman, who scored double figures in both legs of our London Cup semi-final against Wembley, leads Bill Kitchen in Heat 2 here last Friday.  
(G.R.A. Photo)



# SIFTING THE CINDERS

*With*

**GEORGE KAY**

We have had so many "big nights" at Harringay Speedway lately—and more to come, I hope—that it is quite a relief to be able to sit back and not worry whether, as a team, we are going to win or lose! We have certainly been looking forward to our World Championship meeting for a long time and it gives me real pleasure to welcome the sixteen riders who are fighting it out in individual competition for the top scorer's cheque and a place in the Final at Wembley.

I am sure everyone will want to join me in wishing them the best of luck in their bid to capture Speedway's highest award. And I am equally sure that visiting Supporters will not think me too biased when I offer a special word of encouragement to our own two lads, Split Waterman and Jeff Lloyd.

## **SPLIT SWIMS!**

After our recent League match at West Ham, Supporters must have been most surprised to see Split Waterman wandering about in the heavy rain with very creased trousers and a shirt that looked awfully sorry for itself! But there is a story about this scanty attire of his.

Prior to the meeting, Buddy King, one time promoter on Dutch speedways, paid one of his rare visits to the dressing rooms, which resulted in lots of leg-pulling and back chat, Split getting the better of the encounter. However, Buddy took it seriously when, later, Split threatened to push him into the riders' bath, which is almost as big as a swimming pool. Buddy decided to get in the bath first and then pulled Split, who was fully dressed, in after him! Hence Split's scanty and somewhat scatty attire, for the rest of his clothes were drying in the boiler room!

## **AWAY SCORING!**

At West Ham on August 15th:—Waterman 9 (4 rides), Duggan 8 (4 rides), Watson 4 (4 rides), Vicary 3 (4 rides), Lloyd 2 (4 rides), Stock 2 (2 rides), Clark 2 (2 rides), Pawson 1 (4 rides).

At Wembley on August 17th:—Waterman 16 (6 rides), Dunton 8 (6 rides), Pawson 8 (5 rides), Stock 7 (5 rides), Lloyd 6 (5 rides), Duggan 4 (3 rides), Watson 1 (3 rides), Vicary 0 (3 rides).

World Championship on August 19th:—At Birmingham, Waterman, 12, Lloyd 1. At Bradford, Dunton 7. At Belle Vue, Duggan 10.

## **LAST WEEK**

Well, Wembley just pipped us on the post last week after a thrilling match, and though we were naturally very disappointed at the result, it is only fair to say that Wembley took their chances and deserved to win.

## **NEXT WEEK**

Now we look forward to our "Daily Mail" Trophy replay against West Ham next Friday, the first half of which will be decided at the Customs House Stadium on Tuesday. With Danny back, we hope to hold the Hammers to 10 points at the most. We *must* win! So come along and give the lads all your support, it should be another ding-dong battle!

## **RECORDS**

A Supporter wrote claiming that Danny Dunton had broken every Harringay record when he returned his 66.4 seconds for four laps. Not wishing to quarrel with his calculations, I tackled our timekeeper. He agreed that the Supporter was probably right, but it is now the Control Board ruling that you cannot officially break a 1, 2, or 3 lap record in a 4 lap race. You can only break the 1 lap record in a race over 1 lap and so on.

## SPOT LETTER

We have had many letters from irate Supporters regarding the selection of riders for the nominated heat in last Friday's London Cup match against Wembley. The following, from Mr. E. Mitchell of 46, Outram Street, N.1, is fairly representative of the general trend, so we have printed it in full. The reply underneath comes from Manager George Kay as he is the person most directly concerned.

### MR. MITCHELL says:

"I feel that what I have to say will have the backing of all Racers Supporters. Would the Harringay Team Manager or George Kay give an explanation as to why Vic Duggan did not ride in the nominated riders heat in the London Cup semi-final at Harringay last Friday? I am not "cribbing" because Racers lost on aggregate, but after Vic had ridden practically faultlessly (except when beaten by that super effort of Bob Oakley) for 14 points out of 15, and riding somewhat like his old self—to be left out of the most important heat of the match is *inexplicable*.

I am not trying to belittle the efforts of Danny Dunton, but as we know full well, he has not yet fully recovered from his injury and in view of this, his riding was impressive, but not that brilliant to give one confidence in a nominated riders heat.

I feel sure that some explanation is due in the Harringay programme in order to satisfy, shall I say bewildered Racers' fans, or perhaps that very big question will remain in our minds—Why was Danny Dunton, who is not completely fit, preferred to Vic Duggan, back on form and giving us glimpses of the "old Duggan"?

I would like to emphasise that I am a sportsman and in no way am I finding excuses for Harringay's defeats, and we have had enough!"

### GEORGE KAY says:

"Since his crash in the Third Test at New Cross, Vic Duggan has been unable to go the distance in our matches which must have been obvious to all Supporters. He is continually under medical attention and on the eve of this London Cup match had to report to hospital for treatment. In heat 13 of the match, there was clear proof that Vic was tiring under the strain for he was passed by Bob Oakley, who would never have seen a normal Vic.

Subsequently, Vic asked our Team Manager, Wal Phillips, to stand him down from the nominated riders' heat, as he was so weak that he felt certain of letting the side down, if he rode.

Naturally it was a very difficult decision to be faced with and a bitter blow to our hopes."

**Next FRIDAY, 1st September at 7.30 p.m.**

"DAILY MAIL" NATIONAL TROPHY REPLAY

## HARRINGAY

Vic Duggan (Capt.), Split Waterman, Jeff Lloyd,  
Cliff Watson, Danny Dunton, Nobby Stock, etc.

v.

## WEST HAM

Eric Chitty (Capt.), Aub Lawson, Malcolm Craven,  
Howdy Byford, Wally Green, Lloyd Goffe, etc.

# The Sunday Dispatch

## WORLD SPEEDWAY RIDERS' CHAMPIONSHIP

By REG HOWELL

Tonight we stage one of the most important meetings in the vital Championship round of the "Sunday Dispatch" World Speedway Riders' Championship. This great competition has done wonders for speedway racing and it is fit that one should pay tribute to the "Sunday Dispatch" and its Editor, Mr. Charles Eade, for sponsoring the competition.

In the early post-war days Mr. Eade, always a great speedway enthusiast, sought by every means in his power to further the cause of our sport. He wished to found a competition that would put speedway racing not only on a national but on a world basis. And so the Speedway Riders' Championship, later to develop into the World Championship, came into being. It is no exaggeration to say that it has become the greatest of all speedway tournaments.

To Mr. Eade we raise our hats, and we would like to express our gratitude too, to his famous Sports Editor, Mr. Pat Reekie, and the widely read Sports Columnist, Mr. Tony Horstead, for their great efforts on behalf of speedway racing.

In the present Championship round each rider competes at three meetings—there are nine meetings in all—and the sixteen leading scorers qualify for the final at Wembley on September 21st. The competition is fierce indeed and tonight we see Graham Warren, Australia's new Test captain, winner of the Australian Riders' Championship and holder of the Tom Farndon Trophy, too, in opposition to a brilliant entry which includes Alec Statham, who was third when Vic Duggan won the title two years ago, Merv Harding and Derek Close, two Second Division stars, Eric French, spectacular Oliver Hart and our own Split and Jeff. And, one must not forget the present World Champion, Tommy Price. All is set for a wonderful meeting, may the luck break even and the best man win.

The top scorer tonight will receive a £50 cheque from Mr. Eade on behalf of the "Sunday Dispatch," and in all, his newspaper presents the record total of £2,030 in prize money. The winner of the final becomes World Champion, holds the magnificent trophy and receives a cheque for £500 with the runner-up getting £250, third £100 and fourth £50.

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# HARRINGAY SPEEDWAY

Promoted by Greyhound Racing Association Ltd., 20 Berkeley Square, London, W.1.  
Harringay Stadium, Green Lanes, London; N.4. Telephone: STAmford Hill 3474.

## Programme of 21st Meeting (10th Season) Friday, 25th August, 1950

General Manager ... Major Rodney David  
Assistant General Manager and Clerk of the Course ... George Kay  
A.C.U. Steward ... A. G. Pickering Machine Examiner ... George Greenwood  
Judge/Timekeeper ... A. J. Gibbons Medical Officer ... Dr. C. E. Nicholas  
Team Manager ... Wal Phillips Trainer ... Harry Aldridge  
Publicity Manager ... Peter Goodall Announcer ... Peter Goodall  
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### "Sunday Dispatch" WORLD SPEEDWAY CHAMPIONSHIP CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND MEETING

4 Laps Clutch Start  
On Points: 1st—3 points, 2nd—2 points, 3rd—1 point.

#### TO-NIGHT'S COMPETITORS

1 RON MASON (Belle Vue)	10 GRAHAM WARREN (Birmingham)
2 ALEC STATHAM (Wimbledon)	11 OLIVER HART (Bradford)
3 EDDIE RIGG (Bradford)	12 DICK SEERS (Bradford)
4 JACK BIGGS (Bradford)	13 ERIC FRENCH (New Cross)
5 CYRIL ROGER (New Cross)	14 TOMMY PRICE (Holder) (Wembley)
6 SPLIT WATERMAN (Harringay)	15 CYRIL BRINE (Wimbledon)
7 JEFF LLOYD (Harringay)	16 DEREK CLOSE (Newcastle)
8 MERV HARDING (Glasgow Ash.)	1st Res. ALF VICCARY (Harringay)
9 WALLY GREEN (West Ham)	2nd Res. SID CLARK (Harringay)

Event	Heat	RIDERS	Helm. Col.	Result
1	11	RON MASON	Red	1st 4
		ALEC STATHAM	Blue	2nd 3
		EDDIE RIGG	White	3rd 2
		JACK BIGGS	Y & B	Time 68.8
2	21	CYRIL ROGER	Red	1st 2
		SPLIT WATERMAN	Blue	2nd 3
		JEFF LLOYD F	White	3rd 4
		MERV HARDING	Y & B	Time 68.6
3	33	WALLY GREEN	Red	1st 2
		GRAHAM WARREN	Blue	2nd 3
		OLIVER HART	White	3rd 1
		DICK SEERS	Y & B	Time 66.2 TRACK RECORD
		ERIC FRENCH	Red	1st 3
4	41	TOMMY PRICE	Blue	2nd 2
		CYRIL BRINE	White	3rd 4
		DEREK CLOSE	Y & B	Time 69.4
		ALEC STATHAM	Red	1st 3
5	53	CYRIL ROGER	Blue	2nd 2
		WALLY GREEN	White	3rd 4
		ERIC FRENCH	Y & B	Time 68.6

Event	Heat	RIDERS	Helm. Col.	Result
6	62	RON MASON	Red	1st 3
		SPLIT WATERMAN	Blue	2nd 2
		GRAHAM WARREN	White	3rd 4
		JACK BIGGS TOMMY PRICE	Y & B	Time 66.6
7	71	EDDIE RIGG	Red	1st 4
		JEFF LLOYD	Blue	2nd 2
		OLIVER HART	White	3rd 1
		CYRIL BRINE	Y & B	Time 67.2
8	82	JACK BIGGS	Red	1st 1
		MERV HARDING	Blue	2nd 4
		DICK SEERS	White	3rd 3
		DEREK CLOSE	Y & B	Time 68.0
9	92	ALEC STATHAM	Red	1st 2
		SPLIT WATERMAN	Blue	2nd 1
		OLIVER HART	White	3rd 3
		DEREK CLOSE	Y & B	Time 68.6
10	103	RON MASON	Red	1st 4
		CYRIL ROGER FELL	Blue	2nd 2
		DICK SEERS	White	3rd 3
		CYRIL BRINE	Y & B	Time 68.4
11	114	ALEC STATHAM	Red	1st 4
		JEFF LLOYD	Blue	2nd 1
		DICK SEERS	White	3rd 2
		TOMMY PRICE	Y & B	Time 68.4
12	123	JACK BIGGS	Red	1st 3
		JEFF LLOYD	Blue	2nd 2
		GRAHAM WARREN	White	3rd 1
		ERIC FRENCH	Y & B	Time 67.0
13	133	EDDIE RIGG	Red	1st 2
		MERV HARDING	Blue	2nd 3
		WALLY GREEN	White	3rd 4
		TOMMY PRICE	Y & B	Time 68.6

#### SCORE CHART

	1	2	3	4	5	TT'L
(2) 10 R. MASON	0	0	2	2	0	4
(2) 18 A. STATHAM	1	0	2	2	0	5
(1) 11 E. RIGG	2	1	0	0	1	4
(2) 16 J. BIGGS	3	3	1	1	2	10
(1) 7 C. ROGER	F	2	F	2	1	5
(1) 12 S. WATERMAN	3	2	3	2	3	13
(2) 10 J. LLOYD	2	2	1	2	3	10
(2) 10 M. HARDING	1	0	3	1	1	6
(2) 21 W. GREEN	1	3	2	0	2	8
	1	2	3	4	5	TT'L
G. WARREN (2) 23	3	3	3	3	2	14
O. HART (1) 7	2	0	1	3	0	6
D. SEERS (1) 3	0	1	1	0	2	4
E. FRENCH (2) 12	0	1	0	0	0	1
T. PRICE (1) 11	2	1	3	1	3	10
C. BRINE (2) (21)	3	3	3	3	3	15
D. CLOSE (1) (7)	1	2	0	1	1	5
A. VICCARY (RES.)						
S. CLARK (RES.)						

Event	Heat	RIDERS	Helm. Col.	Result
14	142	RON MASON .. .. .	Red	1st... 3
	3	MERV HARDING .. .. .	Blue	2nd .. 1
	4	OLIVER HART <i>Fell <del>to</del></i> .. .. .	White	3rd .. 2
	1	ERIC FRENCH .. .. .	Y & B	Time .. 69.8
15	153	EDDIE RIGG .. .. .	Red	1st .. 3
	1	CYRIL ROGER .. .. .	Blue	2nd .. 2
	2	GRAHAM WARREN .. .. .	White	3rd .. 4
	4	DEREK CLOSE .. .. .	Y & B	Time .. 68.2
16	161	JACK BIGGS .. .. .	Red	1st .. 4
	2	SPLIT WATERMAN .. .. .	Blue	2nd .. 2
	3	WALLY GREEN .. .. .	White	3rd .. 1
	4	CYRIL BRINE .. .. .	Y & B	Time .. 68.4
17	174	ALEC STATHAM .. .. .	Red	1st .. 4
	1	MERV HARDING .. .. .	Blue	2nd .. 3
	3	GRAHAM WARREN .. .. .	White	3rd .. 2
	2	CYRIL BRINE .. .. .	Y & B	Time .. 68.4
18	182	RON MASON .. .. .	Red	1st .. 2
	4	JEFF LLOYD .. .. .	Blue	2nd .. 3
	3	WALLY GREEN .. .. .	White	3rd .. 4
	1	DEREK CLOSE .. .. .	Y & B	Time .. 69.6
19	191	EDDIE RIGG .. .. .	Red	1st .. 2
	4	SPLIT WATERMAN .. .. .	Blue	2nd .. 3
	2	DICK SEERS .. .. .	White	3rd .. 1
	3	ERIC FRENCH .. .. .	Y & B	Time .. 68.4
20	201	JACK BIGGS .. .. .	Red	1st .. 4
	3	CYRIL ROGER .. .. .	Blue	2nd .. 1
	4	OLIVER HART .. .. .	White	3rd .. 2
	2	TOMMY PRICE .. .. .	Y & B	Time... 68.6
21	21	To be run off in the event of 2 or more riders finishing level on points for 1st place		
			Red	1st .. .. .
			Blue	2nd .. .. .
			White	3rd .. .. .
			Y & B	Time... .. .

PRESENTATION OF £50 CHEQUE TO TOP SCORER.....  
by Mr. Charles Eade, Editor of the "Sunday Dispatch"

### NEWS FLASH!

The Horse of the Year Championships, most thrilling indoor spectacle going, starts at Harringay Arena on September 12th. Many of the riders are keen Speedway enthusiasts and we hope to welcome Colonel Harry Llewellyn, most famous horse show jumper in the world, to our Speedway meeting here on Friday next or the following week. On his renowned horse, Foxhunter, the Colonel won the King George V Cup, the world's most valuable trophy, at White City recently against the finest foreign competition.

# DO YOU KNOW?

by Peter



# SUPPORTERS' CLUB CORNER

## OUTING, SEPTEMBER 3rd

Tonight is your very last chance to obtain your ticket for this special day of ours. Definitely no more bookings will be taken after tonight. Invitations have been sent to Bill Kitchen, Eric Chitty, Howdy Byford, Lloyd Goffe, Geoff Pymar, Jack Arnfield, Frank Lawrence, Joe Bowkis, Jimmy Grant, Arthur Bush, Larry Young, Ray Ellis Maurice McDermott, Kid Curtis, Arthur Simcock, Dick Wise, Duke MacDonald, Duke Campbell, Joe Shack, Wyn Cook, Bill Glennie, Ken Kennedy and Robin Richmond. A wealth of Speedway and Ice Hockey talent!

## DANCE

In order to avoid disappointment, don't forget to purchase your ticket for our Grand Gala Dance which is being held at the Hornsey Town Hall on Tuesday, 26th September. It's going to be a grand show!

## FINAL TEST MATCH, AUGUST 31st

May we remind Supporters who have not been able to book their tickets in advance, for the above, at Wembley on Thursday next, that tickets at all prices will be on sale at the turnstiles, on the night of the event. Therefore you need have no worry about having a fruitless journey, should you decide at the last moment to visit the Empire Stadium.

## WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL SEPTEMBER 21st

Tonight, we have on sale in all kiosks, tickets for the EVENT of the YEAR, the "Sunday Dispatch" World Speedway Championship Final. Prices of tickets are 21/-, 10/6, 7/6 and 4/6 with standing at 2/6. These tickets are available to *members of the Supporters' Club only* on production of their membership cards.

## NEW GAME

We have been approached by an enthusiastic supporter of Speedway racing to bring to your notice the new game that he has designed and introduced. It is simple to understand, fast moving and represents all the track practices of Speedway League matches. Riders swerve in and out, the lead changes frequently, there are crashes, disqualifications, and no two races are alike. It can be played by one player or even twelve, so if you enquire at the kiosks tonight, you will be able to get any further information you require. The game is played with little metal figures, replicas of the riders, which are sold separately at 1/- each.

## PEN PAL

4045281, A/c 2 J. W. Allen, 81b Flight, Hut 452, R.T., R.A.F., Cardington Beds., would be pleased to hear of news about Racers, and would like to receive any Harringay programmes that supporters at home can spare.

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# Harringay Speedway – 1950 FIXTURES and RESULTS

(Home Fixtures in Heavy Type)

Date	Fixture	Opponent	NAT. LEAGUE		JNR. LEAGUE	
April 7	<b>Harringay Trophy</b>		<b>NORMAN PARKER</b>			
" 11	Spring Cup	West Ham	51	68	—	—
" 14	<b>Spring Cup</b>	<b>Bradford</b>	81	38	—	—
" 15	Spring Cup	Birmingham	55	65	—	—
" 21	<b>Spring Cup</b>	<b>Birmingham</b>	75	45	—	—
" 22	Spring Cup	Bradford	48	71	—	—
" 28	<b>Spring Cup</b>	<b>West Ham</b>	67	53	—	—
May 3	National League	New Cross	33	51	1	10
" 5	<b>National League</b>	<b>New Cross</b>	37	47	8	4
" 6	Challenge Match	Belle Vue	36	48	—	—
" 12	<b>Middlesex Cup</b>	<b>Wembley</b>	29	55	—	—
" 15	National League	Wimbledon	29	55	5	7
" 19	<b>National League</b>	<b>Birmingham</b>	51	31	9	3
" 20	National League	Birmingham	32	52	5	7
" 23	National League	West Ham	48	36	6	6
" 26	<b>National League</b>	<b>Wimbledon</b>	44	39	7	5
June 2	<b>National League</b>	<b>Belle Vue</b>	37	47	5	5
" 3	National League	Belle Vue	23	61	3	9
" 8	National League	Wembley	33	51	10	2
" 9	<b>National League</b>	<b>Bradford</b>	39½	42½	10	2
" 10	National League	Bradford	30	54	2	10
" 16	<b>National League</b>	<b>West Ham</b>	40	44	4	8
" 23	<b>National League</b>	<b>Wembley</b>	31	52	4	8
" 30	<b>National League</b>	<b>Bristol</b>	56	28	6	6
July 1	National League	Bristol	41	42	2	10
" 7	<b>National League</b>	<b>Birmingham</b>	61	23	2	10
" 8	National League	Bradford	40	44	6	5
" 10	National League	Wimbledon	45	39	8	4
" 14	<b>National League</b>	<b>New Cross</b>	49	35	2	10
" 21	<b>National League</b>	<b>Bradford</b>	52	32	9	3
" 28	<b>National Trophy</b>	<b>Halifax</b>	68	39	—	—
Aug. 1	National Trophy	Halifax	58	50	—	—
" 2	National League	New Cross	35	47	—	—
" 4	<b>Australian Ch'm's'p</b>		<b>GRAHAM WARREN</b>		—	—
" 8	National Trophy	West Ham	46	62	—	—
" 11	<b>National Trophy</b>	<b>West Ham</b>	62	46	—	—
" 12	National League	Birmingham	28	56	—	—
" 15	National League	West Ham	31	52	—	—
" 17	London Cup	Wembley	50	58	—	—
" 18	<b>London Cup</b>	<b>Wembley</b>	56	51	—	—
" 25	<b>World Cham's'p</b>					
" 29	National Trophy	West Ham				
Sept. 1	<b>National Trophy</b>	<b>West Ham</b>				
" 2	National League	Belle Vue				
" 8	<b>National League</b>	<b>Bristol</b>				
" 9	National League	Bristol				
" 15	<b>National League</b>	<b>Wimbledon</b>				
" 22	<b>National League</b>	<b>Belle Vue</b>				
" 29	<b>National League</b>	<b>West Ham</b>				
Oct. 6	<b>National League</b>	<b>Wembley</b>				
" 12	National League	Wembley				
" 13	<b>Open Meeting</b>					

## HARRINGAY SPEEDWAY TRACK RECORDS (333½ yds.)

1 lap Flying Start	...	Vic Duggan	16.6 secs.	...	...	...	12.9.47
1 lap Clutch Start	...	Vic Duggan	18.8 secs.	...	...	...	22.8.47
		Bill Kitchen	18.8 secs.	...	...	...	5.9.47
2 laps	..	Vic Duggan	35.6 secs.	...	...	...	7.10.49
3 laps	..	Split Waterman	50.8 secs.	...	...	...	21.7.50
4 laps	..	Danny Dunton	66.4 secs.	...	...	...	21.7.50

## SIGNALS.

*Green Light*—Instruction to riders to move up to the tapes. *Red Light*—Race stopped. *Yellow Flag*—Last lap. *Black Flag*—For a particular rider to withdraw. *Black and White Check Flag*—Finish.

**BETTING IS ABSOLUTELY PROHIBITED AT SPEEDWAY MEETINGS**

**NOTICE**—Should it be necessary through any cause whatsoever to abandon the meeting prior to the start of the SIXTH event in the programme, tickets available for any one of the next three meetings will be issued at the exit gates. **UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL ANY MONEY BE RETURNED.**



This is the World's most coveted Speedway award, the "Sunday Dispatch" World Championship Trophy, which is at stake at Wembley on September 21st, when the great Final takes place. Every point scored by the riders tonight helps them towards a place in that Final.

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