# SHEFFIELD

**OWLERTON STADIUM** 

SHEFFIELD 6



9th Meeting

## WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

BRITISH QUALIFYING ROUND

THURSDAY 26th MAY 1966 at 7-45 p.m.

**Betting Strictly Prohibited** 

7th Season

Official Programme

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#### THE ROAD TO GOLD AND GLORY

by DON CLARKE of the SUNDAY MIRROR

What is it about World Championship racing that brings an extra keen glitter into the eye of every rider, and a sense of excited anticipation into the heart of the most blase speedway supporter?

The answer is quite simple. It is the knowledge that with courage and skill it is within the bounds of any rider to reach the dizzy heights which could result in him stepping on to the winner's dais to be acclaimed WORLD CHAMPION.

Tonight you will see 16 British riders start their trek towards World Championship gold and glory.

The reward will be hard earned. Make no mistakes about that.

From the 20 preliminary rounds now being staged on British tracks, only 32 riders from the original 100 starters can go forward to the two British semi-finals at CRADLEY HEATH (JUNE 13) AND AT HALIFAX (JUNE 15).

Even when over these hurdles there are still two tough finals to be faced—the BRITISH FINAL (AT WIMBLEDON ON JUNE 27), and BRITISH-EUROPEAN FINAL (at SHEFFIELD on JULY 14), before the EUROPEAN FINAL is staged at WEMBLEY STADIUM ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3.

And at Wembley the chips will really be down before it is decided which 10 riders will go forward to the WORLD FINAL, IN GOTHENBURG, ON SEPTEMBER 23.

It is a tough road to ride. Tonight's 16 competitors know that there can be no quarter given if they hope to walk out to battle as one of the 16 EUROPEAN FINALISTS AT WEMBLEY.

As well as glory, there are plenty of SUNDAY MIRROR cash incentives to urge riders to greater efforts in these battles.

The winner at each preliminary round will receive a SUNDAY MIRROR cheque for £20, as well as his points money

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In the semi-finals SUNDAY MIRROR prize money of £30 to the winner, £15 to the second and £5 to the third, can be won. Then the stakes get higher.
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In both the BRITISH FINAL (AT WIMBLEDON) and BRITISH EUROP-EAN FINAL (AT SHEFFIELD) prize money jumps to £100 to the top scorer, £50 to the second and £30 to the third.

The bonanza comes with the EUROP-EAN FINAL AT WEMBLEY. In addition to point and start money, further SUNDAY MIRROR cheques of £250 go to the winner, £125 to the second, £75 to the third, £25 to the fourth, plus £20 to each BRITISH rider not placed in the first four, who qualified for the WORLD FINAL.

When this cash has been safely tucked into the bank, successful Finalists then have the **GOTHENBURG WORLD FINAL** cash to look forward to.

Well, that's it! That is the glittering prospect within the reach of every rider tonight.

You may rest assured that not one of them will let this chance of gold and glory slip lightly from his grasp.

## RIDERS' FUND DRAW

organised by the Sheffield Speedway Patrons Association
SIX SPLENDID PRIZES TO BE WON TONIGHT

#### Tickets 6d. each

Get your tickets before the interval from sellers around the stadium Draw will be made during second half of programme

Last Week's Winners: 1—Mr. DRAYTON, 49 Meersbrook Avenue, Sheffield 8 (1043); 2—Mrs. G. DEWS, Overton, Wakefield (3108); 3—Mr. SILCOCK, 34 Skipton Road, Sheffield 4 (2242); 4—Mr. INKLE, 42 Enfield Road, Sheffield 5 (2377); 5—Mr. Writh, 70 Windmill Road, Wombwell (2686); 6—Mrs. ROUGH, 37 Shelley Drive, Rotherham (1252).

Prizes should be claimed from the Speedway Office

THE PROGRAMME MAY BE ALTERED OR VARIED BY THE MANAGEMENT WITHOUT NOTICE

Should it be necessary through any cause to abandon a meeting prior to the SIXTH RACE in the programme tickets for a subsequent meeting will be issued at the exits. IN NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL ANY MONEY BE RETURNED.

RIGHT OF ADMISSION RESERVED

### SHEFFIELD SPEEDWAY

Promoters: County Speedways Limited, Owlerton Stadium: Penistone Road, Sheffield 6. Telephone: 343074 MANAGING DIRECTOR: FRANK VAREY

Clerk of the Course : F. VAREY A.C.U. Referee : J. ASHWORTH Mechanical Superintendent: S. JENKINS

Announcer: J. LONGDEN

E. PALMER Team Manager: Timekeeper:

Starting Line Marshal: N. S. LEE Medical Officer: Dr. ADAMSON

Held under the Regulations of the Speedway Control Board. A.C.U. Permit. SP 1321

St. John Ambulance Brigade in attendance Official Track Measurement is 400 Yards

Track Record: 67-6 secs. by Clive Featherby (Sheffield) on August 13th, 1964

#### Hello Folks Frank Varey calling]

Tonight we stage one of the qualifying stages of the First British Round of the World Championship, and I am certain that we are going to be treated to some exciting racing.

All eyes will, of course, be on Barry Briggs, the Swindon star, who won the World Title in 1964 and is very determined to try and repeat the performance this

One of the riders who will be pushing him hard tonight is Charlie Monk, of Glasgow. Charlie has not done anything really outstanding so far this season, but this event will no doubt bring out the best in him.

Our five competitors will be going all out to beat these two stars and by so doing push up their own totals to try and get into

the British semi-finals.

And now as regards our own team. I am very pleased that with the signing of Eric Hockaday from Cradley Heath, we shall now have no cause to call on guest riders to bring us up to strength.

It has been a hard struggle getting our team complete, but I feel sure that from now on we shall go from strength to strength.

Due to the fact that we are without a League match this week, our new Tiger will not be able to make his debut for us until the Whit Monday Northern Cup match at Newcastle.

His first home appearance will be in the W. D. and H. O. Wills Trophy event during the Sporting Cavalcade at this Stadium on

Whit Tuesday. All the rest of the Tigers, together with the two Boococks, Nigel and Eric, and Charlie Monk, will also be in the field.

All the proceeds from the Sporting Cavalcade, which starts at 2 p.m., will go to charity, so come along and give your support.

Our home match next Thursday will be the return Northern Cup match with Newcastle, who will include such stars as Ivan Mauger and Brian Brett.

The following night we shall be at Wolverhampton in the League, and 24 hours later we shall be at Belle Vue in another League match which will also count for the second leg of the Battle of the Roses Trophy.
We gained a two-point lead in the first

clash here earlier in the season and so we shall be going all-out for our first away victory. Go along and give us your support. Finally, a word or two about George Major. You will all be pleased to know that

During last Thursday's meeting we tried to cheer him up by putting in a telephone call to him in hospital. All the Tigers had a word with him and he was really and truly delighted with the big surprise.

That shows just how high is the spirit among our riders. They are, indeed, a grand bunch of lads, who I am certain will do great credit to Sheffield during the coming weeks of the season.

Cheerio for now,

FRANK VAREY.

#### SPEEDWAY SPECIAL

during the SPORTING CAVALCADE

at this stadium

#### on WHIT TUESDAY, MAY 31st at 2p.m. W. D. & H. O. Wills TROPHY EVENT

Featuring our new rider ERIC HOCKADAY and the rest of the Tigers together with NIGEL BOOCOCK, ERIC BOOCOCK and CHARLIE MONK

A GREAT DAY'S SPORT DON'T MISS IT

## WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

## FIRST BRITISH ROUND (QUALIFYING ROUND)

## Sponsored by the SUNDAY MIRROR

Clutch Start. Points awarded: 1st, 3 points; 2nd, 2 points; 3rd, 1 point.

Riders are identified by their helmet colours.

#### THE RIDERS

No. 1 — Bob Paulson (Sheffield)	No. 9 — John Dews (Sheffield)
No. 2 — Tommy Roper (Halifax)	No. 10 - Jim Tebby (Wimbledon) JK
No. 3 — Billy Bales (Sheffield) V	No. 11 - Jimmy Tannock (Edinburgh)
No. 4 — Dave Younghusband (Halifax)	No. 12 — Mike Watkin (Newcastle)
No. 5 — Doug Templeton (Edinburgh)	No. 13 — Jack Biggs (Newport)
No. 6 — Norman Storer (Long Eaton)	No. 14 - Reg Luckhurst (Wimbledon)
No. 7 — Charlie Monk (Glasgow)	No. 15 - Barry Briggs (Swindon)
No. 8 — Alan Jay (Sheffield)	No. 16,- John Hart (Sheffield) \
Reserves: Arnold Haley (S	heffield) Derek Jay (Sheffield)

The letters in the starting position column indicate the positions from which riders will start. The positions are lettered from the inside of the track A, B, C and D, A being the inside position.

		Starting	SUBSTITUTE	Helmet	
	RIDERS	Position	OR REMARKS	Colour	RESULT
Heat 1 Time	Bob Paulson Tommy Roper Billy Bales Dave Younghusband	A B C		Red Blue White Yellow	3
Heat 2 Time	Doug Templeton Norman Storer Charlie Monk Alan Jay	C B		Red Blue White Yellow	3
Heat 3 Time	John Dews Jim Tebby J Kitch Jimmy Tannock Mike Watkin	В		Red Blue White Yellow	2
Heat 4 Time		B		Red Blue White Yellow	2
Heat 5 Time	John Dews	B C D		Red Blue White Yellow	3 7
Heat 6 Time	Norman Storer Jim Tebby 5 K	C D B		Red Blue White Yellow	7 3

	RIDERS	Starting Position	SUBSTITUTE OR REMARKS	Helmet Colours	RESULT
Heat 7 Time	Billy Bales Charlie Monk Jimmy Tannock Barry Briggs	D C A B		Red Blue White Yellow	3
Heat 8 Time	Dave Younghusband Alan Jay Mike Watkin John Hart	A B C D		Red Blue White Yellow	3
Heat 9 Time	Bob Paulson Norman Storer Jimmy Tannock John Hart	C A D B		Red Blue White Yellow	3
Heat 10 Time	Tommy Roper  Doug Templeton Mike Watkin Barry Briggs	D B A C		Red Blue White Yellow	7
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7	RIDERS	Starting Position	SUBSTITUTE OR REMARKS	Helmet Colours	RESULT
Heat 11 Time	Billy Bales Alan Jay John Dews Reg Luckhurst	C A B D	3	Red Blue White Yellow	2
Heat 12 Time	Dave Younghusband	B D C	0	Red Blue White Yellow	3
Heat 13 Time	Bob Paulson Charlie Monk Mike Watkin Reg Luckhurst	В	h	Red Blue White Yellow	3
Heat 14 Time	Tommy Roper  Alan Jay  Jimmy Tannock  Jack Biggs	A C D B	A	Red Blue White Yellow	3
Heat 15 Time 40-3	Billy Bales  Doug Templeton  Jim Tebby  John Hart	B D C		Red Blue White Yellow	3
Heat 16 Time	Dave Younghusband Norman Storer John Dews Barry Briggs			Red Blue White Yellow	1

June 7th

	RIDERS	Starting Position	SUBSTITUTE OR REMARKS	Helmet Colours	RESULT
Heat 17 Time	Bob Paulson	A B D C		Red Blue White Yellow	3
Heat 18 Time	Tommy Roper Charlie Monk John Dews John Hart	B C A D		Red Blue White Yellow	2
Heat 19 Time	Billy Bales	A D B C		Red Blue White Yellow	3
Heat 20 Time	Dave Younghusband Doug Templeton Jimmy Tannock Reg Luckhurst	D A C B		Red Blue White Yellow	3 .3

	INDIVIDUAL SCORE CHART				John Har		
RIDER	1	2	3	4	5	Total	
Bob Paulson	2	0	3	3	3	11	
Tommy Roper	0	1	0	2	0	3	
Billy Bales	3	1	3	3	3	13	
Dave Younghusband	Ĭ	3	2	\	3	10	
Doug Templeton	2	2	2	2	マ	7 1	
Norman Storer	0	0	1	10	0	1	
Charlie Monk	3	3	3		2	12	
Alan Jay	1	0	0	1	0	2	
John Dews	3	2	2	2	3	12	
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Reg Luckhurst	2	3	1	2	1	a	
Barry Briggs	3	27	3	13	2	13	
John Hart	1	2	2		1	7	
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#### REG. WHITTAKER OF "THE STAR" writes

Sheffield's victory over Edinburgh last Thursday was gained far more easily than expected, but there is no doubt that the Monarchs were slowed down as the result of suffering a lot of machine trouble at King's Lynn the previous evening.

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Nevertheless, I don't think they would have beaten the Tigers had they been up to

full strength.

The come-back by Jack Kitchen was most encouraging. I feel sure that he will soon be back to his very best and playing an inspiring role in taking the Sheffield team higher up the British League table.

The Management Committee's permission for Frank Varey to approach Eric Hockaday and the Cradley Heath rider's acceptance of the offer to become a Tiger has brought

Sheffield up to strength.

Eric is quite a competent rider and should prove a valuable asset when he settles down. He will, of course, be linking up again with John Hart, who no doubt, has told him what a grand set-up there is here at Owlerton.

The team-spirit among the present Sheffield riders is higher than it has been for many years. They are all ready to help each other and such actions can only bring better

results.

As you all heard last Thursday, Jack Kitchen is again captain. Billy Bales has done a grand job in the position in these opening weeks of the season and the fact that he was willing to hand the reins back to Jack does not mean that he did not want the job.

A grand little sportsman, Bill said: "I think it is only right that Jack should be captain again if he will accept it." Let's hope Billy keeps piling up the points and reaps

the reward he so richly deserves.

And if you want to get a first glimpse of Eric Hockaday as a Tiger don't forget to visit this Stadium on Whit Tuesday, when he will be competing along with the rest of the Tigers and other visiting stars for the W. D. and H. O. Wills Speedway Trophy during the Sporting Cavalcade.

#### SUPPORTERS' CLUB NOTES . . .

We have still a few coach tickets left for the trips to Newcastle on Monday and Wolverhampton a week tomorrow. Booking can be made before or after tonight's meeting.

Bookings will also be accepted at the kiosk tonight for the trip for the Tigers' match at Belle Vue on Saturday, June 4th.

E. CAIN (Mrs.),

Secretary.

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THE GREATEST SHOW ON EARTH

# THE CANADIAN HELL DRIVERS

at this Stadium

on JUNE 7th and 8th

at 7.45 p.m.

Tickets 10/- (Children half-price)

Seats 2/6 extra

THRILLS! THRILLS! THRILLS!

## Next Thursday's attraction . . .

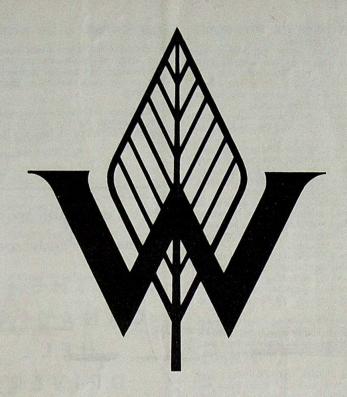
at 7-45 p.m.

NORTHERN CUP

## SHEFFIELD V. NEWCASTLE

featuring all the Tigers, including newcomer Eric Hockaday

and Ivan Mauger, Brian Brett, Peter Kelly etc.



## W.D. & H.O. WILLS

The promotion of all forms of sport has been, for many years, a most important part of the policy of W. D. & H. O. Wills. They welcome a further opportunity to associate with the SHEFFIELD 'CAVALCADE OF SPORT'

on WHIT TUESDAY, MAY 31st,

and have been pleased, on this occasion, to provide a Speedway

Trophy and Tankards to be presented to the Winners of the

Speedway event which, it is hoped, will serve as a reminder of
a very pleasant day.