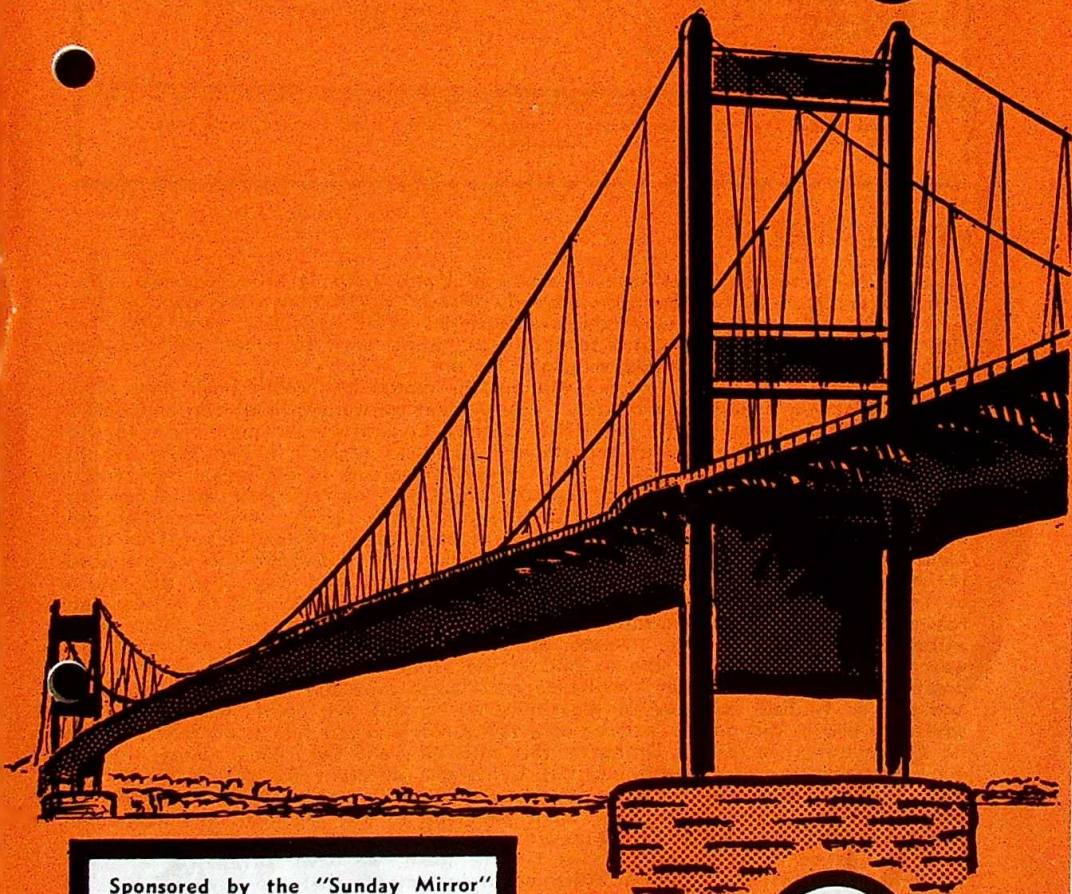


NEWPORT **Speedway**



Sponsored by the "Sunday Mirror"

**WORLD
CHAMPIONSHIP**

(Qualifying Round)

Friday, 12th May, 1967



NEWPORT SPEEDWAY

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Licence No: 67/19

Held under the Speedway regulations of the Speedway Control
Length of Track 376 yards

Track Record: 68 secs., Igor Plechanov, Gennady Kurilenko, Nigel Boocock, Barry Briggs
Göte Nordin

HELLO THERE

Writing these notes this week, like you all I am feeling a little dispondent, for after making such a good start in the early part of the season which gave us the number one spot in the league table, we suffered a set back last week when we lost our unbeaten at home record for 1967 and went down to Poole and so joined quite a lot of other teams with this record this season.

There are some excuses for not winning the match last week and I think it is only fair that you should know of them. Firstly when we were without Jon and Bob a few weeks back I applied to the Rider Control Committee for permission to use Gordon McGregor (who was in the standby pool) to replace injured Bob and to use him until Bob was fit again. The Committee agreed to McGregor being used by us but only whilst Jon and Bob were out and said that McGregor would have to go back in the pool when either Jon or Bob came back riding. This condition did not help us one little bit and so we were reduced to a six man team (for it is ludicrous and unfair to expect too much from junior riders). Despite this we managed to hold on, but only just as the Coventry match showed and then with the return of Torbjorn to Sweden for his championship rounds we were reduced to a five man having to put in two junior riders to make up our team. Admitted Poole were without Nordin and so things on paper appeared to be balanced but I am afraid this was not so, for Poole were able to call on the services of Tony Lewis a rider with great experience and who, until he had a crash some time ago was the Poole captain and showed he had lost none of his ability by scoring five points from two rides, whilst we had to call on the services of a raw junior and put him team racing before he was anything like ready. On top of this both Alby and Cyril had machine trouble, Alby was able to get by with his, but Cyrils was different for during his second race it gave up altogether. For his last ride, and for the second half, Cyril borrowed Bob Stevens Eso and rode very well on it going on to win the final, lets hope then Cyril takes the plunge and gets fixed up with an Eso permanently.

Well there it is, all the facts as I know them, we have suffered a set back, but one that is not impossible to overcome, it just means that the boys will have to try that little bit harder in their future matches, and Bob will have to get back as quickly as possible, for we miss his points.

Tonight we stage one of the first rounds in the World Championship which is sponsored by the "Sunday Mirror" who provide a handsome cheque to the winner of the Final at Wembley on September 16th. We are indeed grateful to the "Sunday Mirror" for this, and appreciate their interest in the Speedway world and I personally would like to thank Mr. George Casey and Mr. Don Clarke for their active interest in our sport.

So on with the meeting, give the Wasp riders your support for we want to be represented at the big meeting on September 16th.

OFFICIAL LIST OF RIDERS AVERAGES
(For the Season up to and including 22nd April, 1967)

NEWPORT (5 home, 3 away)

	Matches	Rides	Points	Bonus Points	Total	Calculated Average
TORBJORN HARRYSSON ...	8	34	85	2	87	10.24
JON ERSKINE ...	5	20	47	1	48	9.60
JIMMY GOOCH ...	8	35	74	6	80	9.14
ALBY GOLDEN ...	8	33	44	14	58	7.03
CYRIL FRANCIS ...	7	28	23	9	32	4.34
JOHN BISHOP ...	8	35	35	3	38	4.34
FRED POWELL ...	2	4	1	0	1	1.00
BOB HUGHES ...	5	14	28	4	32	9.14

(out injured)

I have been told that before last Friday's match one of the Poole riders made a remark to people waiting at the turnstile to the effect that it was all arranged Poole would win. I can only say that riders make all sorts of silly remarks before a meeting, however I am very concerned about this and if I get some firm information which establishes this as being said, I will ask the Control Board to make an official enquiry and to take the necessary action.

The new official list of riders averages have been issued which in the absence of Harrysson brings Bob Hughes in as heat leader, this list is operative as from the sixth of May, which allowed us to use the rider substitute rule at Poole last Wednesday. At the time of writing these notes I don't know what the result of this was, I can only hope it had good effect.

Our riders went home very upset last Friday for apparently a few of our Supporters (and I think it must have been a few) had some very hard things to say to them after losing the match with Poole. I can understand the Supporters being disconcerted at losing, I was, but it does not excuse people taking it out on our team, we lost, but its not the end of the world, there are more teams in this position than ever which only makes competition more open and produces closer and better racing. After this attack one of our star men made a comment with which I agree, which was, "if we lose, except it in good grace, for we can only do our best and this we give one hundred per cent." So come on now give the boys a break if we have troubles they can't do the impossible.

Last week was certainly not our week for like you all I was sad to learn that our little Swede, Top Joe had not got through the early round of the world championship in Sweden. As yet I do not know the details, but I understand that he had machine trouble which caused him to be eliminated—hard luck Toby we at Newport still think you are to England next Friday and will be in a great little rider. Top Joe returns the line up for our match against Wimbledon.

Cyril Francis had trouble with his machine that could not be put right, for his magneto packed up after two races. This meant that in his first two rides it was missing so Cyril did not stand a chance on a motor that was misfiring, this was unfortunate and cost us valuable points but there it is, its just one of those things.

WORLD SPEEDWAY CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND Sponsored by the "Sunday Mirror"

Riders are identified by their helmet covers: Red, Blue, White, Yellow and Black.
Points : 1st, 3; 2nd, 2; 3rd, 1. 4 laps clutch start.

RIDERS' INDIVIDUAL SCORE CHART

	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total		1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
1. Cyril Francis	2	1	2	2	2	1	9	10. Alby Golden	0	2	1	3	1	1	7
2. John Bishop	1	1	3	2	2	0	8	11. Arne Pander <i>EVANS</i>	0	0	1	0	1	1	1
3. John Boulger	0	3	1	0	0	1	4	12. Jon Erskine	2	2	3	1	2	1	10
4. Ray Wilson	1	3	3	2	1	3	12	13. Eric Boocock	3	3	3	3	3	1	15
5. Pete Munday	1	1	0	0	1	1	3	14. Norman Storer	0	0	2	0	2	1	4
6. Mike Broadbanks	2	1	3	2	1	1	9	15. Jimmy Gooch	1	2	1	0	3	1	7
7. Chris Julian	1	3	1	0	3	2	9	16. Dave Gifford	2	1	1	2	1	1	7
8. Greg Kentwell	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1st Res. Fred Powell	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
9. Roy Trigg	1	3	2	3	3	3	14	2nd Res. John Ellis	1	1	0	1	1	1	1

Heat No.	Riders	Club	Colour	Gate	Substitute	Points
1 72.0 Time	Cyril Francis John Bishop John Boulger Ray Wilson	Newport Newport Long Eaton Long Eaton	Red Blue White Y/B	a b c d		7
2 74.0 Time	Pete Munday Mike Broadbanks Chris Julian Greg Kentwell	Swindon Swindon Cradley H. Halifax	Red Blue White Y/B	a c b d		3
3 71.8 Time	Roy Trigg Alby Golden Arne Pander Jon Erskine	Oxford Newport Oxford Newport	Red Blue White Y/B	c a b d	<i>ELLIS</i>	0
4 71.4 Time	Eric Boocock Norman Storer Jimmy Gooch Dave Gifford	Halifax Long Eaton Newport Newcastle	Red Blue White Y/B	d b a c		3
5 70.6 Time	Cyril Francis Pete Munday Roy Trigg Eric Boocock	Newport Swindon Oxford Halifax	Red Blue White Y/B	b c d a		6
6 71.6 Time	John Bishop Mike Broadbanks Alby Golden Norman Storer	Newport Swindon Newport Long Eaton	Red Blue White Y/B	c d b a		3
7 73.6 Time	John Boulger Chris Julian Arne Pander Jimmy Gooch	Long Eaton Cradley H. Oxford Newport	Red Blue White Y/B	d c a b	<i>EVANS</i>	3
8 72.4 Time	Ray Wilson Greg Kentwell Jon Erskine Dave Gifford	Long Eaton Halifax Newport Newcastle	Red Blue White Y/B	a b c d	<i>POWELL</i>	3
9 73.4 Time	Cyril Francis Mike Broadbanks Arne Pander Dave Gifford	Newport Swindon Oxford Newcastle	Red Blue White Y/B	c a b d	<i>EVANS</i>	3

Heat No.	Riders	Club	Colour	Gate	Substitute	Points
10 73.2 Time	John Bishop Pete Munday Jon Erskine Jimmy Gooch	Newport Swindon Newport Newport	Red Blue White Y/B	d b a c		2

INTERVAL

11 74.0 Time	John Boulger Greg Kentwell Roy Trigg Norman Storer	Long Eaton Halifax Oxford Long Eaton	Red Blue White Y/B	c a b d	<i>POWELL</i>	1
12 71.6 Time	Ray Wilson Chris Julian Alby Golden Eric Boocock	Long Eaton Cradley H. Newport Halifax	Red Blue White Y/B	b d c a		2
13 74.0 Time	Cyril Francis Chris Julian Jon Erskine Norman Storer	Newport Cradley H. Newport Long Eaton	Red Blue White Y/B	d a b c		1
14 73.0 Time	John Bishop Greg Kentwell Arne Pander Eric Boocock	Newport Halifax Oxford Halifax	Red Blue White Y/B	a c d b	<i>ELLIS</i>	0
15 74.2 Time	John Boulger Pete Munday Alby Golden Dave Gifford	Long Eaton Swindon Newport Newcastle	Red Blue White Y/B	b d c a		2
16 71.8 Time	Ray Wilson Mike Broadbanks Roy Trigg Jimmy Gooch	Long Eaton Swindon Oxford Newport	Red Blue White Y/B	c b a d		1
17 73.8 Time	Cyril Francis Greg Kentwell Alby Golden Jimmy Gooch	Newport Halifax Newport Newport	Red Blue White Y/B	a b d c	<i>POWELL</i>	0
18 73.0 Time	John Bishop Chris Julian Roy Trigg Dave Gifford	Newport Cradley H. Oxford Newcastle	Red Blue White Y/B	b c a d		0
19 73.4 Time	John Boulger Mike Broadbanks Jon Erskine Eric Boocock	Long Eaton Swindon Newport Halifax	Red Blue White Y/B	a d b c		0
20 73.4 Time	Ray Wilson Pete Munday Arne Pander Norman Storer	Long Eaton Swindon Oxford Long Eaton	Red Blue White Y/B	d a c b	<i>EVANS</i>	2

DECIDER IF NECESSARY

Time						
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RIDERS AVERAGES

(Over their last six Official Matches up to and including 5/5/67)

	Matches	Starts	Points	Bonus Points	Total	Race Average	Calculated Match Average
TORBJORN HARRYSSON	6	26	66	1	67	2.59	10.30
JON ERSKINE	...	6	25	57	1	58	2.32
JIMMY GOOCH	...	6	28	61	4	65	2.32
BOB HUGHES	...	5	14	28	4	32	2.28
ALBY GOLDEN	...	6	27	35	9	44	1.62
JOHN BISHOP	...	6	28	25	1	26	.92
CYRIL FRANCIS	...	6	24	15	7	22	.91
							3.66

SOME OF THE RULES AND REGULATIONS

It would appear that many of you cannot understand why we did not use the Rider Substitute Rule last week for the (absent through injury) Bob Hughes instead of using Junior Riders as we did. This we could not do, for regulations did not permit it and for your guidance we set out the agreed make up of teams and the regulations covering this.

1. Each team will be made up of seven riders with a number 8 in reserve.
2. The three riders with the highest point average (as per official list) will be known as heat leaders and will ride in team position 1, 3, or 5. The official list is issued at the end of the month and teams will be declared in accordance with it for the following month.
3. The rider with the lowest calculated average over the last six official matches will be the reserve.
4. In the event of a heat leader being absent, or being unable to compete through legitimate reasons, and providing that the eighth man is declared in the team shown in the programme, the substitute rider rule can be operated. This allows the other members of the team to take the absent riders race—ONCE EACH. This rule was introduced to do away with guest riders and ONLY applies for the three heat leaders, it CANNOT be operated for the other team members.
5. In the case of one of the other members of the team being absent (through any reason) his place will be taken by the reserve, with number eight coming in as reserve.
6. No replacement, or the rider substitute rule, is permitted for a foreign rider who is absent for any reason other than official Test Matches.

You will see from these rules that we could not use the substitute rule for Bob, nor could we use it for absent Torbjorn, so we had to use our juniors Fred Powell and Bob Stevens to make up our team. From our recent experiences (during the time Bob has been out of action) we think it has shown that the regulations covering the second strings should be revised and we are writing to the Rider Control Committee giving our views on this point.

NEWPORT RIDERS WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP ROUNDS

JON ERSKINE	...	Newport 12th	Cradley 13th	Exeter 15th
JOHN BISHOP	...	Newport 12th	Swindon 13th	Oxford 18th
JIMMY GOOCH	...	Newport 12th	Swindon 13th	Wimbledon 18th
CYRIL FRANCIS	...	Newport 12th	Exeter 15th	Wimbledon 18th
ALBY GOLDEN	...	Newport 12th	Exeter 15th	Wimbledon 18th

1967 WORLD SPEEDWAY CHAMPIONSHIP

SPONSORED BY THE "SUNDAY MIRROR"

by DON CLARKE

Sixteen riders, from 101 British entrants, go out to race tonight with their eyes firmly fixed on the £1,000 bonanza that awaits the man who wins the World Crown, at Wembley Stadium, on September 16th.

Top prize to World Champion last year was £500. Now the "Sunday Mirror" double their top award—the highest individual prize in motor-cycle sport. Second man will receive £250 and the Third £100.

The "Sunday Mirror" will also award £200, £100, and £50 to the first three men in the British Final, which will be decided at West Ham on August 15th.

Before a rider can stretch out his hands for these pots of gold, he will have to battle through these preliminary rounds, and qualify as one of the thirty-two semi-finalists at Wimbledon and Sheffield on July 13th.

From the two semi-finals sixteen top points scorers go forward to the British Final, where the six highest scorers qualify for Wembley's World Championship Final. Sounds tough? It is!

Continental rivals also compete for ten places at Wembley.

Their preliminary rounds are now under way. Only sixteen men qualify for the European Final at Wroclaw, Poland, on August 27th.

Eight riders for this meeting will come from the Nordic Final (involving riders from Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden), scheduled for Esbjerg, Denmark on June 4th.

The other eight competitors will emerge from the Continental Final (involving all other European and Iron countries) at Kempton, West Germany on August 20th.

I said it was tough. And keen rivalry awaits the sixteen riders who battle tonight for the World Championship honours.

Rest assured. No quarter will be given. None will be asked for!

B I N G O

In order to make the Bingo at Newport bigger and better the Speedway Promoters have amalgamated with the Football Club in the running of this, which of course will lead to bigger and better prizes to be won. The promoter of this joint venture is our old friend LEN MOONEY who I am sure will make it a big success. Tickets for the first of the BINGO BONANZA games will be sold at our meeting on Friday, 2nd June, and the draw will commence the following Monday, when 12 numbers will be drawn, 12 Tuesday, 12 Wednesday, 12 Thursday and then 9 on Friday, making a total of 57 numbers drawn. The numbers drawn will be printed daily in the "South Wales Argus" and "Echo," so this game of BINGO BONANZA is played in the comfort of your home with multiple prizes to be won. Further details of claim procedure are printed on the tickets.

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	"Lucky Dip" Numbers		Nightly

TICKETS (TWO CARDS) ... 1/- EACH

BRITISH SPEEDWAY LEAGUE

(up to and including Saturday, 6th May, 1967)

Subject to Official Confirmation

		Home				Race	Pts.	Away				Race	Pts.	Match
		P	W	D	L	For	Agn.	W	D	L	For	Agn.	Pts.	
1.	Newcastle (3)	...	9	5	0	0	227	163	2	0	2	185	205	14
2.	Swindon (2)	...	10	5	0	0	248	142	2	0	3	181	208	14
3.	Newport (1)	...	10	5	1	1	321	225	1	0	2	102	132	13
4.	Wolverhampton (4)	...	11	5	0	0	230	159	1	1	4	175	215	13
5.	Poole (6)	...	10	4	0	0	194	118	1	2	3	228	239	12
6.	Sheffield (7)	...	10	5	0	0	234½	152½	1	0	4	156	234	12
7.	Glasgow (8)	...	13	4	1	1	249	216	1	1	5	239	306	12
8.	West Ham (9)	...	9	5	0	0	236	154	0	1	3	132	180	11
9.	Hackney (5)	...	8	4	1	0	211	178	1	0	2	104	130	11
10.	Long Eaton (10)	...	11	5	1	0	262	206	0	0	5	158	231	11
11.	Oxford (11)	...	12	5	1	0	272½	195½	0	0	6	168	299	11
12.	Coventry (14)	...	11	4	0	1	251	139	0	2	4	208	259	10
13.	Wimbledon (12)	...	7	4	0	1	213	174	0	0	2	69	87	8
14.	Exeter (13)	...	8	4	0	0	192	120	0	0	4	115½	194½	8
15.	Halifax (16)	...	8	2	1	0	131	103	1	0	4	176	213	7
16.	Belle Vue (15)	...	9	3	0	0	130	104	0	0	6	192½	275½	6
17.	King's Lynn (17)	...	10	2	0	3	195	194	0	0	5	157	233	4
18.	Cradley Heath (19)	...	11	2	0	3	189	200	0	0	6	172	293	4
19.	Edinburgh (18)	...	7	1	1	1	127	107	0	0	4	132	179	3

Figures in parenthesis indicate position in last week's table

Our Next Meeting

FRIDAY, 19th MAY, 1967, at 7.30 p.m.

BRITISH LEAGUE MATCH

'WASPS'

TORBJORN HARRYSSON ALBY GOLDEN JON ERSKINE
JIMMY GOOCH CYRIL FRANCIS JOHN BISHOP
FRED POWELL

v.

WIMBLEDON "DONS"

JIM TEBBY OLLE NYGREN TREVOR HEDGE
LEIF SODERBERG MURRAY BURT REG LUCKHURST
ALAN COWLAND

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Motor Sports are dangerous and all persons attending this meeting do so entirely at their own risk. It is a condition of admission that all persons having any connection with the promotion and/or organisation and/or conduct of the meeting, the owners and lessees of the Stadium and the owners and drivers are absolved from all liability arising out of accidents causing damages or personal injury to spectators or ticket holders. There will be no re-admission and in no circumstances will any money be refunded.

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The Management reserves the right to alter this programme without notice.

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