HALIFAX





7th MEETING

3rd SEASON

World Speedway Championship

ROUND 1

Sponsored by THE SUNDAY MIRROR

SATURDAY, 20th MAY, 1967 at 7-30 p.m.

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HALIFAX SPEEDWAY

Promoters: Northern Speedways Ltd. Directors: R. A. V. Fearman, J. Fearman

THE SHAY GROUNDS, HALIFAX

Telephone: Halifax 62201

OFFICIALS

Clerk of the Course: E. BENNETT A.C.U. Referee: J. R. GREENE Timekeeper: C. BOOCOCK

Announcer: D. HARRIS

Medical Officer: IN ATTENDANCE Machine Examiner: A. AMBLER Team Manager: R. FEARMAN
Asst. Team Manager: S. HOLEY
Starting Marshal: M. J. WHITAKER

Pit Marshal: E. BENNETT
Track Maintenance: S. HOLEY
St. John Ambulance Brigade in attendance

Licenced by the Speedway Control Board No. 67/4
Held under the regulations of the Speedway Control Board

Permit No. S.P. 62. Track Length 378 yards

Track Record: Eric Boocock (Halifax), 25/6/66, 67.0 seconds

THE 'DUKES' DEBATE

Circumstances last Saturday spoilt what should have been a good speedway meeting. The Cheetahs were unfortunate in losing their captain, Arne Pander, a couple of days previously with a broken thigh. Promoter Danny Dunton made rapid enquiries on the Continent for a replacement but didn't come up with one in time for our meeting. The weather once again was dismal and dreary, enough to make one wonder when the dry spell will come for Saturday night speedway. It was certainly a 'trapper' night and two young men were consistently quick out of the gate, Dave and Dennis. We were getting ready to shower for the first time 'maxi' congrats on Den, dropping a point to Roy Trigg robbed him of the elusive maximum but on current form it can't be far away. Maury was a real tiger and with 8 paid 10 points and a smile on his face you could tell he had no complaints-neither had we. Just watch for that form to come regular. Skipper had a new engine in his frame-we can't say he looked all that happy with it. Greg blew his engine up at Newcastle and whilst waiting for a new one is mounted on the track spare. Just when young Eric seemed to have conquered his mechanical troubles out came a big bang then a lot of misfiring. The young 'un is feeling a bit chocker with it all at present. Les seems to be settling in well but he can't figure out how he is suddenly left sitting on the track minus the bike!

Flame-haired Bob remarked "What a night for a come-back!" The knee stood up quite well and no doubt a considerable amount of 'door-knocking' is going to be done. Bert is improving steadily and although he didn't make it here last Saturday we are assured of his presence tonight, when we stage our round of the 1967 World Speedway Championship.

A tough round it certainly is and in wishing all competitors the best of luck we know that only so many can qualify for the next stage—we hope the Dukes are fairly represented.

The World Championship is again sponsored by the 'Sunday Mirror' and we take this opportunity of conveying our thanks to them, and in particular to Sports Editor George Carey and Columnist Don Clarke who take such an active interest in our sport.

Next weekend we have a super-duper **DOUBLE** Spring Bank Holiday programme. On Saturday we take on the Hawks from Hackney in a Triangular Trophy match. Remember our 31-47 defeat at Waterden Road? We mean to get revenge for that. On the Monday—same time, 7-30 p.m.—we take on the Edinburgh Monarchs, Ian Hoskins and all. See you all at the weekend, then !

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 16.

Top prize to the 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 15.

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 13.

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 27.

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 4.

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

I said it was tough. And keen rivalry awaits the sixteen riders who

battle tonight for World Championship honours.

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

★ Bumper Holiday Weekend Special ★

NEXT SATURDAY, 27th MAY, 1967 at 7-30 p.m.

TRIANGULAR TROPHY MATCH

DUKES V. HACKNEY

with — BENGT JANSSON — COLIN PRATT — LES McGILLIVRAY COLIN McKEE—MALC BROWN—GERRY JACKSON—BRIAN DAVIES

RESULT AT HACKNEY: DUKES 31, HAWKS 47 - LET'S GET AT 'EM!

MONDAY, 29th MAY, 1967 at 7-30 p.m.

BRITISH LEAGUE MATCH

DUKES V. EDINBURGH

with — DOUG TEMPLETON — GEORGE HUNTER
BERNT PERSSON (Sweden) — OYVIND BERG (Norway)
REIDER EIDE (Norway) — BERT HARKINS — BILL LANDELS

Speedway Championship of the World - Round 1 Sponsored by THE SUNDAY MIRROR

Riders identified by helmet colours: Red, Blue, White and Yellow/Black Winner decided on Race Points: 1st-3 points, 2nd-2 points, 3rd-1 point

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TWO OF THE STARS HERE TONIGHT







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USE OF TACTICAL SUBSTITUTES IN BRITISH LEAGUE MATCHES

If after the fourth heat of a fixture a team is six or more points in arrears a Team Manager may substitute a rider or riders in the next or succeeding heats with another rider (or riders) in his team, but such riders may be used as substitutes once only. Substitutions must stop when the team is less than six points in arrears. Rider No. 7 in either team may not be replaced by a Tactical Substitute. Numbers 1, 3 and 5 shall not ride as a Tactical Substitute in a race in which a reserve is programmed to ride.

SIGNAL FLAGS

Flags not less than four square feet in area shall be provided as follows:—Green—Signifying start. Red—Signifying stop. Yellow with 2 in. black diagonal cross—Last lap. Black and white check—Finish. Black—Individual Exclusion. Discs not less than 18 in. in diameter corresponding to the riders' helmet colours shall be provided for use with this flag.



HALIFAX - THE TREBLE-CHANCE TRACK

by Bryan Seery

Don't misunderstand this title—I'm not suggesting that Halifax are going to repeat their fabulous treble of victories (League, Knock-Out and Northern) which they achieved last season. I'm merely pointing out that The Shay is the best track to visit if you want to experience the excitement of a drawn League match. Up to May 6th, when we staged our latest tie, against Coventry, 738 League matches had been ridden since the B.L. was formed in 1965—and only 22 of them had finished up as draws. Something under three per cent.

Of those 22, no less than FOUR had been at The Shay. Four out of our 38 home League matches in the last three seasons had finished all square. Something over ten per cent. And more than three times better than the National average. Which means that the followers of the Dukes have certainly

had more than their fair share of cliff-hangers in recent years.

Four draws on one track is the current B.L. record. Next best? Oxford, who have hosted three drawn fixtures, followed by Hackney, Long Eaton and Newport with two each. Belle Vue, Coventry, King's Lynn, Poole and West Ham supporters have yet to witness a drawn B.L. match on their tracks, although the Hammers did stage a level-finish in the K.O. Cup a couple of years back. The other nine teams in the League have all tied once at home.

Overall—home and away combined—the current draw kings of the B.L. are Oxford and Poole who have been concerned in five draws each (including two when they've met each other!), Halifax and Wolverhampton with four, Coventry, Glasgow, Hackney and West Ham with three. Only Belle Vue and relative newcomers King's Lynn have failed to draw at least once since the

British League was formed.

Apart from the Oxford v. Poole fixture at Cowley (mentioned above) only one other pairing—Long Eaton v. Wolverhampton at Station Road—has

been drawn twice in the last three seasons.

One final point. Of all the 22 draws there have been in the B.L. our match with Coventry a fortnight ago was the tightest ever—with never more than two points separating the teams at any stage of the contest!

LAST SATURDAY'S LUCKY WEEKLY DRAW WINNERS

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HALIFAX SPEEDWAY FIXTURES 1967 (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION)

ABBREVIATIONS KEY: H-Home A-Away

BL—British League NRC—Northern Riders Championship KO—Knock-Out Cup WC—World Championship TM—Trophy Match (Triangular) Ch—Challenge Match

Sat., April 1—Swindon Sat., April 8—Newcastle Friday, April 14—Newport Sat., April 15—Belle Vue Thurs., April 20—Wimbledon Sat., April 22—Glasgow Tues., April 25—Long Eaton Sat., April 29—Glasgow BL H Rain Sat., April 29—Glasgow BL A 38 40 Sat., April 29—Glasgow BL H 45 33	Sat Iuly 8—Swindon BL H Friday, July 14—Hackney BL A Sat., July 15—N.R.C. Round H Sat., July 22—Poland H Friday, July 28—Kings Lynn TM A Sat., July 29—Hackney BL H Fri., August 4—Wolves BL A Sat., August 5—Wolves BL H
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