

# Sunday Mirror WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFYING ROUND



**wolves**  
international  
**speedway**

FRIDAY, MAY 4th, 1979

7.30 p.m.

19th Season. Meeting No. 6

**BERGER**

# GRAND PRIX QUALIFYING ROUND

**OFFICIAL  
PROGRAMME  
25p.**





## **WOLVES INTERNATIONAL SPEEDWAY**

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Ambulance Brigade in attendance**

Held under the Regulations of the  
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Track licence 79/

Track length : 329 yards

Track record : 62 seconds

(Ole Olsen, April 21st, 1972 and  
June 27th, 1975 ; Steve Bastable  
August 28th, 1977)

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# **START LINE**

GOOD evening and welcome.  
Tonight it is our privilege to stage our  
qualifying round of the combined  
**World Championship / Grand Prix**  
event. This meeting is jointly  
sponsored by the **Daily Mirror** and  
**Berger Paints** and we hope that the  
representatives of both companies  
have a rewarding and enjoyable  
evening here at Monmore Green.

This meeting brings together top  
Gulf British League riders of all  
nationalities and preliminary round  
qualifiers. The thirty-two British  
riders with the highest points totals  
are filtered out after the qualifying  
rounds and go forward to two semi-  
finals, while the **Top Sixteen** riders  
from the qualifying rounds go into  
the **Berger Grand Prix Final** at  
Wimbledon in August. The **Premium  
Points** system will apply to this  
section of the competition and it is  
explained in detail elsewhere in this  
programme.

Tonight's programme has a very  
different look to it due to the large  
amount of sponsorship invested here,  
and some regular items have been  
held over until next week.

Next week we stage the  
**Olympique**, with its unique handicap  
formula, a meeting that ranks with  
the best that there is in speedway, and  
is the envy of all the other British  
tracks, this is a meeting that must not  
be missed, remember it is a real test  
of a rider's ability to come from the  
back.

The **action** is here next Friday.  
come early to avoid missing the start,  
there is bound to be a large crowd.



# GRAND PRIX NEWS

by

GRAHAM BAKER

(Daily Mirror)



THE Grand Prix lives ! And, indeed, Britain's top individual speedway tournament has emerged from a troubled close season stronger and more vibrant than ever.

It's four years now since the Daily Mirror introduced the Grand Prix with a novel method of points scoring that gave an alternative to the straight forward knock-out principle of world championship racing.

Immediately, the tournament caught the imagination of the public and the top riders in the world.

Already Peter Collins, Ole Olsen and Chris Morton have won the Grand Prix title following three dramatic Finals at White City. This season the Final switches to Wimbledon on August 23rd.

But at one stage during the close season the future of the Grand Prix was most uncertain. Our joint sponsors Volkswagen withdrew after two years.

Happily, the situation was saved when the leading paint manufacturers Berger decided to fill the vacant sponsorship of the Grand Prix.

Already Berger back soccer's Isthmian League. This is their first speedway venture — and we are delighted to welcome them as co-sponsors of the re-named Berger-Daily Mirror Grand Prix.

The name has changed. But the thrills are the same. And the format that gives the Grand Prix a unique flavour is unaltered.

Putting it simply, the Grand Prix system makes every race count — and yet it allows riders to repair the damage of an occasional slip up or temporary loss of form.

Riders from every Gulf British League club will be involved in three qualifying rounds each. First place in each qualifier will score ten points, second will get nine down to one for tenth.

After totting up the qualifying round points the top sixteen will go through to the Grand Prix Final. Their qualifying points will count towards the Final total.

But even the lowest qualifiers can win overall with a brilliant display at Wimbledon — as Belle Vue's Morton proved last season.

Their qualifying scores will be added to the Final premium points of 50 for first, 45 for second down to five for tenth.

It sounds complicated, I know — but it is the fairest possible way of deciding the top overall rider of the season.

I'm looking forward to the action — and I know that our friends from Berger share the sentiment. I hope you will all feel the same way.

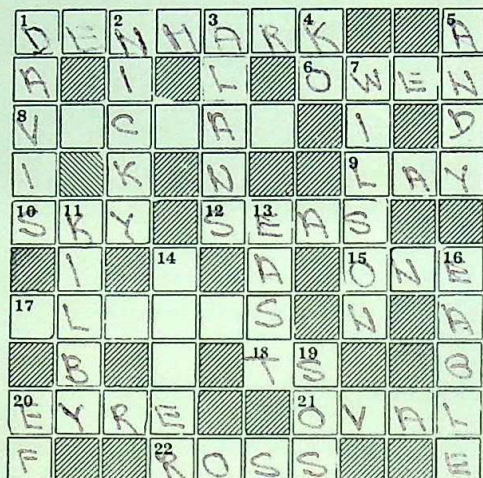


# PRIZE CROSSWORD

A DRAW from correct entries will be made at the next home meeting. Entries must be received by Thursday following this meeting, at the Speedway Office, Monmore Green Stadium. The prize, one free admission ticket must be claimed within one month of this meeting.

NAME ..... No. 6.

ADDRESS .....



## ACROSS

- 1 Top speedway nation ?
- 6 Unlucky Viking in '78 (4)
- 8 Verner brother (6)
- 9 Put the bike down (3)
- 10 Feelings can be very high (3)
- 12 Test teams can be over this (4)
- 15 Team's top number (3)
- 17 Peterborough pair (6)
- 18 Tactical substitute (1, 1)
- 20 Former Wolf, former Ace (4)
- 21 Shape for a circuit (4)
- 22 Don's Kiwi (4)

## DOWN

- 1 John the Racer (5)
- 2 Mr. Allott (5)
- 3 Belongs to Mr. Grahame (5)
- 4 Punchy Cup (1, 1)
- 5 Brother of 3 Down (4)
- 7 Sheffield star (6)
- 11 Robins' big gun (5)
- 13 Witches' region (4)
- 14 Brummie stalwart (5)
- 16 Eastbourne rider (5)
- 19 Emergency message for rider (1, 1, 1)
- 20 Engine failure (1, 1)

To help those supporters who like to keep their programmes intact, solutions written on a separate sheet of paper will be acceptable. The list should be laid out like the solution to last week's crossword in this programme.

# SUPPORTERS CLUB NOTES

HELLO there and welcome to tonight's multi-sponsored Grand Prix and World Championship round.

I hope you have recovered from those **three** incredible wins over Cradley, Belle Vue and Ellesmere Port. The last win at Ellesmere was achieved with great riding by the "Four Just Men," Mort, Mac, Hans and Bruce.

Bookings will be taken tonight for the following : Tomorrow — Swindon — depart 3.30 p.m. — fare £2.65. May 15th — Belle Vue — Four Team Event — depart 5.30 p.m. — fare £2.20. May 16th — Coventry — Midland Riders' Final — fare £1.50.

In the next couple of weeks there will be a general meeting, so keep a Thursday date free in your diary and watch this space for the exact date.

Enjoy your speedway, MIKE SMALLMAN.

## NOTICE

Motor sports events 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 including the owners and lessees of the stadium and the owners and drivers of the vehicles and passengers in the vehicles are absolved from all liability arising out of accidents causing damages or personal injury to spectators or ticket holders.

The Management reserve the right to alter this programme. Should it be necessary through any cause to abandon the meeting prior to the start of the sixth race in the programme, adult re-admission will be by the voucher provided inside the back cover of this programme and is valid for any one of the next three meetings excluding B.S.P.A. events, children will be issued with re-admission tickets at the turnstiles. In no circumstances will any money be refunded. Right of Admission Reserved. Betting and unauthorised photography strictly prohibited. Unauthorised vendors will be prosecuted.



## From the COMMENTARY BOX with Bob Radford

I ENJOYED last Friday's Four Team Tournament much more than I expected. After Wolves great win over Halifax, I looked forward to seeing the whole team in action again — as opposed to four of the lads.

Basically I tend to prefer full team matches, but I must admit that last Friday was a real crackerjack of a meeting. Again Wolves had to storm from the back to win, and again the spirit and determination of the men in black and gold shone through.

As I dashed down to the pits for the interval draw, I caught my right foot on something jutting out of the gate, and it all but ripped my right shoe off — and it was only fit for the dustbin when I got home. So if you thought I was hopping around during the interval you now know why.

Turning to much happier things, let's look ahead to next week — the unique OLYMPIQUE. Of all open meetings in any year this is the least predictable, usually the most exciting — with its handicap system that alters from one race to the next.

We will confirm what we can tonight, but among the stars will be :— Bruce Penhall, Phil Crump, Bruce Cribb, Jan Andersson, Joe Owen, John Titman, Edgar Stangeland, Steve Bastable, Alan Molyneux, Peter Collins, Mitch Shirra, Alan Grahame and Bobby Schwartz.

With our continental Wolves contesting their own World Championship meetings this week, perhaps I could fit in a plug for Speedway Star. My interview this week is with Hasse Danielsson and Stefan Salomonsson — Stefan helped out as interpreter, though I think Hasse understands more than he wanted me to think. I've also featured the Halifax match in my Travels column, hope they make good reading for you.

It is time Wolves had more success, more of the limelight. Your support is vital, in terms of your own enthusiasm and ability to spread the good word. We have the best Wolves team for some years, with the right backing we can go out and shake the rest. So let's hear you all getting behind the lads.

BOB.

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## THE 1979 GRAND PRIX

THE PREMIUM POINTS are awarded as follows : 10 points will be given to the meeting winner 9 for the second, and so on down to tenth position who receives 1 point.

Each rider will have three rounds. In most cases one home and two away, but some riders will have to ride three away rounds due to other official commitments.

The top sixteen riders from these rounds go to the BERGER sponsored final at WIMBLEDON on August 23rd.

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### CROSSWORD SOLUTION No. 5

ACROSS : 1 Sheffield, 6 Abel, 7 Ashby, 8 An, 9 Ed's, 10 Hans, 11 Bar, 12 Len, 13 New, 15 Tom, 18 Nap, 19 Saddle, 20 Alf.

DOWN : 1 Shay, 2 Exeter, 3 Ivan, 4 Lohmann, 5 Eyes, 8 Askew, 11 Betts, 14 Wolf, 16 Mad, 17 A.A., 18 N.E.

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Next Home Meeting

FRIDAY, MAY 11th at 7.30 p.m.

# OLYMPIQUE

RIDERS INVITED

BRUCE PENHALL, PHIL CRUMP, BRUCE CRIBB, JAN ANDERSSON,  
JOE OWEN, JOHN TITMAN, EDGAR STANGELAND, MITCH SHIRRA,  
STEVE BASTABLE, ALAN MOLYNEUX, PETER COLLINS,  
ALAN GRAHAME and BOBBY SCHWARTZ



# WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP/GRAND PRIX

## QUALIFYING ROUND

### 4 LAPS CLUTCH START

Winner decided on Race Points : 1st 3, 2nd 2, 3rd 1

Riders are identified by Numbers and Riding Colours

Starting positions are indicated by helmet colours

Heat	Rider	Helmet Colour	Points	Substitute or Remarks
1 Time	1 Peter Collins	Red		
	2 Dave Morton	Blue		
	3 Peter Prinsloo	White		
	4 Nigel Boocock	Y/B		
2 Time	5 Phil Herne	Red		
	7 Jim McMillan	Blue		
	6 Bruce Cribb	White		
	8 Mike Lanham	Y/B		
3 Time	10 Dave Perks	Red		
	11 Tormod Langli	Blue		
	9 Mal Corradine	White		
	12 Martin Yeates	Y/B		
4 Time	15 Alan Molyneux	Red		
	14 Kenny Carter	Blue		
	16 Doug Wyer	White		
	13 Mick McKeon	Y/B		
5 Time	13 Mick McKeon	Red		
	1 Peter Collins	Blue		
	5 Phil Herne	White		
	9 Mal Corradine	Y/B		
6 Time	14 Kenny Carter	Red		
	10 Dave Perks	Blue		
	2 Dave Morton	White		
	6 Bruce Cribb	Y/B		
7 Time	11 Tormod Langli	Red		
	15 Alan Molyneux	Blue		
	7 Jim McMillan	White		
	3 Peter Prinsloo	Y/B		
8 Time	4 Nigel Boocock	Red		
	8 Mike Lanham	Blue		
	12 Martin Yeates	White		
	16 Doug Wyer	Y/B		
9 Time	6 Bruce Cribb	Red		
	16 Doug Wyer	Blue		
	1 Peter Collins	White		
	11 Tormod Langli	Y/B		
10 Time	12 Martin Yeates	Red		
	5 Phil Herne	Blue		
	15 Alan Molyneux	White		
	2 Dave Morton	Y/B		
11 Time	8 Mike Lanham	Red		
	9 Mal Corradine	Blue		
	3 Peter Prinsloo	White		
	14 Kenny Carter	Y/B		
12 Time	13 Mick McKeon	Red		
	4 Nigel Boocock	Blue		
	10 Dave Perks	White		
	7 Jim McMillan	Y/B		

## INTERVAL

13 Time	7 Jim McMillan	Red		
	12 Martin Yeates	Blue		
	14 Kenny Carter	White		
	1 Peter Collins	Y/B		
14 Time	2 Dave Morton	Red		
	13 Mick McKeon	Blue		
	8 Mike Lanham	White		
	11 Tormod Langli	Y/B		
15 Time	16 Doug Wyer	Red		
	3 Peter Prinsloo	Blue		
	10 Dave Perks	White		
	5 Phil Herne	Y/B		
16 Time	9 Mal Corradine	Red		
	6 Bruce Cribb	Blue		
	4 Nigel Boocock	White		
	15 Alan Molyneux	Y/B		
17 Time	1 Peter Collins	Red		
	8 Mike Lanham	Blue		
	15 Alan Molyneux	White		
	10 Dave Perks	Y/B		
18 Time	9 Mal Corradine	Red		
	2 Dave Morton	Blue		
	7 Jim McMillan	White		
	16 Doug Wyer	Y/B		
19 Time	3 Peter Prinsloo	Red		
	12 Martin Yeates	Blue		
	13 Mick McKeon	White		
	6 Bruce Cribb	Y/B		
20 Time	5 Phil Herne	Red		
	14 Kenny Carter	Blue		
	11 Tormod Langli	White		
	4 Nigel Boocock	Y/B		
21 Time	RUN OFF IF NECESSARY FOR 1st PLACE			
		Red		
		Blue		
		White		
		Y/B		

## RIDERS' INDIVIDUAL SCORE CHART

	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total		1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
1 Peter Collins								9 M. Corradine							
2 Dave Morton								10 Dave Perks							
3 Peter Prinsloo								11 T. Langli							
4 Nigel Boocock								12 Martin Yeates							
5 Phil Herne								13 Mick McKeon							
6 Bruce Cribb								14 Kenny Carter							
7 Jim McMillan								15 A. Molyneux							
8 Mike Lanham								16 Doug Wyer							

Reserve : Knud Ellegaard



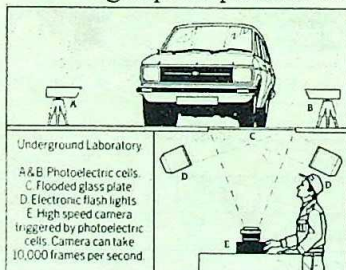
# Our Grand Prix-S. A major contribution to road safety.



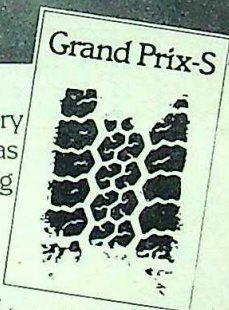
Grand Prix S will fit most popular cars and is also available with white lettering.

Goodyear built a remarkable underground laboratory and used it to prove that their new Grand Prix-S tyre has better resistance to aquaplaning than any other leading brand of radial tyre.

High speed pictures taken from beneath the road



of cars driving through water at 56 mph show conclusively that Grand Prix-S keeps up to 70% of its tread in contact with the road. Some other makes can only keep 26%.



Footprint picture taken from underground laboratory.

This was one of several tests, all observed by the RAC, that proved Grand Prix-S stops shorter in the rain, and keeps its wet grip

longer. In fact, the tests prove that the new Goodyear Grand Prix-S really is 'a major contribution to road safety.'

# GOODYEAR





Chris Morton desperately trying to get his bike to fire before the meeting last Friday, having spent 45 mins. in the pits tracing the fault.

## WOLVES BITE VERY HARD

FOLLOWING their brilliant win at Monmore Green, last Friday in the Inter-League Four Team tournament, the unfancied WOLVES quartet travelled to Cradley on Saturday and Ellesmere Port on Sunday and WON both meetings. They now have a splendid chance of making the Sheffield final in June. To single out individuals would be unfair the results speak for themselves.

### At Wolverhampton on Friday.

Wolves 38, Cradley 35, Belle Vue 19, Ellesmere Port 4. D. Morton 11, B. Cribb 10, H. Nielsen 9, J. McMillan 8.

### At Cradley on Saturday.

Wolves 39, Cradley 34, Belle Vue 16, Ellesmere Port 7. J. McMillan 11, D. Morton 10, H. Nielsen 10, B. Cribb 8.

### At Ellesmere Port on Sunday.

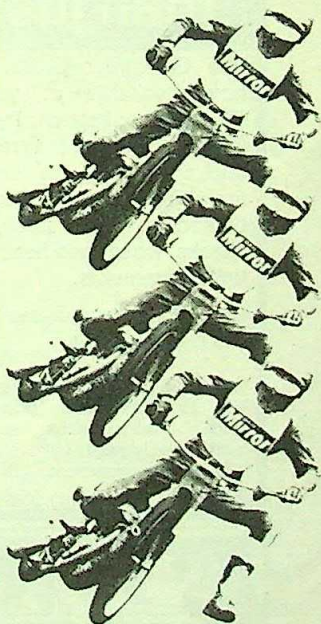
Wolves 31, Cradley 30, Ellesmere Port 18, Belle Vue 17. D. Morton 10, H. Nielsen 8, J. McMillan 7, B. Cribb 6.

The final leg is at Belle Vue, Manchester.

# **DAILY Mirror**

## **First and best for Speedway**

## **Follow the action with Graham Baker**





## OPINION by Midlander

THIS evening's meeting brings together the usual mixture of international star riders, middle order men from the Gulf British League, and young hopefuls. Two of the more experienced performers here tonight are Sheffield's number one, Doug Wyer, a regular down under in Australia during our close season, over the last few years, and Nigel Boocock who emigrated to Sydney when he moved on from Coventry.

Both of these riders have been loyal team men having spent a good many seasons with one British League club, and not indulged in the sensational pre-season pay demands which seem to be-devil the opening of each new campaign. Their dealings have for the most part been conducted in a sensible manner which befits professionals, in short they are good ambassadors and a credit to the sport.

Veteran Nigel Boocock, who in his Coventry days was a real thrill maker, could well be making his last appearance here at Monmore Green, and this is a sad occasion for riders of his breed rare. He always went well at Exeter which is not a track for the faint-hearted, and indeed at all venues he has been full of guts and very competitive.

I look forward to seeing this old Midland favourite tonight and hope that he has a good meeting.

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**IPSWICH SUFFER.** Former League and Cup champions IPSWICH have rider problems, England international Tony Davey has a broken leg and is out for three months; George Hack has returned to Germany and junior rider Tim Hunt is also hurt. It is rumoured that they are after Chris Pusey to plug the gap.

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# last lap

**WOLVERHAMPTON SPEEDWAY RIDERS' BENEVOLENT FUND.** Winning tickets from last week's meeting are as follows : 1st prize, Wine Goblets, number 12937 ; 2nd prize, a Breakfast Set, number 12793 ; 3rd prize, a Stainless Steel Dish, number 15780.

**CROSSWORD WINNER.** This week's lucky winner receives a complimentary pass for meeting number 7 the OLYMPIQUE. Mr. T. Swift, 52, Orchard Lane, Bilbrook, Wolverhampton, there should be a nice surprise in the post for you.

**KEEP TRYING.** One interesting item in the post last week was the envelope containing a crossword entry from Miss A. Sawbridge of Shareshill who decorated it with photographs of British League riders. I think that her artistic efforts were on display in our painting competition last season.

**WOLVES' RIDERS OTHER WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP/GRAND PRIX ROUNDS.** The boys will have ridden their away rounds by now and the details of their efforts will be announced over the loudspeakers tonight. Hans Nielsen has had problems, but the tireless Ted Flanagan has provisionally booked him in to ride his rounds now at Reading, Poole and Ipswich. Bruce Cribb should have ridden at Birmingham and Wimbledon. Jim McMillan should have ridden at Hull and Sheffield and Dave Morton at Poole and Ipswich.

**HECTIC TIME.** Wolves being a truly international team have riders from six nations in their ranks, and due to a variety of international meetings in the next week or so these riders are in for a very busy time indeed, so keep your eyes and ears open for information about your favourite team man.

**NEW MOTOR.** Bruce Cribb installed a new motor last Friday and it seemed to have some poke in it, Bruce returned his best score for the Wolves this season.

**DETAILS FOR THE GOODYEAR SECOND HALF EVENT WHICH ARE BASED ON SECOND HALF FINALS ARE THE SAME AS LAST WEEK AND ARE THUS :**

## FINALS

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Pts.	Time
HANS NIELSEN	2	—	—	—	8	67.0
DAVE MORTON	1	—	—	—	4	66.5
JIM McMILLAN	—	—	1	—	2	—
HASSE DANIELSSON	—	—	—	1	1	—

Points are awarded : 1st 4, 2nd 3, 3rd 2, 4th 1

## RE-ADMISSION

Should the meeting be abandoned prior to the start of the sixth race in the programme the voucher here should be used as indicated.

## WOLVERHAMPTON SPEEDWAY

### RE-ADMISSION TICKET

Meeting Number — 6

Valid for the next three meetings only, excluding B.S.P.A. events. If the meeting is abandoned prior to the start of the sixth race in the programme.



# Features for 1979

Home Meeting No.	Date	Opponents		For	Agst.	Rslt.	Top Rider	Pts.	Bonus
<b>MARCH</b>									
1	30	CRADLEY HEATH (Chall)	H	34	44	Lost	Nielsen	11	0
<b>APRIL</b>									
2	6	'GAUNTLET' MIDLAND RIDERS — SEMI-FINAL	H				Bastable/Olsen	14	0
	7	Belle Vue (GBL)	A	39	39	Draw	Nielsen	10	0
3	13	BELLE VUE (Chall)	H	46	32	Won	Danielsson	Maximum	
	16	Birmingham (GBL)	A	37	41	Lost	Nielsen	12	0
4	20	HALIFAX (GBL)	H	43	35	Won	Danielsson	11	2
	23	Cradley Heath (Chall.)	A	27	50	Lost	Nielsen	10	0
	25	Hull (GBL)	A	35	43	Lost	Nielsen	12	1
5	27	CRADLEY, BELLE VUE, ELLESMERE PORT (4 T.T.)	H				Morton	11	0
	28	Cradley Heath (4 T.T.)	A				McMillan	11	0
	29	Ellesmere Port (4 T.T.)	A				Morton	10	0
<b>MAY</b>									
6	4	WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP GRAND PRIX (BLQR)	H						
	5	Swindon (GBL)	A						
7	11	OLYMPIQUE	H						
8	18	BIRMINGHAM (GBL)	H						
9	25	EASTBOURNE (GBL)	H						
	26	Coventry (GBL)	A						
<b>JUNE</b>									
10	1	READING (GBL)	H						
11	8	CRADLEY HEATH (MC)	H						
	9	Cradley Heath (MC)	A						
	10	Eastbourne (GBL)	A						
12	15	KING'S LYNN (KOC)	H						
	16	King's Lynn (KOC)	A						
13	22	YANKEES (Chall)	H						
14	29	BELLE VUE (GBL)	H						
	30	Cradley Heath (GBL)	A						
<b>JULY</b>									
15	6	KING'S LYNN (GBL)	H						
16	13	FESTIVAL OF SPEEDWAY	H						
	17	Leicester (GBL)	A						
17	20	WIMBLEDON (GBL)	H						
18	27	SHEFFIELD (GBL)	H						
<b>AUGUST</b>									
19	3	HACKNEY (GBL)	H						
	4	Halifax (GBL)	A						
	10	NO MEETING HERE							
	10	Hackney (GBL)	A						
	11	Cradley Heath (DWT)	A						
20	12	CRADLEY. 3.00 p.m. (DWT)	H						
	13	Exeter (GBL)	A						
	16	Ipswich (GBL)	A						
21	17	POOLE (GBL)	H						
22	24	EXETER (GBL)	H						
	27	Reading (GBL)	A						
23	31	IPSWICH (GBL)	H						
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>									
24	7	LEICESTER (GBL)	H						