

Cycle-Speedway No

We have been asked to inform readers that NACSA application forms can now be obtained from the Secretary, Mr. F. Bennett, at 17, Borrowdale Rd. Millbrook, Southampton.

5 AVAILABLE

John Eveleigh, from Wales, will be in Oxford, and hope to attend a few Cycle Speedway meetings in that city, and probably at Marlborough or Hungerford as well. "onal" meet for some lucky club!

near future, with Dutch activities likely to be on a large scale in England this year.

***Vic Cowell is the Public Relations Officer for the World Championship Committee.

RIDERS FROM WALES

Over Easter, Colin Thompson and John be in Oxford, and hope to attend a few that city, and probably at Marlborough

Here's a chance for an "International"

WILTSHIRE A.G.M.

The Wiltshire Annual General Meeting took place in Marlborough on January 27th. The details of the National Annual General Meeting were read.

The treasurer reported a loss this year, mainly due to small receipts from Control Board matches.

An expense claim from Kingston Deverill was turned down after consideration.

Mr.A.J.Hunt was thanked for his services to the Cpntrl Board. His joining the forces was a loss to Wiltshire Cycle Speedway.

The Wiltshire League will be discussed at the next meeting.

OFFICERS ELECTED

Chairman = Mr.H.Dobson. Vice-Chairman = Mr.C.Head. Treasurer = Mr. K.Hope. Secretary = Mr.D.Scott, 133, Whitworth Road, Swindon,Wilts.

Brinkworth Pirates held their AGM on February 10th. We hope to include a report in a future issue.

R.H.Jackson.

OXFORDSHIRE

HAREFIELD 69 COWLEY 27 Yes, Bob Samuels, that was it. A big defeat? Yes. "The excuses?" Bob says. O.K.- No McMinn, Byles, Hudson, Rowland, or Hyde. Also, Pirates are better.

Still, a good match if only to let Roger Seymour gain confidence for his team's effort against Wembley All Stars next time.

For Bob's benefit, I got 7 points from 5 rides. O.K.?

Cowley have a track and now 3 teams - all in the League. On the track, it's a 90 yarder and we're confident it's the Midlands best. Next to the track is a bike shop (open Sundays) and a Juke-Box Cafe. O.K.?

On to the MIDLAND LEAGUE. No one has replied to Jock Sutherland's letter about us joining. Are we?

From July 26th. to August 8th., various Oxford riders will be mobile and wanting races, for every day bar August Bank Holiday. How about it?

My 1959 Forecast. Nat.Trophy = Carrs Wood v Whipps Cross.

Nat.Junior Trophy = Cowley v Carrs Wood. Senior Ind.= McMinn,Dean, Moston. Junior Ind.= Rowlands, Thomas.

Oxford Senior League = Cowley Eagles "A" . Junior League = Cowley. Senior Ind.= McMinn, Califano, Hudson, Junior Ind. = Rowlands, Thomas, Gammon.

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1958 League Averages

HAREFIELD PIRATES

	M	P	B	T	A.
D.Stonex	10	103	1	104	10.40
B.Robinson	11	104	3	107	9.72
B.Punter	13	104	10	114	8.78
P.Leckie	12	93	10	103	8.58
D.Thompson	12	75	4	79	6.58
R.Seymour	11	61	10	71	6.45
B.Whyte	3	18	1	19	6.33
J.King	12	58	3	61	5.08
D.Willmott	5	22	1	23	4.60
S.Collins	8	30	2	32	4.00
E.Norris	5	15	2	17	3.40

LANGLEY LEOPARDS

J.Unsworth	14	121	7	128	9.14
G.Pearce	15	102	10	112	7.46
D.Willis	16	117½	1½	119	7.43
D.Kent	15	105	4	109	7.26
B.Harper	9	60	0	60	6.66
R.Lester	16	78	8	86	5.37
D.Donoghue	11	48	2	50	4.54

TOLWORTH TUDORS "A"

P.Murden	15	146	7	153	10.20
R.Squires	16	132	20	152	9.50
T.Claydon	16	125	21	146	9.12
K.White	15	118	18	136	9.00
P.Rides	12	104	5	109	9.08
D.earce	14	107	15	122	8.71
R.Rirk	7	52	4	56	8.00
M.Little	13	90	11	101	7.76
E.Hurley	15	107	8	115	7.66

Coventry's First 1959 Match

On Sunday February 1st., Whitley Stars visited local team Stoke Vampires. Whitley riders Colley and Rollason turned out for Vampires, in a 6 a side match on a very rough track.
STOKE 59 Colley 18, Rollason 17, Blackett 12, Biggs 5, Adams 4, Garry 3.
WHITLEY 49 Lewis 14, M.Tromans 9, Abbott 7, P.Bailey, B.Bailey, Higgins 6 each, K.Tromans 1.

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Tatnam (Dorset) v Baskerville (Oxford)

On Sunday Jan.25th.Tatnam Tigers, the Dorset Champions held their first meeting of the season. Their visitors were Oxford's Baskerville Hounds. Tatnam ran out easy winners 73-23. Tatnam ran away with the points from the start and built up a good lead. Although Hounds were outclassed by the more experienced Tigers, they never gave up trying.

Only Baskerville man to show any skill was Barlow, who scored a well earned 9 points. Star for the Tigers was Andy Bright, who scored his first maximum. TATNAM ; A.Bright 15, A. Nippard 10, Donny Lilly 10, R.Nicholson 9, Davey Tarr 9, D.Watkins 8, P.Barnes 6, M.Holmes 3.

BASKERVILLE ; Barlow 9, Turner 5, Elldot, Hastings, Brown and Treadwell 2, Spiers 1, Halford 0.

In the second half, the home side won again 55-41. Tudors were without their two main stars Keith Norman and Den Tarr.

TATNAM ; D.Cox 10, P.Woodrow 14, Frampton 12, Wales 6, John Tarr 5, Hayes 5, Dyett 3, Cross 0.

BASKERVILLE PUPS Shapley 13, Hicks 11, Allan 9, Dawes 8, White 3, Wilkinson 2, Thomas 2, Butler 0.

The track was at its worst, but the afternoons sport was enjoyed by one and all. John Dyett, riding in his first match ever, deserves a word of praise.

ROGER NICHOLSON.

SOUTH ESSEX

It is rather IDLE ESSEX at the present moment, with the weather all against racing in any shape or form, same as it is up and down the country. The meteorological men haven't much in store for us either ! The Gladiators have stopped racing until Easter time, when they hope to be travelling to Coventry to race Whitley Stars and maybe a couple more teams that way. They also intend to arrange matches in Essex over Whitsun for Whitley Stars (Coventry) and Cowley Eagles (Oxford). These two out-of-town teams will be booked to race against several of the other local teams. Nothing concrete at present.

Roy Milano told me that he was surprised to learn that he might be racing for East Ham Stars in the winter ! At present he is not definite about next summer season. I hope he decides to stay in the saddle. He was a staunch member of The Gladiators team in 1958, helping them to clinch runners-up spot in the S. Essex League.

The Gladiators football team has proved a highly successful enterprise. Formed in September, they are at present top of their League and remain in a couple of cups. Enigma of the side is Demi Pratt who has to date scored 32 goals of the 100 scored by the side ! Tony Waterman, ex-Park Pirates CSC rider is second with 16. Three members of the Walthamstow Wolves also play for the club in one or other of their two teams. Goalkeeper Ron Gibbons, inside forward Alan Risley and half back brother Ted Risley. Three good 'uns as good at this game as they are on the track !

Another of the Wolves, Stan Stevens, is currently doing very well in Motor Speedway under supervision, and should find a regular berth with one of the new Junior League teams in the summer.

Two Gladiators, fresh out of HM Services are ex-Hawbush Hammer and ex-Tudor Monarch Johnny Wells, who went in when at the peak of his short career and hopes to keep it up this year ; and the other is Terry "Bonkers" Stone, ex-Longbridge Leopard, a rider who never seems to get any better, but nor does he decline ! With ex-Crusader Vic Robinson now out too, Gladiators have plenty of riders in the field. The future of Alan Wood is uncertain for 1959. If he carries on riding, there is a possibility that he may go to a local team, Thurrock Stars, or he may stay with Gladiators. Alan is one of the most experienced riders in Essex, having ridden lately for Dagenham Diamonds, Longbridge Leopards, Fyfield Falcons and The Gladiators. Wherever he goes he will do good.

The proposed Junior Riders training school is being held up at the moment due to one or two troubles, one being that the owners of the ground will not entrust the key of the property to anyone but Johnny Brown, their manager, and Johnny is now married and lives well out at Chingford. Still, we live in hopes.

Whipps Cross are still running successful meetings under their new floodlights scheme so they tell me. Unfortunately I have not been able to get along to see any, but I may make it before the light nights come along again. No news from either Thurrock or East Ham these past few weeks, but no doubt we shall be hearing something.

RON BULL.

FLASHBACK TO 1958

No.5

TATNAM TIGERS "A"

BY ANDY BRIGHT.

Team Name : Tigers ; Location : Old Wareham Road, Newtown, Poole. ;
Telephone : Parkstone 847 ; Racing Day : Sundays 3p.m. ; Colours : Red
and Yellow ; Track Length : 72 yards ; Track Record : 38.8 secs. (Andy
Bright, Aug. 27th. 1958) ; Captain : Davey Tarr ; Manager : Andy Bright
League : Hampshire ; Position : 2nd. N.T.C. : Lost to Whipps X Comets
57-39 July 6th. ; Best Win : Hellingly Lions 63-33 (Sept. 14) ; Biggest
Defeat : Southampton Vikings 62-34 (July 20) ; Dorset Individual :
Davey Tarr 14, Andy Bright 13, Denny Lilly 12, Pete Barnes 9, Dave
Watkins 6, Barry Cherrett 2, Denny Tarr 0. ; Junior Ind.: Mike Holmes
14, Roger Nicholson 13, Graham Lilly 9, John Hall 6, Alan Cherrett 5.
National Individual : Senior - Davey Tarr 6 (9th.) Junior - Mike
Holmes 9 (7th.) ; Leahue Scores : Dave Tarr 110, Dave Watkins 87, Andy
Bright 86, Alan Nippard 80, Denny Lilly 67, Mike Holmes 52, Pete
Barnes 48, Roger Nicholson 47, Tich Carter 28.

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This year has been a very good season for the Tigers in league racing, but in the National Team Championship and Challenge Matches, they did not fare so well. The only disappointing match was at Southampton, when the Vikings crushed the Tigers 62-34. This vital match came in July, when the Tigers never won a match. In the return at Tatnam, the Tigers showed they meant business and were unlucky to lose 47-48. The Tigers were right on form in June, not losing a match ; no doubt the team clicked during the end of May, and cracked in early July. No matches were conceded in September.

Southampton Vikings led the league table for the first few months of the season, then the Tigers took over until mid-July. Tigers fought hard during August to obtain the runners-up position in the League.

Team Reviews are still needed for the "Flashback to 1958" series. There are many, many teams we have not yet heard from, so why not send in your team review today ???

FOR NATIONAL NEWS - READ DAVE STEVENS' COLUMN IN the "SPEEDWAY WORLD"

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For Northern News - "LANCS. & CHESHIRE BULLETIN" obtainable from :-
14, Northolme Gardens, Burnage, Manchester 19.

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For Southern News - "CYCLE SPEEDWAY STAR" obtainable from :-
36, Melthorne Drive, South Ruislip, Middlesex.

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For Norfolk News - "SKID" - 50, Vicarage Road, Norwich.

FOR WORLD-WIDE NEWS - PLACE A FIRM ORDER FOR "CYCLE SPEEDWAY GAZETTE"

EDMONTON MONARCHS

Manager Vic Cowell's plans to make Edmonton one of the finest tracks in the country, received a boost last week, when the Borough Council announced that they had approved the clubs' request for improvements to the Montague Road circuit.

The track is to be widened in the winter months, making the inside six feet wider, and thereby increasing the length of the track. A safety fence is to be erected, completely enclosing the riding part from the spectators enclosure. The Pits are being rebuilt and a completely new surface is being laid.

All this work of course means more outlay for the club. The Council estimate that the task will cost £165, and have accordingly increased the rental for the ground.

Never has enthusiasm been higher at Edmonton. Having joined the Southern Premier League for 1959, Cowell has increased his riding strength to 18, having incorporated several of the now defunct Saints into his club. One of his biggest captures has been Les Westwood, who last season scored an average of 14 per meeting. Tony Mobbs, another addition and second highest scorer for Saints last term, will also add new punch to the new Monarchs.

I asked Vic how he felt about the Saints finishing. "Not too happy" he replied. He went on - "It is always sad to see a grand old team break up, especially when it happens to be one for which you have ridden!". I think that when he went after these Saints chaps, he wasn't so much thinking about strengthening his own outfit, as much as paying respect to Roy Delaney, their manager, by ensuring that the talent which he had discovered stayed at the Edmonton track.

All in all, it would appear that this season, Montague Road will get back some of it's former glory of past seasons.

MIKE BODDY.

DORSETS TOP TWENTY

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|--------------------|-------|----|----------|--------------------------------------|
| 1. Dave Tarr | 11.00 | 19 | year old | skipper of Tatnam and Dorset Champ. |
| 2. Robby Frampton | 9.20 | 16 | year old | skipper of Tatnam Tudors. |
| 3. Dave Watkins | 8.70 | 17 | " | " Came 3rd Poole Riders Champ.Final. |
| 4. Andy Bright | 8.60 | 17 | " | " National Junior Champ.1957. |
| 5. Alan Nippard | 8.00 | 17 | " | " Dorsets best team rider. |
| 6. Tich Carter | 7.00 | 19 | " | " Tatnam Tiger in HMF in London. |
| 7. Denny Lilley | 6.70 | 17 | " | " Ex Chalwyn Stars. |
| 8. Roger Nicholson | 5.22 | 15 | " | " New discovery. |
| 9. Mike Holmes | 5.20 | 16 | " | " Dorset Junior Champ.Ex Gem Pirate |
| 10. Pete Woodrow | 4.86 | 15 | " | " Tatnam Tiger since team formed. |
| 11. Pete Barnes | 4.86 | 17 | " | " One of Dorsets most experienced. |
| 12. Denny Tarr | 4.50 | 18 | " | " Brother of Dave Tarr. |
| 13. Dave Cox | 4.25 | 14 | " | " Ex Upton Eagle - now Tatnam Tiger. |
| 14.Keith Norman | 4.00 | 18 | " | " Gem Pirates skipper in 1956. |
| 15. Barry Cherrett | 3.33 | 17 | " | " Crash Expert. |
| 16. Alan Cherrett | 2.97 | 15 | " | " Brother of Barry. |
| 17. Johnny Tarr | 2.20 | 14 | " | " Brother of Dave and Denny. |
| 18. Eddie Chappel | 1.00 | 22 | " | " Veteran. |
| 19. John Hettor | 1.00 | 14 | " | " |
| 20. Alan Power | 1.00 | 13 | " | " Probable Tatnam Tudor 1959. |

CLUB DIRECTORY

Since we last published a Club Directory, there have been a few alterations, and a few additions.

We hope that every club in Great Britain will eventually register their club in our Directory, as we hope to be able to compile the biggest and best record of teams that has yet been achieved.

YOU can help in this by sending in the name and address of YOUR club secretary NOW, and informing us of any change.

We feel, and indeed have been told by readers, that such a Directory is valuable to the sport, so come on, and HELP US TO HELP YOU !!!

Thurrock Stars. B.Watson, 91, Brennan Road, Tilbury, Essex.
Aylestone Aces. R.Wright, 22, Leveric Road, Leicester.
The Gladiators. R.Bull, 13, Manor Road, Romford, Essex.
Whipps X Comets. J.Brown, 13, Amesbury Drive, Chingford, London E.4
Whitley Stars. J.K.Leith, 64, Tonbridge Road, Whitley, Coventry.
Baskerville Hounds. J.Barlow, 42, Ashurst Way, Rose Hill, Oxford.
Cowley Eagles. B.Shapley, 202, Herschel Crescent, Littlemore, Oxford.
Leicester All Stars. C.Lymn, 68, Parker Drive, Leicester.
Harefield Pirates. R.Seymour, 36, Melthorne Drive, South Ruislip, Middx.
Hellingly Lions. Miss G.Hollebon, 12, Garfield Rd. Hailsham, Sussex.
Elmdon Bees. N.Thompson, 90, Elmdon Park Rd. Solihull, Warks.
Tatnam Tigers, A.Bright, 13, Harbour Hill. Crescent, Poole, Dorset.
Horspath Hammers. M.A.Cull, 2, manor Farm Rd. Horspath, Oxford.
Belgrave Red Devils. H.Glover, 19, Abbey Drive, Leicester.
Anstey Eagles. F.Farmer, 14, Bosworth St. Leicester.
Blackbird Monarchs. A.Green, 6, Sherringham Rd. Leicester.
Birmingham Lions. B.Buck, 54, Herbert Rd. Small Heath, Birmingham 10
Bricket Wood Kangaroos. R.Saunders, 12, The Crescent, Br.Wd.St. Albans.
Langley Leopards. G.Pearce, 1, Mead Avenue, Langley, Bucks.
Tolworth Tudors. D.Pearce, 135, Garth Rd. Morden, Surrey.
Wembley All Stars. V.Merner, 156, Roxeth Green Ave. S'th. Harrow, Middx.
Southampton Vikings. D.Mills 82, Dover Street, Southampton.
Southampton Bombers. P.Daley, 10, Warren Cres. Shirley, Southampton.
Chandlersford Stars. P.Smith, 5, Hursley Rd. Chandlersford, Hants.
Burley Broadviders. E.Loxnen, The Cross, Burley, Ringwood, Hants.
Vickers Viscounts. J.Cooke, 23, Maxwell Road, Bournemouth.
South London Hunters. J.R.Whittaker, 24, Kingsley St. Battersea, SW11.
South London Rangers. As Hunters.
Beckenham Monarchs. R.Johnson, 105, Marsala Rd. Lewisham, SE 13.
Thornton Heath Cobras. J.Bloor, 77, Dixon Rd. S'th. Norwood, SE 25.
Tooting Tigers. W.Cattle, 141a, Penwith Rd. Earlsfield, SW 18.
Tooting Wildcats. As Tigers.
Ditton Devils. M.Smith, 79, Knollmead, Tolworth, Surrey.
Hungerford Panthers. A.Mansbridge, Upper Denford, Hungerford.
Raynes Park Tigers. A.Jones, 13, Rookstone Rd. Tooting, SW 17.
Aldridge Hammers. J.Heaton, 56, Monsel Road, Great Barr, B'ham 22a.
Hagley Comets. D.Roden, 56, Earls Court Rd. Harbourne, B'ham 17.
Sutton Stars. H.Loasby, 60, French Ave. Mile Oak, Tamworth, Staffs.

BIRMINGHAM A.G.M.

The Birmingham and District Association A.G.M. was held on February 6th. Despite fog the attendance was very good numbering 51, ten more than at the 1958 A.G.M.

The meeting began with a short report from the Chairman Peter Dorman followed by a lengthy report from secretary Harold Smith mentioning the achievements of the previous season. The highlights had been the visit of the Swedish party and the success of the Midland League and Riders Championship. The former had brought much publicity to the sport in the form of two spots on T.V. Newsreels and in a twenty minute radio programme. This season a Dutch junior side would be visiting the country and it was hoped they would ride in B'ham.

At the Birmingham League the Kingstanding Monarchs "B" had been successful and the runners up were Birmingham Lions "A". Harold Smith remarked that on their form during the second half of the season Lions may well have won the title. The Monarchs have now won the League Championship seven times in succession - a national record.

The Hagley Comets were clear cut winners of the second division Cup.

At the 1959 policy discussion meeting in January, an Easter Tour had been called for and the secretary announced that a visit to Middlesex was being arranged open to all B'ham riders.

The final report, from treasurer Jim Bond, was very encouraging. Thanks largely to the re-union Dance held in September the balance in hand stood at £22.11.9d.

Since no resolutions had been proposed the reports were followed by the election of officers for 1959. They are: Chairman - R.J. Shirley; treasurer - P. Dorman; General Secretary - H. Smith; Fixtures secretary K. Davenport; executive committee - F.L. Goode, H. Loasby, G. Sedgley.

Under "any other business" the item causing most discussion was introduced by John Ward who asked simply, "Are we affiliating to N.A.C.S.A. this year?" The new Chairman said that since he knew little about the alternative, the B.C.S.F., he would appreciate it if someone would outline what they had to offer. John Leith explained briefly and answered questions put to him. He said that in many respects the present Midland Association resembled what could be a Midland Region of the B.C. .F. The Chairman then asked for a vote on the matter. A suggestion by Elmdon that the voting should be on a club basis (1 vote per club) in order to get a true picture of how individual clubs would wish to affiliate, was ruled out of order by the Chairman. The voting was 28 pro-NA.C.S.A. and 8 pro-B.C.S.F. It was learned that Whitley Stars would affiliate to both bodies.

N. THOMPSON.

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