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TWO TEAMS REJECTED

BY BRIAN BUCK.

At the March meeting of the Birmingham Control Board, the applications of Aldridge Hammers and Baddesley Pirates for 1960 league membership were rejected.

The rules are that all applications and registrations must be in Control Board hands by February 6th. Both clubs did not adhere to this rule but surely expelling them is far too harsh a penalty, particularly as we are so short of tracks. Aldridge have been members of the league for many years but now they say that they will never ride in the Birmingham League again and that they intend to start a Wolverhampton league. Baddesley were only formed last season and now they have decided to leave the sport, except one rider. Also lost is the nucleus of a rival team at Bently Heath. In my view, the Board has killed the sport in both these areas.

POOLE BEST PAIRS

By Andy Bright.

On March 27th, Tatnam staged the Poole Best Pairs. Winners were Andy Bright and Dave Tarr with 23 points. Second were Dave Watkins and Barry Cherrett, 19. The match was rather disappointing with several of the favourites not riding. Estuary Eagles cancelled their Gold Cup match with Tatnam Tigers on April 10th. The Tigers are now awaiting the result of the Beckenham/Brighton encounter. Touring news: The Aussies dock at Southampton on July 16. They will spend the 17th looking around a factory and open the tour at Southampton Bombers on the 18th. They will ride the Vikings on the 20th and move west to ride Tatnam Tigers on the 21st. NOTE. It is now said that the tour is off. Not official.

REPORTS & SCORES

OF THE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP FIRST ROUNDS .

AT WHIPPS CROSS TRACK.

QUALIFYING SCORES. B.Punter(Harefield) 13, K.Bristowe(Wembley) 12, D.Dean (Wembley) 12, P.Milton (South London R) 11, R.Chivers (South London R) 11, R.Webb (South London R) 10, R.Fraser (Wembley) 9, F.Bouttell (Wembley) 9, D.Daniel (South London R).

AT ELMOND TRACK.

Racing was poor in this, the first match of the two. Kev Rowland was unlucky to lose a maximum due to a fall in his last ride.

QUALIFYING SCORES. B.Geater (Hungerford) 15, B.Dawes(Littlemore) 13, T.Clark(Bucklebury) 13, G.Mullett(Littlemore) 11, K.Rowland(Littlemore) 10, J.Naylor(Bucklebury) 9, M.Watts (Bucklebury) 9, M.Cooper(Bucklebury) 8, J.Cross(Anstey) 8. (BB)
Note- The official scores differ from those submitted by our correspondent, hence the discrepancy in the above report. Official scores are given.

AT ELMOND TRACK.

The second match was turned into a farce by the failure of Varnish, Colley, Tromens, Tapp and Hemus to put in an appearance. The racing was faster, but only slightly better than the first match.

QUALIFYING SCORES. D.Roden(Hagley) 14, H.Glover (Blackbird) 12, N.Thompson (Elmond) 11, G.Langston (Walsall) 11, R.Lewis(Whitley) 10, M.Morrall(Elmond) 10, T.Arnold(Hagley) 10, B.Butler(Whitley) 8.

AT WALLINGFORD TRACK.

QUALIFYING SCORES. N.Griffiths(S'ton Vikings) 13, M.Casper(S.Nomads) 12, J.Mills(S'ton Vikings) 12, R.Yates(S'ton Vikings) 11, T.Davis(S.Nomads) 11, D.Tarr(Tatnam) 11, R.Smith(Hellingly) 10, G.Hollebon (Hellingly) 8.

2nd round draw. M.Miles should read M.Morrall.

AT SOUTHAMPTON BOMBERS Track

After all night rain, the track was inches deep in mud. Here I must say "Look out for Pig Bernie in further rounds." Yes, Bernie Cable looks really good this season and topped this round in great style. Others to impress were Pitfield and Pretty of Bournemouth and Reggie Squires of Tolworth. I must also add the names of Frampton, Bright Barnes and the other Tatnam boys.

QUALIFYING SCORES. B.Cable(S.Nomads) 14, K.Pitfield(B'mth) 12, M.Pretty(B'mth) 12, R.Squires(Tolworth) 10, A.Bright(Tatnam) 10, B.Frampton(Tatnam) 9, P.Barnes(Tatnam) 9, D.Cox(Tatnam) 9, D.Cattle(S.Nomads) 8.

AT EDMONTON MONARCHS TRACK

QUALIFYING SCORES. A.Ford(Claydon) 13, A.Rayner(Thurrock) 12, D.Lockwood(Claydon) 12, C.Hiskey(Claydon) 11, A.Wood(Thurrock) 11, M.Barnyard(Claydon) 10, M.Parkins(Boundary) 8, P.Hudson(Thurrock) 7, M.Cullingford(Boundary) 7.

AT WELL STREET, HACKNEY.

Richard Baker of Beckenham surprised all by topping this round with 13. Next with 12 were Pete Saunders and Barry Shapley of Bushey. Shapley snapped a cotter in his first ride, but won the next 4. But this round was not a great success. The reasons - no lap flags, the track inches deep in loose cinder, the steward, Mr.Bacon, far too harsh and making no allowance for the track state - an opinion voiced by both riders and spectators, and finally, no liason between the pits and the centre. Good racing at times, though.

QUALIFYING SCORES. R.Baker(Beckenham) 13, B.Shapley(Bushey) 12, P.Saunders(Bushey) 12, N.Goodrum(Beckenham) 10, L.Baker(Raynes Park) 10, P.Rides(Raynes Park) 10, G.Chapman(Beckenham) 9, G.Smith(Beckenham) 8.

AT TOTTENHAM KANGAROOS TRACK.

A maximum by Mick Jeffery here. Team-mate Les Westwood dropped only onepoint also. Heat 20 was probably the best race when Westwood pipped Roy Baker, white lineing all the way. Pete Blackwell was unlucky in being excluded in his 4th heat. The meeting was well organised, with quick races and good stewarding by Mr.Watkins.

QUALIFYING SCORES. M.Jeffery(Edmonton) 15, L.Westwood(Edmonton) 14, R.Baker(S.L.R) 12, R.Smith(S.L.R) 11, K.Parsons(S.L.R) 10, P.Blackwell(S.L.H) 9, S.Pipe(Whipps X) 8, K.Taylor(Whipps X) 8, G.Watkins(S.L.H) 7.

AT BECKENHAM MONARCHS TRACK.

4 riders failed to appear at this round and one of the replacements had to be Dave Chivers, who is already seeded to the semi-final. Dave scored a maximum. The round was not a great one though. One main trouble was that the steward did not have a programme and consequently there were troubles with grid positions. One of the most peculiar races was when Hill and Hurley were excluded after a tussle and Mr. Warf ordered a re-run without them. Chubb did not wish to take part and Pete Page rode round by himself. Paul Murden rode well for 13.

QUALIFYING SCORES. P. Murden (Tolworth) 13, P. Page (Raynes Park) 11, C. Read (Edmonton) 11, M. Reading (Tottenham) 9, T. Porter (Edmonton) 8, D. Wills (Edmonton) 8, E. Hurley (Tolworth) 8, A. Jackson (Edmonton) 6, N. Dunn (Tottenham) 6.

AT OPENSHAW MONARCHS TRACK

QUALIFYING SCORES. R. Holmes (Lupset) 14, C. Nanfan (Carrs Wood) 14, R. Bates (Linsdale) 12, M. Vickers (Lupset) 12, D. Bartholomew (Gorton) 11, D. McGhee (Wilmslow) 10, T. Hunt (Linsdale) 9, J. Mills (Carrs Wd) 8, N. Cockcroft (Linsdale) 8.

AT LONGSIGHT PEGASUS TRACK.

QUALIFYING SCORES. V. Hinchcliffe (Wilmslow) 14, D. Johnston (Lupset) 13, C. Brooke (Linsdale) 12, D. Garnett (Wilmslow) 12, G. Shaw (Longsight) 9, C. Sutcliffe (Linsdale) 9, A. Lomas (Wilmslow) 9, N. Bedford (Lupset) 8.

A MESSAGE FROM HARTOG DE RONDE

(Dutch Cycle Speedway President.)

As founder of the Cycle Speedway World Championships, I am following the activities of the event in England with great interest. May I wish the co-operating organisers the most success with this International event. May I further wish the full co-operation and contribution of all Cycle Speedway enthusiasts with this event, as this is the second chance after the 1950 event in the Empress Hall, that Cycle Speedway can show its worthiness, as being a sport for and through the youth without discrimination of human beings and without policy. May I quote the words of Baron Pierre de Coubertin: 'Most important in the life is not the victory, but the fight. - To participate is more important than to win.' And this means not only for the riders!!!

SPOTLIGHT ON ONE OF THE SPORT'S GREATEST ENTHUSIASTS
THE BRIAN MAKEPEACE STORY
BY DEL GODDARD.

I first met Brian Makepeace when I was just making the grade with the now defunct Fishersgate Flyers, maybe some of the older riders will remember them. Well, I never had much to do with him then as he was always bustling about getting to know everybody, especially the visiting team. He was always improving his bike and knowledge and had quite a few rides, improving every time. Perhaps his most memorable match was at the old Harefield Pirates track back in 1953. He was dead keen and put all he had into it and in the process annihilated 2 bikes, his own and the team captain's. Was his face red!

Then in 1954 the blow fell. Due to National Service etc, the club disbanded and the lads just drifted apart.

No one could have been more disappointed than Brian and to the best of my knowledge he attended a lot of the main London meetings and also wrote articles for the "Cycle Speedway Gazette", no doubt all the time planning something for the future.

Indeed, that was the case, as in 1957, I again made contact with him and discovered he had formed a club and invited me to join. A week later I attended a club night and discovered that he had attracted 2 of the old Flyers back and was full of enthusiasm. He had also helped to form a club in Worthing, by giving them a talk about the sport in his spare time and was ably assisted by them in everything to get the sport going.

Then came the real drive he is renowned for, by applying for a track site to the local council. He was sadly disappointed when the appeal was turned down but didn't give up hope and applied again and again. At last we were granted permission and work began, and I do mean work. The site was like a jungle. However, Brian again turned up trumps and managed to persuade someone with a 'dozer to level it out for a very low figure thereby saving our finance from complete ruin.

He then proceeded to put his other plans into action by laying the basis of our league and putting forward suggestions would benefit us no end, had some of them been introduced then, but time didn't permit. /PGEL2.

WASPS READY

BY BRIAN MAKEPEACE

WANTLEY RARIN' TO GO.

The Henfield track is now ready and all the "Wasps" are waiting to welcome the Brighton Scorchers for their first match on Saturday 23rd April. They will race-off for the "Premier Trophy" and if the enthusiasm of the lads is anything to go by the "Scorchers" are in for a hard time.

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP.

Neither of the League's riders exactly set the Bombers track alight but both enjoyed the racing and meeting the friends which they have gained. What a pity it rained as this is a track that would certainly produce some first class racing on a fine day.

We hear that the Worthing Sputniks will be honoured in being able to hold the second round of the World Championships at Hill Barn Lane. This will be a big boost for the sport in the area.

The track is being prepared for the event and I understand that the new surface is down and they are only awaiting a delivery of oil to bind the cinder down.

HORSPATH HAMMERS TO TOUR SUSSEX.

The Oxford team Horspath Hammers will be making a lightening tour of Sussex at Whitsun with the following matches. Saturday afternoon Worthing Sputniks, evening (7.0) Hellingly Lions, Sunday (after the Wantley-Worthing league match) Wantley Wasps, Whit Monday, Brighton Scorchers.

Certainly a tough time ahead for the Hammers but from reports, I feel they must revel in hard matches and tight schedules. Heres hoping our English climate holds out!

RIDING STRENGTH.

WORTHING SPUTNIKS - 11 seniors, 1 junior.
BRIGHTON SCORCHERS - 5 seniors, 6 juniors. WANTLEY WASPS - 5 seniors, 10 juniors. Juniors - 16 or under. Wantley have more registrations yet to come. Peter Pemberton will probably be back in Scorchers colours and will certainly help to fill a vacant slot.

ESTUARY IN TROUBLE

BY DEN WINCH.

By the time this article is printed the fate of Southend's only club will be known. As rumours go I hear of retirements of different riders, now the club has only 5 regulars. My effort to get Graham Priest out of retirement did however succeed for one meeting. During the match against East Ham Wolves Graham had the misfortune to have the reoccurrence of knee trouble and hasn't ridden since. The match against East Ham Wolves at Hackney resulted in a win for the locals by 56 points to 36. The East London team also had their team troubles fielding only 5 riders. Official Scorers; East Ham Wolves- P.Fraser 14, P.Bromley 12, R.Gibbons 11, R.Archie 11, M.Bell 9. Estuary Eagles- A.Hockley 8, T.Woolner 7, G.Bridge 6, J.Pace 5, G.Priest 5, P.Chilton 5.

The Eagles financial state is bad. The club are £10 in the red. What treasurer Dave Terry has in mind is not known, but everyone looks to Dave to turn this debit into credit. With 2 attractive fixtures on Easter Sunday against Raynes Park Tigers and Hellingly Lions, I do expect to see a good crowd at the Kimberley Road track. On Easter Monday the Eagles travel to Hellingly in the return fixture with the Lions. Why did Eagles withdraw from the Gold Cup? This is a question being asked amongst the locals. The answer is this. We arranged to travel to Poole on Saturday April 9th, staying overnight and meeting Tatnam Tigers the following day. However our financial state was bad, and the only accomodation the Tigers could offer was a local hotel at 21/- the night. I would like to suggest to the B.C.S.F., next season zone the Gold Cup into North and South for the first round. What do other clubs think?

Estuary Eagles have received various offers of Challenge matches however I would like to point out, we cannot accept any more as we must race off our Essex Association fixtures.

The last Challenge fixture was arranged with Horspath Hammers at Kimberley Road on July 10th and Horspath July 17th.

T.V. Interested

FRED SIMPSON REPORTS FROM NORFOLK

We have received a letter from our local ANGLIA TELEVISION, saying that they would be interested in televising one of our big matches during the coming season. Let's hope that something is arranged as this can be a big boost for our sport here in Norfolk. I am not aware if any other Cycle Speedway is televised in other parts of the country, let's hope it will be, and the more the better!

WILMOTT CUP DRAW. (a team knock out cup.)

Preliminary Round.

Galley v Norwich Stars.

Blofield v Spixworth

Buxton v Wrenningham.

1st round proper.

Mulbarton v Blofield or Spixworth.

Boundary v Buxton or Wrenningham.

Foulsham v Hellesdon.

Scottow v Galley or Stars.

TRACKS FOR BIG MATCHES.

Best pairs final - Blofield.

4 a side Final - Scottow.

Norfolk v Suffolk - Galley.

Norfolk v Essex - Hellesdon.

Norwich v Norfolk - Boundary.

Norfolk v Norwich - Buxton.

Malcolm Flood Memorial Cup - Mulbarton.

Individual Final - Spixworth.

Our first official league matches will start on the 17th April.

The Norfolk Secretary is Mr. A. Forster,
5 Thornham Close, Sprowston, Norwich.

APRIL'S TOP EVENT

THE MALCOLM FLOOD MEMORIAL CUP.

Sunday April 24th at 3.p.m.

AT MULBARTON ACES TRACK.

m-unbeaten.

N.T.C.

WEMBLEY HAWKS 48. Bristowe 12, Wildman 9, O'Grady 8.

HAREFIELD PIRATES 48. Unsworth 12, Punter 10, Viner 7.

Middlesex League.

BUSHEY KANGAROOS 45. Bracey 14, Shapley 9, Saunders, P 9.

RAYNES PARK TIGERS 50. Page 13, Chivers 12, Cracknell 7.

BUSHEY KANGAROOS 37. Shapley 11, Saunders, P 9, Saunders, B 7.

TOLWORTH TUDORS 59. Squires 12, Hurley 11, Brimson 8.

Essex League.

WHIPPS CROSS COMETS 57½. Taylor 13, Pipe 11, Brown 8.

HAWBUSH HAMMERS 50½. Chubb 13, Koehler 12, Warren 8.

HAWBUSH HAMMERS 38. Bromley 15m, Archie 14m, Fraser 13.

EAST HAM WOLVES 70. Koehler 12, Chubb 8, Green 5, Warren 5.

GLADIATORS 45, EAST HAM WOLVES 55.

Gold Cup - Round 1.

TATNAM TUDORS 71. Frampton 15m, Phillips 14, Cherrett 11m.

TOTTENHAM KANGAROOS 37. Hill 10, Dunn 9, Reading 8.

Southern Premier League.

LITTLEMORE LIONS 40. Dawes 12, Rowland 6.

SOUTHERN NOMADS 56. Scorers not to hand.

Challenge Matches.

LITTLEMORE LIONS 53. Miles 13, Byles 12, Dale 9.

HUNGERFORD PANTHERS 42. Scorers not to hand.

BUSHEY KANGAROOS 65. Saunders, P 10m, Bracey 10, Gillett 9.

ESTUARY EAGLES 31. Hockley 10, French 6, Chilton 5.

HAREFIELD PIRATES 26. Hunting 11, Wildman 6½, Wright 4½.

HAREFIELD LIONS 22. Seymour 8, Viner 7, Wearn 5.

BUSHEY JNRS 43. Green 12, Bedford, Rome, Flander 6 each.

TOTTENHAM JNRS 53. Seyd 11, Mitchell 11, Pope 9, White 9.

Essex Junior League.

WHIPPS CROSS JNRS 'A' 40. Callins 12m, Gibbons 12m, Pipe 8m.

LAKESIDE ROCKETS 'A' 8. McGinley 4, Pipe 2, Huggins 2.

WHIPPS CROSS JUNIORS 'B' 37. LAKESIDE ROCKETS 'B' 11.

WHIPPS CROSS JNRS 35. Gibbons 12m, Pipe 12m, Currey 8.

HAWBUSH DIAMONDS 12, Scorers not to hand.

Easter Trophy.

South London Rangers 46, Edmonton Monarchs 50.

Middlesex Reserve League.

BUSHEY FLYERS 6. Trueman 3, Green 3.

RAYNES PARK 23. Sullivan 7m, Braden 6m, Kitching 5m.

FIXTURE.

May 8th. Southampton Vikings v Tatnam Tigers. Hants Lge.

THE BRITISH LEAGUE

EXTRACTS FROM THE LEAGUE NEWSCAST (V. COWELL)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
South London Rangers	3	3	0	0	197	91	6
Edmonton	2	2	0	0	121	70	4
South London Hunters	3	2	0	1	148	139	4
Beckenham	3	1	1	1	140	148	3
Thurrock	3	0	1	2	112	176	1
Hellingly	1	0	0	1	40	56	0
Tottenham	3	0	0	3	105	183	0

RESULTS FROM 20-27 MARCH

Tottenham 31 Edmonton 65. Thurrock 36 S.L. Rangers 60
 Beckenham 43 S.L. Hunters 53. S.L. Hunters 56 Hellingly 40
 S.L. Rangers 69 Tottenham 27. Thurrock 48 Beckenham 48.

LEADING RACE AVERAGES

R. Baker (S.L.R) 3.00	R. Webb (S.L.R) 2.92
R. Chivers (S.L.R) 2.84	D. Wills (Edmonton) 2.62
L. Westwood (Edmonton) 2.60	D. Daniel (S.L.R) 2.46
P. Blackwell (S.L.H) 2.40	P. Bowden (Edmonton) 2.37
R. Baker (Beckenham) 2.33	J. Mills (S.L.H) 2.30

(Calculated from league scoring details.)

HAWKS SHOCK

At the B.C.S.F Executive of March 29th, Wembley Hawks and Cowley Eagles were disqualified from the Gold Cup and Britannia Shield events due to non completion of their registration form. This is no surprise in the case of Cowley Eagles, for as regular '5-1' readers know, Cowley no longer exist as such. Regarding Hawks though, this is nothing short of sensation, for now that they have plenty of good riders available, they most have stood every chance in the Gold Cup. Their opponments, Hellingly Lions, now receive a first round bye and will receive the winners of Bushey v Worthing in the second. Wembley and Cowley have been summoned before the Executive.

ALLOTT

Up in Oxford everyone was on about Littlemore Eagles 4 point loss to Raynes Park Tigers. Most people expected a Tigers victory by stacks, except "Allott", he's pleased no end!

2 leagues look like falling down - Southern Premier and the Oxford one. The Raynes Park Tigers and Southern Nomads are most likely going to N.W. Middlesex - no doubt 1960's biggest league too - and that knocks Southern Premier for six, or is it 2? In Oxford no-one's heard 'nuthin.' Strong men of the Littlemore side look like being Dawes and Rowland, the Oxford ex-juniors of national notions.

At Well Street Hackney, a cruel stroke of misfortune - more cruel than many - put our editor and Bushey Kangaroo boss-man Bob Saunders, out of the World Championships. Only one other rider I know has won his first 2 races and finished with 7 points - remember the Mrs Males Trophy, Bob?

From the press and the '5-1', no doubt we'll know the 90 odd riders in round 2 of the World, makes interesting reading does'nt it? Makes one see the amount of work Messrs Bacon, Bennett, etc., have done, is perhaps the country's biggest thing since the News Chronicle. Thanks chaps. By the way - anyone wanting a dark horse for this competition? I nominate little Lennie Baker of Raynes Park - a great stylist.

Re-forecast for the Middlesex League, owing to the Wembley change and the Raynes Park Tigers and Nomads entries - 1st Raynes Park, 2nd Wembley Hawks last Harefield Lions.

Theres a rider named Geoff Smith of Beckenham who could reach great heights (I know he's 6 foot odd, but I don't mean that!) - but each time I see him he's had a fall or two, and from 6 feet up, it must hurt.

HOME COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP

Would any riders interested in taking part in this event at Bushey, write to the Editor. However, only a couple of places are left, so don't delay.

THE SECOND ROUND

OF THE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP.

AT LUPSET, Nr WAKEFIELD, YORKS. Steward - N. Collier.

M. Vickers A, C. Nanfan B, T. Hunt C, G. Shaw D, P. Lomas E,
C. Brooke C, V. Hinchcliffe E, C. Sutcliffe C, K. Batholomew
F, D. McGhee B, D. Bates C, R. Holmes A, J. Cockroft C,
D. Garnett E, N. Bedford A, D. Johnston A.

AT SPENCER PARK, COVENTRY. Steward - H. Smith.

R. Lewis G, B. Dawes H, G. Mullett H, J. Mills B, N. Thompson
J, G. Langston K, P. Johnson C, B. Butler G, M. Watts L,
K. Rowland H, B. Geater M, D. Roden N, J. Cross P, M. Miles J,
T. Arnold N, H. Glover Q.

AT BASKERVILLE, OXFORD. Steward - B. Mansbridge.

P. Page R, M. Cooper L, P. Saunders S, K. Bristowe T, F. Rout-
tell T, L. Baker R, D. Dean T, P. Rides R, R. Squires U,
P. Clarke L, J. Naylor L, E. Hurley U, B. Shapley S, R. Fraser
T, P. Murden U, W. Punter V.

AT WORTHING. Steward - J. Richardson.

A. Bright W, R. Yates X, J. Mills X, G. Smith Y, N. Goodrum Y,
M. Pritty Z, R. Baker Y, K. Pitfield Z, N. Griffiths X,
R. Smith a, D. Tarr W, P. Barnes W, G. Hollebon a, G. Chapman
Y, M. Cox W, B. Frampton W.

AT RAYNES PARK, SOUTH LONDON. Steward - P. Taylor.

K. Parsons b, M. Casper c, K. Taylor d, A. Jackson e, C. Read
e, G. Dunn f, T. Porter e, M. Reading f, T. Davis c, B. Cable
c, D. Cattle c, P. Blackwell j, S. Pipe d, D. Wills e,
P. Milton b, R. Webb b.

AT GARRATT PARK, SOUTH LONDON. Steward - T. Watkins.

A. Ford g, M. Jeffery e, A. Rayner h, D. Daniel j, R. Smith b,
A. Wood h, R. Chivers b, D. Lockwood g, L. Westwood e,
M. Parkins k, M. Cullingford k, C. Hiskey g, P. Hudson h,
R. Baker b, M. Barnyard g, G. Watkins b.

NOTE. All listed in riding number order. The top 11 go
through from Lupset, Coventry, Baskerville and Raynes
Park, otherwise it is the top 10.

CODE REFERENCES.

A Lupset, B Carrs Wood, C Linsdale, D Longsight, E Wilms-
low, F Gorton, G Whitley, H Littlemore, J Elmdon,
K Walsall, L Bucklebury, M Hungerford, N Hagley, P anstey
Q Blackbird, R Raynes Park, S Rushey, T Wembley, U Tolwo-
rth, V Harefield, W Tatnam, X Southampton Vikings, Y
Beckenham, Z Bournemouth, a Hellingly, See Over

REFERENCES (CON'T)

b South London Rangers, c Southern Nomads, d Whippes Cross, e Edmonton, f Tottenham, g Claydon, h Thurrock J South London Hunters, k Boundary.

OBITUARY

The Raynes Park Tigers Cycle Speedway Club regret to announce the death of one of their most popular riders, Billy Biggs. Bill, an ex-Tolworth rider, joined the Tigers at the beginning of the season from the Tudors and to date had ridden in three matches for his new club. Although only with the club a short time, Bill soon made himself popular with all his team mates and was liked and respected by everyone he came in contact with. He will be sadly missed by everyone at Raynes Park. Goodbye Bill. May you rest in peace.

TONY JONES (Secretary)
Raynes Park C.S.C.

Bill died through injuries sustained on falling from a van on Wednesday 23rd March. A 2 minutes silence was observed before the Littlemore v Raynes Park match.

THE BRIAN MAKEPEACE STORY (CON'T)

When the league was under way he devoted most of his spare time to writing for the local press and arranging for us to ride in local fetes etc, with a lot of success.

In the matches that followed he proved himself to be a true sportsman and gentleman, on or off the track. Bad luck dogged him late in the season, illness forcing him to miss the Inter League Test versus Southern Premier after a fine showing in the trials and the League Individual Championship. But in 1959 he made up for them both and he gave a very creditable display in both and helped further to make himself one of the most popular riders in our area.

As an organiser and true friend I don't think there is anyone else like him in our area, with all due respect to everyone else, but without him I doubt if the sport would have reared its head

in West Sussex again. At the moment he has hopes for a bigger league and new competitions and is helping to expand the sport by using his spare time to give talks to prospective teams which, in my opinion, is a very big job, but in capable hands.

This season I hope will be his best yet, he is at the moment building a completely new machine and I wish him all the best in the future and hope he will go on making new friends in fresh areas.

WOLVES STRONG

By Mick Green.

In my opinion, East Ham Wolves can now beat any team in the country. Back in the saddle for them is former Walthamstow manager, Terry Greenaway. Also back is ex-Black Lion Monarchs captain Vic Harding. Some combination. In the league, Wolves won at Hawbush 70-38, Bromley and Archie being unbeaten while Koehler scored 12 for Hammers. Demi Pratt made a comeback when Gladiators beat Whipps Cross, scoring 14. At a meeting of Estuary Eagles, they decided to keep going, despite rider troubles. Gladiators, however, lost to East Ham Wolves 45-55. I am in full agreement with the Editor, when he says that banning individual dress from the World Championships will not be good from the spectators, giving them no individual rider who stands out in appearance. Yours truly is to resign from the fixtures committee as I feel that without Ron Bull on it, the committee does not run as efficiently as it could.

WHIPPS CROSS COMETS 57½ HAWBUSH HAMMERS 50½.

In the first senior league match of the season at Temple Mills Lane, the Comets found the visitors hard to master and the Hammers were in front for the first half of the match and with only 5 heats to go, only held a slender one point lead. But using Keith Taylor as tactical reserve, the Comets put on the pressure at the end to win by 7½ points.

The juniors have opened successfully beating Hawbush 35-12, Lakeside 'A' 40-8 and Lakeside 'B' 37-11, Stuart Gibbons, John Pipe and Mick Currey riding well. (J. Brown) Gold Cup.. TATNAM TUDORS 71 TOTTENHAM KANGAROOS 37.

Tudors were on top form here in this surprise win. 5 of the Tudors were in devastating form, scoring above 9. For the Kangaroos, Clive Hill and Nobby Dunn largely saved them from a bigger defeat. Well done, Tudors. A.B.

PLUS TWO MINUS ONE

BY BOB SAUNDERS.

Two additions to the N.W. Middlesex League were approved at the last control board meeting. These are former Southern Premier clubs Southern Nomads and Raynes Park Tigers. One further club has folded up though, the famous Wembley All Stars. Their fine red shale track will now be used by Wembley Hawks, who have also taken over the remaining All Stars riders.

This year's Middlesex Grand Prix will be run on August Monday at Uxbridge. It will consist of 8 Middlesex riders and 8 visitors. The event is being organised by the Harefield club and will any riders wishing to take part contact Mr. M. Maitland, 132, Manor Way, Uxbridge, Middx. This does not apply to Middlesex League riders.

Ex-Weston Stars riders seeking new homes. Ted Wildman has taken a fancy to Harefield and seems likely to sign for the Pirates, while Gerry Wallis is going over to the Bushey outfit.

If only all National Team Championship matches were like this. The Middlesex round at Hendon featured Wembley and Harefield. The scores were levelled at heat 8 and that's how it finished, 48-48. Keith Bristowe was bang on form for Wembley with 12. Johnny Unsworth hit his best for Harefield with 12 and Bill Punter followed up with 10. Harefield seem happy with 15 year old Steve Viner's 7, too.

The League opened with 2 matches at Bushey. Raynes Park built up a quick 10 point lead, but the Kangaroos pulled back slightly at the end going down 45-50. Dave Chivers and Wally Bracey spoiled each others' maximums. Top Star was former Tolworth rider Pete Page with 13.

After a short breather, Bushey then took on Tolworth Tudors. Level for the first few heats, Tudors piled on the points as the Kangarroos fell to pieces. The final score was a Tolworth win 59-37. Barry Shapley only dropped one point for Bushey. Top for Tolworth was fast gating Reg Squires with 13. Ed Hurley was next with 11, including a brilliant heat 15, coming from last to first in half a lap.

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BY BRIAN BUCK

Kingstanding Monarchs have still found no answer to their acute rider shortage. Recent attempts to persuade Gerald Kean to return, have been unsuccessful. Gerald is shortly to be wed, which is possibly the reason for his refusal to even consider a come-back.

I understand that there has been no approach to Vic Halliwell as yet. I am convinced that Vic would gladly ride again, were the problems made known to him. Despite his age, Vic is still a very capable rider. No one in Birmingham wants to see him quit. An approach to Vic would I am sure, pay dividends.

At the moment, Monarchs have 4 definite starters, but of these, Pete Blackwell has yet to finish his National Service, and John Dockerill is expecting his call-up any moment now. Tony Rake and Colin Beasley will be available for all matches. Happily the Monarchs have plenty of juniors. Of these I would say that Johnnie Burke, Pete Rabone, Dave Palmer and possibly Eric Smith, may just hold their own in senior grade racing.

In all, not a very happy position for the Champions, but they can console themselves in one respect; they do have the juniors, which is more than can be said for their rivals Birmingham Lions, who have again been saved by the decisions of veterans Geoff Gillett and Jim Quinton to continue. Gerald Sedgley does not appear to know what he is going to do. He may like to know that some of us at Balsall Heath do not care what he decides. What are needed are juniors. LIONS MUST LOOK FOR THEM - NOW.

FIXTURES

- Apr 26. Kingstanding Mon v Birmingham Lions. B'ham Lge 7.45
May 1. Tottenham K'roos v S.L. Rangers. Brit Lge.
.. 1. Harefield Pirates v Wembley Hawks. N.T.C
.. 7. Edmonton v Raynes Park Tigers. Gold Cup
.. 8. Bushey Kangaroos v Worthing Sputniks. Gold Cup.
.. 12. Birmingham Lions v Elmdon Bees. B'ham Lge.8.0
.. 15. World Championship - third rounds.

TALKING CYCLE SPEEDWAY

WITH BOB SAUNDERS

Any connections that the Southern Nomads may have had with the old Tooting Tigers are disappearing fast. Tooting- known as the team of the Cattles- are rapidly becoming but a memory. Under the Nomads organisation, none of the Cattle family are now connected. The last straw was when Derek Cattle walked out of a match. Enthusiastic manager Mr. Hoskyns kindly allowed Cattle a Nomads colour to continue his World Championship commitments. A very nice gesture after a poor piece of sportsmanship. But thats the way these Nomads are becoming - a good, sporting team. I for one wish Mr. Hoskyns all the best. I hear that Cattle's opening spot may be taken over by ex-Tolworth man, Derek Pearce.....

It seems that the aim to ensure that no rider is drawn on his own track in the 'World' has now fallen down. I see Lupset and South London have home draws. Terry Porter, due to National Service, cannot take part in the next round. This leaves Clive Hill and Johnny Koehler to run off for the spot. Knowing Johnny Koehler's feelings, I doubt if would be interested anyway.....

Bumps at Garratt Park. No, not on the track, but amongst the Tottenham riders there last Sunday. 'Twas Lenny Adams' twenty-first..... Talking of Tottenham, their motto could be "have bike will travel." At whitsun they visit Manchester and at August, Devon.....

Hellingly Lions are sadly missing the services of star man Gordon Page this season. But they must be the only team in the country with 3 Smiths riding...

Surely this must be the first Easter in which there has not been a big Individual Event anywhere in the country. One remembers well Southend's Essex G.P....

Looks like the Southern Premier League has collapsed. The league was first formed in 1953.....

I understand that a move was afoot in Oxford to have the World round switched from Baskerville to Littlemore. Certainly the track is not so good.....