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WORLD FINAL RIDERS

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Edmonton, London.

DEREK GARNETT
Wilmslow, Cheshire.

MIKE COCKROFT
Lindale, Yorkshire.

JIM COBAIN
Glasgow, Scotland.

HEINRICH SCHONBERGER
Germany.

FRED BOUTELL
Wembley, London.

BILL PUNTER
Harefield, Middlesex.

DIXIE DEAN
Wembley, London.

BRIAN MOSTON
Carrs Wood, Manchester.

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Holland.

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Edmonton, London.

FRED VAN DER
DOLDER Holland.

* Previous final-
ists are Dean,
Punter, Jeffery
and Reiche.
In the last final,
Punter representd
Wales, and Reiche
Germany.



An exciting tussle between Dixie Dean and Vic Hinchliffe (inside). These two will be meeting again in the WORLD FINAL at Garratt Park on July 30th. 6.30 p.m.

ESSEX TO RUN BENEFIT MEETING

At the last meeting of the Essex Cycle Speedway Association, Roy Milano (The Gladiators C.S.C.) was a surprise guest. The proposal he placed before the meeting was as follows...

"That the Essex Cycle Speedway Association give their approval and consent to the following event". An OPEN Individual Riders Championship, to be held at 3.00pm on Sunday August 21st 1960, at the Gladiators track in Lower Bedford Road, Romford Essex, for a trophy which will be bought for the occasion by the Gladiators team.

The purpose of this event is to raise money for Sandy McGillivray (The Gladiators) and Alan Risley, (East Ham Wolves) both of whom are in Broomfield Hospital, Chelmsford, Essex, with Tuberculosis.

Any rider wishing to compete in this event must voluntarily donate at least 2/6d towards this fund and a collection will also be taken, and a Raffle organised. All Essex clubs have been circulated and expect a large response from their riders, but to reach a far greater standard of competition, this event is to be publicised in the national magazines whereby all other clubs may wish to enter riders.

Any rider that does wish to enter, would he please send in his entry to RON BULL, 13, MANOR ROAD, ROMFORD, ESSEX., before July 31st please, in order that the Essex Cycle Speedway Association can select those they think most suitable. If enough entries are received, it is hoped to stage eliminating rounds on the same day of racing, thus ensuring more racing from the spectators point of view, with an all star final.

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RIVETTS CUP PLACINGS

EAST HAM WOLVES	6	6	0	0	404	240	12
THE GLADIATORS.....	8	4	0	4	402.	462	8
WHIPPS CROSS COMETS.....	5	3	0	2	268½	266½	6
EAST HAM STARS	2	2	0	0	158	58	4
HAWBUSH HAMMERS.....	7	2	0	5	355½	400½	4
ESTUARY EAGLES	6	0	0	6	240	401	0

ASSOCIATION CUP PLACINGS

WHIPPS CROSS COMETS C.....	4	3	0	1	102	89	6
HAWBUSH HAMMERS c.....	2	1	0	1	49	47	2
EAST HAM STARS C.....	1	0	0	1	20	27	0
ESTUARY EAGLES c.....	1	0	0	1	20	28	0

JUNIOR SHIELD PLACINGS

WHIPPS CROSS COMETS JUNIORS A	6	6	0	0	185	100	12
THE CRUSADERS	4	3	0	1	104½	86½	6
WHIPPS CROSS COMETS JUN.B.....	2	0	0	2	39	57	0
EAST HAM STARS JUNIORS.....	2	0	0	2	34	61	0
HAWBUSH DIAMONDS	4	0	0	4	66½	124½	0

RON BULL (Hon. Sec.)

WORLD FINALIST Bill Punter,
really shining in individual (1)
events this year.

Bluey Waterson (Hawbush Hammers)
(2)

Preparations on the track of
HORSPATH HAMMERS Oxford before
the Qualifying Round of the
WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP this year.(3)



TATNAM'S MATCHES

June 4th. saw Tatnam travel to
London for their second round Gold Cup
matches. Tigers, with a 7 man team, minus
Alan Nippard and Roger Nicholson, beat
Beckenham Monarchs 50-58.
Bright 10, Holmes 10, Watkins 9, Lilly 8,
Cox 8, Tarr 7, Barnes 6.

Tudors were crushed 81-27 by South
London Rangers. Only Woodrow 7 and
Frampton 6 showed much form.

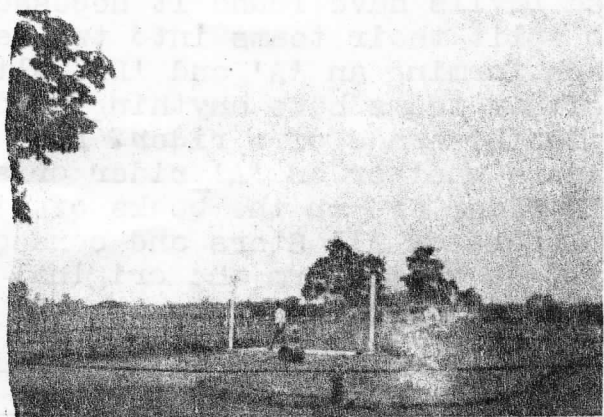
Tigers defeated Southampton
Bombers 57-39. A scrappy match as
Tigers were tired after the previous
night.

Tudors surprised everyone by
beating 1959 league runners up
Southampton Vikings 50-46.

The following week Tatnam, at
Southampton Bombers, fielding
their weakest team this season just
managed to beat Bombers 51-45.

At heat 9 the score was 26-28
to Tatnam, but 4-2's by Watkins &
Orchard, Bright & Holmes gave the
Tigers a lead.

TIGERS : Lilly 13, Watkins 10,
Holmes 9, Nicholson 7, Bright 7,
BOMBERS : Butcher 14, Barnes 8,
Alpin 5, Stillwell 7, Tanner 7.
ROGER NICHOLSON.



MIDDX. N.T.C.

With the World Championship drawing close, on behalf of Middx supporters I must wish Dixie Dean Fred Bouttell and Bill Punter every success.

Four clubs within the Middx League took part in the second round of the National Team Championships. Surreys Raynes Park Tigers defeated Longsight Tegarus by 6 points, Tolworth Tudors (London) had no difficulty in beating Horspath Hammers 63-33 and Bushey Kangaroos (Herts) beat Claydon Greyhounds 53-43. The only club to lose was Wembley. They went out to the holders Wilmslow Hammers by 2 points. They were particularly unfortunate in having Roy Fraser unavailable in addition to Dixie Dean being excluded whilst leading in the 15th heat. At least one club will make the semi final, for Raynes Park and Bushey meet in the next round.

BOB SAUNDERS

LEICESTER INDEPENDENT LEAGUE

After the departure of Blackbird Monarchs from the Leicester league the remaining teams, Leicester All Stars and Belgrave Red Devils have found it necessary to split their teams into two halves each forming an 'A' and 'B', although neither teams have anything to do with the grade of a rider. All riders whether an 'A' rider or a 'B' rider are on the books of either Belgrave or All Stars and consequently join up to form the original team for important matches.

JOHN CROSS

SPENCER PARK, COVENTRY. AUG. 7th

LEICESTER ALL STARS

BIRMINGHAM LIONS

(NATIONAL TROPHY)

WILTSHIRE

On May 22nd John Davis retained the Wiltshire Senior Championship scoring a 15 point maximum. Keith Hamak was runner up with 13.

Robin Morse won the Junior Championship with 15pts, Bob Thomas being runner up.

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At the Cleverton Show Horspath Hammers won the 4-a-side K.O. Tournament. They beat Hungerford Panthers 13-11.

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On returning from the County Finals at Cleverton the Swindon Eagles coach overturned and 16 members of the club were taken to hospital and are now recovered.

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Swindon Eagles became Senior and Junior N.T.C. Wiltshire Champions. Wroughton Racers withdrew after losing the first leg in both competitions.

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MATCHES WANTED.....

The following teams require challenge matches away on Sundays.-

Swindon Eagles -, R.Morse, 18 Poplar Avenue, Swindon, Wiltshire.

Wroughton Racers - C.Sowden, 34 Poplar Avenue, Swindon, Wilts.

R.H.JACKSON.

BAN ON GLOVER LIFTED

On June 30th Harry Glover of Blackbird Monarchs who was under a indefinite suspension applied to the local Control Board for the return of his licence. The result turned out to be in Harrys favour. Much criticism comes from his team mates as his chances in the World Championship has been affected. He returns in time for the National Individual Championship.

AUSTRALIA

Peter "Grassy" Green, acknowledged by most people here as the best South Australian rider, has forsaken cycle speedway for sports car racing in a fibre glass bodied Holden Special.

Peter won the 5-miler last year, but did not ride in this one.

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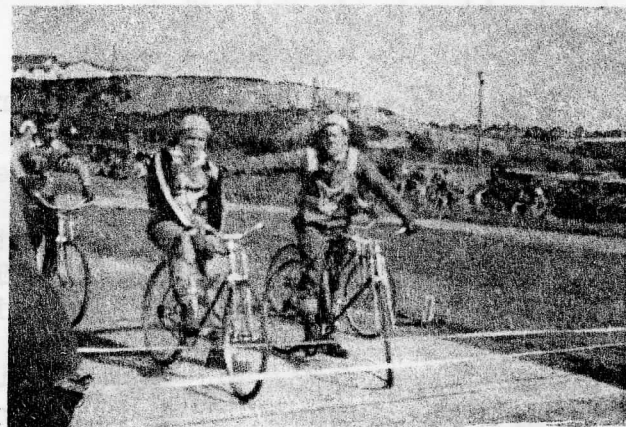
A trophy to the memory of Ian "Iggy" Gray, Salisbury rider who was killed in a road accident several months ago will be ridden for annually by teams of 3 each, A,B, and C grade from each metropolitan club. The team with the highest total of points from all races will win the trophy and hold it for one year. One of the bends of the Salisbury track has been named "Ian Gray Corner".

RON FERGUSON.

HAROLD SMITH.
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Claude Sowden and Pete King (Wilts.) Wroughton Racers.

EWIE EDWARDS — AND THOSE EXPENSES

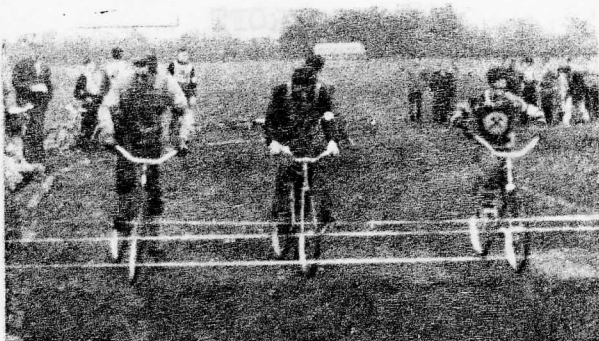
EWIE EDWARDS' expenses for his trip to Scotland in 1956 as a member of the England Team were recently paid to him.

* The "GAZETTE" conducted a campaign last year to obtain Edwards expenses after the National Association disclaimed any knowledge of a claim for expenses by Edwards.

MIDDLESEX LEAGUE TABLE 5/7/60.

	P	W	L	Pts.
Tolworth Tudors	5	5	0	12
Raynes Pk.Tigers	5	3	2	7
Southern Nomads	3	2	1	5
Wembley Hawks	3	1	2	2
Bushey Kang.	2	0	2	0
Harefield Pir.	4	0	4	0

One of the earlier WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP Rounds, the match at Elmdon shows (L to R) Roy Shirley, Dave Roden and Barrie Butler.



SUFFOLK

Despite the increased interest among riders now being enjoyed by the Fordham Heath Hawks we have not been given the chance to see if local spectators are going to renew their enthusiasm. During the past month only one meeting was held on the Heath. The visiting team had to call off because of another fixture and credit must go to the club for instituting a "Senior Club Trophy" Individual Competition, complete with miniature shield for the winner and medals for the runners up, at such short notice.

The Hawks made a belated tour of South Essex on June 5th visiting Romford Gladiators, Thurrock Stars and Hawbush Hammers. Romford and Hawbush won their matches with comfortable margins but at Thurrock both teams were well matched and the home team were only able to complete the South Essex hat trick by one point. One of the new juniors, Alan Coe made his debut as reserve at Romford.

A few words of praise for the Suffolk Association which issued a complete fixture list right at the start of the season (last years dates for competition finals were not fixed until most rounds had been run off) and evolved a new method of reporting match results. Their next task must be to educate stewards with a common set of rules. At present it seems that stewards make up their own rules to suit the occasion.

G.ABRAHAM

NORTH OF ENGLAND TROPHY

OPENSHAW MONARCHS 38: Skelton 8, Lawton, Hewitt 6, Dobson, Murphy 5.
LINDALE LIONS 58: Brooke 12, Cockroft 11, Sutcliffe 10, Johnson 8, Bates 7

The all round strength of the Lions proved too much for the Mancunians in this first round tie. Peter Bates and Cam. Ormondroyd seemed to improve with every meeting and the veteran of the side, Clive Brooke is in great form these days. John Sutcliffe also rode hard for his points although his style of riding certainly doesn't appeal to the opposition. All the Monarchs fought hard and well, but towards the end they seemed to realise it was a losing battle, although reserve Hewitt and Dobson got a 5-1 in the penultimate heat.

MIKE COCKROFT

LEICESTER ALL STARS GO THROUGH

On July 3rd Leicester All Stars qualified for the N.T.C. 3rd round by beating Southampton "Vikings" 52-44 at Harefield. Scorers: Evans 14, Newberry, Pickering 10, Simpson 8, Sharpe, Bird 3, Twigger 2.

Sad news for All Stars was that Terry Hartop is suffering from a fractured skull following a motor cycle accident. All the boys at Leicester wish you a speedy recovery, Terry.

JOHN CROSS

LOCAL MATCH REPORTS ARE
WELCOME PROVIDING THEY ARE
SHORT AND TO THE POINT.

PHOTO'S ARE STILL ALWAYS WELCOME

BUSHEY KAN.48 - EAST HAM STARS 45

This was a thriller - from the Stars Ted Walkers passing of leader Shapley in heat one, to Pete Saunders winning the match ride in heat 16. There were 8 or 9 exclusions - but NO BAD riding - just real cup-tie "Thou shalt not pass" stuff. I think the Kangaroos had most of the bad luck, but the race when Stars' Vic Duffy and partner sort of threw away a 5-1 was very bad luck. Also East Ham looked for a cert 5-1 in the nominated until Pete Saunders, who had chased hard after partner Shapley had fallen, really went kind of mad in an inspired way on the very last bend.

Scorers

KANGAROOS: Shapley 10, Wallis, P.Saunders, B.Gillett 9, B.Saunders 5, B.Rome 4, T.Wildman, Males 1
STARS: Walker, Halloran 11, Barrett and Barrett 6, Kiley 4, Koehler, Duffy 3, Green 1.

"Warren".

WHIPPS CROSS 54: Hamilton 15;

Pie 14; Gibbons 9½; Currey 8.

BUSHEY KAN. 41: Rome 10, Flander 6½, Trueman 8, Green 7, Bedford 5.

In a challenge match at Temple Mills Lane the Comets riding with two riders short managed to keep one jump ahead of their visitors from Bushey. For the home team Dave Hamilton scored a faultless maximum while John Pipe was also unbeaten by the opposition strong backing from Gibbons and Currey.

J.BROWN.

OXFORD

N.T.C.OXFORDSHIRE FINAL-1st leg.

BASKERVILLE HOUNDS 47: K.Ward 12,

J.McMinn 11, Woodward 6.

HORSPATH HAMMERS 48: Grant 14, Smith 12, Butler 7.

Hammers are County Champions for the first time, as Hounds forfeited the 2nd leg, by default.

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The best match of June was at Wood Farm, where Little more Lions won by 1 point for 2 league points. When heat 16 came about, the line-up was Lovelock, Dawes, Shapley, Sutherland, Lions on the outside and only one point up. As young Pete is invincible at the "Pleasure Gardens" a 4-2 for Bees was not improbable. However 'max' man Barry Dawes led from the gate and though hard pressed by the Wasps pair, held on to win the match.

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At the lovely village of Burford the local Pirates nearly surprised us with a very close tussle with Wood Farm - who were minus Brian Winchester, Taylor, Lovelock and Shapley. Young Mick Holt had his first ever maximum for the Pirates.

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OXFORD LEAGUE TABLE - 2.7.60

	P.	W.	L.	Pts
Baskerville	7	7	0	14
Horspath H.	7	6	1	12
Littlemore L.	8	6	2	12
W.Farm Wasps	9	5	4	10
Burford P.	8	2	6	4
Northway E.	7	2	5	4
Littlemore T.	9	0	9	0

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Pete Morris, a Baskerville Hound since they started has joined old mate Barry Dawes at Littlemore.

BARRY SHAPLEY.

LEICESTER

WHY TEAMS HAVE BROKEN AWAY

Writing purely as a member of the Leicestershire Control Board, I should like to give the true story behind the statement by G. Birkle of Blackbird Monarchs in issue 239 of the Gazette, in which he gave his account of the reasons for his clubs withdrawal from the Leic. League.

A Blackbird rider, H. Glover, was thought to be registered also with a club in Yorkshire. At the time in question he was a member of the Control Board and at a Board meeting he denied on oath that he was so registered. Shortly afterwards I received confirmation from the National Secretary that he had in fact, registered twice with different clubs. Before the next Board meeting, at which this matter would have been discussed, Blackbird were due to meet Leicester All Stars in the Nat. Team Championship County Final and, as steward of the match, I felt bound to warn Blackbird that Glovers registration was the subject of inquiry and that if they persisted in including him in their team for the match, they would have to bear the consequences of any adverse decision that the Board might make.

The events which transpired in the match which followed are best forgotten - suffice to say that they resulted in the suspension of the rider and the censure of the club. When Blackbird saw that they were not going to have things all their own way, they announced that they were withdrawing from all events promoted by the Leicestershire Association, later amended to ALL LOCAL EVENTS.

Casting around to find an excuse for this decision, they came up with the cock and bull story that they were doing so because their juniors were not getting enough rides, the connection escaping me. Even they must have realised the lameness of this story for they hastened to add as make weight that they were fed up with the preferential treatment accorded to Leicester All Stars by the Leicestershire Control Board.

The later charge is childish rubbish, dictated by malicious envy against a club which I, not given to awarding bouquets, can fairly describe as the most successful and the second best in this County.

Members of Blackbird Monarchs have themselves, at one time or another, been members of the Control Board and as lately as the Special General meeting called to appraise the position after their withdrawal, have been free to offer themselves for election to the Board - what do they want more democratic than that?

In conclusion may I apologise for claiming so much space in your paper to air this relatively unimportant and squalid little squabble, much rather would I have let it die and be forgotten.

JOCK McPATE.

SATURDAY JULY 30th 6.30pm AT GARRATT PARK, LONDON.

CHAMPIONSHIP of the WORLD FINAL

FREE "POP" AT GARRATT PARK!

The Harefield Club have now withdrawn their Lions team from the League. They still hope to keep the team going for challenge matches etc..

This years Middlesex Grand Prix is now taking shape. Several visitors have accepted invitations and riders will be coming from Yorkshire, Norfolk, Suffolk and other counties. The Middlesex qualifying rounds took place on June 26th at Garratt Park, with riders such as Paul Murden, Reg Squires, Bill Punter, Dixie Dean Roy Fraser, Tommy Davis taking part.

The Southern Nomads club must be one of the most progressive in the sport. New loudspeaker equipment has been purchased and free refreshments are supplied to spectators. The Nomads report ever increasing attendances at their Garratt Park meetings.

"I'm my ban on Bushey riders taking part in the Grand Prix rounds. The organisers said that I was being unfair, so I withdrew the ban. The result - still no Bushey riders in the Grand Prix. "We want team matches only!" was their cry.

BOB SAUNDERS

Champion Dave Bates and Yorkshire rider John Sutcliffe, feats of which he can be justly proud. Peter Bates, too, surprised some of the more fancied riders and as he was the top scoring junior, automatically became Yorkshire Junior Champion.

Strongly fancied veteran Dave Johnston seemed unable to adapt himself to the unusual track conditions, but don't anyone get the idea he's losing his touch. Had the track been in its normal condition, he could easily have got a double figure score.

YORKSHIRE INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL

Bedford 14pts (after a run-off.)
Vickers 14, Brooke 13, Cockroft 11,
D.Bates 9, P.Bates 8, Thorne 8
P.Johnson 7, Ommondroyd, Sutcliffe
Rowntree 6, Thomas 5, Johnston 4
Durnill 3.

With an exhibition of perfect gating, World Finalist Nick Bedford became the new Yorkshire Champion, but certainly didn't have an easy passage. After twenty heats, Bedford and Vickers had both scored 14pts. In the run-off, Vickers drew the inside slot, but was unable to outgate the slick-starting Bedford. After losing ground on the first lap, Vickers crept up inch by inch until on the last bend, he made his all-out effort and he couldn't have been more than the width of a tyre behind as the two flashed over the line. Reigning Champion Clive Brooke rode superbly on the rain-soaked track, but his draw which gave him two outsides, both of them against Vickers and Bedford, placed him at a distinct disadvantage. Surprise of the meeting was former Bradford rider Dave Thorne. Brought out of retirement to assist the newly formed Lindale Aces, Dave included in his victims former Yorkshire

MIKE COCKROFT.

HOME COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP

Another thriller from start to finish. Heat by heat report:

1. Ken Archer from the gate with Bill Punter, on the line, but without the necessary push. 'Split' Gillett fell.
2. Clive Hill fell, but Pete Saunders was far ahead then with Tommy Davis pressing hard.
3. Dick Baker, from the gate, but Derek Pearce and Harry Shapley tangled on the last bend and with Harry Wallis already out, it was Baker Pearce.
4. Veteran homester Frank Males beat fancied favourite Ray Chivers and slower Geoff Pearce. Even slower Keith Bristowe faded.
5. Gating like a bomb again, Archer became favourite with Pearce holding Geoff again and "I hate these handlebars" Davis.
6. This time dark horse Bill Punter, from gate three, passed Dick Baker and Keith Bristowe and all three left Reg Lester struggling.
7. Geoff Smith simply flew from the gate to beat home stars Saunders, Males.
8. Gillett, Shapley, Chivers from the gate for 3 laps. Then a slipped pedal and Shapley won from Chivers and Gillett.
- After two rides the positions were:- Archer 6, Punter, Baker, Males 5.
9. Upset by Wallis for Archer, in fact Chivers and Lester beat him too.
10. Punter and Males sweating now- last and third respectively.
11. After two pointless rides, Clive Hill surprises Pearce and Smith.
12. Saunders, from the gate, back in the hunt again. Richard Baker cannot pass Gillett from 2nd spot.
- After three rides - Saunders 7, Shapley, Archer, Pearce, Baker, Males 6.
13. Saunders from Shapley at the gate but Bristowe and Archer are finally second and third to Saunders after Shapley falls again.
14. Punter back in the picture with Wallis holding Hill and Geoff Pearce.
15. Baker last - and out of it - Chivers still hoping and winning from Smith and Davis.
16. Males runs out of track and out of a chance and Derek Pearce grabs lead from Lester and Gillett.
- After four rides each - Saunders 10, Pearce 9, Punter, Chivers, Archer 7 Baker, Shapley, Males 6.
17. Archer equals Saunders score winning from Males and Baker.
18. Punter from Saunders and Chivers and Pete has won, and with Derek Pearce last Bill will be second.
19. Smith and Lester crash and Shapley wins from Geoff Pearce.
20. No-one here with a chance but Davies wins from Wallis and Gillett.

Individual Scores: Saunders (Bushey) 12, Punter (Harefield) 11, Archer (S. Nomads) 10, Shapley (Bushey), D. Pearce (Tolworth), Ray Chivers (S. Lond.) 9, T. Davis (S. Nomads), F. Males (Bushey) 8, G. Smith (Beckenham), R. Baker (Beckenham), G. Wallis (Bushey) 7, Reg Lester (Harefield) 6, B. Gillett (Bushey) 5, C. Hill (Tottenham), G. Pearce (Harefield) 4, K. Bristowe 3.

"WARREN".

NEXT MONTH:- FULL COVERAGE OF THE WORLD FINAL.

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LINDALE WIN THROUGH

NATIONAL TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP 2nd Round

LINDALE LIONS 59½: Vickers 12, Johnston 10, Cockcroft 9, Bedford 7, Bates 6
HAGLEY COMETS 36½: Beasley 9, "app, Wilkinson 5, Roden, Shirley 4.

This match produced some fine racing although the humid conditions had some of the riders breathing hard. In the first two heats, there were four spills which involved four Hagley riders and two Lions, but everyone came out unscathed. A brilliant maximum from Mel Vickers paved the way for Lindale and it is interesting to note that whilst not one Lion scored under 5 pts, only one Hagley rider, Beasley scored over 5 points. However, he was on a par with Vickers, being unbeaten. As the former was reserve, the two didn't meet. The score in no way reflects the standard of racing, as time after time the Yorkshiremen led into the first bend with the Comets fighting the whole four laps to overcome this disadvantage at the gate. The Lions certainly didn't have things all their own way.

LEAGUE MATCHES

LONGSIGHT PEGASUS: 50: Darling, Robinson 10, Holden 9, Sweeney 8, Shaw 5.
LINDALE LIONS 45: Cockcroft 12, Brooke 11, Sutcliffe 8, Johnson, Ormandroyd 6

After an interesting match, in which the lead changed hands five times, the home side managed to take the honours. This was because they were a solid side. Lindale provided eleven of the sixteen heat winners but support was lacking from the second strings. Dave Bates looked far from fit after his recent illness and could only manage a third place out of his four rides. Darling, Robinson and Holden scored the bulk of Longsights points but each member of the team rode extremely well and this style of riding paid dividends.

LINDALE LIONS 57: Brooke 11, Cockcroft 9, D. Bates, Sutcliffe 8, Johnson 7
WILMSLOW HAMMERS 39: Davenport, Hinchliffe 9, Garnett, Simm 5, Bevin 4.

With a revitalised Dave Bates, a more confident Peter Bates and Clive Brooke who is in terrific form these days, the writing was on the wall for Wilmslow right from the first heat. Derek Garnett was worth more than his five points, but several times he was on the receiving end of some very hard Lindale riding and, as a result of this, his points tally suffered. Clive Brooke was beaten by Vic Hinchliffe in heat four but after this setback, was never seriously troubled by the opposition.

LUPSET ACES 39: Bedford 11, Johnston, Vickers 9, Rowntree 5, Ashton 3.
LINDALE LIONS 57: Cockcroft 11, Brooke 10, Johnson 9, Sutcliffe 7, Dunnill 6

In their first match after taking over the now defunct Lupsets fixtures, the Lindale Aces were defeated by the Lions. Bedford, Vickers, and Johnston were as reliable as ever. Rowntree with 5 points from 4 rides rode better than he has done for some time, whilst Trevor Ashton and Dave Thorne showed that with plenty of practice they will soon both be gathering the points in.

MIKE COCKROFT

DON'T READ THIS, IF

..... if you belong to the "I'm alright Jack" brigade, nor if you have no sense of fair play, for this article is not meant to be read by you, but by the riders who can think that "this COULD happen to me !" and the injustice shown sticks out a mile.

Not since I have been in Cycle Speedway have I known of a graver injustice than that perpetrated by the National Amateur Cycle Speedway Association Executive Council on Ron Gibbons, Roy Archie and young Gray, the reserve of East Ham Wolves in the National Finals last year.

I was the steward of that Final, and I am the one blamed by EVERY MEMBER of the East Ham Wolves for the loss of the National Trophy, but it seems that I am the only one who speaks out against the suspension, the INDEFINITE suspension of Gibbons, Archie and Gray from ALL RIDING under the auspices of the National Association.

The reduction of the suspensions imposed by the Executive were reduced to a fine of five pounds on the five riders concerned, so the official press statement says, and having been at the meeting which did this, I know that there was no intention of including these three riders in that fine, yet the minutes of that meeting INCLUDE THEIR NAMES in the indictment. Furthermore, there is no intention by the Executive to put this matter right ! That I have found out by letter and by word at a recent Executive meeting.

This is now the position. As the fine has not been paid by the five offenders, none of the riders can ride again until it is paid.

DOES RON GIBBONSHAVE TO PAY £5
BEFORE HE WILL BE ALLOWED TO
RIDE AGAIN ?

IS ITJUSTICE THAT A RIDER WHO,
BY THE EXECUTIVE'S OWN WORDS
HAS DONE NOTHING WRONG, IS TO
BE PENALISED IN THIS WAY ?

Ron Gibbons has applied for a hearing twice, but apparently his letters have not been received.

I have therefore applied for a hearing on his behalf, and the appeal fee of £2 will be paid by the "GAZETTE" if it is needed.

WHAT DO YOU, THE READER AND RIDER,
THINK ABOUT THIS ?

JOHN LEITH.

"GAZETTE" Photographer
Barrie Butler takes a
look around



BELGRAVE IN BERKSHIRE

The Belgrave team travelled to Hungerford at Whitsun. On arrival they unloaded their sleeping gear etc., and set out for Bucklebury. Against the 'Robins' the Red Devils struggled for points losing 59-36. Heat leaders John Greaves and Dave Brant were the most impressive supported by John Cross. The score must not deceive you as the racing was very close, but the Robins just knew the quickest way round. The following day saw Belgrave as a combination of heat leader and 2nd string riders, beat the Hungerford Panthers 53-43. The Panthers fought very well to keep the score close but Belgraves second strings did their job too well. Kilbys form as no.7, 4 rides, 8pts and 1 bonus was very impressive, as he is among the favourites for the Junior Championship. Rex Smith, Hungerford, was the top man in a scratch race event, winning the Final from Reg Robson John Cross and Tony Smith, all of Belgrave.

JOHN CROSS

The Harefield club have almost finalised details for the 1960 Middlesex Grand Prix. This annual event, to be held at Uxbridge on August Monday, is once again assured of success and visitors taking part include Dave Hunting, Mike Parkins, Roger Holmes and Colin Sowden. Favourite for the trophy must be Tolworths Paul Murden, who topped the scores in the qualifying rounds. He should be hard pressed by Punter, Squires, Bouttell and Dean.

BOB SAUNDERS

OXFORD

WILTSHIRE 46 : M. Richards 11, Merrett 7½
M. Hudd 7.

OXFORDSHIRE 50 : Lovelock 11, Dawes 10,
Rowland, Barlow 7.

Fifteen year old Pete Lovelock was the star of this match being only beaten by partner Taylor in one of their three 5-1s, The Richards and Hudd pairing nearly won the match for the home county, but apart from veteran Bob Merrett, had scant support. Oxford only had four seniors in their side and when the return comes, I guess they should win easily.

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Baskerville Hounds were awarded their match versus Horspath Hammers by the Association and now lead the table. Hammers are still expected to win, however.

Northway Eagles have now forfeited two matches, following their non-appearance versus Littlemore Lions on July 1st.

Baskerville have only raced three of their seven matches and are officially top of the table. They've been awarded 4 points versus Tigers, 2 points versus Hammers and two points versus Eagles.

All this means that Horspath even if they win the rest of their matches - which they should - may not win the league. They are appealing against the league decision!

BARRY SHAPLEY

LATE N.T.C. RESULT

LINDALE LIONS (YORKS) 61 AT
TOLWORTH TUDORS (SURREY) 35 ELMDON

NACSA

JUNIOR TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP

The draw for the first round, to be ridden on Sunday July 17th is -

Harefield Pirates (Middx)	v	Bredbury Bees (Lancs.)	at	Birmingham Lions
Belgrave (Leics)	v	Claydon Greyhounds (Suff.)	at	Wembley A.S.
Tatnam Tudors (Dorset)	v	Bushey Kangaroos (Herts)	at	Bucklebury Rob.
Southampton Vikings	v	Team Unknown (Wilts)	at	Tatnam Tigers

Semi-finals to be ridden on August 14th .

SENIOR TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP

The draw for round three is as follows,

Raynes Park Tigers	v	Bushey Kangaroos	at	Wembley
Leicester Alls Stars	v	Birmingham Lions	at	Coventry
Lindale Lions	v	Tolworth Tudors	at	Birmingham
Tatnam Tigers	v	Wilmslow Hammers	at	Oxford.

The Senior and Junior Individual Semi-Finals will be held at the same tracks on the same day. The North Zone semi-final will be at Elmdon, Warwickshire and the South Zone will be at Bushey, Herts on 21st August.

The finals of both National Championships will again be held at Hungerford this year. To avoid clashing with the Speedway Championships at Wembley, the dates of the Finals have been altered and will now take place on 24th and 25th September.

Coventry Individual Champion
Barrie Butler taking a bend.



MIDLAND LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
COVENTRY	2	1	0	1	99	92	2
BIRMINGHAM	2	1	0	1	98	93	2
LEICESTER	2	1	0	1	90	102	2

WARWICKSHIRE COUNTY INDIVIDUAL FINAL

E. Edwards 15, P. Kiernan 14,
M. Morrall 13, R. Lewis 12, B. Buck 11,
G. Hancox 8.

RESULTS

SUFFOLK

HEATH HAWKS TROPHY:- Shield -B.James, Silver Medal - N.Shepherd,
Bronze Medal - B.Bowers, runners up - R.Bokenham and C.Cant.

ROMFORD GLADIATORS 78: Milano 15, Pratt 14, Sutton 13.

HEATH HAWKS 30:Harvey, James 6.

THURROCK STARS 54:Hudson 15, Rayner 14.

HEATH HAWKS 53:James 15, Bokenham 9, Hewell 17.

HAWBUSH HAMMERS 62:Chubb 14, Green 14.

HEATH HAWKS 46:James 10, Harvey 9.

BELGRAVE TOUR OF BERKSHIRE

BUCKLEBURY 59:Watts 14, Clarke 12, Braybrook 7, Cooper, G.Clarke, Naylor 6
BELGRAVE 36:Greaves, Brant 9, Cross 6, T.Smith 4, Robson 3, Bloxham, Kilby 2

HUNGERFORD 43:R.Smith 10, Barratt 9, Potter 7, North 4, Westall 6.

BELGRAVE 53:Greaves, Cross 11, Brant 10, Kilby 8, Bloxham 5, T.Smith 4.

NATIONAL TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP

LEICESTER ALL STARS 52:Evans 14, Newberry, Pickering 10, Simpson 8.

SOUTHAMPTON VIKINGS 44:

HERTS JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS (NACSA)

B.Rome 14, M.Trueaman, G.Brabant 13, P.Fiander 12, A.Green 11, P.Hucklesby
G.Bedford 10, K.Tomlin, D.Thatcher 7, I.Playford 6, J.Gillett 5,
S.Foskett, M.Barnard 4.

WARWICKSHIRE INDIVIDUAL FINAL

E.Edwards 15, P.Kiernan 14, M.Morrall 13, R.Lewis 12, B.Buck 11, G.Hancox 8

MIDLAND LEAGUE RESULT

COVENTRY 53:Abbott 12, Harrny 10, Lewis 8, Butler 6, Bailey, Colby 5
BIRMINGHAM 42:Langston 14, Mills, Whitehouse 6, Heaton, Tapp 5, Arnold 4

GOLD CUP - Semi Final

TATNAM TIGERS 61 - RANGERS 45

EDMONTON 79 - HELLINGLY 29.

OXFORDSHIRE

Wood FARM WASPS 38:Lovelock 10, Winchester 7, Moore 6.
BASKERVILLE HOUNDS 58:McMinn 14, Ward 13, Woodward 8.

BURFORD PIRATES 21:Holt, Constable 5.

LITTLEMORE LIONS 75:Sutherland 15, Dawes 13, Strange 9.

LITTLEMORE LIONS 46:Dawes 13, Rowland and Sutherland 8.

HORSPATH HAMMERS 50:Honey 12, Smith, Grant, Butler 8.

BURFORD PIRATES 47:Holt 15, Constable 9, Holt 7.

WOOD FARM WASPS 49:Winchester 12, Moore, Bayliss 7, Lee 6.

WOOD FARM WASPS 47:Lovelock 11, Shapley 10, Winchester 9.

LITTLEMORE LIONS 48:Dawes 14, Sutherland 8, Morris 6, Byles, Bracey 5.

LEICESTER= REPORT ON BOTH LEAGUES

On the County board, Jap Newberry and John Cross have replaced Harry Glover and myself, who have both joined the Leicester Independent League (I found myself with two treasurers jobs for a short period!) John Cross is the new Press Officer, whilst Jeff Pickering will be the Treasurer.

On the National trophy front, Leicester All Stars found them-selves the County Champions after much less riding than they had expected, and after some confusion, will ride this first inter County round during July.

In the Junior Team Championship, Belgrave Red Devils defeated Leicester All Stars and will represent Leicestershire in the next round. I trust that they will not meet with the fate that befell Anstey Eagles last year.

The Leicester Independent Leagues Individual Championships have commenced with the first round meetings now completed. Anstey Vampires round saw Mick Harvey of Mowacre return a maximum, one ahead of the home teams star man, Frank Farmer. A young Vampire, Roy Carter, did well with 12, followed by Bill Berry (Mowacre) and "Doc" Foster (Vampires both with 11.

Anstey Eagles round saw another Mowacre maximum, this time Paul Smith, ahead of Eagles, Keith Cooper and Bill Marriott, both with 12.

Aylestone Aces round, postponed from Whit Tuesday, brought the first home victory, Maurice Wheatley being the maximum man. Pete Berry, also of Aces had one less. Third place was shared by Bill Payne (Anstey Vampires) and George Jackson (Aces).

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The Leagues Best Pairs was won by Mick Harvey and J. Matts of Mowacre with 23, Mick being beaten. They won by making no errors, whilst everyone else seemed to make their only mistake of the night when opposed to the winners. Carl Lowe fell when leading them and Roy Lowe suddenly dropped back to last place after he had seemed to have gated first. Keith Cooper and Alan Royle of Anstey Eagles kept the interest alive until their last ride, when they required a 5-1 to tie. They both beat Matts but could not catch Harvey.

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League racing resumed when Anstey Vampires entertained Aylestone Aces, both pointless. After a breathtaking series of shared heats, which did yours truly's nerves no good at all, the Aces stopped falling off to record 5-1s in the 9th and 10th heats and the match was won. Frank Farmer had 11 and Billy Gack 9 for Vampires, whilst for Aylestone, Maurice Wheatley had a maximum and Rowe Lowe 10.

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The Control Board of the Leicester Independent League is as follows: Chairman - Frank Farmer; Secretary - Geoff Birkle; Treasurer - Roy Wright; Chart Sec - John Paice; P.R.O.-Paul Smith; Riders Rep.-Bill Marriott.

ROY WRIGHT.

RESULTS

MIDLAND LEAGUE

LEICESTER 40:Greaves 12, Newberry 7, Evans, Brant 5, Cross 4.
BIRMINGHAM 56:Whitehouse 13, Hickman 9, Langstone, Heaton 8,Arnold 6.

COVENTRY 46:Abbott 10, Lewis 9, Butler 7, Colley, Bailey 6.

LEICESTER 50:Rawson 12, Greaves, Brant, Simpson 7, Cross 9, Robson 5

2nd Round - National Team Championship.

LONGSIGHT PEGASUS 45 - RAYNES PARK TIGERS 51

LINDALE LIONS 59½ - HAGLEY COMETS 36½

CLAYDON GREYHOUNDS 43 - BUSHEY KANGAROOS 53

WEMBLEY 47 - WILMSLOW HAMMERS 49

TATNAM TIGERS 67 - BUCKLEBURY ROBINS 29

TOLWORTH TUDORS 63 - HORSPATH HAMMERS 33

SWINDON EAGLES 39 - BIRMINGHAM LIONS 57

LEICESTER ALL STARS 52 - SOUTHAMPTON VIKINGS 44

WILTSHIRE

WILTSHIRE 46:Richards 11, Merrett 7½, Hudd 6½, Gilbert, Morse 6,Thomas 5
OXFORDSHIRE 50:Lovelock 11, Dawes 10, Rowlands, Barlow 7, Taylor 5.

WILTS (JUNIORS) 41:Davis 9, Collett 6, Morse, Rawlings 5, Haig, Moss 4.

OXFORDSHIRE " 54:Winchester, Taylor 10, McMinn, "awes 9, Lovelock 7

N.T.C. (1st Leg)

SWINDON EAGLES 60:Gilbert 14, Thomas, Morse 8, Garlick, Morse 7, Thomas 6

WROUGHTON RACERS 36: Hudd 13, Richards 9, King 8, Sowden, Haig 2.

N.T.C.(2nd Leg)

WROUGHTON 48:Hudd, Richards 12, Hobbs 10, King 6, Kilby 3, Sowden,Haig 2

CLEVERTON 48:Merrett 14, Walker 8, Gibbs 7, Davis, Abble 5, Giles 3

LEICESTER INDEPENDENT LEAGUE

ANSTEY:46:Cooper, Marriott 12, Royal 10. AYLESTONE 24:Davis 7, Jackson 6

MOWACRE 51:Smith, Harvey 12,Lowe 11. ANSTEY 21:Farmer 7,Foster 5

AYLESTONE 31:Davis 11, Lowe 9. ANSTEY 41:Marriott 11,Cooper 10,Royal 8

ANSTEY 29:Farmer,Gask 7, Foster 8.STADIUM 43:Paice 12,Vann 11,Birkle 9

MOWACRE 39:Smith 10,Lowe 9,Harvey,Rae 8.STADIUM 32:Vann 11, Birkle 8.

AYLESTONE 22:Jordan,Davis,Jackson 5. BLACKBIRD 49:Paice,Glover,Evans 12

ANSTEY 25:Farmer 9,Beale 6.MOWACRE 47:Lowe, Smith 12, Harvey 11,Berry 5

BLACKBIRD 22:Paice 8, Evans 5. STADIUM 50:Birkle 12,Vann 11, Paice 9

ANSTEY 33:Farmer 11, Gask 9,Beale 5. AYLESTONE 39:Wheatley 12,Lowe 10.

Best Pairs:Harvey 15/Matts 8 (23); Cooper 12/Royle 7 (19); Lowe 9½/Gask 6

(15½);Lowe 13/Pawley 1½ (14½); Foster 8/Carter 2 (10);Warren 8/Lock 1 (9)

Individual Championship 1st Round at:-

ANSTEY VAMPIRES:Harvey (Mowacre)15,Farmer(Vampires)14;Carter(Vampires)12

Berry(Mowacre), Foster(Vampires) 11; Main (Vampires) 10;Gask(")9.

AYLESTONE ACES:Wheatley (Aylestone)15; Berry (Aylestone)14:Payne(Vamp.),

Jackson (Aylestone) 12; Silver 11, Felsted (Blackbird)10; Grant 8.

ANSTEY EAGLES:Smith (Mowacre)15; Cooper (A.Eagles), Marriott(A.E.)12;

Lock(A.E.), Smith (Mowacre) 11; Wright (Aylestone),Foster(Vampires)9.