



SHEFFIELD SPEEDWAY

8th Meeting

8th Season

**WORLD
CHAMPION-
SHIP**
(BRITISH ROUND)

18th MAY 1967

at 7-45 p.m.

Official Programme 9d.

1967 WORLD SPEEDWAY CHAMPIONSHIP

SPONSORED BY THE SUNDAY MIRROR

By DON CLARKE

Sixteen riders, from 101 British entrants, go out to race tonight with their eyes firmly fixed on the £1,000 bonanza that awaits the man who wins the World Crown, at Wembley Stadium, on September 16th.

Top prize to the World Champion last year was £500. Now the *SUNDAY MIRROR* double their top award — the highest individual prize in motor-cycle sport. Second man will receive £250 and the third £100.

The *SUNDAY MIRROR* will also award £200, £100, and £50 to the first three men in the British Final, which will be decided at West Ham, on August 15th.

Before a rider can stretch out his hands for these pots of gold, he will have to battle through these preliminary rounds, and qualify as one of the 32 semi-finalists at Wimbledon and Sheffield, on July 13th.

From the two semi-finals 16 top points scorers go forward to the British Final,

where the six highest scorers qualify for Wembley's World Championship Final.

Sounds tough? It is!

Continental rivals also compete for 10 places at Wembley.

Their preliminary rounds are now under way. Only 16 men qualify for the European Final, at Wroclaw, Poland, on August 27th.

Eight riders for this meeting will come from the Nordic Final (involving riders from Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden), scheduled for Esbjerg, Denmark, on June 4th.

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

I said it was tough. And keen rivalry awaits the 16 riders who battle tonight for World Championship honours.

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

AVERAGES FOR 1967 SEASON				Official Matches Only		Compiled by Reg. Whittaker	
	M	R	P	BP	TP	RA	MA
B. Larsson	7	31	52½	7	59½	1.91	8.50
J. Hart	12	53	91	8	99	1.80	8.25
A. Haley	12	48	76	10	86	1.17	7.16
B. Paulson	12	50	79	5	84	1.68	7.00
B. Bales	11	41	57	7	64	1.56	5.81
A. Jay	12	47	52	10	62	1.31	5.16
G. Major	3	11	13	1	14	1.27	4.66
J. Dews	6	19	19	3	22	1.15	3.66

M—matches; R—rides; P—points; BP—bonuspoints; TP—total points;
RA—race average; MA—match average.

SUPPORTERS' CLUB NOTES . . .

Coach tickets for the Tigers' away match at Cradley Heath on Saturday can be purchased at the Kiosk before or after tonight's meeting.

If there is sufficient support we shall organise a trip to Wimbledon for the "Internationale" on Monday, May 29th. All those interested should call at the Kiosk tonight.

E. CAIN (Mrs.), Secretary.

TIGERS' SCORERS

v Coventry (League) (A) May 13th

	Rides	Points	Bonus Points
B. Paulson	6	11	—
J. Hart	5	5	—
G. Major	4	4	—
A. Haley	4	3	—
J. Dews	4	1	—
A. Jay	3	—	—
Coventry won	24	—	54

RIDERS' FUND DRAW

organised by the Sheffield Speedway Patrons Association
SIX SPLENDID PRIZES TO BE WON TONIGHT

Tickets 6d. each

Get your tickets before the interval from sellers around the stadium

Draw will be made during second half of programme

Prizes should be claimed from the Speedway Office

THE PROGRAMME MAY BE ALTERED OR VARIED BY THE MANAGEMENT WITHOUT NOTICE

Should it be necessary through any cause to abandon a meeting prior to the SIXTH RACE in the programme tickets for a subsequent meeting will be issued at the exits. IN NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL ANY MONEY BE RETURNED.

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SHEFFIELD SPEEDWAY

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Held under the Regulations of the Speedway Control Board. A.C.U. Permit. SP 70

St. John Ambulance Brigade in attendance

Official Track Measurement is 400 Yards

Speedway Track Licence No. 67/1

Track Record : 67.6 secs. by Clive Featherby (Sheffield) on August 13th, 1964
and Ivan Mauger (Newcastle) on August 4th, 1966

As A.C.U. timekeepers are not being used by us this season all times are unofficial.

[Hello Folks - Frank Varey calling]

It was indeed a very big disappointment when our Best Pairs meeting had to be abandoned after eight heats last Thursday.

There is no doubt that the event was developing into a very exciting affair as the racing had been of a very high standard.

It is many years since such an event was staged on our circuit and I shall have to see if we can arrange another one when we have another free night.

We have three open meetings next month and I have already filled in two of them. On Thursday, June 1st, I am putting on an All-Stars event and am trying to book in as many of the top riders in the country as possible.

On Thursday, June 15th, I have arranged for Halifax to come here in a Challenge Match. They beat us here in the League last September—our only home defeat—and then we gained revenge a few weeks later in the Northern Cup.

Our home match with Newport has been switched from June 29th to July 6th, which was a blank night due to the Russians not coming to this country this year. And so now June 29th is free and I shall have to fix up something good for that night.

We took a 54—24 trouncing at Coventry last Saturday night, which was very disappointing to say the least. Only Bob Paulson did anything worthwhile, scoring 11 points in six rides as the result of three wins and two thirds.

With Billy Bales out with a suspected broken wrist as the result of a spill at Hackney Wick the previous night we used the Replacement Rule, but were unable to take full advantage of it due to our riders, apart from Bob, being outclassed.

On the brighter side, three of our riders did quite well in the World Championship Qualifying Round at Kings Lynn on Friday. Arnold Haley scored 12 points, John Hart 9 and John Dews 7.

Tonight we stage another of the qualifying stages and everything points to some exciting racing, providing the weather is kind.

Each rider taking part in the qualifying stage rides on three tracks, one of which is his own, and the top 32 on aggregate will compete in the semi-finals to be staged here and at Wimbledon on Thursday, July 13th.

I am hoping our riders will do well tonight despite the fierce opposition and that we shall be represented in the semi-finals.

The World Championship is again being sponsored by the *Sunday Mirror* and the winner of tonight's stage will be presented with a plaque on their behalf.

Our Training School, which is now held fortnightly, had to be postponed again last Sunday due to the bad weather. It was most unfortunate because there appears to be one or two useful prospects among the pupils.

I felt very sorry for three young Scots who set off after Saturday night's meeting at Edinburgh and arrived here at 8.30 a.m. only to find the track was unfit to ride on.

Congratulations go to our promising young Swede, Bengt Larsson, on reaching the Nordic Final of the World Championship in such select company.

The Nordic Final is due to take place in Denmark on June 4th and, as Bengt has another meeting in his own country on Sunday, I don't quite know at the time of writing just what his movements will now be.

He was due to come back here after next Sunday's meeting and ride for us against Coventry next Thursday.

We could certainly do with him for that match and also for the away matches at Long Eaton on May 30th and at Belle Vue on June 3rd.

What I would like to do if it is at all possible is to get him back here next week and then fly him to Denmark from Manchester immediately after our match with the Aces.

One big snag is his machine as he cannot take that by air. However, I will see what I can sort out in the meantime.

Cheerio for Now,
FRANK VAREY.

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

Sponsored by the SUNDAY MIRROR

BRITISH QUALIFYING ROUND

Clutch Start. Points awarded : 1st, 3 points ; 2nd, 2 points ; 3rd, 1 point.

Riders are identified by their helmet colours.

THE RIDERS

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| No. 1 — Arnold Haley (Sheffield) | No. 9 — Eric Boothroyd (Halifax) |
| No. 2 — Vic White (Long Eaton) | No. 10 — Bob Paulson (Sheffield) |
| No. 3 — Malcolm Simmons (West Ham) | No. 11 — Nigel Boocock (Coventry) |
| No. 4 — John Dews (Sheffield) | No. 12 — John Hart (Sheffield) |
| No. 5 — Alan Jay (Sheffield) | No. 13 — Martin Ashby (Swindon) |
| No. 6 — Tim Bungay (Exeter) | No. 14 — Sandor Levai (Belle Vue) |
| No. 7 — Colin Gooddy (Exeter) | No. 15 — Mike Keen (Swindon) |
| No. 8 — Norman Nevitt (Belle Vue) | No. 16 — Terry Betts (Kings Lynn) |

Reserves : G. Major (Sheffield) ; Denis Wasden (Sheffield)

The letters in the starting position column indicate the positions from which riders will start. The positions are lettered from the inside of the track A, B, C and D, A being the inside position.

	RIDERS	Starting Position	SUBSTITUTE OR REMARKS	Helmet Colours	RESULT
Heat 1 Time 71 3/5	Arnold Haley Vic White Malcolm Simmons John Dews	A B C D		Red Blue White Yellow	2 4 3 1
Heat 2 Time 72 3/5	Alan Jay Tim Bungay Colin Gooddy Norman Nevitt	A C B D		Red Blue White Yellow	1 2 3 4
Heat 3 Time 71 3/5	Eric Boothroyd Bob Paulson Nigel Boocock John Hart	C A B D	George Major	Red Blue White Yellow	3 4 1 2
Heat 4 Time 72 3/5	Martin Ashby Sandor Levai Mike Keen Terry Betts	D B A C		Red Blue White Yellow	1 3 2 4
Heat 5 Time 72	Arnold Haley Alan Jay Eric Boothroyd Martin Ashby	B C D A		Red Blue White Yellow	2 3 1 4
Heat 6 Time 72 3/5	Vic White Tim Bungay Bob Paulson Sandor Levai	C D B A	George Major	Red Blue White Yellow	3 4 2 1

	RIDERS	Starting Position	SUBSTITUTE OR REMARKS	Helmet Colours	RESULT
Heat 7 Time 71 3/5	Malcolm Simmons Colin Gooddy Nigel Boocock Mike Keen	D C A B		Red Blue White Yellow	3 2 4 1
Heat 8 Time 72 3/5	John Dews Norman Nevitt John Hart Terry Betts	A B C D		Red Blue White Yellow	1 3 2 4
Heat 9 Time 71 3/5	Arnold Haley Tim Bungay Nigel Boocock Terry Betts	C A D B		Red Blue White Yellow	2 4 3 1
Heat 10 Time 71 3/5	Vic White Alan Jay John Hart Mike Keen	D B A C		Red Blue White Yellow	3 1 2 4
Heat 11 Time 71 4/5	Malcolm Simmons Norman Nevitt Eric Boothroyd Sandor Levai	C A B D		Red Blue White Yellow	1 4 3 2
Heat 12 Time 71 3/5	John Dews Colin Gooddy Bob Paulson Martin Ashby	B D C A	George Major	Red Blue White Yellow	1 3 4 2
Heat 13 Time 71 3/5	Arnold Haley Colin Gooddy John Hart Sandor Levai	D A B C		Red Blue White Yellow	2 1 3 4
Heat 14 Time 72	Vic White Norman Nevitt Nigel Boocock Martin Ashby	A C D B		Red Blue White Yellow	4 2 1 3

INTERVAL

	RIDERS	Starting Position	SUBSTITUTE OR REMARKS	Helmet Colours	RESULT
Heat 15 Time 72 3/5	Malcolm Simmons Alan Jay Bob Paulson Terry Betts	B D C A	George Major	Red Blue White Yellow	1 4 3 2
Heat 16 Time 72 1/5	John Dews Tim Bungay Eric Boothroyd Mike Keen	C B A D		Red Blue White Yellow	1 4 2 3

	RIDERS	Starting Position	SUBSTITUTE OR REMARKS	Helmet Colours	RESULT
Heat 17 Time 72½	Arnold Haley Norman Nevitt Bob Paulson Mike Keen	A B D C	George Major	Red Blue White Yellow	1 2 3 3
Heat 18 Time 72½	Vic White Colin Gooddy Eric Boothroyd Terry Betts	B C A D		Red Blue White Yellow	4 2 3 1
Heat 19 Time 71	Malcolm Simmons Tim Bungay John Hart Martin Ashby	A D B C	D. Wasden	Red Blue White Yellow	5 4 3 3
Heat 20 Time	John Dews Alan Jay Nigel Boocock Sandor Levai	D A C B		Red Blue White Yellow	3 4 1 2

INDIVIDUAL SCORE CHART

RIDER	1	2	3	4	5	Total
Arnold Haley	2	2	2	2	3	11
Vic White	—	1	1	—	1	3
Malcolm Simmons	1	1	3	3	2	10
John Dews	3	3	3	3	1	13
Alan Jay	3	1	✓	—	✓	4
Tim Bungay	2	2	—	✓	✓	4
Colin Gooddy	—	2	1	—	2	5
Norman Nevitt	1	1	✓	2	2	6
Eric Boothroyd	1	✓	1	2	1	4
Bob Paulson George Major						
Nigel Boocock	3	3	3	3	3	15
John Hart	2	✓	3	3	1	9
Martin Ashby	3	3	2	1	3	12
Sandor Levai	1	3	2	1	2	9
Mike Keen	—	✓	2	1	1	4
Terry Betts	2	2	1	2	3	10
George Major	—	✓	—	1	✓	1
Denis Wasden	—					—

OUR FIXTURES & RESULTS FOR THE 1967 SEASON

Date	Opponents	Result	Date	Opponents	Result
March			July		
24 Wimbledon (BL)....	A	31 — 47	6 Newport (BL)	H	.....
25 Belle Vue (CH)	A	37 — 41	13 World Championship		.....
30 Apollo Cup	H	B. Bales	British Semi-Final	H	.....
31 Newport (BL)	A	25 — 53	20 Open Meeting	H	.....
April			27 Northern Riders		.....
6 Cradley (BL)	H	48 — 27	Championship	H	.....
7 Kings Lynn (BL)	A	42 — 36	31 Newcastle (BL)	A	.....
13 Exeter (BL)	H	53 — 25	August		
14 Wolverhampton (BL)	A	29 — 49	3 Poole (BL)	H	.....
20 Hackney (BL)	H	46 — 32	8 West Ham (BL)	A	.....
22 Edinburgh (K1)	A	40 — 56	10 West Ham (BL)	H	.....
27 Belle Vue (BL)	H	43½ — 34½	17 Swindon (BL)	H	.....
May			19 Swindon (BL)	A	.....
4 Glasgow (BL)	H	44 — 34	21 Exeter (BL)	A	.....
5 Glasgow (BL)	A	29 — 49	23 Poole (BL)	A	.....
11 Best Pairs	H	Aband'd	24 Northern Riders Cham-		.....
13 Coventry (BL)	A	24 — 54	pionship—Final	H	.....
18 World Championship	H	.....	31 Oxford (BL)	H	.....
20 Cradley (BL)	A	.....	September		
25 Coventry (BL)	H	.....	7 Halifax (BL)	H	.....
30 Long Eaton (BL)	A	.....	14 Newcastle (BL)	H	.....
June			15 Hackney (BL)	A	.....
1 All Stars	H	.....	21 Kings Lynn (BL)	H	.....
3 Belle Vue (BL)	A	.....	28 Edinburgh (BL)	H	.....
8 Long Eaton (BL)	H	.....	30 Edinburgh (BL)	A	.....
15 Halifax (CH)	H	.....	October		
17 Halifax (BL)	A	.....	5 Wolverhampton (BL)	H	.....
21 Wimbledon (BL)....	H	.....	12 Open Meeting	H	.....
22 Oxford (BL)	A	.....		
29 Open Meeting	H	.....		

Abbreviations : BL — British League
CH — Challenge

K1 — Knock-out Cup
1st Round

Next Thursday's attraction . . .

at 7-45 p.m.

BRITISH LEAGUE

Sheffield v. Coventry

featuring the Tigers

and

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