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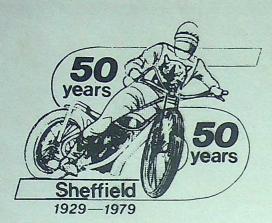
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WELCOME TO SHEFFIELD



We extend a hearty welcome tonight to all the visiting riders and their supporters who have come along to compete, along with 4 of our riders in the qualifying round of the Eerger Grand Prix and the World Championship.

Our thanks go to Berger as the new sponsors of the Grand Prix this season and we hope to have a long and successful association with them in our sport.

Thanks also go to the Daily Mirror, who have been associated with the Grand Prix four years and also to the Sunday Mirror for their continued sponsorship of the World Championship.

The line-up is especially strong with five times World Champion Ivan Mauger of Hull in the No I spot. Ivan came here recently with Hull in the Northern Trophy and it was only a rare attack of machine trouble which robbed him of maximum.

Our Tigers had another good win when Poole were the visitors in the Gulf British League last Thursday, with our skipper Reg Wilson registering a faultless maximum. Reg is in good form this season and is proving a big inspiration to the rest of the team.

Next Thursday we have the newcomers to the British League, Eastbourne as our visitors. They have taken the place of White City and with Gordon Kennett as their No 1 they have got quite a useful side.

Two days later we are due at Belle Vue in our final match in the Frank Varey Northern Trophy needing only 23 points to clinch the trophy.

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OF THE DAILY MIRROR WRITES

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

After totting up the qualifying round points the top 16 will go through to the Grand Prix Final. Their qualifying points will count towards the Final total.

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

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

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

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

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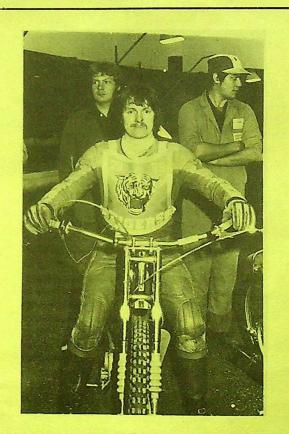
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A TIGER IN FORM



Craig Pendlebury, who has got off to a fine start in the new season. Craig scored 11 points in the Grand Prix - World Championhip round at Halifax last Saturday. Reg Wilson also did well to notch 12. Nicky Allott registered 10 at Coventry.



What a good turn out we had last Monday for our first Club Night of the season. Thanks to Eric and Henny it was a huge success. I am sure everyone who attended will agree that it was a very interesting and entertaining evening.

Our thanks also go to Chris Hughes of Radio Sheffield who gave up his spare time to come along to do the interviewing.

Our next Club Meeting will be on Monday 14th May when we have arranged a Film Show. Children will be allowed but in order to comply with the Stadium Licensing Laws we must insist that they stay in the Restaurant part of the Club.

lan is taking bookings tonight for the trips to:- Belle Vue 12th May; Hull 16th May and Halifax 19th May.

Also available from lan is a leaflet giving details of the World Final trip to Poland.

Chris Taylor (Secretary)



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White No. 3 and Yellow and Black No. 4 counting from the inside of the track.

POINTS AWARDED - 1st. 3pts. 2nd. 2pts. 3rd 1pt.

RIDER	1	2	3	4	5	Total
1 Ivan Mauger (Hull)						18
2 Reg Wilson (Sheffield)						8
3 Les Collins (Belle Vue)						11
4 Tom Owen (Newcastle)						6
5 Chris Morton (Belle Vue)						11
6 Craig Pendlebury (Sheff.)						12
7 Nicky Allott (Sheffield)						7
8 Reider Eide (Reading)						2

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9 Steve Lomas (Edinburgh)						0
10 Eric Broadbelt (Sheffield)						S
11 Mitch Shirra (Coventry)						9
12 Doug Wyer (Sheffield)						15
13 Mick McKeon (Halifax)						6
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Gulf British League

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10	Eastbourne (GBL)	
17	Wimbledon (GBL)	
24	Newcastle v Halifax v Hull (4.TT)	
31	Hull (KOC)	
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7	Yorkshire Bank Trophy	
14	Cradley Heath (ICSC)	
21	Belle Vue (GBL)	
24	4.TT Semi Finals and Final	
28	Leicester (GBL)	
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5	Reading (GBL)	
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Abbreviations:

NT - Northern Trophy

GBL - Gulf British League

4.TT - Four Toam Tournament

ICSC - Inter City Steel Cup

CH - Challenge Match

ILKOC - Inter League Knock Out Cur

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SPEEDWAY NOTES, VIEWS AND REPORTS
ON THE TIGERS
By Reg Whittaker

GET THE STAR EVERY NIGHT FOR THE BEST IN SPORT

John Barlow's Chat In



Norwegian ace REIDER EIDE is a seasoned performer who, in his 13 seasons in British League racing, has served nine different tracks including Sheffield in 1972. Now 38 years old, Reider, born in Hoyland, Norway, first started riding speedway 22 years ago this month at Bryne, Sandes and journeyed to these shores in the mid-sixties to race for Edinburgh.

In recent years his form has fluctuated somewhat after breaking his leg at Leicester but last term was a revelation while on Exeter's books, scoring 327 points for an 8.44 average so it must have come as quite a surprise for Falcon fans when he moved on

to Reading this term.

Recently married for the second time, Reider is bringing the same dedicated application to his racing at Smallmead as he has throughout his long career and it will be a sad day when he finally quits Britain to take up a full-time job as speedway administrator to his country's international team.

Belle Vue have got off to their worst-ever start to the season having won only one match in their early Northern Trophy and GBL fixtures but one young man striving to turn the tide is 21-year old LES COLLINS.

Born in Partington, Manchester, and the younger brother of ex-World champion Peter, Les first started out on the grass-tracks while in his early teens and after trial spins at Hyde Road some months later made his public debut in the Belle Vue second-half on

his 16th birthday.

Last year he finished third in the Aces averages scoring 362 points from 44 matches as the Manchester men soared to a final

second placing in the League table.

Last year Coventry won the BL Championship for the second time and one of the biggest successes in their squad was 20 year old New Zealand whizz-kid MITCH SHIRRA. Born in Auckland, Mitch first rode at Nepean, New South Wales, six years ago, 12 months before debuting in public at Canberra.

One of the smallest speed merchants in world racing, Mitch first raced here at Coatbridge and is now in his third season

with the Midlanders.

The brilliance of IVAN MAUGER needs no introduction to Owlerton fans having already displayed his talents here last month in the Northern Trophy clash. On that occasion Ivan scored nine points and only machine gremlins robbed him of double figures.

Now 38, Ivan joined Hull last term from Exeter and helped them climb the League table to third position after their lowly

eighteenth slot 12 months earlier.

Born in Christchurch, New Zealand, the eight times World Champion (five speedway titles plus three long-track) is only searching for Grand Prix points tonight having already qualified for the next stage of the World Championship race at White City in August.



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