

It was all very disappointing to get a "wash-out" last week, especially at a time when we are experiencing such a great come-back to speedway here at Poole. The heavy overnight rain, plus the prolonged downpour until about half past three in the afternoon rendered the track a quagmire and there just wasn't time left to get it in a fit state for racing. Both teams and the Referee made prolonged inspections of the conditions, but with the best will in the world one could not possibly ask the lads to go out and take such extra risks as racing would then have entailed.

Our meeting of a fortnight ago is still being talked about, and certainly that was speedway at its very best. Fortunately the injury to Ken Middleditch has not proved serious, and in fact what he sustained was a very unpleasant friction burn under his arm from one of those spinning back wheels.

The Skipper was all set to go last week, for after his rather disappointing performance against Bristol, he straight away ordered a new engine, and by dint of hard work, had this all fixed up and in his bike just before the meeting was called off.

We would like to say a word of thanks to our Track Staff, who doubtless found it a little strange working under a new administration. They have, however, settled down to the changes very quickly, and we are more than pleased with the willing and happy way in which they have co-operated with all that we have asked of them. They are moulding themselves into a very efficient unit, and as such, they are an integral part of any slick, well presented meeting.

We would like to thank, too, all those speedway enthusiasts who have rallied round this effort of restoring speedway to Poole, and it has been very encouraging to see such enthusiasm as that of the last few weeks, and to receive so many letters from people telling us how much they are enjoying the meetings and the new amenities.

The Supporters' Club Committee, too, is buckling down with a will, and they certainly deserve a new and high intake of members to enable them to plan their activities on a really broad scale. A big effort now, by everyone, Promoters, Riders and Supporters can make speedway safe in Poole for many years to come. With this new Provincial League proving such an outstanding success, the door has been opened for a far better future than the sport has ever known before, and we must all do our part towards this end.

Tonight, however, we must turn our attentions to the task of trying to gain two more league points, and we welcome Rayleigh as our opponents. These lads have been proving themselves very difficult to beat, in spite of the fact that the Pirates lowered their colours in a challenge match earlier. Since then, nevertheless, the Rockets have defeated Bristol at Bristol, and when it is remembered that only four points separated Poole and Bristol here a fortnight ago, we can expect some pretty exciting stuff here tonight. And, of course, Alan Smith is now back in the Rayleigh line-up. Our visitors have so far lost only one League match, and it is therefore, a real Championship tussle.

Our meeting next week brings us a round of the Provincial Riders Championship, and this again should provide some very fine speedway. All the Poole boys will be engaged, plus eight riders drawn from the other teams of the League. As yet we do not know which riders have been allocated to Poole, but if we receive the information by this evening we will pass it on to you via the public address system.

Anyway, time now to wish the teams this evening the best of luck, with, of course, a special cheer for our own Pirates.

Yours sincerely,

JACK KNOTT.

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SUPPORTERS' CLUB

Dear Supporters,

We must congratulate the boys on their fine achievements to date, particularly for that wonderful performance against Bristol. It is years since we have heard such enthusiasm at Poole, and it is grand to see and hear everyone enjoying themselves again.

I feel certain that with your continued support, our boys are going places, and one place, I hope, will be to the top of the League. Certainly they are climbing steadily up the table now.

Once again I should like to thank you all for your generous response to our Supporters' Club Draw, and all those, too, who have come along and joined our Club. Can we beat Bristol's membership? Of course we can, so those of you who have not so far joined, make sure of signing up tonight. The fee is only two shillings and it includes the cost of the Club badge. Those on the North bend wishing to join can do so by contacting the Committee member who will be selling draw tickets in that area.

We are now taking orders for the World Championship Final at Wembley on September 17th, and as this year there is likely to be a greatly increased demand owing to the number of new tracks in speedway, we do advise all those who intend being present to let us know your requirements just as soon as possible.

We are hoping to take a big party to Bristol for Friday's return League match, but the loss of our meeting last week has cut down our time for taking bookings. However, we can still fix you up tonight, but we shall have to have "cash with order". We shall be leaving the Stadium at 4.30 sharp, and it will certainly encourage our lads if we can support them on such an important away match—probably bring them another away win.

Here's hoping to hear your voices again tonight—and good luck to the Pirates.

Cheerio.

L. A. HARRIS, Hon. Sec.

THE LEAGUE TABLE

(up to and including 16th July)

			P	W	D	L	For	Against	MP
Rayleigh	•••	•••	12	11	_	1	526	336	22
Bristol			13	11		2	545	385	22
Cradley Hea	ath	•••	10	7	_	3	380	338	14
Stoke		•••	11	5	1	5	380	395	11
Poole	• • •		7	5	-	2	278	223	10
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Sheffield			6	2	_	4	184	244	4
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Brandford	•••	•••	9		-	9	253	383	0

Programme of the 5th Meeting WEDNESDAY, JULY 20th, 1960

A.C.U. Licence

Held under the Speedway Regulations of the Control Board

OFFICIALS

A.C.U. Referee: C. H. KING Clerk of the Course: C. J. KNOTT Starting Marshal: A. BALL Judge/Timekeeper: W. H. S. ANDREW Announcer: JACK KNOTT

Starting Marshal: A. BALL Pit Marshal: T. GIBBS Medical Officer: Lieut.-Col. J. F. W. MEENAN, M.B. Asst. Pit Marshal: D. GIBBS

St. John Ambulance in attendance-Voluntary Service

Provincial League Match

12 Heats. 4 Laps—Clutch Start. Points: Heat Winners, 3 pts.; 2nd, 2 pts.; 3rd, 1 pt. TACTICAL SUBSTITUTES:—After Heat 4, the Team Six or more points in arrears may use a Substitute Rider.

POOLE

. RAYLEIGH

(Blue and White Stripes)

(Blue and Gold)

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3.	MIKE FREEMAN	***	***		
4.	JIM GLEED	***			
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"Meet the Boys"



Returning to Poole after a spell in Canada, Allan is making a fine job of the captaincy of the team, and he says that at no time does he remember such a great team spirit as that now existing between the lads. In his last few matches Allan has been dogged by motor trouble, and he hopes he has effectively dealt with this by buying himself a new engine. One of the most unselfish of riders, Allan himself suggested that he should be withdrawn during the Bristol match, to give others the chance of doing better. With his new motor, we all hope that he will be able to produce his top form, and that he will realise his ambition of leading the Pirates to the first Provincial League title.

Allan Kidd

Geoff Mudge

Is certainly making a most impressive debut in his first year of British Speedway racing. An Australian, Geoff gained his experience on a number of his native tracks, and then last winter decided to take a chance on breaking into the game in England. He sold most of his possessions in order to pay his way over, and arrived with just about enough of the "necessary" to see him through until racing commenced here.

In the short time that he has now been racing in the League, he leaves no doubt that he will become a rider in the front rank in a very short space of time. Is developing a very fine understanding on the track with Ken Middleditch. Poole supporters will join in wishing him every success.



Poole Speedway Fixtures

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June	22		Rayleigh	***				Home	Challenge
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17	21		Cradley He	ath	W		+	Home	League

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THE SPEEDWAY KNOCK-OUT CUP

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