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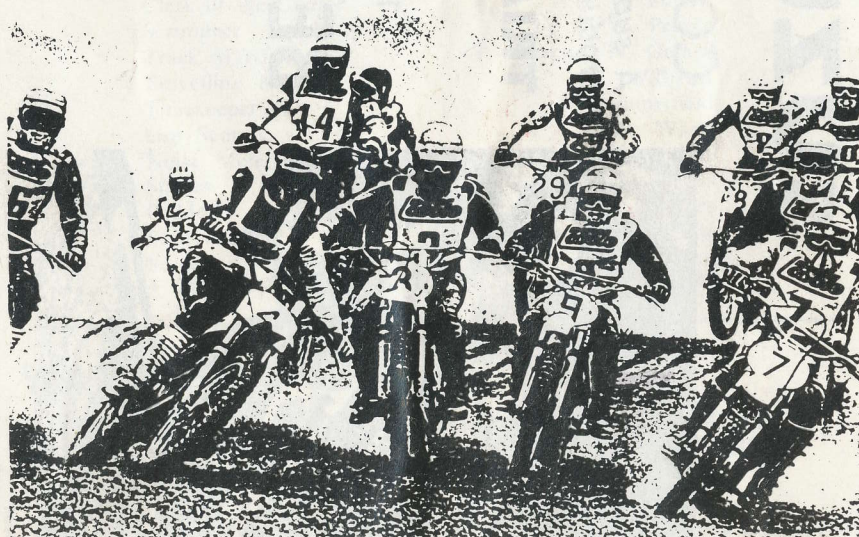
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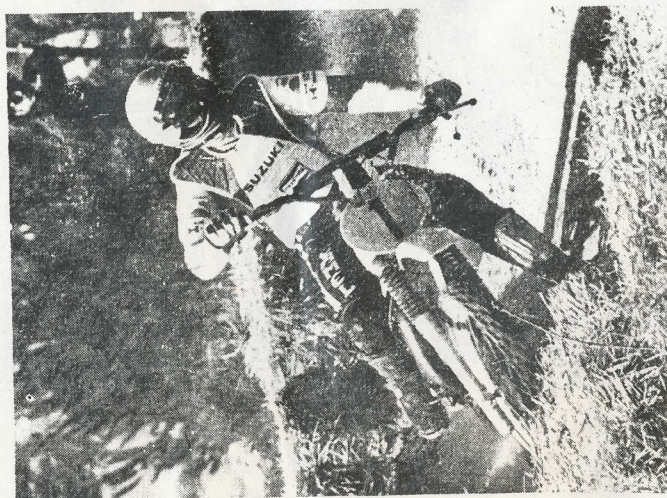
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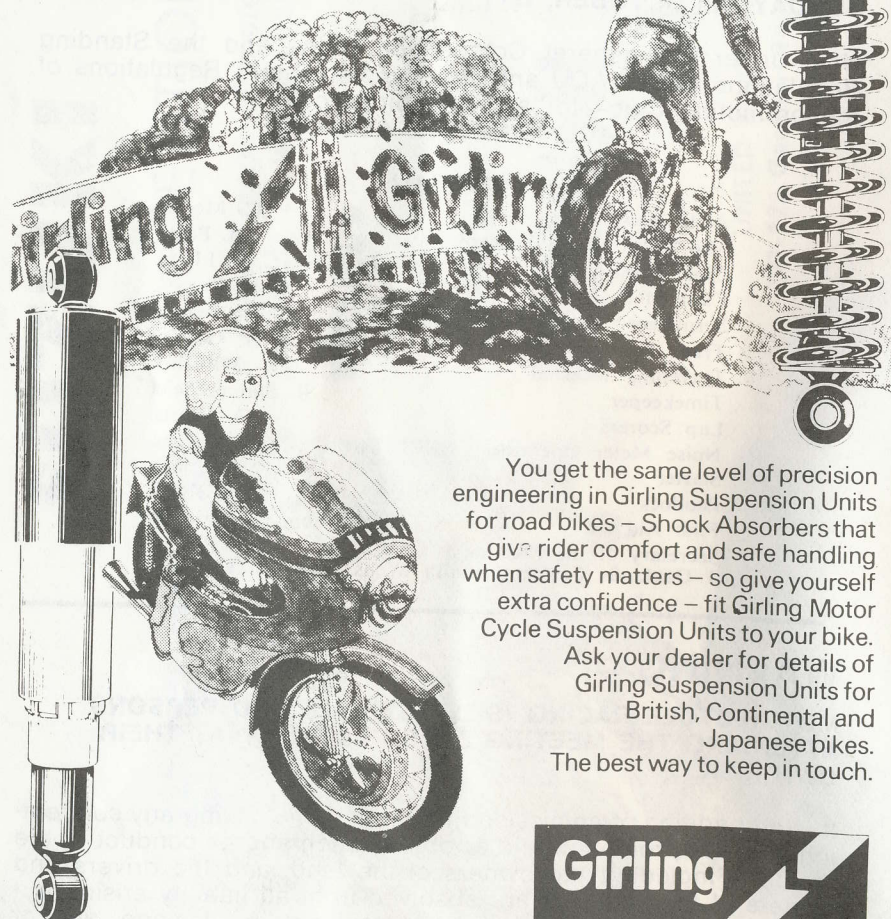
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ELIMINATING HEAT 1

10 mins + 2 laps

No.	Name	Machine	Town
11	Chris Small	Kawasaki 250; 400	Fareham
15	Chris Scriven	Husqvarna 390	Loxwood
18	John Reid	Maico 250; 400	Middlesboro
21	Simon Cheney	Cheney 500	Crookham
24	Kenward Price	Cheney 500	Crossgates
27	Lewis Dale	Maico 400	Exeter
30	Chris Adlem	Kawasaki 250; 400	Lymington
33	Paul Collins	Maico 400	Calne
36	John Fleming	Bultaco 250; Suzuki 370	Glasgow
39	Terry Challinor	Yamaha 250; 400	Pontesbury
42	Mike George	EMC 250; Maico 400	Ashford Common
45	Steve Lane	Yamaha 250; 400	Feckenham
48	Steve Slade	Maico 400	Halesowen
51	Bob Stringer	CCM 500	Walsall
54	Chris Clark	Suzuki 250; 370	Petworth
57	Mike Stephens	Maico 400	Hereford
60	Perry Leask	Husqvarna 250; 390	Hickstead
63	Roy Beatty	Suzuki 370	Swanley
66	Steve Barnwell	Maico 400	Ridgemont
69	Jeremy Marchant	Fowler Maico 400	Dorchester
72	John McMillan	Stanyam 397	Slough
75	Brian Wilcox	Yamaha 400	Hereford
78	Jeff James	Wilkomoto 400	Newtown
81	Stephen Powell	Maico 400	Blackwood
		Husqvarna 250	
		CZ 400	
84	Clive Watkins	Montesa 360	Crumlin
87	Rod Nicholas	Maico 400	Didcot
90	D. Marriott	Maico 400	Carmarthen
93	Sam Cheshire	CCM 500	Hereford
96	Gary Woollam	Comerfords	Woking
		Bultaco 370	

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THESE DRIVERS GO FORWARD INTO RACES 3 and 6.

ELIMINATING HEAT 2

10 mins + 2 laps

No.	Name	Machine	Town
12	Fred Rowe	Husqvarna 390	Aldershot
16	Rob Waddington	Maico 400	Clitheroe
19	Gareth Jones	Maico 400	Llanidloes
22	Rob Donaldson	Suzuki 410	Basingstoke
		Cheney 550	
25	Elwyn Price	CCM 500	Crossgates
28	Kevin Hatcher	KTM 250; 360	Chessington
31	Michael Moores	Yamaha 400	Huntingdon
34	Wayne James	Husqvarna 250; 390	Merthyr
37	Norman Emery	Maico 400	Eastleigh
40	Anthony Edwards	Yamaha 400	Pontllanfraith
43	Chris Hale	Yamaha 250; 400	Oxford
46	Nigel Parvin	Maico 400	Eastleigh
49	Neil Stananought	Yamaha 250	Wigan
52	Wayne Thomas	Maico 400	Merthyr
55	Lindsay Knox	Maico 400	Glasgow

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58	Carl Tyler	Maico 400	Gloucester
61	Rob Kinsey	Montesa 360	Kendal
64	Geoff Wallace	Yamaha 400	Dartford
67	Dave Drake	Maico 400	Stafford
70	Roy Hooper	Maico 400	Stroud
73	Philip Shaw	Maico 400	Chesterfield
76	David Brown	Husqvarna 390	Tytherington
79	Derek Harmon	CZ 250; 400	Merthyr
82	Neville Morris	Bultaco 250	Bishops Castle
85	Marek Crandon	Suzuki 250	Merthyr
88	Steve Orrells	Bultaco 250	Newtown
91	John Probert	Husqvarna 360	Clun
94	Neil Cheshire	Yamaha 400	Hereford
97	D. Rowlands	Husqvarna 400	Llantrissant

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ELIMINATING HEAT 3

10 mins + 2 laps

No.	Name	Machine	Town
14	John Huntley	Beamish Suzuki 250;370	Esher
17	Mike Lillwhite	Suzuki 370	Emsworth
20	Geraint Jones	Maico 400	Llanidloes
23	Sam Preston	Kawasaki 400	Lancaster
26	Ken Williams	Montesa 360	Crossgates
29	Mike Pearce	Bultaco 250; 360	Sunbury
32	Steve Clarke	Suzuki 250; 370	Formby
35	Wayne Jones	Maico 250; 400	Merthyr
38	Richard Goddard	Maico 400	Tewkesbury
41	Billy Edwards	Maico 400	Lochmaben
44	Paul Hunt	Husqvarna 390	Ottershaw
47	Keith Ree	Montesa 250; 360	Evesham
50	Tim Stowe	Yamaha 250; 400	Warwick
53	Sam Tomkinson	KTM 250	Newport
56	Cameron Knox	Maico 400	Glasgow
59	Michael Watts	Maico 400	Oxford
62	Dennis Slythe	Cheney Yamaha 500	East Malling
65	Jeremy Beck	Maico 400	Guildsboro
68	Terry Fisher	Eastwood Yamaha 500	Longfield
71	R. G. Smith	Bultaco 360	Stroud
74	Mike Wilcox	Yamaha 400	Hereford
77	Terry Lewis	Husqvarna 390	Crossgates
80	Wayne Harmon	Maico 400	Merthyr
83	Dennis Evans	Bultaco 370	Llanbradach
86	J. Shakespeare	Maico 400	Bromsgrove
89	Chris Thomas	Maico 400	Newtown
92	Rob Jones	Maico 400	Clun
95	Mike Gover	KTM 250	Aldershot
98	R. Williams	Maico 400	Llantrissant

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EXPLANATORY NOTES ON TODAY'S RACING

The premier races on today's programme are the two British Championship Races. The top 35 riders in the Country compete in two races at each of six meetings, and as well as prize money, collect points from each race on the scale : 15, 12, 10, 8, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1, for the first 10 places. The Champion, of course, is the rider who collects the most points from the 12 races. At the end of the year five riders drop out and are replaced with five new contenders from the Qualifying series.

The qualifying races are organised on exactly the same lines as the Championship, and the five riders promoted are those who gain the most points from the series. Only 35 riders can compete in the qualifying races at any one meeting, and so it is necessary that the remainder be eliminated in preliminary heats; these are races 1, 2 and 3 on your programme. Ten riders do not need to compete in the heats, these are those with the greatest number of points from previous meetings; they are seeded direct into the Qualifying races. Their names are already entered in your programme in races 3 and 6. This means that we have about 100 riders competing in 3 Heats for 25 places on the line. The first 8 in each heat go through, together with the 9th rider in the heat which boasts the fastest winner. It will be necessary for Spectators to enter these names as they are announced over the public address system.

TIMETABLE OF EVENTS

- 11.15—ELIMINATING HEATS
- 12.00—LUNCH
- 13.00—1st NON-QUALIFIERS RACE
- 13.30—1st CHAMPIONSHIP RACE
- 14.25—1st CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFYING RACE
- 15.10—INTERVAL
- 15.25—2nd NON-QUALIFIERS RACE
- 16.00—2nd BRITISH CHAMPIONSHIP RACE
- 17.00—2nd CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFYING RACE

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BRITISH SOLO MOTO-CROSS CHAMPIONSHIP

ROUND FIVE

RACES 2 and 5

40 mins + 2 laps

No.	Name	Machine	Town	Points 1st to date	2nd Leg
1	Graham Noyce	Maico 440	Fairoak	85	
2	Vic Allan	Husky 390	Tolworth	40	
3	Neil Hudson	Maico 250	Pensford	66	
4	John Banks	CCM 500	Bury St. Edmunds	40	
5	Vic Eastwood	CCM 500	West Malling	15	
6	Rob Hooper	Husky 250; 390	Rugeley	20	
7	Andy Robertson	Montesa 250; 360	Knighton	66	
8	Bob Wright	CCM 500	Sabden	40	
9	Bryan Wade	Suzuki 370; 250	Nailsworth	27	
10	Roger Garret	KTM 250; 400	Axbridge	2	
11	Roger Harvey	Husqvarna 390	Rugeley	14	
12	Geoff Mayes	Kawasaki 250; 380	West Wrattling	17	
14	Norman Barrow	CCM 550	Millom	7	
15	Stuart Nunn	Yamaha 400	Sutton	19	
16	Bill Aldridge	Suzuki 370	Smalldole	9	
17	James Aird	Maico 400	Kirkaldy		
18	Pete Mathia	Yamaha 250; 360	Cuddlington	7	
19	Malcolm Davis	Bultaco 250; 380	Gloucester		
20	Terry Dyer	KTM250; 400	Eastbourne	4	
21	Paul Harrison	CZ 250; 400	Mk Harborough		
22	Rob Taylor	KTM 250; 360	Bristol	6	
23	Vaughan Semmens	Maico 250; 400	Brownhills	13	
24	Andy Ainsworth	Montesa 360	Sabden	7	
25	Les Lloyd	AJS 250; 360	Steventon		
26	Dave Tomasik	KTM 250; 400	Hereford	12	
27					
28	Chris Ginn	Suzuki 370	Woodbridge		
29	John May	KTM 400	Godalming		
30	Dave Bickers	Suzuki 380	Coddenham		
31	Randy Owen	EMC 400	Hereford		
32	Dave Nicholl	CCM 500	Newport		
33	Robert Wilkinson	EMC 250; 400	Bolton	3	
34	Steve Beamish	Suzuki 370	Portslade	9	
35	Paul Orritt	Yamaha 400	Southport		
36	Alan Clarke	Kawasaki 400	Chesterfield		

BRITISH SOLO MOTOCROSS CHAMPIONSHIP

RACE 2

1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th

6th 7th 8th 9th 10th

TIME

1st £110; 2nd £70; 3rd £50; 4th £46; 5th £30
6th £28; 7th £20; 8th £20; 9th £16; 10th £16

RACE 5

1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th

6th 7th 8th 9th 10th

TIME

1st £110; 2nd £70; 3rd £50; 4th £46; 5th £30
6th £28; 7th £20; 8th £20; 9th £16; 10th £16

OVERALL 1st

2nd

3rd

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May we remind you that Rhayader Schoolboys' Club are holding an event here next Saturday, so for the benefit of Club members and helpers, we will be dismantling fences, etc., next Sunday, (October 16th).

Once again, thanks to all and may you enjoy your visit to the Royal Welsh Showground. **BWMC**

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CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFYING RACES

RACES 3 and 6

30 mins + 2 laps

No.	Name	Machine	Town	Points to date	1st Leg	2nd Leg
1	Steve How	CCM 500; 580	Buckingham	82		
2	Willie Simpson	Maico 250; 400	Glamis	75		
3	Malcolm Dearn	Husqvarna 390	Charlwood	48		
4	Jonathan Wright	Maico 400	Southwold	47		
5	David Watson	Maico 250; 400	Widnes	43		
6	Don Brockbank	Maico 400	Millom	41		
7	Nicky Toms	Maico 250; 400	Dursley	41		
8	Steve Harrison	Suzuki 370	Mkt. Harborough	38		
9	John Leece	KTM 250; 500	Millom	37		
10	Neil Griffith	Suzuki 370	Maerdy	25		

CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFYING RACES

RACE 3

1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th

6th 7th 8th 9th 10th

TIME

1st £15; 2nd £12; 3rd £10; 4th £8; 5th £6
6th £5; 7th £4; 8th £3; 9th £2; 10th £1

RACE 6

1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th

6th 7th 8th 9th 10th

TIME

1st £15; 2nd £12; 3rd £10; 4th £8; 5th £6
6th £5; 7th £4; 8th £3; 9th £2; 10th £1.

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1st £8; 2nd £6; 3rd £4; 4th £3; 5th £1

TIME

RACE 4

20 mins + 2 laps

SECOND NON-QUALIFIERS RACE

STARTERS Nos.

1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th
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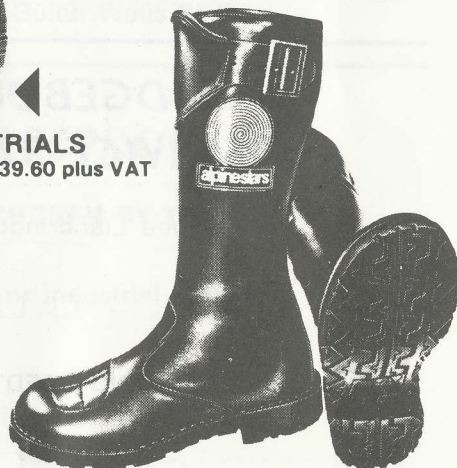
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Motor Cycle's prestigious British Moto Cross Championship was blown wide open last month in Brighton when reigning champion Graham Noyce failed to finish either race and saw his 33 points lead slashed in half. Builth Wells today is the last-but-one round of the series and it would be folly to say that the 20 years-old Hampshire lad has it sewn up—he hasn't and even if he wins both races today the championship will be decided at Portsmouth on October 16th.

Two men are tied for runner-up place at the moment—Neil Hudson (Maico) and Andy Robertson (Montesa) and for them today is crucial if they are to be in with a chance of a crack at the title in Portsmouth. Both have 66 points now to Noyce's 85.

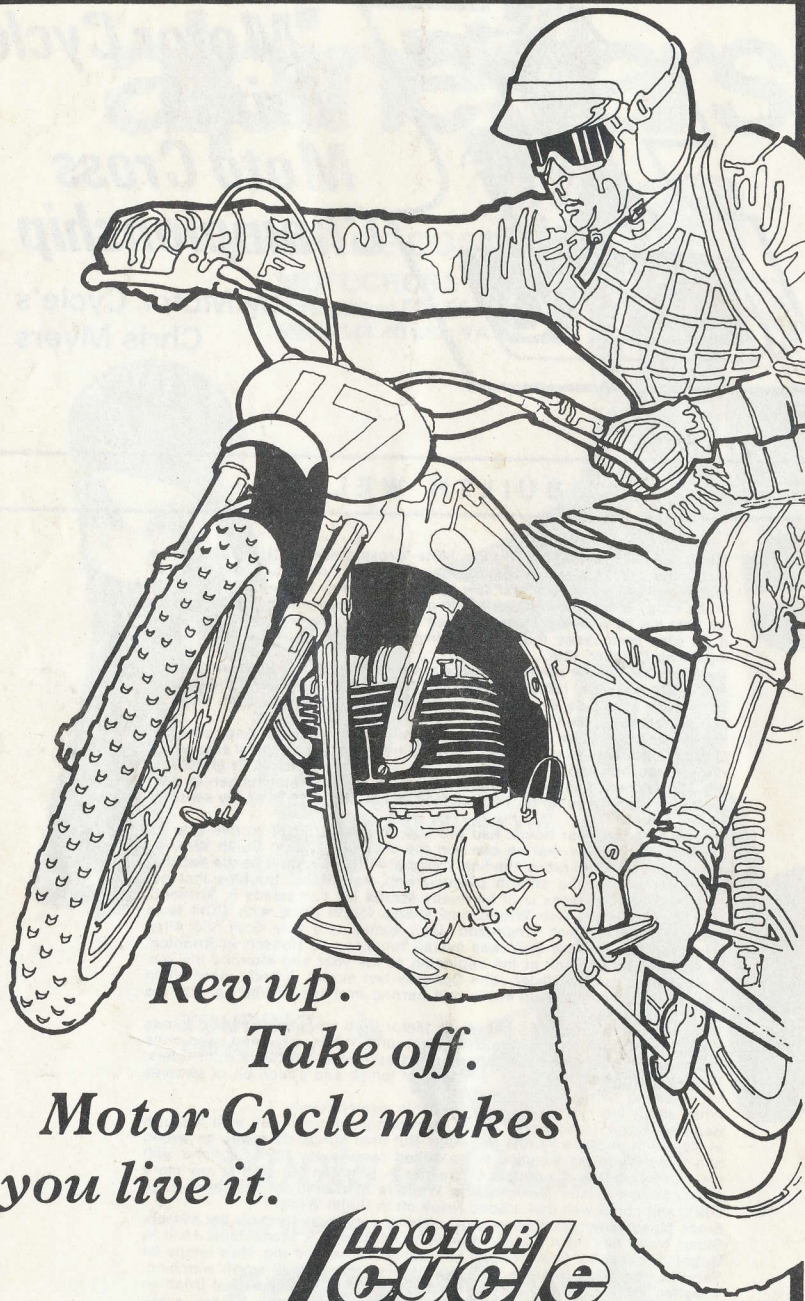
Man to watch must be Andy Robertson here on home ground. Andy's beaten Graham once this year—in Scotland and he's had a successful season. Hudson too has had a good season—he won both races in Brighton and the 30 welcome points catapulted him right up to equal runner-up spot and more than made up for the bad luck which dogged him at the season's start.

By this time last year Noyce had the title all sewn up. Not so this year for there is just no way that he can win the championship at Builth Wells—even if he wins both races, the final round at Portsmouth will be the decider. After starting out the season plagued with mechanical troubles that put him out of all the races until he finally scored his first points in Scotland, 1977 CCM convert Bob Wright now shares fourth place with CCM team mate and multi-British Champion John Banks and wily Scot Vic Allan (Husqvarna). 'Battling Bob' was overall runner-up to Hudson in Brighton, he won the Patchquik at the beginning of the year and stormed his way to an overall win the Ulster John Donnelly last month. A gritty, hard bitten rider, he does not give up easily and barring mishaps will be up with the leaders on Sunday.

This year the organising Builth Wells Motor Club have moved their course slightly back on the Royal Welsh Showground. It has only been used once this year and the Club have incorporated several suggestions from riders. There's a long uphill straight, a couple of jumps and a nice bit of swervey it's a testing circuit.

What about the rest of the championship contenders? Beamish Suzuki man Bryan Wade started out the year well with a fourth at Nantwich and two fourths at Bootle. But then things started to go wrong and 'Wild Wade' as he used to be called came away from Scotland with just three points and a couple of crashes in Brighton put paid to any more additions to his tally. Nevertheless, Wade is renowned for his super-quick starts and could well pull a good result off in Builth Wells.

Since he switched from Kawasaki to Yamaha mid-way through the season, Stuart Nunn has been rapidly improving: he scored a respectable sixth at Brighton, but a flat tyre dropped him out in the second leg. He's happy on Yamaha, the bike's reliable and he's getting better—well worth watching. Vaughan Semmens (Maico) surprised everyone—and himself—at Brighton when he found himself leading the first championship race. He was really moving and although he lost the lead after four laps still ended the day with his first points of the season.



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