

CENTURY **BRITISH OILS** **MOTO-CROSS** **CHAMPIONSHIP**

Championship Rounds

ROUND 1.
SUNDAY, 20th MARCH.
HAWKSTONE PARK, NR. SHREWSBURY.

ROUND 2.
EASTER SUNDAY, 3rd APRIL.
BARFIELD, BOOTLE, CUMBRIA.

ROUND 3.
SUNDAY, 15th MAY.
CUERDEN PARK, BAMBER BRIDGE, PRESTON, LANCS.

ROUND 4.
SUNDAY, 22nd MAY.
ELSWORTH MOTO PARK, ELSWORTH, NR. CAMBS.

ROUND 5.
SUNDAY, 17th JULY.
HIGHER ROCOMBE, TORQUAY.

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1983 CENTURY OILS BRITISH MOTO CROSS CHAMPIONSHIP

Foreword by Dave Smith

Welcome to the Third Round of the Century Oils sponsored British Moto Cross Championship here at Cuerden Park in the heart of Lancashire.

Six races in the series have so far been run and as in the world championship Honda are dominating the series with Yamaha not far behind. In this instance Dave Thorpe holds a ten point lead over team mate Graham Noyce with 1982 Champion Neil Hudson a mere six points behind the man, at the time of writing, who is leading the World Championship (Graham Noyce). The top Englishman in the 250 World Championship Yamaha's Dave Watson currently lies in fourth place with fellow 250 youngster Jem Whatley (Suzuki) just trailing him, again exactly the same position as in the world championship. These five riders are expected to be at the heart of these three 25 minutes plus two lap battles.

Aiming to split the top 5 up will be Scotland's Willie Simpson (Husqvarna), the Kawasaki duo of Kurt Nicoll and Jonathan Wright all back from their session of 500 cc World Championship encounters, but Roger Harvey (Yamaha) and exiled Ulsterman Steven Russell (Suzuki) who have been contesting the 250 cc world scene will also be looking to add valuable points to their score sheet. The fact that the first ten riders currently in the British Championship are all contesting the world scene is an example of the strength of British Moto Cross, and with only a couple of exceptions all are former graduates from the youth division.

More riders to follow today include the 1980 Champion, Geoffrey Mayes and Howard Lucas (Kawasaki), the Honda U.K. Team of Steve Beamish, Perry Leask, Paul Hunt and Kevin Ruddock, Dave Tomasik and Adrian Willmott who spearhead the KTM Importers attack and Brett Steele who leads the West German Maico team.

The Support Championship is just as keenly contested with two races of the same duration as the major competition. Honda's exciting Scottish teenager Tony Caig holds a mere seven point lead over Yamaha's Kevin Froud and these two former youth division champions will be anxious to exert authority on each other in an attempt to open up a favourable advantage in the competition. However, it is certain they will not have had all their own way if Yamaha's Greg Hanson, Suzuki's Paul Luscombe and Cagiva's Mark Fulton, who incidentally rides the smallest bike in this competition, have anything to say about matters.

Cuerden Park has not been the luckiest circuit in the last few years as regards good weather for a Championship event so lets hope that the situation is considerably improved for today's classic.

As in the past rounds many thanks to our Sponsors Century Oils, all the advertisers, and last but not least you the Spectator for supporting this, we hope, another classic venture.

Have a good days racing.

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The North Western Centre would like to take this opportunity of saying "THANK YOU TO CENTURY OILS LTD., FOR YOUR CONTINUING GENEROUS SPONSORSHIP OF THE 1983 CENTURY OILS BRITISH MOTO CROSS CHAMPIONSHIP. IT IS THROUGH YOUR INVOLVEMENT THAT ORGANISATIONS SUCH AS THE NORTH WESTERN CENTRE AUTO CYCLE UNION ARE ABLE TO FURTHER THE SPORT OF MOTO CROSS IN THE INTEREST OF THE PUBLIC AND THE RIDERS, THEMSELVES. ONCE AGAIN, MANY THANKS". In addition our grateful thanks to Central Lancashire Development Corporation and, in particular, their staff who through their efforts make Cuerden Park available for this event, Dairy Crest for their assistance, all officials and marshalls, the personnel from the Red Cross, Willow Catering for their endeavours today, the public address system contractors, all those companies and individuals who have taken space in this programme, to all competitors and in particular to all those members of the public who have joined us here today to see British Moto Cross at its best.

Thank you one and all very much.

M.E. Simpson

Programme of Events

- 0815 Scrutineering
- 0900 PRACTICE - Qualifying Championship Drivers
- 1000 PRACTICE - Grade 1 Riders (30 Minutes)
- 1035 RACE 1 - HEAT 1 - Qualifying Championship (Page 13)
- 1050 RACE 2 - HEAT 2 - Qualifying Championship (Page 15)
- 1105 RACE 3 - HEAT 3 - Qualifying Championship (Page 17)
- 1110 PRACTICE - Grade 1 Riders (30 Minutes)
- 1200 RACE 4 - 1st Repechage Race (Page 23)
- 1215 RACE 5 - 2nd Repechage Race (Page 23)
- 1230 PRACTICE - Top 10 Support Riders only (10 Mins.)

- 1300 PRESENTATION OF GRADE 1 DRIVERS

- 1345 RACE 6 - 1st Leg - 1983 Century Oils British Moto
Cross Championship (Pages 18 & 19)
- 1430 RACE 7 - 1st Leg - 1983 Qualifying Championship
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- 1515 RACE 8 - 2nd Leg - 1983 Century Oils British Moto
Cross Championship (Pages 18 & 19)
- 1600 RACE 9 - 2nd Leg - 1983 Qualifying Championship
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- 1645 RACE 10 - 3rd Leg - 1983 Century Oils British Moto
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- 1730 PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

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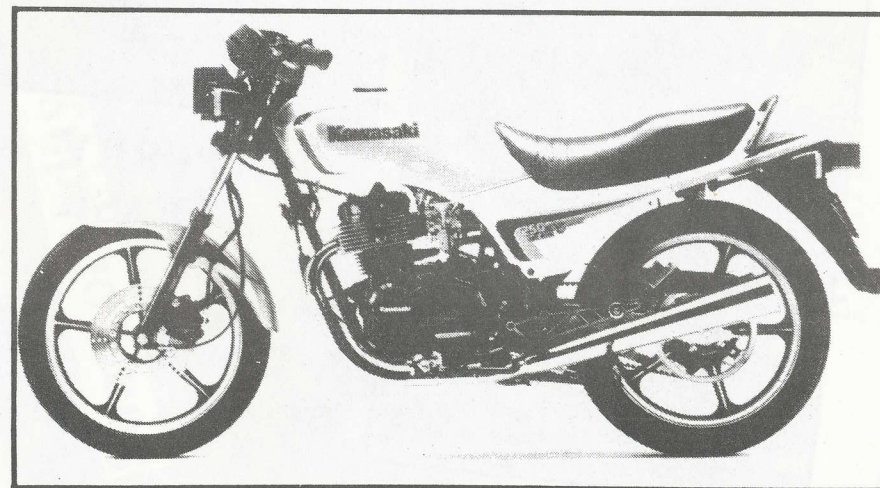
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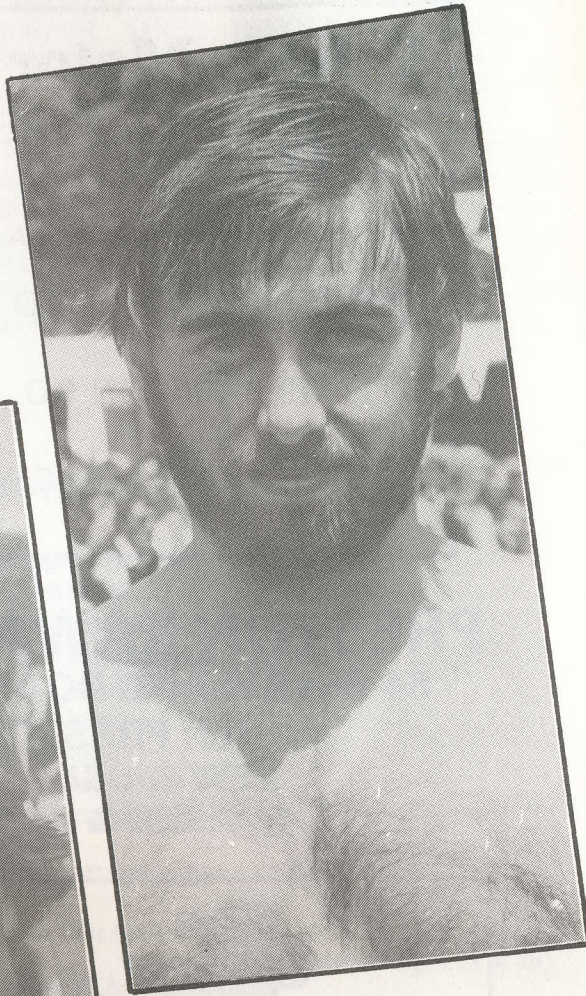
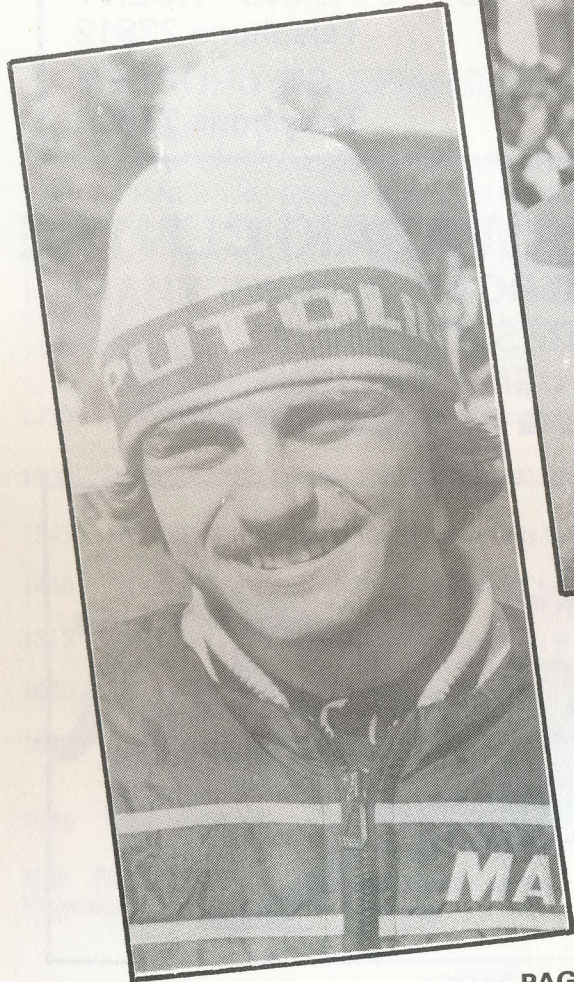
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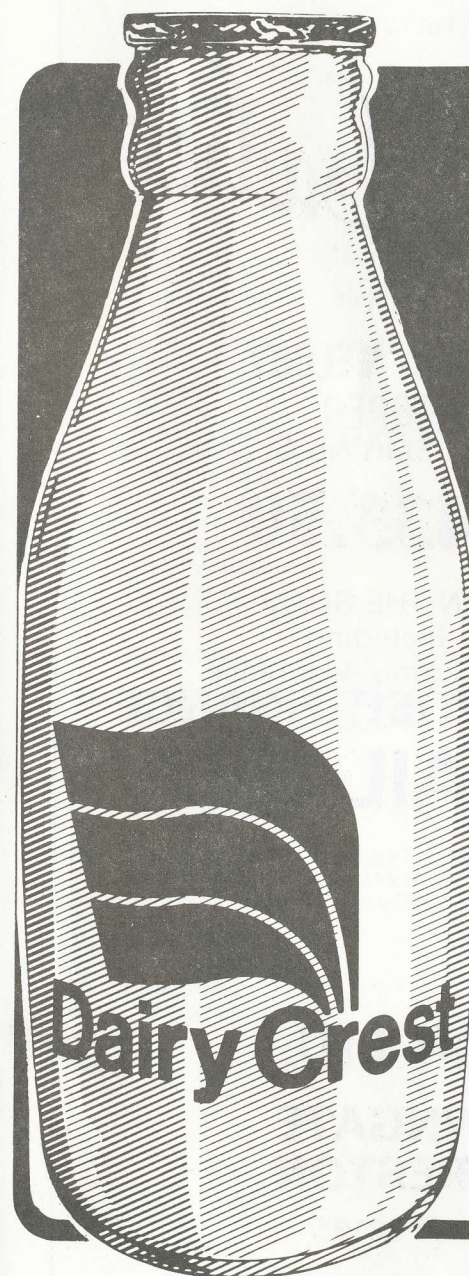
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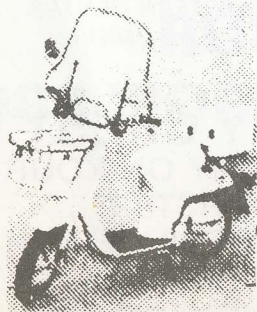
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41	Keith Turner		500 Husqvarna	Stonehouse	
44	Peter Rushton	Bryan Goss Motorcycles	490 Maico	Evercreech	
48	Chris Bryan		490 Maico	Bristol	
53	James Hawkins	Hawkins Motors	500 Husqvarna		
57	Alan Bott	Bryco Motorcycles	490 Maico	Wigan	
61	Richard Allen		465 Suzuki	Lincoln	
65	Roy Hooper		490 Maico	Stroud	
68	Simon Wyse	Doug Wheeler M/c's	490 Maico	Oxford	2
71	John Clarke		250 Maico	Oxford	
74	Andrew Cleaver		495 Yamaha	Wombwell	
77	Rob Mitchell	A & G Scot Comp.	490 Maico	Aberdeen	
80	Andy Bishop	Bishops of Bath	495 KTM	Bath	
83	Les Robinson		490 Maico	London	
86	Andy Winterbourne		492 Suzuki	Wantage	6
89	Rod Newman		250/500 Kawasaki	Frome	
92	Martin Crees		500 Suzuki	Colchester	
96	Rob Jones	Northampton M/X Centre	500 Suzuki	Northampton	
103	Darren Jeynes	Stuart Sims M/c's	490 Yamaha	Gt. Wyrley	
106	Chris Benford	Ford & Ellis	465 Suzuki	Beaconsfield	
110	Calum McKenzie		490 Maico	Glasgow	
113	Ian Astbury		250 KTM	Winsford	
116	Paul Russell-Smith		500 Kawasaki	Pinner	
119	David Harrow	Shirlaws Motorcycles	495 KTM	Cupar	
122	Ian Shankie		490 Yamaha	Neilston	
125	Kurt Pringle	Leask Motors Ltd.	480 Honda		
128	Matthew White	Sid Morrums	480 Maico	Windsor	
132	John Flemming	victory Devine M/c's	480 Honda	Lennoxton	
135	Bob Gessey		500 Honda	Newhaven	
139	Craig Ruddick		480 Honda	Ashford	
142	Paul Chiappa		500 Kawasaki	Crossgates	
145	Dave Clarke		490 Maico	Chorley	
148	Lee Holmes		500 Suzuki	Fawkham	2

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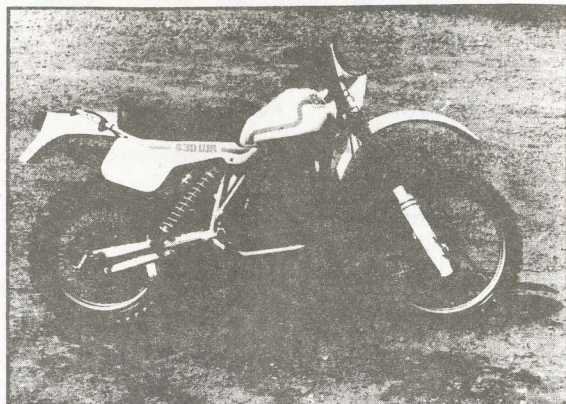
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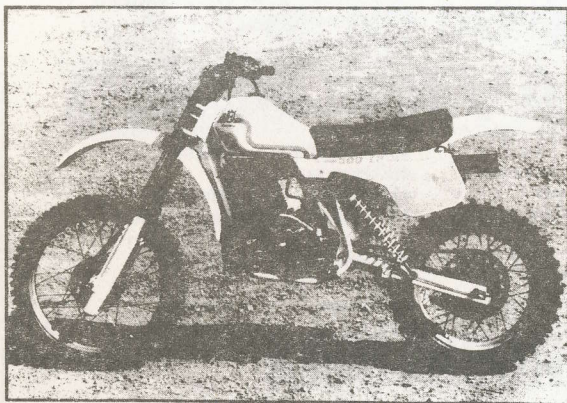
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HEAT 2 - RACE 2

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No	Name	Entrant	Machine	Town	Points to date
39	Mark Bennett	Ken White	250 Kawasaki	Cowley	1
42	Chris Bowd		490 Maico	Wallingford	
46	Robert Jardine		490 Maico	Sutherland	
49	Ken Hanson		500 N.E.B.	West Wycombe	
54	Gary Heaver		500	Darenth	4
59	Martin Brough	Lloyds	480 Honda	Coventry	
62	Russ Jarman	Comerfords Ltd.	495 KTM	Thorpe	1
66	David Copson			Mossley	4
69	Alan Blood		480 Honda	Derby	15
72	Russell Priddle	Hanham Motorcycles	480 Honda	Bournemouth	7
75	Alan Brown		490 Husqvarna	Bristol	4
78	Graham Beale	T.T. Motorcycles	500 Suzuki	Lymington	
81	Paul Ford	Ford & Ellis	250/490 Yamaha	Bovingdon	
84	Nigel Woodcock		495 KTM	Hebden Bridge	
87	Mark Hooker	Des Haylar M/c's	250/500 Suzuki	Guildford	
90	Neale Coles	Ken White M/c's	500 Kawasaki	Bristol	
93	John Bennett		495 KTM	Neath	
97	Steve Bottoms		500 Kawasaki	Datchworth	
101	Steve Palmer	Vic Eastwood M/c's	500 Honda	Swanley	
104	Gary Embleton		495 Suzuki	Coventry	14
107	Clive Cheek		500 Suzuki	Maidstone	
111	Les Morrison		250/490 Yamaha	Aberdeen	
114	Paul hart		480 Honda	Salisbury	
117	Terry Moore	K.L. Moto	490 Maico	Axminster	9
120	Mark Gleeadhill		495 KTM	Braunton	
123	Mark Baird		490 Yamaha	Lochwinnoch	
126	Clive Barnacle	Stormer Moto Cross	480 Honda	Stratford	
130	Robin Short		500 Husqvarna	Inverary	
133	Steve McMorrine		500 Kawasaki	Livingstone	
137	David Farmer		495 KTM	Sale	
140	Scott Gardner	Falkirk M/c's	490 Maico	Boness	
143	Steven Hillier		480 Honda	Bournemouth	
146	Russell Watson	Watson Motors	480 Honda	Whitby	
149	Vince Sommerton		250 Honda	Salisbury	

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No.	Name	Entrant	Machine	Town	Points to date
40	Wayne Jones		250 Yamaha	Pencoed	
43	Chris Whittle		480 Honda	Nantwich	
47	Arran Nicoll	Kawasaki U.K.	250/500 Kawasaki	Newport	
50	Stuart Cosgrove		250 Kawasaki	Stockport	2
56	Stephen Bircher	Bill Brown M/c's	490 Maico	Barrow	5
60	Brian Bader		490 Yamaha	Slough	
64	Tom Lowe	A & S. Performance	250/490 Maico	Totton	
67	Kevin Bennett	Motorite Comp. Shop	495 KTM	Morden	
70	Neil Hanham	Hanham Motorcycles	480 Honda	Ringwood	
73	Clive Huntley	Small World Off Road	500 Husqvarna	Newbury	
76	Gary Skelding	Honda Britain	250/480 Honda	Kingswinford	6
79	Peter King		480 Honda	Ferndown	
82	Nicky Abbott	T.T. Motorcycles	490 Maico	Wareham	
85	Jeff Orrell		250 Yamaha	Wigan	
88	Kevin Slight	D.G. Performance	500 Suzuki	Crawley	
91	Jim Baxter		490 Maico	Arnadale	
94	Jeremy Wing	Ken White Motorcycles	495 Suzuki	Cheddar	
100	Chris Clarke		490 Yamaha	Petworth	
102	Gary Puntton		495 KTM	Durham	
105	Tom Ollier		250 KTM	Knutsford	
108	Alastair Dick		490 Maico	GHalston	
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115	Simon Maddocks		250/480 Honda	Poynton	
118	Gary Madden		250 Suzuki	Bromley	
121	Geoff Goddard	B.G. Motocross	500 Kawasaki	Wallingford	
124	Graeme Naismith	J & P Hardie	495 Suzuki		
127	Tony McNeice		500 Suzuki	Dalton	16
131	Billy Edwards	Bryco Motorcycles	495 KTM	Lochmaben	3
134	Bruce Dingle		495 KTM	St. Saviours	
138	James Dormer		490 Yamaha	Dagenham	16
141	Chris Hale		490 Maico	Abingdon	
144	Robert Wheale		490 Maico	North Tawton	
147	Alan Ward	Wakelin Ward M/c's	500 Suzuki	Birmingham	

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...and head
straight for the
finishing line.





1983

CENTURY OILS BRITISH MOTO CROSS CHAMPIONSHIP



RACES 6, 8 and 10
(25 Minutes plus Two Laps)

No	Name	Entrant	Machine cc	Home Town	Points to date	1st Leg	2nd Leg	3rd Leg	Overall Position
1	NEIL HUDSON		Yamaha 500	Petworth	93				
2	DAVE THORPE	Honda Britain	Honda 500	Woodley	109				
3	DAVE WATSON		Yamaha 250/500	Quedgeley	78				
4	JEREMY WHATLEY	Heron Suzuki	Suzuki 495	Poole	71				
5	ROGER HARVEY	Mitsui Yamaha	Yamaha 490	Rugeley	35				
6	GRAHAM NOYCE	Honda Britain	Honda 500	Smalldole	99				
7	WILLIE SIMPSON		Husqvarna 500	Tolworth	54				
8	PETE MATHIA	Mitsui Yamaha	Yamaha 490	Delamere	-				
9	STEVE BEAMISH	Honda Britain	Honda 495	Smalldole	25				
10	GEOFF MAYES	Nunn/O'Neal	Kawasaki 500	Ely	22				
11	ROB HOOPER	Armstrong	Armstrong 500	Rugeley	7				
12	BRETT STEELE	Bryco Motor Cycles Ltd	Maico 490	Apperknowle	12				
14	PERRY LEASK	Leask	Honda 500	Crawley	14				
15	ADRIAN WILLMOTT	H.C. Cecil	KTM 495	Batcombe	-				
16	DAVE TOMASIK	H.C. Cecil	KTM 495	Peterchurch	14				
17	PAUL HUNT	Honda Britain	Honda 495	Ottershaw	13				
18	HOWARD LUCAS	Kawasaki U.K.	Kawasaki 500	Hazel Grove	9				
19	TIM STOWE	Stowe M/c's	Husqvarna 500	Lighthorne	-				
20	DAVE DRAKE	Hanham Motorcycles	Honda 480	Yeovil	-				
21	KEVIN RUDDOCK	Honda Britain	Honda 490	Slough	4				
22	GARY WOOLLAM		D.G. Suzuki 495	Old Woking	-				
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26	JONATHAN WRIGHT	Kawasaki Motors	Kawasaki 500	Fakenham	47				
27	GARY DUNN		Swing-link 490	Swindon	-				
28	MIKE WATTS	Ford & Ellis	Suzuki 250/490	Wheatley	-				
29	STEVE HOW	Ron Humphries	Husqvarna 500	Buckingham	-				
30	PHIL SMALL		Husqvarna 500	Waterlooville	-				
31	KURT NICOLL	Kawasaki Motors	Kawasaki 500	Newport	51				
32	MIKE PEARCE		Kawasaki 500	Ashford	-				
33	ANDY NICHOLLS		Yamaha 495	Reading	1				
34	CARL POPE	Stormer	Honda 500	Stourport	-				
35	STEPHEN RUSSELL	Heron Suzuki	Suzuki 500	Quedgeley	27				
36	PHIL HANHAM	Heron Suzuki	Suzuki 500	Ringwood	-				


POINTS SYSTEM

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OVERALL RESULT: 1 2 3

Lap Score Chart - BRITISH CHAMPIONSHIP

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
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1956	Jeff Smith (B.S.A.)	1968	John Banks (B.S.A.)
1957	Suez crisis - not awarded	1969	John Banks (B.S.A.)
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1960	Jeff Smith (B.S.A.)	1972	Bryan Wade (Husqvarna)
1961	Jeff Smith (B.S.A.)	1973	John Banks (B.S.A.)
1962	Jeff Smith (B.S.A.)	1974	Vic Allan (Bultaco)

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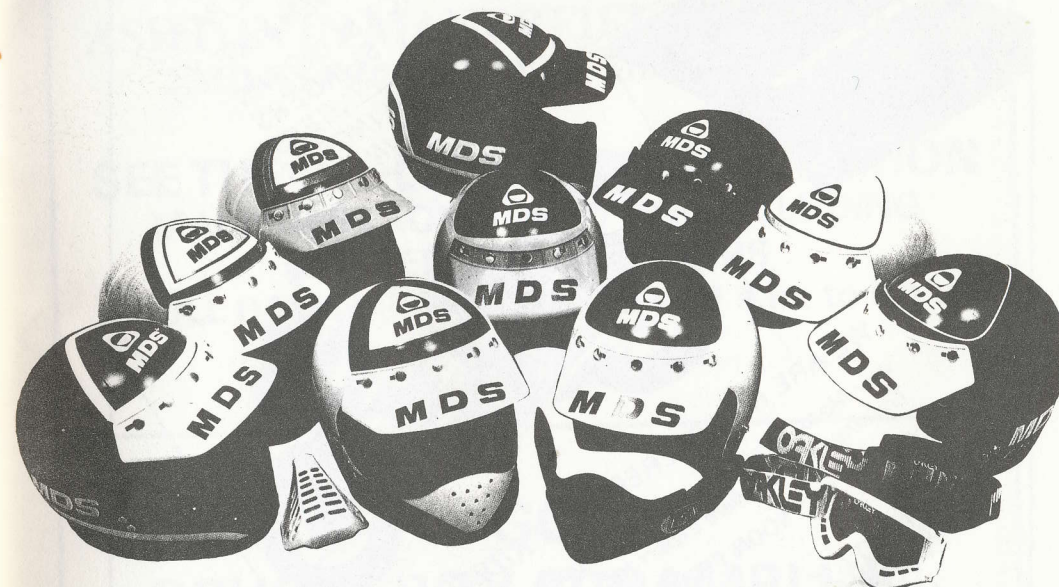


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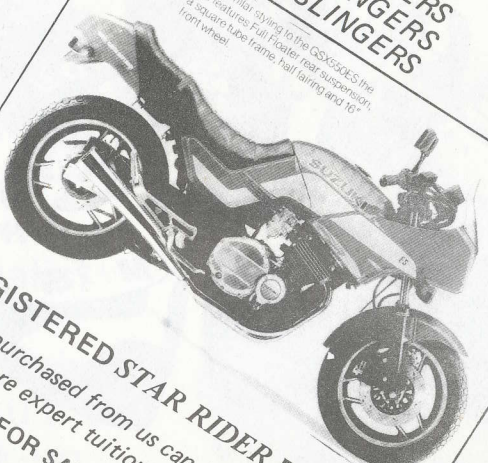
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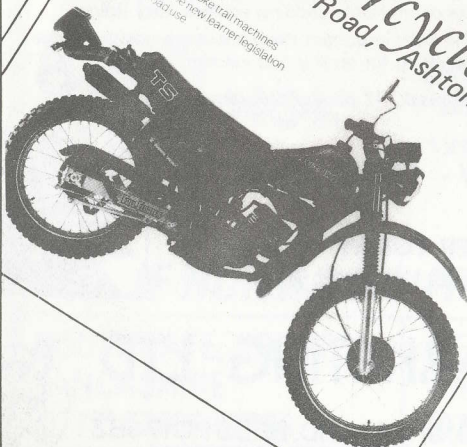
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