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# BRITISH MOTO CROSS CHAMPIONSHIP

FOREWORD BY PAUL FOWLER (Motor Cycle News)

A warm welcome to Cuerden Park and the Final Round of the Motor Cycle News British Moto Cross Championship.

The two top spots in the Championship may have been sewn up but the battle for the remaining places has never been more hotly contested.

World Champion Graham Noyce (Honda) and Maico's Neil Hudson are already assured of the first and second spots they occupied last year but every other rider in the top ten looks set to improve on his 1978 placings. The battle for third place is between East Anglian Geoff Mayes and West Midlander Vaughan Semmens and just 20 points separate the two Maico mounted men.

Suzuki Steven Beamish who was only 14th last year holds 5th place on 124 points - 13 in front of four stroke man Bob Wright who keeps 6th on the CCM despite not having had the best of seasons. After failing to score in the opening round of the series Staffordshire's Rob Hooper (Maico) is now fully recovered from the effects of a back injury sustained last year and fully returned to form. He shares 7th place with Cotton EMX rider Pete Mathia and they are a single point behind Wright. Roger Harvey who campaigns his Maico for Hewitts of Stourbridge is 10 points behind on a round 100 while 10th man Suzuki Jonathan Wright has 87.

Kawasaki's Dave Thorpe who is just turned 17 has lead the Support series since the third round and is now 29 points clear of Husqvarna mounted Perry Leask. It is now impossible for him to finish lower than runner up in the Championship. Brighton winner Paul Hunt (Husqvarna) and first round victor Neil Griffiths (Suzuki) look certain to join the leading duo in next years main Championship.

This meeting stands as a living memorial to the hard work and determination of North Western Centre stalwart Albert Sourbutts who died while helping to organise todays meeting. It is doubtful that this British Championship Round would ever have taken place had it not been for Albert's tireless work. He will be sorely missed by all who knew and worked with him.

#### PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

8.00 a.m. 9.30 a.m. 9.30 a.m. 9.50 a.m. 10.00 a.m. 10.35 a.m.	SCRUTINEERING - SUPPORT RIDERS SCRUTINEERING - GRADE   RIDERS PRACTICE NO'S 37 - 78 PRACTICE NO'S 79 - 119 PRACTICE NO'S 120 - 160 PRACTICE GRADE   RIDERS		
11.30 a.m.	RACE 1	QUALIFYING HEAT 1.	
11.50 a.m.	RACE 2	QUALIFYING HEAT 2.	
12.05 p.m.	PRACTICE GI	RADE I RIDERS	
12.25 p.m.	RACE 3	REPECHARGE (1)	
12.40 p.m.	RACE 4	REPECHARGE (2)	
	LUNCH INTE	RVAL	
1.30 p.m.	PRESENTATI	ON OF GRADE 1	
1.45 p.m.	RACE 5	1ST LEG M.C.N. BRITISH CHAMPIONSHIP	
2.45 p.m.	RACE 6	1ST LEG SUPPORT GHAMPIONSHIP	
3.30 p.m.	INTERVAL		
3.45 p.m.	RACE 7	2ND LEG M.C.N. BRITISH CHAMPIONSHIP	
4,45 p.m.	RACE 8	2ND LEG SUPPORT CHAMPIONSHIP	
5.30 p.m.	PRESENTATI	ON OF AWARDS	

#### AWARDS

The driver with the highest points from the two British Championship Races will be awarded the Lancs Grand National Trophy and Replica.

The Ashes Casket and Replica will be awarded to the first Lancs or Yorks born driver to finish with the highest points in the two Championship Races.

The Raymond Bailey Trophy and Replica will be awarded to the first paid up member of a Club in the N.W. Centre with the highest points in the two Championship Races.

The Alan Clews Trophy will be awarded to the driver with the highest points from the two Support Races.

In the event of a tie on points the highest placing in the second leg will count.



QUALIFYING HEAT No. 1.

RACE 1.

10 MINUTES PLUS ONE LAP

#### FIRST 10 to SUPPORT CHAMPIONSHIP

No.	Name	Machine	Town	Points to date
37	Don Brockbank	Maico 400	Haverigg	11
46	Andy Scott	C.C.M. 500	High Wycombe	7
50	Robin Waddington	Maico 440	Clitheroe	
52	Tim Stowe	Yamaha 400	Wellesbourne	17
55	Kevin Hatcher	K.T.M. 420	Chessington	
57	Ian Tomkinson	Suzuki 420	Newport	9
60	Gary Woollam	Maico 440	Old Woking	5
63	John Huntley	Suzuki 250/400	Esher	
65	Dave Brown	Maico 440	Tytherington	
67	Tom Ollier	Maico 250/440	Knutsford	
70	John Turner	Maico 400	Morecambe	
72	Kevin Plummer	Maico 440	Bury St. Edmunds	
74	Clive Huntley	Maico 440	Newbury	
77	Brian Taylor	Maico 400	Heddon on the Wall	
82	Dennis Le Breton	C.C.M. 500	St. Brelade	
85	Rob Gravett	Maico 440	Maidenhead	
87	Pat Rowe	Maico 440	Aldershot	10
89	Stephen Walker	Maico 250/440	Durley	
92	Robert Kinsey	K.T.M. 420	Kendal	
95	Keith Turner	Maico 440	Stonehouse	
98	Rob Argent	Suzuki 250/420	Stamborne	
101	Kevin Gipp	Villa 400	Sutton	
103	Mike Beardshaw	KTM 420	Ravenshead	
105	Bruce Veale	Maico 440	Henley on Thames	
108	Ian Astbury	Maico 250/440	Winsford	
110	Dave Bower	Maico 440	Wilmslow	17
113	Roy Hooper	maico 440	Stroud	
115	John McMillan	Maico 440	Slough	10
117	Kevin Slight	Yamaha 400	Crawley	
119	Sam Sibbald	Suzuki 417	Kirkliston	
124	Chris Milner	K.T.M. 420	Chesterfield	
128	Richard Ford	Maico 440	Bristol	
130	Terry Holloway	Yamaha 400	West Howe	
136	David Grove	Maico 400	Bracknell	
138	Ian Charlton	Yamaha 400	Hartlepool	
144	Peter Archer	K.T.M. 420	Farnham	
146	John Fleming	Yamaha 400	Lennoxtown	
155	Martin Smith	Yamaha 250/400	Kendal	
157	Wayne James	Maico 400	Mid-Glamorgan	
160	Bill Gibson	Suzuki	Penge	

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QUALIFYING HEAT NO. 2.

RACE 2.

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#### FIRST 10 to SUPPORT CHAMPIONSHIP

No.	Name	Machine	Town	Points to date
45	Keith Ree	Maico 440	Offenham	10
47	Ken Hanson	Cheney 500	High Wycombe	
51	Chris Clark	Suzuki 420	Petworth	11
53	Chris Small	Suzuki 420	Rownhams	15
56	Nigel Parvins	Maico 440	Eastleigh	1
59	Kenin Ruddock	Honda	Slough	6
61	Peter Bavin	Yamaha 400	Diss	
64	John Reid	Honda 250	Acklam	
66	lan Preston	Maico 400	Austwick	7
68	Paul Collins	Maico 400	Calne	
71	Gary Taylor	Maico 400	Linthorpe	
73	Gary Hudson	Maico 400	Pensford	16
76	Richard Childs	Husqvarna 390	Southampton	
78	Stewart Roden	Maico 440	Kirkliston	
83	Steve Adams	K.T.M. 250/420	Braunton	
86	Michael Gover	Suzuki 420	Nursling	
88	Gary Colton	Honda 360	Stockton	
91	Archie Baird	Honda 250	Galston	
94	Roy Turner	Montesa 414	Stonehouse	
96	Craigh Allen	Suzuki 400	Southampton	
100	David Shackelton	C.C.M. 500	Pontefract	
102	Paul Studley	Maico 440	Chard	1
104	Barry Cranston	Maico 400	Consett	
106	Keith Martin	Maico 400	Guildford	8
109	Philip Shaw	Maico 400	Chesterfield	
111	Lewis Delve	Maico 440°	Exeter	
114	Stephen Craig	Maico 440	Egham	
116	Bob Privett	Maico 440	Southampton	
118	Norman Emery	Maico 400	Eastleigh	
123	Colin Luce	Montesa 414	St. Helier	
126	Chris Scriven	Suzuki 420	Horsham	
129	Michael Hewitt	Maico 440	Stourbridge	
132	Bart Toogood	Yamaha 400	Devizes	
137	Rick Davies	Maico 440	Coventry	
141	Mike Lillywhite	Suzuki 400	Southbourne	
145	Rod Nicholas	Maico 440	Didcot	
151	Andy Dykes	Maico 400	Thornhill	
156	Andy Sugg	Maio 400	Shepton Mallet	
159	Keith Roden	Maico 400	Kirkliston	13
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1st W. JOWES 2nd L. DELVE 3rd K. HANSEN 4th K. RUDDOCK 5th I. RESTON 6th G. HUDSON 7th C. HUGE 8th D. BRUIN 9th C. SMALL 10th A. DYKES





#### SUPPORT CHAMPIONSHIP REPECHARGE RACES

RACES 3 and 4

10 MINUTES PLUS ONE LAP

First Three from each race to qualify for Support Championship

FIRST REPECHARGE - RACE 3

Riders finishing 11 - 26 in Heat 1 Riders finishing 27 - 40 in Heat 2

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**SECOND REPECHARGE - RACE 4** 

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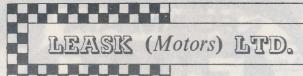
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RACES 5 and 7.			40 MINUTES PLUS TWO LAPS Points			
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				Date	Leg	Leg
1	Graham Noyce	Honda	Match Winner Ltd.	300	25	30
2	Neil Hudson	Maico		236		.10
3	Andy Roberton	Yamaha	Mitsui	56	.18	.2
4	Vic Allan	KTM		76		.18
5	Rob Hooper	Maico		110	14	6
6	Rob Wilkinson	Maico	John Hewitt & Sons	8	**********	*********
7	Vaughan Semmens	Maico	Doug Wheeler	155	.6	12
8	Bob Wright	C.C.M.	C.C.M Castrol	111	20	.25
9	Pete Mathia	Cotton E.M.X.		110	.16	3
10	Paul Harrison	Maico	Mick Berrill	10		
11	Geoff Mayes	Maico	Slaughters M/C	175	.Bo	.16
12	Bryan Wade	K.T.M.		47		
14	Steve Beamish	Suzuki	Beamish Motors	124	.1	5
15	Dave Tomasik	K.T.M.		52	3	14
16	Dave Watson	Suzuki	Beamish Motors	21	5	4
17	Billy Aldridge	Suzuki	Beamish Motors	74	12	20
18	Jonathan Wright	Suzuki	Beamish Motors	87	10	1
19	Roger Harvey	Maico	John Hewitt & Sons	100	3	.8
20	Vic Eastwood	V.E. Suzuki		1		
21	Norman Barrow	C.C.M.		6		***********
22	Stuart Nunn	Maico	Slaughter M/C	1	***********	
23	Jimmy Aird	C.C.M.	C.C.M. Castrol	32	2	~
24	Andy Ainsworth	Husqvarna	C & M. Shutt	22	**********	
25	Roger Garrett	Maico	Stormer M/C's	49	4	-
26	Willie Simpson	Husqvarna	Leask Motors	20		
27	Steve How	K.T.M.		Nil	*************	
30	Terry Dyer	K.T.M.	Motorite	5		
31	Stephen Harrison	Maico	Mick Berrill	26	***********	
32	Mike Pearce	Maico		54	***********	**********
34	Mike Stephens	Maico	John Hewitt & Sons	18		
35	Ivan Miller	K.T.M.	Comerfords	1	**********	**********
36	Dave Drake	Maico		Nil	***************************************	***********

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1929 -	Yorkshire, T.E. Flintoff.	1959 —	Yorkshire, A.J. Lampkin,
1930 -	Lancashire, W.W. Hey.	1960 —	Lancashire, J.V Smith.
1931 —		1961 -	Yorkshire, N. Crooks .
1932 -	Lancashire, F. Cotton.	1962 -	Lancashire D.C. Clegg.
1933 —	Yorkshire, A. Jefferies.	1963 —	Yorkshire, N. Crooks.
1934 —	Yorkshire, O. Langton.	1964 -	Yorkshire, T. Silvester.
1935 -	Yorkshire, O. Langton.	1965 —	Yorkshire, A.J. Lampkin.
1936 -	Yorkshire, A. Jefferies.	1966 —	Lancashire, J. Matthews.
1937 -	Yorkshire, A. Jefferies.	1967 -	Lancashire, R. Clayton.
1938 -		1968 -	Lancashire, R. Clayton.
1946 -	Yorkshire, F.M. Rist.	1969 -	
1947 -	Lancashire, C. Holden.	1970 -	Lancashire, R. Clayton.
1948 -	Lancashire, G.E. Duke.	1971 —	Lancashire, R. Clayton.
1949 -	Lancashire, R.K. Pilling.	1972 -	Yorkshire, A.R.C. Lampkin
1950 -	Lancashire, F.G. Richardson.	1972 —	Lancashire, R. Clayton.
1951 -	Yorkshire, G.E. Broadbent.		Lancashire, R. Wright.
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1955 –		1977 —	Lancashire, R. Wright.
.000 -	Yorkshire, F. Bentham.	1978 —	Lancashire, R. Wright

Who will win this year? Your guess is as good as mine. But whoever they are, they will deserve your applause!

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No.	Name	Machine	Town	Points	9 5 5	2nd
				to date	Leg	Leg
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POINTS SCORED (BOTH LEGS) ON THE FOLLOWING SCALE:
1st 15 pts., 2nd 12 pts., 3rd 10 pts., 4th 8 pts., 5th 6 pts, 6th 5 pts, 7th 4 pts., 8th 3 pts.,
9th 2 pts., 10th 1 pt.

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PREDICT THE TOP FIVE FINISHERS IN TODAY'S SECOND LEG OF THE MCN BRITISH MOTO CROSS CHAMPIONSHIP

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ALL YOU HAVE TO DO Forecast the first five places in today's second leg of the MCN British Moto Cross Championship. The winning entry will be the one nearest to the actual result. You don't necessarily have to get all five right - but an entrant who correctly lists the 4th and 5th places will not be judged as skilful as one who names the winner.

RULES: No entries will be accepted after the start of the race. Employees of Motor Cycle News are not allowed to enter. In event of a tie the prize will be awarded to the first correct entry. The judges decision will be final and legally binding.

Place Name

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2 LAUDSON MAI
3 SEMMENS MAI
4 MAYES MAI

No correspondence may be entered into. All entries in ink or ball point pen, Each competitor may make only one entry. All entries will be checked but no responsibility can be accepted for entries lost or mislaid. Keep the panel on the left as a check on your entry.

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Tear here and hand to MCN Supergirls or into our MCN Sales Point before the start of the race.

Name

Address

The winner will be announced in Motor Cycle News and his cheque will be sent to him by post.

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SINCERE THANKS TO:-

You Folk who support this Famous Event;

The Riders of today, hoping you have had an enjoyable and trouble-free day;

The St. John Ambulance contingent - young and old.

Members of the N.W. Centre who have put much labour in preparing (and, we hope, assisting to clear) the course and officiating at today's meeting(all for the love of the sport), and especially the ladies;

The Lancashire Development Corporation (our land-owners);

Motor Cycle News, Yamaha and Shell

Our Advertisers - Thank you for another "Squeeze";

The North Western Centre Clubs;

All of whom obliged with loan of course marking flags etc;

Our Hon. Medical Officers, with the hope they were not needed;

Our Sponsors: Great Universal Stores.

The Lancashire Constabulary for their assistance

Royton ATC for their help in organising the Car Park.

The many ladies who come along each meeting and work and work.

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# New and improved Yamaha Motocross machines for 1979.



There are a whole host of technical improvements on these motorcycles including a completely new engine unit on the YZ400 and increased front and rear wheel travel; whilst at the lower end of the range the YZ80 benefits from a more powerful and 'torquey' engine plus a 6 speed gearbox.