

# NEWPORT 1972 FIXTURE LIST

(Home meetings in bold capitals)

## MARCH

Friday 24th Hackney (BL)  
Monday 27th Exeter (CH)  
FRIDAY 31st COVENTRY (CH)

## APRIL

MONDAY 3rd HACKNEY (BL)  
FRIDAY 7th VAGARNA (CH)  
Saturday 8th Halifax (BL)  
Wednesday 12th Poole (BL)  
FRIDAY 14th GLASGOW (BL)  
FRIDAY 21st LEICESTER (BL)  
Saturday 22nd Swindon (BL)  
FRIDAY 28th CRADLEY HEATH (Iron & Steel Trophy)

## MAY

Tuesday 2nd Leicester (BL)  
FRIDAY 5th EXETER (BL)  
Monday 8th Reading (BL)  
FRIDAY 12th IPSWICH (CH)  
FRIDAY 19th POOLE (BL)  
FRIDAY 26th WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP QUAL. RND.

## JUNE

FRIDAY 2nd BELLE VUE (BL)  
Saturday 3rd Kings Lynn (BL)  
FRIDAY 9th READING (BL)  
FRIDAY 16th COVENTRY KO. 2.  
FRIDAY 23rd CRADLEY HEATH (BL)  
Saturday 24th Cradley Heath (BL)  
FRIDAY 30th KINGS LYNN (BL)

## JULY

FRIDAY 7th HALIFAX (BL)  
Wednesday 12th Glasgow (BL)  
FRIDAY 14th SWINDON (BL)  
Thursday 20th Ipswich (BL)  
FRIDAY 21st SHEFFIELD (BL)  
FRIDAY 28th SOUTHERN RIDERS CHAMPS. QR

## AUGUST

FRIDAY 4th WIMBLEDON (BL)  
Thursday 10th Sheffield (BL)  
FRIDAY 11th PRINCE OF WALES TROPHY  
Thursday 17th Oxford (BL)  
FRIDAY 18th COVENTRY (BL)  
FRIDAY 25th IPSWICH (BL)  
Saturday 26th Coventry (BL)  
MONDAY 28th WOLVERHAMPTON (BL)

## SEPTEMBER

FRIDAY 1st WELSH OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP  
FRIDAY 8th OXFORD (BL)  
Saturday 9th Belle Vue (BL)  
FRIDAY 15th OPEN  
Monday 18th Exeter (BL)  
FRIDAY 22nd OPEN  
Thursday 28th Wimbledon (PL)  
FRIDAY 29th OPEN

## Result

L 38-40  
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V 43-35  
' 50-20  
L 38-40  
' 36-42  
' 46-32  
V 41-37  
' 32-46  
W 53-25

L 36-42  
V 40-38

# NEWPORT SPEEDWAY

Grand Challenge Match

## NEWPORT v. IPSWICH

'WASPS'

'WITCHES'

FRIDAY, 12th MAY, 1972, at 7.30 p.m.

Meeting No. 8

9th Season





## NEWPORT SPEEDWAY

Promoters:

**SPEEDWAY ENTERPRISES LIMITED**

(P. Lansdale, P. Tapson)

Speedway Manager: **Maurice Morley**

All correspondence to:

**BROOKLANDS STADIUM,  
BROOKLANDS ROAD, ROMFORD,  
ESSEX.**

Telephone: Romford 61594

Track Newport 73030

Race Day Only

### OFFICIALS:

Clerk of the Course ... **M. E. Morley**

ACU Referee ..... **T. Pearce**

Medical Officers **Dr. D. J. Heffernan**

**Dr. J. Merrick**

Team Manager ..... **Pat Tapson**

Timekeeper ..... **K. Harris**

Machine Examiner ..... **R. Zeal**

Pit Marshal ..... **A. Gill**

Starting Marshal ..... **K. Beckett**

Announcer ..... **G. Rogers**

Colour Marshal ..... **A. Whitworth**

Track Maintenance ..... **B. Manley**

### BETTING STRICTLY PROHIBITED

Held under the Regulations of the  
**SPEEDWAY CONTROL BOARD LTD.**

SCB Licence No. 72/34

ACU Permit No. SP

Track Length 413 yards.

Track Record 71.6 seconds

Graham Plant (Newport) 7.4.1972

**ST. JOHN AMBULANCE BRIGADE  
IN ATTENDANCE**

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## Hello Wasps . . .

It is indeed our thanks to the two teams who really made a battle out of last week's match under atrocious conditions, and the main point we are so pleased about was our new race strip.

The day before it was under water from the incessant rain, but come Friday morning and it had all soaked away and after a drying out period it was quite hard, which speaks volumes for the hard work put into the track during the off-season when we had to put in a completely new one.

The Falcons were certainly in with a chance due to the track being wet, for under those sort of conditions it tends to even teams up and you invariably get a close scoring match as the 40-38 proved, and it could have gone either way.

On reflection however when one peruses through the scores on the back page it is amazing to find that we have been pipped by so few points which would have given us a higher place in the league table . . . at Hackney only two points with a 38-40, again at Halifax the identical score-line, six points deficit at Poole 36-42 and again the same at Leicester.

Our biggest defeat was 14 points at Swindon, but as compensation a clean bill of health at home with Exeter getting the nearest.

This must give you some idea of what a great bunch of lads we have this season and those away wins should not be too far away.

We apologise for advertising in our last week's programme that Swindon would be tonight's visitors but with Briggo and Ashby missing we felt it better to bring in another team and so plumped for newcomers Ipswich, only to find that John Louis, who helped the 'Wasps' out so successfully was committed to an overseas engagement and that former 'Wasp' Tommy Johansson was still in his home country, therefore they bring in one guest, Reading's Geoff Curtis and upgrade a junior who is making quite a name for himself in Division II, Mike Latham who is loaned to West Ham, whilst we elected to borrow West Ham's top man who at the time of writing these notes was the Silver Helmet holder, junior International Brian Foote, who incidentally is the cousin of Leicester's Ray Wilson.

**PAT & PETE.**

## NEWPORT NEWS PAGE...

Concentration this week on the local scene. Seen in the pits — the original Speedway Newportonian — Cyril Francis. Cyril was sporting a crew-cut, the result of a heat-wave in South America a month ago. For those who are puzzled, Cyril has been working with the Merchant Fleet in the winter and the ship was diverted from the West Indies to the South American coast. Cyril has lashed out on a renovated engine and is keen to be in action again soon.

Busy man recently was Mike Ryan. He rode at Barrow in an Ivan Mauger training session on the Friday morning and appeared at Somerton Park in the second half on the Friday evening, which must constitute a speedway record!

Back in action is the third Newport-born rider featured today — Andrew Bearn. Andy had a few outings with Cradley Heath at the beginning of the 1971 season — but decided to complete his apprenticeship with a Cwmbran Engineering works and return to racing in 1972. He did well to win on his re-appearance and looks a grand prospect once match-fit.

Looking forward to 1973 are Peter Rodger of Beechfield Avenue, Newport and Mike Powell of Christchurch Road, Newport. These two teenagers are building up brand new Jawa's at home — and the biggest problem so far has been facing the wrath of their mothers for blocking their bedrooms up!

Wanted two lucky charms — one for Tony Clarke and the other for skipper Graham Plant. Our chirpy cockney had the misfortune to sprain his ankle when he caught his foot under the footrest in the thirteenth heat of the match against Cradley. Tony subsequently lost a booking for Newport at Halifax the next evening.

Then it was the skipper's turn. He blew his motor before the first heat of the match against former team Leicester at the Blackbird Road Stadium. Subsequently he was reduced to a nil total in a match that the 'Wasps' only lost by six points.

### NOTICE

Motor sports events are dangerous and all persons attending this meeting do so entirely at their own risk. It is a condition of admission that all persons having any connection with the promotion and/or organisation and/or conduct of the meeting including the owners and lessees of the stadium and the owners and riders of motorcycles are absolved from all liability arising out of accidents causing damages or personal injury to spectators or ticket holders.



— CHALLENGE MATCH —

# NEWPORT 'Wasps' v. IPSWICH 'Witches'

Wasp on White & Gold  
Team Manager PAT TAPSON

Blue & White with Black Witch  
Team Manager: RON BAGLEY

Riders are identified by their helmet covers: Red, Blue, White, Yellow and Black.  
Points: 1st, 3; 2nd, 2; 3rd 1.  
Four laps clutch start.

**TRACK SIGNALS** — Flags displayed during the course of a race mean: Yellow — Riders entering last lap; Black and white Chequered — Race is finished; Black — individual rider's exclusion. Red Lights around the track indicate that a race has been stopped.

## RIDERS INDIVIDUAL SCORE CHART

NEWPORT	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	BP	IPSWICH	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	BP
1. Graham Plant (C)	2	3	3	2			10		1. Sandor Levai (e)								
2. Brian Foote	1	1	2			4			2. Alan Sage	1	1						
3. Tony Clarke	3	1	3	1		4			3. Geoff Curtis	3	1	2	2	1	3	15	4
4. Neil Street	2	1	1	1		5			4. Pete Bailey	1	1						
5. Ronnie Genz	3	3	3	3		9			5. Olle Nygren (C)	3	2	3	3	1	12		
6. Barry Duke (r)	3	2	2			4			6. Mike Lanham (r)	1	1						
7. Ted Laessing (r)	2	1	2	2		4			7. Billy Sanders (r)	1	1	1	2		4		
J. MILLER									B. AN GILLIS								
TOTAL									TOTAL								

### EVENT 1

Heat	Riders	Substitute	Col	Points	Team Points New.	Vis.	Prog. Totals New.	Vis.
1	1 Graham Plant		R					
	2 Brian Foote		B					
Time	1 Sandor Levai	F. CURTIS	W					
	2 Alan Sage		Y		3	3	3	3
41.2	6 Barry Duke		R	3				
	7 Ted Laessing	J. MILLER	B	2				
Time	6 Mike Lanham		W		5	1	8	4
46.5	7 Billy Sanders		Y	1				
	5 Ronnie Genz	B. AN GILLIS	R	2				
Time	4 Neil Street		B	3				
44.1	5 Olle Nygren		W	1	2	4	10	8
	4 Pete Bailey		Y	1				
45.4	3 Tony Clarke		R	3				
Time	6 Barry Duke		B	2				
	3 Geoff Curtis		W	1	5	1	15	9
43.9	7 Billy Sanders		Y	1				
	5 Ronnie Genz		R	3				
Time	4 Neil Street	OLLE NYGREN	B	2	4	2	14	11
	1 Sandor Levai		W	1				
43.4	2 Alan Sage		Y	1				
Time	1 Graham Plant		R	3				
	2 Brian Foote		B	2				
45.8	3 Geoff Curtis		W	1	4	2	23	13
Time	6 Mike Lanham		Y	1				
	3 Tony Clarke	J. MILLER, T. PIES	R	3				
Time	6 Barry Duke		B	2				
	5 Olle Nygren		W	1	3	3	26	16
45.1	4 Pete Bailey		Y	1				
Time	2 Brian Foote	JACK MILLER	R	3				
	7 Ted Laessing	OLLE NYGREN	B	2				
	2 Alan Sage		W	1	2	4	28	20
Time	7 Billy Sanders		Y	1				

9	5 Ronnie Genz		R	3				
Time	4 Neil Street		B	2				
44.1	3 Geoff Curtis		W	1	6	2	32	22
	6 Mike Lanham		Y	1				
10	1 Graham Plant		R	3				
Time	2 Brian Foote		B	2				
43.6	5 Olle Nygren		W	1	5	1	34	23
	4 Pete Bailey		Y	1				
11	3 Tony Clarke	JACK MILLER	R	3				
Time	7 Ted Laessing	GEOFF CURTIS	B	2				
46.5	1 Sandor Levai		W	1	5	1	42	24
	2 Alan Sage		Y	1				
12	1 Graham Plant		R	3				
Time	4 Neil Street		B	2				
44.6	3 Geoff Curtis		W	1	3	3	45	24
	5 Olle Nygren		Y	1				
13	3 Tony Clarke		R	3				
Time	5 Ronnie Genz	BILLY SANDERS	B	2				
44.1	1 Sandor Levai		W	1	4	2	49	29
	4 Pete Bailey		Y	1				

## SHORT INTERVAL

### EVENT 2 — JUNIOR JUMP

(Winner to Event 4 Heat 2 in Blue)

Time	MIKE RYAN		R	3	1st	GILLS
	Ian Gills		B	2	2nd	BEARNE
	Brian Woodward		W	FELL	3rd	RYAN
	Andrew Bearne		Y	2		

### EVENT 3 — RESERVES RAMPAGE

(Winner to Event 4 Heat 2 in Y/B)

Time	Brian Foote		R	3	1st	BRIAN FOOTE
	Ted Laessing	B. WOODWARD	B	2	2nd	LANHAM
	Mike Lanham		W	1	3rd	WOODWARD
	Billy Sanders		Y	1		

### EVENT 4 — "THE FOXHALL FLING"

(Heat Winners and Fastest 2nd to Final)

Heat 1	1 Graham Plant		R	3	1st	PLANT
Time	2 Barry Duke		B	2	2nd	CURTIS
	3 Geoff Curtis		W	1	3rd	SAGE
	4 Alan Sage		Y	1		
Heat 2	5 Ronnie Genz		R	3	1st	GENZ
Time	IAN GILLS		B	2	2nd	FOOTE
	Pete Bailey		W	1	3rd	BAILEY
	BRIAN FOOTE		Y	2		
Heat 3	3 Tony Clark		R	3	1st	STREET
Time	Neil Street	A. BERNIE	B	2	2nd	
	Sandor Levai		W	1	3rd	
	Olle Nygren		Y	1		

### EVENT 5 — "THE FOXHALL FLING" FINAL

Time	G. PLANT	FELL	R	3	1st	STREET
	R. GENZ		B	2	2nd	CURTIS
	N. STREET		W	1	3rd	GENZ
	G. CURTIS		Y	2		

GOODNIGHT FOLKS — SEE YOU NEXT FRIDAY!



## SUPPORTERS' CLUB NOTES

Good Evening Supporters,

Great to see so many of you turning up last week on such a dismal night. Our boys rode well considering the bad weather.

Nice to see Edgar Stangeland riding here again even if only for the opposing team as he is such a happy chap.

During the closed season our postal darts teams played every week. We received the results this week. Our ladies team came eleventh out of fifteen winning six matches. The men's 'A' team came seventh, 'B' team came tenth, 'C' team eleventh and 'D' team twelfth out of twenty eight teams.

The tickets are on sale tonight for the last time for the Social to be held on Thursday next at the Orb Working Man's Club, Jenkin Street, price 30p, so call early over at the 'Wasps Nest' so as not to be disappointed.

We have now received the blazer badges which so many of you have been enquiring about, price 50p, also chain pendants and bracelets price 25p each. Please pay us a call as it's good to see you if only for a chat.

Cheers for now, Dennis Williams, Hon. Sec.

P.S. — Unfortunately we didn't run the draw last week, this was due to the fact that they were undecided as to whether the meeting would take place due to the weather.

We are sorry about this, hope you will buy double this week.

### CALL AT THE "WASPS' NEST"

Badges .....	30p, 25p	Chopper Bikes .....	40p
Car Transfers .....	10p, 8p, 5p	Tie Tacks .....	25p
Cushions with Motif .....	52p	Iron Me On .....	30p
Shoulder Bags .....	£1.15p	Racing Combination .....	50p
Key Fobs .....	35p	Drag Racers .....	40p
Programme Boards .....	35p	Pens .....	5p
Breast Plates .....	35p, £1.25p	Year Bars .....	10p
Pennants .....	26p, 37p	Bracelets .....	25p
Speedway Bikes .....	50p	Chain Pendants .....	25p
Comb Case .....	15p	Programmes .....	3p to 10p
		Blazer Badges .....	50p

Don't forget your

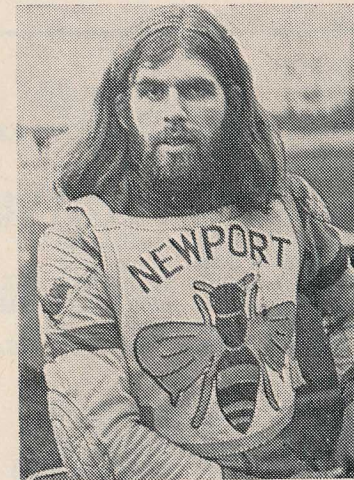
**NEWPORT DEVELOPMENT FUND JACK-POT TICKETS**

From the sellers — Price 2½p each.

**FIVE FABULOUS PRIZES TO BE WON EACH WEEK!!**

NOTE: The Management reserves the right to alter this Programme. Should it be necessary through any cause to abandon the Meeting prior to the start of the sixth race in the programme, re-admission tickets issued at entrances (available for any one of the next three meetings) will become valid. In no circumstances will any money be refunded. Rights of admission reserved.

## TONIGHT'S RESERVES . . .



The two lads who have to put a sting in our tail tonight are Ted Laessing (left) who has overcome last week's nasty spill and popular Barry Duke who is now settling down well on our new circuit.

### NEWPORT RIDERS AVERAGES

(Calculated over their last 6 matches)

Name	1	2	3	4	5	6	T.Sts	T.Pts	CMA.
G. Plant	4/10	4/8	4/7	4/9	1/0	4/5	21	39	7.42
T. Clark	4/7	5/10	4/8	4/4	5/10	4/9	26	48	7.38
R. Genz	4/7	3/2	4/8	4/6	5/10	4/8	24	41	6.83
N. Street	4/9	3/0	4/6	4/3	4/2	4/9	23	29	5.04
B. Duke	4/2	4/8	3/4	3/1	3/1	3/5	20	21	4.20
T. Laessing	3/2	4/3	3/4	2/0	3/2	3/2	18	13	2.88

Our Next Merry Meeting —

**FRIDAY, 19th MAY, 1972**

at 7.30 p.m.

British League Division I

**NEWPORT v. POOLE 'Pirates'**

with

**PETE SMITH : BRIAN COLLINS : CHRISTER LOFTQVIST  
MIKE CAKE : JOHN LANGFIELD : ODD FOSSENGEN  
FRANK SHUTER**