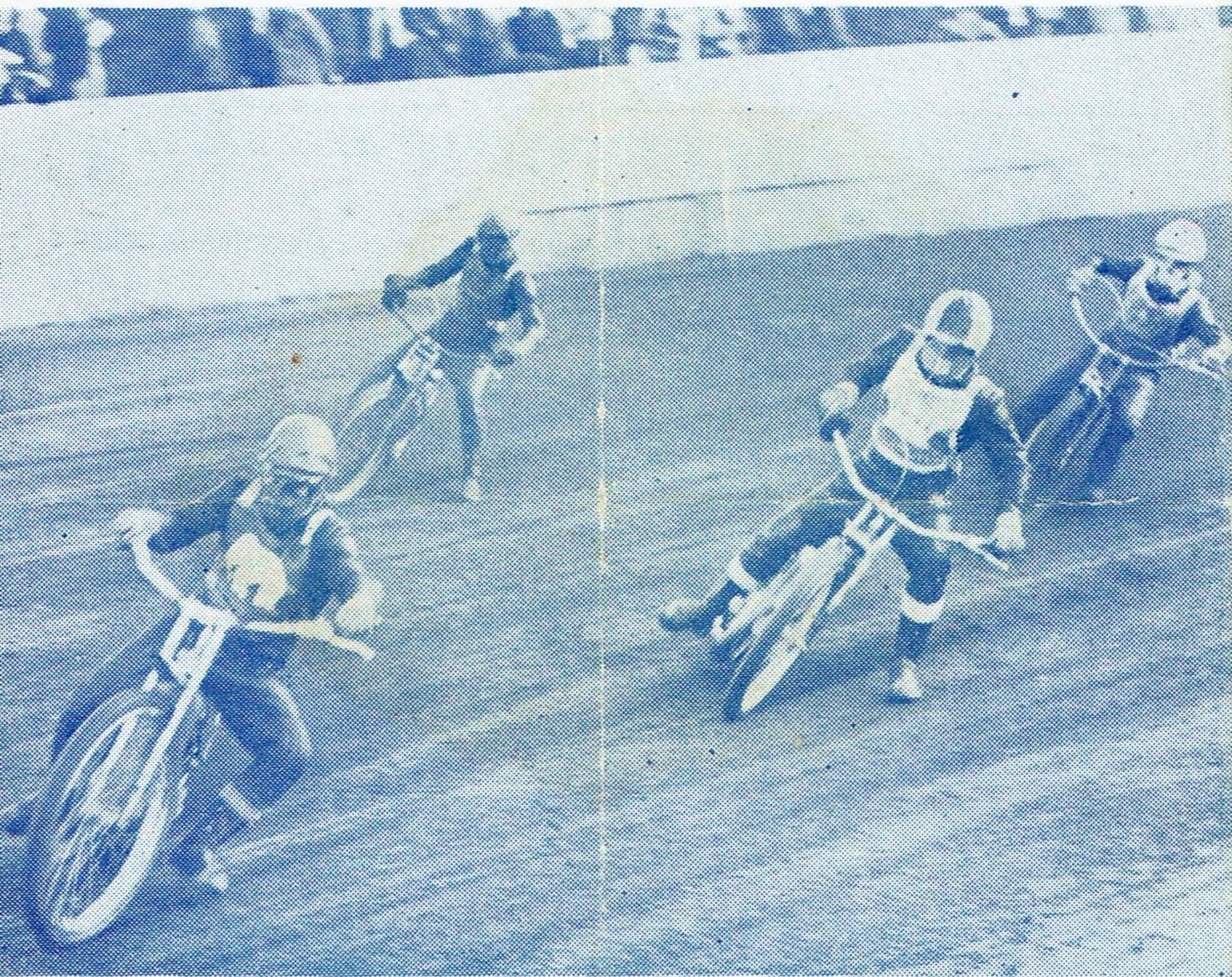


READING



SPEEDWAY

READING GREYHOUND STADIUM - TILEHURST



OFFICIAL PROGRAMME - ONE SHILLING

1st Meeting - 1st Season

British League Division II

READING v. NELSON

MONDAY, 17th JUNE, 1968 at 7-30 p.m.

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READING SPEEDWAY

Under the Direction of R. A. V. Fearman

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READING GREYHOUND STADIUM - TILEHURST

Telephone Reading 27151

OFFICIALS

Clerk of the Course: R. A. V. FEARMAN
A.C.U. Referee: A. W. DAY, M.B.E.
A.C.U. Timekeeper: W. A. DAFF
Announcer: PETER ARNOLD
Medical Officer: IN ATTENDANCE
Machine Examiner: C. STEVENSON

Team Manager: D. BAILEY
Colour Marshal: J. HANCOX
Starting Marshal: H. HARRIS
Pit Marshal: C. STEVENSON
Captain/Coach: J. POYSER
St. John Ambulance Brigade in attendance

Licenced by the Speedway Control Board

A.C.U. Permit No.

Held under the regulations of the Speedway Control Board

Track Length 360 yards

Track Record: To be established

★ ————— RACETOPIC ————— ★

Good Evening Ladies and Gentlemen,

Welcome to Reading Stadium for our first Speedway meeting of 1968. A special welcome to those people who are watching our great sport for the first time. We hope you will soon learn of the skill and nerve needed out there on the raceway and understand why Speedway racing has been a major **family sport** since 1928, and yourselves become regular supporters. Our announcer is Peter Arnold (journalist and T.V. commentator). An extremely learned Speedway type, Peter will explain the finer points as our match progresses.

For the uninitiated, there are two leagues. Division I—which the Racers have their eyes upon for the future—comprising nineteen teams, reaching far afield from Exeter in the south to Glasgow in the north. 1968 is Division II's inaugural year, comprising ten teams reaching from Plymouth to Berwick-on-Tweed. Division II got under way just four weeks ago, Reading being the last Stadium to open.

Many facilities and a brand new track have had to be constructed here. The track may take some little time to settle down despite the expert advice and devoted attention that it has been given. There will be no home track advantage for the Racers team tonight as this is also their first outing on our raceway, although team members have been popping in over the past few weeks to keep an eye on the construction.

We introduce . . . Captain/Coach of the Racers **John Poyser**, who has had much to do with laying the track etc., London born, Oxford domiciled; **Ted Spittles**—eager to settle in at his local track—a garage owner from Lane End; **Ian Champion** from Hoddesdon, Herts., 21-years-old, started his career at the 'Nursery', Rye House, and broke the track record at Plymouth last week; **Phil Pratt**, just 20-years-old from Bolham, South London, biggest boy in the side at 6 feet, has had only practice sessions over the past 12 months; **Joe Weichlbauer** born in Graz, Austria, a naturalised Australian, domiciled in England, determined to make a team place; **Stuart Wallace** started racing several seasons ago then interrupted his career to join the Merchant Navy, travel the world and save enough money to buy decent racing equipment—we hope he has achieved his goal; blond haired, pint sized, heart of a lion, that's loanee from Leicester Australian **Dene Davies**, who made his way over here from Adelaide a few weeks ago and has successfully knocked a few holes in Speedway fences since his arrival—when he does get the hang of 'keep turning left' there'll be no catching him.

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EVENT 1 — BRITISH LEAGUE DIVISION II MATCH

READING Racers v. NELSON Admirals

Team Manager—D. Bailey

Team Manager—M. Parker

White/Blue Wheel and Wings

Blue/White Sash

Captain—John Poyser

4 LAPS CLUTCH START

Captain—Jack Wynstanley

Match decided on Race Points: 1st—3 points, 2nd—2 points, 3rd—1 point

League Points: Win—2, Draw—1 Riders are identified by Numbers and Riding Colours

Home Riders: Red and Blue Helmets

Visiting Riders: White and Yellow/Black

HEAT	RIDER	SUBSTITUTE OR REMARKS	Helmet Colour	Points scored by Riders	Reading Team Points	Visitors Team Points	PROGRESSIVE TOTAL
							Reading Visitors
1 Time	Ian Champion Dene Davies Freddy Powell Paul Sharples		Red Blue White Y/B.				
2 Time	John Poyser Phil Pratt Terry Shearer Laslo Munkacsi		Red Blue White Y/B.				
3 Time	Joe Weichlbauer Ted Spittles Dave Schofield Jack Wynstanley		Red Blue White Y/B.				
4 Time	Dene Davies Stuart Wallace Paul Sharples Gary Petersen		Red Blue White Y/B.				
5 Time	Joe Weichlbauer Ted Spittles Terry Shearer Laslo Munkacsi		Red Blue White Y/B.				
6 Time	John Poyser Phil Pratt Freddy Powell Paul Sharples		Red Blue White Y/B.				
7 Time	Ian Champion Dene Davies Dave Schofield Jack Wynstanley		Red Blue White Y/B.				
8 Time	Phil Pratt Stuart Wallace Laslo Munkacsi Gary Petersen		Red Blue White Y/B.				
9 Time	Joe Weichlbauer Ted Spittles Freddy Powell Paul Sharples		Red Blue White Y/B.				
10 Time	John Poyser Phil Pratt Dave Schofield Jack Wynstanley		Red Blue White Y/B.				

HEAT	RIDER	SUBSTITUTE OR REMARKS	Helmet Colour	Points scored by Riders	Reading Team Points	Visitors Team Points	PROGRESSIVE TOTAL
							Reading Visitors
11 Time	Ian Champion Dene Davies Terry Shearer Laslo Munkacsi		Red Blue White Y/B.				
12 Time	John Poyser Ted Spittles Freddy Powell Dave Schofield		Red Blue White Y/B.				
13 Time	Ian Champion Joe Weichlbauer Terry Shearer Jack Wynstanley		Red Blue White Y/B.				

INTERVAL

RIDERS' INDIVIDUAL SCORE-CHART															
RACERS								ADMIRALS							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total		1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
1 Ian Champion								1 Freddy Powell							
2 Dene Davies								2 Paul Sharples							
3 John Poyser								3 Terry Shearer							
4 Phil Pratt								4 Laslo Munkacsi							
5 Joe Weichlbauer								5 Dave Schofield							
6 Ted Spittles								6 Jack Wynstanley							
7 Stuart Wallace								7 Gary Petersen							
TOTAL								TOTAL							

EVENT 2 — RESERVES ROMPER

Time	Rider	Helmet Colour	Points	Rank
	Stuart Wallace	Red		1st
	Gary Petersen	Blue		2nd
		White		3rd
		Y/B		4th

EVENT 3 — RIDER OF THE NIGHT TROPHY

(First in each Heat and Fastest Second to Final)

Time	Rider	Helmet Colour	Points	Rank
1 Time	Joe Weichlbauer Dene Davies Freddy Powell Jack Wynstanley	Red Blue White Y/B		1st 2nd 3rd 4th
2 Time	Ian Champion Phil Pratt Dave Schofield Laslo Munkacsi	Red Blue White Y/B		1st 2nd 3rd 4th
3 Time	John Poyser Ted Spittles Terry Shearer Paul Sharples	Red Blue White Y/B		1st 2nd 3rd 4th
Final Time	Winner heat 1 Winner heat 2 Winner heat 3 Fastest Second	Red Blue White Y/B		1st 2nd 3rd 4th

RACETOPIC—Continued

Our first match was away at Plymouth last Friday week which we lost by 42 points to 36 (no disgrace there). Point scorers : John 10, Ian 9, Dene 5, Ted 5, Phil 4, Joe 2 and Stuart 1.

We say welcome to the Nelson team, wish all boys the best of luck, and hope that you enjoy your Speedway half as much as we enjoy presenting it and racing for you.

Until next Monday . . . **UP THE RACERS!**

WHO'S WHO IN DIVISION II

Team and Stadium Address	Riding Colours
BELLE VUE Colts—Zoological Gardens, Hyde Road, Manchester 12	Red, White, Black
BERWICK Bandits—Shielfield Park, Tweedmouth, Berwick-on-Tweed	Black 'B' on Gold
CANTERBURY Crusaders—Kingsmead Stadium, Canterbury, Kent	Blue and Yellow
CRAYFORD—Crayford Stadium, London Road, Crayford, Kent	Red and Black
NELSON Admirals—Seed Hill Stadium, Carr Road, Nelson, Lancs.	Blue/White Sash
PLYMOUTH Devils—Pennycross Stadium, Plymouth, Devon	Red Devil on Yellow
RAYLEIGH ROCKETS—Rayleigh Stadium, Southend Arterial Road, Rayleigh, Essex	White Rocket on Gold and Blue
READING Racers—Reading Greyhound Stadium, Oxford Road, Tilehurst, Reading	White/Blue Wheel and Wings
TEESSIDE Teessiders—Cleveland Park Stadium, Stockton Road, Middlesbrough	White on Red
WEYMOUTH Eagles—Wessex Stadium, Radipole Lane, Weymouth, Dorset	Red and Blue Halves with White Eagle

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To avoid inconvenience to other road users and the general public please use the Stadium Car Parks.

To avoid Prosecution

NO PARKING in Scours Lane—a private road which runs alongside the Stadium on the west side from Oxford Road down to the railway embankment.

NO PARKING on any grass verges.

NO PARKING on Oxford Road.

PARKING ALLOWED on ONE side only in any of the off streets.

PLEASE BE CONSIDERATE AND DISCRIMINATE IN YOUR PARKING

LIGHTS on at normal lighting-up time.

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EVERY THURSDAY AND SATURDAY EVENING**

READING SPEEDWAY FIXTURES — 1968 SEASON

BRITISH LEAGUE DIVISION II H—Denotes Home A—Denotes Away

DATE	FIXTURE	POINTS FOR AGST.	RESULT
Friday, June 7	PLYMOUTH ... British League	A 36 42	lost
Saturday, June 15	BERWICK ... British League	A	
MONDAY, June 17	NELSON ... British League	H	
Wed., June 19	BELLE VUE ... British League	A	
Sunday, June 23	WEYMOUTH ... British League	A	
MONDAY, June 24	PLYMOUTH ... British League	H	
Thursday, June 27	MIDDLESBROUGH ... Challenge Match	A	
MONDAY, July 1	WEYMOUTH ... British League	H	
Saturday, July 6	CANTERBURY ... British League	A	
MONDAY, July 8	BERWICK ... British League	H	
Saturday, July 13	NELSON ... British League	A	
MONDAY, July 15	STADIUM INDIVIDUAL TROPHY	H	
MONDAY, July 22	MIDDLESBROUGH ... British League	H	
MONDAY, July 29	RAYLEIGH ... British League	H	
Wed., July 31	CRAYFORD ... British League	A	
MONDAY, Aug. 5	BELLE VUE ... British League	H	
Saturday, Aug. 10	RAYLEIGH ... British League	A	
MONDAY, Aug. 12	CRAYFORD ... British League	H	
Thursday, Aug. 15	MIDDLESBROUGH ... British League	A	
MONDAY, Aug. 19	CANTERBURY ... British League	H	
MONDAY, Aug. 26	RESERVED ...	H	

SPEEDWAY!

Monday next, June 24th at 7-30 p.m.

READING v. PLYMOUTH

RACERS

DEVILS

A DIVISION II BRITISH LEAGUE MATCH

Under the jurisdiction of the Auto Cycle Union
and Regulations of the Speedway Control Board

OUR WAR-CRY . . .

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LET US HEAR THE RACERS ROAR

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RACERS!

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