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***From the  
Commentators Box  
by JOHNNY O'CONNOR***

Hello again folks. Welcome to another presentation of Formula II Stock Car Racing. Let's hope the weather is a little more kind to us this evening. Lady Pluvius certainly threw the book at us last Tuesday.

In every sport one man towers head and shoulders above the rest. In Speedway it's Ove Fundin, in Football it's Stan Matthews, in Formula II Stock Car Racing it is without a doubt Stan Ingle (2).

Stan Ingle will go down in the record books as one of the all-time greats of the sport. No man has raced so consistently over the months and gained such great achievement by holding Gold Top rating and winning race after race handicapped three-quarters of a lap behind the field.

Stan Ingle must be odds-on favourite to win the World Championship at Wimbledon Stadium this year. On current form there just isn't anybody to touch him. Luck also plays a big part. In the World Championship Final you don't get a second chance. A puncture, an oiled-up plug, or an unlucky crash could spell finish. If Stan can go through the race and stay out of trouble he will be the new Champion of the World.

If Stan should meet up with trouble in the race then it's going to be pretty close. I'm going to stick my neck out and forecast that Jan Scott will retain his crown. Jan has the ability and, what is equally important, the big race temperament.

The best outsider? I'll stack my hand with Johnny Melia (280). A comparative newcomer who could pull off the shock win of the season.

Whoever lifts the title this year, one thing is certain—it will be the greatest presentation of Stock Car Racing ever. Take my tip and book your seats now, they will be at a premium on the night.

As the meeting gets under way to-night, if the P.A. speakers seem a little quieter than usual please bear with us. We have had a few complaints from local residents that they can hear the music and commentary outside the stadium. We promote Stock Car Racing obviously as a business to earn a profit. But we also feel that we are filling a much-needed demand by bringing a clean, healthy night's sporting entertainment to Reading.

(One local Tilehurst resident actually wrote us the following letter: "Unfortunately we have three young children so we can't come to your Stock Car track. We do however enjoy the records you play and would appreciate it if you could play Andy Stewart's record 'Tunes of Glory' next Tuesday.") . . . No comment.



**Pit Gossip**  
*by*  
**JUMBO ALLEN**

In my column last week I told you of the holiday wanderings of Len Meades (100). Of course while Len was away, his younger brother Colin Meades (101) had to do his share of the work. Colin set to and built his brother a really first-rate car that was a 'Flyer'. Naturally, Len who is a very hard driver, smashed it up first time out and they had to start again. Still, that's Stock Car Racing.

Another driver working hard and losing a lot of sleep is Jim Field (180). Recently Jim spent two days and nights working on his car without sleep. He was on holiday from his normal job at the time. (What funny holidays these drivers have).

Of course this sort of thing goes on all the time with many other drivers. Those mentioned are the ones that have been brought to my notice.

What is there about Formula II Stock Car Racing that makes a man want to spend hours of work preparing a car for racing that could so easily be smashed up on the first bend? Perhaps it is the thrill of trying to reach the chequered flag first. Or maybe the pleasure gained out of entertaining you, the paying customers. Could be that by giving vent to their exuberance on the track, it makes them a better driver on the road. Whatever the reason Formula II Stock Car Racing offers you some of the greatest personalities it has been my pleasure to meet.

Spedeworth Limited, our Promoters, are going to town and opening several new tracks and introducing the sport to towns like Reading, where racing is every Tuesday night. And Rayleigh Stadium, near Southend-on-Sea where racing is every Saturday night at 7.45 p.m.

The finest milestone that will be reached this year will be the staging of the World Championship at Wimbledon Stadium.

It's time for me to crack my whip and get the lads lined up for the Grand Parade, so I'll sign off because I've got a feeling that this is going to be 'some meeting'.

**Programme of Events**

**SPEDEWORTH LIMITED presents**  
**FORMULA II STOCK CAR RACING**

**TUESDAY, 21st AUGUST, 1962**

7.45 p.m. GOD SAVE THE QUEEN

GRAND PARADE

7.55 p.m. **EVENT ONE** The Hunters Trophy. 20 laps

Car No.	Driver	Town
381	Michael Copeman	Reading
316	Johnny Watkins	Reading
382	Dan Williams	Reading
65	Eric Bradford	Surrey
7	Stephen Brind	Camberley
89	Roy Gostage	Farnborough
317	Ron Owen	Ipswich
60	Les Gunner	Guildford
339		
332		
17	Tony Maidment	Hants.
123	David Miles	Camberley
86	Pete Parrott	Surrey
26	Keith Cordery	Reading
326	Ted Gooding	Reading
327		
351	Mervyn Jones	Farnborough
299	Rex Warwick	
2	Stan Ingle	Birmingham
37	Mickey Smith	Wokingham

Reserves (1)..... (2).....

(3)..... (4).....

1st..... 2nd..... 3rd..... **PRESENTATION OF TROPHY**

8.15 p.m. **EVENT TWO.**

The Tudor Trophy. 20 laps

Car No.	Driver	Town
216	Michael Hitchcock	Woking
29	Bill Williams	Surrey
100	Len Meades	Twickenham
363		
368		
219	Alf Harris	Oxford
173	Bob Elson	Hants.
41	Eric Taylor	Sussex
319		
384	Geoff. King	Reading
48	Bryan Coates	Surrey
39	Arch Hazell	Sussex
9	Frank Hoyley	Aldershot
87	Ken Gardner	Wokingham
82	Roy Woods	Camberley
246	Norman Hicks	Basingstoke
206	George Telfer	Chiswick
23	Ron Chippling	Woking
238	John Carter	Reading
290	Stan Stacey	Alton



FRANK HOWLETT

8.35 p.m. **EVENT THREE (Heat One)**

The Trackmaster Trophy. 20 laps

Car No.	Driver	Town
381	Michael Copeman	Reading
316	Johnny Watkins	Reading
382	Dan Williams	Reading
65	Eric Bradford	Surrey
7	Stephen Brind	Camberley
89	Roy Gostage	Farnborough
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Reserves (1)..... (2).....

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1st..... 2nd..... 3rd..... **PRESENTATION OF TROPHY**

Reserves (1)..... (2).....

(3)..... (4).....

1st..... 2nd..... 3rd..... 4th..... 5th..... 6th..... 7th.....  
8th..... 9th..... 10th..... **Transfer first 10 to Final**

# NEXT MERRY MEETING AT THIS STADIUM

## ★ *THE FRANK HOWLETT TROPHY* ★

★ **TUESDAY, 28th AUGUST, 1962 — 7.45 p.m.** ★

★ **"Tuesday Night Is Stock Car Night"** ★

8.50 p.m. **HEAT TWO** The Trackmaster Trophy. 20 laps

Car No.	Driver	Town
216	Michael Hitchcock	Woking
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Reserves (1)..... (2).....  
(3)..... (4).....

1st..... 2nd..... 3rd..... 4th..... 5th..... 6th.....  
7th..... 8th..... 9th..... 10th.....

Transfer first 10 to Final

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15 minute INTERVAL

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9.30 p.m. **GRAND FINAL** 25 laps

Car No.	Driver	Car No.	Driver
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1st..... 2nd..... 3rd..... 4th..... 5th..... 6th.....

**PRESENTATION OF TROPHY BY FRANK HOWLETT**

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