

cent of British riders — now it is more often or not the British riders who are leading the way.

What did most to restore British pride was that magnificent world championship title for George O'Dell and Cliff Holland in 1977. George and Cliff will be riding today and are well capable of winning yet another Grand Prix. Lady luck has not smiled on George and Cliff since their 1977 victory. A series of accidents have left George with two broken legs, both of which are pinned. He has suffered machinery troubles for much of this year as well as crashing in practice for the TT and chipping a bone in his leg.

George has not competed in many of the Grand Prix meetings this year, deciding instead to concentrate on the English events instead, but he is determined to do well this weekend and will be a very hard man to beat.

But perhaps our best hope of winning honours lies in the very capable hands of Dick Greasley and his passenger John Parkins. Dick and John have been pressing the leaders in the championship all this year after finishing fifth in the table last season, and have been unlucky not to win a GP so far. Dick is one of the most respected riders on the GP circuit and as his record shows one of the most consistent as well.

But pressing Greasley for the title of best British pair will be Scotsman Jock Taylor. After a brilliant series of performances in last year Grand Prix races Jock has not had a good year this year. He and sponsors Fowlers of Bristol bought a new Seymaz machine at the beginning of the year only to have it written off at one of the

first meetings of the year in a tragic accident in which passenger Dave Powell was killed.

Jock has suffered several passenger problems. As well as the death of Dave Powell, last year's regular, Jamie Neil has broken his wrist and announced recently that he would not be appearing again. After that Jock appeared with Swedish 125 cc racer Bengt Goran Johansson in the chair. Who he has this weekend we will have to wait and see.

Other men to look out for in the line-up are Trevor Ireson and Clive Pollington, one of the most likeable crews in the paddock. Trevor shot to the top of the headlines this year with his amazing double win in the TT. Trevor builds his own machines, as well as for other people, and the TT win was his first major success after several years of competition, several of them on the GP circuit.

Derek Jones and passenger Brian Ayres, current 'Motor Cycle Weekly' and British Sidecar champions, use one of Trevor's machines. They have been concentrating on the GP's this year, only appearing once so far in this country, with a mixed bag of results. But in front of their home supporters they will want to go well.

Those are the top men here today then. Whatever trials and tribulations sidecar road racing may be going through at the moment we can be sure that the racing here today will be some of the best seen this year, both in the B2B and B2A classes. Let's now hope the weather is good.

PAST WINNERS

1977

500 cc	Pat Hennen (Suzuki) 107.99 mph
350 cc	Kork Ballington (Yamaha) 107.99 mph
250 cc	Kork Ballington (Yamaha) 104.68 mph
125 cc	Pier Luigi Conforti (Morbidelli) 98.53 mph
Sidecar	Werner Schwaerzel/Andreas Huber (A.R.O.) 87.97 mph
TT Formula 1	Ron Haslam (Honda) 101.93 mph

1978

Kenny Roberts (Yamaha) 87.88 mph
Kork Ballington (Kawasaki) 109.94 mph
Anton Mang (Kawasaki) 106.04 mph
Angel Nieto (Minarelli) 93.97 mph
Alain Michel/Stu Collins (Seymaz Yamaha) 96.58 mph
John Cowie (Kawasaki) 107.72 mph

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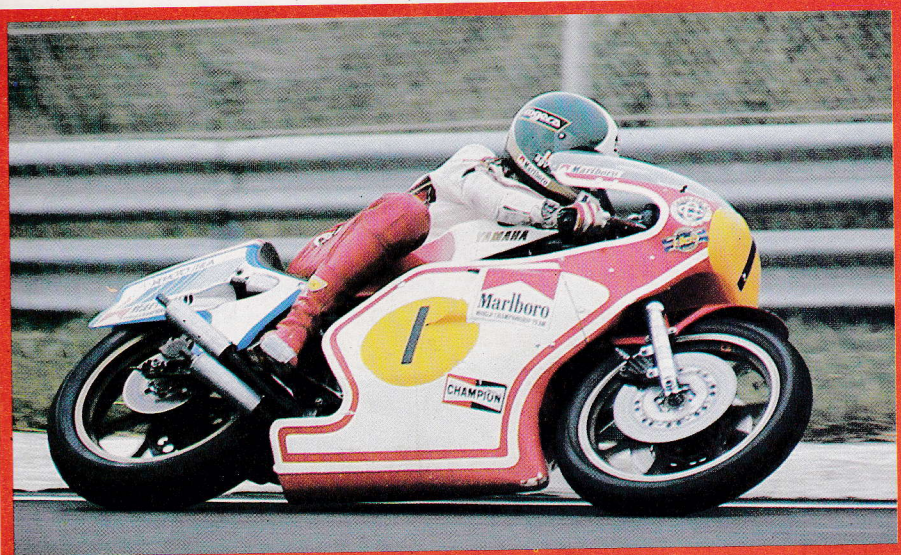
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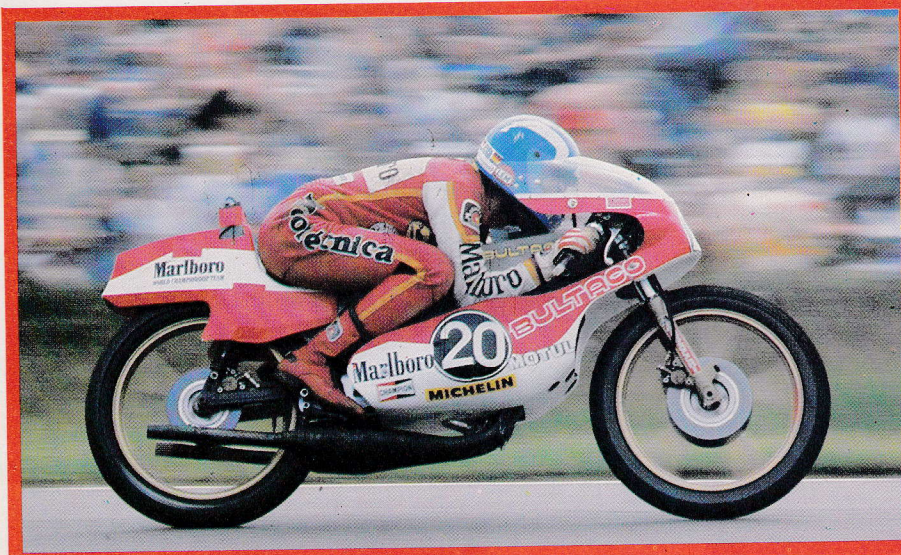
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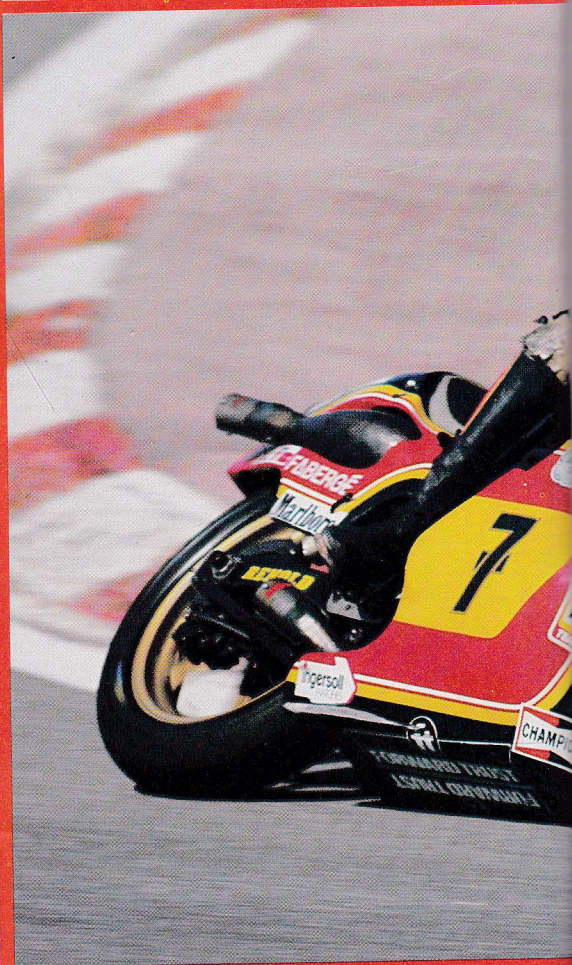


P. COULON

Today's Marlboro British Grand Prix is a major landmark in the company's sponsorship of motorcycle racing. But Marlboro are certainly not new to the world of two wheel racing. Indeed when Philip Morris, manufacturers of Marlboro Cigarettes, quickly followed up their sponsorship of the BRM formula 1 cars by forming the Marlboro World Championship Team in 1973, Giacomo Agostini was one of the first international sportsmen to be signed.

Ago clinched yet another title that year and followed up with World Championships again in 1974 and 1975. The good looking Italian is still sponsored by Marlboro to this day, the red and white colours now carried on his Williams Formula 1 car.

Other riders were added to the Marlboro Team. In 1974 Kent Anderson of Sweden won the world 125cc Championship as a member, the late great Jarno Saarinen joined the team as did the Spanish "King of the Tiddlers" Angel Nieto, still a member and still winning titles.



B. SHEENE

British Grand Prix

Ship for Motorcycles

In 1977 Philippe Coulon and Christian Estrosi ran their 500cc Suzuki team with Marlboro support and, in the same year, Barry Sheene first donned the Marlboro colours. The twice World Champion is now, of course, a well established member of the team.

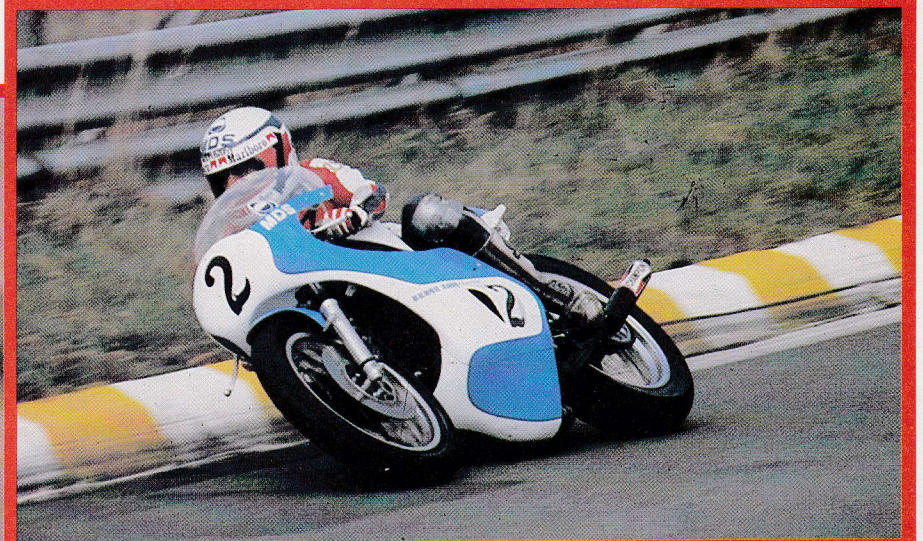
Another relative newcomer is the Spaniard Ricardo Tormo, who cleaned up last year's 50cc world title. Also now on the strength is the most successful newcomer to the 500cc category this year, the wirey Italian Franco Uncini. A formidable array of talent.

This year's announcement of the Marlboro Great Eight Race Sponsorship put the accent firmly on the world of two wheels. Not only are Marlboro sponsoring the big events like the Grand Prix, the Easter Transatlantic Series, and the Oulton Park race of the year: they are also encouraging the up and coming stars of the future through the Marlboro Yamaha Clubmans Series.

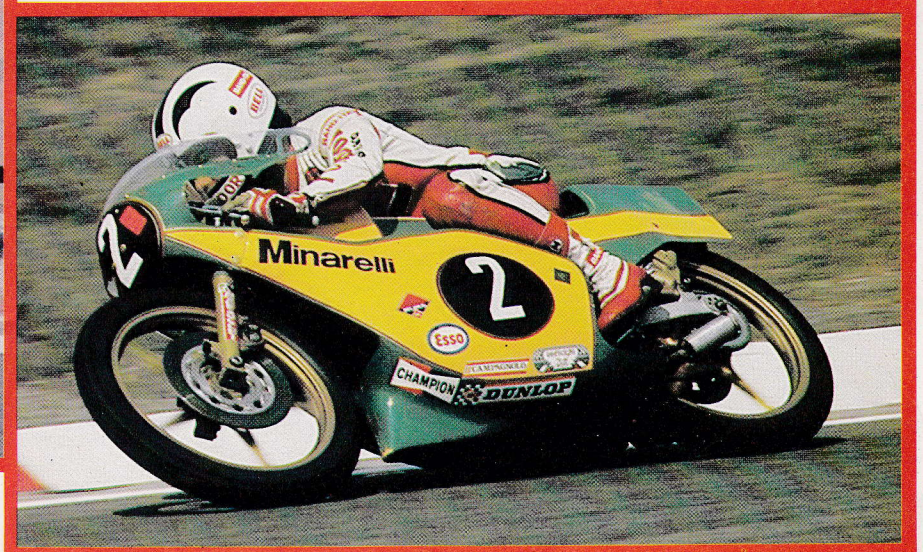
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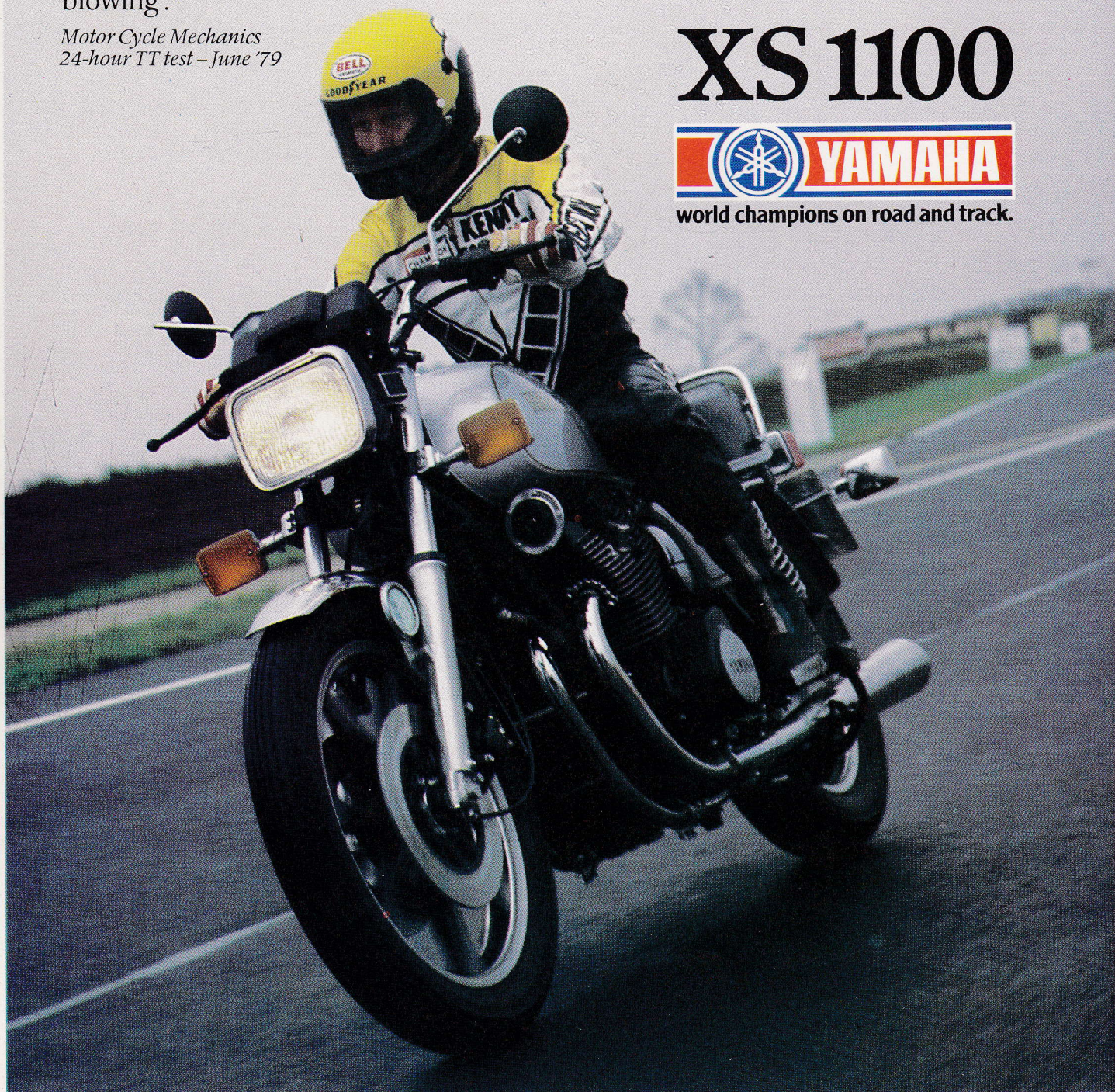
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Sunday

Race 1

Start 11.45 hours (approx.)

SHELL MOTOR OILS

round of

WORLD SIDECAR B2A CHAMPIONSHIP

20 laps

58.54 miles

94.20 kms

No.	RIDER/PASSENGER	TOWN/COUNTRY	MACHINE
1	ROLF BILAND/KURT WALTISPERG	Switzerland	Schmid Yamaha
2	ALAIN MICHEL/ STUCCOLINS <i>M. VEINARD</i>	France	Windle Yamaha
3	TONY WAKEFIELD/EDDIE KIFF	Spaldwick	British Magnum
4	WERNER SCHWARZEL/ANDREAS HUBER Entrant - Michael Krauser	Germany	Yamaha
5	DICK GREASLEY/JOHN PARKINS Entrant - Cyril Chell	Gt Haywood	Busch Yamaha
6	TREVOR IRESON/CLIVE POLLINGTON Entrant - Joe Henderson	Swindon	Yamaha
7	JOCK TAYLOR/BENGT JOHANSSON Entrant - Team Castrol-Fowler Yamaha	Pencaitland	Fowler Yamaha
8	GEORGE O'DELL/CLIFF HOLLAND	Hemel Hempstead	May Yamaha
9	KURT JELONEK/FRED SCHENKENBURGER Entrant - Sauna u. Hotel	Germany	König
10	BILL HODGKINS/KEN WILLIAMS Entrant - Sicon Hydraulics	Bromley	SDD Yamaha
11	GOTE BRODIN/BILLY GALLROS	Sweden	Yamaha
12	ROLF STEINHAUSEN/KEN ARTHUR	Germany	Yamaha
13	SIEGFRIED SCHAUZU/LORENZO PUZO Entrant - Erbo Racing Team	Germany	Yamaha
14	HERMANN HUBER/BERND SCHAPPACHER Entrant - Michael Krauser	Germany	Krauser
15	AMADEO ZINI/	Italy	Yamaha
16	KALEVI RAHKO/KARI LAATIKAINEN	Finland	Yamaha
17	PETER CAMPBELL/KEN GOODWIN	Australia	Godden-Yamaha
18	JESKO HOCKERT/BOB HAAROLD	Germany	Yamaha
19	BOY BROUWER/JAN OOSTWOUDER	Holland	Yamaha
20	GERALD CORBAZ/ROLAND GABRIEL	Switzerland	Schmid-Yamaha
21	HANS PETERS/GEORGE ETZ	Germany	Yamaha
22	EGBERT STREUER/JOHAN VAN DER KAAP	Holland	Schmid-Yamaha
23	MAX VENUS/NORBERT BITTERMANN	Germany	Yamaha
24	OTTO HALLER/RAINER GUNDEL Entrant - Michael Krauser	Germany	Yamaha
25	MICK BODDICE/CHAS BIRKS Entrant - Roboserve Ltd	Kidderminster	Woodhouse Yamaha
26	PETER FRICK/PASCAL MOTTIER	Switzerland	Yamaha
27	WALTER OHRMANN/ERICH SCHMITZ	Germany	Yamaha
28	JOHN BARKER/NICK CUTMORE Entrant - RNJ Racing	Hornchurch	Reynoldson Yamaha
29	MAL WHITE/PHIL SPENDLOVE Entrant - M. Staiano Motorcycles	Harrogate	Rumbold Yamaha
30	DAVID SAVILLE/HUGH SANDERSON Entrant - Sabre Racing	Retford	Windle Yamaha
31	DEREK JONES/BRIAN AYRES Entrant - Daytona Cycle Saloon	Perivale	Daytona Yamaha
32	KEITH GALTRESS/NEIL SHELTON Entrant - Demon Tweeks	Buckley	Demon Tweeks Yamaha
33	GRAHAM MILTON/JOHN BRUSHWOOD	Spaldwick	British Magnum
34	HELMUT LÜNEMANN/VIC SAMPSON	Germany	Yamaha
35	FRANK ILLINGWORTH/GUY MILLER Entrant - D. Huxley	Ossett	Yamaha
36	NIGEL ROLLASON/DAVE HOMER Bran Bardsley Spares	Sollihull	Barton Phoenix
37	JAN-ERIK FORSSTROM/RONNY AKERMAN Entrant - Ava MC Racing Team	Sweden	Yamaha
38	JEAN CORNET/FREDDY COLLEWAERT	Belgium	Kova-Yamaha
39	DICK HAWES/BILL BOLDISON	Purfleet	Anderson Yamaha
40	MICHEL-VANNESTE/PAUL GERARD	Belgium	Bosch Yamaha

Lap Record: to be established

Race Record: to be established

(see page 40 for comparative times set last year)

RESULTS

1st	<i>No. 1. BILAND</i>	Time	<i>33.39-47</i>	Speed	<i>106.35</i>	mph
2nd	<i>No. 7. TAYLOR</i>	3rd	<i>No. 5. GREASLEY</i>	4th	<i>No. 4. SCHWARZEL</i>	
	<i>5th. No. 12. STEINHAUSEN</i>		<i>6th. No. 27. OHRMANN</i>			
Fastest Lap: No.	<i>No. 7</i>	Time	<i>1-30-42</i>	Speed	<i>109.28</i>	mph

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Race 2

Start 12.35 hours (approx)

MARLBORO BRITISH GRAND PRIX WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP 350 cc RACE

24 laps
70.37 miles
113.04 kms

No.	RIDER/ENTRANT	TOWN/COUNTRY	MACHINE
1	KORK BALLINGTON/Team Kawasaki Akai	South Africa	Kawasaki
2	MAX WIENER	Austria	Yamaha
3	KLAAS HERNAMDT/Team 77	Netherlands	Yamaha
4	JON EKEROLD	South Africa	Yamaha
5	CHAS MORTIMER/Sid Griffiths Racing	Reading	Yamaha
6	AKE GRAHN/Hallman & Enequist Motor AR	Sweden	Yamaha
7	GIANFRANCO BONERA	Italy	Yamaha
8	PATRICK FERNANDEZ	France	Yamaha
9	PAOLO PILERI	Italy	RTM
10	OLIVIER CHEVALLIER	France	BUT
11	PENTTI KORHONEN/MKM Racing Team	Finland	Yamaha
12	CHRISTIAN ESTROSI/Team Kawasaki	France	Kawasaki
13	ANTON MANG/Team Kawasaki Germany	Germany	Kawasaki
14	MICHEL FRUTSCHI/Elf Moto Racing Team	Switzerland	Yamaha
15	GREGG HANSFORD/Team Kawasaki	Australia	Kawasaki
16	SADAO ASAMI	Japan	Yamaha
17	WALTER VILLA/Venemotos Racing Team	Italy	Yamaha
18	PEKKA NURMI/SiljaLine	Finland	Yamaha
19	PATRICK PONS	France	Yamaha
20	CARLOS LAVADO/Venemotos Racing Team	Venezuela	Yamaha
21	JOE DUNLOP/Rea & Taggart Racing	Ireland	Yamaha
22	LEN WILLING/Sid Griffiths Racing	Australia	Yamaha
23	VIC SOUSSAN/George Beale	France	Yamaha
24	ROLAND FREYMOND/Elf Moto Racing Team	Switzerland	Yamaha
25	JEFF SAYLE	Australia	Yamaha
26	MURRAY SAYLE	Australia	Yamaha
27	GRAEME MCGREGOR/George Beale	Australia	Yamaha
28	EDI STOLLINGER/Bosch Racing Team	Austria	Kawasaki
29	EDDY ELIAS	Italy	Yamaha
30	ERIC SAUL/Team MDS Bimota Adriatica	France	Bimota Adriatica Yamaha
31	KENNY BLAKE/Sid Griffiths Racing	Australia	Yamaha
32	PETER LABUSCHAGNE/Mead Speed	South Africa	Yamaha
33	EERO HYVÄRINEN	Finland	Yamaha
34	RAYMOND ROCHE	France	Yamaha
35	REINHOLD ROTH	Germany	Yamaha
36	FRANK STEINHAUSEN	Canada	Yamaha
37	YOCHAN MATSUMOTO	Japan	Yamaha
38	ADELIO FACCIOLI	Italy	Yamaha
39	RON HASLAM/Mal Carter	Langley Mill	Pharoah Yamaha
40	DIDIER DE RADIGUES	Belgium	Yamaha
41	CHARLIE WILLIAMS	Alvanley	Yamaha
42	BERNARD MURRAY/Derek Johnson M/cs	Heaton Norris	Yamaha
43	ALAN NORTH/Wildam	South Africa	Yamaha
44	BARRY WOODLAND/Derrys Racing	Northwood	Yamaha
45	IAN RICHARDS/George Leigh M/cs	Essington	Yamaha
46	BARRY DITCHBURN/Team Kawasaki Akai	Sevenoaks	Kawasaki
47	TONY HEAD/C. Pinfold	Coventry	Yamaha
48	ANTONIO RIBEIRO	Portugal	Yamaha
49	GRAHAM YOUNG/Irish Racing M/cs	Ireland	Yamaha
50	WALTER HOFFMAN	Germany	Yamaha
51	BERNARD	ITALY	
52	THAIRARD		
53	ROUSSEAU		

Lap Record:

Tom Herron (Yamaha)

1 min 33.83 secs.

112.30 mph

6/8/78

Race Record — Kork Ballington (Kawasaki)

109.94 mph

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RESULTS

1st	No. 1 BALLINGTON	Time	38.9.9.1	Speed	110.41	mph
2nd	No. 15 HANSFORD	3rd	No. 25 SAYAHE	4th		
	5th		6th			
Fastest Lap: No.		Time	1.33.82	Speed	112.30	mph

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Sunday

Race 3

Start 13.35 hours (approx.)

MARLBORO BRITISH GRAND PRIX
WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP 125 cc RACE

20 laps

58.54 miles

94.20 kms

No.	RIDER/ENTRANT	TOWN/COUNTRY	MACHINE
1	EUGENIO LAZZARINI	Italy	Minarelli
2	ANGEL NIETO	Spain	Minarelli
3	PIER PAOLO BIANCHI	Italy	Minarelli
4	HARALD BARTOL	Austria	Morbidelli
5	THIERRY ESPIE	France	Motobecane
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23	PATRICK PLISSON	France	Motoshop Morbidelli
24	PATRICK HEROUARD	Monaco	MBA
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26	THEO TIMMER	Netherlands	MBA
27	JEAN FRANCOIS LECUREUX	France	Mapegaz
28	RICARDO TORMO	Spain	Bultaco
29	MARTIN VAN SOEST	Netherlands	MBA
30	HENK VAN KESSEL/NGK Racing Team	Netherlands	Condor-NGK
31	JAN HUBERTS	Netherlands	MBA
32	PETER LOOYESTEYN/Egel Randen	Netherlands	MBA
33	TONY CAREY	Ireland	Morbidelli
34	FERNANDO NICOLAS	Spain	MBA
35	FRANCOIS GRANON	France	MBA
36	MICHEL BALOCHE	France	MBA
37	THIERRY NOBLESSE	France	MBA
38	CLAUDE GORRY	France	Morbidelli
39	STEFAN JANSSEN	Germany	Pichler, MBA
40	MARC ANTOINE CONSTANTIN	Switzerland	MBA Lazzarini
41	LEIGH NOTMAN	Stapleford	Honda
42	JOHNNY WICKSTROM/Oy Silja Line AB	Finland	Morbidelli
43	JAN BACKSTROM/Motor AB Lelle West/n	Sweden	Morbidelli
44	JEAN-PAUL MAGNONI	France	MBA
45	KEES VAN DE VEN	Netherlands	MBA
46	WERNER SCHMID	Austria	Rotax
47	JOHN KERNAN/Baron Cycle Ops Ltd	Manchester	Morbidelli
48	TONY SMITH	Leicester	Morbidelli
49	MICHEL ROUGERIE	France	Motobecane
50	JEAN CLAUDE SELINI	France	MBA

Lap Records:

Eugenio Lazzarini (MBA)

1 min 42.22 secs

103.08 mph

6/8/78

Race Record — Pier Luigi Conforti (Morbidelli)

98.53 mph

13/8/77

RESULTS

1st. <i>No. 2. NIETO</i>	Time	Speed	mph
2nd. <i>No. 11. BENDER</i>	3rd. <i>No. 5. BIANCHI</i>	4th. <i>No. 12. DORFLINGER</i>	
5th. <i>No. 3. BIANCHI</i>	6th. <i>No. 6. MASSIMIANI</i>		
Fastest Lap: No. <i>3</i>	Time <i>1-42-20</i>	Speed <i>103-11</i>	mph