

Bristol club venture into scrambling

Bristol M.C. and L.C.C. are making their first venture into scrambling tomorrow with an event at Dryden Park.

They have found what I imagine will be a very good circuit in an open valley just north of the main part of the park where they used to run car and motor-cycle hill climbs on the main drive.

This new venture should be popular with spectators because of the extensive views that are available at the whole course.

Scramble courses are difficult to find and we had only hope that tomorrow's event is the first of many at Dryden. Good support from the public tomorrow will go a long way to ensure this.

Solo entry

Any rider could qualify for an event but those who should be invited to take part are those who have put on a special practice session before-hand.

There is a total entry of about 120, all on notes, with Randy Owen, Malcolm Deane, Roger Street, Chris Hodgkins, Richard Stephens, Tony Bailey and John Chapman among them.

The entrance to Dryden Park is on the Bath Street road (A40) two miles south of the junction with the A4 at Tarrant. The first race is at 2 p.m.

The Kestrel club return to scrambling after a couple of years absence and they, too, have a new course, alongside the main road from Tarrant to Westbury Farm, near Wilton.

Racing starts at 2.30 p.m. and includes a further round of the Western Centre championship.

There is no local grass track meeting tomorrow as that the choice is between Andover, near Farnham on the Salisbury to Shaftesbury road and Pershore. Both events start at 2 p.m.

The first is a Sunday club event and the second is organised by the Essexham club of that

Bristol hot favourites

Bristol are hot favourites to reach the final of the Gold Cup competition. Tomorrow afternoon they ride at South Leiston in the first leg of their semi-final. A fortnight ago, they won by 30 points on the same track and should experience little difficulty in beating the Rangers or Appleton.

The return match is at Kempton on Sunday, August 16, and the winners of this

Cycle speedway

he will meet the winners of the Southampton 10, Tottenham 10 in the final.

Last Sunday, Bristol set an English League record when they thrashed Oxford 100-25 at Harrogate.

The Reserves won 14-47 and are now virtually certain of the Continental League title.

Following their win at Oxford, Bristol — still unbeaten this season — need only one more league point to finish the championship. Their next match is at Thurrock on August 22.

Motor-cycling

by Arthur Fedden

Dean, Farn, Pines, on the Evesham - Worcester road (B4084).

Grass track supporters will be sorry to hear that the Shropshire Motor Club will not be putting on an event in September as they had originally planned, due to the course not being available on the date required.

After several years without an absorption race and on their calendar, the Bristol M.C.C. are considering the omission by running one next Saturday afternoon at Lamb, 1.5 m. near West Harpfere.

Entry is restricted to club members only and the event will start at 3 p.m.

Fine finishes

Castle Course road races last Saturday again produced some thrilling finishes with the 1000 cc. class again proving to be the most exciting of the day.

The order at the finish was Brian Kemp, Percy Ray, Peter Williams, Nigel Palmer and Barry Kipling but it had changed in every one of the 10 laps and 30 yards covered this stage throughout the race.

The 1500 cc. race was dominated by Brian Kemp in a 750 Norton Commando and Percy Ray in a three-cylinder Triumph.

They finished in that order after both had made a new lap record at 122.7 m.p.h.

Gerry Whelan, of Redgrave, managed to keep his first place in the senior class of the British grass track championship at Chatteris last Sunday.

He had in his opponent with a second and a third place and now has in John Moss and both ahead of Cecil Taylor, who is making a strong bid for the title after a bad start in the first round.

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Conducted by NEAL WILLSHAW

Westbury boy leads Clifton

Manus from the attack will be Dave Gladwin, a South African, who took 1-27 at the start of the season in a decisive victory over Blundell.

A fine Banger player, he is now hoping to be able to

continue his studies and his sport at Cambridge University.

Some of the brightest batting performances have come from Hugh Evans who revealed his potential when hitting 41 runs off

12 deliveries in a home defeat against Millfield at The Oval.

HIGHLIGHT

One of the highlights of last week's three festival seasons came when Bristol Boys Under 10 captain Chris Barr hit 53 out of a 90-min defeat of Foulsham.

Chris, who lives at Clifton Road, is the son of Clifton Schools' captain George Horn.



Schoolboys share in a century stand

Andrew Holmes and Hugh Wilson, who shared in a 100-run second match partnership for Clifton School, in a most unusual match against a Dutch touring team, are both schoolboys.

Hugh, a 15-year-old pupil at Weston-cum-Mare Grammar School, is the son of Clifton School XI captain Bill Wilson, who also skippered Wanderers, after moving from the Midlands.

At Norwic

A fine all-round Hugh has gained selection for Somerset Schools at Rugby and cricket.

Andrew, whose father Colin Holmes, also plays for Clifton, is a pupil at Wyndham School, Norwich. This week, he has returned to Ban Ayr to play for Norfolk School, a series of representative matches.

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Berkshire Schools at Sonning.

A pupil at Fairfield Grammar School, he is the son of former Bristol footballer Charlie Boxer who plays his cricket for Purton.

Dr'Arcy captain

Steve Dr'Arcy, who has attracted the attention of Somerset and Gloucestershire, will captain a Bristol and Bath U.C.A. Youth XI at Redinister's ground tomorrow in a match against Surrey Schools.

A free-scoring batsman, Steve will be playing alongside his brother-in-law, who has taken a lot

of wickets in senior club cricket this summer.

Keith Saunders, a century maker for St. Mary's, Redcliffe, against Hambrook earlier this month, gains a place in the side and Basil, Grammar School captain John Pin sent will have the chance to show his worth as a spin bowler.

England 'keeper

Paul Thurn, who has been on tour with Bristol Boys, is playing along with England Schools' wicket-keeper Andy Stoval.

Playing at his home ground with St. Mary's, he will take to the country from South Africa where his father — also a Redinister cricketer — played in the same league as Basil Colvill.

The other members of the team, squad of 15, are: John Stoval (Bristol), Peter Evans (Hambrook), Julian Poir (Westbury-Tryn), David Harris (Old Kilnham), and former Bristol Boys' member Bill Doherty (Westbury-Tryn).

Bristol School cricket team who played Purton School in the final of the Bristol Schools Under-14 championship at Stoke Lodge.

Top two (left to right), R. Parsons (capt.), P. Graham, M. Foster, P. Dingham, J. Foblete, P. Tyler, bottom row: S. Vaughan, B. Williams, D. White, N. Crickshaw, M. Derrick, N. Gabriel, 12th man.

Thompson in charge...

Sportsmaster of Connaught who was Bristol School's C.A. Martin Hooper Cup competition for the first time by defeating Elmley at Knowle, is Trevor Thompson.

Trevor, who came to this country from Australia nine years ago, was trained for the teaching profession at St. Paul's College, Cheltenham, and plays his own cricket for Bristol West Indians.

The chairman-elect of Bristol Schools C.A. is An-

thony Gamble who has taken over 1,000 wickets for Knowle in club cricket.

A headmaster, Arthur will succeed former Bristol Rugby player Eric Blackman who is on the staff at Bristol Cathedral School.

The present chairman is John Schoone, F.A. Knowle cricketer Mike Garbett. He will be followed in 1971 by David Ford (footballer), Derek Strong who is sportsmaster at Whitin House.

Robins are all at sea without Barry Briggs

Speedway

by ROBIN MARTAKIES

Newson's heavy defeat as Cradley Heath sent scores of loyal fans home with heavy hearts. The fact that five members of the team, including guest rider, Eric, guest, managed only five points between them, left team manager, Dick Bradley a worried man.

It was a good job that Mike Kenn used to his highest away score for ages. Apart from Bob Kilby's, spirited riding, Mike's form was the only thing that kept the Robins performance which can be singled out as noteworthy.

Kilby was in a class of his own. He recorded defeat only to John Stoval, his going was superb.

This all leads down to the fact that without Barry Briggs, the Robins are all at sea. Briggs was in Limerick at the time of the Cradley encounter.

On Wednesday, the Robins made complete nonsense of their Saturday form. With 'Briggs' back in the team, they beat Leicester 40-22 to go forward to the semi-finals of the K.O. Cup.

Newspaper have been given permission to keep notes of their Saturday form. The Wags are still desperately aware and this welcome news will help them in their bid to climb away from the bottom of the table.

On Wednesday, Newport meet Hackney at Somerset in a re-arranged league match 12.30.



Welshpool Robins' 1970 speedway team. Left to right: John Stoval, Peter Mansel, Mike Kenn, Chris Brown. Skipper Barry Briggs is seated on the machine, with the club's mascot.

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