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Volume 1.

Number 2.

Stock Car Shenanigans!

IF LURID LANGUAGE DOES NOT SHOCK YOU TOO MUCH, and you are starved for something to laugh about, get in among the stock car drivers.

They have a language peculiarly their own. When telling a yarn a stock car driver uses his hands, feet, elbows, and even his stern to illustrate a point.

I have listened to fishermen, sailors, and golfers, quite a few, but for sheer downright descriptive dialogue the car crash crews are on their own.

It appears they take a fiendish delight in rolling their best friend's car on its back. If they can wipe off his wings, crumple his radiator, relieve him of a wheel, or leave him suspended over a barrel they're hilariously happy.

Nor do they take umbrage or show the least annoyance when even a charming lady driver such as Tanya or Jean gently turns them about face to receive a frontal attack from a fiend in a forty horse-power flyer.

It seems that is all a part of this peculiar sport of wreck or be wrecked.

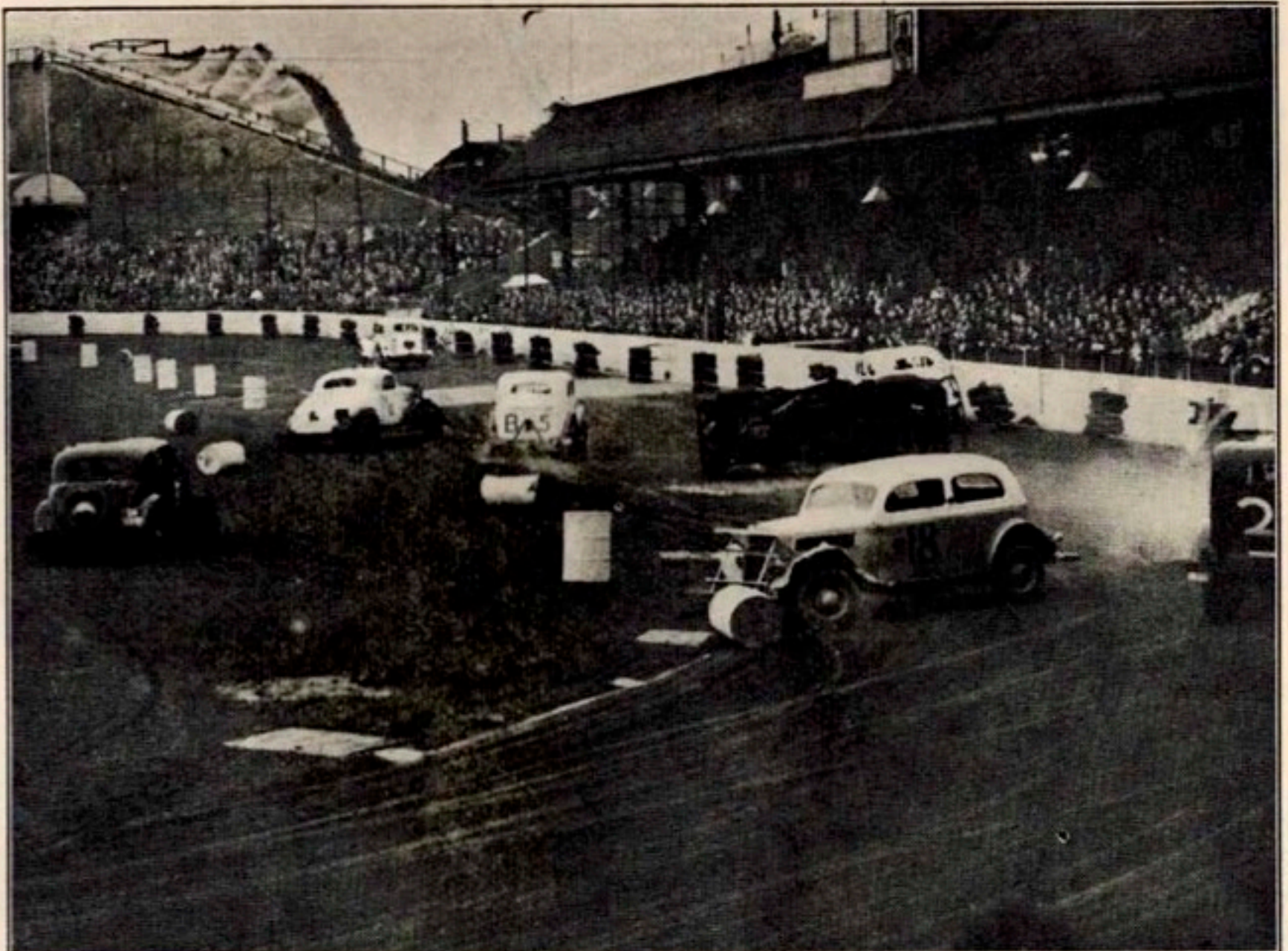
"I'd have won," they tell you, "only I couldn't resist the temptation to bash old Jim," or "I was leading by a lap until my bucket seat came loose, and shot me in the windscreen, then every flipping car in the race bashed into me."

Meet Harry Kayley, a gentleman of sporting instincts who tired of race horses and bought a stock car as one would buy a Derby winner. He didn't inquire about the pedigree, which is perhaps as well. Then he looked about for a "jockey" and found speedway old timer Bob Harrison. Mr. Kayley visits the stables regularly—you'll find him before a meeting stroking the Kayley special and giving advice to his "jockey." One of these nights Mr. Kayley will be turning up in a silk-hat and Ascot regalia. His mount has already won a classic event and been placed in others. He follows the race with the enthusiasm of the Aga Khan, and derives quite as much pleasure.

The men I am sorry for are taxi-drivers Knockout O'Neil and Cowboy Freeman who carry the colours of Manchester's 300 taxi men. Many of these gentlemen have a small 5/- investment in the vehicles entrusted to their fellow drivers. So far, there have been no dividends paid to the syndicate, but they have high hopes.

Then there are the sporty business men—who decide to buy a crash car instead of giving the wife a holiday at Blackpool. I am under a "Hippocratic" oath not to reveal real names. These gentlemen are drivers dear to the public heart. They really display their feelings and have been known to mow cars down regardless.

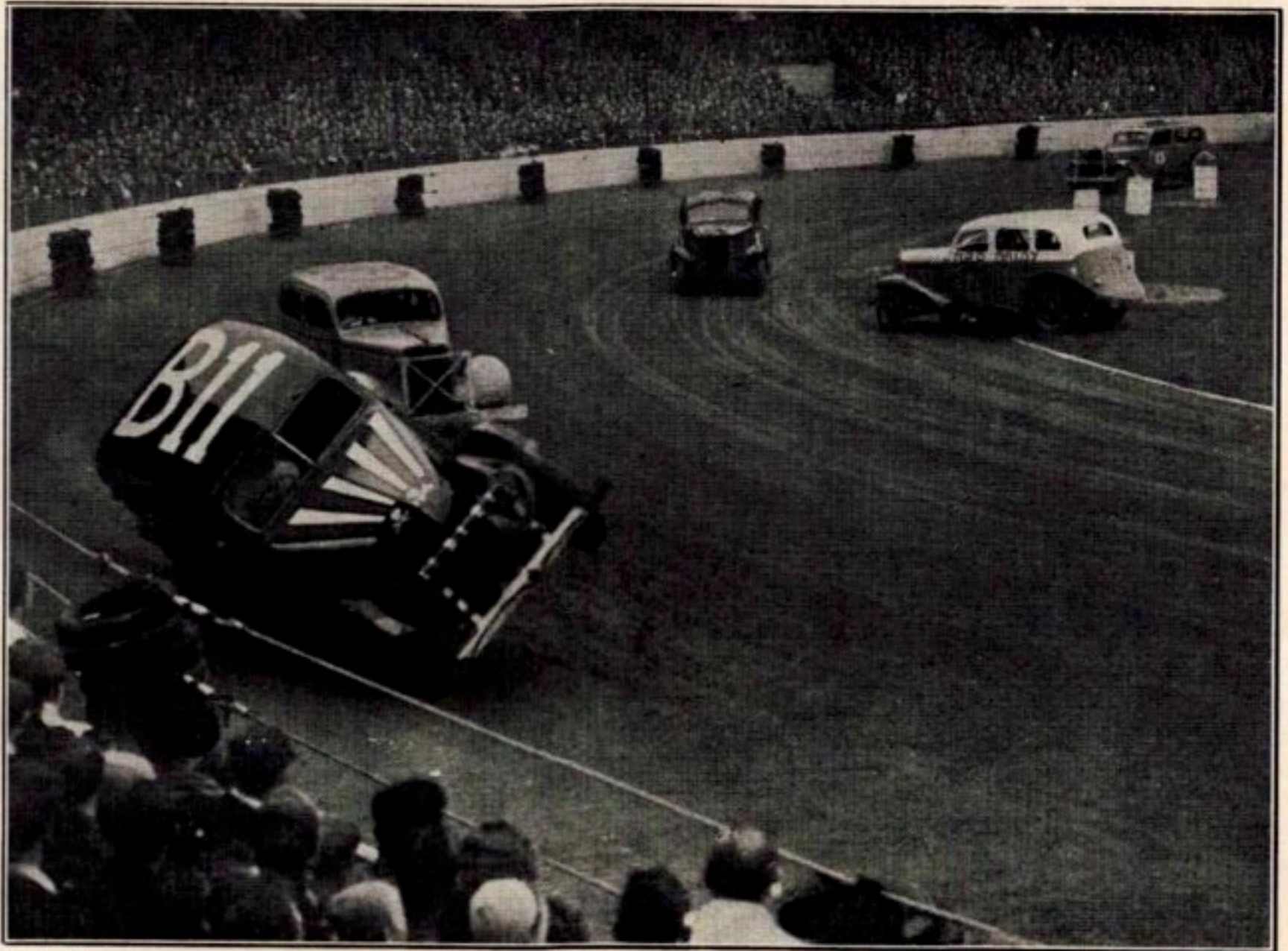
Then the young man who took advantage of his father's absence to turn the family model to sporty uses.



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SOME GO THIS-A-WAY, SOME GO THAT-A-WAY!



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OVER SHE GOES!

Did you know ?

Genial Frank Haft drove with his elbow poking out of the window. Something chipped his funny-bone and his arm was in a sling all week.

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"Tiger" Donaghue's bucket seat was not bolted firmly to the floor. He had a sore head to prove it. I mean his head contacted the wind-screen.

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Frank Hall was the only casualty at our first meeting. His seat came adrift and Frank had his knee-cap broken. His leg is still in plaster. We wish him a speedy recovery.

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This is the fastest stock car track in the country, 418 yards inside measurement.

There are 84 posts made from 6 ft. lengths of railway lines and double tram lines set in three feet of re-inforced concrete. Believe it or not, four steel rails were snapped off clean at the base, and two bent right over at our last meeting.

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Over 1,000 motor car tyres protect the posts. Drivers still break them.

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They say the posts also "break" the drivers.

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Drivers all own their cars. After the meeting anyone can own a few of them.

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So far they have not broken any of the inch steel cable. They're still trying.

STOCK CAR RACING

PROGR

STARTING MONEY FOR THE MEETING, £10. HEAT WINNERS, £15; SECOND, £8; THIRDS, £4; FIFTHS, £2.
 DISTANCE: 15 LAPS.

HEAT 1.

CAR NO.	DRIVER	MAKE	TOWN
B1.	BRIAN NAYLOR.	Ford V8.	Stockport.
B15.	ALBERT HOLTBY.	Packard.	Stretford.
B75.	PHIL CLAUS.	Ford V8.	Canada.
B102.	KEN COFFEY.	Humber.	Sale.
B100.	EDWARD DIGNAN.	Ford V8.	Stockport.
A2.	DOUG. THORNTON.	Ford V8.	Bradford.
B59.	JOHN HARROP.	Ford V8.	Rochdale.
B21.	HAROLD HILL.	Ford Mercury.	Rochdale.
B46.	HAROLD HAWORTH.	Ford V8.	Chorley.
B11.	D. W. ISAACS.	Ford V8.	Whalley Range.
B2.	TOMMY JOHNSON.	Buick 2.	Cheadle.
B47.	KNOCK-OUT O'NEILL.	Chrysler.	Salford.
B51.	PAUL G. LIDDLE.	Ford V8.	Salford.
B34.	BOB SCHOFIELD.	Buick.	City Road, Manchester.
B66.	ERNEST TINDALL.	Packard.	Oldham.
B16.	B. LENNARD.	Ford V8.	Manchester.

Reserves: 70. JAMES POLLIT, Chrysler. B14. NEVILLE MARGOLIS, Buick.

1st..... 2nd..... 3rd..... 4th.....

5th..... 6th..... 7th..... Time.....

(First seven transferred to Final)

HEAT 2.

CAR NO.	DRIVER	MAKE	TOWN
B7.	HARRY KAYLEY.	Ford V8.	Prestbury.
B17.	MAD MALOY.	Chrysler.	Manchester.
B29.	POTTY BARKER.		Lower Broughton.
B99.	BILL JACKSON.	Chevrolet.	Manchester.
B45.	MALCOLM CAMPBELL.	Ford V8.	Salford.
B3.	A. B. DREW.	Studebaker.	Cheadle.
A1.	MISS JEAN FORREST.	Ford V8.	Bradford, Yorkshire.
B4.	OLIVER HART.	Chrysler.	Coppull.
B40.	GINGER DAVIS.	Chrysler.	Manchester.
B41.	S. JONES.	Ford V8.	Manchester.
B28.	BILL KIRBY.	Humber Snipe.	Denton.
B52.	DOPEY DAN.	Chrysler.	Manchester.
B73.	PETER MEE.	Ford V8.	Knutsford.
B13.	ARTHUR BROOKS.		Stretford.
B5.	RON HART.	Ford V8.	Coppull.
B35.	BILL WHETTON.	Railton.	

Reserves: B65, RONALD DUNBAR, Rochdale. B.37, RICHARD SARFIELD, Sunbeam.

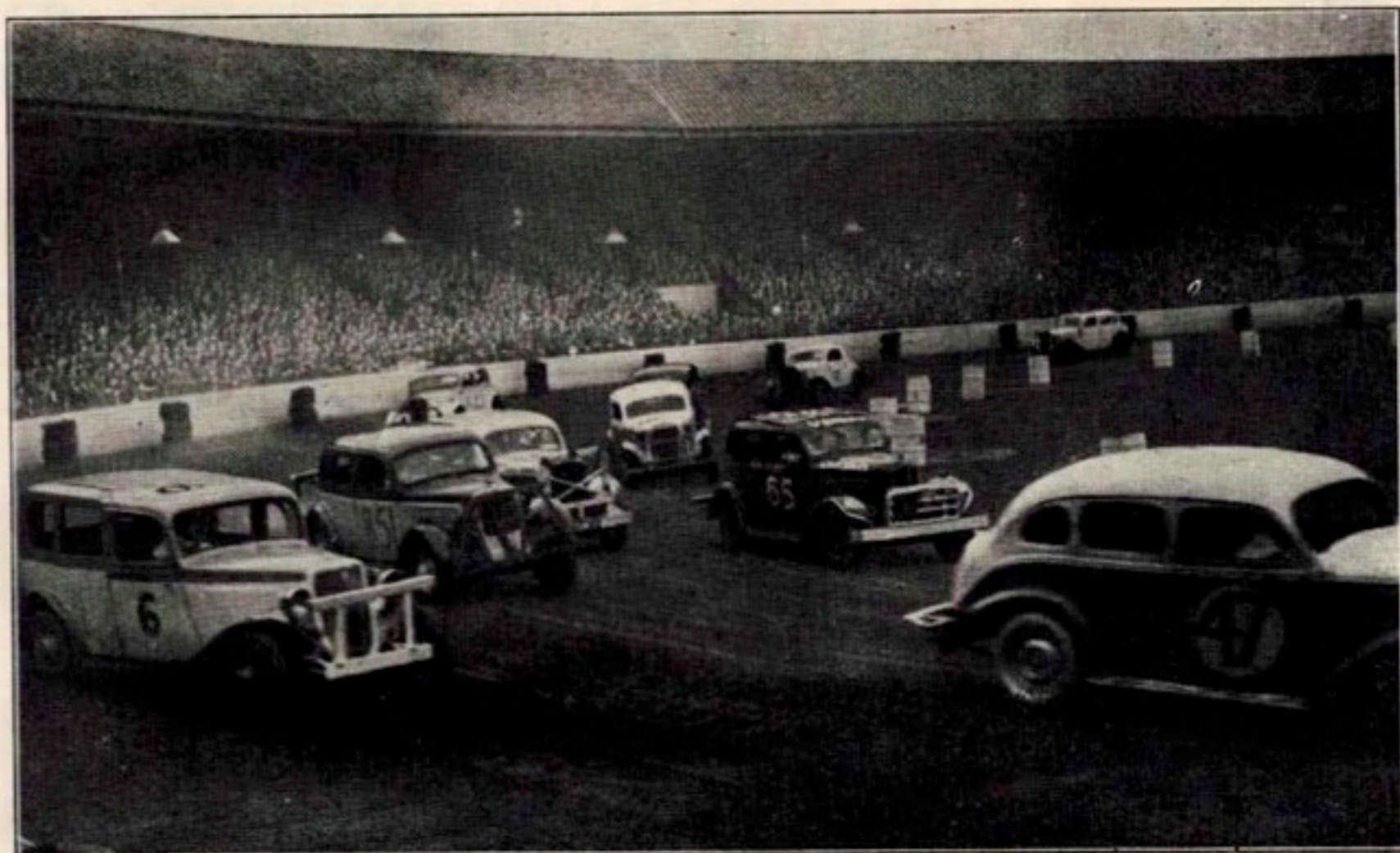
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GET IN THERE—ANYTHING GOES!

Rules are according to Rafferty. It's pretty well all in and anything goes once the race is under way.

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All cars have their petrol supply inside the car. A jerry-can bolted well down is the approved method of carrying juice. One driver bolted his to the roof. It's not there any more.

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Super-chargers are not permitted, but some of the boys put massive engines in small cars.

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The boys have discovered that good engines and good brakes are really helpful.

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Safety belts of the aeroplane type, plus shoulder straps of old rope have saved many a hard knock.

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Crash helmets are compulsory. You couldn't get a driver to race without one anyway.

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Doors are welded or strapped tightly.

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Operation number one on a faithful motor-car is to remove all upholstery, leaving only the bare skeleton.

Out comes all glass, excepting safety glass windscreens.

Up go steel girders to protect the roof in case of a roll over.

Lady drivers are very expert at rolling gentlemen's cars over.

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Gentleman drivers say they don't mind —much.

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Self-starters must be good. If a driver stalls in the middle of the track he knows what happens—it's plenty.

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Getting an idea from a ship that broke in two, several Manchester mechanical genii cut the wrecked front end away from the rear, then raided a scrap yard for a similar car which was operated upon. The finished product is an alleged stock car. Tonight if you see half a car going forward, and the other half backwards, don't look for little green men to pop up with snakes in their hair.

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Miss Tanya Crouch had all the folks in fits last time here. If a car blocked her pathway she touched it gently in the rear and spun it round or over.

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"The Tanya Touch" they called it. Driver after driver who had been so treated and pushed out of the race shrugged his masculine shoulders and said: "Woman driver." And what a driver. Miss Crouch lifted the £50 first prize and the admiration of everyone present—including the drivers.

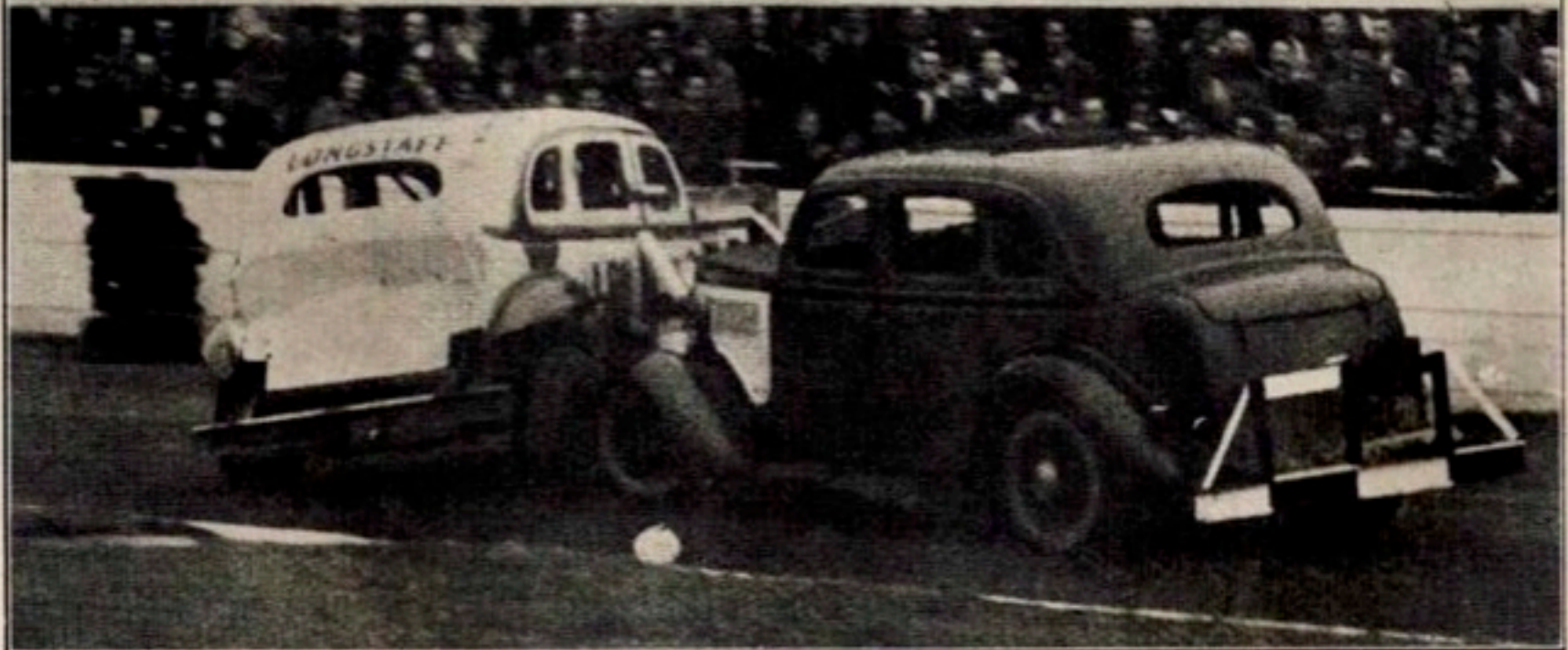
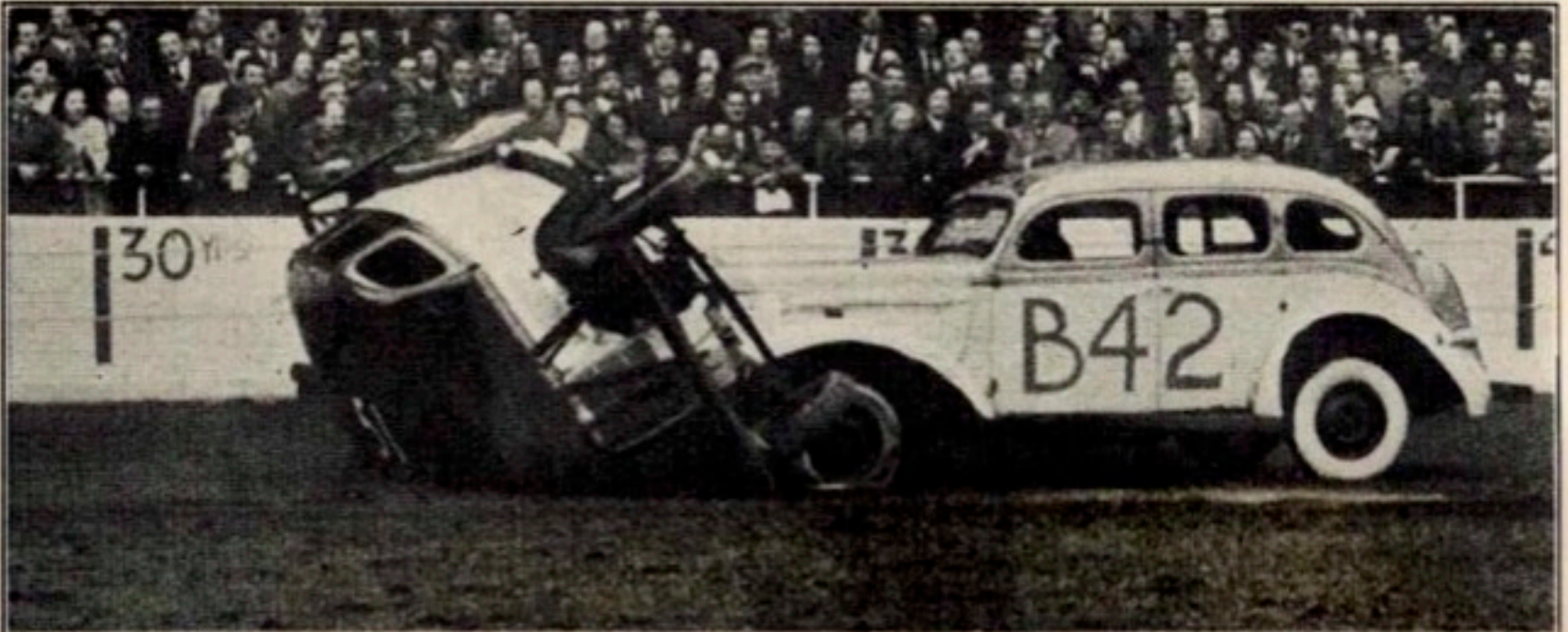
PEN PICTURES

"MAD MALOY" didn't enjoy the last meeting. No-one rolled him over. Maybe his luck will be in tonight.

MICHAEL BALMAN is a Manchester University student. They call him "Mad Mike."

PHIL CLAUS hails from Toronto, Canada. He says the local boys and girls know all the stock car tricks already. Yeah, and a few besides.

KEN COFFEY was a paratrooper.



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BOOMPS-A-DAISY — OVER THE BARREL — AND BASH ON!

EDWARD DIGNAN drove tanks in the Army.

BOB SCHOFIELD, first in heat Liverpool, broke suspension in final. At Odsal, first in heat, third in final. Coventry, first in heat. Sheffield, second in heat. Won final.

TANYA is very welcome tonight. We shall watch her driving with pleasure, and if the tables are turned on Tanya she will be the first to say: "Fair enough."

BOB HARRISON'S "Kayley Special" has so many strange parts under the bonnet, it would take bad language to adequately describe this alleged Ford V8. Bob won the Jack-pot at Bradford. At Sheffield he was leading by a lap when the tail-enders set about him. Bob was a famous speedway rider with the "Aces" when they were Boss men of the League. —————>

A. B. DREW has been placed in all meetings so far. He has his mother-in-law with him tonight. He says: "Last time it nearly killed her."

KEN JOWETT says: "This car did 98 m.p.h. on the road. He was a bus driver for 15 years.



H. G. HILL, first in heat Liverpool and Odsal, fourth in final at Coventry. Turned over at Sheffield. This should be a turn-up tonight.

OLIVER HART, and big brother Ron are in the same race tonight. Oliver Hart Jun. also competes. If they all meet in the final it should make some pulses beat faster.

WILLIAM KIRBY says he's employing Tanya's technique tonight.

← **ROY CALMAN**, better known to speedway fans as Val Morton, is showing a profit on his £6/10/- stock car.

JIMMY GEE is a master butcher. They're sure to carve him up tonight.

FRANK HAFT says his car is powered by a Bulgarian octopus employing atomic hydro-metric over and under drive.

STAN JONES won heat four at Sheffield. Double somer-saulted with Brian Naylor in final.

TOMMY JOHNSON spent 20 years trying not to hit cars. Says this is a lovely sport.

JOHNNIE LOCKLEY won the spot landing trophy at Squires Gate in 1953 in an Auster aircraft.

BRIAN NAYLOR won the final at Bradford and collected the fence at Belle Vue. He is a successful competitor also at Silverstone and such swanky places.

JOHN POLLITT is the father of six. He'll be telling tall bed-time stories after tonight.

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