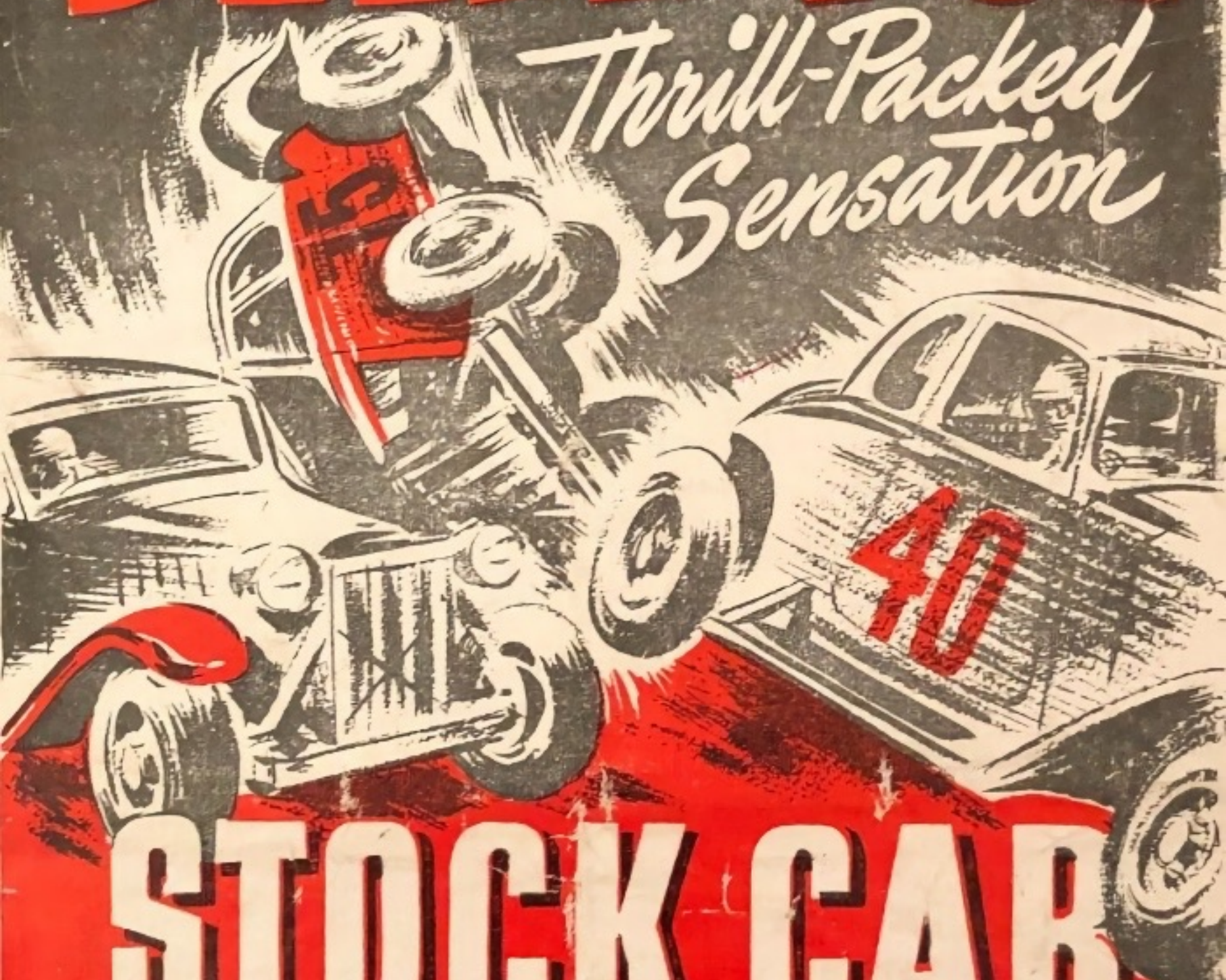


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ON THE GREAT

SPEEDWAY STADIUM

OFFICIAL PROGRAMME OF RACING

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HELLO THERE . . .

MY friend Jim was certain he had all the skill and stamina that go to make up a stock car star. After watching experienced drivers write off their vehicles he had a quiet laugh and went off to buy himself a suitable car. For Jim genuinely believed he had discovered just what all the others were doing wrong. He wouldn't make the same mistakes. He would pocket £70 a meeting — plus expenses! race up and down the country and probably retire in a few years time.

On paper Jim was dead right. It is quiet possible to earn almost £3,000 in a six-month season. Unfortunately for him, however, stock cars are run on raceways, not paper.

But a mere detail like this didn't upset him one little bit. He had the whole thing taped. Soon his newly-bought car had been brightly painted.



It sparkled in the sun, it had also been souped-up. It was ready to race—and win.

That was when the awful awakening took place. With the flag up Jim found things were not as easy as they had looked from his seat in the stands. The cars behind were relentlessly pressing forward. He locked his wheel to the left to avoid being struck by another vehicle which seemed determined to force a way through, but was horrified to find someone else had filled the space that had been his escape route. At all costs he must not hit the oil drum track markers.

So Jim took evasive action. Back came most of his old cockiness. He would flick to the right and play possum. Let them pass him. They would either burn themselves out or batter one another into submission. Then he would nip in and win. How clever he was to have worked this out.

Round went the wheel but with a splintering thud and twanging of steel Jim realised he had misjudged the distance and had hit the crash wall head on. A few seconds later two other cars cannoned into the back end of his vehicle. It gave a resounding shudder as one of the wheels dropped off. All on the first lap, too.

As he watched the breakdown lorry trundle off the remains of the motor that was going to take him into the big money Jim accepted that racing was far more difficult than he had thought. In that moment of truth he unknowingly became a fully fledged stock car driver.



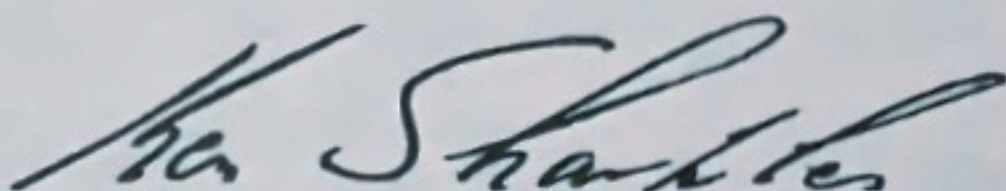
Photo]

Jack Shaw beats a hasty retreat.

[Wright Wood

Next time Jim may avoid the pitfalls that are born on over-confidence. The time after that he may even finish among the first ten. Soon the crowd will be yelling: "Come on Jim." A new stock car star will have arrived.

Meanwhile let's look down tonight's exciting starting list and see if we can pick out the winner . . . and the other men who by their showing this evening will earn the right to race in the world championship.



PERSONALITY PARADE

Welcome back to Councillor Terry Gill who was deputy Mayor of Buxton last year. Terry took a terrific tumble at Sheffield a few seasons ago. Remember it Dorothy Vernon? Fed up of merely watching the bump and bash brigade, he has decided to rejoin them. Wonder what ever happened to Leslie Jones, a race pal of Terry's who broke a leg at Sheffield.

Among the many who started their stock car careers round the steel city circuit are Wilf Harrison, Jerzy Wojtowicz, Marian Palmowski, Doug Wardropper, Ron Wigley and Harry Marshall. All will be bowling round Belle Vue tonight.

I remember one evening there when Harry's motor seized solid on the last lap. At the time he was a clear four lengths ahead of Brian Naylor. It was in the final, too. Naylor went on to win. You should have heard Harry's language.

Edgar Metcalfe is another come-back boy. With a finely turned out Buick, Edgar hopes for better luck this time. Nice to see you again.

It really is "Old Home Week." Here's veteran driver John Wood announcing his

track return. John started driving when he was 16. He borrowed his old man's car. At the ripe old age of 18 John is to have another go. This time Mr. Wood, senior, who rode a speedway bike at Belle Vue's very first dirt track meeting over 30 years ago, has bought his son a motor. It is the ex-Alf Larkin car. And young John asks: "Please can I be number 13a?"

Dave Jacobs (call me "Jake's") is determined to get there first. Not for the money. For the glory. He has removed the entire suspension from his 32 h.p. Chrysler but is a trifle worried about getting a slipped disc between the start and stop flags. Dave impressed on his first appearance last month. He may soon prove to be a force to be really reckoned with.

We've heard of everything now. Harry Holt's weird two-way car which has a bonnet and a radiator at both ends, was used by his mechanic when that young man wanted to learn to drive. It must have been pretty effective. For the pupil, who has just returned from Cyprus, blandly tells us that his job there was chauffeur to Sir Hugh and Lady Foot. Wonder what they would have thought if they discovered that he learned to drive in Harry's "Which way does it go?" car

Comment from Harry Marshall, senior :
 "Broke gear lever on the starting grid and had to kick the so-called Strata-streak into gear. Then I ran into a car hanging over the fence. These people park in the strangest of places." Says his son: "I kept off the fence. Dad didn't. Don't put me in the same race. It might be catching."

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Andy Capp (J. D. Brankley) is trying to take a rise out of us—I think. Says Andy: "I know you always see to our comfort so would you kindly install a rubber crash wall. The missus is getting tired of ironing out my car."

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Misfortune struck Jack Shaw when a couple of piston heads parted company with the engine. I'll stick them down with glue this time, he quips. Kathleen Wheeler and her boy friend don't like Mr. Shaw. He parked his transporter smack in front of their scooter. Commented Kathleen: "We don't mind coming to watch stock car drivers, but people might think we actually speak to them."

Young Brian Dignan, one of the famous three racing brothers from Stockport, took a nasty looking knock in the third race last month. He piled into the safety fence, near the pits, and was carried unconscious from his wracked car. Fortunately Brian is as tough as nails and quickly recovered after treatment in the First Aid room. A spectator who happened to be near the scene of the crash took some first rate pictures of the incident which the "Daily Express" described as "quite remarkable."

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Our new starter Mr. C. Jack Barrick looks like costing us a heap of money. He gets through more flags in a meeting than I would have thought possible. See here Mr. Barrick you are supposed to wave the winner home . . . not frighten him away.

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Any day now we are expecting Didsbury taxi tycoon Trevor Vickerstaff to join the list of drivers who crash in to cash in.

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Photo] Graham Turner and Harry Holt sort out their differences. (Wright Wood

Stock Car Racing Programme

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

RACE 1 (16 LAPS) Prize Money: £12, £8, £6, £4, £3, £2, £1/10/0, £1.

Car No.	Driver	Make	Town	Starting Grade
1 2.	WILF HARRISON.	Oldsmobile Rocket.	Sheffield.	Red
10.	REG SAUL.	Ford Special.	Nottingham.	White
14.	RON WIGLEY.	Humber.	Sheffield.	White
19.	ALF COZENS.	Ford Special.	Southport.	Yellow
36.	FRED JACKSON.	Packard	Bury.	White
48.	YOGI LARKIN.	Jinx Special.	Bolton.	Yellow
73.	VIC FERRIDAY.	Ford Thunderbird.	London.	Blue
77.	PETER FARRINGTON.	Jaguar.	Southport.	White
183.	ELLIS FORD.	Ford	Stratford.	Yellow
285.	F. M. BALL.	Pontiac.	Nottingham.	White
298.	IAN McLELLAND.	Cadillac Special.	Ayr.	White
306.	GRAHAM ORD.	Humber V8.	Gatley.	White
331.	RON PEARS.	Frd O.H.V. Special.	Wisbeck.	Blue
347.	B. JOHNSON.	J.C.M.	Derby.	White
381.	J. LORD—MAVERICK.	Ford V8 De-Luxe.	Burnley.	White
392.	TERRY GILL	Allard.	Buxton.	White
399.	J. TESTO.	J.A.T. Special.	Middlesbrough.	White
409.	KEN DIGNAN.	Ford V8.	Stockport.	Yellow
501.	GRAHAM TURNER.	Humber.	Bolton.	White
525.	B. G. HICKSON.	Ford Austin.	Walkden.	White

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

5th _____ 6th _____ 7th _____ 8th _____ Time _____

1st six to Final. Others to Consolation.

RACE 2 (16 LAPS) Prize Money: £12, £8, £6, £4, £3, £2, £1/10/0, £1.

Car No.	Driver	Make	Town	Starting Grade
5 6.	JOHNNY KING.	Ford.	London	Red
13.	JACK WOOD.	Vauxhall.	Bolton.	White
25.	KEN STEWARD.	Mercury/Allard.	Bolton.	White
2 42.	AUBREY LEIGHTON.	Chrysler/Oldsmobile	Earls Barton.	Red
50.	JOHN LANE.	Ford Special.	Leek.	Yellow
55.	CHARLIE FINNIKEN.	Ford/Jaguar	Bolton.	White
6 69.	NEV. HUGHES.	Oldsmobile.	Nottingham.	Blue
84.	HARRY HOLT.	Holtsmobile	Bolton.	Yellow
87.	JACK SHAW.	Ford V.8./Hudson.	Clitheroe.	White
1 103.	JOHNNY BRISE.	Mer'des Oldsmobile	Dartford.	Red
105.	(SCRAP) HEAP.	Cadillac.	Accrington.	White
114.	EDGAR METCALFE.	Buick.	Ashton-u-Lyne.	White
203.	RON CARR.	Austin Special.	Ashton-U-Lyne.	Yellow
3 245.	ALAN WARDROPPER.	Oldsmobile	Ipswich.	Blue
382.	B. BROWN.	Ford V8.	Loughborough.	White
389.	EARL TESTO.	Mercury Special.	Middlesbrough.	White
410.	BRIAN DIGNAN.	Ford.	Stockport.	White
425.	JACK HAGUE.	Silverline Rocket.	Oldham.	White
456.	W. JACKSON.	Ford V8.	Nottingham.	White
491.	GORDON BRUNT.	Vauxhall.	Mossley.	White
499.	HARRY MARSHALL.	Pont. Stratastreak.	Salford.	White

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5th _____ 6th _____ 7th _____ 8th _____ Time _____

1st six to Final. Others to Consolation.

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QUALIFYING ROUND

RACE 3 (16 LAPS) Prize Money: £12, £8, £6, £4, £3, £2, £1/10/0, £1.

Car No.	Driver	Make	Town	Starting Grade
2 5.	DOUG WARDROPPER.	Oldsmobile	Ipswich.	Red
7.	HARRY MARSHALL, Jnr.	Ford V8,	Salford.	White
13a.	JOHN WOOD.	Railton.	Bolton.	White
62.	CHIPPY WESTON.		Rugby.	Yellow
75.	WILF BLUNDELL.	Thunderbird.	Southport.	Red
76.	KEN CHAPMAN.	Ford Mercury.	Southport.	White
79.	D. HASSELL.	Oldsmobile.	Nottingham.	White
80.	JOHNNY SWIFT	Ford Pilot.	Loughborough.	White
83.	BILL BRYAN.	Bedford Special.	Cheadle.	Yellow
90.	JACK MINNION.	Cadillac.	Derby.	Blue
128.	L. LOADES.	Special.	Kings Lynn.	Yellow
152.	ROY ROGERS.	Auburn.	Leek.	Yellow
181.	T. J. WILKINSON.	Ford V8 Saloon.	Durham.	White
221.	B. JEBSON.	Ford.	Huddersfield.	White
273.	TOMMY McQUILLAN.	Allard V8.	Oldham.	White
302.	RON SLACK.	Jaguar.	Nottingham.	White
362.	RAY WATKINS.	Buick Special.	Loughborough.	White
372.	DAVE JACOBS.	Chrysler.	Preston.	White
469.	ALAN ROSCOW.	M.G./V.8.	Bury	White
479.	HARRY BLEVINS.	Oldgate Nocker.	Gorton.	White
488.	ANDY CAPP	Morris/Ford.	Kearsley.	White

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5th _____ 6th _____ 7th _____ 8th _____ Time _____

1st six to Final. Others to Consolation.

CONSOLATION RACE (16 Laps)

Prize Money: £12, £8, £6, £4, £3, £2, £1/10/0, £1.

Car No.	Driver's Name	Car No.	Driver's Name
331			
1			
298			
19	Wulf Blundell		
5	Doug Wardropper		
152			
128			
68			
221			

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

5th _____ 6th _____ 7th _____ 8th _____ Time _____

(First six to Final).

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