

## California 1936

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Sources: RS=Reading Standard, RC=Reading Chronicle, EG=Evening Gazette, SN=Speedway News, LH=Les Hawkins, JS=John Somerville, BS= Barry Stephenson, WT = Wokingham Times

		<i>Fixture</i>	<i>Result</i>	<i>Source</i>	<i>Notes</i>	<i>TR</i>
<b>1936</b>				RS 29.1.37	R&DMC AGM report: 25,000 attended Longmoor in 1936	
13.4	H	Individual	Scratch 1: A Windmill, H Norman Handicap: Forbes, Goffe Fastest HW: Goffe, Adams Flyers race: Vigor Stayers race: Adams, Norman <b>Newcomers: R D Fay, A Windmill</b> <b>Two Lap Dash (1): J Forbes, A Windmill</b> <b>Two Lap Dash (2): Vigor, Adams</b> <b>Match Race: Forbes, Vigor</b> <b>Consolation: Shepherd, Anderson</b>	RS 17.4.36	RS 10.4 reported: "opening of club <b>speedway</b> at Longmoor, California-in-England." Crowd over 2,000	Goffe 74.2
3.5	H	Individual	Scratch: Norman, Walker, Adams Handicap: Goffe, Forbes, Maclean Inter club: Vigor (Lon) bt Forbes (Rdg)	RS 10.5.36	2 <sup>nd</sup> mtg per HoBS, 1 <sup>st</sup> per SitTV over 2,000 Boyd also riding	
17.5	H	Individual	Scratch: Baldwin, Blackwell, [Brown, Morris] Scratch: Norman, Boyd, [Shepherd, Adams, Maclean] Scratch: Walker, Vigor, [Forbes, Goffe, Hitch] Scratch: Maclean, Shepherd, [Baldwin, Blackwell] Scratch: Norman, Boyd Scratch: Vigor, Walker Scratch 1: Ht 1: Goffe, [Boyd, Morris, Walker] Ht 2: Vigor, [Blackwell, Maclean, Brown] Ht 3: Hitch, Adams, Shepherd Ht 4: Norman, [Baldwin, Forbes] Final: Goffe, Vigor, Norman, Hitch Special Challenge: Blackwell, Brown, Baldwin	RS 22.5.36 LH	2,000 crowd	

			<p>2 Lap Dash:  Ht 1: Maclean, Walker, [Goffe, Adams, Blackwell]  40.4  Ht 2: Forbes, Norman, [Brown, Baldwin, Boyd]  39.8  Ht 3: Vigor, Hitch, [Shepherd, Morris]  Handicap:  Ht 1: Vigor, [Blackwell, Goffe, Brown]  Ht 2: Forbes, [Morris, Maclean, Walker]  Ht 3: Shepherd, [Baldwin, Norman]  Ht 4: Boyd, [Hitch, Adams]  Final: Vigor, Shepherd, Forbes, Boyd  Fastest HW: Vigor, H Norman, [L Goffe, ?]  Consolation: H Hitch, F Blackwell</p>			
1.6	H	Individual	<p>Scratch: Vigor, Hitch, P Brine  Handicap: Boyd, Hitch, Norman</p>	RS 5.6.36	Whit Monday – Goffe away @ C Palace scoring 14 on debut (noted in RS)	Vigor 72.8
14.6	H	Individual	<p>Scratch 1  Ht 1: Vigor  Ht 2: Forbes  Ht 3: Maclean  Ht 4: Boyd  Final: Boyd, Vigor, Forbes  Races:  Fay, Brown 85.0  Shepherd. Adams 77.4  Boyd, Deacon  Windmill 75.0  Scratch 2 :  Ht 1: Boyd  Ht 2: Hitch  Ht 3: Windmill  Ht 4: Vigor  Final: Vigor, Boyd 71.4 (Track record)  Races:  Baldwin, Fay  Adams, Walker  Boyd, Deacon  Handicap:  Ht 1: Vigor</p>	RS 19.6.36 LH	2000 crowd Adams, Deacon, Windmill also riding	Vigor 71.4

			<p>Ht 2: Hitch  Ht 3: Shepherd  Ht 4: Brown  Final: Shepherd, Vigor, Hitch 74.0  Fastest Riders Race:  Boyd, Shepherd 74.0  Consolation Race:  not run?</p>			
28.6	H	Individual	<p>Scratch 1:  Ht 1: Hitch  Ht 2: Boyd, Brown 75.0  Ht 3: Shepherd, Maclean 80.0  Ht 4: Vigor, Forbes  Final: Vigor, Boyd, Hitch 77.0  Scratch 2: Vigor, Boyd, Maclean  H'cap: AV Sweby, H Deacon, L Shepherd  Fastest: Boyd, Deacon  Event 6 Race: ?  Event 7 Race: Deacon, Maclean 81.0  Event 8 Race: Vigor, Forbes 77.6  Scratch 2:  Ht 1: Vigor, Forbes  Ht 2: Boyd, Sweby  Ht 3: Maclean, Baldwin  Ht 4: Hitch  Final: Vigor, Boyd, Maclean  Event 14 Race: Shepherd, Baldwin 83.6  Event 15 Race: Sweby, Maclean 83.0  Handicap 4  Ht 1: Sweby, Forbes  Ht 2: Shepherd  Ht 3: Deacon  Ht 4: Rhymes  Final: Sweby, Deacon, Shepherd 77.6  Fastest Riders Race: Boyd, Deacon 77.6</p>	RS 3.7.36 LH	Sweby trailed as Barnet TR holder in 12.6 RS	
12.7	H	Individual	<p>Scratch 1:  Ht 1: Vigor  Ht 2: Forbes  Ht 3: Bason</p>	LH		

			<p>Ht 4: Walker, Blackwell  Final: Vigor, Forbes, Walker, Bason 87.0  350cc: Boyd, Bason  Scratch: Bason  Scratch: Baldwin, Walker  Scratch: Bason, Walker  Scratch: Forbes, Boyd  Scratch 2:  Ht 1: Boyd  Ht 2: Walker  Ht 3: not run?  Ht 4: Vigor, Adams  Final: Boyd, Vigor, Adams, Walker  Scratch: Baldwin, Norman  Scratch: Forbes, Basin  Handicap:  Ht 1: Forbes  Ht 2: Baldwin  Ht 3: Walker  Ht 4: not run?  Final: Forbes, Baldwin  Consolation: not run?</p>			
26.7	H	Individual	<p>Scratch 1:  Ht 1: unknown  Ht 2: unknown  Ht 3: unknown  Ht 4: unknown  Final: unknown  Scratch: unknown  Scratch: Deacon, Shepherd 80.0  Scratch: Boyd, Hitch  Scratch 2:  Ht 1: Boyd, Shepherd  Ht 2: Deacon  Ht 3: Vigor, Norman  SF: Norman, Shepherd, Boyd  Final: Vigor 73.0  Scratch: Shepherd, Baldwin  Scratch: Vigor, Deacon</p>	LH		

			Handicap: Ht 1: Shepherd Ht 2: Forbes Ht 3: Boyd, Hitch Ht 4: not run Final: Shepherd, Boyd, Forbes 75.0 Fastest Riders: Vigor, Boyd, [Hitch, Norman] Consolation: Bason, Fay, [Rhymes, Lammas]			
9.8	H	Individual	Scratch 1: Ht 1: Adams, Norman Ht 2: Vigor, Deacon Ht 3: Hitch, Shepherd SF: Deacon Final: Vigor, Adams, Deacon 75.4 Scratch: Baldwin, Bason 85.0 Match Race: Boyd, Vigor 71.0 Scratch: Deacon, Shepherd Scratch: Boyd 77.0 Scratch 2: Ht 1: Adams, Boyd Ht 2: Maclean, Deacon Ht 3: Bason, Norman SF: Boyd Final: Adams, Maclean, Bason Match Race: [Vigor v Boyd] Handicap: Ht 1: Boyd Ht 2: Adams Ht 3: Baldwin Final: Boyd, Adams Match Race: Boyd, Vigor (ef) Consolation: Hitch, Shepherd, [Norman, Bason] 80.2	LH		TR – rolling start (Boyd 71.0)
23.8	H	Individual	Scratch 1: Ht 1: Deacon, Bason Ht 2: Boyd, Norman Ht 3: Brown, Newell Ht 4: Forbes, Walker SF: Walker, Newell	LH		

			<p>Final: Boyd, Forbes, Walker  Scratch: Bason, Brown  Scratch: Shepherd, Newell  Scratch: Norman  Scratch: Boyd, Forbes  Scratch 2:  Ht 1: Norman, Shepherd  Ht 2: Boyd, Bason  Ht 3: Newell, Jeffries  Ht 4: Walker, Brown  SF: Shepherd, Brown  Final: Boyd, Walker, Norman 73.4  Big 5: Boyd, Walker, [Norman, Forbes, Shepherd]  Handicap:  Ht 1: Boyd, Brown  Ht 2: Deacon  Ht 3: Newell  Ht 4: Bason  Final: Bason, Boyd, Deacon  Consolation: Baldwin, Jeffries, Rhymes</p>			
6.9	A	Barnet	L 48-23	LH p/copy prog	H Shepherd 8, R Vigor 5-7, also rode: Goffe, G Bason, H Norman, J Forbes, H Deacon. No race winners. Barnet include G O'Brien (ex-Cardiff captain) Windmill, P Brine and C Appleby	
13.9	H	Individual	<p>Scratch 1:  Ht 1: Boyd, Hoult 73.0  Ht 2: Forbes, Hitch 78.0  Ht 3: Walker, Newell  Ht 4: Vigor, Baldwin 75.6  SF: Hitch  Final: Walker, Vigor, Boyd 74.0  Event 7 Race: Hoult, Webb 91.0  Event 8 Race: Baldwin, Newell 81.4  Event 9 Race: Maclean, Shepherd 80.0  Event 10 Race: Vigor, Walker 75.4  Scratch 2:  Ht 1: Walker, Shepherd 77.4  Ht 2: Forbes, Hitch 81.8  Ht 3: Vigor, Baldwin 82.2  Ht 4: Boyd, Hoult 76.2</p>	LH	Bason riding	

			SF: Hitch, Shepherd 88.8 Final: Vigor, Walker, Forbes 75.4 Handicap: Ht 1: Forbes 77.4 Ht 2: Vigor 74.4 Ht 3: Newell 75.0 Ht 4: Bason 76.4 Final: Forbes, Vigor, Newell 73.4 Fastest Riders Race: Vigor, Walker 74.0 Consolation Race: Maclean, Bason 83.4			
20.9	A	Dagenham	L 40-29	SN 26.9.36	Boyd 9, Vigor 9, Hitch 5, Baldwin 3+2, McKean 2+1, Shepherd 1 (9 pt defeat per RS, no other details)	
27.9	H	Barnet	W 41-31	LH	Nearly 3.000 Boyd 11, Vigor 10 + Deacon, Walker, Forbes, Adams per RS 25.9.36. Barnet include G O'Brien (ex-Cardiff captain) Windmill and C Appleby	
11.10	H	Club Championship	Vigor 15, Boyd 12, Adams 12 (run-off) Goffe 11, Norman 9, Deacon 7½ P Maclean 7, R Shepherd 7, J Walker 6½, WF Newell 6, G Bason 5, WC Webb 5, B Brown 2, W Rhymes 2 AV Sweby 1.	EG 12.10	Boyd fell v Vigor, Goffe shed chain v Vigor. "Fastest time Boyd 71.6, 0.2 outside TR" "top guns" race: Goffe, Vigor, Boyd.	
25.10	H	Individual	Handicap: Newell, Boyd, Norman 6 lap Hcap: L Shepherd, G Liddle LK Goffe Trophy: V Baldwin, L Shepherd	JS prog	Spectators races, Partial results. Bason, Walker, Vigor, Argrave, Deacon, Forbes listed starters	