

California 1939

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, PMP = part marked programme, MR = Motor Racing inc. Southern Speedways Magazine

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10.4	H	Individual	Scratch 1 Final: Walker, Shepherd, Williams Scratch 2 Final: Boyd, Shepherd, Adams Handicap Final: Williams, Shepherd, Sims Fastest Riders' Williams, Walker, Shepherd	RS 14.4.39	Nearly 3,000 25 competitors => 5 rider heats	
22.4	A	Oxford	California 32 Oxford 52	Prog	Ox: Bill Sims 12, Newell 9+1, Jack Keen 9, A Flack 6+1, G Bason 6+1, Jack Peck 6(?) Read: Boyd 12. also Leo Shepherd, Les Davies, George Parkins, Ted Bridgeman	
30.4	H	Individual		RS 5.5.39	Abandoned	

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14.5	H	Individual	<p>Scratch 1 Ht 1: Shepherd, Sims, Foster 74.2 Ht 2: Walker, Adams, Flack, Colvill 78.8 Ht 3: Parkins, Davies F, Houlton 79.0 Ht 4: Boyd 69.4 Ht 5: Lewington, Davies L, Blackwell 79.8 Final: Walker, Shepherd. Lewington, Parkins 73.6</p> <p>Scratch 2 Ht 1: Sims, Houlton, Davies F 78.0 Ht 2: Boyd, Platt, Blackwell 76.0 Ht 3: Adams, Flack, Lewington 72.6 Ht 4: Shepherd, Bason, Lewington, Bridgeman 75.0 Ht 5: Walker, Waller, Davies L 74.4 Final: Boyd, Walker, Sims, Shepherd 71.6</p> <p>Handicap Ht 1: Platt, Lewington, Foster, Sims 75.4 Ht 2: Adams, Waller 75.2 Ht 3: Flack, Shepherd, Bridgeman 73.4 Ht 4: Boyd, Walker, Parkins 71.8 Ht 5: Saint, Hoilt, Davies F, Blackwell 75.8 Final: Boyd, Flack, Platt 73.0</p> <p>Fastest Riders' Race Adams, Walker, Shepherd 74.8</p> <p>Consolation Race Ht 1: Foster, Bason, Blackwell* 80.2 Ht 2: Ht 3: Ht 4: Final: Foster, Bason, Blackwell* 80.2</p>	RS LH	<p>Bason riding.</p> <p>* Reading Standard reported this line up as final result. My programme lists that result as heat 1 result but no more heat results. Possibly only the one race was held??</p>	
28.5	H	Individual	<p>Scratch 1 Final: Adams, S Lewington, L Shepherd</p> <p>Scratch 2 Final: S Lewington, Walker</p> <p>Handicap Final: Walker, Adams, Shepherd</p> <p>Fastest Riders' Walker, Lewington</p>	RS		

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11.6	H	Individual	Ht 1: Lewry, Shepherd, Houtl 72.6 Ht 2: Walker, Roberts 73.6 Ht 3: Lewington, Davies L, Wilkins 77.8 Ht 4: Adams, Davies F, Duffyl 74.4 Ht 5: Walker, Shepherd, Bridgeman 75.8 Ht 6: Newell, Stallwood, Wilkins 77.4 Ht 7: Davies L, Roberts, Houtl 78.0 Ht 8: Adams, Lewington, Kelly 73.4 Ht 9: Adams, Shepherd, Davies L 75.2 Ht 10: Walker, Newell, Turner 73.4 Ht 11: Shepherd, Davis F, Stallwood 77.0 Ht 12: Roberts, Turner 80.0 Ht 13: Davies F, Kelly, Houtl 79.4 Ht 14: Newell, Davies L, Bernard 77.0 Ht 15: Walker, Adams, Houtl 73.0 Ht 16: Foster, Blackwell 84.6 Ht 17: Shepherd, Newell, Kelly 77.4 Ht 18: Adams, Roberts, Blackwell 74.4 Ht 19: Houtl, Barnard, Stallwood, 77.8 Ht 20: Walker, Davies L, Foster 76.2 Highest Points Race: Walker, Adams, Shepherd 74.6 Score chart Jack Adams 3 3 3 2 3 2 16 Fred Blackwell 2 1 3 N Smallwood 2 1 1 4 Fred Davies 2 2 3 7 Les Davies 2 3 1 2 2 10 Tommy Duffyl 1 1 Maurice Foster 3 1 4 Peter Houtl 1 1 1 1 3 7 Sid Lewington 3 2 5 Billy Newell 3 3 2 3 2 0 13 Ernie Roberts 2 2 3 2 9 Bill Kelly 1 2 1 4 Leo Shepherd 2 2 2 3 3 1 13 Bill Turner 1 2 3 Johnnie Walker 3 3 3 3 3 3 18 R Wilkins 1 1 2 Ted Bridgeman 1 1 Barnard 1 2 3	RS LH	From prog: J Walker, Adams, Newell, L Shepherd in top scorers race => format is 20 heats + top scorers with points carried forward. P Robinson competing.	

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25.6	H	Individual	Ht 1: Boyd 69.2 (New Track Record) Ht 2: Walker, Bridgeman Ht 3: Lewington, Turner Ht 4: Newell, Sims Ht 5: Walker, Roberts Ht 6: Boyd, Bridgeman Ht 7: Newell, Hout Ht 8: Lewington, Adams Ht 9: Shepherd, Adams Ht 10: Boyd, Walker Ht 11: Lewington, Roberts Ht 12: Sims, Turner Ht 13: Hout, Parkins Ht 14: Boyd, Sims Ht 15: Walker, Adams Ht 16: Newell, Bridgeman Ht 17: Newell, Parkins Ht 18: Boyd, Adams Ht 19: Lewington,Sims Ht 20: Davies L, Davies F Highest Points Race: Boyd Score chart Jim Boyd 3 3 3 3 33 18 Jack Adams Fred Blackwell N Smallwood Fred Davies Les Davies Tommy Duffyl Maurice Foster Peter Hout Sid Lewington Billy Newell Ernie Roberts Bill Kelly Leo Shepherd Bill Turner Johnnie Walker R Wilkins Ted Bridgeman Barnard	LH		Boyd 69.2

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9.7	H	Individual	J Walker 15, S Lewington 13, L Shepherd 12, Adams 11, Hoult 10 Highest Scorers' Race Shepherd, Adams, Lewington, Walker Ken Goffe Novice Cup M Foster, B Waller	prog	Also riding Bason 6, Deacon 6	
23.7	H	Oxford	California 47 Oxford 37 Scratch Final: Boyd, [Newell, L Shepherd, Sims] Handicap Final: Boyd, [Walker, Adams, L Shepherd] Fastest Riders' Boyd	Shailes Oxo Hist RS 28.7.39 WT 28.7	Near 3,000 crowd Boyd 12, Sims Oxo top scorer	
29.7	A	Oxford	Oxford 49 California 33	Shailes Oxo Hist RC4.8.39 Oxo Times 4.8.39	(2 nd leg) Adams 10 , Sid Lewington 6. rode in red RC says Rdg lost by 6 (ie 86-80 on aggregate) and Newell(Oxo) recorded fastest time OT- full ht results: Adams 9 , S Lewington 6, F Davies 6, M Foster 5, P.Hoult 4, L Davies 2, T Bridgeman 1+1 Oxo: Newell 10+1, Bason 8+1, B Sims 8, Jack Keen 7+1, P Minns 6+1, Peck 5+1, A Flack 4+1, Wilkins 1	

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6.8	H	Individual	<p>Jack Adams 3 3 3 1 2 12</p> <p>Fred Blackwell 0 0 2</p> <p>Jimmy Boyd 3 3 2 3 3 14</p> <p>Ted Bridgeman</p> <p>Fred Davies 2</p> <p>Les Davies 1 1 1 1</p> <p>Walters 0</p> <p>Peter Hoult 1</p> <p>Sid Lewington 3 2 3 8</p> <p>Bill Turner 0 3</p> <p>Roberts 0</p> <p>George Bason 2 3 3</p> <p>Leo Shepherd 2 2 2 3</p> <p>George Argrave 2 1 2 1</p> <p>Johnnie Walker 3 3 3 3 3 15</p> <p>Bert Deacon 2 2 2 2 2 10</p> <p>Bert Waller 2 1 1</p> <p>W Barnard 2</p> <p>Ht 1: Boyd, Shepherd, Hoult, Walters 76.0</p> <p>Ht 2: Walker, Barnard, Waller, Roberts 79.0</p> <p>Ht 3: Lewington, Deacon, L Davies, Blackwell 74.6</p> <p>Ht 4: Adams, Argrave, [F Davies, Turner] 74.0</p> <p>Ht 5: Walker, Shepherd, Argrave, Blackwell ?</p> <p>Ht 6: Boyd, Deacon, [F Davies, ?] ?</p> <p>Ht 7: Hoult, Bason, L Davies, Turner ?</p> <p>Ht 8: Adams, Lewington, [Walters, ?] ?</p> <p>Ht 9: Adams, Shepherd, L Davies, ? ?</p> <p>Ht 10: Walker, Boyd, [Waller, Turner] 71.0</p> <p>Ht 11: Bason, Waller, [Shepherd, F Davies] ?</p> <p>Ht 12: Bason, Deacon, [Walters, Argrave] ?</p> <p>Ht 13: Hoult, F Davies, [?, Blackwell] ?</p> <p>Ht 14: Boyd, Argrave, L Davies, ? ?</p> <p>Ht 15: Walker, Deacon, Adams, Hoult ?</p> <p>Ht 16: Turner, Blackwell, Waller, Walters ?</p> <p>Ht 17: Shepherd, Deacon, [?, Turner] ?</p> <p>Ht 18: Boyd, Adams, [Bason, Blackwell] ?</p> <p>Ht 19: Lewington, Hoult, Argrave, ? ?</p> <p>Ht 20: Walker, ? Davies, [Walters, ? Davies] ?</p> <p>Highest Scorers Race/run-off</p> <p>Walker, Boyd, [?, ?] ?</p>	RS 11.8.39 + prHog	1= J Walker & Boyd 14(?), 3 Adams 11/12 (Her)bert Deacon returned to track scoring 10, Bason & L Shepherd probably complete top 6 (prog partially completed)	

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3.9	H	Individual	Postponed	HoBS	Outbreak of WW2	
24.9	H	Individual	Scratch 1 Final: Boyd, Walker, Goffe (f) – report not clear Scratch 2 Final: Boyd, Goffe, Walker Handicap Final: Goffe Fastest Riders' Boyd, Goffe (exc) Consolation Adams, Hoult	RS & RC 22.9.39 WT 29.9.39	Advertised in RS/RC 'poor crowd' Goffe fastest time 71.2 Lewington, L Shepherd, Deacon riding Goffe dead-heated with Boyd in fastest riders but was excluded for crossing white line	