

Leicester Greyhound Stadium
Blackbird Road
1928 Season Results
(File updated 5th February 2024)

6th SEPTEMBER 1928

JUNIOR RACE EVENT

Qualifying Heats

Heat 1 F Wells 114.0 (W Potter fell and Cyril Burton was unable to avoid him and fell too)

Heat 2: Nev Wheeler 112.3

Heat 3: Reg Airey 113.0

Heat 4: S Elsworth 119.0

Final: Nev Wheeler, S Elsworth, Reg Airey, Ed Woolley (fell) 112.0

SENIOR RACE EVENT

Qualifying Heats

Heat 1: Arthur Jervis 94.4

Heat 2: Horace Skid Skinner 105.4

Heat 3: Thomas Taft 99.1

Heat 4: Syd Jackson 94.0

Heat 5: Ernest Greenall 104.3

Final: Horace Skid Skinner, Syd Jackson, Ernest Greenall 105.1

Note: Arthur Jervis set the Standing Start Track record in Heat 1 and Syd Jackson broke it in Heat 4

CHALLENGE MATCH RACES

Heat 1: Arthur Sherlock bt Syd Jackson 88.0

Heat 2: Stewie St George bt Clem Beckett 93.1

Final: Clem Beckett bt Arthur Sherlock (fell) 95.3

SIDECARS EVENT

Heat 1: G Richards, G R Tomlinson (engine failure)

Heat2: G R Pickering, R Shipway

Final: G Richards 106.0

Note: Stewie St George unable to take his place in the final due to machine problems. Rolling Start Track Record was set in Heat 1 by Arthur Sherlock.

Additional Note: A reported 10,000 attendance.

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13th SEPTEMBER 1928

JUNIOR RACE EVENT

Qualifying Heats

Heat 1: Reg Airey, **J Forryan** 105.4

Heat 2: Ed Woolley, **Nev Wheeler** 105.4

Heat 3: Alec Bowerman, **Fred Strecker** 104.3

Heat 4: Cyril Squib Burton 105.0

Heat 5: Johnny Leete 104.2

Heat 6: Tom Farndon 99.0

Final: Cyril Squib Burton, Johnny Leete, Reg Airey, Alec Bowerman, Ed Woolley, Tom Farndon 98.0

SENIOR RACE EVENT

Qualifying Heats

Heat 1: Harry Taft

Heat 2: Arthur Sherlock, **Nev Wheeler** 100.4

Heat 3: Johnny Leete. **Billy Ellmore** 91.0

Heat 4: Wilmott Evans, **94.0**

Heat 5: Stewie St George, **J Forryan** 104.0

Final: Wilmott Evans, Stewie St George 93.4

CHALLENGE MATCH RACES

Heat 1: Wilmot Evans bt Stewie St George (ret) 93.1

Heat 2: Harry Taft bt Arthur Sherlock 102.0

Heat 3: Harry Taft bt Wilmott Evans 90.0

GOLDEN HELMET MATCH RACE EVENT

Qualifying Heats

Heat 1: M A McEnvoy, **Charlie Shelton** 112.4

Heat 2: Stewie St George, **C L Davies** 100.1

Heat 3: Harry Taft, **J Forryan** 96.2

Heat 4: Arthur Sherlock, **A E Wills** 100.0

Heat 5: Wilmott Evans, **Cummings** 92.1

Final: Wilmott Evans, Arthur Sherlock, M A McEnvoy 92.0

SIDECARS EVENT

Heat 1: G R Pickering 96.6

Heat 2: G Richards

Final: G Richards, H C Beaumont 98.4

Note: Standing Start track record broken in Heat 5 and again in the final.

Additional note: A reported 15,000 attendance.

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20th SEPTEMBER 1928

JUNIOR RACE EVENT

Qualifying Heats

Heat 1: Reg Airey

Heat 2: Nev Wheeler

Heat 3: Johnny Leete

Heat 4: W Haslam

Heat 5: Ed Woolley

Heat 6: H Wright

Final: Johnny Leete, W Haslam, Reg Airey 102.1

SENIOR RACE EVENT

Qualifying Heats

Heat 1: Arthur Jervis

Heat 2: Billy Dallison

Heat 3: Syd Jackson

Heat 4: Charlie Shelton

Heat 5: Cyril Squib Burton

Final: Syd Jackson, Arthur Jervis, Billy Dallison, Cyril Squib Burton, Charlie Shelton 91.1

Note: Standing Start track record broken in the final

CHALLENGE MATCH RACES

Heat 1: Arthur Jervis bt Arthur Sherlock 90.0

Heat 2: Clem Beckett bt Syd Jackson 88.3

Heat 3: Arthur Jervis bt Clem Beckett (fell) 87.0

Note: Rolling Start track record broken in the final.

GOLDEN GAUNTLET EVENT

Qualifying Heats

Heat 1: Clem Beckett

Heat 2: Billy Dallison

Heat 3: Syd Jackson

Heat 4: Arthur Jervis

Heat 5: Arthur Sherlock

Final: Arthur Jervis, Billy Dallison, Arthur Sherlock, Clem Beckett & Syd Jackson (fell) 92.2

SIDECARS EVENT

Heat 1: H C Beaumont, G Richards

Fastest Loser: A Marshall

Final: G Richards, A Marshall, H C Beaumont 97.4

Note: A reported 16,000 Attendance

Source: Leicester Mercury, Leicester Sports Mercury and Leicester Evening Mail

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27th SEPTEMBER 1928

JUNIOR RACE EVENT

Qualifying Heats

Heat 1: F Ferryman

Heat 2: M Hallett

Heat 3: Billy Ellmore

Heat 4: Charlie Shelton

Heat 5: George Clow

Heat 6: G Sawyer

Final: George Clow, G Sawyer, Charlie Shelton, F Ferryman (did not start) 105.2

SENIOR RACE EVENT

Qualifying Heats

Heat 1: Arthur Franklyn

Heat 2: Ed Woolley

Heat 3: Arthur Jervis

Heat 4: Nev Wheeler

Heat 5: Cyril Squib Burton

Final: Arthur Jervis, Arthur Franklyn, Cyril Squib Burton 92.2

CHALLENGE MATCH RACES

Heat 1: Arthur Sherlock bt Faye Taylor 94.0

Heat 2: Geoff Taylor bt Harry Taft 92.2

Final: Arthur Sherlock bt Geoff Taylor 95.1

GOLDEN HELMET EVENT

Qualifying Heats

Heat 1: Arthur Franklyn

Heat 2: J Chance

Heat 3: Geoff Taylor

Heat 4: Harry Taft

Heat 5: Arthur Sherlock

Heat 6: Reg Airey

Final: Harry Taft, Arthur Sherlock, Arthur Franklyn, Reg Airey, Wilmott Evans 95.4

SIDECARS EVENT

Heat 1: Chamberlain

Heat 2: Richards, Hagley

Fastest Loser: A Marshall

Final: G Richards, Chamberlain 99.6

Note: A reported 18,000 plus attendance.

Source: Leicester Mercury, Leicester Sports Mercury and Leicester Evening Mail

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4th OCTOBER 1928

JUNIOR RACE EVENT

Qualifying Heats

Heat 1: F J Hallett 104.0 seconds

Heat 2: Don Underwood 104.4-5 seconds

Heat 3: Nev Wheeler 102 seconds

Heat 4: J Forryan 107.4-5 seconds

Heat 5: Alec Bowerman 104.2-5 seconds

Final: Nev Wheeler, Don Underwood, Alec Bowerman 102.1-5 seconds

CHALLENGE RACE EVENT

Final: Arthur Sherlock, Larry Coffey, E Franklin 89.1

SENIOR RACE EVENT

Qualifying Heats

Heat 1: C H Bolton 98.4-5 seconds

Heat 2: Harry Taft 99.1-5 seconds

Heat 3: Larry Coffey 107.4-5 seconds

Heat 4: Charlie Shelton 106.0 seconds

Heat 5: E Franklin 99.4-5 seconds

Final: E Franklin, Larry Coffey, Harry Taft 92.4-5 seconds

GOLDEN GAUNTLET EVENT

Qualifying Heats

Heat 1: Thomas Taft 102.4-5 seconds

Heat 2: E Franklin 94.4-5 seconds

Heat 3: Arthur Sherlock 93.4-5 seconds

Heat 4: Harry Taft 98.2-5 seconds

Heat 5: Alec Bowerman 100.3-5 seconds

Final: Arthur Sherlock, E Franklin, Alec Bowerman, Harry Taft (fell, rem), Thomas Taft (fell, rem) 92.4-5 seconds

TRACK RECORD ATTEMPT

Arthur Sherlock equalled Syd Jackson's Standing Start track record of 91.3-5 seconds

MATCH RACE EVENT

Arthur Sherlock beat Stewie St George

Larry Coffey beat Harry Taft 96.8

E Franklyn beat Arthur Jervis 94.4

Notes: (i) A 24,000 plus reported Attendance

Source: Leicester Mercury, Leicester Sports Mercury and Leicester Evening Mail

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11th OCTOBER 1928

JUNIOR RACE EVENT

Qualifying Heats

Heat 1: Reg Airey

Heat 2: F J Hallett

Heat 3: Alec Bowerman

Heat 4: H Wright

Heat 5: H Sheffield

Final: Alec Bowerman, Reg Airey, H Sheffield 99.3

SENIOR RACE EVENT

Qualifying Heats

Heat 1: Syd Jackson

Heat 2: W F Webster

Heat 3: Nev Wheeler

Heat 4: Arthur Sherlock

Heat 5: Horace Skid Skinner

Heat 6: Larry Coffey

Final: Horace Skid Skinner, Arthur Sherlock, Larry Coffey 99.2

CHALLENGE MATCH RACES

Heat 1: Arthur Sherlock bt W Dawson 91.2

Heat 2: Larry Coffey bt Arthur Franklyn 93.2

Heat 3: Billy Dallison bt Syd Jackson 92.1

Final: Arthur Sherlock, Billy Dallison, Larry Coffey 97.1

GOLDEN HELMET EVENT

Qualifying Heats

Heat 1: Arthur Sherlock

Heat 2: Arthur Franklyn

Heat 3: Larry Coffey

Heat 4: Horace Skid Skinner

Heat 5: Syd Jackson

Heat 6: Nev Wheeler

Final: Syd Jackson, Horace Skid Skinner, Arthur Sherlock, Harry Taft, Arthur Franklin 93.3

Source: Leicester Mercury, Leicester Sports Mercury and Leicester Evening Mail

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18th OCTOBER 1928

JUNIOR RACE EVENT

Qualifying Heats

Heat 1: E W Langford 104.0

Heat 2: George Clow 104.4

Heat 3: Alec Bowerman 104.4

Heat 4: Reg Airey 106.2

Heat 5: Don Underwood 108.2

Final: Don Underwood, Alec Bowerman, George Clow 106.4

SENIOR RACE EVENT

Qualifying Heats

Heat 1: Arthur Jervis 99.2

Heat 2: Syd Jackson 100.0

Heat 3: Larry Coffey 98.4

Heat 4: Wilmott Evans 99.0

Heat 5: Arthur Sherlock 100.2

Heat 6: Horace Skid Skinner 96.4

Final: Arthur Jervis, Syd Jackson, Larry Coffey, Arthur Sherlock 94.2

CHALLENGE MATCH RACES

Heat 1: Cyril Squib Burton bt Larry Boulton 92.3

Heat 2: Nev Wheeler bt Arthur Westwood 97.1

Heat 3: Arthur Sherlock bt Horace Skid Skinner 89.1

Final: Arthur Sherlock, Nev Wheeler, Cyril Squib Burton 93.1

GOLDEN GAUNTLET EVENT

Qualifying Heats

Heat 1: Syd Jackson 96.1

Heat 2: Horace Skid Skinner 95.1

Heat 3: Arthur Jervis 93.1

Heat 4: Larry Coffey 95.2

Heat 5: Johnny Leete 102.0

Heat 6: F J Hallett 101.0

Final: Arthur Jervis, Horace Skid Skinner, Syd Jackson, Larry Coffey 91.2

Source: Leicester Mercury, Leicester Sports Mercury and Leicester Evening Mail

White City (Manchester) v Leicester Stadium
Challenge Match
24th October 1928

White City (Manchester)	1	2	3	Total	Leicester Stadium	1	2	3	Total
Arthur Franklyn	2	2			Cyril Squib Burton	1	2		
Arthur Firth	1				Arthur Sherlock	1			
Tommy Withington	2	2			Nev Wheeler	2			
Larry Boulton	2	2			Alec Bowerman				
Sid Newiss					Don Underwood				
L Boulton					Bert Spencer				
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Note: (i) 2 points for a win and 1 point for second place. (ii) No other information is known.

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25th OCTOBER 1928

JUNIOR RACE EVENT

Qualifying Heats

Heat 1: George Clow 107.0

Heat 2: Reg Airey 104.4

Heat 3: Alec Bowerman 102.2

Heat 4: W Haslam 105.3 Heat 5: M Hallett 106.0

Final: M Hallett, Alec Bowerman, W Haslam 102.2

Note: In Heat 4 J Forryan, a well-known Melton rider was run into by another rider. Forryan sustained a severe injury to his right leg and was taken to Leicester Royal Infirmary hospital where he was later discharged.

CHALLENGE MATCH RACES

Heat 1: Sprouts Elder bt Arthur Sherlock 92.0

Heat 2: Sprouts Elder bt Arthur Sherlock 89.0

Note: Both races began with a 'push start'

SENIOR RACE EVENT

Qualifying Heats

Heat 1: Syd Jackson 101.0

Heat 2: Geoff Taylor 103.1

Heat 3: Sprouts Elder 90.0

Heat 4: Arthur Sherlock 94.1

Heat 5: Nev Wheeler 99.0

Heat 6: Cyril Squib Burton 101.3

Final: Cyril Squib Burton, Syd Jackson, Nev Wheeler, Sprouts Elder 94.3

Note: In Heat 3 Sprouts Elder broke the Standing Start track record. Only discharged from hospital the previous weekend after a severe crash. He had to rest after challenge match races with Arthur Sherlock.

GOLDEN HELMET EVENT

Qualifying Heats

Heat 1: Reg Airey 103.0

Heat 2: Geoff Taylor 95.1

Heat 3: Arthur Jervis 97.0

Heat 4: Sprouts Elder 96.3

Heat 5: Arthur Sherlock 94.0

Final: Sprouts Elder, Syd Jackson, Arthur Jervis, Arthur Sherlock 90.4

Source: Leicester Mercury, Leicester Sports Mercury and Leicester Evening Mai

**Liverpool v Leicester Stadium
Challenge Match
31st October 1928**

Heat	First	Second	
1	Emsley		111.0
2	Burton	Wotton	131.6
3	Burrill	Bowerman	115.6
4	Emsley	Burton	108.4
5	Myerscough	Bowerman	120.0
6	Sherlock	Burrill	119.8
7	Bowerman		125.0
8	Burrill	Burton	107.0
9	Myerscough	Wheeler	117.0

Liverpool	1	2	3	Total	Leicester Stadium	1	2	3	Total
George Emsley	2	2		4	Cyril Burton	2	1	1	4
J L Wotton	1			1	Arthur Sherlock		2		2
Ham Burrill	2	1	2	5	Alec Bowerman	1	1	2	4
Len Myerscough		2	2	4	Nev Wheeler			1	1
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1st NOVEMBER 1928

JUNIOR RACE EVENT

Qualifying Heats

Heat 1: Alec Bowerman 104.3

Heat 2: Reg Airey 104.3

Heat 3: Len Bown 104.1

Heat 4: W Haslam 104.4

Heat 5: W Potter 113.1

Final: W Haslam, Reg Airey, Len Bown 101.4

CHALLENGE MATCH RACES

Heat 1: Nev Wheeler bt Arthur Westwood 98.1

Heat 2: Arthur Sherlock bt Syd Jackson 90.0

Heat 3: Cyril Squib Burton bt Wilmott Evans 92.1

Final: Cyril Squib Burton, Arthur Sherlock, Nev Wheeler 91.0

GOLDEN ARMLET EVENT

Qualifying Heats

Heat 1: Wilmott Evans 95.0

Heat 2: Syd Jackson 95.0

Heat 3: Cyril Squib Burton 98.1

Heat 4: Horace Skid Skinner, Gus Khun, Arthur Sherlock (engine failure) 95.1

Heat 5: Reg Airey 103.0

Heat 6: R S Trickett 103.2

Final: Syd Jackson, Horace Skid Skinner, Cyril Squib Burton, R S Trickett, Reg Airey, Wilmott Evans 90.0

Note: Standing Start track record was equalled in the final.

LEICESTER STADIUM V WHITE CITY MANCHESTER (Challenge Match)					
Heat	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Time
1	Sherlock	Harry Taft			93.4
2	Chadwick	Cyril Taft			99.4
3	Purslow	Trickett			104.4
4	Burton	Sherlock (fell,rem)		Cyril Taft (fell)	96.2
5	Wheeler	Trickett			101.2
6	Padley	Harry Taft			98.2
7	Burton	Sherlock			95.4
8	Harry Taft	Wheeler			98.1
9	Cyril Taft	Chadwick			100.2
Note: 2 points for a win and 1 point for second place. No points awarded for finishing 3 rd or 4 th					

Leicester Stadium	1	2	3	Total	White City (Manchester)	1	2	3	Total
Arthur Sherlock ©	2	1	1	4	Harry Taft	1	1	2	4
Cyril Burton		2	2	4	Len Padley ©		2		2
Alec Bowerman				0	Cyril Taft	1	F	2	3
Nev Wheeler		2	1	3	H R Chadwick	2		1	3
Arthur Westwood				0	R S Trickett	1	1	0	2
Don Underwood				0	Purslow	2			2
				11					16

Notes:

(i) 5,000 reported Attendance.

(ii) Riders that took place in heats but positions unknown. Heat 1 Burton and Padley. Heat 2 Bowerman and Wheeler. Heat 3 Clow and Westwood. Heat 4 Chadwick. Heat 5 Bowerman and Purslow. Heat 6 Clow and Westwood. Heat 7 Purslow and Trickett. Heat 8 Bowerman and Padley. Heat 9 Clow and Westwood.

Source: Leicester Mercury, Leicester Sports Mercury and Leicester Evening Mail

**Bristol v Leicester Stadium
Challenge Match
7th November 1928**

Heat	First	Second	Time
1	Skinner	Cameron	95.0
2	Burton	Sherlock	98.0
3	Skinner	Parker	95.0
4	Sherlock	Smith	99.0

Bristol	1	2	3	Total	Leicester Stadium	1	2	3	Total
Donald Cameron	1	0		1	Horace Skinner	2	2		4
Len Parker	0	1		1	Cyril Burton	2	0		2
Frank Smith	0	1		1	Arthur Sherlock	1	2		3
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Note: (i) 2 points for a win and 1 point for second place.

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8th NOVEMBER 1928

JUNIOR RACE EVENT

Qualifying Heats

Heat 1: W Potter 102.4

Heat 2: Reg Airey 101.2

Heat 3: W Haslam 106.3

Heat 4: Alec Bowerman 100.3

Final: Reg Airey, Alec Bowerman, W Haslam, W Potter 101.2

CHALLENGE MATCH RACES

Heat 1: Horace Skid Skinner bt Wilmott Evans 90.2

Heat 2: Arthur Sherlock bt Geoff Taylor 90.3

Heat 3: Gus Kuhn bt Cyril Squib Burton (fell) 88.1

Final: Arthur Sherlock, Gus Kuhn, Horace Skid Skinner 88.2

SENIOR RACE EVENT

Qualifying Heats

Heat 1: Arthur Sherlock 93.4

Heat 2: Wilmott Evans 97.2

Heat 3: Arthur Jervis 95.1

Heat 4: Gus Kuhn 94.1

Heat 5: Larry Coffey 99.1

Final: Arthur Jervis, Arthur Sherlock, Gus Kuhn, Larry Coffey, Wilmott Evans 91.2

GOLDEN HELMET EVENT

Qualifying Heats

Heat 1: Gus Kuhn 96.0

Heat 2: Billy Dallison 96.4

Heat 3: Horace Skid Skinner 95.0

Heat 4: Arthur Sherlock, **Joe Dallison, Cyril Squib Burton** 108.4

Heat 5: Arthur Jervis 98.1

Final: Arthur Sherlock, Gus Kuhn, Arthur Jervis, Billy Dallison, Horace Skid Skinner, Joe Dallison 92.0

Source: Leicester Mercury, Leicester Sports Mercury and Leicester Evening Mail