

# ROCHDALE 1929

## ATHLETIC GROUNDS

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### **Saturday 23 March 1929**

Attendance: 10,000

#### **Junior Scratch**

1. Jack Owen, Harry Watson, 99.69
  2. Charlie Crosier, A. Taylor, 123.65
  3. Fred Ibbotson, J.S. Holmes, 118.84
  4. Joe Abbott, P.W. Kemble, 111.96
  5. Skid Nock, E. Jennings 105.86
  6. Ben Higginbottom, Eric Airey 111.78
- Final: Jack Owen, Charlie Crosier, Joe Abbott, Skid Nock, Ben Higginbottom, Fred Ibbotson, 99.65

#### **Golden Helmet**

1. Buster Breaks, Charlie Crosier, 98.67
  2. Bud Proctor, Arthur Jervis, 101.37
  3. Rex Kirby, Fred Proctor, 105.67
  4. Geoff Taylor, Arthur Wilcock, 100.87
  5. Squib Burton, Jack Owen, 97.53 (standing start track record)
  6. P.W. Kemble, Frank Charles, 103.62
- SF1: Rex Kirby, Buster Breaks, Bud Proctor, 98.71  
SF2: Geoff Taylor, Arthur Wilcock, Frank Charles, 100.34  
Final: Frank Charles, Bud Proctor, Rex Kirby (frm), A. Taylor (f) 105.25

#### **Rochdale Handicap**

1. Eric Airey, Bud Proctor, 111.55
  2. Rex Kirby, Wally Hicklin, 102.13
  3. Geoff Taylor, Skid Nock, 100.58
  4. Ginger Lees, Joe Abbott, 100.55
  5. Squib Burton, Arthur Wilcock, 101.61
  6. W. Proctor\*, Frank Charles, 91.92
- Final: Squib Burton, Rex Kirby, Ginger Lees, 99.45

\* We now know there were two Proctor bothers. Bud was really Tom and Fred is more than likely to be wrongly show as W Proctor. The file has been edited accordingly. W Proctor is now Fred.

## **Saturday 30 March 1929**

### **Junior Scratch**

Final: Jack Atkinson, Smoke Robinson, S. O'Rourke, Ben Higginbottom 107.16

### **Golden Helmet**

Heat: Bud Proctor

Heat: Buster Breaks, Skid Skinner, 99.82

4. Squib Burton

SF1: Buster Breaks, Squib Burton, Les Wotton

SF2: Rex Kirby, Billy Dallison, Frank Charles

Final: Squib Burton, Billy Dallison, Les Wotton, Rex Kirby, 96.75

### **Rochdale Handicap**

Final: Buster Breaks, Frank Charles, Skid Nock, Billy Dallison, 105.51

### **Track Record Attempt**

Rex Kirby 94.49 (unsuccessful)

## **Monday 1 April 1929**

### **Golden Helmet**

Final: Squib Burton, Buster Breaks, Rex Kirby, 98.48

### **Junior Event**

Final: E. Jennings, Wilf Turton, Smoke Robinson, 109.23

### **Handicap**

Final: Buster Breaks, Frank Charles, Skid Nock, 105.54

### **Track Record Attempt Flying Start**

Rex Kirby 92.94

Rest of the meeting abandoned due to lighting failure. The handicap final event was held over until Saturday 6 April.

## Saturday 6 April 1929

### **Rochdale Handicap** (Held over from Monday 1 April)

Final: Squib Burton, Buster Breaks, Larry Coffey, 100.54

### **Golden Helmet**

1. Billy Dallison, 98.31
2. Buster Breaks, 101.98
3. Larry Coffey, 105.86
4. Harry Gresty, 113.69
5. George Corney, 107.90
6. Rex Kirby, 102.96

Final: Squib Burton, Buster Breaks, Billy Dallison 97.3

### **Rochdale Handicap**

1. Rex Kirby, 109.86
2. Squib Burton, 99.71
3. P.W. Kemble, 108.85
4. E. Jennings, 110.14
5. Jack Owen, 99.63
6. Larry Coffey, 103.55

SF2 [P.W. Kemble, Les Wotton, Jack Owen], 113.52

Final: Squib Burton (scr) Jack Owen (scr), Larry Coffey (2) 98.85

### **Junior Scratch**

1. J.S. Holmes, 116.12
2. F. Brett, 113.92
3. N. Gartside, 117.92
4. Skid Nock, 116.96

Final: J.S. Holmes, F. Brett, Skid Nock, 113.96

### **Match Race for the Gilchrist Cup**

Squib Burton (scr), Buster Breaks (2), Larry Coffey (2), 100.54

### **Track Record Attempt**

Squib Burton 89.24 (new record - beat Elder's 91.16)

Frank Charles

(Senior Scratch SF2 [ Nock, Leach [could be Gold Helmet]

## Saturday 13 April 1929

### **Junior Scratch**

Final: Ernie Ingham, A.C. Wilson, Skid Nock, 112.75

### **Golden Helmet**

Heat: Les Wotton, Dusty Haigh

Heat: Squib Burton 98.79

Heat: Frank Charles, J.S. Holmes

SF1: (Oliver Langton, Wilcock\*, Les Wotton, Dusty Haigh, Squib Burton, Cyril Wilcock)

SF2: (Billy Dallison, Bud Proctor, Buster Breaks, Ernest Ingham, Frank Charles, Slider Shuttleworth)

Final: Squib Burton, Oliver Langton, Billy Dallison, 97.11

### **Rochdale Handicap**

Heat: Rex Kirby, Dusty Haigh

Heat: Billy Dallison

Heat: Bud Proctor, Oliver Langton, 107.24

Heat: Skid Nock, Buster Breaks, 111.47

Final: Frank Charles, Squib Burton, Bud Proctor, 97.62

### **Track Record Attempt**

Frank Charles, 94.84

\*Not sure which member of the Wilcock family this was.

### **Saturday 20 April 1929**

#### **Leeds 43 – Rochdale 20 (English Dirt Track League)**

##### Leeds

Tommy Bullus           4       4

Billy Burrows           4       4

Oliver Langton       4

Alec Hill               4

Eric Langton

Arthur Atkinson

Arnold Moore

##### Rochdale

Squib Burton           4       4       F       8

Rex Kirby               4

Bud Proctor

Buster Breaks

Ron Chadwick

Jack Atkinson

E. Jennings

No heat details known.

### **Saturday 20 April**

#### **Junior Scratch**

Final: Tommy Withington, Harold Leach, Ben Higginbottom, 109.47

#### **Rochdale Handicap**

Heat: Harold Leach, Frank Charles, 105.31

Heat: Joe Abbott, A.B. Drew, 109.75

Heat: Ben Higginbottom, Anderson\*, 115.14

SF1: Harold Leach, Billy Dallison, Arthur Wilcock

SF2: Ben Higginbottom, Joe Abbott, Cyril Wilcock

Final: Billy Dallison(scr) , Arthur Wilcock (2), Cyril Wilcock (2), (Harold Leach, Ben Higginbottom, Joe Abbott), 102.64

### Senior Scratch

SF1:

SF2: Ginger Lees, Joe Abbott, Sid Ball

Final: Billy Dallison, Les Wotton, Joe Abbott 99.47

\*Possibly the E. Anderson who appeared at Rochdale in 1928.

### Saturday 27 April 1929

#### **Rochdale 48 - Barnsley 15 (English Dirt Track League)**

Rochdale

Squib Burton, Ron Chadwick, Bud Proctor, Buster Breaks, Fred Proctor, Ben Higginbottom.

Barnsley

Reg Marshall, Bert Round, Joe Mitchell, Tommy Thompson, Norman Rollett, Fred Ledger, Austin Humphries

1. Burton 94.86
2. Breaks, 98.37
- 3.
4. Burton, 96.72
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- 8.
- 9.

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Rochdale got 6 maximum heat wins and 8 heat winners. Barnsley were without their captain Bob Allen and had a lot of problems. Ledger and Moore were injured in pre match events. Also, Humphries wrecked his bike in a crash. Rollett was spectating but was called into the team. Ledger came back to help despite his injury.

#### **Handicap Event**

Final: Ben Higginbottom (7), Squib Burton (scr), Buster Breaks (2), [J E Holmes] 104.68

#### **Silver Cup**

Final: Wally Hicklin, Sid Ball, Slider Shuttleworth, H. Hutchinson, Nock (f) 104.68

#### **Golden Helmet**

Heat: H J Atkinson (f)

SF1: Squib Burton, 94.98

SF2:

Final: Squib Burton, Bert Round, Buster Breaks,[ Hicklin, Humphries 99.98

Also featured Jack Lund, Sid Ball, A Moore, Fred Ledger.

### Saturday 4 May 1929

#### **Rochdale v Bolton (English Dirt-Track League)**

Abandoned due to rain

1. Burton      6      1      6      1

### Senior Scratch

SF1:

SF2: Ginger Lees, Joe Abbott, Sid Ball

Final: Billy Dallison, Les Wotton, Joe Abbott

### Weathered Cup

1 Nock, Crump,

Final: Sid Ball, Slider Shuttleworth,[Nock 105.94

### Thursday 9 May 1929

#### Leicester 37 – Rochdale 26 (English Dirt Track League)

##### Leicester Stadium

Hal Herbert	0	2	1'	3+1
Al Wilkinson	1	0		1
Syd Jackson	4	4	4	12
Alec Bowerman	2'	2'	2'	6+3
Stan Baines	4	0	1	5
Billy Ellmore	2'	2	4	8+1
Reg Airey (Res)	2			2

##### Rochdale

Squib Burton	4	4	F	8
Bud Proctor	2'	1	1	4+1
Buster Breaks	0	4	0	4
Skid Nock	1	1	2	4
Fred Proctor	1	0	4	5
Ben Higginbottom	0	1	0	1

1. Burton, B. Proctor, Wilkinson, Herbert	86.0	1	6	1	6
2. Jackson, Bowerman, Nock, Breaks	83.2	6	1	7	7
3. Baines, Ellmore, F. Proctor, Higginbottom	89.2	6	1	13	8
4. Breaks, Herbert, Nock, Wilkinson	91.6	2	5	15	13
5. Jackson, Bowerman, Higginbottom, F. Proctor	89.0	6	1	21	14
6. Burton, Ellmore, B. Proctor, Baines	86.4	2	5	23	19
7. F. Proctor, Airey, Herbert, Higginbottom	97.4	3	4	26	23
8. Jackson, Bowerman, B. Proctor, Burton (fell)	97.6	6	1	32	24
9. Ellmore, Nock, Baines, Breaks	83.2	5	2	37	26

### Saturday 11 May 1929

#### Rochdale 43 - Liverpool 20 (English Dirt Track League)

##### Rochdale

Squib Burton	4
Bud Proctor	2'
Buster Breaks	
Skid Nock	
Fred Proctor	1'
Ben Higginbottom	2

Liverpool  
 Chris Hughes  
 Jack Owen  
 H. Goodchild  
 Eddie Myerscough  
 Rex Kirby 4  
 Charlie Hornby

1. Burton, B. Proctor	93.28	6	1	6	1
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3. Kirby, Higginbottom, F. Proctor		3	4		
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9.				43	20

**Rochdale Handicap**

1. Squib Burton, Chris Hughes (fell)  
 Heat: Buster Breaks, 98.6  
 SF1: Charlie Hornby, Ben Higginbottom, Bud Proctor, [Burton, Hutchinson] 97.76  
 SF2: Buster Breaks, Skid Nock, Ron Thompson, 97.64  
 Final: Ben Higginbottom (5), Buster Breaks (2), Skid Nock (8), [Hornby, Thompson, Proctor] 104.65

**Golden Helmet**

Final: Buster Breaks, Ben Higginbottom, Bud Proctor, Squib Burton (ef), [Hicklin, E Myerscough 103.65

**Smithies Cup**

Final: Buster Breaks, 96.64

**Track Record Attempt**

Rex Kirby (unsuccessful)  
 Jack Owen (unsuccessful)

**Saturday 18 May 1929**

**Rochdale 36 – Manchester White City 27 (English Dirt Track League)**

Rochdale				
Squib Burton	4	4	4	12
Bud Proctor	1			2
Buster Breaks	1	4	4	9
Slider Shuttleworth				
Rex Kirby				5
Ben Higginbottom	2	2	2	6
Manchester White City				
Arthur Jervis	2	4	4	10
Hugh Jervis	0			
Billy Dallison	4			
A. Ryder	2'			
Walter Hull				
Larry Boulton				

1. Burton, A. Jervis, Proctor, H. Jervis	93.77	5	2	5	2
2. Dallison, Ryder, Breaks, Shuttleworth		1	6	6	8
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### **Rochdale Handicap**

1. Squib Burton, 95.79

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4. J.S. Holmes (7), Billy Dallison, Arthur Jervis

SF1: Buster Breaks, Fred Proctor, J.S. Holmes (fell), S. Howarth (fell), Squib Burton (fell)

SF2: Wally Hicklin (7), Johnnie Crump

Final: Wally Hicklin (7), Buster Breaks (2), Fred Proctor, 105.47

### **Wethered Cup**

Final: Hugh Jervis, Skid Nock 105.16

### **Robert Smithies Cup (for fastest Rochdale rider)**

Buster Breaks

### **Track Record Attempt**

Buster Breaks (unsuccessful)

### **Tuesday 21 May 1929**

#### **Burnley v Rochdale (English Dirt Track League)**

Postponed due to unfit condition of the track.

### **Saturday 25 May 1929**

#### **Rochdale 33 - Halifax 28 (English Dirt Track League)**

Rochdale				
Squib Burton	4	4	4	12
Bud Proctor	1	2		
Buster Breaks	0	4	4	8
Jack Wood	0			
Rex Kirby	0			
Ben Higginbottom	4			



Halifax  
 George Corney 4  
 Geoff Kilburn 2  
 Dusty Haigh 4 4  
 Bert Clayton  
 Geoff Taylor  
 Alec Tidswell 2

1. Burton, Kilburn, Proctor	93.39	5	2	5	2
2. Haigh, Breaks (ef), Wood (ret)		0	6	5	8
3. Higginbottom, Tidswell, Kirby (ef)		4	3	9	11
4. Burton, Proctor		6		15	
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9.				33	28

The match was awarded to Halifax as Rochdale fielded Rex Kirby who was ineligible

**Weathered Cup**

Final: Wally Hicklin, Skid Nock, H. Robinson, 103.6

**Golden Helmet**

1. Bud Proctor, George Corney
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

Final: Squib Burton, Jack Atkinson, Alec Tidswell (Dusty Haigh, Skid Nock), Buster Breaks (ret), 98.4

**Robert Smithies Cup** (for fastest Rochdale rider)

Buster Breaks

**Saturday 1 June 1929**

**Rochdale 33 – Preston 29 (English Dirt Track League)**

Rochdale  
 Squib Burton 2 4 4 10  
 Bud Proctor 1'  
 Buster Breaks 4 4  
 Fred Proctor 1  
 Wally Hicklin 2 2  
 Ben Higginbottom 1'  
 Skid Nock

Preston  
 Ham Burrill 4 R  
 Smoke Robinson E  
 Jack Chiswell 2  
 Len Myerscough  
 Frank Chiswell 4 2  
 James Carnie 0

1. Burrill, Burton, B. Proctor	93.12 (tr)	3	4	3	4
2. Breaks, J. Chiswell, F. Proctor		5	2	8	6
3. F. Chiswell, Hicklin, Higginbottom, Carnie		3	4	11	10
4. Burton		3	4	14	14
5. Breaks, F. Chiswell		4	3	18	17
6. Higginbotham, Hicklin (Robinson (ef), Burrill (ret))		6	0	24	17
7.					
8.					
9. Burton				33	29

### **Wethered Cup**

Final: Wally Hicklin, Skid Nock, Jack Atkinson, 101.64

### **Robert Smithies Cup** (for fastest Rochdale rider)

Skid Nock, 100.16

### **Handicap Event**

1 Hicklin (efchain)

Heat: Buster Breaks, Ham Burrill (ret)

SF1: Buster Breaks, Skid Nock, (Harold Leach, Squib Burton, S. Howarth, Bud Proctor), 101.47

SF2: Frank Chiswell, Ben Higginbottom, Len Myerscough

Final: Frank Chiswell, ?, Higginbottom, Breaks, (Skid Nock (ef)), 102.15

## **Tuesday 4 June 1929**

### **Charity Meeting Senior Scratch**

Heat: Buster Breaks

Final: Eric Langton, Frank Chiswell, Buster Breaks, 98.46

### **Handicap Event**

SF1: Squib Burton, Buster Breaks, Ben Higginbottom, 99.12

SF2: Speed Formby, Fred Proctor, Ernie Ingham, 104.17

Final: Squib Burton (scr), Speed Formby\*, Buster Breaks (2), 96.96

\*another source has Ernie Ingham

### **Track Record Attempt**

Frank Chiswell, 96.69 (unsuccessful)

### **Silver Cup**

Squib Burton, 95.96

## **Saturday 8 June 1929**

### **Rochdale 31 - Leeds 32 (English Dirt Track League)**

Rochdale				
Squib Burton	4	4	4	12
Bud Proctor		0	2'	
Buster Breaks	2	0	4	6
Fred Proctor		1		
Ben Higginbottom	4	F	F^	
Wally Hicklin	2'		F^	

Leeds				
Alec Hill		4	2	
Roy Barrowclough			1'	
George Greenwood	1	1'	2'	4+2
Arthur Atkinson	4	2	4	10
Arnold Moore	1	2'		
Dennis Atkinson	F	4		

1. Burton, B. Proctor	91.96	6	1	6	1
2. A. Atkinson Breaks, Greenwood		2	5	8	6
3. Higginbottom, Hicklin, Moore, D. Atkinson (fell)		6	1	14	7
4. Burton, A. Atkinson, Greenwood, B. Proctor		4	3	18	10
5. D. Atkinson, Moore, F. Proctor, Breaks		1	6	19	16
6. Hill	Higginbottom (f)	1	6	20	22
7. Burton B. Proctor	93.97	6	1	26	23
8. Breaks, Hill, Barrowclough		4	3	30	26
9. A. Atkinson, Greenwood, [ Hicklin (fell), Higginbottom (fell)		1	6	31	32 <sup>^</sup>

<sup>^</sup> Hicklin or Higginbottom must have remounted to finish give score as 31 - 32

### Golden Helmet

Final: Squib Burton, Alec Hill, Bud Proctor, [ Breaks, F Smith, Higginbottom 97.56

### Wethered Cup

Final: J.S. Holmes, N. Booth, Harold Leach, 101.16

### Robert Smithies Cup

Buster Breaks

### Track Record Attempts

Rex Kirby and Slider Shuttleworth both unsuccessful

### Tuesday 11 June 1929

#### Rochdale Handicap

1. Claude Rye, 96.59

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3. Harold Leach, Dusty Haigh, Skid Nock

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5. Tom Price

SF1: Ben Higginbottom, Bud Proctor, Harold Leach, 104.57

SF2: Ernie Ingham, Cyril Wilcock, Harold Leach, Tom Price

Final: Bud Proctor (4), Ernie Ingham (4), Ben Higginbottom (4) & Cyril Wilcock (2) (dead heat), [Burton] 100.72

#### Eliminating Challenge

1. Claude Rye beat Dusty Haigh, 93.72

2. Squib Burton beat Tom Price, 90.11

3. Buster Breaks beat Syd Newiss, 94.73

Final: Squib Burton, Buster Breaks, Claude Rye (fell), 90.76

#### Golden Sash

1.

2. Cyril Wilcock, George Corney, Claude Rye, Ben Higginbottom (fell)
  3. Buster Breaks
  - 4
  - 5
- Final: Squib Burton, Harold Leach, (Cyril Wilcock, Skid Nock, Buster Breaks), 98.24

#### **Track Record Attempt**

Buster Breaks, 91.68 (unsuccessful)

#### **Robert Smithies Cup** (for fastest Rochdale rider)

Harold Leach

### **Saturday 15 June 1929**

#### **Challenge Races**

Squib Burton beat Geoff Taylor, 88.2 (track record)

Buster Breaks beat Eva Askquith, 94.29

Wally Hicklin beat Eva Askquith, 91.59

#### **Golden Helmet**

Final: Squib Burton, Buster Breaks, Proctor\*, Haigh. [ Thompson, Hicklin96.25

#### **Eliminating Challenge Race**

1 Eva Asquith bt Buster Breaks 94.29

2 Squib Burton bt Geoff Taylor

Final: Squib Burton, Breaks, Dusty Haigh, [ Higginbottom 91.49

#### **Handicap Event**

SF1: Jack Atkinson, Buster Breaks, Geoff Kilburn, [ Asquith

SF2:

Final: Fred Proctor (6), Buster Breaks (2), Geoff Kilburn (3), [Atkinson] 107.16

#### **Robert Smithies Cup** (for fastest Rochdale rider)

Buster Breaks

\*Could have been Bud, Fred or Tom Proctor

### **Monday 17 June 1929**

#### **Salford 39 – Rochdale 24 (English Dirt Track League)**

Salford

Tommy Mason	4	4	4	12
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Tommy Simpson	4	4	4	12,
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Cliff Watson

Billy Howard

Rochdale  
No team details

No other scorers or heat details known.

### **Tuesday 18 June 1929**

#### **Rochdale Handicap Event**

1. Buster Breaks, Thompson, [ Breaks (f), Rye (f)
2. Scott Michie, J Atkinson (f) 103.32
3. Harold Leach, Wally Hicklin [ O Langton, Burton (f)
4. Ham Burrill

Heat: Ron Thompson

Heat: Squib Burton

SF1:

SF2: Leach\*, C .Wilcock, Higginbottom

Final: Ron Thompson (7), Jack Leach (6), Cyril Wilcock, Harold Leach, 99.74

#### **Eliminating Challenge**

1. Buster Breaks beat Frank Chiswell, 93.69
  2. Eric Langton beat Claude Rye (fell)
  3. Squib Burton beat Ham Burrill, 90.63
  4. Oliver Langton beat Jack Chiswell
  5. Hicklin and V E Ingham crashed
- Final: Squib Burton, Buster Breaks, Eric Langton, [ O Langton 92.16

#### **Golden Sash**

Final: Arthur Atkinson, Bud Proctor, Squib Burton, 95.79 (standing start track record)

#### **Robert Smithies Cup** (for fastest Rochdale rider)

Ron Thompson

#### **Challenge Race**

Wally Hicklin and Ernie Ingham both fell

### **Saturday 22 June 1929**

#### **Challenge Race**

Squib Burton beat Frank Charles, 2-0

1. Burton, Charles, 88.82 (new rolling start record)
2. Burton, Charles, 89.82

#### **Golden Helmet**

Final: Squib Burton, Frank Charles, Bud Proctor, (Ron Thompson, George Corney, George Reynard), 95.42

#### **Eliminating Challenge**

1. Bud Proctor beat Wally Hicklin
  2. Frank Charles beat Harry Solomon
  3. Squib Burton beat George Reynard
  4. Ben Higginbottom beat Harold Leach
- Final: Squib Burton, Bud Proctor, Ben Higginbottom 90.95

### **Rochdale Handicap**

Final: Thompson (8), Atkinson (6), Leach (6)

### **Robert Smithies Cup** (for fastest Rochdale rider)

Ron Thompson

### **Tuesday 25 June 1929**

#### **Rochdale Handicap**

1. Joe Abbott, 96.42

2. Squib Burton, 95.27

3. Wally Hicklin, Ron Thompson, Arthur Atkinson

4. Harold Leach, Frank Varey

SF1: Ben Higginbottom, Squib Burton, Thompson (ret)

SF2: Bud Proctor, Frank Varey

Final: Bud Proctor (4), Frank Varey (scr), Ben Higginbottom (5), Burton (f) 95.72

#### **Challenge Races**

Joe Abbott beat Frank Varey (ef)

Bud Proctor beat Buster Breaks

Jack Lund beat Ben Higginbottom

#### **Golden Sash**

Heat: Syd Newiss, Squib Burton, 94.73 (standing start track record)

Final: Syd Newiss, Bud Proctor, Joe Abbott, 93.70 (standing start track record)

#### **Eliminating Challenge**

Heat: Squib Burton bt Arthur Atkinson (rerun)

Final: Squib Burton, Bud Proctor, Joe Abbott, 93.98

#### **Robert Smithies Cup** (for fastest Rochdale rider)

Bud Proctor

#### **Track Record Attempt**

Arthur Atkinson, 87.82 (unsuccessful)

### **Thursday 27 June**

#### **Halifax 29 - Rochdale 34 (English Dirt Track League)**

##### Halifax

George Reynard            2        4

Allan Earp

George Corney                4

Geoff Kilburn

Geoff Taylor            4        F        R            4

Dusty Haigh    1

##### Rochdale

Squib Burton            4        4

Buster Breaks            4                          4

1. Burton, Reynard				
2. Breaks				
3. Taylor				
4. Reynard				
5. Corney, Proctor (f)				
6. Burton, (Taylor (fell))				
7.	6	1	22	27
8.	1	6	28	28
9. Breaks, unknown , Haigh, Taylor (ef), 90.4	1	6	29	34

### **Saturday 29 June 1929**

#### **Rochdale 36 - Belle Vue 23 (English Dirt Track League)**

Rochdale				
Squib Burton	4	4	4	12
Harold Leach	1			
Buster Breaks	FN			0
Ron Thompson	4	4		
Fred Proctor				
Ben Higginbottom	2	2	2	6
Jack Leach				

Belle Vue				
Arthur Franklyn	2	4	4	10
George Hazzard				
Frank Varey	X			0
Ian Ritchings				
Riskit Riley	4	4		
Billy Fletcher				

1. Burton, Franklyn, H. Leach	5	2	5	2
2. Thompson, (Varey (exc), Breaks (f,ns)				
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9.			36	23

Frank Varey was suspended from the remainder of the match after a heat 2 crash with Buster Breaks. Varey was carried off with bruised ribs and Breaks broke his collar bone. Varey had been challenging hard for the lead and was judged guilty of dangerous riding.

#### **Weathered Cup**

Final: Jack Atkinson, Smoke Robinson, Skid Nock 102.41

#### **Golden Helmet**

Final: Squib Burton, Jack Atkinson, Ron Thompson (Skid Nock, Billy Fletcher, Ben Higginbottom), 95.53

#### **Robert Smithies Cup (for fastest Rochdale rider)**

Skid Nock

#### **Special Event**

Mr Jaquaes bt Mr C Smethhurst

## Tuesday 2 July 1929

### **Eliminating Challenge**

1. Bert Round beat Frank Charles 88.9
  2. George Greenwood beat Squib Burton, 88.9
  3. Ron Thompson beat Jack Atkinson
  4. Bud Proctor beat Fred Proctor
- Final: Bert Round, George Greenwood, Ron Thompson, Ian Ritchings, 88.63

### **Golden Sash**

Final: Bert Round, Dennis Atkinson, Frank Charles, 93.24

### **Rochdale Handicap**

Final: Bert Round (scr), Ben Higginbottom (5), Skid Nock (5), 90.4

### **Robert Smithies Cup (for fastest Rochdale rider)**

Fred Proctor

Bert Round set a new track record of 84.71

## Wednesday 3 July 1929

### **Sheffield 43 – Rochdale 19 (English Dirt Track League)**

#### Sheffield

Jack Barber	2	4	4	10
Gus Platts	0	2'	2'	4+2
Clem Beckett	4	4	4	12
George Cumming	2'	2'	N	4+2
Spencer Stratton	4	2	4	10
Arthur Westwood	2'	R		2+1
Arthur Longley (Res)	1			1

#### Rochdale

Squib Burton	4	4	2	10
Jack Atkinson	0	1		1
Wally Hicklin	1	0	1'	2+1
Bud Proctor	1	0	0	1
Ron Thompson	0	1	1	2
Harold Leach	1	2		3

1. Burton, Barber, Leach, Platts	82.6	2	5	2	5
2. Beckett, Cumming, Hicklin, Atkinson	88.8	6	1	8	6
3. Stratton, Westwood, Proctor, Thompson	92.2	6	1	14	7
4. Barber, Platts, Atkinson, Hicklin	87.0	6	1	20	8
5. Beckett, Cummings, Thompson, Proctor	88.6	6	1	26	9
6. Burton, Stratton, (Westwood (ret))	84.6	2	4	28	13
7. Barber, Platts, Thompson, Proctor	84.6	6	1	34	14
8. Beckett, Burton, Longley	85.8	5	2	39	16
9. Stratton, Leach, Hicklin	93.4	4	3	43	19



**Friday 5 July 1929****Warrington 35 - Rochdale 28 (English Dirt Track League)**

Warrington				
George Milton	2	E	4	6
Ezra C. Deakin	1'	2'	2	5+2
Charlie Hornby	4	4	2	10
Speed Formby	1	2'		3+1
Crasher Coxhead	4			4
Harry Solomon	1	2	4	7

Rochdale				
Squib Burton	4	4	4	12
Harold Leach		1	1	2
Ron Thompson	2	4	1'	7+1
Skid Nock		1	2	3
Wally Hicklin			1	1
Ben Higginbottom		2	1	3

1. Burton, Milton, Deakin	88.8	3	4	3	4
2. Hornby, Thompson, Formby		5	2	8	6
3. Coxhead, Higginbottom, Solomon		5	2	13	8
4. Thompson, Deakin, Nock, Milton (ef)		2	5	15	13
5. Hornby, Formby, Higginbottom		6	1	21	14
6. Burton, Solomon, Leach	88.8	2	5	23	19
7. Milton, Deakin, Hicklin		6	1	29	20
8. Burton, Hornby, Leach	88.8	2	5	31	25
9. Solomon, Nock, Thompson		4	3	35	28

**Saturday 6 July 1929****Rochdale 35 Warrington 28 (English Dirt Track League)**

ROCHDALE				
Squib Burton	4	4	4	12
Harold Leach				
Buster Breaks				
Ron Thompson				
Fred Proctor	4		4	
Ben Higginbottom				

Warrington				
George Milton				10
Ezra Deakin				
Tom Middlehurst				
Speed Formby				
Harry Solomon				
Phil Hughes				

- 1.
- 2.
3. Proctor

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- 7.
- 8.

9. Proctor

35 28

### **Golden Helmet**

Final: Squib Burton, George Milton, Jack Atkinson, (Wally Hicklin, Bud Proctor, Speed Formby), 92.29 (standing start track record)

### **Weathered Cup**

1. 94.11

Final: Ernie Ingham, Skid Nock, Wally Hicklin, 98.76

### **Robert Smithies Cup** (for fastest Rochdale rider)

Bud Proctor

### **Track Record Attempts**

Rolling start: Squib Burton 88.09 (unsuccessful)

Frank Charles (unsuccessful)

Standing start: Squib Burton 92.39 (new record)

## **Tuesday 9 July 1929**

### **Rochdale Handicap**

Heat: Bud Proctor, Oliver Langton, Frank Charles

Final: Bud Proctor (2), Bert Round (scr), Ned Kelly (scr), Squib Burton, (Frank Duckett), 96.96

### **Eliminating Challenge Races**

1. Eric Langton beat George Greenwood 87.53 (track record)

2. Ned Kelly beat Squib Burton

3. Frank Charles beat Frank Duckett

Final: Eric Langton, Bert Round, Oliver Langton 87.68

### **International Challenge**

1. Squib Burton beat Frank Duckett (fell)

2.

3.

4.

5. Bert Round

### **Golden Sash**

Heat: Ned Kelly, George Greenwood

Final: Squib Burton, Syd Newiss, Oliver Langton, 92.08 (standing start track record).

### **Robert Smithies Cup** (for fastest Rochdale rider)

Bud Proctor

## Saturday 13 July 1929

### **Rochdale Handicap**

1. Squib Burton, 92.25
  2. Buster Breaks, Stewie St. George, J S Holmes (f), Ben Higginbottom (f)
  3. George Sutcliffe (8), Frank Varey (scr), Purslow (f)
  4. Bert Round (scr | ), Smith\* (scr)
- Final: George Sutcliffe (8), Buster Breaks (2), Smoke Robinson (7), 91.14

### **Eliminating Challenge**

Heat: Squib Burton beat Bert Round, 87.29  
Final: Frank Varey, Geoff Taylor, George Greenwood, Squib Burton, 90.14

### **Challenge Races**

Squib Burton beat Stewie St. George 87.05  
Squib Burton beat Frank Varey

### **Gold Sash**

Final: Squib Burton, Smith\*, Jack Atkinson, 93.69

### **Robert Smithies Cup** (for fastest Rochdale rider)

Buster Breaks

\*Several Halifax riders competing, so this could well be Frank Smith.

## Tuesday 16 July 1929

### **Rochdale Handicap**

1. Smoke Robinson, Ben Higginbottom, Squib Burton
- Heat: George Sutcliffe  
Final: Jack Atkinson (5), Stan Wynne (5), Smoke Robinson (5) 98.29

### **Eliminating Challenge**

Heat: Ron Thompson beat Ernest Ingham  
Final: Squib Burton, Ron Thompson, Wally Hicklin, Jack Atkinson (ef), 86.66

### **Challenge Races**

Squib Burton beat Keith Litchfield  
Squib Burton beat Stewie St George, 87.05

### **Golden Helmet**

Final: Squib Burton, Ben Higginbottom, Bud Proctor, 94.48

### **Robert Smithies Cup** (for fastest Rochdale rider)

Bud Proctor

### **Flying Start Track Record Attempt**

Squib Burton, 89.94 (unsuccessful)

### **Rolling Start Track Record Attempt**

Squib Burton, 85.58 (unsuccessful)

\*Also Rode – Johnnie Crump

### **Saturday 20 July**

#### **Rochdale 39 - Leicester Stadium 24 (English Dirt Track League)**

Rochdale				
Squib Burton	4	4	4	12
Ron Thompson	1			
Ernie Ingham	4			
Buster Breaks	4			
Frank Charles	4	4		

Leicester	
Syd Jackson	4
Billy Ellmore	4
Jimmy Gent	
Slider Shuttleworth	

1 Burton, Jackson, Thompson 87.13 5 2 5 2

No other scorers or heat details known.

#### **£100 Challenge Races**

Squib Burton beat Syd Jackson, 2-0

1. Burton, Jackson, 87.37

2. Burton, Jackson, 88.10

#### **Golden Helmet**

Final: Squib Burton, Jack Atkinson, Bud Proctor, (Wally Hicklin, Billy Ellmore, Syd Jackson, Buster Breaks), 91.63

#### **Wethered Cup**

1. George Sutcliffe, Jack Atkinson, Skid Nock

Final: Jack Atkinson, George Sutcliffe, Skid Nock 94.11

#### **Robert Smithies Cup (for fastest Rochdale rider)**

Buster Breaks

### **Tuesday 23 July 1929**

#### **Rochdale Handicap**

1. Wilf Turton (8), Squib Burton

2. Wally Hicklin

3. Ned Kelly

4. Ron Thompson

5. Dick Wise

Final: Ron Thompson, Wally Hicklin, Smoke Robinson, George Greenwood 95.94

#### **International Challenge**

Ned Kelly and Squib Burton drew 1-1

1. Kelly, Burton (fell)

2. Burton, Kelly, 88.95

### **Eliminating Challenge**

1. George Corney beat Dusty Haigh, 91.64
  2. Ned Kelly, Buster Breaks, 91.58
  3. Ian Ritchings, Bud Proctor, 93.47
  4. Jack Atkinson, Buster Breaks, Bud Proctor, 92.96
  5. Squib Burton, Dick Wise, 86.25
- Final: Squib Burton, Ned Kelly, Jack Atkinson, 87.68

### **Golden Sash**

Final: Squib Burton, Geoff Taylor, Dusty Haigh 91.06 (new track record)

### **Flying Start Track Record Attempts**

Riskit Riley, 91.08 (unsuccessful)  
Dusty Haigh, 89.45 (unsuccessful)

### **Robert Smithies Cup (for fastest Rochdale rider)**

Ron Thompson

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### **Saturday 27 July 1929**

#### **Rochdale Handicap**

Heat: Frank Charles

Final: Jack Atkinson (3), Billy Howard (4), Skid Nock (5), Frank Charles (ef), 98.83

#### **Lap Record Attempts**

Ron Thompson, 21.96  
Bud Proctor, 22.03  
Fernand Meynier 23.50

#### **Flying Lap Record Attempt**

Frank Charles 21.08

#### **Eliminating Challenge**

Final: Frank Charles, Ron Thompson, Buster Breaks, (Bud Proctor, A.J. Ward), 88.13

#### **Golden Helmet**

Heat: Ernie Ingham, 98.85

Final: Frank Charles, Ernie Ingham, Billy Howard, 94.13

#### **Robert Smithies Cup (for fastest Rochdale rider)**

Skid Nock

#### **Challenge Race**

Wally Hicklin beat Jack Atkinson

## Tuesday 30 July 1929

### **Rochdale Handicap**

1. Wally Hicklin, Dusty Haigh
2. Skid Nock, Squib Burton
3. Ron Thompson
4. George Sutcliffe
5. Frank Varey
6. Ernie Ingham

Final: George Sutcliffe (6), Skid Nock (5), Ron Thompson, 96.45

### **Eliminating Challenge**

H Riskit Riley v Red Murch (void)

Final: Eric Langton, Frank Varey, Squib Burton, 86.82

### **International Challenge Race**

Buster Breaks, Fernand Meynier, (Scott Michie, Dab Boston), 92.72

### **Special Challenge Races**

Scott Michie beat Dab Boston

Geoff Taylor beat Buster Breaks, 89.47

Geoff Taylor beat Buster Breaks, 91.76

### **Golden Sash**

Final: Frank Charles, Eric Langton, 93.72

### **Flying Lap**

Ron Thompson, 21.82

### **Robert Smithies Cup (for fastest Rochdale rider)**

Ron Thompson

Also Rode: Red Murch, Bert Round

## Saturday 3 August 1929

### **Rochdale 37 – Salford 26 (English Dirt Track League)**

Rochdale

Squib Burton	4	4		
Jack Atkinson	4			
Rex Kirby	2	2	2	6
Ron Thompson	4			

Salford

Cliff Watson	4	4		
A.J. Ward	4	4		
Syd Newiss	4			

No other scorers or heat details known.

## Tuesday 6 August 1929

### **Handicap Event**

1. J.H. Cobb, Squib Burton
  2. Skid Nock, Dusty Haigh, Tommy Hatch
  3. Wally Hicklin, Joe Abbott (ef)
  4. Ernie Ingham, Ron Thompson, Rex Kirby,
  5. Harold Robinson, Ben Higginbottom, ?, Fernand Meynier
  6. George Sutcliffe, Riskit Riley
- SF1: Joe Abbott, Burton (J.H. Cobb (fell)), 89.28  
SF2: Harold Robinson, Ernie Ingham  
Final: Joe Abbott (0), Harold Robinson (7), Ernie Ingham, Squib Burton (fell), 91.92

### **Challenge Race**

Buster Breaks beat Bud Proctor (ret)

### **Scotland v Ireland Challenge Race**

- Larry Coffey beat Scott Michie, 2-1
1. Coffey, Michie (fell) 98.48
  2. Michie, Coffey (ef)
  3. Coffey, Michie 92.17

### **Challenge Races**

Ben Higginbottom beat Harold Leach 94.28  
Squib Burton beat Dusty Haigh (fell) 96.27  
Squib Burton beat Dusty Haigh (fell) 95.13  
Riskit Riley beat Ron Thompson 91.29  
Fred Proctor beat George Sutcliffe 95.13  
Ernie Ingham beat Wally Hicklin

### **Golden Sash**

1. Joe Abbott, Haigh
  2. Buster Breaks
  3. Squib Burton
- Final: Squib Burton, Joe Abbott, (Buster Breaks, Jack Atkinson, Arthur Wilcock, Tommy Hatch) 91.29

### **Robert Smithies Cup** (for fastest Rochdale rider)

Skid Nock and Skid Skinner

## Saturday 10 August

### **Manchester White City 45 - Rochdale 18 (English Dirt Track League)**

Manchester White City				
Billy Dallison	4	4	4	12
Arthur Jervis	4			6
Les Wotton	4			
Walter Hull	4			
Skid Skinner	4			
Jack Owen				

Rochdale  
Squib Burton            4       4

**Saturday 10 August**

**Rochdale 39 – Salford 23 (English Dirt Track League Knock Out Cup (First Round, First Leg))**

Rochdale  
Squib Burton            4       4       4            12  
Buster Breaks         4       4  
Bud Proctor            3  
Ron Thompson                 3       4  
Jack Atkinson  
Rex Kirby                F  
Ernie Ingham  
Wally Hickilin

Salford  
Cliff Watson            4       4  
Billy Howard  
Syd Newiss  
Fred Williams  
A.J. Ward  
Tommy Simpson  
Stan Wynne  
Charlie Bentley

1 Kirby (f)  
2  
3  
4  
5  
6 Watson, B Howard, R Thompson, B Proctor  
7  
8 Kirby (ef)  
9 Thompson, Williams

Thompson and Proctor shared a dead heat win.

No other scorers or heat details known.

**Challenge Races**

Squib Burton beat Arthur Jervis 2-0,  
1. Burton, Jervis, 86.82  
2. Burton, Jervis (ef), 86.84

**Match Races**

Joe Nash beat Wilf Turton, 97.75  
Bert Kendal beat H.J. Lowe, 103.36



Wally Hicklin beat Scott Michie, 95.08

### **Wethered Cup**

1. Fred Proctor, Harold Leach
2. Skid Nock, J.H. Cobb
3. Bud Proctor, Scott Michie

Final: Skid Nock, Bud or Fred Proctor, Ernie Ingham, 96.24

### **Golden Helmet**

Final: Squib Burton, Cliff Watson, A.J. Ward, Ron Thompson, 93.30

### **Smithies Cup**

Ron Thompson, 96.24

## **Tuesday 13 August 1929**

Meeting postponed due to rain.

Due to feature match race Varey v Burton , Handicap Gold Sash and Challenge Race

## **Friday 16 August 1929**

### **Newcastle 40 - Rochdale 22 (English Dirt Track League)**

#### **Newcastle**

Walter Creasor	4	2	4	10	
Ernie Smith		2'	1'	1	4+2
Fred Creasor		2	4	4	10
Tommy Storey		1'	2'	E	3+2
Phil Blake		4	4	2	10
Gordon Byers		2'	1	0	3+1

#### **Rochdale**

Bud Proctor		1	1	2	4
Jack Atkinson					0
Squib Burton		4	4	4	12
Wally Hicklin		0	0	1	1
Ron Thompson		1	2	2	5

1. W. Creasor, Smith, Proctor	85.0	6	1	6	1
2. Burton, F. Creasor, Storey, Hicklin	83.9	3	4	9	5
3. Blake, Byers, Thompson	88.3	6	1	15	6
4. F. Creasor, Storey, Proctor	87.5	6	1	21	7
5. Burton, W. Creasor, Smith, Hicklin	84.7	3	4	24	11
6. Blake, Proctor, Byers	88.6	5	2	29	13
7. F. Creasor, Thompson, (Storey (ef))	88.2	4	2	33	15
8. Burton, Blake, Hicklin, Byers	85.9	2	5	35	20
9. W. Creasor, Thompson, Smith	90.6	5	2	40	22

## **Saturday 17 August 1929**

## **Rochdale v Newcastle (English Dirt-Track League)**

Postponed due to rain Due to feature match race Charles v Burton , Handicap Gold Helmt and Challenge Race

### **Tuesday 20 August 1929**

Meeting cancelled

### **Tuesday 20 August 1929**

#### **Middlesbrough 33 – Rochdale 29 (English Dirt Track League)**

Rochdale

Squib Burton, Scott Michie

No other scorers or heat details known.

### **Saturday 24 August 1929**

#### **Rochdale 45 – Manchester White City 18 (Challenge)**

Rochdale

Squib Burton	4	4	4	12
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Jack Atkinson

Ron Thompson	4	4		
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Wally Hicklin

Bud Proctor

Manchester White City

Les Wotton

H. Goodchild

Harry Gresty

Jack Owen

Smoke Robinson

Hugh Jervis

Other scorers and heat details not known

#### **Match Race**

Squib Burton beat Les Wotton, 2-1

1. Wotton, Burton

2. Burton, Wotton

3. Burton, Wotton

### **Golden Helmet**

Final: Squib Burton, Ron Thompson, Jack Atkinson, (Les Wotton, Jack Owen, J.H. Cobb), 93.97

### **Weathered Cup**

Final: Harold Leach, George Sutcliffe, Wally Hicklin, 95.3

### **Challenge Races**

Slider Jones\* beat Harold Leach

George Sutcliffe beat Ben Higginbottom

### **Robert Smithies Cup (for fastest Rochdale rider)**

Harold Leach

\*Real name is Fred Ibbotson

### **Monday 26 August 1929**

#### **Salford 37 - Rochdale 26 (English Dirt Track League Knock Out Cup, First Round Second Leg)**

Salford

A.J. Ward	4	4
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Fred Williams	4	
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Rochdale

Squib Burton	4	4	4	12
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Jack Atkinson	4	4		
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Buster Breaks	4			
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Ron Thompson

Bud Proctor

### **Tuesday 27 August 1929**

#### **£100 Challenge Match Race**

Squib Burton beat Joe Abbott, 2-0

1. Burton, Abbott (ret)

2. Burton, Abbott

#### **Handicap Event**

Final: Scott Michie (6), Squib Burton (scr), Jack Atkinson (3), 95.92

### **Golden Sash**

Final: Squib Burton, Joe Abbott, Dusty Haigh, (Jack Atkinson, Scott Michie, Skid Nock), 93.53

### **Challenge Races**

Buster Breaks beat Skid Nock, 91.43

Ben Higginbottom, Bud Proctor, 96.62

### **Robert Smithies Cup (for fastest Rochdale rider)**

Wilf Turton

**Thursday 29 August 1929**

**Preston 36 – Rochdale 27 (English Dirt Track League)**

Preston				
Joe Abbott	4	4	4	12
Rochdale				
Squib Burton	4	4		
Rex Kirby	4	4		
Buster Breaks				

**Saturday 31 August 1929**

**Rochdale 40 - Newcastle 22 (English Dirt Track League)**

Rochdale				
Squib Burton	4	4	4	12
Jack Atkinson	4	4	2	10
Rex Kirby	4	2		
Scott Michie	1	1	1	3
Newcastle				
Walter Creasor	4			
Ernie Smith				
Fred Creasor	4			
Tommy Storey				
Phil Blake	4			
Percy Dunn				
Ron Dirkin				

**Weathered Cup**

Final: Bud Proctor, Harold Leach, Bert Kendall 98.23

**Challenge Races**

Squib Burton beat Rex Kirby, 2-1 88.03

Scott Michie beat Wally Hicklin, 92.86

Smoke Robinson beat Slider Jones\*, 97.12

**Golden Helmet**

Final: Squib Burton, Jack Atkinson, Ben Higginbottom, 91.82

**Robert Smithies Cup (for fastest Rochdale rider)**

Bud Proctor

Squib Burton broke the records for four laps (83.71) and one lap (20.47) during the meeting.

\*Assumed name for Fred Ibbotson

## Tuesday 3 September 1929

### **Rochdale Handicap**

1. Squib Burton, Claude Rye
  2. Harold Leach, Ron Thompson
  3. H. Hutchinson, Jack Atkinson
  4. Scott Michie, Bert Kendall
  5. Fernand Meynier, Buster Breaks
- SF1: Harold Leach, Squib Burton  
SF2: Jack Atkinson, Scott Michie  
Final: Squib Burton (scr), Harold Leach (4), Jack Atkinson (2), Michie 94.13

### **Challenge Races**

- Squib Burton beat Ham Burrill, 2-0
1. Burton, Burrill, 89.78
  2. Burton, Burrill (ret), 88.79

### **Challenge Race**

Scott Michie beat Fernand Meynier, 93.65

### **Golden Sash**

1. Fernand Meynier, Rex Kirby
  2. Geoff Taylor, Jack Atkinson, George Sutcliffe
  3. Buster Breaks
  4. Claude Rye, Scott Michie
  5. R Thompson, Burrell (ef)
- Final: Squib Burton, Geoff Taylor, Fernand Meynier, 92.54

### **Robert Smithies Cup (for fastest Rochdale rider)**

Buster Breaks

### **Track Record Attempt**

Ham Burrill, 89.31 (unsuccessful)

Also Rode: Gus Platts

## Saturday 7 September 1929

### **Rochdale 39 – Middlesbrough 24 (English Dirt Track League)**

Rochdale				
Squib Burton	4	4	4	12
Jack Atkinson	4			
Buster Breaks			4	
Ron Thompson			2'	
Scott Michie				
Rex Kirby				
Middlesbrough				
Norman Evans		4	4	2
Broncho Dixon	4	4		10
Dick Bailey				1
Indian Allen				0
Billy Brown				
Terry White				

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- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
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- 7.
- 8.
9. Breaks, Thompson, Bailey, Allen                      6            1            39            24

**Golden Helmet**

Final: Norman Evans, Squib Burton, Ron Thompson, 92.84 (Alt 91.40)

**Rochdale Handicap**

SF1: Norman Evans, (Squib Burton (fell)) 92.36

SF2:

Final: Scott Michie (4), Bert Kendall (6), Fernand Meynier (4), Norman Evans, 97.68

**Challenge Race**

Squib Burton beat Broncho Dixon, 2-0

1. Burton, Dixon, 86.41
2. Burton, Dixon, 86.58

**Robert Smithies Cup** (for fastest Rochdale rider)

Ron Thompson

**Tuesday 10 September 1929**

**Challenge Races**

Squib Burton beat George Reynard, 2-0

1. Burton, Reynard, 88.50
2. Burton, Reynard, 87.15

**Rochdale Handicap**

1. Squib Burton 90.46
2. Rex Kirby, George Reynard, (Scott Michie (fell))
3. Joe Abbott, Jack Atkinson, 93.43
4. Fernand Meynier, Arthur Atkinson
5. Ben Higginbottom
6. Wally Hicklin, Ron Thompson

SF1: Squib Burton, Jack Atkinson, Joe Abbott

SF2: Arthur Atkinson, Fernand Meynier

Final: Squib Burton (scr), Arthur Atkinson (scr), Fernand Meynier (3) 92.49

**Golden Sash**

- 1.
  2. Scott Michie, Tully Hall
- Final: Squib Burton, Arthur Atkinson, Joe Abbott, 91.38

**Robert Smithies Cup** (for fastest Rochdale rider)

Bud Proctor

## Saturday 14 September 1929

### **Rochdale 30 - Leicester Stadium 33 (English Dirt Track League Knock Out Cup, Second Round, First Leg)**

#### Rochdale

Squib Burton	4	R	4	8
Buster Breaks			2	
Rex Kirby				

#### Leicester

Syd Jackson	4	4	2	10
Nobby Kendrick	0	0		0
Billy Ellmore	4	4	2	10
Hal Herbert	4	2	0	6
Jimmy Gent	2	2	0	4
Stan Baines	1	1	0	2
George Marsh	1			1

1. Burton	5	2	5	2
2.				
3.				
4. (Burton (ret chain))			28	28
5.				
6.				
7.				
8. Burton			28	28
9. Unknown, Breaks, Unknown, Marsh	2	5	30	33

#### **Golden Helmet**

Final: Syd Jackson, Squib Burton, 91.55 mph

#### **Match Race**

Squib Burton beat Syd Jackson

#### **Robert Smithies Cup**

Final: T Hall (6), Wally Hicklin (4), Ben Higginbottom (4), [Proctor, Jimmy Gent, Les Wotton 96.15

#### Challenge Race

Les Wotton bt Scott Michie 83,09

## Tuesday 17 September 1929

#### **Rochdale Handicap**

1. Bud Proctor, Fernand Meynier, Fred Ibbotson
2. Squib Burton, 91.34
3. Jack Atkinson (2), George Greenwood (scr), Frank Charles (scr), Tully Hall (f)
- 4.

SF1: Squib Burton, George Sutcliffe

SF2: Wally Hicklin, Ron Thompson, Scott Michie

Final: Squib Burton (scr) & Wally Hicklin (4) (dead heat), George Sutcliffe, 92.37

### Golden Sash

1. Frank Charles, Scott Michie
2. George Greenwood
- 3.
- 4.

Final: Frank Charles, Scott Michie, Squib Burton, 91.62

### Robert Smithies Cup (for fastest Rochdale rider)

Bud Proctor

### Challenge Races

Fred Ibbotson beat Smoke Robinson, 95.92

Frank Charles beat Squib Burton, 85.52

Tully Hall beat Bert Kendall, 91.6

### Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> September 1929

#### Leicester Stadium 35 - Rochdale 27 (English Dirt Track League Knock Out Cup, Second Round, Second Leg)

##### Leicester

Syd Jackson	4	2	2'	8+1
Nobby Kendrick	2'	R	4	6+1
Billy Ellmore	4	R	4	8
Jimmy Gent	2'	R	2'	4+2
Harry Taft	E	4	2	6
Hal Herbert	1	1	1'	3+1

##### Rochdale

Squib Burton	F	4	4	8
Scott Michie	1	2'	0	3+1
Buster Breaks	1	2	0	3
Wally Hicklin	0	0	1	1
Ron Thompson	2'	4	1	7+1
Ben Higginbottom	4	1	0	5

1. Jackson, Kendrick, Michie, Burton (fell)	86.2	6	1	6	1
2. Ellmore, Gent, Breaks, Hicklin	89.2	6	1	12	2
3. Higginbottom, Thompson, Herbert, Taft (ef)	93.8	1	6	13	8
4. Burton, Michie, Ellmore (ret), Gent (ret)	88.4	0	6	13	14
5. Thompson, Jackson, Higginbottom, Kendrick (ret)	101.2	2	5	15	19
6. Taft, Breaks, Herbert, Hicklin	87.6	5	2	20	21
7. Ellmore, Gent, Thompson, Higginbottom	89.6	6	1	26	22
8. Burton, Taft, Herbert, Michie	86.6	3	4	29	26
9. Kendrick, Jackson, Hicklin, Breaks	90.8	6	1	35	27



## Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September 1929

### **Barnsley 26 – Rochdale 36 (English Dirt Track League)**

Barnsley				
Arthur Moore	4	4	2	10
Charlie Ward				6
Albert Brown				4
Fred Ledger				3
Joe Mitchell				2
Tommy Allott				1
Tommy Thompson				0
Rochdale				
Squib Burton	4	4	4	12
Buster Breaks				8

No heat details known

21/9 F HALL 5 BREAKS 2 THOMPSON 3 GH S/F 1 CREEK 2ND,  
8/10 F HIGGINBOTTOM 3 ATKINSON 0 HICKLIN 1

## Saturday 21st September 1929

### **Challenge Race**

Squib Burton beat Ivor Creek, 2-0

### **Rochdale Handicap**

1. Squib Burton, Ron Thompson, Skid Nock
2. Bert Kendall, Wally Hicklin, Ivor Creek

Final: Tully Hall (5), Buster Breaks (2), Ron Thompson (3), Squib Burton 97.28

### **Golden Helmet**

1. Ivor Creek, Higginbottom,
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

SF: ?, Ivor Creek

SF:

Final: Ron Thompson, Skid Nock, Jack Atkinson, Ivor Creek, 94.23

### **Extra Challenge Race**

Rex Kirby beat Tully Hall (fell)

### **Robert Smithies Cup (for fastest Rochdale rider)**

Tully Hall

## **Tuesday 24 September 1929**

### **Rochdale Handicap**

1. Ben Higginbottom, George Greenwood
2. Fred Ibbotson, Joe Abbott
3. Ron Thompson, B Proctor, Michie, [ Broadside Hall
4. Smoke Robinson

SF1: Bert Kendall, Fred Ibbotson, Ben Higginbottom [ Abbott, B Kendall

SF2: Smoke Robinson, Ron Thompson, Ernie Ingham

Final: Ron Thompson, Bert Kendal, Smoke Robinson, 96.25

### **Challenge Races**

Buster Breaks beat Jack Atkinson, 2-0

1. Breaks, Atkinson, 88.34
2. Breaks, Atkinson, 87.82

### **Challenge Race**

Scott Michie beat Fred Proctor, 91.27

### **Golden Sash**

1. Ron Thompson
2. George Greenwood, Wally Hicklin
3. Joe Abbott 98.34
4. Buster Breaks, Ernie Ingham
5. Smoke Robinson, Ben Higginbottom

SF1: Joe Abbott, Ron Thompson

SF2: Buster Breaks, Ingham

Final: Joe Abbott, Buster Breaks, Ernie Ingham, R Thompson 92.56

### **Challenge Races**

Ben Higginbottom beat Skid Nock, 93.18

Fernand Meynier beat Jack Atkinson, 91.63

### **Robert Smithies Cup (for fastest Rochdale rider)**

Buster Breaks

## **Friday 27 September 1929**

### **Rochdale Handicap**

1. Scott Michie, Jack Leach
2. Harold Leach, Stan Wynne
3. Arthur Atkinson, Smoke Robinson
4. Wally Hicklin, Ron Thompson
5. Buster Breaks, Squib Burton

SF1: Arthur Atkinson, Scott Michie

SF2: Wally Hicklin, Ron Thompson

Final: Wally Hicklin, Arthur Atkinson, Ron Thompson, 85.2

### **Local 12 Races**

1. L. Uttley, Ben Higginbottom
2. Bert Kendal, Skid Nock, [ Sutcliffe (f)

3. Ron Thompspon, Smoke Robinson, Breaks (ef)  
Final: Ron Thompson, L. Uttley, Bert Kendal, 95.48

#### **Challenge Races**

Arthur Atkinson beat Squib Burton, 2-0  
Rex Kirby beat Fernand Meynier  
Scott Michie beat Ron Thompson

#### **Golden Helmet**

1. Squib Burton, Buster Breaks  
2. Arthur Atkinson, L. Uttley  
3. Wally Hicklin, Scott Michie  
4. Rex Kirby, Fernand Meynier  
Final: Wally Hicklin, Buster Breaks, [ Atkinson, Kirby, Thompson (ret), Burton (ret) 89.21

#### **Robert Smithies Cup** (for fastest Rochdale rider)

Buster Breaks

### **Saturday 5 October 1929**

Meeting abandoned due to rain

Due to feature Evans v Burton Weathered Cup, Gold Helmet and Handicap

### **Tuesday 8 October 1929**

#### **Rochdale Handicap**

1. George Sutcliffe, Ron Thompson  
2.  
3. T Hall, Utley,  
4.  
SF1: Wally Hicklin, Smoke Robinson, Ron Thompson, Tully Hall, Sutcliffe  
SF2: (Harold Leach (fell), Jack Atkinson (fell), J.H. Cobb (fell)) [ Hibbertson (f)  
Final: Ben Higginbottom (3), Jack Atkinson (scr), Wally Hicklin (1), ?, Robinson 94.45

#### **Challenge Races**

Squib Burton beat Arthur Atkinson, 2-1  
1. Burton, Atkinson, 85.32  
2. Atkinson, Burton, 83.64  
3. Burton, Atkinson, 85.78

#### **£25 Open Scratch**

1. Squib Burton  
2. Arthur Atkinson, Ron Thompson  
3. Cliff Watson  
Final: Arthur Atkinson, Squib Burton, Ron Thompson B Proctor 85.91

**Wednesday 9th October****Liverpool 56 - Rochdale 12 (English Dirt Track League)**

## Liverpool

Tom Price	4	4	4	12
Crasher Coxhead	2'	2'	2'	6
Eric Blain	4	4	4	12
Jack Dinsmore	1	1		2
Les Wotton	4	4	4	12
Tony Golding	2'	2'		4
Sprouts Griffiths	2'			2

## Rochdale

Buster Breaks	1	2		3
Ron Thompson	2	1	1	4
Skid Nock	1	1	1'	3
Scott Michie	2			2

1. Price, Coxhead, Breaks	98.0	6	1	6	1
2. Blain, Thompson, Dinsmore	99.4	5	2	11	3
3. Wotton, Golding, Nock	94.6	6	1	17	4
4. Blain, Breaks, Dinsmore	98.6	5	2	22	6
5. Wotton, Golding, Thompson	94.0	6	1	28	7
6. Price, Coxhead, Nock	99.0	6	1	34	8
7. Wotton, Griffiths	95.2	6	0	40	8
8. Price, Coxhead, Thompson	99.8	6	1	46	9
9. Blain, Michie, Nock	100.6	4	3	50	12

**Saturday 12 October 1929****Rochdale 31 – Sheffield 31 (English Dirt Track League)**

## Rochdale

Squib Burton	4				
Scott Michie	2'				
Buster Breaks					
Wally Hicklin					
Ron Thompson	4	4	2		10
Rex Kirby					
Jack Atkinson					
Tully Hall					

Sheffield

Jack Barber

Austin Humphries 1 4 4 9

Gus Platts 4 4 1 9

Harold Bingley

Eric Hall 4

George Gregor

Nick Carter

Joe Hindley

1. Burton, Michie, Humphries 6 1 6 1

2.

3.

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8. 28 27

9. Platts, Thompson, Kirby 3 4 31 31

### Challenge Race

Squib Burton beat Cliff Watson, 2-0

1. Burton, Watson, 84.95

2. Burton, Watson, 86.53

### Golden Helmet

1 Nock,

Final: Squib Burton, Ron Thompson, Gus Platts, [ Hicklin, Watson 86.94

### Wethered Cup

1 Nock,

Final: Ben Higginbottom, Proctor\*, Skid Nock, 98.19

### Robert Smithies Cup (for fastest Rochdale rider)

Buster Breaks

### Extra Challenge Race

Tully Hall beat Scott Michie

\*Not sure which Proctor brother this was

## Friday 25 October 1929

### Handicap Event

1. Tully Hall, (Ben Higginbottom (fell), Austin Humphries (fell))

2. Frank Charles, 93.24

3. L. Uttley, Bert Kendall

4. (Babs Neild (fell))

5. Smoke Robinson, Harry Whitfield

Final: Smoke Robinson, Tully Hall, Harry Whitfield, Frank Charles 95.84

### **Local 12**

Final: Ron Thompson, Smoke Robinson, Jack Atkinson, 96.49

### **Stars Eliminating Event**

Final: Frank Charles, Jack Jackson, Austin Humphries, Squib Burton (fell), 86.58

### **Challenge Races**

Squib Burton beat Harry Whitfield, 87.56

Jack Jackson beat Gus Platts, 95.85

Frank Charles beat Cliff Watson, 87.31

Austin Humphries beat Rex Kirby, 91.62

### **Open Scratch Race**

Cliff Watson, Frank Charles, Ron Thompson, 86.58