HALIFAX (THRUM HALL) 1928

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Wednesday, 2	nd Ma	y 1928,	Thrum	Hall,	Halifax
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HoBS; TMC 10.5.28; Yorks Post 3.5.28; unmarked programme

5,000. 7pm start. First ever meeting held under artificial light - "the circuit was surrounded with D.A (acetylene) flares." TMC

Solo 350cc Novice (2 laps)

- Ht 1: [Joe Armitage, Geoff Taylor, F S Stocks]
- Ht 2: A E Wood, [J Dransfield, Dusty Haigh, Tom Proctor]
- Ht 3: [H Ratcliffe, C Barlow, C G Holt, T Ayrton]
- Ht 4: Bert Ratcliffe, [E Earnshaw, R B Illingworth, H Holden]

Final: A E Wood, Bert Ratcliffe

59.4

Solo 350 cc General (2 laps)

- Ht 1: [A E Wood, Cliff Mawson, Sid Hemmingway, Arnold Moore, Dusty Haigh]
- Ht 2: George Reynard, [Eric Langton, J A Smith, J Marsden, R Baines]
- Ht 3: Oliver Langton, [Tom Proctor, Geoff Taylor, Hirst Mitchell] 56.0
- Ht 4: Alec Mitchell, [Norman Hemmingway, Joe Armitage, R B Illingworth]
- Final: George Reynard, Alec Mitchell 56.2

Sidecars Unlimited cc

First Round

- Ht 1: H Hutchinson, D Crowther
- Ht 2: [J W Mortimer, E Earnshaw]
- Ht 3: J Challoner, A Moore
- Ht 4: [J Thomas, W Northrop]
- Ht 5: G Morrison (bye)
- Ht 6: [H Marsden, G Greenwood]
- Ht 7: T Sowerby (bye)
- Ht 8: H Firth (bye)
- Second Round
- Ht 1: H Hutchinson v winner of Ht 2]
- Ht 2: J Challoner, winner of Ht 4
- Ht 3: G Morrison, winner of Ht 6
- Ht 4:]T Sowerby, H Firth]
- Semi-Final
- Ht 1: J Challoner, H Hutchinson
- Ht 2: G Morrison, winner of Ht 4
- Final: J Challoner, G Morrison

94.2

Solo Unlimited cc Novice (3 laps)

- Ht 1: [Oliver Langton, J W Sutcliffe, W H F Sutcliffe, J T Cowper]
- Ht 2: [Eric Langton, H B Leech, A E Wood, F Greenwood]
- Ht 3: [W Northrop, C Barlow, J D Ward, B G Wilson]
- Ht 4: Norman Culpan, [Geoff Taylor, F S Stocks, Arnold Moore]
- Ht 5: [E V Booth, Joe Marshall, R B Illingworth, J Dransfield]
- Ht 6: George Corney, [C G Holt, Tom Proctor, R Greenwood]
- Ht 7: [W Furness, R Eagles, Bert Ratcliffe, G L Sanderson, Dusty Haigh]
- Ht 8: Joe Armitage, [H White, H Holden, H Ratcliffe, D Crowther]
- SF1: [Norman Culpan]
- SF2: {George Corney, Joe Armitage}
- Final: Norman Culpan, George Corney

92.2

Solo Unlimited cc General (2 laps heats, 3 laps SF and Final) Ht 1: A E Wood, [W H F Sutcliffe, R Eagles, Oliver Langton] Ht 2: [George Reynard, Geoff Taylor, Sid Hemmingway, W Northrop] Ht 3: Alec Mitchell, J W Sutcliffe, Norman Culpan, J A Smith]	
Ht 4: [F Greenwood, Joe Armitage, B Williams, Joe Marshall]	
Ht 5: [George Corney, Norman Hemmingway, R Bains, Arnold Moore]	
Ht 6: Eric Langton, [G L Sanderson, Hirst Mitchell, H White]	57.8
Ht 7: [J Marsden, Walter Hillas, W Furness, Dusty Haigh]	
Ht 8: [Cliff Mawson, R B Illingworth, G B Wilson, H B Leech, Tom Proctor]	
SF1: A E Wood, [Alec Mitchell]	
SF2: Eric Langton	85.0
Final: Eric Langton, A E Wood	82.0

Handicap

Ht 1: Bert Clayton Ht 3: George Corney

Wednesday, 13th June 1928, Thrum Hall, Halifax

Yorkshire Post 14.6.28 (partly illegible) Attendance 5,000

Solos 350cc Novice (4 laps)

Joe Armitage, Alec Tidswell 120.4

Solos 350cc General (4 laps)

Ht 1: Joe Armitage, Dusty Haigh

Ht 6: [H White (exxc)]

Final: George Reynard 133.6

Sidecars Unlimited cc Novice (4 laps)

G Greenwood, E Morrison 123.6

Solos Unlimited cc Novice (4 laps)

Final: E F Wilson*, E N Sykes, Alec Tidswell 118.4

Sidecars Unlimited cc General (4 laps)

SF1: Unknown, H Hutchinson

J Challoner, G W Greenwood 121.9

Solos Unlimited cc General (2 laps)

Oliver Langton, B Williams 62.4

^{*}This is probably Geoff Wilson

Saturday, 3	30 th June	1928,	Thrum	Hall	, Halifax
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TMC 5.7.28; Yorkshire Post 2.7.28 6,000. Now with a safety fence!

SF1: Oliver Langton, Billy Burrows SF2: Norman Hemingway, Eddie Walker

Final: Eddie Walker, Oliver Langton, Norman Hemingway, Billy Burrows 260.0

350cc Novice (4 laps)

Alec Tidswell, F Hollingworth, Joe Marshall 117.0

350cc General (4 laps)

Norman Hemingway, Alec Hill, Dusty Haigh 109.0

350cc General (10 laps)

Alec Hill, Dusty Haigh, Norman Hemingway 268.0

Unlimited cc Novice (4 laps)

SF1: E G Marshall, George Corney SF2: Alec Tidswell, F Hollingworth

Final: Alec Tidswell, George Corney, E G Marshall 108.2

Unlimited cc General (4 laps)

Ht: [Bob Illingworth (f), H Cowper (f)]

Ht: [Alec Hill, E G Marshall)
SF1: Alec Hill, Oliver Langton
SF2: Dusty Haigh, Eddie Walker

Final: Eddie Walker, Oliver Langton, Dusty Haigh 105.4

Sidecars 350cc General (4 laps)

B Williams, Bert Ratcliffe no time taken

Sidecars Unlimited cc General (4 laps)

J Challoner, H East, R B Illingworth 120.5

Unlimited Solo Inter Team Race (winners all Halifax)

Ht 1: Eddie Walker107.8Ht 2: Arnold Moore90.2Ht 3: Oliver Langton107.8Ht 4: Dusty Haigh108.8Final: Eddie Walker, Oliver Langton, Dusty Haigh105.4

Also Rode: J W Sutcliffe, E Earnshaw, Dan Buck

Wednesday, 1st August 1928, Thrum Hall, Halifax

Yorkshire Post 2.8.28

5,000

350cc Novice

Geoff Wilson, Dan Buck, C G Holt 116.4

Unlimited cc Novice

Geoff Wilson, E Marshall, George Corney 113.8

350cc General

Alec Tidswell, Norman Hemingway, Alec Hill 108.6

Unlimited cc General Alec Hill, Billy Burrows, Norman Hemingway	110.0
Challenge Race Oliver Langton, Alec Tidswell, Billy Burrows	104.4
Sidecars Unlimited J Challoner	119.6
Thursday, 23 rd August 1928, Thrum Hall, Halif Yorkshire Post 24.8.28 7,000	ах

Junior Race

Bert Clayton, Joe Armitage, Joe Marshall 111.8

Challenge Races

Skid Skinner, Dusty Haigh 99.0 George Reynard, Keith McKay 102.2 Geoff Taylor bt Stewie St George (ret)

Senior Race

SF: George Reynard, Skid Skinner

Final: Skid Skinner, George Reynard 102.6

Team Race (Yorkshire Wolves v White City Tigers)

Ht: Skid Skinner 97.8 Ht: Skid Skinner, George Reynard 104.0

Ht: George Reynard, [Geoff Taylor (f, exc)]

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Broadside Demonstration

Stewie St George

One lap 21.8 Two laps 43.8

Thursday, 30th August 1928, Thrum Hall, Halifax

International Vase Ht 1: Alec Tidswell, Sid Hemmingway 106.6 Ht 2: Walter Wild, J A Smith 118.2 Ht 3: Bert Clayton, George Greenwood 112.0 Ht 4: George Corney, Norman Hemmingway 112.8 Challenge Races

Oliver Langton bt Arthur Franklyn	98.4
Geoff Taylor bt Arthur Franklyn	102.4.
George Reynard bt Alec Tidswell	107.0

Junior Race

E Marshall, George Corney, R Greenwood 110.6

Solo General

Arthur Franklyn, George Reynard, George Corney 104.2

Senior Race

Oliver Langton, Alec Tidswell, Arthur Franklyr	າ 103.6
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Track Record Attempts

Skid Skinner	97.8
Oliver Langton	98.6.
Dick Hayman	98.8
Arthur Franklyn	101.4
George Reynard	106.6

One Mile Track Record Attempt

Stewie St George (unsuccessful)

Thursday, 6th September 1928, Thrum Hall, Halifax

Yorkshire Post 7.9.28

Sunday Chronicle Preliminary for International Gold Vase

Ht 1: Cliff Mawson, J E Gregory, [R Greenwood, Joe Marshall]

Ht 2: D Crowther, [C G Holt, Billy Burrows]

Ht 3: Joe Armitage, Dusty Haigh, E Kershaw

Ht 4: George Reynard, E Whiteley, N Bebbington

Challenge Races

Dick Hayman beat Spencer Stratton 2 – 0	Dick Hav	vman beat	t Spencer	Stratton	2 –	0
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Ht 1: Hayman, Stratton	97.6 (record)
Ht 2: Hayman, Stratton	106.2

Junior Race (4 fastest winners to final)

Ht 1: [F Hollingworth, W Luff, H Greenwood, Joe Marshall]

Ht 2: [Stanley Flintoff, T Elliot, N Truelove, R Greenwood]

Ht 3: E Whiteley, [Dusty Haigh, N Bebbington, Walter Wild]

Ht 4: [George Corney, W Furness, E Marshall, E Kershaw]

Ht 5: [T Lodge, F Nicholls, Jim Quarmby, D Crowther, Joe Armitage]
*Final: E Marshall, George Corney, E Whiteley 113.0

One Mile British Track Record Attempt (Record 86.0)

Spencer Stratton

Solo General Race (4 fastest heat winners to final)

Ht 1: [Arnold Moore, Eddie Flintoff, Dusty Haigh, E Gregory]

Ht 2: [George Corney, F Hollingworth, J A Smith, Norman Hemingway)

Ht 3: George Reynard, [W Luff, N Peacock, Geoff Wilson]

Ht 4: [Arnold Moore, G C Holt, George Wigfield, Bert Clayton]

Ht 5: [Austin Humphries, Billy Burrows, Lester Moore, Stanley Flintoff]

Ht 6: [Tom Barnes, Alec Tidswell, Joe Mitchell, Walter Wild]

Ht 7: Bob Allen, [Sid Hemingway, George Hopkinson, W Furness]

Final: Geoff Taylor, George Reynard, Bob Allen 106.4

Track Record Attempts

Dick Hayman	97.8
Geoff Taylor	97.8
Oliver Langton	101.8
Alec Jackson	107.4

Alec Tidswell George Reynard

^{*}Result does not match heat line-ups

Senior Race (4 fastest heat winners to final)

Ht 1: [Tom Barnes, Alec Jackson, Austin Humphries, Jimmy Hindle]

Ht 2: [W E Egerton, George Wigfield, Alec Tidswell, Dusty Haigh]

Ht 3: [Joe Mitchell, Eddie Flintoff, Norman Hemingway, George Corney]

Ht 4: George Reynard, [George Hopkinson, F Hollingworth, Bob Allen]

Ht 5: [Geoff Taylor, Bert Clayton, Geoff Wilson, J A Smith]

Ht 6: Arnold Moore, [Oliver Langton, E Gregory, Cliff Mawson]

Ht 7: [G C Holt, Sid Hemingway, N Peacock, T Lodge]

Final: George Reynard, Lester Moore, Arnold Moore 106.8

Challenge Race

Alec Jackson beat Oliver Langton 105.6

Thrum Hall Expert Scratch Race

Ht 1: [Spencer Stratton, W E Egerton, Alec Jackson]

Ht 2: Oliver Langton, [Geoff Taylor, Dick Hayman]

Ht 3: George Reynard, [Jimmy Hindle, George Corney]

Ht 4: [Norman Hemingway, Arnold Moore, Alec Tidswell]

Final: Oliver Langton, George Reynard, Cliff Mawson (res) 103.0

Halifax v Barnsley Team Race

Ht 1: [George Corney (H), Alec Tidswell (H), Arnold Moore (B), Tom Barnes (B)]

Ht 2: [Oliver Langton (H), Norman Hemingway (H), Lester Moore (B), Joe Mitchell (B)]

Ht 3: [George Reynard (H), Cliff Mawson (H), George Hopkinson (B), Bob Allen (B)]

Final:

One Lap Track Record Attempt

Spencer Stratton (f)

Thursday, 13th September 1928, Thrum Hall, Halifax

Sheffield Independent 14.9.28; Yorkshire Post 14.9.28 6,000

Brothers' Challenge Race (5 laps)

Arthur Moore bt Lester Moore 121.4

Junior Race

Tommy Allott, Jack Dudding, Jim Quarmby 110.8

General Race

SF: E Marshall, Austin Humphries

Final: Austin Humphries, Bob Allen, E Marshall 109.0

Senior Race

SF: Mark Sheldon 107.4 Final: Mark Sheldon, Arthur Moore, Geoff Wilson 109.0

Thrum Hall Expert Race

Billy Burrows, Bob Allen, Joe Mitchell 112.6

Thrum Hall Scratch Race

Ht 2: Billy Burrows, Cliff Mawson

SF: [Arthur Moore (f)]

Challenge Race

A B Drew bt Alec Tidswell (ef)

Thursday, 20th September 1928, Thrum Hall, Halifax

Junior Race

Ht 3: [W Luff (f)]

Final: George Greenwood, H Greenwood*, Harold Leach 105.0

General Scratch Race

George Reynard, Alec Tidswell, Cliff Mawson 106.6.

Senior Race

George Reynard, Cliff Mawson, B C Williams 103.0

Thrum Hall Expert Race

George Reynard, Alec Hill, Bob Allan 106.4

Track Record Attempts

George Reynard101.8Alec Hill104.8Alec Tidswell109.0Eddie Walker112.8

One Mile Track Record Attempt

Sig Schlam (f)

Also Rode: W Luff, Eva Askquith

Thursday, 27th September 1928, Thrum Hall, Halifax

Sheffield Independent 28.9.28; Yorkshire Post 28.9.28

Following a crash, George Hopkinson was taken to hospital suffering from a suspected fractured skull.

Challenge Race

Clem Beckett bt George Reynard 100.0

Junior Race

Walter Wild, E Whiteley, N Truelove 120.0

General Scratch Race

Cliff Mawson, Alec Hill, Jack Dudding 107.2

Thrum Hall Expert Race

Ht 1: [George Hopkinson (f)]

Final: Clem Beckett, George Reynard, Lester Moore 105.0

Thrum Hall Handicap

Ht: Clem Beckett Ht: Alec Tidswell

Final: Clem Beckett, Arthur Moore, A Ledgard 97.4

^{*}Possibly R Greenwood

Thursday, 4th October 1928, Thrum Hall, Halifax

Yorkshire Evening Post 3.10.28

6,000

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Final: George Corney, Norman Hemmingway, Jack Leach	115.4
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Gold Vase

Final: George Reynard, Walter Wild, Cliff Mawson	107.4
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Senior Scratch Race

Final: Dusty Haigh, George Wigfield, Skid Skinner 104.4

Challenge Race

Norman Dawson bt George Reynard 101.4

Thrum Hall Handicap

Final: Cliff Mawson (8), Dusty Haigh (4), George Reynard (3), Clem Beckett (f) 105.4

British Mile Record Attempt

Clem Beckett	84.2
Skid Skinner	87.2

Thrum Hall Record Attempt

Dusty Haigh	100.8
Allan Earp	104.4

Thursday, 11th October 1928, Thrum Hall, Halifax

Yorkshire Post 12.10.28

Junior Scratch Race

Walter Wild, Geoff Wilson, A Truelove	119.8
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Senior Scratch Race

Ron Johnson, George Reynard, Allen Earp 100.4

Challenge Race

George Reynard bt Dusty Haigh 97.0

Thrum Hall Handicap

George Corney, Jack Leach, Dusty Haigh 108.8

Track Record Attempt, British 1 Mile Attempt

Ron Johnson 84.2 (unsuccessful)

Saturday, 27th October 1928, Thrum Hall, Halifax *Yorkshire Post 29.10.28* 2,000

Charity Event

Junior Scratch Race

Harry Watson, Jim Quarmby, Jack Dudding

109.0

Meeting abandoned after Event 1 due to rain

It is believed that a further meeting was held at Halifax. The date and details of this meeting are not yet known.