

LEEDS (POST HILL) 1928

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8 meetings including dirt track speedway have been found for this venue, which was best known for hill climbs. The speedway was apparently built at the base of the hill climb, on flat ground. The track length was about 354 yards - races of mainly 5 laps were staged, with lap times being in the region of 26 secs.

The meetings usually included a combination of dirt track racing on a designated speedway track, short circuit racing for cars and motorcycles on a larger, irregular-shaped track, which incorporated a 'hill', together with hill climb events. The site also included a longer circuit of irregular shape, with right and left hand bends.

Monday, 9th April 1928, Leeds (Post Hill)

1st-ever meeting. Fay Taylour took part.

Novices 350cc (4 laps)

Final: Billy Travis, J H Hall, [H Sagar, L Sunter, W G Adams, A F Binks, W Luff] 108.0

Experts 350cc (4 laps)

Ht 1: George Reynard, T F Leak, [H Sagar, A F Binks, F Dean, J A Smith, T F Leak]

Ht 2: G P Taylor, Alec Hill, [Billy Travis, J H Hall, A J Mitchell, Ronnie Walkington]

Final: George Reynard, Alec Hill, [T F Leak, G P Taylor] 97.0

Novices Unlimited cc (4 laps)

Ht 1: Billy Travis, W Northrop, [W Rogers, John Scatcherd, C E Harding, A Walker (f, rmtd), Billy Dalby]

Ht 2: L Dunn, Ernie Waterman, [H Sagar, A F Binks, J Everingham, A Remmer]

Ht 3: W Walker, J Law, [W Luff, F Backhouse (f), W Backhouse, J H Hall]

Final: L Dunn, Ernie Waterman 109.0

Experts Unlimited cc (4 laps)

Ht 1: Arnold Moore, G P Taylor, [Alec Mitchell, W Rogers, J Everingham, Billy Dalby]

Ht 2: George Reynard, Billy Milner, [Alec Hill, Ronnie Walkington, Frank Varey, Stanley Flintoff]

Ht 3: F Dean, T F Leak, [F Backhouse, J Law, Eddie Flintoff, Eddie Walker]

Final: Arnold Moore, George Reynard 97.0

Extra Class (10 laps)

Ht 1: Alec Hill, G P Taylor*

Ht 2: T F Leak, F Dean

Ht 3: Frank Varey, Billy Milner

Ht 4: George Reynard, J A Smith

Final: T F Leak, Alec Hill 242.0

* Believed to be Geoff Taylor

Grade B (5 laps)

Ht 1: [J H Law, N Croft, Stanley Flintoff, C W Horrell]

Ht 2: [Billy Dalby, W Luff, Dennis Atkinson, S Bell]

Ht 3: [A Bryden, 'A N Other', Ernie Waterman, A Lucas]

Ht 4: [Stanley Bryden, Art Waterman, Ted Flintoff, Billy Travis, Frank Nichols]

Reserves: F W Senior, R Baines, J Law

Grade A (5 laps)

Ht 1: [John Scatcherd, L Dunn, C E Harding, H Mitchell, C Helm]

Ht 2: [Billy Lye, A Mitchell, Arthur Moore, Ronnie Walkington, Alec Hill]

Sunday, 13th May 1928, Leeds (Post Hill)

2nd meeting

Challenge Race

W Luff bt G S Taylor 146.0

Grade D (5 laps)

Ht 1: A N Other, [G S Taylor, A H Paver, S Patchett] 149.0

Ht 2: F W Senior, [W G Adams, C E Nash, W Luff] 139.0

Ht 3: Billy Burrows, [E B Cawood, L Sunter, F C Taylor] 139.0

Final: F W Senior 131.0

Grade A (5 laps)

Ht 1: George Reynard, [Geoff Taylor, Sid Hemingway] 122.0

Ht 2: Alec Hill, [A Mitchell, T F Leak] 123.0

Ht 3: Billy Milner, [Frank Varey, A Moore*] 125.0

Final George Reynard 127.0

Grade B (5 laps)

Ht 1: Eddie Walker, [C E Harding, J A Hudson, W Backhouse] 122.0

Ht 2: Billy Dalby, [J H Hall, Eddie Flintoff, E Waterman] 128.0

Ht 3: J A Smith, [Reg Kneeshaw, A Walker, Stanley Flintoff] 126.0

Ht 4: L Dunn, [Billy Lye, Billy Travis, John Scatcherd] 130.0

Final: Eddie Flintoff 125.0

Grade C (5 laps)

Ht 1: J Law, [J Everingham, W Hutchinson, J Kermean] 125.0

Ht 2: A Remmer, [Ewart Haswell, H Windsor] 133.0

Ht 3: Jimmy France, [F Backhouse, L McDermott] 147.0

Final: J Law 146.0

350cc Open (5 laps)

Final George Reynard [T F Leak, J A Smith, G S Taylor, Alec Hill] 120.0

Unlimited Open (5 laps)

Final: Billy Milner, [Eddie Walker, C E Harding, A Walker, Billy Lye] 122.0

Experts (10 laps)

Ht 1: Alec Hill [T F Leak, Sid Hemingway] 257.0

Ht 2: George Reynard, [A Moore*, Alec Mitchell] 233.0

Ht 3: W Milner, [Frank Varey, Geoff Taylor] 248.0

Final: George Reynard 230.0

* Arnold Moore from Huddersfield or Arthur Moore from Barnsley

Sidecars

E Walker, B Brydon

125.0

Tuesday, 29th May 1928, Leeds (Post Hill)

3rd meeting. 6,000. Races also held for cars and sidecars.

Grade D - Novices (5 laps)

Ht 1: "A Rider"

Ht 2: George Greenwood

Ht 3: "A N Other"

Final: "A Rider", George Greenwood 128.0

Grade C (5 laps)

Ht 1: F W Senior

Ht 2: A Remmer

Ht 3: J Everingham

Ht 4: W G Adams

Final: J Everingham, A Remmer 136.0

Grade B (5 laps)

Ht 1: C E Harding

Ht 2: Ernie Waterman

Ht 3: Eddie Walker

Ht 4: J Smith

Ht Final: Eddie Walker, C E Harding 126.0

Grade A (5 laps)

Ht 1: C E Harding

Ht 2: Eddie Walker

Ht 3: Walter Hillas

Final: C E Harding, Eddie Walker 127.0

Personal Challenge

Ht 1: F Backhouse

Ht 2: George Greenwood

Ht 3: W Senior

Final: W Senior no time

3 Fastest Riders Race

C E Harding 120.0

Sunday, 1st July 1928, Leeds (Post Hill)

4th meeting

Grade A (5 laps)

Ht 1: Billy Burrows 123.0

Ht 2: Eddie Walker 117.0

Ht 3: Billy Milner 117.0

Final: Billy Milner 117.0

Grade B (5 laps)

Ht 1: L Dunn	131.0
Ht 2: R Baines	135.0
Ht 3: Ronnie Walkington	124.0
Final: R Baines	133.0

Grade C (5 laps)

Ht 1: John Scatcherd	125.0
Ht 2: A Remmer	130.0
Ht 3: W Luff	127.0
Final: J Scatcherd	120.0

Grade D (5 laps)

Ht 1: D Harkness	130.0
Ht 2: Stanley Bryden	137.0
Ht 3: Arthur Atkinson	128.0
Ht 4: A Walker	125.0
Final: Arthur Atkinson	125.0

250cc Challenge Race

F Hawker bt H Furbank	145.0
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Solos 350cc

Ht 1: Alec Hill	116.0
Ht 2: Ronnie Walkington	124.0
Ht 3: Ewart Haswell	125.0
Ht 4: W Luff	125.0
Final: Alec Hill	119.0

Solos Unlimited

Ht 1: Billy Milner	117.0
Ht 2: Ernie Waterman	126.0
Ht 3: Jphn Scatcherd	122.0
Ht 4: D Harkness	123.0
Ht 5: W Backhouse	122.0
Ht 6: Billy Lye	119.0
SF1: Billy Milner	116.0
SF2: Billy Lye	118.0
Final: Billy Lye	116.0

Speedway Record Plaque Race (3 fastest riders)

Billy Lye, Billy Milner, Alec Hill	116.0
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Wednesday, 11th July 1928 Leeds (Post Hill)

5th meeting

Grade C

Ht 1: H E Walkington, J Hunt	126.0
Ht 2: J Langton	131.0
Final: J Hunt, H E Walkington	128.0

Grade D

Ht 1: W Adams, A N Other 129.0
Ht 2: Dennis Atkinson, Craig 133.0
Final: W Adams, Dennis Atkinson 131.0

Grade B

Ht 1: Ernie Waterman, P Harvey 124.0
Ht 2: A Remmer, McDermott 131.0
Final: Ernie Waterman, P Harvey, A Remmer (f, rmtd f) 122.0

Grade A

Ronnie Walkington, J Hunt 122.0

10 Lap

Ronnie Walkington, Ernie Waterman, W G Adams 243.0

Knockout

Round One

Ht 1: J Langron

Ht 2: W G Adams

Ht 3: A N Other

Ht 4: Ronnie Walkington 121.0

Ht 5: E Waterman

Round Two

Ht 1: Ronnie Walkington 123.0

Ht 2: J Langron 128.0

Final: Ronnie Walkington, J Langron 123.0

Sunday, 29th July 1928, Leeds (Post Hill)

8,000. 6th meeting. Combined meeting with short circuit (motor cycles & cars) and hill climb events.

Grade D

Ht 1: J Everingham, [J Francis, Stanley Bryden, J Law]

Ht 2: A Watson*, [Billy Travis, G B Bode]

Final: J Everingham 124.0

*Possibly Albert Watson

Grade C

Ht 1: E Haswell, [L Dunn, P Harvey]

Ht 2: J Langron, [A Baines, 'A Rider']

Ht 3: F Backhouse, [H E Walkington, L McDermott]

Final: E Haswell 122.0

Grade B

Ht 1: R Baines, [D Harkness]

Ht 2: W Luff, [J W Brigham]

Ht 3: Arthur Atkinson, [W Adams]

Final: Arthur Atkinson 120.0

Grade A

Ht 1: Geoff Taylor

Ht 2: John Scatcherd

Ht 3: Alec Hill
Final: Alec Hill 115.0

Speedway Record Plaque Race
Arthur Atkinson 117.0

Sidecar Event
E Walker, Leach, B Brydon 113.0

Sunday, 2nd September 1928, Leeds (Post Hill)

7th meeting. Combined meeting with short circuit and hill climb races.

Grade C (5 laps)
Stanley Bryden 116.0

Grade B (5 laps)
J W Brigham 113.0

Grade A (5 laps)
Arthur Atkinson 110.0 (record)

Challenge Race (5 laps)
R H Smith 116.0

Sunday, 9th September 1928, Leeds (Post Hill)

8th meeting. Combined meeting with short circuit and hill climb races.

Grade B
Ht 1: J Law
Ht 2: Billy Dalby
Ht 3: R Baines
Ht 4: Jim Quarmby
Ht 5: Greenwood
Final: R Baines, Greenwood, Quarmby, Billy Dalby 114.8

Grade A
Ht 1: Hirst Mitchell
Ht 2: John Scatcherd
Ht 3: Alec Hill 108.6
Final: Alec Hill, John Scatcherd, Hirst Mitchell 107.4

Other non-speedway events took place at this venue, including on the short circuit, the long circuit and hill climb.