

THORNE 1930

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Sources

HoBS = Homes of British Speedway (Bamford & Jarvis); Sh Ind = Sheffield Independent; HDM = Hull Daily Mail; SDT = Sheffield Daily Telegraph; MST = Mexborough & Swinton Times, SG = Star & Green 'Un
Additional information from Graeme Frost, Les Drury, Graham Gleave and Matt Jackson.

Saturday, 22nd March 1930, Woodhouse Road, Thorne

HoBS, SDT 24.3.30

Establishment of Track Record

Skid Fenton 88.2

Wrigley Cup

Final: B Jackley, Spud Hobson, Dan Leggott 95.2

Speedway Trophy

Spud Hobson, Judd Heath, R Gatley 94.2

Flying 9

Skid Fenton, Judd Heath, Dan Leggott 94.8

Saturday, 29th March 1930, Woodhouse Road, Thorne

SDT 31.3.30

Cuttriss Cup

Dowse, Hobson, Heath, 'Tearalong' Long 99.8

Flying Nine

Heath, Gatley 91.5

Speedway Trophy

Gatley, Heath, Dowse 95.5

Match Race

Hobson bt 'Tearalong' Long 96.0

Saturday, 5th April 1930, Woodhouse Road, Thorne

Sh Ind 7.4.30

Remarkable escapes ... "Black ran into the wall [!] ... scattered officials ... and came to rest on an ambulance stretcher" ; "Hind skidded and fell. Rambler, immediately behind, made a flying leap over the grounded machine and its rider, and his machine went as high as the top of the wall [!!]"

Wrigley Cup

"Jud" Heath, "Hurricane" Dowse (only 2 finishers) 101.0

Flying 9
"Hurricane" Dowse, "Jud" Heath, Dan Leggott 92.0

Match Race
"Hurricane" Dowse beat "Jud" Heath 93.5

Speedway Trophy
Gatley, "Hurricane" Dowse, "Jud" Heath

Saturday, 12th April 1930, Woodhouse Road, Thorne
Yorkshire 2 Lincolnshire 6
MST 18.6.30, SG 12.4.30, SDT 14.4.30

Challenge Race
Yorkshire 2 Lincolnshire 6

Cuttriss Cup
Final: Gatley, Long (f rmtd), Holmes, Heath (mf) 97.0

Speedway Trophy
Gatley, Long, Dowse 91.5

Thursday, 17th April 1930, Woodhouse Road, Thorne
SDT 18.4.30

Wrigley Cup
Bingham, Frow 92.2

Speedway Trophy
Frow, Hobson 96.0

Match Race
Long bt Dowse 95.0

Track Record Attempt
Bateman (unsuccessful)

Saturday, 26th April 1930, Woodhouse Road, Thorne
HDM 29.4.30; Sh Ind 28.4.30

Track Record Attempts
Flying start: Archie Bingham 79.6 (record)
Standing start: Archie Bingham 86.0 (record)

Cuttriss Cup
[Ht: Bingham](#) 86.0 (standing start record)
Final: "Twister" Holmes (only finisher- Bingham injured) 92.6

Match Race
Harvey (Sheffield) beat "Twister" Holmes 88.0

Speedway Championship

Ht.1: J Frow

88.0

Speedway Trophy

Final: J Frow, "Twister" Holmes, "Hurricane" Dowse

89.0

Saturday, 3rd May 1930, Woodhouse Road, Thorne*SDT 5.5.30***Wrigley Cup**

A Bingham, J Frow, Fenton

94.0

Speedway Championship

Dowse

113.0

Speedway Trophy

Bingham, 'Tearalong' Long, Holmes

92.5

Tuesday, 13th May 1930, Woodhouse Road, Thorne*SDT 14.5.30*Postponed until 15th May due to rain.**Thursday, 15th May 1930, Woodhouse Road, Thorne***Sh Ind 16.5.30, SDT 16.5.30***Speedway Handicap**

Final: "Skid" Fenton, George Greenwood

115.5

Match Race

"Hurricane" Dowse beat "Twister" Holmes

85.5

Speedway Trophy

Final: "Spud" Hobson, 'Tearaway' Long, Tommy Bateman

101.5

Match Race (miniature motor-cycles, 2 laps)

Hobson

97.5

Track Record Attempt

'Twister' Holmes (unsuccessful)

Speedway Championship

Ht: Dowse & Heath (dead heat)

Tuesday, 20th May 1930, Woodhouse Road, Thorne

Sh Ind 21.5.30

Cuttriss Cup

George Greenwood, "Spud" Hobson, T Long 101.0

Match Races

Archie Bingham beat T Long 98.0

"Jud" Heath beat "Spud" Hobson 93.5

Speedway Trophy

Archie Bingham, Tommy Bateman, "Jud" Heath 92.0

Flying Lap Record

Holmes 28.6

Track Record Attempt

Greenwood 94.6 (unsuccessful)

Tuesday, 3rd June 1930, Woodhouse Road, Thorne

SDT 4.6.30

Match Race

Archie Bingham bt Cyclone Smith (f) 87.5

Wrigley Cup

Smith, J Frow, Bateman 92.0

Lap Record Attempts (record 28.0)

C Smith 37.0

T Long 23.4 (record)

Speedway Trophy

Bateman, Long ?

Tuesday, 10th June 1930, Woodhouse Road, Thorne

HDM 12.6.30; Sh Ind 11.6.30

There was "a mere handful of spectators. Riders were not plentiful"

Cuttriss Cup

Final: Hurricane Dowse, Long, Twister Holmes 98.0

Speedway Trophy

Final: Tommy Bateman, Dan Leggott, Long 99.0

Track Record Attempt

Dowse (unsuccessful)

Tuesday, 24th June 1930, Woodhouse Road, Thorne

Sh Ind 25.6.30

Wrigley Cup

Final: "Hurricane" Dowse, Brown, "Spud" Hobson 89.0

Speedway Trophy

Ht: [Dowse, Brown \(f\)](#)

Final: Brown, "Jud" Heath 87.6

Match Race

T Long beat Dan Leggatt 91.6

Tuesday, 1st July 1930, Woodhouse Road, Thorne

Last-ever meeting at this venue?

Cuttriss Cup

Tommy Bateman