

BIRMINGHAM (PERRY BARR) 1928

ALEXANDER SPORTS STADIUM

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Thursday, 12th July 1928

Organised by SUNBAC (Sutton Coldfield and North Birmingham Auto Club) Opening meeting 6,000 crowd.

350cc

SF1: Harry Taft, Bunny Wilcox, K H Sanders (f)

SF2: Gordon Baxter

Final: Harry Taft, Gordon Baxter, Bunny Wilcox 98.8

500cc

SF1: Jack Lloyd, C Bowers

SF2: George Fletcher

Final: Charlie Bowers 101.4

Golden Helmet

Charlie Bowers, Harry Taft (f)

Match Race

Sprouts Elder (scr) beat Cyril Taft (8 sec)

Saturday, 14th July 1928

Inter-Club Event

SUNBAC beat Ilford 4 heats to 2

Final: Gordon Baxter, Harry Taft, [Stan Saunders (f)]

500cc Final

Gordon Baxter, H Wilkinson, H Taft (f) 97.4

Golden Helmet Final

Gordon Baxter (f, rm) beat Harry Taft 108.2

Also rode: Alan W Day

Saturday, 21st July 1928

Crowd 2,000.

500cc Scratch

Final: Gordon Baxter, C Bowers, [Bunny Wilcox] 99.2

Handicap Event

Ht 1: Gordon Baxter 98.2

Final: Harry Taft, Gordon Baxter, [Syd Jackson, Bunny Wilcox]

Golden Helmet

Ht: Harry Taft, Bunny Wilcox

Ht: Gordon Baxter, C Bowers

Final: Gordon Baxter, Harry Taft, Bunny Wilcox 98.2

Also Rode: Cyril Taft

Saturday, 28th July 1928

Handicap

Ht: Harry Taft (exc)

Ht: Patrick, Lloyd

Final: Dilly Gittins, John Lloyd 103.8

Golden Helmet

Final: Harry Taft, Dilly Gittins, Jack Lloyd 96.4

Visitors Race

A Jennings*, Doris Webster

*possibly Jack Jennings

Scratch

Ht 1: Harry Taft, Jack Lloyd

SF: Cyril Taft (exc), Dilly Gittins (f), Gordon Baxter (f, ns)

SF: Jack Lloyd, Harry Taft, Bunny Wilcox

Final: Harry Taft, John Lloyd, Bunny Wilcox 92.4 (new record)

Saturday, 4th August 1928

Scratch Event

Final: Jack Lloyd, Bunny Wilcox, Stan Reynolds (f) 93.6

Handicap Event

Final: Jack Lloyd, Dilly Gittins, Bill Stanley (f)

Golden Helmet

Final: Jack Lloyd, Bunny Wilcox 96.8

500cc

SF: S Reynolds, C Taft, F Lloyd

Lap Record Attempt

Jack Lloyd 93.4 (unsuccessful)

Also Rode: Gordon Baxter, Harry Taft

Wednesday, 8th August 1928

Scratch Event

Ht: Bunny Wilcox

Final: Bunny Wilcox, Dilly Gittins, Ivan Anslow (f) 96.0

Handicap Event

Final: Bill Stanley (3), Dilly Gittins (scr), A.E. Newman (3) 103.4

Golden Helmet

Final: Bunny Wilcox, Dilly Gittins, Bill Stanley (f, rmted) 97.8

Saturday, 11th August 1928

Track Record Attempts (record 21.6 by Sprouts Elder)

Cyril Taft

21.6 (equalled record)

Gordon Baxter, Bunny Wilcox and Bert Perrigo all unsuccessful

Scratch Race

Taft, Perrigo, F H Chambers

92.6

Handicap Event

Final: Bunny Wilcox, A E Newman, Geoff Litherland

Golden Helmet

Final: Deferred to 15 August as one of the riders' machines was damaged.

Also rode in heats: Doris Webster

Wednesday, 15th August 1928

Golden Helmet (held over from Saturday)

Final: Harry Taft, Bunny Wilcox, Bert Perrigo

Match Race

SF: Harry Taft bt Bunny Wilcox

SF: Gordon Baxter bt Charlie Bowers

Final: Harry Taft bt Gordon Baxter (f)

Cotswold Scratch

SF: Harry Taft, Bunny Wilcox

Final: Bunny Wilcox, Cyril Taft, [Harry Taft (fell)]

SUNBAC Handicap

Final: F H Chambers (11), Dilly Gittins (6)

Golden Helmet

Final: Bunny Wilcox, F H Chambers

Saturday, 18th August 1928

Bushcombe Handicap

SF: Jack Parker, Bert Perrigo
Final: Harry Taft, Bert Perrigo

Alexander Race

SF: Jack Parker
Final: Jack Parker, Ivan Anslow

91.2 (record)

Lap Record Attempts

Jack Parker

1st attempt: (unsuccessful)

2nd attempt:

21.6 (equalled record)

Saturday, 25th August 1928

Golden Helmet

Final: Harry Taft

Gambles Handicap

Final: Harry Taft, Jack Parker, Doris Webster

Stanton Race

Final: Bert Perrigo

Lap Record Attempts

Harry Taft

21.2 (record)

Jack Parker

21.6

Wednesday, 29th August 1928

Ht: Cyril Taft

97.6

Final: Cyril Taft, Billy Dallison, Ivan Anslow

94.6

Handicap Event

Final: Ivan Anslow (7), Stan Reynolds (12), E. Roden (14), Cyril Taft (2) (f)

108.4

Match Race

Cyril Taft, Charlie Bowers, Jack Butler

Saturday, 1st September 1928

President Handicap

Jack Parker, Bunny Wilcox, Charlie Bowers (f)

89.4

Sunbac Handicap

Jack Parker (2 secs), Len Greenhalgh (12), Bert Perrigo

104.6

Lap Record Attempt

Jack Parker

21.2 (equalled record)