

Eastbourne 1955

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Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> April 1955 Arlington Stadium, Eastbourne  
 Eastbourne Eagles 23 California Poppies 61 (Southern Area League)

Eastbourne

Wally Wilson	2	F	1	3	6	
George Smithson	0	1	0	1	2	0
Reeve Turrell	0	0	0	1'	1	1
Bob Bunney	1	1	1	2	5	
Alan Brett	F	E	2	1	3	
Bert Little	3	1	1'	5	1	
Reg Davis	F	E	0	0		
Dave Collett	1	0	0	1		

California

Pete Mould	1	3	2'	E	6	1
Gil Goldfinch	3	3	3	3	12	
Jimmy Gleed	2'	2'	2'	3	9	3
Eric Hockaday	3	3	0	3	9	
Bob Andrews	2	3	3	1'	9	1
Ross Gilbertson	1'	2'	2'	2'	7	4
Tommy Sweetman	2'	2'	4	2		
Charlie Cheshire	3	2	5			

Ht1 Goldfinch, Wilson, Mould, Smithson	76.4	2	4	2	4
Ht2 Hockaday, Gleed, Bunney, Turrell	73.2	1	5	3	9
Ht3 Little, Andrews, Gilbertson, Brett (f)	71.8	3	3	6	12 <sup>^</sup>
Ht4 Mould, Sweetman, Bunney, Davies (f)	72.0	1	5	7	17
Ht5 Hockaday, Gleed, Smithson, Wilson (f)	73.0	1	5	8	22
Ht6 Andrews, Gilbertson, Bunney, Turrell	72.6	1	5	9	27
Ht7 Goldfinch, Mould, Little, Brett (ef)	71.6	1	5	10	32
Ht8 Cheshire, Gleed, Collett, Turrell	74.2	1	5	11	37
Ht9 Andrews, Gilbertson, Wilson, Smithson	73.8	1	5	12	42
Ht10 Goldfinch, Bunney, Turrell, Mould (ef)	71.2	3	3	15	45
Ht11 Gleed, Brett, Little, Hockaday	72.0	3	3	18	48
Ht12 Wilson, Cheshire, Andrews, Davis (ef)	73.8	3	3	21	51
Ht13 Hockaday, Sweetman, Brett, Collett	72.2	1	5	22	56
Ht14 Goldfinch, Gilbertson, Smithson, Collett	72.8	1	5	23	61 <sup>^</sup>

<sup>^</sup> Alts 3 - Brett ef 14 Little last (ef)

Reserves Race: Sweetman, Cheshire, Turrell, Collett 72.2  
 Team Trial Race: Collett, Turrell, Warner, Davis (ef) 75.2  
 Hardluck Scratch Race: Gleed, Bunney, Hockaday, Smithson 71.6  
 Senior Scratch Race: Goldfinch, Little, Andrews, Willson 72.2

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> April 1955 California in Reading, Wokingham  
 California Poppies 52 Eastbourne Eagles 30 (Southern Area League)

California

Eric Hockaday	1	2'	3	3	9	1
Jimmy Gleed	3	3	0	1	7	
Gil Goldfinch	2'	2'	3	3	10	2
Pete Mould	3	3	3	2'	11	1
Bob Andrews	0	0				
Ron Sharp	2	2	1	E	5	

Ross Gilbertson	3	1	F	3	7
Tommy Sweetman	1'	0	0	2'	3 2

Eastbourne

Wally Wilson	2	2	3	1	8
Jack Taylor	0	0	3		3
Jim Preedy	X	0	0	3	3
Bob Bunney	1	1	2'	1	5 1
Allan Brett	X				0
Bert Little	1'	F	1'	2'	4 3
Dave Collett	0	1	2	0	3
Dave Freeborn	0	2	2		4

Ht1 Glead, Wilson, Hockaday, Freeborn	69.0	4	2	4	2
Ht2 Mould Goldfinch, Bunney, Preedy (exc)	75.4	5	1	9	3
Ht3 Gilbertson, Sharp, Little, Brett (exc) Andrews (f) (ns)	70.4	5	1	14	4
Ht4 Mould, Wilson, Gilbertson, Collett	72.2	4	2	18	6
Ht5 Glead, Hockaday, Bunney, Preedy	71.6	5	1	23	7
Ht6 Mould, Goldfinch, Collett, Little (f)	73.0	5	1	28	8
Ht7 Wilson, Sharp, Sweetman, Taylor (ef)	72.0	3	3	31	11
Ht8 Goldfinch, Freeborn, Sweetman (ef), Preedy(exc)	71.6	3	2	34	13
Ht9 Hockaday, Collett, Little, Glead	72.0	3	3	37	16
Ht10 Goldfinch, Mould, Wilson, Taylor	71.6	5	1	42	17
Ht11 Preedy, Bunney, Sharp, Sweetman	74.4	1	5	43	22
Ht12 Hockaday, Freeborn, Gilbertson (f) Brett (ns)	73.4	3	2	46	24
Ht13 Gilbertson, Sweetman, Bunney, Collett	71.4	5	1	51	25
Ht14 Taylor, Little, Glead, Sharp (ef)	74.0	1	5	52	30

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> May 1955 Arlington Stadium, Eastbourne  
Championship of Sussex Trophy Rained Off

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> May 1955 Arlington Stadium, Eastbourne  
Eastbourne Eagles 33 Rye House Roosters 47 (Southern Area League)

Eastbourne

Wally Wilson	2	1	2	3	8
Alan Brett	E	E	E	E	0
Harry Wilson	0	3	3	2	8
Bob Bunney	2	3	1	E	6
Jim Preedy	2	1	0	E	3
Bert Little	0	3	1	1	5
Dave Collett	E	2'			2 1
Dave Freeborn	F	F	1		1

Rye House

Stan Bedford	1	2	2	1	6
Vic Ridgeon	3	F	3	3	9
Mike Broadbanks	3	3	F	3	9
Bill Simpson	1	2'	2'	2'	7 3
Vernon Brown	1	2	1	1	5
Al Sparrey	3	F	3	2'	8 1
Gerry King	F	0			0
Dave Slater	E	3			3

Ht1 Ridgeon, W.Wilson, Bedford, Brett (ef)	68.4	2	4	2	4
Ht2 Broadbanks, Bunney, Simpson, H.Wilson	68.6	2	4	4	8
Ht3 Sparrey, Preedy, Brown, Little	71.8	2	4	6	12
Ht4 Buney, Bedford, Collett (ef), Slater (ef)	70.0	3	2	9	14
Ht5 Broadbanks, Simpson, W.Wilson, Brett (ef)	67.8	1	5	10	19

Ht6 H.Wilson, Brown, Bunney, Sparrey (f0)	71.6	4	2	14	21
Ht7 Little, Bedford, Preddy, Ridgeon (f)	71.6	4	2	18	23
Ht8 H.Wilson, Freeborn (f), Broadbanks (f), King (f)	74.0	3	0	21	23
Ht9 Sparrey, W.Wilson, Brown, Freeborn (f)	70.8	2	4	23	27
Ht10 Ridgeon, H.Wilson, Bedford, Bunney (ef)	68.8	2	4	25	31
Ht11 Broadbanks, Simpson, Little, Preddy	69.0	1	5	26	36
Ht12 W.Wilson, Collett, Brown, King	70.0	5	1	31	37
Ht13 Slater, Simpson, Freeborn, Preddy (ef)	70.4	1	5	32	42
Ht14 Ridgeon, Sparrey, Little, Brett (ef)	68.8	1	5	33	47

Reserves Race

Freeborn, King, Murrell, Slater (ef)	73.2
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Team Trial Race

Murrell, Webb, Warnerm Reg Davis	74.0
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Hardluck Scratch Race

Sparrey, Little, Simpson, Preddy	70.2
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Senior Scratch Race

Broadbanks, Ridgeon, W.Wilson, Bunney	69.2
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Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 1955 Matchams Park, Ringwood  
Ringwood Turfs 55 Eastbourne Eagles 27 (Southern Area League)

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> May 1955 Arlington Stadium, Eastbourne  
The Championship of Sussex

Dan English	1	1	2	3	7		
Wallie Wilson	3	3	3	2	11		
Bob Little	0	3	3	3	9		
Dave Freeborn	2	2	1		5		
Harry Wilson	2	2	2	2	8		
George Smithson	0	2	1	3	6		
Ron Webb	1	1	1	2	5		
Ray Terry	3	3	1	F	7		
George Murrell	E	X	0	2	2		
Reg Davies	2	1	0		3		
Jim Preddy	3	2	3	3	11		
Alan Brett	E	0			0		
Jack Taylor	2	3	3	F	8		
Bob Bunney	1	F	2	E	3		
Dave Collett	0	F			0		
Frank Bettis	3				3		
Bob Warner	0	0	1	1	1	0	3

Ht1 W.Wilson, Freeborn, English, Little	70.2
Ht2 Terry, H.Wilson, Webb, Smithson	72.6
Ht3 Preddy, Davies, Murrell (ef), Brett (ef)	72.8
Ht4 Bettis, Taylor, Bunney, Collett	72.2
Ht5 Taylor, H.Wilson, English, Warner, Webb(fns)	72.0
Ht6 W.Wilson, Smithson, Davies, Bunney (f)	73.2
Ht7 Little, Preddy, Webb, Collett (f)	73.2
Ht8 Terry, Freeborn, Brett (ns), Bettis (fns)	73.2
Ht9 Preddy, English, Smithson, Warner	72.0
Ht10 W.Wilson, H.Wilson, Warner, Brett	71.8
Ht11 Little, Bunney, Terry, Murrell	73.0
Ht12 Taylor, Davies, Webb, Freeborn (ns)	72.4
Ht13 English, Webb, Warner, Bunney (ef)	72.6
Ht14 Preddy, W.Wilson, Terry (f), Taylor (f)	71.2

Ht15 Little, H.Wilson, Warner, Davies 72.0  
 Ht16 Smithson, Murrell, Freeborn, Warner 73.8

Runners Up Scratch Race  
 English, Smithson, H.Wilson (exc), Terry (f) 73.6

Championship Final  
 Little, W.Wilson, Taylor, Preddy (f) 74.0

Sunday 5th June 1955 Brafield Stadium, Brafield  
 Brafield Flying Foxes 61 Eastbourne Eagles 23 (Southern Area League)

Brafield

Neil Roberts	3	2'	1	3	9	1
Vic Hall	2'	3	3	3	11	1
Brian Meredith	3	3	3	3	12	
Dave Hankins	1	3	1	2'	7	1
Fran Greasley	2'	2'	3	2	9	2
Brian Miller	3	3	2'	1	9	1
Colin Goody	0	1			1	
Hank Bird	2'	1'			3	2

Eastbourne

Wally Wilson	1	2	1	1	5	
Dave Freeborn	0	0	0	0	0	
George Smithson	0	1	0	0	1	
Bob Bunney	2	0	1	3	6	
Bert Little	0	0	0	2	2	
Jim Preedy	1	2	2	2	7	
Bob Warner	1'	0			1	1
B Turrell	1	0			1	

Ht1 Roberts, Hall, Wilson, Freeborn	75.4	5	1	5	1
Ht2 Meredith, Bunney, Hankins, Smithson	75.2	4	2	9	3
Ht3 Miller, Greasley, Preedy, Little	75.2	5	1	14	4
Ht4 Hankins, Wilson, Warner, Goody	75.6	3	3	17	7
Ht5 Hall, Roberts, Smithson, Bunney	75.0	5	1	22	8
Ht6 Meredith, Preedy, Hankins, Little	75.6	4	2	26	10
Ht7 Miller, Greasley, Wilson, Freeborn	75.2	5	1	31	11
Ht8 Meredith, Bird, Turrell, Smithson	75.6	5	1	36	12
Ht9 Hall, Preedy, Roberts, Little	75.4	4	2	40	14
Ht10 Meredith, Hankins, Wilson, Freeborn	75.4	5	1	45	15
Ht11 Greasley, Miller, Bunney, Smithson	75.8	5	1	50	16
Ht12 Roberts, Little, Goody, Turrell	75.6	4	2	54	18
Ht13 Bunney, Greasley, Bird, Warner	75.4	3	3	57	21
Ht14 Hall, Preedy, Miller, Freeborn	75.4	4	2	61	23

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June 1955 Arlington Stadium, Eastbourne  
 Eastbourne Eagles 39 Ringwood Turfs 43 (Southern Area League)

Eastbourne

Wally Wilson	2	1'	2	2	7	1
George Murrell	F	2	0	N	2	
Dan English	0	F	N	N	0	
Bob Bunney	2	1'	E	N	3	1
Dave Freeborn	2'	2	0	2'	6	2
Jim Preedy	3	E	2	3	8	
Bob Little	2	0	1'	1'	4	2
George Smithson	3	2	3	1	9	

Ringwood					
Merv Hannam	3	3	3	3	12
Tony Wintour	1	E	0	2	3
George Hutchinson	1	0	2	0	3
Gordon Richards	3	3	3	1	10
Gerry Bridson	1	2'	3	3	9 1
Dick Harris	0	3	1	0	4
Norman Pike	0	1			1
Merv Braunston	1	'	0		1 1

Ht01: Hannam, Willson, Wintour, Murrell (f)	?	2	4	2	4
Ht02: Richards, Bunney, Hutchinson, English	?	2	4	4	8
Ht03: Preddy, Freeborn, Bridson, Harris	?	5	1	9	9
Ht04: Hannam, Little, Bunney, Pike	?	3	3	12	12
Ht05: Richards, Murrell, Willson, Hutchinson	?	3	3	15	15
Ht06: Harris, Bridson, Bunney (ef), English (f)	?	0	5	15	20
Ht07: Hannam, Freeborn, Preddy (ef), Wintour (ef)	?	2	3	17	23
Ht08: Smithson, Hutchinson, Burnstone, Little	?	3	3	20	26
Ht09: Bridson, Willson, Harris, Murrell	?	2	4	22	30
Ht10: Hannam, Smithson, Little, Wintour	?	3	3	25	33
Ht11: Richards, Preddy, Hutchinson, Freeborn	?	2	4	27	37
Ht12: Bridson, Willson, Little, Burnstone	?	3	3	30	40
Ht13: Smithson, Freeborn, Richards, Pike	?	5	1	35	41
Ht14: Preddy, Wintour, Smithson, Harris	?	4	2	39	43

#### Reserves Race:

Little, Pike, Murrell, Burnstone

#### Team Trial Race:

Warner, Collett, Reg Davis, Reeve Turrell

#### Arlington Scurry:

Richards, Murrell, English, Bridson

#### Hailsham Stars:

Hannam, Preddy, Willson, Hutchinson

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> June 1955 Rye House Stadium, Hoddesdon  
 Rye House Roosters 67 Eastbourne Eagles 17 (Southern Area League)

Rye House					
Vic Ridgeon	3	3	3	2'	11 1
Stan Bedford	2'	2'	2'	2	8 3
Bill Simpson	2'	3	3	3	11 1
Al Sparrey	3	2'	1	2'	8 2
Dave Slater	3	2'	3	2'	10 2
Mike Broadbanks	2'	3	2'	3	10 2
Jim Heard	3	1'			4 1
Geoff Woodger	2'	3			5 1

#### Eastbourne

1 WILLSON, Wally 0 0 1 0 4 **1.0** 0.0 1.0  
 2 SMITHSON, George 1 0 1 1 4 **3.0** 0.0 3.0  
 3 ENGLISH, Dan 1 1 1 0 4 **3.0** 0.0 3.0  
 4 BUNNEY, Bob 0 0 1 1 4 **2.0** 0.0 2.0  
 5 FREEBORN, Dave 0 0 2 **0.0** 0.0 0.0  
 6 RICHARDS, Gordon 1 2 1 0 4 **4.0** 0.0 4.0  
 7 LITTLE, Bert 1 0 0 0 4 **1.0** 0.0 1.0  
 8 MURRELL, George 0 **3 2 3.0** 0.0 3.0

**1** RIDGEON V, BEDFORD S, SMITHSON G, Willson W 67.2 5.0 1.0 5.0 1.0  
**2** SPARREY, A SIMPSON, B ENGLISH, D BUNNEY, B 66.2 **5.0** 1.0 **10.0** 2.0  
**3** SLATER, D BROADBANK, M RICHARDS, G FREEBORN, D 66.2 **5.0** 1.0 **15.0** 3.0  
**4** HEARD, J SPARREY, A LITTLE, B WILLSON, W 66.0 **5.0** 1.0 **20.0** 4.0  
**5** RIDGEON, V BEDFORD, S ENGLISH, D BUNNEY, B 65.4 **5.0** 1.0 **25.0** 5.0  
**6** SIMPSON, B RICHARDS, G SPARREY, A FREEBORN, D 66.6 **4.0** 2.0 **29.0** 7.0  
**7** BROADBANK, M SLATER, D WILLSON, W SMITHSON, G 66.2 **5.0** 1.0 **34.0** 8.0  
**8** SIMPSON, B WOODGER, G ENGLISH, D MURRELL, G 67.0 **5.0** 1.0 **39.0** 9.0  
**9** RIDGEON, V BEDFORD, S RICHARDS, G LITTLE, B 66.0 **5.0** 1.0 **44.0** 10.0  
**10** SIMPSON, B SPARREY, A SMITHSON, G WILLSON, W 64.8 **5.0** 1.0 **49.0** 11.0  
**1** RIDGEON, V BEDFORD, S SMITHSON, G WILLSON, W 67.2 **5.0** 1.0 **5.0** 1.0  
**11** SLATER, D BROADBANK, M BUNNEY, B ENGLISH, D 66.6 **5.0** 1.0 **54.0** 12.0  
**12** MURRELL, G BEDFORD, S HEARD, J LITTLE, B 67.4 3.0 3.0 **57.0** 15.0  
**13** WOODGER, G SLATER, D BUNNEY, B LITTLE, B 67.8 **5.0** 1.0 **62.0** 16.0  
**14** BROADBANK, M RIDGEON, V SMITHSON, G RICHARDS, G 64.2 **5.0** 1.0 **67.0** 17.0

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June 1955 Arlington Stadium, Eastbourne  
 Eastbourne Eagles 31 California Poppies 53 (Southern Area League)

Eastbourne

Wally Wilson	1' 1 1 2	5 1
Gerry Bridson	2 F X	2
Merv Hannan	2 2 2 3 3	12
Bob Bunney	0 X 0 0	0
Gordon Richards	1 0 0 3	4
Jim Preedy	0 2 2 1	5
George Smithson	1 1'	2 1
George Murrell	1' 0	1 1

California

Pete Mould	0 2' 1 1	4 1
Gil Goldfinch	3 3 2 2	10
Jimmy Gleed	3 3 3 3	12
Eric Hockaday	1 2' 1 1'	5 2
Bob Andrews	2' 1 3 3	9 1
Tommy Sweetman	3 3 2' 0	8 1
Ron Sharp	3 2	5
Ross Gilbertson	X 0	0

Ht1 Goldfinch, Bridson, Wilson, Mould	68.2	3	3	3	3
Ht2 Gleed, Hannan, Hockaday, Bunney	70.2	2	4	5	7
Ht3 Sweetman, Andrews, Richards, Preedy	68.8	1	5	6	12
Ht4 Sharp, Mould, Smithson, Bunney (fexc)	72.4	1	5	7	17
Ht5 Gleed, Hockaday, Wilson, Bridson (f)	70.0	1	5	8	22
Ht6 Sweetman, Hannan, Andrews, Bunney	71.2	2	4	10	26
Ht7 Goldfinch, Preedy, Mould, Richards	71.4	2	4	12	30
Ht8 Gleed, Hannan, Murrell, Gilbertson (exc)	71.0	3	3	15	33
Ht9 Andrews, Sweetman, Wilson, Bridson (fexc)	72.2	1	5	16	38
Ht10 Hannan, Goldfinch, Mould, Bunney	67.2*	3	3	19	41
Ht11 Gleed, Preedy, Hockaday, Richards	68.8	2	4	21	45
Ht12 Andrews, Wilson, Smithson, Gilbertson	70.2	3	3	24	48
Ht13 Richards, Sharp, Hockaday, Murrell	69.4	3	3	27	51
Ht14 Hannan, Goldfinch, Preedy, Sweetman	68.2	4	2	31	53

Reserves Race

Sharp, Smithson, Freeborn, Gilbertson

Team Trial Race

Warner, Davis, Collett (ef), Murrell (f) 72.0

The Test  
Warner, Sharp, Willison, Bunney 73.0

Arlington Scurry  
Preeday, Hockaday, Richards, Mould 71.4

Hailsham Stars  
Hannan, Glead, Goldfinch, Bridson 70.6

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 1955 California in Reading, Wokingham  
California Poppies 56 Eastbourne Eagles 27 (Southern Area League)

California

Ross Gilbertson	F 3 3 2'	8 1
Gil Goldfinch	F F 1 3	4
Bob Andrews	2' 1 2' 3	8 2
Tommy Sweetman	3 0 1 2'	6 1
Jimmy Glead	3 3 3 3	12
Ron Sharp	2' 3 1 2'	8 1
Eric Hockaday	3 3	6
Peter Mould	3 1	4

Eastbourne

Wally Wilson	3 2 2 1	8
Jim Preedy	2' 0 0 1	3 1
Merv Hannan	1 1' 1 2	5 1
Bob Bunney	0 2 0 0	2
George Smithson	1	1
Glynn Chandler	0 0 0	0
Tom Reader	1' 0 2	3
Gordon Richards	2 0 2 1	5

Ht1 Wilson, Preedy, Gilbertson (f), Goldfinch (f)	70.0	0	5	0	5
Ht2 Sweetman, Andrews, Hannan, Bunney	70.0	5	1	5	6
Ht3 Glead, Sharp, Smithson, Chandler	69.2	5	1	10	7
Ht4 Hockaday, Wilson, Reader, Sweetman	69.2	3	3	13	10
Ht5 Gilbertson, Bunney, Hannan, Goldfinch (f)	70.0	3	3	16	13
Ht6 Sharp, Richards, Andrews, Chandler	70.0	4	2	20	15
Ht7 Glead, Wilson, Sweetman, Preedy	69.2	4	2	24	17
Ht8 Mould, Andrews, Hannan, Richards	70.2	5	1	29	18
Ht9 Gilbertson, Richards, Goldfinch, Chandler	69.0	4	2	33	20
Ht10 Andrews, Sweetman, Wilson, Preedy	71.0	5	1	38	21
Ht11 Glead, Hannan, Sharp, Bunney	68.0	4	2	42	23
Ht12 Hockaday, Gilbertson, Richards, Reader	69.2	5	1	47	24
Ht13 Glead, Reader, Mould, Bunney	69.0	4	2	51	26
Ht14 Goldfinch, Sharp, Preedy, Chandler (ns)	72.0	5	1	56	27

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> July 1955 Arlington Stadium, Eastbourne  
Eastbourne Eagles 36 Rye House Roosters 47 (Southern Area League)

Eastbourne

Wally Wilson	0 3 2 0	5
Jim Preedy	1 2' 1' 1'	5 3
Merv Hannan	3 2 3 3	11
Bob Bunney	0 1' 0	1 1
George Hutchinson	0 1 2 0	3
Gerry Bridson	1 0 1' 2	4 1
George Smithson	2 2' 1	
Dave Freeborn	0 2	2

Rye House				
Stan Bedford	2' 3	2' F	7	2
Vic Ridgeon	3 3	X 3	9	
Dave Slater	1' 1	2 0	4	1
Jim Heard	2 0	3 3	8	
Bill Simpson	2' 1	0 2'	5	2
Mike Broadbanks	3 3	3 F	9	
Vernon Brown	0 1		1	
Dave Collett	1' 3		4	1

Ht1 Ridgeon, Bedford, Preedy, Wilson	69.4	1	5	1	5
Ht2 Hannan, Heard, Slater, Bunney	68.2	3	3	4	8
Ht3 Broadbanks, Simpson, Bridson, Hutchinson	67.8	1	5	5	13
Ht4 Bedford, Smithson, Bunney, Brown	70.0	3	3	8	16
Ht5 Wilson, Preedy, Slater, Heard	74.2	5	1	13	17
Ht6 Broadbanks, Hannan, Simpson, Bunney	68.4	2	4	15	21
Ht7 Ridgeon, Bedford, Hutchinson, Bridson	70.8	1	5	16	26
Ht8 Hannan, Slater, Collett, Freeborn	71.2	3	3	19	29
Ht9 Broadbanks, Wilson, Preedy, Simpson	69.8	3	3	22	32
Ht10 Hannan, Smithson, Bedford (f), Ridgeon (exc)	73.4	5	0	27	32
Ht11 Heard, Hutchinson, Bridson, Slater	69.8	3	3	30	35
Ht12 Collett, Simpson, Smithson, Wilson	72.6	1	5	31	40
Ht13 Heard, Freeborn, Brown, Hutchinson	70.8	2	4	33	44
Ht14 Ridgeon, Bridson, Preedy, Broadbanks (f)	71.2	3	3	36	47

#### Reserves Race

Brown, Freeborn, Smithson, Collett (f)	71.2
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#### Team Trial Race

Warner, Collett, Davies, Murrell	71.8
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#### The Test

Bunney, Brown, Warner, Preedy	71.2
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#### Arlington Scurry

Simpson, Bedford, Hutchison, B.Haynes	71.8
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#### Hailsham Stars

Ridgeon, Bridson, Broadbanks (ef), Hannam (exc)	70.8
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### Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> July 1955 Arlington Stadium, Eastbourne Eastbourne Eagles 42 California Poppies 40 (Challenge)

#### Eastbourne

Wally Willson	1 1	X 2	4
Jim Preddy	3 3	2 E	8
Herv Hannen	3 1'	3 F 2'	9 2
Bob Bunney	1 3	2 3 3	12
Dave Collett	0 0		0
Gerry Bridson	2 1	1 0	4
George Smithson	0		0
Tom Reader	2' E	3	5 1

#### California

Ron Sharp	2 2	2' 2 1	9 1
Gil Goldfinch	F 3	1' 3 X	7 1
Pete Mould	F F	1	1
Bob Andrews	2 2	2' 2	8 1
Jimmy Gleed	F 3	3 3 E	9

Tommy Sweetman	3 0 1 1'	5 1
Ross Gilbertson	1'	1 1
J O'Connor	0	0

1 Preddy, Sharp, Willson, Goldfinch (f)	77.6	4	2	4	2
2 Hannen, Andrews, Bunney (frmt), Mould (f)	73.4	4	2	8	4
3 Sweetman, Bridson, Gleed (f). Collett (nf)	78.2	2	3	10	7
4 Bunney, Sharp, Gilbertson Smithson	72.4	3	3	13	10
5 Preddy, Andrews, Willson, Mould (f)	71.4	4	2	17	12
6 Gleed, Bunney, Hannen Sweetman	69.8	3	3	20	15
7 Goldfinch. Sharp. Bridson, Collett	71.6	1	5	21	20
8 Hannen, Reader, Mould, O'Connor	70.2	5	1	26	21
9 Gleed, Preddy, Sweetman, Willson (exc)	68.8	2	4	28	25
10 Bunney, Sharp, Goldfinch. Hannen (f)	73.4	3	3	31	28
11 Gleed, Andrews, Bridson, Reader (ef)	69.8	1	5	32	33
12 Goldfinch, Willson, Preddy (ef), Gleed (ef)	70.2	2	3	34	36
13 Reader, Andrews, Sweetman, Bridson	70.6	3	3	37	39
14 Bunney, Hannen, Sharp, Goldfinch (exc)	69.0	5	1	42	40

#### Reserves Race

Smithson, Reader, Smithson, J O'Connor (f)	71.4
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#### Team Trial Race

Collett,, Freeborn, Bob Warner, Reg Davis (f)	72,0
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#### The Test

Hannan, Reader, Collett, Bunney (et)	70.0
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#### Arlington Scurry

Andrews, Willson, Collett, Sweetman (et)	71.4
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#### Hailsham Stars

Goldfinch. Hannen, Bridson, Gleed (et)	70.8
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### Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> July 1955 Rye House Stadium, Hoddesdon Rye House Roosters 32 Eastbourne and Brafield 22 (Challenge)

#### Rye House

Mike Broadbanks	F 3 1	4
Geoff Woodger	2 2' 3	7 1
Vernon Brown	0 1'	1 1
Dave Slater	3 3 2	8
Bill Simpson	2' 1' 1	4 2
Jimmy Heard	3 2 3	8
Gerry King	0	0

#### Eastbourne / Brafield

Brian Meredith	3 3 3	9
Dave Collett	1 0 0	1
Brian Miller	1' 1 2	4 1
Brian Elliott	2 0 E	2
Mike Kerry	1 1' F	2 1
Neil Roberts	E 2 2	4

Ht1 Meredith, Woodger, Collett, Broadbanks (f)	63.4	2	4	2	4
Ht2 Slater, Elliott, Miller, Slater	66.8	3	3	5	7
Ht3 Heard, Simpson, Kerry, Roberts (ef)	63.2	5	1	10	8
Ht4 Broadbanks, Woodger, Miller, Elliott	63.6	5	1	15	9
Ht5 Slater, Roberts, Kerry, King	65.0	3	3	18	12
Ht6 Meredith, Heard, Simpson, Collett	65.0	3	3	21	15

Ht7 Woodger, Roberts, Broadbanks, Kerry (f)	67.0	4	2	25	17
Ht8 Meredith, Slater, Brown, Collett	66.4	3	3	28	20
Ht9 Heard, Miller, Simpson, Elliott (ef)	65.4	4	2	32	22

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> August 1955 Arlington Stadium, Eastbourne  
Southern Area League Riders Championship Round

Pete Mould	3	2	2	1	2	10
Wally Wilson	1	1	2	3	0	7
Jimmy Gleed						DNR
Gerry Bridson	0	1	F	1	1	3
Jim Heard	3	F	3	X	3	9
Dave Slater	1	2	0	3	3	9
Bob Andrews	0	2	2	2	3	9
Bill Simpson	2	3	3	F		8
Tommy Sweetman	1	3	2	2	2	10
Bob Bunney	2	0	1	2	3	8
Vic Ridgeon	3	3	1	F		7
George Smithson	0	X	1	X	0	1
Glyn Chandler	3	1	3	X	2	9
Merv Hannan	F	3	1	3	2	9
Jim Preddy	2	E	E	E	X	2
Tom Reader	1	2	3	3	1	10
Dave Collett (res)	2	1				3
Dave Freeborn (res)	1	1				2
Bob Warner (res)	0	F				0
Reg Davis (res)	1					1

Ht1 Mould, Collett, Wilson, Bridson	71.4
Ht2 Heard, Simpson, Slater, Andrews	70.4
Ht3 Ridgeon, Bunney, Sweetman, Smithson	70.8
Ht4 Chandler, Preddy, Reader, Hannan (f)	69.8
Ht5 Sweetman, Mould, Heard, Chandler	70.6
Ht6 Hannan, Slater, Wilson, Bunney	71.4
Ht7 Ridgeon, Andrews, Freeborn, Preddy (ef)	70.8
Ht8 Simpson, Reader, Bridson, Smithson (exc)	71.4
Ht9 Reader, Mould, Ridgeon, Slater	71.8
Ht10 Heard, Wilson, Smithson, Preddy (ef)	71.8
Ht11 Simpson, Sweetman, Hannan, Warner	71.8
Ht12 Chandler, Andrews, Bunney, Bridson (f)	69.8
Ht13 Hannan, Andrews, Mould, Smithson (exc)	70.0
Ht14 Wilson, Chandler (exc), Simpson (f), Ridgeon (f) Awd	
Ht15 Reader, Bunney, Davis, Heard (exc)	71.8
Ht16 Slater, Sweetman, Bridson, Preddy (ef)	71.4
Ht17 Bunney, Mould, Collett, Preddy (exc)	72.0
Ht18 Andrews, Sweetman, Reader, Wilson	71.0
Ht19 Slater, Chandler, Freeborn, Smithson	70.8
Ht20 Heard, Hannan, Bridson, Warner (f)	69.8

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> August 1955 Arlington Stadium, Eastbourne  
Silver Helmet Trophy

Dave Collett	2	2	2	3	9
Bob Bunney	3	1	1	2	7
Glyn Chandler	0	2	3	3	8
Bob Warner	0	3	2	0	5
Merv Hannam	2	3	3	0	8
Bob Andrews	3	3	3	3	12
Jim Preddy	1	0	1	1	3
Dave Freeborn	0	1	2	1	4

Pete Mould	2	1	1	2	6
Jim Heard	3	2	3	0	8
George Murrell	1	1	1	0	3
Tom Reader	0	2	0	0	2
Harold Carder	2	0	1	3	6
George Smithson	1	0	0	2	3
Tommy Sweetman	3	3	2	1	9
Gerry Bridson	0	0	0	2	2
Reg Davies (res)	2				

Ht1 Bunney, Collett, Chandler, Warner	69.6
Ht2 Andrews, Hannam, Preddy, Freeborn	68.0
Ht3 Heard, Mould, Murrell, Reader	69.0
Ht4 Sweetman, Smithson, Carder, Bridson	70.8
Ht5 Hannam, Collett, Mould Carder	69.4
Ht6 Andrews, Heard, Bunney, Smitson	69.2
Ht7 Sweetman, Chandler, Murrell, Preddy	69.4
Ht8 Warner, Reader, Freeborn, Bridson	71.0
Ht9 Andrews, Collett, Murrell, Bridson	70.2
Ht10 Hannam, Sweetman, Bunney, Reader	70.0
Ht11 Chandler, Freeborn, Mould, Smithson	68.2
Ht12 Heard, Warner, Carder, Preddy	69.8
Ht13 Collett, Smithson, Preddy, Reader	72.0
Ht14 Carder, Bunney, Freeborn, Murrell	70.0
Ht15 Chandler, Bridson, Hannam (nf), Heard (nf)	68.0
Ht16 Andrews, Mould, Sweetman, Warner	70.6

Runners Up Scratch Race for place in Final  
 Heard, Bunney, Hannan (excborrr), Chandler (fexc) 70.6

Final Andrews, Sweetman, Collett, Heard (f) 69.2

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> August 1955 Rye House Stadium, Hoddesdon  
 Rye House Roosters 61 Eastbourne Eagles 23 (Southern Area League)

Rye House					
Stan Bedford	1	2'	2'	2	7 2
Vic Ridgeon	3	3	3	2'	11 1
Dave Slater	2'	2'	F	2'	6 3
Jimmy Heard	3	3	3	3	12
Geoff Woodger	3	2'			5 1
Mike Broadbanks	3	3	3	3	12
Gerry King	E	1'			1 1
Al Sparrey	2'	2'	F	3	7 2

Eastbourne							
Dave Collett	0	2	1	1	1	5	
Glyn Chandler						DNR	
Merv Hannam						DNR	
Bob Bunney	X	1	2	0		3	
Tom Reader	1'	1	0	3		5 1	
Jim Preedy	0	F	1	0		1	
Gerry Bridson	2	1	0	2	0	1	6
Bob Warner	1	0	1'	E	0		2 1

Ht1 Ridgeon, Bridson, Bedford, Collett	63.8	4	2	4	2
Ht2 Heard, Slater, Warner, Bunney (exc)	65.2	5	1	9	3
Ht3 Broadbanks, Sparrey, Reader, Preedy	64.0	5	1	14	4
Ht4 Heard, Collett, Bridson, King (ef)	62.6	3	3	17	7
Ht5 Ridgeon, Bedford, Bunney, Warner	65.6	5	1	22	8

Ht6 Heard, Slater, Reader, Preedy (f)	66.0	5	1	27	9
Ht7 Broadbanks, Sparrey, Collett, Bridson	64.6	5	1	32	10
Ht8 Woodger, Bridson, Warner, Slater (f)	66.6	3	3	35	13
Ht9 Ridgeon, Bedford, Preedy, Reader	64.8	5	1	40	14
Ht10 Heard, Slater, Collett, Bridson	66.2	5	1	45	15
Ht11 Broadbanks, Bunney, Warner (ef), Sparrey (f)	67.0	3	2	48	17
Ht12 Reader, Bedford, King, Warner	69.2	3	3	51	20
Ht13 Sparrey, Woodger, Collett, Bunney	66.4	5	1	55	21
Ht14 Broadbanks, Ridgeon, Bridson, Preedy	65.0	5	1	60	33

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> September 1955 Arlington Stadium, Eastbourne  
Eastbourne Eagles 49 Brafield Flying Foxes 33 (Southern Area League)

Eastbourne

Dave Collett	1	2'	2	3	8	1
Jim Preddy	3	F	0	1	4	
Merv Hanham	3	3	2	1'	9	1
Bob Bunney	2	0	2	2	6	
Tom Reader	2	3	2	3	10	
Gerry Bridson	1'	0	0	3	4	1
Ray Terry	1'	2'			3	2
Harold Carder	3	1'	1		5	1

Brafield

Vic Hall	2	3	2	3	10	
Dave Hankins	0	1'	0	2	3	1
Brian Meredith	1	0	3	3	7	
Hank Bird	0	N	1	0	1	
Colin Gooddy	3	2	3	0	8	
Tony Eadon	0	1'	0	0	1	1
Mike Lawrence	0	0	2		2	
Eric Eadon	1	0			1	
Brian Miller	F				0	

Ht01: Preddy, Hall, Collett, Hankins	67.8	4	2	4	2
Ht02: Hannan, Bunney, Meredith, Bird	67.8	5	1	9	3
Ht03: Gooddy, Reader, Bridson, T Eadon	67.4	3	3	12	6
Ht04: Hall, Bunney, Terry, Lawrence	69.2	3	3	15	9
Ht05: Carder, Collett, Meredith (nf), Lawrence (nf), Miller & Preddy (f ns)	71.0	5	0	20	9
Ht06: Hannan, Gooddy, T Eadon, Bunney	67.6	3	3	23	12
Ht07: Reader, Hall, Hankins, Bridson	69.6	3	3	26	15
Ht08: Meredith, Hannan, Carder, E Eadon	68.2	3	3	29	18
Ht09: Gooddy, Collett, T Eadon, Preddy	69.8	2	4	31	22
Ht10: Hall, Bunney, Hannan, Hankins	69.8	3	3	34	25
Ht11: Meredith, Reader, Bird, Bridson	70.8	2	4	36	29
Ht12: Collett, Terry, Gooddy (nf), T Eadon (nf)	70.6	5	0	41	29
Ht13: Reader, Lawrence, Carder, Bird	73.0	4	2	45	31
Ht14: Bridson, Hankins, Preddy, T Eadon	71.4	4	2	49	33

Silver Sash

Vic Hall bt Tom Reader ?

Reserves Race:

Carder, Lawrence, Terry, Bird 73.6

Team Trial Race:

Murrell, Barnes, Davis (nf), Warner (ns) ?

The Test:

Collett, Bunney, Carder, Murrell 71.4

Arlington Scurry:

Bridson, Preddy, Hankins, Gooddy 72.6

Hailsham Stars:

Hannan, Meredith, Reader, Hall 70.0

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September 1955 Arlington Stadium, Eastbourne  
Eastbourne Eagles 36 Brafield Flying Foxes 48 (Southern Area League)

Note: for double points

Eastbourne

Dave Collett	3 2 2 0	7
Jim Preddy	0 1' 0 0	1 1
Merv Hanham	N 1' 1 2'	4 2
Bob Bunney	2 2 2 3	9
Tom Reader	1' 1 2 1'	5 2
Gerry Bridson	2 0 1' 3	6 1
Ray Terry	0 1	1
Harold Carder	1' 0 2	3 1

Brafield

Dave Hankins	2 3 0 3	8
Brian Miller	1' 2' 1 2	6 2
Brian Meredith	3 3 2' 3	11 1
Hank Bird	0 0 0 0	0
Colin Gooddy	3 3 3 3	12
Tony Eadon	0 0 1 1'	2 1
Mike Lawrence	N N	0
Eric Eadon	1 3 2' 3	9 1

Ht01: Collett, Hankins, Miller, Preddy	69.6	3	3	3	3
Ht02: Meredith, Bunney, Carder, Bird	69.2	3	3	6	6
Ht03: Gooddy, Bridson, Reader, T Eadon	69.4	3	3	9	9
Ht04: Hankins, Bunney, E Eadon, Terry	68.8	2	4	11	13
Ht05: Meredith, Collett, Preddy, Bird	69.0	3	3	14	16
Ht06: Gooddy, Bunney, Hannan, T Eadon	68.6	3	3	17	19
Ht07: Hankins, Miller, Reader, Bridson	69.8	1	5	18	24
Ht08: E Eadon, Meredith, Hannan, Carder	68.4	1	5	19	29
Ht09: Gooddy, Collett, T Eadon, Preddy	69.2	2	4	21	33
Ht10: Bunney, Hannan, Miller, Hankins	69.4	5	1	26	34
Ht11: Meredith, Reader, Bridson, Bird	69.2	3	3	29	37
Ht12: Gooddy, E Eadon, Terry, Collett	71.2	1	5	30	42
Ht13: E Eadon, Carder, Reader, Bird	70.8	3	3	33	45
Ht14: Bridson, Miller, T Eadon, Preddy	69.8	3	3	36	48

Silver Sash Match race

Colin Gooddy bt Bob Bunney 71.2

Reserves Race:

Carder, Lawrence, Terry, Short 71.2

Team Trial Race:

Warner, Freeborn, Davis, Murrell 71.0

The Test:

Bunney, Warner, Bridson, Carder 70.2

Arlington Scurry:  
Goody, Collett, Hankins, E Eadon 69.8

Hailsham Stars:  
Reader, Meredith, Hannan, Miller 69.8

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 1955 Arlington Stadium, Eastbourne  
The Supporters Trophy

Jim Heard	F 2 3	5
Tom Reader	3 1 1 1	6
Dave Collett	2 F	2
Bob Warner	1 1 1 F	3
Bob Bunney	2 1 2 2	7
Vic Ridgeon	3 3 X 3	9
Jim Preddy	1 3 0 F	4
Harold Carder	0 0 F 0	0
Dave Slater	0 0 3 2	5
Mike Broadbanks	3 2 2 3	10
Bryan Meredith	2 X 3 2	7
Gerry Bridson	1 3 3 2	9
Merv Hannam	3 3 3 3	12
Tony Eadon	1 0 2 1	4
Ray Terry	0 X 0 1	1
Dave Freeborn	2 2	2
George Murrell (Res)	X	0
Reg Davies (res)	2 F 1	3
G Short (res)	1 0	0

Ht1 Reader, Collett, Warner, Heard (f)	69.8
Ht2 Ridgeon, Bunney, Preddy, Carder	69.0
Ht3 Broadbanks, Meredith, Bridson, Slater	66.8
Ht4 Hannam, Freeborn, Eadon, Terry	67.6
Ht5 Hannam, Heard, Bunney, Slater	67.6
Ht6 Ridgeon, Broadbanks, Reader, Eadon	67.8
Ht7 Preddy, Collett (f), Meredith (fexc), Murrell (fexc)	67.6 <sup>^</sup>
Ht8 Bridson, Freeborn, Warner, Carder	69.6 <sup>**</sup>
Ht9 Meredith, Davies, Short, Ridgeon (exc),	69.8
Ht10 Bridson, Bunney, Reader, Terry	69.6
Ht11 Slater, Eadon Carder (f), Davies (f), Collett (ns)	69.2
Ht12 Hannam, Broadbanks, Warner, Preddy	67.4
Ht13 Heard, Bridson, Eadon, Preddy (f)	67.6
Ht14 Hannam, Meredith, Reader, Carder	67.2
Ht15 Broadbanks, Bunney, Davies, Short	69.2
Ht16 Ridgeon, Slater, Terry, Warner (f)	69.8
<sup>^</sup> Ray Terry fexc	
<sup>**</sup> Heard and Freeborn ns	

Match Race 1 6 laps	
Mike Broadbanks bt Merv Hanam (f)	90.6
Match Race 2	
Dugard v Carder	68.8

Runners Up Scratch Race	
Meredith, Reader, Bunney, Heard	69.8

The Trophy Final	
Hanam, Ridgeon, Broadbanks, Bridson	67.2

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> October 1955 California in Reading, Wokingham  
California Poppies 54 Eastbourne Eagles 30 (Challenge)

California

Ron Sharp	2	3	3	1	9
Gil Goldfinch	1'	2'	2'	1	6 3
Jimmy Glead	E	1'	1	1'	3 2
Eric Hockaday	3	2'	2	2	9 1
Tommy Sweetman	2'	2	3	3	10 1
Pete Mould	3	1'	2'	0	6 2
Bob Andrews	3	3			6
Ross Gilbertson	3	2'			5 1

Eastbourne

Bob Bunney	0	1	F	E	1
Merv Hannam	3	3	3	3	12
Jim Preddy	2	E	2	1	5
Gerry Bridson	1'	1	0	F	2 1
Bob Warner	0	0	0	2	2
Tom Reader	1	3	1	2'	7 1
Ray Terry	0	1			1
Reg Davies	0	0			0

Ht1 Hannam, Sharp, Goldfinch, Bunney	68.4	3	3	3	3
Ht2 Hockaday, Preddy, Bridson, Glead (ef)	68.4	3	3	6	6
Ht3 Mould, Sweetman, Reader, Warner	69.4	5	1	11	7
Ht4 Andrews, Hockaday, Bunney, Terry	71.0	5	1	16	8
Ht5 Sharp, Goldfinch, Bridson, Preddy (ef)	71.6	5	1	21	9
Ht6 Reader, Hockaday, Glead, Warner	70.2	3	3	24	12
Ht7 Hannam, Sweetman, Mould, Bunney (ef)	69.4	3	3	27	15
Ht8 Gilbertson, Preddy, Glead, Davies	70.2	4	2	31	17
Ht9 Sharp, Goldfinch, Reader, Warner	71.0	5	1	36	18
Ht10 Hannam, Hockaday, Glead, Bunney (ef)	71.0	3	3	39	21
Ht11 Sweetman, Mould, Preddy, Bridson	72.0	5	1	44	22
Ht12 Andrews, Warner, Sharp, Davies	73.2	4	2	48	24
Ht13 Sweetman, Gilbertson, Terry, Bridson (f)	71.2	5	1	53	25
Ht14 Hannam, Reader, Goldfinch, Mould	70.4	1	5	54	30

EASTBOURNE 1955 Needs shown in BOLD

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> April 1955 Arlington Eastbourne Eagles 23 California Poppies 61 (SAL)  
 Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> April 1955 Wokingham California Poppies 53 Eastbourne Eagles 30 (SAL)  
 Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> May 1955 Arlington Eastbourne Championship of Sussex Trophy Rained Off  
 Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> May 1955 Arlington Eastbourne Eagles 33 Rye House Roosters 47 (SAL)  
**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 1955 Matchams Park, Ringwood Turfs 55 Eastbourne Eagles 27 (SAL) Meeting Details**  
 29/05/55 EASTBOURNE CHAMP OF SUSSEX TR INDIVIDUAL  
 Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June 1955 Brafield Brafield Flying Foxes 61 Eastbourne Eagles 23 (SAL)  
**12/06/55 EASTBOURNE RINGWOOD S AREA LEAGUE 39-43 all times**  
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**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June 1955 Arlington Eastbourne Eagles 31 California Poppies 53 (SAL) SH**  
 Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 1955 Wokingham California 56 Eastbourne Eagles 27 (SAL)  
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**24/07/55 EASTBOURNE CALIFORNIA CHALLENGE 42-40 Meeting Details**  
 Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> July 1955 Hoddesdon Rye House Roosters 32 Eastbourne and Brafield 22 (Ch)  
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**04/09/55 EASTBOURNE BRAFIELD SAL 49-33 T Silver Sash + T Team Trial Race**

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BRAFIELD SAL

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Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> October 1955 Wokingham California Poppies 54 Eastbourne Eagles 30 (Ch)