

EASTBOURNE 1956

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Sunday 1st April 1956 Arlington Stadium, Eastbourne Easter Championship

Reg Davies	0 0 2 1	3
Tom Reader	2 2 2 N	6
Bert Little	3 1 3 3	10
Dave Freeborn	1 3 1 2	7
Norman Pike	1 1 0 0	2
Gerry Bridson	3 2 2 3	10 3 rd
Cliff Greener	F F F 1	1
Johnny O'Connor	0 2 1 1	4
Dave Collett	2 0 0 2	4
George Murrell	3 0 0 2	5
Ray Terry	N N 1 N	1
Colin Gooddy	1 3 3 3	10 2 nd
Bob Bunney	2 3 2 2	9
Frank Bettis	3 3 3 3	12 1 st
Bob Warner	0 2 1 1	4
Geoff Harris (res)	1 nf 0	1

Ht01: Little, Reader, Freeborn, Davies	71.2
Ht02: Bridson, Brett, Pike, Greener (f)	72.2
Ht03: Murrell, Collett, Harris, O'Connor	71.4
Ht04: Bettis, Bunney, Gooddy, Warner	70.8
Ht05: Gooddy, O'Connor, Pike, Davies	72.8
Ht06: Bunney, Reader, Brett, Collett	70.4
Ht07: Bettis, Bridson, Little, Murrell	71.2
Ht08: Freeborn, Warner, Greener (f), Harris (nf)	72.2
Ht09: Brett, Davies, Warner, Murrell	69.2
Ht10: Bettis, Reader, Pike, Terry	70.6
Ht11: Little, Bunney, O'Connor, Greener (f)	70.0
Ht12: Gooddy, Bridson, Freeborn, Collett	71.0
Ht13: Bridson, Bunney, Davies, Harris	71.4
Ht14: Gooddy, Murrell, Greener, Reader (ns)	72.2
Ht15: Little, Collett, Warner, Pike	71.8
Ht16: Bettis, Freeborn, O'Connor, Brett	71.0
Final: Bettis, Gooddy, Bridson, Little	69.2

Hard Luck Scratch Race:
Collett, Warner, Davies, Greener 69.2

Runners Up Scratch Race:
Freeborn, Brett, Murrell, Bunney 72.2

Terry burnt out clutch.
No info re Harris nf in heat 8

Sunday 15th April 1956 Arlington Stadium, Eastbourne Eastbourne Eagles 36 Southern Rovers 48 (Southern Area League)

Eastbourne		
Bob Bunney	0 1 1' 1	3 1
Jim Heard	2 0 2 3	7
Dave Collett	0 2 1 0	3
Gerry Bridson	3 3 1' 3	10 1
Dave Freeborn	0 0 0	0
Bob Little	2 1 0	3
Alan Brett	1 2	3
George Murrell	3 2 2 0	7

Southern Rovers

Eric Eadon	3 2 3 2	10
Neil Roberts	1 2' 1' 2	6 2
Bryan Meredith	1' 3 2 1	7 1
Colin Gooddy	2 2' 3 3	10 1
Eric Hockaday	3 3 3 3	12
Tony Eadon	1 0 0 1'	2 1
Mike Lawrence	0 1	1
Hank Bird	0 0	0

Ht1 E.Eadon, Heard, Roberts, Bunney	70.2	2	4	2	4
Ht2 Bridson, Gooddy, Meredith, Collett	71.6	3	3	5	7
Ht3 Hockaday, Little, T.Eadon, Freeborn	70.2	2	4	7	11
Ht4 Bridson, E.Eadon, Brett, Lawrence	71.2	4	2	11	13
Ht5 Meredith, Gooddy, Bunney, Heard	70.8	1	5	12	18
Ht6 Hockaday, Collett, Bridson, T.Eadon	70.6	3	3	15	21
Ht7 E.Eadon, Roberts, Little, Freeborn	72.6	1	5	16	26
Ht8 Murrell, Meredith, Collett, Bird	69.8	4	2	20	28
Ht9 Hockaday, Heard, Bunney, T.Eadon	70.8	3	3	23	31
Ht10 Bridson, E.Eadon, Roberts, Collett	?	3	3	26	34
Ht11 Gooddy, Murrell, Meredith, Little	70.2	2	4	28	38
Ht12 Hockaday, Brett, Bunney, Bird	71.4	3	3	31	41
Ht13 Gooddy, Murrell, Lawrence, Freeborn	70.4	2	4	33	45
Ht14 Heard, Roberts, T.Eadon, Murrell	71.2	3	3	36	48

Silver Sash Match Race
Colin Gooddy bt Gerry Bridson 71.8

Reserves Race
Murrell, Lawrence, Bird, Brett (ns) 71.0

Team Trial Race
[Bob Warner, Johnny O'Connor, Reg Davies, Ray Terry ?#

The Test
[Freeborn, Collett, ? ? ?

Arlington Scurry
[Bunney, Bridson, Roberts, Hockaday ?

Hailsham Stars
[Heard, Little, Gooddy, Meredith ?

Sunday 22nd April 1956 California in Reading, Wokingham
California Poppies 40 Eastbourne Eagles 44 (Southern Area League) * To Check

California		
Ron Sharp	2 3 3 2	10
Ron Walton	F 2' 2' 1	5 2
Pete Mould	3 2 2 3	10
Ron Webb	F 2 0 0	2
Jimmy Gleed	1 1 1 F	3
Ross Gilbertson	3 3 3 F	9
Reg Gutteridge	0 0	0
Phil Shepherd	0 1	1

Eastbourne		
Bob Bunney	1 3 0 1	4
Jim Heard	3 2 2 3	10
Dave Collett	2 0 1 0	3
Gerry Bridson	1 1 2'	4 1
George Murrell	0 1 E	1
Tom Reader	2 3 1 2'	8 1
Allan Brett	1 1	2
Ray Cresp	3 3 2' 3	11 1

1 Jim heard, Ron Sharp, Bob Bunney, Ron Walton, (f)	69.0	2	4	2	4
2 Peter Mould, Dave Collett, Gerry Bridson, Ron Webb (f)	69.2 *	3	3	5	7
3 Ross Gilbertson, Tom Reader, Jimmy Gleed, George Murrell,	69.2	4	2	9	9
4 Bob Bunney, Ron Webb, Alan Brett, Roy Gutteridge,	72.0	2	4	11	13
5 Ron Sharp, Ron Walton, Gerry Bridson, Dave Collett,	70.0	5	1	16	14
6 Tom Reader, Peter Mould, George Murrell, Ron Webb,	70.6	2	4	18	18
7 Ross Gilbertson, Jim Heard, Jimmy Gleed, Bob Bunney,	68.4	4	2	22	20
8 Cresp, Peter Mould, Dave Collett, Phil Sheppard,	70.0	2	4	24	24
9 Ron Sharp, Ron Walton, Tom Reader, George Murrell,(ef)	71.4	5	1	29	25
10 Peter Mould, Jim Heard, Bob Bunney, Ron Webb,	69.0	3	3	32	28
11 Ross Gilbertson, Cresp, Jimmy Gleed, Dave Collett,	69.2	4	2	36	30
12 Cresp, Ron Sharp, Alan Brett, Roy Gutteridge,	69.6	2	4	38	34
13 Cresp, Bridson, Sheppard, Jimmy Gleed (f),	72.0 *	1	5	39	39
14 Jim Heard, Tom Reader, Ron Walton, Ross Gilbertson,(f)	69.0	1	5	40	44

Sunday 29th April 1956 Arlington Stadium, Eastbourne
Eastbourne Eagles 55 California Poppies 28 (Southern Area League)

Eastbourne		
Bob Bunney	2*2*1*2	7 3 4
Jim Heard	3 3 2 2*	10 1 4
Dave Collett	2 1*	3 1 2
Gerry Bridson	1*2 1 2	6 1 4
George Murrell	1*1 1 2*	5 2 4
Ray Cresp	2 3 3 3	11 0 4
Alan Brett	1*3 1*3	8 2 4
Ray Terry	2*3	5 1 2

California		
Ron Sharp	1 3 2 3	9 0 4
Ron Walton	0 0 0 0	0 0 4
Pete Mould	3 1 0 2	6 0 4
Ron Webb	0 0 0 1	1 0 4
Jim Gleed	3 2 3 3	11 0 4
Phil Shepherd	0 0 0 0	0 0 4
Roy Gutteridge	0 0	0 0 2
Tom O'Connor	1 0	1 0 2

1 Heard, Bunney, Sharp, Walton 69.2	5 - 1	5 - 1
2 Mould, Collett, Bridson, Webb 71.2	3 - 3	8 - 4
3 Gleed, Cresp, Murrell, Shepherd 68.6	3 - 3	11 - 7
4 Sharp, Bridson, Brett, Gutteridge 69.8	3 - 3	14 - 10
5 Heard, Bunney, Mould, Webb 70	5 - 1	19 - 11
6 Brett, Gleed, Bridson, Shepherd 69.8	4 - 2	23 - 13
7 Cresp, Sharp, Murrell, Walton 69.4	4 - 2	27 - 15
8 Brett, Terry, O'Connor, Mould 72.4	5 - 1	32 - 16
9 Gleed, Heard, Bunney, Shepherd 69.4	3 - 3	35 - 19
10 Sharp, Bridson, Collett, Walton 71.4	3 - 3	38 - 22
11 Cresp, Mould, Murrell, Webb 68.6	4 - 2	42 - 24
12 Gleed, Bunney, Brett, O'Connor 69.4	3 - 3	45 - 27
13 Terry, Murrell, Webb, Gutteridge 71.4	5 - 1	50 - 28
14 Cresp, Heard, Walton(nf), Shepherd(nf) 68.4	5 - 0	55 - 28

Reserves Race: Ray Terry, Alan Brett, O'Connor, Roy Gutteridge 71.8
Team Trial Race: Jim Preddy, Bob Warner, Reg Davies, J.Day 70
Team Trial Race: Dave Collett, Ray Terry, George Murrell(nf), Jim Preddy(nf) 70

Arlington Scurry
Gleed, Bunney, Bridson, Mould (ef) 69.2

Hailsham Stars
Heard, Cresp, Sharp, Walton 69.8

Sunday 13th May 1956 Arlington Stadium, Eastbourne
Olde Tyme Meeting

Hailsham Scratch Race *

Ht1 Bunney, Davies, Collett, Terry	71.8
Ht2 Gooddy, Gilbertson, [Lawrence, Eadon	72.2
Ht3 Preddy, Bridson, Roberts, Hard (ef)	70.8
Ht4 McAuliffe, Woodger, Murrell, Reader (fexc)	72.0
Semi 1 Gooddy, Gilbertson, [Bunney, Davies	69.8
Semm 2 McAuliffe, Preddy, [Bridson, Woodger	67.8
Final McAuliffe, Gilbertson, Bridson, Gooddy (exc)	69.6

*No provision in programme for third places.

Hard Luck Scratch Race

Preddy, Bunney, Davies, Woodger	72.2
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Eastbourne Handicap

Ht1 Pike, Reader, Lawrence, [T.Eadon (f), Roberts (exc)	?
Ht2 Collett, Murrell, White (f), Hard (ef)	?
Ht3 McAuliffe, Gilbertson, Bunney, Woodger (ef)	?
Ht4 Davies, Preddy, Terry, Gooddy (f)	?
SF1 Murrell, Reader, Collett, Pike (f)	?
SF2 Gilbertson, Davies, McAuliffe, Preddy	?
Final Reader, Davies, Murrell (ef), Gilbertson (exc)	?

Hard Luck Handicap

McAuliffe, Collett, [Pike, Preddy	?
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Travellers' Scratch Race

Lawrence, Gooddy, Roberts, Eadon	69.0
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The Star Match Race

Leo McAuliffe bt Tom Reader	72.0
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Sunday 20th May 1956 Rye House Stadium, Hoddesdon
Rye House Roosters 54 Eastbourne Eagles 30 (Southern Area League)
(3laps)

Rye House

Brian Brett	1 1 1' 2'	5 2
Vic Ridgeon	3 3 2 2	10
Bobby Croombs	1 2 3 2'	8 1
Dave Slater	3 2' 0 3	8 1
Jim Chalkley	2 2' 2' 2	8 2
Al Sparrey	0 3 3 1'	7 1
Gerald King	3 3	6
Geoff Woodger	2' 0	2 1

Eastbourne

Bob Bunney	0 0 0	0
Jim Heard	2 1	3
Leo McAuliffe	2 2 0	4
Gerry Bridson	0 0 1 3	4
Tom Reader	1 1 0 1	3
Ray Cresp	3 3 3 3	12
Dave Collett	1 1 1	3
Jim Preddy	1 0 0	1

Ht1 Ridgeon, Heard, Brett, Bunney	63.6	4	2	4	2
Ht2 Slater, McAuliffe, Croombs, Bridson	65.4	4	2	8	4
Ht3 Cresp, Chalkley, Reader, Sparrey	65.2	2	4	10	8
Ht4 King, Slater, Bunney, Collett	66.6	5	1	15	9
Ht5 Ridgeon, McAuliffe, Brett, Bridson	64.6	4	2	19	11

Ht6 Cresp, Croombs, Reader, Slater	65.2	2	4	21	15
Ht7 Sparrey, Chalkley, Heard, Bunney	65.4	5	1	26	16
Ht8 Croombs, Woodger, Preddy, McAuliffe	66.2	5	1	31	17
Ht9 Cresp, Ridgeon, Brett, Reader	63.2	3	3	34	20
Ht10 Slater, Croombs, Collett, Heard (ns)	66.4	5	1	39	21
Ht11 Sparrey, Chalkley, Bridson, Preddy	65.8	5	1	44	22
Ht12 King, Brett, Reader, Preddy	66.6	5	1	49	23
Ht13 Bridson, Chalkley, Collett, Woodger	67.6	2	4	51	27
Ht14 Cresp, Ridgeon, Sparrey, Preddy	63.4	3	3	54	30

Sunday 27th May 1956 Arlington Stadium, Eastbourne
Eastbourne Eagles 29 Rye House Rooster 54 (Southern Area League)

Eastbourne					
Alan Brett	1	0	F	0	1
Jimmy Heard	0	2	E	1	3
Tom Reader	F	2	2	1	5
Gerry Bridson	1	3	0	2	6
Dave Collett	1	?	?	1	4
Leo McAuliffe	0	?	?	0	2
George Murrell	1	2			3
Jim Preddy	3	2			5

Rye House					
Brian Brett	2'	2	1	0	5
Vic Ridgeon	3	3	3	2'	11 1
Bobby Croombs	2'	1	0	1	4
Dave Slater	3	3	3	3	12
Gerry King	2'	1	2'	3	8 2
Al Sparrey	3	3	3	3	12
Jim Chalkley	0	0			0
Les Searle	1	1			2

Ht 1: Ridgeon, B Brett, A Brett, Heard	67.6	1	5	1	5
Ht 2: Slater, Croombs, Bridson (f pushed), Reader (f)		1	5	2	10
Ht 3: Sparry, King, Collett, McAuliffe (f)	71.8	1	5	3	15
Ht 4: Bridson, B Brett, Murrell, Chalkley	70.4	4	2	7	17
Ht 5: Slater, Heard Croombs, A Brett	75.5	2	4	9	21
Ht 6: Sparrey, Reader, King, Bridson		2	4	11	25
Ht 7: Ridgeon [Collett, McAuliffe], B Brett [Collett, McAuliffe],		2	4	13	29
Ht 8: Preddy, Reader, Searle, Croombs		5	1	18	30
Ht 9: Sparry, King, Heard (mf), A Brett (f)		0	5	18	35
Ht 10: Ridgeon Bridson, Reader, B.Brett		3	3	21	38
Ht 11: Slater, [McAuliffe/Collett], Croombs [McAuliffe/ Collett],		2	4	23	42
Ht 12: King, Murrell, Searle, A Brett		2	4	25	46
Ht 13: Slater, Preddy, Collett, Chalkley	71.6	3	3	28	49
Ht 14: Sparrey, Ridgeon, Heard, [McAuliffe]		1	5	29	54

Silver Sash				
Gerry Bridson bt Vic Ridgeon	68.0			

Reserve Race				
Preddy, Searle, Chalkley, Murrell (f)	72.4			

Ht 16 Preddy				
Ht17 [Bunney, Collett, Preddy. A Brett	72.2			

Sunday 3rd June 1956 California in Reading, Wokingham
Southern Rovers 47 Eastbourne Eagles 36 (Southern Area League)

Rovers					
Eric Hockaday	3	3	3	3	12
Neil Roberts	1	1	2'	1'	5 2

Colin Gooddy	E 3 3 3 3	9
Bert Little	1 2 1 2'	6 1
Eric Eadon	3 2 2 3	10
Brian Meredith	F 1' 1' 2	4 2
Tony Eadon	1' 0 0	1 1
Dave Hankins	0	0

Eastbourne		
Dave Collett	2 F 3 1	6
Jim Heard	E E 0 0	0
Tom Reader	2' 0	2 1
Gerry Bridson	3 2 3 2	10
George Murrell	F 0 2	2
Leo McAuliffe	2 0 1 3	6
Jim Preddy	3 2 2 1'	8 1
Reg Davies	1' 0 1'	2 2

Ht1 Hockaday, Collett, Roberts, Heard (ef)	67.0	4	2	4	2
Ht2 Bridson, Reader, Little, Gooddy (ef)	70.0	1	5	5	7
Ht3E. Eadon, McAuliffe, Meredith (f) Murrell (f)	72.0	3	2	8	9
Ht4 Preddy, Little, T.Eadon, Collett (f)	71.6	3	3	11	12
Ht5 Hockaday, Bridson, Roberts, Reader	69.0	4	2	15	14
Ht6 Gooddy, Preddy, Little, McAuliffe	69.6	4	2	19	16
Ht7 Collett, E.Eadon, Meredith. Heard (ef)	74.0	3	3	22	19
Ht8 Gooddy, Preddy, Davies, Hankins	71.2	3	3	25	22
Ht9 Hockaday, Roberts, McAuliffe, Murrell	68.4	5	1	30	23
Ht10 Gooddy, Little, Collett, Heard	71.0	5	1	35	24
Ht11 Bridson, E.Eadon, Meredith, Davies	71.4	3	3	38	27
Ht12 Hockaday, Murrell, Davies, T.Eadon	69.4	3	3	41	30
Ht13 E.Eadon, Bridson, Preddy, T.Eadon	72.0	3	3	44	33
Ht14 McAuliffe, Meredith, Roberts, Heard	72.0	3	3	47	36

Sunday 10th June 1956 Arlington Stadium, Eastbourne
 Eastbourne Eagles 48 California Poppies 36 (Challenge)

Eastbourne		
Dave Collett	3 3 2' 2	10 1
Jim Heard	0 0 3 3	6
Tom Reader	0 1 3 1	5
Gerry Bridson	2 3 3 3	11
Tommy Sweetman	2' 0 1' 1'	4 3
Leo McAuliffe	3 2 2 0	7
Jim Preddy	0 1'	1 1
A Davies	2' 2	4 1

California		
Ron Sharp	1' 2 1 0	4 1
Ross Gilbertson	2 3 2 1'	8 1
Ron Webb	1 1' 0 0	2 1
Jimmy Gleed	3 2 3 3	11
Phil Shepherd	1 2 1 3	7
Pete Mould	0 0 0 2	2
Roy Gutteridge	1' 0	1 1
John Day	1 0	1

Ht1 Collett, Gilbertson, Sharp, Heard	75.2	3	3	3	3
Ht2 Gleed, Bridson, Webb, Reader	76.6	2	4	5	7
Ht3 McAuliffe, Sweetman, Shepherd, Mould	73.6	5	1	10	8
Ht4 Bridson, Sharp, Gutteridge, Preddy	76.8	3	3	13	11
Ht5 Collett, Gleed, Webb, Heard	75.0	3	3	16	14
Ht6 Bridson, Shepherd, Reader, Mould	74.8	4	2	20	16
Ht7 Gilbertson, McAuliffe, Sharp, Sweetman	73.2	2	4	22	20
Ht8 Reader, Davies, Day, Webb	76.2	5	1	27	21
Ht9 Heard, Collett, Shepherd, Mould	72.2	5	1	32	22

Ht10 Bridson, Gilbertson, Reader, Sharp	74.2	4	2	36	24
Ht11 Gleed, McAuliffe, Sweetman, Webb	72.4	3	3	39	27
Ht12 Shepherd, Collett, Preddy, Day	73.8	3	3	42	30
Ht13 Gleed, Davies, Sweetman, Gutteridge	71.6	3	3	45	33
Ht14 Heard, Mould, Gilbertson, McAuliffe	71.4	3	3	48	36

Reserves Race

Gutteridge, Davies, Day, Preddy	76.1
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Team Trial Race

Hard, Brett, Murrell, Warner	73.2
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The Test

Reader, Collett, Hard, Gutteridge	72.2
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Arlington Scurry

Heard, Mould, Shepherd, McAuliffe	70.6
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Hailsham Stars

Gleed, Gilbertson, Bridson, Collett	71.2
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Sunday 17th June 1956 California in Reading, Wokingham

California Poppies 61 Eastbourne Eagles 46 (Southern Area League Cup)

California

Phil Sheppard	E	2'	1'	1	3	7	2	
Pete Mould	2	3	3	3	3	2	16	
Ron Sharp	1	E	2	3	2	8		
Ross Gilbertson	3	3	2'	2	3	1'	14	2
Jim Gleed	1'	3	E			4	1	
Ron Webb	2	1	1	1'	F	5	1	
Roy Gutteridge	2	E	2			4		
Ron Walton	1'	1'	1			3	2	

Eastbourne

Dave Collett	1	2	0	2	2	7	
Jim Heard	3	3	F	3	3	3	15
Tom Reader	2	2	1	2	0	7	
Gerry Bridson	F					0	
Jim Preddy	0	E	2	F		2	
Leo McAuliffe	0	E	2	1'	1'	4	2
Mick Hard	3	3	1	3	0	10	
Reg Davies	E	1'	0	0	E	1	1

Ht1 Heard, Mould, Collett, Sheppard (ef)	87.0	2	4	2	4
Ht2 Gilbertson, Reader, Sharp, McAuliffe	81.0	4	2	6	6
Ht3 Heard, Webb, Gleed, Bridson (f)	79.0	3	3	9	9
Ht4 Hard, Gutteridge, Walton, Davies (ef)	80.4	3	3	12	12
Ht5 Mould, Reader, Davies, Sharp (ef)	81.4	3	3	15	15
Ht6 Gilbertson, Collett, Webb, McAuliffe (ef)	78.2	4	2	19	17
Ht7 Gleed, Sheppard, Reader, Preddy	81.4	5	1	24	18
Ht8 Hard, Sharp, Sheppard, Collett	79.4	3	3	27	21
Ht9 Mould, Reader, Webb, Davies	80.0	4	2	31	23
Ht10 Sharp, McAuliffe, Gleed (ef), Heard (f)	80.4	3	2	34	25
Ht11 Mould, Gilbertson, Hard, Preddy (ef)	76.4	5	1	39	26
Ht12 Heard, Gilbertson, Sheppard, Reader	77.0	3	3	42	29
Ht13 Mould, Preddy, McAuliffe, Gutteridge (ef)	76.6	3	3	45	32
Ht14 Hard, Gutteridge, Walton, Davies	81.0	3	3	48	35
Ht15 Gilbertson, Collett, Walton, Davies (ef)	78.0	4	2	52	37
Ht16 Heard, Sharp, Webb, Preddy (f)	77.0	3	3	55	40
Ht17 Sheppard, Collett, McAuliffe, Webb (f)	79.0	3	3	58	43
Ht18 Heard, Mould, Gilbertson, Hard	76.0	3	3	61	46

Sunday 30th June 1956 Arlington Stadium, Eastbourne

Eastbourne Eagles 41 Southern Rovers 41 (Southern Area League)

Eastbourne

Bob Bunney	1' 0 2' 3	6 2
Jim Heard	2 2 3 3	10
Ton Reader	1 F 2	3
Gerry Bridson	F 3 3 0	6
Dave Collett	1 1' E F	2 1
Leo McAuliffe	3 2 2 F	6
Jim Preddy	X 1' 2'	3 2
Mick Hard	2 2	4

Southern Rovers

Eric Hockaday	3 3 3	9
Neil Roberts	0 F 1 2	3
Colin Gooddy	3 3 3 3	12
Eric Eadon	2' 1 1 3	7 1
George White	0 2 0 E	1
Bert Little	2 F 1 1'	4 1
Mike Lawrence	2 1	3
Tony Eadon	0 1	1

Ht1 Hockaday, Heard, Bunney, Roberts, NTR	66.0	3	3	3	3
Ht2 Gooddy, E.Eadon, Reader, Bridson (f)	66.4	1	5	4	8
Ht3, McAuliffe, Little, Collett, G.White,	66.4	4	2	8	10
Ht4, RR Bridson, M.Lawrence, Preddy (fexc), Hockaday (ns)	71.0	3	2	11	12
Ht5, Gooddy, Heard, E.Eadon, Bunney,	67.2	2	4	13	16
Ht6, Bridson, White, Reader (f), Little(f)	69.0	3	2	16	18
Ht7, Hockaday, McAuliffe, Collett, Roberts (f)	66.1	3	3	19	21
Ht 8, Gooddy, Hard, Preddy, T.Eadon,	67.4	3	3	22	24
Ht 9, Heard, Bunney, Little, White,	67.2	5	1	27	25
Ht10, Hockaday, Reader, Roberts, Bridson,	66.4	2	4	29	29
Ht11, Gooddy, McAuliffe, E.Eadon, Collett (ef)	67.4	2	4	31	33
Ht12, Bunney, Preddy, T.Eadon, White(ef)	69.8	5	1	36	34
Ht13, E.Eadon, Hard, Lawrence, Collett (f)	68.6	2	4	38	38
Ht14, Heard, Roberts, Little, McAuliffe (f)	68.2	3	3	41	41
Hockaday (ns) Ht4					

Reserves Race;

Hard, T.Eadon, Lawrence, Preddy,	68.2
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Team Trial Race

G.Hutchinson, R.Terry, B.Warner, R.Davies (f),	72.0
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The Test

Hard, Reader, Hutchinson, Bunney,	68.0
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Arlington Scurry

Little, Bridson, E.Eadon, R.Davies,	69.0
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Hailsham Stars

T.Sweetman, Gooddy, McAuliffe, Roberts,	68.4
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Sunday 14th July 1956 Arlington Stadium, Eastbourne

Eastbourne Eagles 40 Rye House Roosters 37 (Southern Area League) (Provisional)

Eastbourne

Dave Collett	2 1 3 1'	7 1
Jim Heard	F 3 F F	3
Bob Bunney	1 F 1	2
Tom Reader	F 2' 3 2	7 1
Leo McAuliffe	F 1' 3 3	7 1
Gerry Bridson	3 2 2' F	7 1
Reg Davies	0 2	2

Mick Hard 3 F 2' 5 1

Rye House

Brian Brett 1 1 0 1 3
Vic Ridgeon 3 3 3 3 12
Gerry King 2' F 2' 0 4 2
Porky Veal 3 2 1 F 6
Jim Chalkley F 0 0
Dave Slater E 2 2 2' 6 1
Ron Baker DNR
Les Searle 0 3 3 F 6

Ht1 Ridgeon, Collett, Brett, Heard (f)	75.2	2	4	2	4
Ht2 Veal, King, Bunney, Reader (f)	78.4	1	5	3	9
Ht3 Bridson, McAuliffe (f), Chalkley (f), Slater (ef)	80.2	3	0	6	9
Ht4 Hard, Reader, Brett, Searle	80.0	5	1	11	10
Ht5 Heard, Veal, Collett, King (f)	78.2	4	2	15	12
Ht6 Reader, Slater, Bunney (f),	84.2	3	2	18	14
Ht7 Ridgeon, Bridson, McAuliffe, Brett	78.2	3	3	21	17
Ht8 Searle, King, Bunney, Davies	78.2	1	5	22	22
Ht9 Collett, Slater, Heard (f),	84.0	3	2	25	24
Ht10 Ridgeon, Reader, Brett, Hard (f)	78.2	2	4	27	28
Ht11 McAuliffe, Bridson, Veal, King	80.0	5	1	32	29
Ht12 Searle, Davies, Collett, Chalkley	79.2	3	3	35	32
Ht13 McAuliffe, Hard, Veal (f), Searle (f)	84.0	5	0	40	32
Ht4 Ridgeon, Slater, Bridson (f), Heard (f)	79.4	0	5	40	37

Silver Sash

Leo McAuliffe bt Vic Ridgeon 72.0

Reserves Race

Rained Off

Team Trial Race

Mick Hard, Reg Davies, Bon Warner, Bill Barling 81.4

Remainder of races , Arlington Scurry, The Test and Hailsham Stars were rained off.

Sunday 28th July 1956Arlington Stadium, Eastbourne

Eastbourne Eagles 49 California Poppies 32 (Southern Area League)

Eastbourne

Dave Collett F 2' 1 2' 5 2
Jim Heard F 3 3 2 8
Bob Bunney 1 1' 3 1' 6 2
Tom Reader 3 1' 2 2 8 1
Leo McAuliffe 3 3 3 3 12
Mick Hard 1 X 1
Jim Preddy 2 2' 3 1' 9 2
Geoff Davies 1 1

California

Jimmy Glead 3 3 2 3 11
Ron Webb F 1' 0 0 1 1
Ron Walton 0 E 2 F 2
Phil Sheppard 2 1 1 2 6
Reg Gutteridge F F F 1 1
Ross Gilbertson 2 3 2 3 11
Ronnie Rolfe 0 1' 1 1
Mike Keen 0 0 0

Ht1 Glead, Collett (f), Heard (f), Webb (f)	69.2	0	3	0	3
Ht2 Reader, Sheppard, Bunney, Walton	72.2	4	2	4	5
Ht3 McAuliffe, Gilbertson, Hard, Gutteridge 9f)	68.8	4	2	8	7

Ht4 Gleed, Preddy, Reader, Rolfe	68.2	3	3	11	10
Ht5 Heard, Collett, Sheppard, Walton (ef)	67.8	5	1	16	11
Ht6 Gilbertson, Reader, Bunney, Gutteridge (f)	68.5	3	3	19	14
Ht7 McAuliffe, Gleed, Webb, Hard (fexc)	67.2	3	3	22	17
Ht8 Bunney, Walton, Davies, Keen	75.6	4	2	26	19
Ht9 Heard, Gilbertson, Collett, Gutteridge (f)	69.0	4	2	30	21
Ht10 Gleed, Reader, Bunney, Webb	70.8	3	3	33	24
Ht11 McAuliffe, Preddy, Sheppard, Walton (f)	68.8	5	1	38	25
Ht12 Preddy, Collett, Gutteridge, Keen	71.2	5	1	43	26
Ht13 McAuliffe, Sheppard, Rolfe, Davies	68.2	3	3	46	29
Ht14 Gilbertson, Heard, Preddy, Webb	68.4	3	3	49	32

Reserves Race

Preddy, Davies, Keen, Rolfe 70.4

Silver Sash Match Race

Jimmy Gleed bt Leo McAuliffe 70.8

Trial Race

Not raced

The Test

Bunney, Preddy, Collet, Bob Warner 68.8

Arlington Scurry

Reader, Collett, Sheppard, Gutteridge (f) 70.8

Hailsham Stars

Heard, Gleed, McAuliffe (f), Gilbertson (f) ?

Sunday 6th August 1956 Rye House Stadium, Hoddesdon

Rye House Roosters v Eastbourne Eagles (Southern Area League) Cancelled

Sunday 12th August 1956 California in Reading, Wokingham

California Poppies 40 Eastbourne Eagles 43 (Southern Area League)

California

Phil Shepperd	0	1	0	2	3
Pete Mould	2	3	3	2	10
Ross Gilbertson	3	3	3	2	11
Ron Webb	0	0			0
Ron Walton	1	1'	0		2 1
Jim Gleed	3	2	3	1'	9 1
John Day	3	1	0	0	4
Mike Keen	0	0	1		1

Eastbourne

Dave Collett	1	2	0	1	4
Jim Heard	3	3	3	3	12
Bob Bunney	1'	0	1'		2 2
Tom Reader	2	2	1'	2'	7 2
Leo McAuliffe	2	2	1'	3	8 1
Gerry Bridson	0	0	2	0	2
Jim Preddy	1'	3			4 1
Mick Hard	2	2	0		4

Ht1 Heard, Mould, Collett, Shepperd	67.0	2	4	2	4
Ht2 Gilbertson, Reader, Bunney, Webb	68.2	3	3	5	7
Ht3 Gleed, McAuliffe, Walton, Bridson	68.2	4	2	9	9
Ht4 Day, Collett, Preddy, Keen	71.0	3	3	12	12
Ht5 Mould, Reader, Shepperd, Bunney	70.0	4	2	16	14
Ht6 Gilbertson, McAuliffe, Day, Bridson	71.0	4	2	20	16
Ht7 Heard, Walton, Gleed, Collett	79.0	3	3	23	19
Ht8 Gilbertson, Hard, Bunney, Keen	69.4	3	3	26	22

Ht9 Mould, Bridson, McAuliffe, Shepperd	69.0	3	3	29	25
Ht10 Heard, Gilbertson, Collett, Day	?	2	4	31	29
Ht11 Gleed, Hard, Reader, Walton	?	3	3	34	32
Ht12 McAuliffe, Shepperd, Day (nf), Hard (nf)	?	2	3	36	35
Ht13 Preddy, Reader, Keen, Walton (ns)	79.0	1	5	37	40
Ht14 Heard, Mould, Gleed, Bridson	65.0	3	3	40	43

Sunday 18th August 1956 Arlington Stadium, Eastbourne
Southern Area League Riders Championship Round

Jimmy Gleed	2	3	3	2	0	10
Colin Gooddy	F	F				0
Vic Ridgeon	3	3	1	3	3	13
Eric Eadon	1	1	1	2	3	9
Neil Roberts	F	1	1	F	0	2
Dave Collett	2	1	2	1	1	7
Jim Preddy	3	1	3	1	E	8
Ross Gilbertson	E	3	3	3	0	9
Phil Sheppard	1	0	0	E	1	2
Jim Heard	3	2	2	2	3	12
Brian Brett	0	0	0	1	1	2
Tom Reader	2	2	2	0	0	6
Dave Slater	F	2	0	2	2	6
Leo McAuliffe	3	3	2	3	2	13
Mick Hard	2	2	3	3	2	12
Bob Bunney	F	0	1	E	3	4
Reg Davis (res)	0	0	2			

Ht1 Ridgeon, Gleed, Eadon, Gooddy (f)	68.4
Ht2 Preddy, Collett, Roberts (f), Gilbertson (ef)	74.2
Ht3 Heard, Reader, Sheppard, Brett	?
Ht4 McAuliffe, Hard, Bunney (f), Slater (f)	69.0
Ht5 Gleed, Slater, Roberts, Sheppard	70.0
Ht6 McAuliffe, Heard, Collett, Gooddy (f)	67.4
Ht7 Ridgeon, Hard, Preddy, Brett	67.4
Ht8 Gilbertson, Reader, Eadon, Bunney	68.4
Ht9 Gleed, Collett, Bunney, Brett	68.2
Ht10 Hard, Reader, Roberts, Davis	68.2
Ht11 Gilbertson, McAuliffe, Ridgeon, Sheppard	66.8
Ht12 Preddy, Heard, Eadon, Slater	67.0
Ht13 McAuliffe, Gleed, Preddy, Reader	66.6
Ht14 Gilbertson, Slater, Brett, Davis	69.8
Ht15 Ridgeon, Heard, Bunney (ef), Roberts (f)	68.2
Ht16 Hard, Eadon, Collett, Sheppard (ef)	68.4
Ht17 Heard, Hard, Gleed (nf), Gilbertson (nf)	71.0
Ht18 Bunney, Davis, Sheppard, Preddy (ef)	68.6
Ht19 Ridgeon, Slater, Collett, Reader	68.2
Ht20 Eadon, McAuliffe, Brett, Roberts	69.8

Sunday 1st September 1956 Arlington Stadium, Eastbourne
Eastbourne Eagles 43 Southern Rovers 41 (Southern Area League)

Sunday 16th September 1956 Arlington Stadium, Eastbourne
Sussex Championship

Sunday 7th October 1956 Arlington Stadium, Eastbourne
The Supporters' Trophy

Mick Hard	1	3	3	3	10
Tony Eadon	F	0	1	1	2
Phil Sheppard	2	2	E	2	6
Leo McAuliffe	3	3	3	3	12
Tom Reader	2	2	2	3	9

Ross Gilbertson	3 2 2 1	8
Reg Davies	1 0 1 2	4
Colin Gooddy	E 1 3 3	7
Bob Warner	1 1 1 0	3
Dave Collett	3 3 2 1	9
Bob Bunney	2 1 F 2	5
Bill Barling		DNR
Ron Webb	1 0 0 0	1
Jim Preddy	3 1 2 F	6
Jim Heard	2 3 3 2	10
Les Owen	F 2 1 X	3

Ht01: McAuliffe, Sheppard, Hard, Eadon (f)	67.8
Ht02: Gilbertson, Reader, Davies, Gooddy (ef)	70.2
Ht03: Collett, Bunney, Warner, Barling (ns)	70.2
Ht04: Preddy, Heard, Webb, Owen (f)	70.6
Ht05: Hard, Reader, Warner, Webb	69.0
Ht06: Collett, Gilbertson, Preddy, Eadon	68.8
Ht07: Heard, Sheppard, Bunney, Davies	68.8
Ht08: McAuliffe, Owen, Gooddy, Barling (ns)	68.8
Ht09: Hard, Gilbertson, Owen, Bunney	69.2
Ht10: Heard, Reader, Eadon, Barling (ns)	68.8
Ht11: Gooddy, Preddy, Warner, Sheppard (ef)	70.2
Ht12: McAuliffe, Collett, Davies, Webb	67.6
Ht13: Hard, Davies, Preddy (f), Barling (ns)	68.8
Ht14: Gooddy, Bunney, Eadon, Webb	68.8
Ht15: Reader, Sheppard, Collett, Owen (exc)	67.6
Ht16: McAuliffe, Heard, Gilbertson, Warner	67.0

Runners Up Race:

Gooddy & Gilbertson (dead heat), [Collett, Sheppard] 70.0

Trophy Final:

Reader, Hard, Heard, McAuliffe 69.2

Mechanics Race

Ht01: N Unger, T Aubrey, R Dove, D Dennis 78.0

Ht02: [C Greener, B Dugard] ?

Ladies Match Race:

R Asherton beat B Sutton ?

Sunday 14th October 1956 Rye House Stadium, Hoddeson
 Rye House Roosters 56 Eastbourne Eagles 28 (Southern Area League)
 (3 laps)

Rye House			
Dave Slater	1 2' 1 3	7 1	
Vic Ridgeon	3 3 3 2'	11 1	
Bobby Croombs	1 3 2	6	
Gerry King	3 3 1 3	10	
Brian Brett	1 E 2'	3 1	
Al Sparrey	3 3 3 3	12	
Jim Chalkley	2' 2' 1 2	7 2	
No No.8			

Eastbourne			
Dave Collett	2 0 1' 0	3 1	
Jim Heard	E 2 1 1	4	
Les Searle	0 0 3 0	3	
Tom Reader	2 1 1 3	7	
Leo McAuliffe	2 2 2 2	8	
Mick Hard	F 0 0 0	0	

Jim Preddy	1	1	0	1	3
Bob Bunney					DNR

Ht1 Ridgeon, Collett, Slater, Heard (ef)	65.2	4	2	4	2
Ht2 King, Reader, Croombs, Searle	64.2	4	2	8	4
Ht3 Sparrey, McAuliffe, Brett, Hard (f)	65.0	4	2	12	6
Ht4 King, Chalkley, Preddy, Collett	66.0	5	1	17	7
Ht5 Ridgeon, Slater, Reader, Searle	64.6	5	1	22	8
Ht6 Croombs, McAuliffe, King, Hard	65.8	4	2	26	10
Ht7 Sparrey, Heard, Collett, Brett (ef)	66.0	3	3	29	13
Ht8 Searle, Croombs, Preddy 3 only	69.6	2	4	31	17
Ht9 Ridgeon, McAuliffe, Slater, Hard	64.8	4	2	35	19
Ht10 King, Chalkley, Heard, Collett	65.4	5	1	40	20
Ht11 Sparrey, Brett, Reader, Searle	65.2	5	1	45	21
Ht12 Slater, McAuliffe, Chalkley, Preddy	67.2	4	2	49	23
Ht13 Reader, Chalkley, Preddy 3 only	67.0	2	4	51	27
Ht14 Sparrey, Ridgeon, Heard, Hard	64.4	5	1	56	28