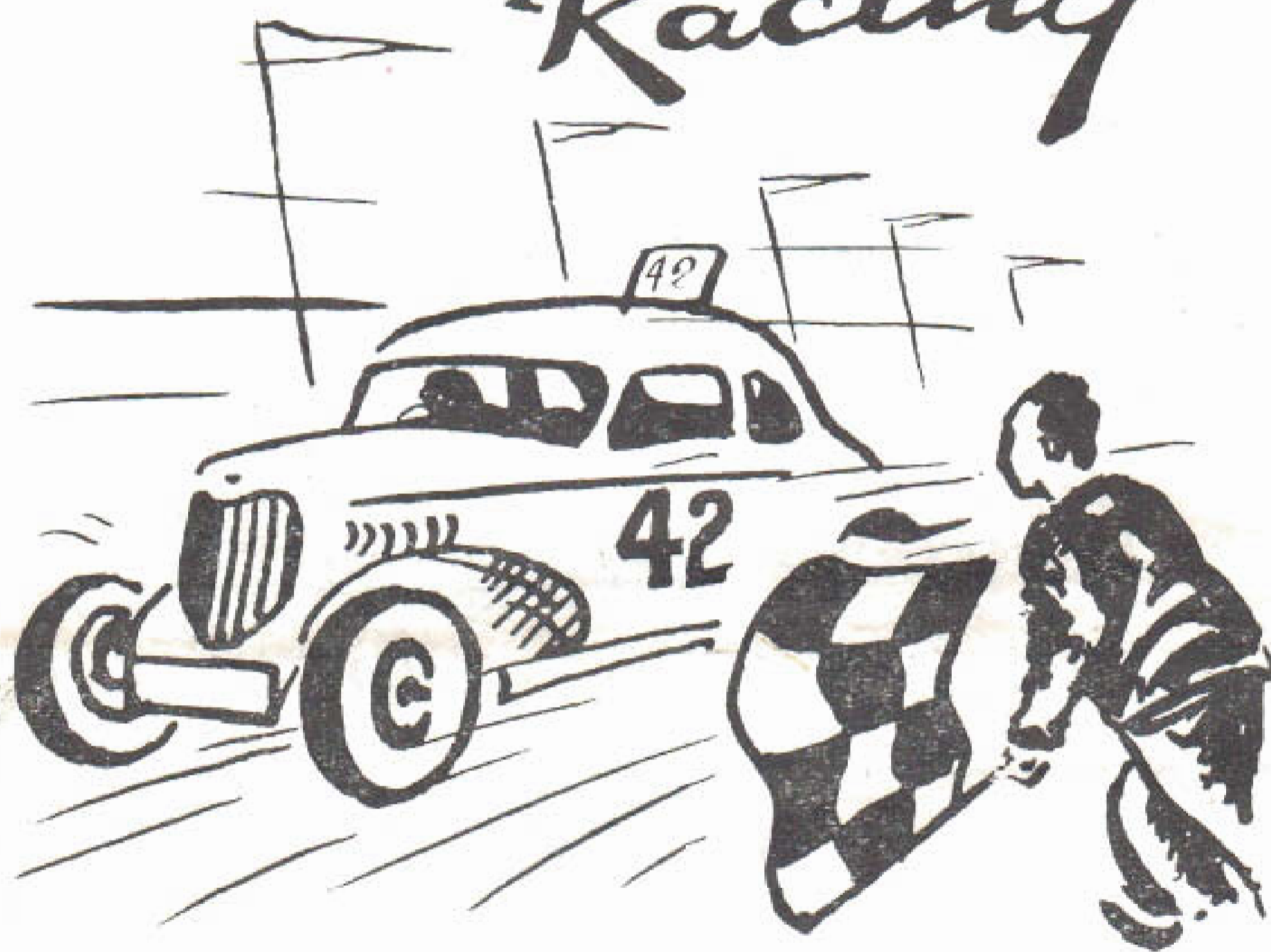


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will be awarded to the first person to correctly name the first 3 cars in their order of finishing in the Grand Final. Entries must be made on the official form below and must be given in at the Commentator's Box before the start of the race in question.

1st Car No...... **2nd Car No.**..... **3rd Car No.**.....

Name

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FUTURE BRAFIELD MEETINGS

Sunday	APRIL 19	King of the Midlands	(M)
Sunday	MAY 3	Henson Trophy	(M)
Whit Sunday	MAY 17	Junior World Championship Qual. Rnd	(J)
Sunday	JUNE 7	Junior "Hot Dog" Trophy	(M)
Sunday	JUNE 28	World Championship Qualifying Round	(S)
Sunday	JULY 12	South Midlands Championship	(SR)
Aug. B.H. Sunday	AUG. 2	Junior World Championship Semi-final	(J)
Sunday	AUG. 23	Midlands Junior Championship	(MR)
Sunday	SEPT. 13	Northamptonshire Trophy	(M)
Sunday	OCT. 4	"Hot Dog" Trophy	(M)
Sunday	OCT. 25	Champion of Champions	(S)

M = Mixed meeting (Juniors and Seniors). R = Geographical restriction.

S = All Senior cars. J = All Junior cars.

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NEXT MEETING

SATURDAY, 11th APRIL

at 7-30 p.m.

SPECIAL ENTERTAINMENT TROPHY.

MEETING No. 1, 1964.

EASTER

EVENT 1.

Approx. 2-30 p.m.

PRODUCTION CARS

Open to all spectators but not to stock car drivers on the programme.

Entrants should give their names and other particulars to Miss Geraldine Guthrie at the caravan by pit gate. Entry fee 10/-. Pool awarded for fastest two-lap time, unless there are ten entries or more, in which case pool divided $\frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{3}$ and awarded to fastest and second fastest respectively.

Crash helmets must be worn.

Cars to do one warm-up lap, then two laps against the clock.

FASTEST TIME DRIVER.....

SECOND FASTEST DRIVER.....

EVENT 2.

5 Laps—Rolling Start.

MATCH RACE ELIMINATOR

Winner to meet DOUG. WARDROPPER on 19th APRIL for Midlands Match Race Championship.

**Chick Woodroffe (1) v. Jock Lloyd (131)
or Don Evans (77)**

WINNER.....

EVENT 3.

15 Laps—Clutch Start.

STOCK CARS — SENIOR

'C' GRADE CARS ONLY.

No.	Name	Town
90	JOHN TOON	Coalville, Leics.
118	CECIL LAURIE	Byfield, Rugby
177	CHICK HENSON	Kempston, Beds.
* 186	ALBERT CHIGNELL	Chelmsford
193	JOHN TWYNHAM	Oakham, Rutland
199	JACK TOON	Coalville
202	TOM TOON	Coalville
250	DOUG. MASON	Oxford
255	BILL GILMOUR	Coventry
* 301	DENNIS BURDETT COUTTS	Hitchin
498	JOE PRATT	Dorchester-on-Thames

Result : 1..... 2..... 3..... 4..... 5..... 6.....

(First Six to Event 7 — Rest to Event 5).

(Cars marked * invited but

Welcome to 1964 !

With Easter Monday here, we can truly call the season open, for there have already been three meetings, at West Ham on Good Friday, and at Harringay and Long Eaton on Saturday. How many cars that will leave fit for racing today is in the lap of the gods, and we have not ignored this point. On Saturday night, I was at Long Eaton, checking on damage, and also prepared to book enough cars to make up for any damage, so that we can have a good field today. Also contributing to the general difficulties of Easter Monday is the coincidence of three meetings on the same day, for, in addition to our racing, there is also racing at Ringwood, where Ken Freeman has gone today, and at Belle Vue, where Aubrey Leighton and Vic Ferriday are regular performers.

You will see from this that although we expect good racing today, it is impossible to bank on it. Last Easter Monday, we gave you the biggest race meeting ever held in this country, but this year, circumstances have made this much more difficult to do.

You see, during the winter, things do not lie idle; with less actual racing on hand, people put their minds to work, and think up things. Just after Christmas, the promoters were presented with a demand for increased prize and start money for the drivers, and not just a little demand, either. The Drivers' Association (Chairman, Chick Woodroffe; Secretary, John Piper) came up with a request on behalf of their members for exactly double last year's scale ! Of course, this was ridiculous, and spokesmen for the major tracks immediately offered to run no racing this season. Since then, the money question has been ironed out a little, and a minor increase has been agreed for the time being.

Another thing that has made things more difficult is the matter of the reduction of the Senior car weight from 30 cwt. to 26 cwt. Although this may not seem very important—after all, what is four hundredweight?—it is a move by the drivers who can afford to build a new car every year to oust the smaller man who cannot. Though this may not be the intention, it is certainly the effect. Having built himself a car, the average 'C' grader hopes to run it without major change for at least a season or two. With a bit of luck and skill with a welder he can do so. But to ask him to rebuild completely just to suit a silly 'hot-rod' type whim is a diabolical liberty. My own view is that these lighter cars will be cutting down to very near the safety limit, and I did not vote in this matter.

For this reason, I think, you will possibly see less of the chaps who helped to make up our programmes last season, for already, many of these have not been able to reply to our invitation to race. Faced with the task of drastically altering their faithful steeds, they have reckoned up the cost against their chances of making a few bob on the track, and reluctantly retired from the scene.

LET'S LOOK ON THE BRIGHT SIDE

During the close season (and very close to this one, in fact) one or two nice things have happened as well.

Peter and Frida Arnold, that well-known double act at most tracks, have added to their establishment. They now have a son, Paul, who expects to add administrative ability to lap-scoring prowess and put both his parents out of work. I hear that he has already started commentating ! Brafield's best wishes go to this well-loved pair, who live in an ancient cottage at Pipewell, near Kettering.

The other happy event concerns young John Gray, Brafield's very own Junior star. John, the Corby lad who has surprised more than a number of the National stars with his speed and skill, became a happy husband on March 21st, and will be with us today, happy with his new status. All he needs now is a red roof, and I don't think this will escape him this season. John is a likeable young man, and we wish him well.

Ted Elliott is also a newish husband, but I believe we mentioned that last year. Ted will not be around for a month or two, which is a pity, for he always manages to liven the scene a bit.

APOLOGIES ARE DUE

In our last programme of last season, we ascribed the honour of being the sport's longest serving commentator to our own Geoff. Barnett, but we find that his long record at this track has been exceeded by one man; this is Bernard Tennent of Belle Vue, to whom we accord our sincere apologies. Belle Vue is to most of us, a little remote, and one tends to overlook the magnificent record of this track, where Stock Car Racing has never ceased since it started in 1954. We started in 1955, and also have an unbroken run.

We also omitted, through sheer forgetfulness, the thanks due to Fred Lovell, who has always erected the sound equipment here and has also acted as chief lap-scorer and incident officer. Fred was the first incident officer in the sport, and it is a shame that pressure of work may mean that he will not be with us this season.

TODAY'S FACES

Some of the lads whom you will be seeing today will be old friends, while there will also be some new ones. Roy Goodman and Chick Woodroffe will be here, as will Don Evans, which will ensure some keen racing in both Senior and Junior divisions. We are also pleased to see Brafield 'regular' Tony Wicks.

An old face making a return to the track after five years away is Leamington Spa driver, Ralph Tennant, who drives a Junior. Welcome home, Ralph; who knows, we might even be seeing Dick Beaumont back if this goes on! Jock Lloyd and Barry van den Oetelaar have told us they will be here if they can make it.

Sensation of our last Junior meeting was Andy Webb, from Woodford Halse, and we are looking forward to seeing how he gets on today.

Last year, we saw three Toon Brothers here, and this year, there is yet another Toon. This is John Toon, son of Jack, and we give him the old Brafield cheer. Always neatly prepared, the Toon family is a credit to the sport, and we hope that there will soon be enough of them for us to make a team match between them and the Wesley clan from Stoke Goldington!

Darkie Wright, veteran of many a gruelling race is also here, and another popular Londoner is Junior driver Eddie Asling, from Dulwich. The 'locals', apart from Roy Goodman and John Gray, are represented by Cecil Laurie, back to the track after a year's busy farming; Mike Lewis, from Crick, who caused a few sensations here and there last season; Willie Wanklyn and Chick Henson, whose triumph in the South Midlands Championship was most unpopular with the hierarchy (who couldn't catch him), and the Bedford Junior brigade, Eddie Cunnew, Chris. George and Gordon Fisher.

OUR PICTURES

Normally we are proud of the action pictures which we publish in our programme, but there are so few interesting ones about, that we shall, unless we get some unusual pictures, be giving you more editorial matter, thus seeing that you are the best-informed patrons in the country! If you want to write to us, I am still at

7 NORTH BLOCK, COVENTRY HALL, LONDON, S.W.16.

My best wishes to you all for the 1964 season, and these are backed up by the guv'nor, John La Trobe. Happy racing...

GRAHAM GUTHRIE.