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Sunday, 6th August, 1967

Programme - One Shilling

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1967 at BRAFIELD

STOCK CARS

Sunday. Aug. 27th Hot Dog Trophy for Senior Cars.

- , Sept. 17th Midland Junior Championship.
 - Oct. 8th BSCDA Junior Championship.
 - Oct. 29th Champion of Champions.

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BARNEY REILLY'S STOCK CAR

a lively look at the early days—

thrills, spills and laughs all in

one story by

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who will autograph the first few copies sold

All this for only five bob

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GEOFF BARNETT 1925-1967



On May 11th, 1967, there occurred an event which marked the end of an era in Stock Car Racing. Although the collapse of a man in a picture house in Blackburn may not have made national headlines, to us in the world of Stock Cars it was a cataclysmic shock, more so as the news look two months to reach us.

The man who died was Geoff Barnett, who from 1955 until 1961 was manager of this stadium. Under his guidance, Brafield came to mean something in the sport, and there is no man connected with stock cars who put more into the game in the way of ideas and innovations. Some of the ideas were unpopular among the shorter-sighted, and there were times when the carrying out of those ideas caused trouble. But then, did not the ignorant populace wreck the first spinning machine?

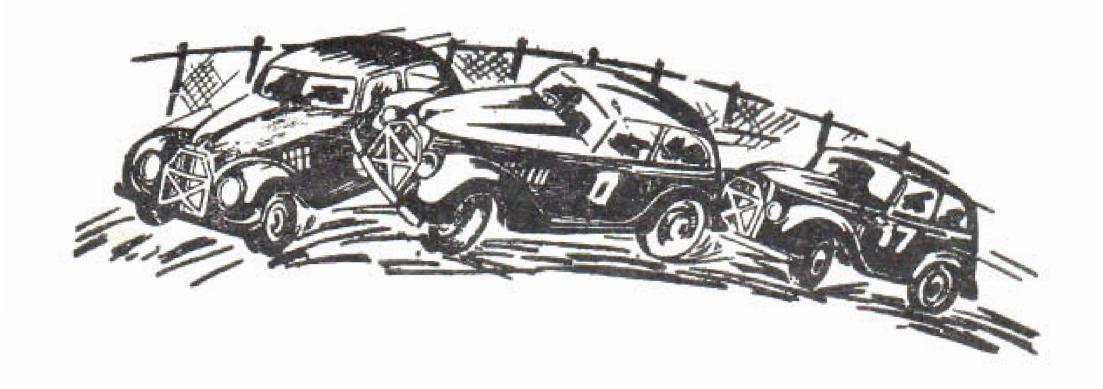
Geoff Barnett was a man of tremendous energy, fantastic vision and absolute dedication to the progress of stock car racing. He had no patience with the tiny-minded, and when the sport became self-consciously "respectable" he still hoped that one day the old spirit would return.

At the start, he was coordinator at Staines and manager here; his commentaries were accurate and florid in style. At the beginning of 1962, he was ordered by the doctors to cut down on his working hours, for he was, by then, taking a great interest in social work. From Slough he moved to Bristol and then to Coventry, each time as warden of a Community Centre. From there, he was appointed Youth Organiser to the Borough of Burnley, Lancs., and could no longer travel to Brafield to do his commentaries.

While at Burnley, he introduced the Blue Parcel scheme, which was—and is—a charitable work carried out by the youth of the town. He also organised the town's first "Fun Day", and this was celebrated just after he died. Still pouring every ounce of energy into every minute of the day, he was organising yet another aspect of youth work in neighbouring Blackburn when he collapsed and died.

Our picture shows Geoff with a class of pupils of the Brafield Stock Car Driving School, next to instructor Doug Wardropper. Even to this enterprise he brought his driving energy into the encouragement of the pupils. He will be remembered as the man who never did things by halves.

GRAHAM GUTHRIE



ROUND THE BENDS

Today, whatever the weather, we see the second of our new annual trophy meetings for the Cunnew Trophy. This is being presented by Ted and Doll Cunnew, two of the best-loved people in the sport. From Cadwell Park down to St. Austell, everybody in the sport has, at one time or another, had reason to thank the Cunnews for something, even though it be only the willing and happy loan of a spanner.

Three weeks ago, however, just before the meeting at Ringwood, Ted Cunnew collapsed at breakfast and was taken to hospital, where at the time of writing, he still lies. He has after twelve days been taken off the danger list, but it is now doubtful whether he will be allowed by the medics to put so much time and energy into stock car racing as he has done hitherto. For a while, it looked very bad for Ted, and Doll and son Eddie have been staying near at hand. They have been overwhelmed by the volume of letters, cards and even telegrams of good wishes that they have received from stock car people, and this has done Ted a great deal of good in his struggle for life. It appears that this struggle, like many others he has undertaken, is over at the time of writing, for I received a letter from him a couple of days ago.

We sincerely hope that one of the Cunnew family at least will be with us today, to present the trophy which is probably the most novel ever seen. It consists of a picture frame. The novelty, however, is twofold; in the frame will be a ten-pound note, and to fill the frame, Ted was arranging with Keith Barber for the winner's portrait to be painted by Keith as a permanent memento.

We also sincerely hope that son Eddie and Pete Merries will be competing in today's competition as they are the survivors of the famed Keysoe Top Cats who attracted so much attention a couple of seasons ago. Pete Merries, by the way, makes his first appearance in his new role of manager's son-in-law, because on July 15th he married my daughter Caroline at Bedford. So he'd better be out there!

AND STILL WE FIND NEW FACES

New? Well one of them you have seen before, because we welcome back to the Board of Control tracks a man who has been racing "on the other side". This is Trevor Blyth of Wisbech, who gained a red roof with Spedeworth. Another new face is that of Charlie Griggs, who is no relation to our stern-faced pit marshal George. We also welcome Denny Whatt from Wisbech and "Sailor" Boon from St. Albans.

Event One — PARADE OF CARS

Event Two	— " C " Grade Race	12 laps scratch. Rolling Start
Grade No.	Name	Town
506	STAN COLE	Maulden
539	DEREK KETTERINGHAM	Wisbech
571	WAT TYLER	Stevenage
622	PETER EVANS	Solihull
643	BILL STEWART	Brackley
653	ROD BARBER	Grays
661	DAVID WYCHERLEY	Crowland
672	SAM RACKHAM	Alconbury
675	GRAHAM BAMPTON	Cranfield
680	DEREK BAYFORD	Little Hadham
691	TOM HURN	Enfield
703	BERNARD HAYNES	Sherington
757	KEN BLACKABY	Maulden
767	"SAILOR" BOON	St. Albans
777	ARNOLD HAWES	Maulden
785	DAVE GIBSON	Hanwell
786	ROGER NICHOLLS	Kings Lynn
813	DAVE WHYATT	Wisbech
822	JOCK WADDELL	Clapham
827	PETER MERRIES	Sharnbrook
832	TOMMY KEEP II	Epping
834	CHARLIE GRIGGS	Wisbech
Result:	1st2nd	4th
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" B "	513 642 669 693 733 741 760 783	PETER POOLE PETER EDWARDS ALLEN YOUNG CHRIS BULKELEY JOHN CHERRY VIC COOK	Ipswich Spratton Stevenage Cranfield Shefford Oxford Sandy Epping
" C "	514 594 636 684 808	DOUG BLACKWELL JOHN LYNES	Shefford Dagenham Hornsey London Colney Ilford
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THEY PASSED THE TEST

Next meeting, we have another appearance by those mighty giants of the Raceway, the Senior cars, who will be competing for one of the season's top trophy attractions, the annual HOT DOG TROPHY. And, as ever, genial hot-dog king, Fred Summerfield, will be there with one of his wonderful prizes which are so much coveted by all the drivers.

It was a pity last time that, due to a postal slip-up, Stuart Smith and Doug Cronshaw did not arrive to purvey thrills. Lots of you, however, came up and said that it was a great meeting, so, as the public is always right, we have done it again. This time, however, I'll get those Rochdale lads down here even if I have to go and get them myself. I also hope that one or two other thrill-making absentees from our last bill will be here next time. Transport difficulties robbed us of the Sharmans from Nottingham, while the Holts were too badly damaged at Belle Vue to make the trip. The next one should be a real cracker, so make a note of the date—Sunday, 27th August.

SOMETHING TO READ

That veteran prompter, Johnnie Hoskins, who would be entitled to be called the "Grand Old Man of the Track" if only he would act as though he were seventy-five, has written a book. Entitled "Barney Reilly's Stock Car", it is a nostalgic and amusing yarn about the early days. Today, we not only have it on sale here, but Johnnie himself is coming up and will autograph the first few copies sold. So at one blow, you get the chance of buying a lively book about your favourite sport, and also of meeting one of the real characters of the track world. You may be interested to know that it was Johnnie Hoskins who introduced speedway to Great Britain in 1927.

And, in addition, we shall award a ticket for our remaining meetings to the first person who tells me personally the reason why Arnold Hawes should be interested in Johnnie's book. You must have a book with you.

THE WORLD FINAL

On Saturday, 26th August, the Junior World Final is being held at Swindon. We are expecting some handbills from Gerry Dommett, which will be distributed among you to tell you all about it. We shall be going, of course, to see if one of our locals can win the prime award, and we hope that you will, too.

A STATE OF CHAOS

During the period between our last meeting and this one, I have been moving. I now live in a little cottage, and it is still full of boxes containing papers, clothes, cigarette-ends, and food. I expect I shall be completely straight soon, but it doesn't look exactly imminent!

Since moving in, I have been told that my road is under two feet of water during the winter, but this was a jealously-guarded secret until I had actually settled in. A most essential part of the amenities is in a shed at the bottom of the garden, among the fairies, and on my second night there, the back wall fell out, Otherwise, I think I shall be happy.

Don't forget to write to me, especially now I'm out in the wilds.

GRAHAM GUTHRIE

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2 p.m. to 3 p.m.

SEE RICK THOMAS IN THE COMMENTARY BOX WITH YOUR REQUEST AND MESSAGE — WE DO THE REST

PEN PICTURE

(303 and 606)

Although named after a town in Leicestershire, Bryan is a Londoner through and through, living in Tottenham, which is technically in Middlesex. He is twenty-nine years old, married, with progeny, and his hobby is stock-car racing. This is hardly surprising, for his dad is, I believe, connected with the sport.

Bryan was initiated into racing via Go-karts, and travelled to many parts of Europe in search of (and finding) fame. Not far away from where Bryan lives, is the home of Lofty West, who also found fame on the stock-car track. We remember, in the days when Lofty used to provide one of our breakdown trucks, he was caught on the



inside of the starting grid when the races started. Round on the rolling lap went Lofty in his truck, hoping to get off when he passed the pit gate. But the boys would not let him go and when the flag dropped, there he was, with his crane-hook swinging gaily, keeping up with the field!

He said afterwards that if he could ever have got his stock-cars to go as fast as his breakdown truck, he would never have retired!

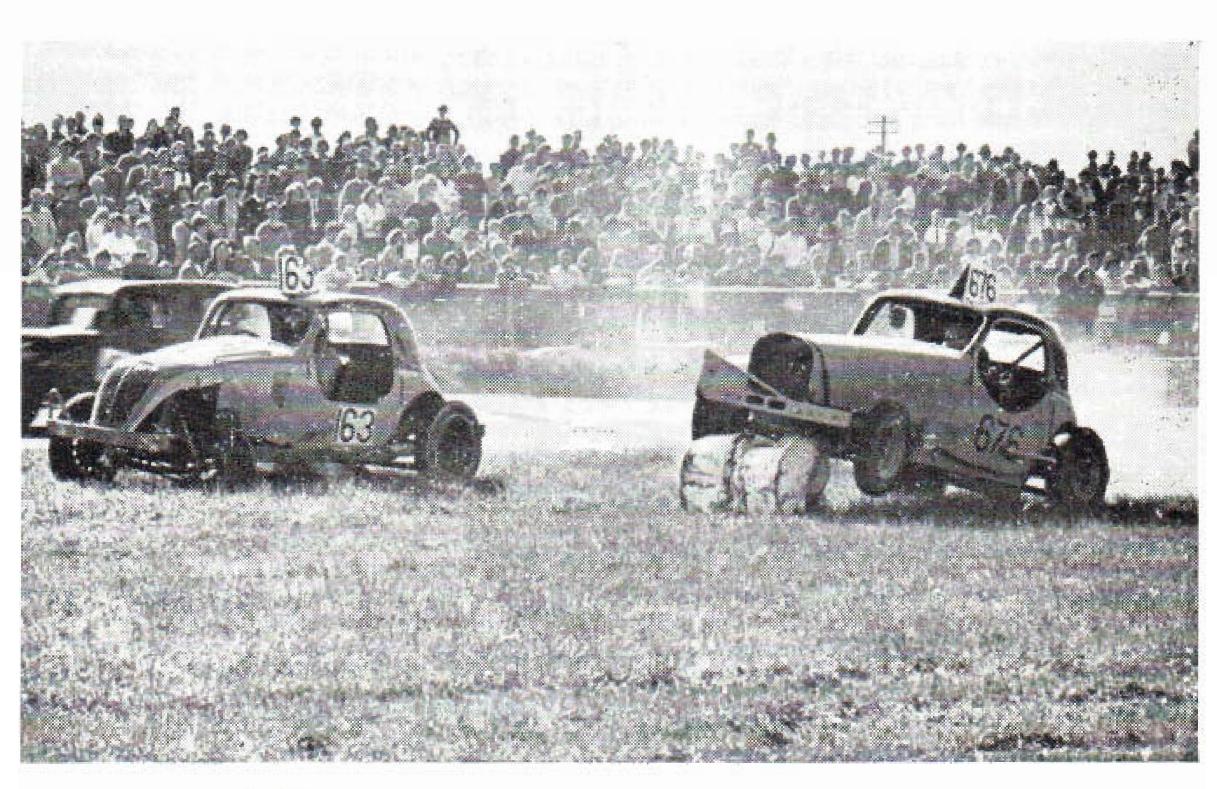
Bryan—about whom this article is supposed to be—has done very nicely winning finals here, and did it with his senior, too, at our last meeting. We are pleased to include him in our series, because he is a nice modest chap and the last to agree that he is a brilliant driver. In true British fashion, he always ascribes his success to luck. But it isn't.

Top Junior Points Scorers of the season Points Name No. BRYAN HINCKLEY 606 84 601 763 766 TONY ALLEN 64 STEVE BATEMAN 676 52 DURHAM 658 51 BILL BARKER 681 47 TONY HILL 657 38 553 EDDIE ASLING 36 ROGER HOLLINGSHEAD 660 32 RON INNOCENT 712 32 DAVE CHISHOLM 30 552

NO, CHICK!



THAT'S NOT THE TROPHY!



TWO WORLD CHAMPIONS ON ONE CENTRE GREEN!

NEXT STOCK CARS

SUNDAY 27th AUGUST

THE ANNUAL

HOT DOG TROPHY

FOR SENIOR CARS

See the mighty mammoths of the raceway compete for the season's most attractive trophy

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3 p.m. START

but come as early as you like!

EVENTS ELSEWHERE

The following dates are taken from the Board of Control fixture list, but it might be best to confirm before travelling.

- Aug. 8 St. Austell.
 - 9 Newton Abbott.
 - , 11 Plymouth.
 - , 12 Harringay, Long Eaton.
 - . 13 Cadwell Park.
 - 15 St. Austell.
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