

Speedway – Bewley is a Tiger after shock move from Monarchs

❑ SUCCESS-HUNGRY Glasgow Tigers today snatched rising star Dan Bewley from arch rivals Edinburgh Monarchs.

The 17-year-old joins the Ashfield-based combine along with Finnish 20-year-old Nike Lunna.

And Cumbria-based Bewley, a target for a number of ambitious SGB Premiership clubs, said: "Glasgow is a great place to be."

Bewley made huge steps in his first season in the sport but had to sit out the later part of the season through injury.

And the teenage prodigy has been signed on loan from his parent club, Manchester-based Belle Vue.

He said: "There's a lot of energy around the club (Glasgow). I knew early on that I wanted to be there, especially with potentially riding a Friday night in the National League. I needed somewhere else other than Edinburgh to ride.

"I didn't do very well in my first meeting at Glasgow but, in my last one, I really liked the track and did quite well."

He added: "It's been three months now since I last rode – it'll be nearly half-a-year come March – and I want to get riding again so much. I'm pretty much all sorted now after my injury.

"Switching from Edinburgh to Glasgow is a bit unusual, but hopefully it goes well."

Lunna, who is in Finland studying car mechanics, said: "I'm super happy to be back with the Tigers. I love to be there and this coming year I have so much more to give as I know the track and my team-mates."

The two youngsters join the returning heat leader trio Aaron Summers, Richie Worrall and Richard Lawson in the line-up for next season, bidding to retain the Knockout Cup as well as win the rebranded SGB Championship.

In addition, the club welcome two new reserves, Tom Perry and Jack Smith, son of former Grand Prix star Andy Smith.