

# Speedway – Harkess praises Clegg and team



Alex Harkess (left) in discussion with Ian Sneddon (centre) and former rider Andrew Tully. Picture Nigel Duncan Media

Edinburgh Monarchs boss Alex Harkess praised rider Max Clegg and the rest of the squad after fighting back from eight points down to draw at Newcastle Diamonds.

A final 5-1 race defeat before was, however, a disappointment but star of the show for Monarchs was 20-year-old Yorkshireman Clegg.

He recorded a 14-point haul from Reserve with some lightning gating and determined riding.

Harkess, Monarchs' co-promoter, said: "Full marks to Max. He believed in himself. He went out to win races and he did. He was making starts and without a doubt he was the star man."

He added: "We are disappointed with the draw but only due to the situation we were in.

"Being eight points down early on a draw would have been more than acceptable but that's the way it goes.

"We then got ourselves into a winning position and it was a shame we didn't get that win but a draw is more than OK."