

Speedway – Bandits come close and Summers stars for Tigers



Aaron Summers guided Glasgow to victory. Picture Ian Adam

Berwick Bandits came within two points of beating high-flying Ipswich Witches with a spirited performance.

They lost 47-45 but team manager Gary Flint said the spirit the riders showed was something special.

Bandits were 11 down after Heat Four but they fought on and guest Ryan Douglas top scored with 11 points and Jye Etheridge was next best with eight.

In Glasgow, Aaron Summers powered to 15 points as Tigers won 51-41 against Peterborough Panthers.

The result keeps the heat on Edinburgh at the top of the Championship.

The visitors were without their top rider Chris Harris who was in Poland competing for Great Britain in the Speedway World Cup.

Despite that only eight points split the sides with three races to go.

Captain Summers won heats 13 and 15 – including a 5-1 with Richard Lawson – to ensure his team took all three points.

In Poland, Great Britain finished fourth in the World Cup with Harris top scoring with seven points in a total of 15.

Russia were third on 18 with Sweden second on 42. Poland won with 50 points.

And in the Travel Plus National League, Edinburgh Monarchs rider Mitchell Davey was joint top scorer with ten points as Stoke beat Plymouth 53-37.