

Speedway – Tigers edge into final four



Starring role for Aaron Summers as Glasgow Tigers edge Newcastle Diamonds to earn a KO Cup semi-final slot. Picture Ian Adam

Knockout Cup, quarter-final, second-leg; Newcastle Diamonds 44, Glasgow Tigers 46 (agg: 88-92). Premiership promotion/relegation play-off, first-leg: Sheffield Tigers 32, Leicester Lions 58.

Newcastle: Ricky Wells (guest) 8, Ashley Morris 4, Stuart Robson 7, Ludvig Lindgren 7, Steve Worrall 12, Ben Hopwood 3, Alfie Bowtell 3

Glasgow: Richard Lawson 8, rider replacement for Nike Lunna, Richie Worrall 10, Dan Bewley 8, Aaron Summers 12, James Sarjeant (guest) 8, Jack Smith 0

Skipper Aaron Summers powered to 12 points as injury-hit Glasgow Tigers squeezed past Newcastle Diamonds to qualify for the Knockout Cup, semi-final.

The cup holders were under intense pressure going into the return leg only 46-44 ahead as this is their last chance of silverware this season, but held their nerve in a tense battle on Tyneside.

Diamonds led 43-41 going into the final heat of the see-saw leg but Richie Worrall won the battle of the brothers.

He took the flag with Summers second leaving twin Steve Worrall in third and guest Ricky Wells (Edinburgh Monarchs)

last.

Worrall was second top scorer for the visitors with ten points and also influential was guest James Sarjeant, a former Tigers racer, who collected eight valuable points from seven rides.

Stewart Dickson, Tigers' team manager, said: "We came down here to win the tie and that's just what we have done."

Edinburgh Monarchs star Eric Riss scored five points as Premiership side Leicester Lions mauled Sheffield Tigers from the Championship 32-58 in Yorkshire. The second-leg is at Leicester on Monday.