

Speedway – Monarchs plan year-long celebration



The new logo to celebrate 70 years of the Edinburgh Monarchs

Edinburgh Monarchs have kick-started their 70th season by revealing a new club logo, the announcement of club Hall of Fame and a stage show with special guests.

The logo will appear on all activities connected with the celebrations and club director Mike Hunter promised a year packed with special events.

Monarchs Fans Trust start birthday celebrations with a 70th-themed raffle and, during the season, there will be a special meeting staged at Armadale.

Hunter said: “For those not sure of the Monarchs history we will be presenting a stage show with special guests explaining the highs and maybe some lows of our 70 years.

“It will be a busy year as we look to celebrate in style with all of our supporters.”

Meanwhile, former Edinburgh Monarchs skipper Sam Masters has assured fans that he will be ready for the new season.

The Australian suffered a broken bone at the base of his tibia when he piled into a bike after another rider crashed in practice for the final round of his national championship last weekend.

The injury requiring surgery but the 26-year-old said: “It was a tough Australian Championship for me. I could ride in a fortnight if I needed to because it’s nothing too serious even though I need surgery.

“The fact they are putting a screw into the damaged area means they are strengthening it and I’ll be right and good to go pretty quickly.”

Masters quit Monarchs to ride in the Premiership with Wolverhampton Wolves and in Europe.

He added: “The Wolverhampton team looks good and I’m really excited about everything. This is only a minor blip in my season prep.”