Speedway - Palovaara leads charge against Comets



Richie Worrall, again in the points for Edinburgh Monarchs. Picture by Nigel Duncan Media

SGB Championship: Edinburgh Monarchs 65, Workington Comets 25

Edinburgh: Ricky Wells 10, Victor Palovaara 13, Josh Pickering 7, Richie Worrall 12, Eric Riss 12, William Lawson 2, Joel Andersson 9

Workington: Nicolai Klindt 9, rider replacement for Dan Bewley, Rasmus Jensen 4, Mason Campton 6, Ty Proctor 2, Kyle Bickley 0, Rene Bach 4

Edinburgh Monarchs continued their regal home form when they shot down Workington Comets, one of the fancied teams in the SGB Championship.

The home side only lost one heat and Monarchs racers piled on the points in the thumping 65-25 victory to the delight of the Armadale faithful.

Monarchs were out of sight at 36-12 after only eight races. Captain Erik Riss and Glasgow Tigers reject Richie Worrall both claimed four-ride maximums.

And Victor Palovaara had one of the best nights in his career when he won four of his five starts for 13 points.

Comets leading scorer was Nicolai Klindt with nine points including the visitors solitary victory in the final race, beating former Workington star Ricky Wells and Palovaara to take the flag.

SGB Championship: Glasgow Tigers 58, Newcastle Diamonds 32 Glasgow: Craig Cook 15, rider replacement for Nathan Greaves, Claus Vissing 8, Paul Starke 6, Chris Harris 12, Jack Thomas 7, James Sarjeant 10

Newcastle: Stuart Robson 10, rider replacement for Tero Aarnio, Matej Kus 4, Ashley Morris 3, Ludvig Lindgren 2, Carl Wilkinson 2, Matthew Wethers 11

Craig Cook powered to a 15-point maximum on his return to Glasgow Tigers after Grand Prix duty.

And he was backed by 12 points from former Grand Prix racer Chris Harris, Glasgow's captain.

James Sarjeant collected ten points in a convincing victory over Newcastle Diamonds.

The home side were 32-16 ahead after eight racers and kept on the power to win 58-32.

Former Edinburgh Monarchs captain Matthew Wethers was best for Newcastle with 11 points followed by evergreen Stuart Robson on ten points.