

Speedway – fired-up Berwick maul league-leaders



Pijper and Jacobsen in action for high-flying Berwick. Picture by Colin Poole

Berwick continued their superb home form with a 55-35 win over Championship leaders Peterborough at Shielfield Park.

Scott Nicholls scored 17 points from six rides for Panthers but Bandits proved far more solid as they became the first team to prevent Panthers from taking league points on their travels.

Reserve Nikolaj Busk Jakobsen scored 12 points with Theo Pijper, Aaron Summers and Kevin Doolan all contributing.

Berwick manager Scott Courtney said: “We want the play-offs and the guys are going to fight all the way.”

Courtney said it was a great match with some excellent racing from all the riders.

He praised Peterborough No 1 Scott Nicholls and Panthers boss Carl Johnson admitted they were beaten by the better side on the night.

He added: “Overall it’s one bad meeting but we’re not about to panic. We move on to Newcastle and look for points there.”

Meanwhile, overseas Great Britain collected the bronze medal in the FIM World under-21 Team Cup Final in Outrup.

Former Edinburgh Monarchs and Glasgow Tigers rider Dan Bewley scored 13 points to help Neil Vatcher’s side to 29 in total.

That placed them third behind winners Poland, who scored

46points, and second-placed Denmark with 42 points.

Zach Wajtknecht, Ellis Perks, Nathan Greaves and reserve Connor Mountain all contributed to the total which saw Britain finish clear of fourth-placed Sweden and secure a well-deserved rostrum appearance.