

Speedway – maximum man Heeps helps shoot down Eagles

SGB Championship: Edinburgh Monarchs 51, Eastbourne Eagles 27 (match abandoned after Heat 13).

Edinburgh Monarchs boss Alex Harkess called for an improved performance from his inconsistent side after a poor run of form.

And his men delivered, shooting down play-off rivals Eastbourne Eagles at Armadale 51-27 in a match curtailed when heavy rain started to fall in the later stages.

The win came despite No 1 Sam Masters, who had previously dropped only one point in four matches, two of them away, since rejoining the club, only finishing third in the first heat.

Monarchs turned up the heat in the third race, winning it 5-1 and then collected 4-2, 5-1 and 4-2 scorelines in the next three to cruise into a 24-12 advantage by Heat Six and they never looked back.

Comeback man Cameron Heeps, who has been out through injury, claimed a 12-point maximum with Masters finishing with nine points.

Guest Nick Morris, a former Glasgow Tigers and Berwick Bandits rider, was best for Eagles with eight points.