Speedway — Tigers on the prowl at Monarchs

Sheffield Tigers aim to maul Edinburgh Monarchs at Armadale on Friday (7.30pm) to keep their slim play-off hopes alive.

They travel North on the back of a hard-fought 48-42 win over Newcastle Diamonds at Owlerton in midweek.

And the Yorkshire club now need seven points from trips to Edinburgh and Glasgow Tigers on Saturday to snatch a place in the top four.

Sheffield boss Simon Stead said: "It's in our own hands and we need to perform when it counts. We all know the job we've got to do and if everyone performs the way I know they can then we'll make it."

Monarchs should have their full septet available as skipper Ricky Wells missed Poole Pirates' in the Premiership this week but is intending to track against Sheffield who await news on Kyle Howarth. They have a guest replacement ready if required.

Tigers have a solid side including Championship Individual runner-up Danny King and former Monarchs' rider Justin Sedgmen.

They also have strong reserves in American rider Broc Nicol and first season Aussie racer Zaine Kennedy.

Monarchs' team manager Alex Harkess said: "We have no chance of making the play-offs but we want to get up the table as many places as we can."

Meanwhile, Glasgow Tigers visit Redcar Bears (7.30pm) also in

the Championship.

Elsewhere, Stoke promoter Dave Tattum has confirmed Saturday's clash with Leicester will be the last speedway meeting at Loomer Road.

Tattum was informed earlier this week that the Potters' home has been sold and all motorsport activity will cease by the end of the year.