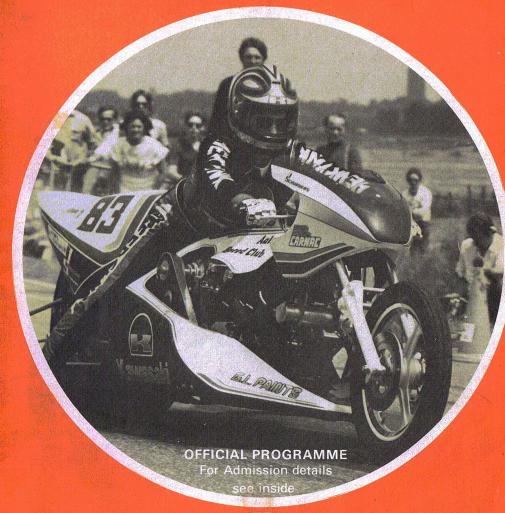


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LONG MARSTON RACEWAY 22-23-24 JULY 1983

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What is drag racing? To put it simply, drag racing is a race between two cars or motorcycles from a standing start over a quarter of a mile straight. This bare statement however, does not convey the true spirit or excitement of drag racing.

Whilst the course may be straight and the duration of the race no more than 8 seconds, the skill and courage of the driver or rider and the knowledge and effort of the mechanic must all combine in the right proportions and at the right time to ensure victory.

The appeal of motorcycle drag racing can be summed up in the phrase, "real racers don't have roll cages". This is a reference to the fact that drag racing cars consist of roll cages and bodywork to protect the driver, many competitors and spectators feel that such relatively elaborate hardware detaches the driver's racing experience from the real action. For the spectators, the sight of an enclosed projectile rushing down the drag strip can make it difficult to identify with the human element involved in racing. Drag racing motorcycles are however drag racing at its barest – just a frame, powerplant, two wheels and a rider.

The universal availability of large capacity, powerful, multicylinder motorcycles has meant that the sport of drag bike racing has spread throughout the world at a greater pace than car drag racing. It is for this reason that the Transatlantic Drag Bike Race being held by the National Drag Racing Club at Long Maraston Raceway, on the A46 south of Stratford-on-Avon, Warks. on July 22/23/24 will have entries from the United States of America, Great Britain, Holland, Sweden, France and Germany.

There will be racing in the following classes:

- 1) $\underline{\text{Street Motorcycle.}}$ As the name implies this is a category for road-going machines, which must be taxed and insured. Large capacity machines tend to dominate this class with elapsed times in the 10 second area and terminal speeds of around 130 mph. Wheel-standing performances away from the start line are very much the order of the day in this class.
- 2) Pro-Stock Motorcycle. This is perhaps the most spectacular class in motorcycle drag racing, as the rules say that the machine should maintain a standard appearance, whilst heavy modifications can be made to the engine. The result is beautifully turned-out machines with shattering performances, E.T.'s of 8 seconds with speeds of around 140 mph. Pro-Stock motorcycles have been measured as doing 0-66 mph in 1.8 seconds, just 70 feet from the starting line.

3) Competition Motorcycle. The machines racing in this class are all purpose built for the sole task of covering the quarter-mile in the quickest possible time. In this class riders can use two engines, or even engines from motorcars. Exotic fuels like nitromethane, or systems that will inject Nitrous Oxide into the engine are also used. Superchargers and turbo-chargers are used as a matter of course, all in the pursuit of quicker times. Performance in this class is truly mind-bending; the fastest speed recorded on a motorcycle racing over the quarter-mile was recently set by American Terry Vance when he recorded a speed of just over 200 mph.

Not only is the actual racing dramatic but the pre-race rituals also add to the excitement of motorcycle drag racing. Burnouts are performed by all 3 racing classes. A burnout involves spinning the rear tyre to clean it and to make it sticky and thus provide maximum traction. The sight and sound of two drag bikes doing long, torrid burnouts is surely an unforgettable experience.

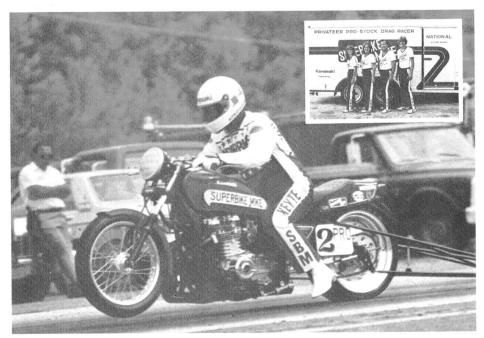
Dany Dieu Donne from FRANCE one of the few women to campaign a Competition Bike--Best time 10.02.



Front Cover: from HOLLAND Henk Vink defending 'Superbike' Champion, best time 7.82.



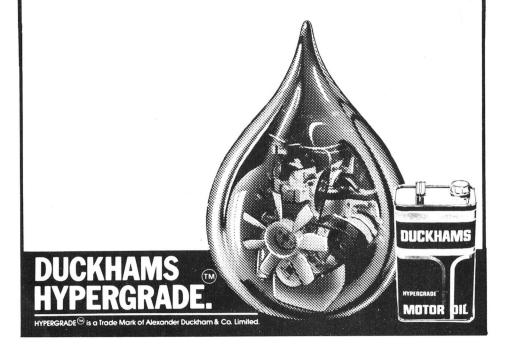
From USA Jack O'Malley's 'Quickest Gas Bike in the World'!

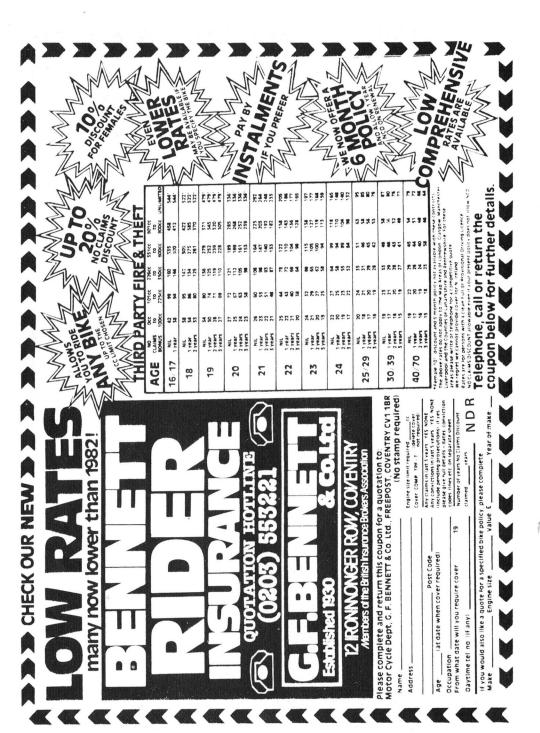


'Superbike Mike' Keyte from USA National Pro-Stock Record Holder.

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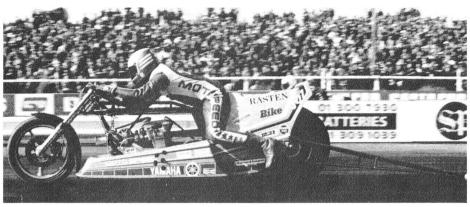




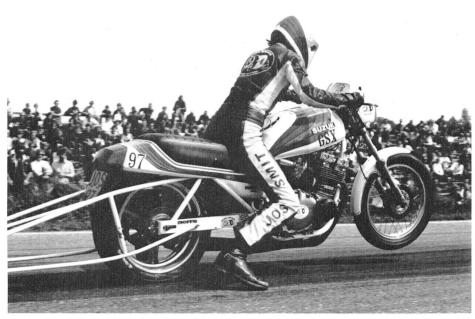


Joerg Huesmann from GERMANY, best time 8.96.





Stefan Reisten from SWEDEN.



Jos Smit from HOLLAND best time 8.88 Pro-Stock.

NATIONAL DRAG RACING CLUB

LONG MARSTON RACEWAY - 22/23/24th JULY 1983

TRANSATLANTIC DRAG BIKE RACE

Welcome to the second International Drag Bike Race. All events are promoted and organised by the National Drag Racing Club.

This meeting will be held under the General Competition Rules of the ACU under ACU Permit No. AU 323, PCL 020.

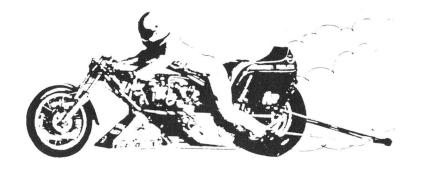
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PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

- 1. PRACTICE & QUALIFYING: First and Second day practice & qualifying. Practice only on the morning of the race day. Racing fields are determined from qualifying times.
- INTERVAL: A short lunch interval will occur at approximately 12.30, when a full day's programme is involved.
- PRACTICE ONLY: A short duration session, when Competitors can make timed runs but times obtained will not be counted for qualifying.
- MAIN ELIMINATIONS: The ultimate competition of the event, always on the afternoon of the final day, and run under the Drag Racing Elimination and Class Rules of the NDRC.
- 5. CLOSEDOWN: Scheduled for 5.30 p.m.

AWARDS

All Elimination Winners receive a trophy.











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LONG MARSTON RACEWAY 22/23/24TH JULY 1983

COMPETIT	ION BIKE			TRANSATLANTI	CDRAG	G BIKE I	RACE			
	Henk Vink Jan Baugh	HOLLÁND USA	Big Spender Orient Express	1200cc Kawasaki 1200cc Kawasaki	j	PRO-STOCK		•		
SD1	Stefan Reisten	SWEDEN	Shark Magic	1310cc Yamaha			'Superbike' Mike Keyte	USA		1327cc KawasakI
F13	Dany Dieu Donne	FRANCE	La Licorne	1200cc Kawasaki			Patrick Belkechout	FRANCE		1100cc Kawasakī
F387	Herman Zylstra	HOLLAND	Jan Smith Power Part				Bert Voorthis	HOLLAND		1300cc Kawasaki
			Pink Panther	Suzuki			Erik Bauer	HOĻLAND		1325cc Suzuki
5	Jos Smit	HOLLAND	Kawasaki	1200cc Kawasaki			Dirk Huesmann	GERMANY	Speed Products Team	1260cc Suzuki
H56	Jan Janssen	HOLLAND	Kawasaki	1200cc Kawasaki			Joerg Huesmann	GERMANY	Speed Products	1200cc Suzuki
	Cees van Dongen	HOLLAND	Honda	1200cc Honda		85	Jean Freeze	HOLLAND	P 711	1100cc Kawasaki
	Jesper Schoug	SWEDEN	JSR Mekonomen	970cc JSR Meko-		97	Jos Smit	HOLLAND	Bulldog Suzuki	1326cc Suzuki
				nomen.		H13	Ruud de Groot	HOLLAND		1260cc Honda
	Eric Bauer	HOLLAND	Kawasaki	1200cc Kawasaki		ADC 70	Rob van Ginneken	HOLLAND		Suzuki
	Lennard Olofsson	SWEDEN	Kawasaki	1200cc Kawasaki			Nick Pepper		Suzuki	1325cc Kawasaki
	Terence Kimber-Smith		Moneybox	3476cc Rover			Paul Mayhew		Highway Hawk	1385cc Kawasaki
AAC 20	John Lloyd		Freight Train	Kawasaki		APS 99	Tom Perry		Bank Breaker	Suzuki
AC 1	Rod Pallant		L.A. Hooker	1325cc RPM			Grandad Nash		Grandad's Piece	1325cc Suzuki
AC 5 AC 208	Graham Nash		The Rice Burner	1425cc Kawasaki			Pip Higham Geoff Stilwell		VBS Katana	1325cc Suzuki
AC 208 AC 220	Dennis Cheeseman Angus MacPhail		Ommadawn	1700cc Volkswagen			Frank Kellond		Cloud Nine	1385cc Kawasaki
BC 17	Eamon Hurley		Jade Warrior Concorde II	1937cc			Paul Andrews		Breaking Point Crusader	1260cc Kawasaki
BC 25	Paul Willis		Nocturnal Pleasure	Kawasaki 1066cc Kawasaki		DF3 239	raur Angrews		Crusader	1265cc Kawasaki
BC 44	David Cross		Excalibur Mk.II	1000cc Kawasaki 1015cc Kawasaki		TOP GAS	RIKE			
BC 73	Paul Rose		Rosie's Rocket	1047cc Honda		TOI GRO	<u>DIKD</u>			
BC 87	Tony Lewis		Second Vision	104766 Nonda 1075cc Kawasaki		BG 216	Robbie Dobbie		SuperPenguin	Péugeot
BC 170	Geoff Matthews		Divine Madness	1010cc Honda		CG 26	Paul Grosvenor		Second Racing Worm	840cc Honda
BC 193	Barry Eastman		Voyager II	1047cc Honda		FG 128	Tony Wynne-Jones		Snowdonian	771cc Suzuki
BC 245	Pete Scott		Blowpipe	1198cc Kawasaki		DG 404	John Davies		Taffasuki	Suzuki
BC 247	Pip Higham		Suzuperbike	1176cc Suzuki		EG 297	Sam Talbot		Howlin' Wolf	398cc Yamaha
BC 309	Barry Phoenix		Phoenix Four	1075cc Kawasaki						5 Joee Tamaria
CC 61	Brian Smith		Dragline	960cc Honda		STREET B	IKE			
CC 152	Martin Hurll		The Probe	998cc Honda						
CC 167	John Clift		The Co-Respondent	920cc Puma	19	S	Alan Jones		Suzuki	1190cc Suzuki
CC 251	Pete Field		Saabrina	850cc SAAB	1	BS 9	Alan Thompson		Pernod	1047cc Honda
CC 315	Andrew Watson		A.W.S.	920cc AWS	4	BS 22	Mark Clutton		Streetfighter	1230cc Kawasaki
CC 331	Ron Dillaway		Super Stallion	828cc Norton	1	BS 26	John Rhodes		Kawasaki	1230cc Kawasaki
DC 51	Tom Vivian		Tomfoolery	740cc Triumph	Ų.	BS 28	Christopher Hampson		Suzuki	1075cc Suzuki
.DC 77	Brian Howells		Sibernought II	720cc Honda	ì	BS 35	Leonard Paget		Honda	1130cc Honda
DC 310	Dave Glover		Born To Run	649cc Triumph		BS 38	Michael Fancy		V & M Suzuki	1150cc Suzuki
DC 353	Tony Murphy		Sidewinder II	724cc Triumph		BS 77	A. O'Hare		Jackdaw	Suzuki
DC 354.	Hoss Grace		Hosstyle	Triumph		BS 95	Ian Sweetapple		State of Independance	1200cc Kawasaki
EC 348	Graham Dark		Kawasaki	500cc Kawasaki		BS 100	Mick Beaumont		Suzuki	1176cc Suzuki
FC 87	Paul Eastbury		Samurai	350cc Yamaha		BS 329	Alan Jackson		Zed One Bee	1200cc Kawasaki
FC 206	Jim Balchin		Beast S.A.	348cc BSA	1	BS 335	Mark Puddle		Blackjack	1075cc Suzuki
CC 204 DC 177	Terry Fisher	• •	Triumph Mini Monster	996cc Triumph 750cc Triumph		CC 227	Tony Middlehurst		Superbike Drag Bike	1176cc Susuki
DC 1//	Harry Fitzpatrick Pete Smith		The Contender	1015cc Kawasaki	1	CS 237	Alan Ward		The Duce	998cc Suzuki
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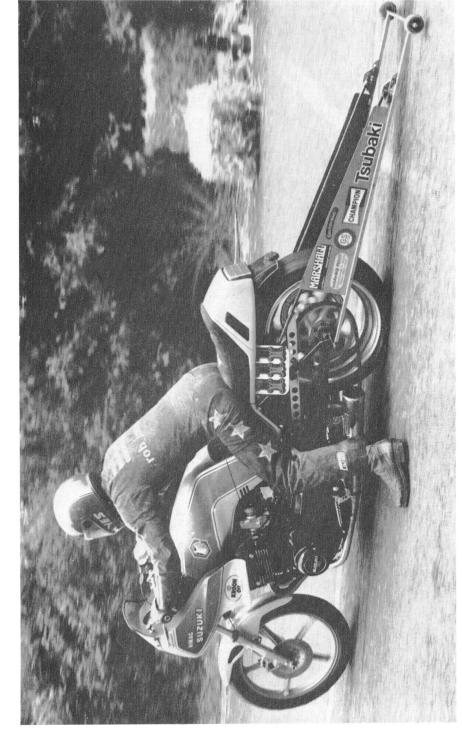
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