

## Speedway League Racing in South Africa, 1947 - 1959

### THE TRANSVAAL LEAGUE.

The accompanying table is a summary of collated South African speedway league campaigns over the 12 years of team racing competition in the Union during the heyday of speedway in S.A. following WW2. At that time speedway was thriving and the set-up emulated the UK scene as much as possible as British and Scandinavian riders, as well as New Zealanders migrated to the Southern hemisphere after the closure of their European season. Initially, for the 1947/48 season, the 4 assembled teams raced all matches at the Wembley Stadium in Johannesburg and although bases were found for the following year these were short lived and it was back to Wembley for 1949/50. Another local venture was found to the East of the city at Boksburg and it and Wembley served as base for all 4 teams for the next few years.

### THE NATIONAL LEAGUE, - "SOUTH AFRICAN NATIONAL SPEEDWAY LEAGUE".

When Durban's Hoy Park in Natal opened in 1952, and being outwith Transvaal's boundaries, the speedway league became the S.African Speedway *National* League, though still numbering just 4 teams but now with 3 tracks. The Germiston Stars continued as nomads, using mainly Boksburg as a shared home base, (though, as in many previous and subsequent years, the riding of 'home' meetings at other stadia would continue not to be an exceptional occurrence for any team.) In the following '53/'54 season, with the opening of Olympia Park in Springs the Germiston Stars team became the Springs Stars and the league expanded to 5 members with the addition of Randfontein Aces and its own home base, that complement continuing for the season starts at least, in each of the following seasons to the end of the decade and the end of league racing.

The Wembley, Durban and Springs tracks would continue as the mainstay sites of league racing but though Pretoria re-opened at its own base in '54/'55 the Randfontein track was declared not raceable the following season and the 4 away matches the Aces had ridden were expunged from the league records of 1955/56. In 1956/57 there were 2 rival organisations, the SRA and the SA.SCB, and ostensibly 2 league campaigns, the consequences of which would prove disastrous for speedway both in the Union and, to a lesser extent but nonetheless disruptive, in the UK, (- the details of which could not be given justice here.) The Pretoria and Randfontein tracks were operated by visiting tourists under Trevor Redmond and the SCB banner, tracking 3 teams, whilst Buddy Fuller and the Riders Association tracked 5 teams at the 3 mainstay sites plus Klerksdorp and its Hawks at a new fourth base. Without any established domestic riders the SCB league struggled to field teams without widespread guesting, such that the competition turned into little more than a series of challenge matches and the league was abandoned uncompleted. All parties suffered financial failures.

With Buddy Fuller's SRA tracks banned by the SA Control Board he resigned as the riders' chairman in August '57 and the two organisations seemed reconciled with the formation of the National Speedway Union for the forthcoming campaign. Many riders switched to the London-ACU sanctioned official national body and the '57/58 league was to comprise Durban Hornets, Springs Stars, Pretoria Eagles and Randfontein Rockets. It was January '58 before the Wembley Lions started their season as the last SRA stragglers came across, but having undertaken only 2 matches their results were expunged from the records and Pretoria took what was to be the last championship title for the second time in the life of the SA League. Their previous win had been in '55/'56 under the captaincy of Doug Serrurier while Durban Hornets had secured the title on 3 occasions in the course of just 5 years. Though Wembley was considered the Mecca of South African speedway, only once, in the initial season of the Transvaal league, is its team, riding as the Johannesburg Pirates, known to have taken a league championship title. Despite winning the league the Pretoria promoters reckoned to have been close to bankruptcy: neither Fuller nor Redmond could afford to subsidise solo racing, the latter declaring he wouldn't be returning to the Union for '58/'59. A plan was therefore formulated to reduce costs by running 4-man teams without visiting foreigners, in shorter 8-heat double-header matches, - team A v. team B, followed by team C v. team D - , but when, after initial challenge matches further losses were incurred, Springs closed and the Durban organisation also changed, the project was doomed to failure. The Pretoria meeting of Jan.30<sup>th</sup> 1959, - a handicap team challenge match - , was to be the last stand-alone solo speedway meeting in the capital, and with Buddy Fuller running 'Cavalcade of Speed' meetings at Wembley, riders drifted back to their speedway figurehead as the NSU fell apart and league racing in South Africa had finished.

### LEAGUE STATISTICS.

The following tables list both individual rider statistics and league formats, plus concluding results, - matches and tables. On more than one occasion league programmes were not concluded, on others a match result remains unknown despite extensive trawling of data recently revealed, (2014) from the Henry Long Collection. What is presented here is considered to be the most complete set of data yet collated, incorporating results and scores both from the newly revealed information and from listings derived from SA sports journalist Ken McLeod. Although minor variations in rider totals may be seen elsewhere, the ranking shown here are given to illustrate relative status rather than absolute value, and to identify riders seasons of activity, e.g. their first year as a racer, their last before retirement from the sport. A number of likely reasons for any difference are listed within the National Lge. rider scores table.

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# SOUTH AFRICAN SPEEDWAY LEAGUES, 1947 to 1959



## S.African TRANSVAAL LGE, 1947 - 1952

### - FIXTURES & RESULTS

#### 1947/'48

Match results, - 4TT

Joburg	14	13	14	16	7	16	19	13	17	11	13.5	14	14	12
Pretoria	19.5	13	20	15	9	9	11	12.5	7	13	15.5	9	8	12
East Rand	11.5	8	12	11	12	8	14	8.5	9	8	7	8	7	8
West Rand	13	18	13	14	19	10	4	11	10	15	10	12	18	14

29 Nov '47, 20 Dec '47, 1 Jan '48, 10 Mar '48, 31 Mar '48, 7 Feb '48, 28 Feb '48, 6 Mar '48, 19 Mar '48, 20 Mar '48, 23 Mar '48, 10 Apr '48, 17 Apr '48, 8 May '48

All matches @ Wembley Stadium, Joburg.  
4TT competition, match winner shown in BOLD

#### 1948/'49

Pretoria		Germiston	Benoni
Joburg	Oct.16	Oct.9	Nov.13
@Wembley	J.49-13.P	J.34-31.G	32-32
Pretoria		Oct.4	?
		P.27-57.G	
Germiston			Oct.30.Nov.27
			G.42-23.B

Track: @ Pretoria Zwitpt @Malvern@Wmby @Dunswart  
Malvern closed mid-season

#### 1949/'50

Pretoria		East Rand	West Rand
Joburg	Nov.11	Nov.25	Oct.?
	J.51.5-32.5.P	J.47-32.E	WR bt. Jbg
Pretoria		Dec.10	Dec.2
	P.33-42.E	P.35-42.W	
East Rand			Nov.18
			E.37-44.W

All matches @ Wembley Stadium, Joburg.

#### 1950/'51

Pretoria		Germiston	Boksburg			
Joburg	Oct.20	38-38	Nov.24	J.34-43.G	Oct.26	J.35-37.B
	Dec.26	J.45-38.P	Jan.12	J.42-39.G	Jan.26	J.45-37.B
	Feb.10	J.45-38.P	Feb.23*	rain J.29-37.G	Apr.7	J.43-41.B
	May.4	J.40-42.P	Mar.9	J.37-46.G	Apr.20	J.39-45.B
Pretoria			Nov.10	P.33-45.G	Dec.1	P.34-44.B
			Feb.2	P.43-38.G	Feb.19	P.44-39.B
			Mar.10	P.41-42.G	Mar.3	P.36-47.B
			Apr.9	P.47-36.G	Apr.13	P.43-40.B
Germiston					Oct.27	G.41-35.B
					Jan.5	G.48-36.B
					Jan.27	G.37-47.B
					Mar.26	G.43-40.B

\* Rain stopped; final score.

Boksburg own track; all other matches @Wembley

#### 1951/'52

Pretoria		Germiston	Boksburg				
Wembley	Oct.5	W.40-44.P	Oct.27	W.37-30.G	Oct.19	W.37-41.B	
	Nov.24	48-36	Nov.16	47.5-36.5	Nov.3	39-37	
	De.21	Jan.19	45-39	Dec.22	49-35	Nov.30	37-47
	Feb.29	51-33	Mar.7	40-44	Feb.8	41-42	
					Feb.9	46-38	
					Apr.4	37-41	
Pretoria		Oct.26	P.43-35.G	Oct.13	P.48-36.B		
n.b.: Pret v.Germ of Jan.18*		Nov.10	41-37	Nov.2	39-39		
(P.37-46.G) run as Lge		Dec.14	39-45	Nov.23	48-36		
but subly rescinded		Jan.26	47-37	Dec.28	41-43		
		Feb.13	39-45				
		Feb.16	40-44				
Germiston				Oct.12	G.28-53.B		
				Nov.9	39-44		
				Dec.1	41-43		
				Jan.12	45-39		

Boksburg own track; all other matches @Wembley

### TRANSVAAL LGE

### - FINAL LEAGUE TABLES

P	W	D	L	Pts	M.Pts	Pos'n
Joburg	14	6	193.5	30		1 <sup>st</sup>
Pretoria	14	3	173.5	23		3 <sup>rd</sup>
East Rand	14	0	132	5		4 <sup>th</sup>
West Rand	14	5	181	26		2 <sup>nd</sup>

Decided by Match Pts, 3,2,1,0.  
14-only match results known, other fixtures likely.  
Joburg Known to be official winners

P	W	D	L	Pts	Pts, F/A	Pos'n	
Joburg	3	2	1	0	5	115/76: +39	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Pretoria	2	0	0	2	0	40/106: -66	4 <sup>th</sup>
Germiston	3	2	0	1	4	130/84: +46	1 <sup>st</sup>
Benoni	2	0	1	1	1	55/74: -19	3 <sup>rd</sup>

(If F/A decides)

P	W	D	L	Pts	Pts, F/A	Pos'n	
Joburg	3	2	0	0	4	98.5/64.5: +34	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Pretoria	3	0	0	3	0	100.5/141.5: -41	4 <sup>th</sup>
East Rand	3	1	0	2	2	111/124: -13	3 <sup>rd</sup>
West Rand	3	3	0	0	6	86/72: +14	

WR v. Jbg win and final Lge pts. T.b.c. Others conflict  
1 v.2

P	W	D	L	Pts	Pts, F/A	Pos'n	
Joburg	12	5	1	6	11	472 / 482	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Pretoria	12	5	1	6	11	477 / 499	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Germiston	12	8	0	4	16	495 / 464	4 <sup>th</sup>
Boksburg	12	5	0	7	10	488 / 488	1 <sup>st</sup>

Played: 4 rds x3 =12

P	W	D	L	Pts	Pts, F/A	Pos'n	
Wembley	14	8	0	6	16	606.5/541.5	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Pretoria	14	6	1	7	13	577 / 581	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Germiston	14	5	0	9	10	539.5/613.5	4 <sup>th</sup>
Boksburg	14	8	1	5	17	579 / 566	1 <sup>st</sup>

Played: 4 rds x3, +2 v. one club =14

## S.African NATIONAL LGE, 1952 - 1958

### - FINAL LEAGUE TABLES

#### 1952/'53

1 <sup>st</sup>	1952/'53	H&A 3x	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
	Durban Hornets		9	6	0	3	356	313	12
	Boksburg Bees		9	4	1	4	338	336	9
	Germiston Stars		9	4	1	4	352	348	9
	Wembley Lions		9	3	0	6	348	367	7

nomads

#### 1953/'54

1 <sup>st</sup>	1953/'54	H&A ?x	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
	Springs Stars		13	10	1	2	565	483	21
	Randfontein Aces		13	7	1	5	572	518	15
	Wembley Lions		13	5	1	7	561	529	11
	Pretoria Eagles		13	4	1	8	491	513	9
	Durban Hornets		9	2	-	7	318	436	4

nomads

#### 1954/'55

1 <sup>st</sup>	1954/'55	H&A	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
	Durban Hornets		8	6	-	2	360	301	12
	Springs Stars		8	6	-	2	367	299	12
	Pretoria Eagles		8	4	-	4	320	348	8
	Wembley Lions		8	4	-	4	327	339	8
	Randfontein Aces		8	-	-	8	289	376	0

Initially @ Randftn  
NL title run-off, 2-legs: D. Hornets bt Sp. Stars 109-105 agp.

#### 1955/'56

1 <sup>st</sup>	1955/'56	H&A 3x	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
	Pretoria Eagles		9	5	2	2	391	360	12
	Wembley Lions		9	6	-	3	283	299	12
	Durban Hornets		9	3	1	5	280	301	7
	Springs Stars		9	2	1	6	296	290	4
	Randfontein Aces		4	-	-	4	145	226	0

F/A pts known for 7 mtchs only.  
No track  
Randftn Away only, no Home track. Expunged  
NL title run-off: P. Eagles bt W. Lions 44-39

#### 1956/'57 (SRA Lge)

1 <sup>st</sup>	1956/'57	H&A 3x	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
	Durban Hornets		9	6	-	3	376	333	12
	Wembley Lions		8	6	-	2	338	305	12
	Springs Stars		7	5	-	2	296	258	10
	Vereeniging Aces		6	-	-	6	207	289	0
	Klerksdorp Hawks		4	-	-	4	138	179	0

(SCB Lge below, left.)  
@ Springs  
NL title run-off: D. Hornets bt W. Lions 46-26

#### 1957/'58 (NSU operation)

1 <sup>st</sup>	1957/'58	H&A 2x	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
	Pretoria Eagles		6	5	-	1	217	192	10
	Durban Hornets		6	5	-	1	315	217	10
	East Rand Stars		6	2	-	4	196	207	4
	West Rand Rockets		6	-	-	6	192	222	0
	Jo'burg Lions		1	1	-	-	48	44	2

Jbg/Wmby joined late: 2 matches only, expunged.  
NL title run-off: P. Eagles bt D. Hornets 54-48

### NATIONAL LGE

## S.African 'CONTROL BOARD' Lge 1956/'57

In this year the SRA league, (above) was considered 'black', i.e. unauthorised.  
This 'Control Board League' constituted the Official Lge.

	P	W	D	L	F/A	Pts
West Rand Rockets	8	4	1	3	386/380	9
Pretoria Eagles	6	4	-	2	298/280	8
East Rand Stars	5	1	1	3	181/180	2

Fixtures incomplete. Title awarded to Pretoria Eagles.  
\*East Rand matches staged at Pret. & Randftn.

- one year only

Narrative
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## 1958/'59 - NSU National Lge.

(National Speedway Union)

Plan for 4 teams in Double-header mtgs, 4-man teams over 8 hrs.

Wembley Lions	Lge. plans aband'd.
Durban Hornets	After initial Challenge matches Springs closed and plan abandoned. By Jan '59 NSU had collapsed, all riders were back at Wembley with Buddy Fuller in composite 'Cavalcade'-type mtgs.
Springs Stars	
Pretoria Eagles	



TRANSVAAL LGE, South Africa, 1947 – 1952: Riders' Points - ALPHABETICALLY

Venues	Venues	Venues	Venues	Venues
Johannesburg / Wembley } Pretoria } all @ Wembley East Rand / Germiston } West Rand / Benoni / Boksburg } 48/49 50/51, 51/52	Wembley } Pretoria Zwartkops } all @ Wembley Malvern-Wembley } Dunswart }	Wembley } Wembley } Boksburg } Boksburg }	Wembley } Wembley } Boksburg } Boksburg }	Wembley } Wembley } Boksburg } Boksburg }

1947/48

Data incomplete: 14 matches known, up to 8 more possible.  
Matches were 4TT in this year, initially 8-man teams, 10 hts. (1 rde for reserves, 2 for others, so max pts = 6), then 6-man teams, 8 hts.

1948/49

6 matches planned, 5 results known.  
8-man teams, 14 hts

1949/50

6 matches: Lge table complete, rider pts short 1 match.  
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1950/51

12 matches each team, - data complete.  
8-man teams, 14 hts

1951/52

14 matches each team; - data complete.  
3x v. each team (=12) plus 2x v. one team.  
8-man teams, 14 heats/13 heats (variable)

RIDER	1947/48	1948/49	1949/50	1950/51	1951/52	Guest rides	Points
A. Richards							9
A. Welton							6
Alec Gould							131
A. Johnson							8
Alan Chambers							32
Alan Serrurier							33
Alec Blankfield							224
B. Bodenstern							3
Butch Messer							2
B. Millan							1
B. Bradfield							10
Bob Quick							54
Bob Raw							204
Bob Serrurier							197
Buddy Fuller							247
Buster Blane							43
C. Hollenbach							57
Clarrie Hurst							1
Digger Filer							20
D. How							21
D. Mailer							8
Dave Naude							8
D. Schroombie							55
Des Wolfe							81
Dave Collins							26
Doug Lang							23
Doug Serrurier							230.5
Dougie Holmes							42
E. Everett							2
F. Schlotz							33
F. Goodram							32
Fred Lang							71
Fred van Zyl							171
Fred Willis							310
G. Marden							47
G. Wilmot							40
George Matthews							111.5
George Rabie							18
Harry Ardendorf							22
H. Grimbeck							9
H. Higgins							2
H. Norton							10
Harry du Toit							181
Harry Serrurier							178
Henry Long							261.5
I. Wood							1
Jimmy Scott							8
J. de Klerk							6
J. Paris							2
J. Viljoen							18
Jack Hazaree							5
Jack Serrurier							118
Joe Blankfield							218.5
John Bunton							2
Johnny Gander							5
K. Rees							4
L. Rees							40
Laurie Zeeman							49
Maurice Fenton							88
O. Eva							32
Oscar Wessman							77
Pat McKenzie							28
P. Glover							12
R. Nicholls							22
R. Roodt							10
R. Stringer							11
Roy Bester							112
Sonny James							3
Selwyn Nelson							10
S. Smith							7
Sid v.d. Vyver							127
T. Carey							1
T. Filer							8
T. Fourie							4
T. Gibson							0
T. Manship							14
Toby Boshoff							220.0
v.d.Heever							1
Vern McWilliams							90
van Rooyen							1
A. Klootwyk							5

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Team appearances by visiting Test riders are NOT included above, but given separately.

TRANSVAAL LGE, South Africa, 1947 - 1952: Riders' Points - Ranked by points totals

Venues	Venues	Venues	Venues	Venues
Johannesburg / Wembley	Wembley	Wembley	Wembley	Wembley
Pretoria	Pretoria Zwartkops	Wembley	Wembley	Wembley
East Rand / Germiston	Malvern-Wembley	Boksburg	Boksburg	Boksburg
West Rand / Benoni / Boksburg	Dunswart	Boksburg	Boksburg	Boksburg

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1951/'52

14 matches each team; - data complete.  
3x v. each team (=12) plus 2x v. one team.  
8-man teams, 14 heats/13 heats (variable).

Points	RIDER	1947/'48	1948/'49	1949/'50	1950/'51	1951/'52	Points
310	Fred Willis	3 2 2 3 6 n.s. 2 3 n.s. n.s. 3 4 n.s.	6 6	12 9	8 12 11 10 4 10 11 9 11 5 12 11	12 9 10 8 12 9 8 8 4 10 10 12 12 11	310
261.5	Henry Long	5.5 2 6 5 2 5 5 4 5 5 4 4	9 8 7	12 12	9 11 6 12 12 12 6 9 12	11 9 9 8 5 11 9 12 12 12 12 11	261.5
247	Buddy Fuller	6 1 6 5 2 5 5 3 4 6 6 3 6 6	11 4 6	11 9 6	10 12 10 n.s. 12 5 9 12	9 7 6 10 9 2 12 9 7 3 9 7 10 7	247
230.5	Doug Serrurier	4.5 5 1 3 3 3 4 2 3 0 0 4 4 1	2 4 4	8 3	9 10 9 5 2 4 6 3 8 11 10 11	12 8 11 11 9 1 6 7 4 4 7 8 6	230.5
224	Alec Blankfield	2 3 1 1 3 3 5 2 2 4	6 6 7	5.5 4 8	8 7 6 9 8 7 9 11 9 11 8 8.5	5 9 6 4 8 6 3 3 2 9 6 2 5	224
220	Tony Boshoff	0 3 2 3 2 3 3 5 2 2.5 3 1 5	7 8 2	9 3	10 6 8 12 12 9 11 10 8	5 8 5 6 7 5 3 5 3 2 7 5	220
219.5	Joe Blankfield		4 4 3		12 8 6 11 3 3 5 4 8 10 10 9	11 12 12 5 7 7 10 6 10 6 6 5 7	219.5
204	Bob Raw		7 9 6	3 7 3	7 8 10 9 2 6 4 8 11 8 9 10	5 5 2 7 8 1 9 4 3 5	204
197	Bob Serrurier	3 2 0 3 1 6 0 1 3	12 5 3	8 6 8	9 6 12 11 5 5 4 8 12 9 11 11	12 n.s. n.s.	197
181	Harry du Toit	n.s. 3 5 3 5 0 2 1 1 2 2	6 4 7	5	9 10 10 6 9 5 1 9 7 7 7	6 5 6 6 3 2 1 1 2 4 4 2 1 2	181
178	Harry Serrurier	2 5 3 3 n.s. 6 6 0 n.s. 2 2 1 1			6 4 5 4 7 3 3 6 3 8 5 9	12 6 8 7 9 11 7 7 11 8 2 5 9 6	178
171	Fred van Zyl		0 3 -	7 10	7 10 10 4 4 6 5 3 4 4 7 4	4 5 8 5 4 4 0 2 2 0 3 1 2 0	171
131	Alec Gould		0 6 4	8.5 7	7 6 4 2 n.s.	6 7 6 7 2 5 2 3 4 4 3 1	131
127	Sid v.d.Vyver	6 0 2 4 2 2 3 4.5 2 5 1 2 0 4	9 4 5	6 1 6	2 6 1 0 1 0 4 1 2 3 2 4	6 6 n.s. 1 1 2 2 0 1 2 1 3 5	127
118	Jack Serrurier	2 5 4 4 1 2 0 1 n.s. n.s. 4 3 1			5 1 3 0 2 3 2 1 5 4 7	10 6 8 7 7 6 1 0 4 7 2 5 4 4 8	118
112	Ray Bester			3 2 6	3 2 0	3 6 10 8 7.5 4 1 10 5 3 4 4 6 10	112
111.5	George Matthews					11 9 9 11 4 4 2 1 4 6 2 3 1	111.5
90	Vern MacWilliams						90
88	Maurice Fenton						88
81	Des Wolfe		8 5	0 8 4	2 1 8	7 7 7 11	81
77	Oscar Wessman	1 6 4 3 6 4 3 3 4 2 3 3 4 6			6 2 5 7 6 6 1 5		77
71	Fred Lang				2 2 3 3 1 2 0 0 2 2 2 4	5 4 4 4 4 1 2 4 0 3 8 4 1 4	71
57	C. Hollenbach				5 3 3 3 6 3 3 2 1 4 4 2	6 2 3 1	57
55	D. Schroombe	5 3 3 2 3 2 4 4 1 4 6 n.s. 6	5 2	7 10	3 2 0		55
54	Bob Quick	5 6 5 6 5 n.s. n.s.	6 4				54
49	Laurie Zeeman	2 3 2 5 1 5 2 3 5 3	6 6 6				49
47	G. Marden					7 10 10 11 9 inj.	47
43	Buster Blane						43
42	Dougie Holmes	3 0 2 2 5 5 5 3 6 6	4 8 2	0 3	6 3 2 3 6 4 4 4 3 5		42
40	G. Wilmot				2 4 4 1 3 0 2 1 3 1		40
40	L. Rees					2 2 3 3 1 1 1	40
40	Alan Serrurier	0 3 n.s.	8 1 3	3 3 -	2 1 7 2 2 0 1 2	2 0 4 4 0 3 0 1	40
33	F. Schlotz				1 1 1 5 2 3		33
32	Alan Chambers				0 3 2 2 1 0 3 2 1 1 4		32
32	F. Goodram	3 0 4 2 2 3 1 1 2 2	1 3	5 3		3 2 1 2 6 1 1 0 0 3 0	32
32	O. Eva					0 1 3 0 2 1 2 5 1 1 4	32
28	Pat McKenzie					5 2 1 0 2 1 0 0	28
26	Dave Collins					3 3 5 1 1 1 4	26
23	Doug Lang					0 3 2 2 1 0	23
22	Harry Ardenford					3 2 1 1 1 4	22
22	R. Nicholls					1 2 3 4 0 0 3 4 2 1	22
21	D. How	4 3 n.s. 3 n.s.	4 1	8 9 -			21
20	Digger Filer						20
18	George Rabie		2 1	3 4 8	2 4 1		18
18	J. Viljoen			7 3		1 0	18
14	T. Manship	1 5 2 1 3 2	1 2	1 3 5			14
12	P. Glover						12
11	R. Stringer						11
10	B. Bradfield						10
10	H. Norton						10
10	R. Roodt						10
10	Selwyn Nelson						10
9	A. Richards						9
9	H. Grimbeck						9
8	A. Johnson						8
8	D. Mailer						8
8	Dave Naude						8
8	Jimmy Scott						8
8	T. Filer						8
7	S. Smith						7
6	A. Welton						6
6	J. de Klerk						6
5	Jack Hazaree						5
5	Johny Gander						5
5	A. Klootwyk						5
4	K. Rees						4
4	T. Fourie						4
3	B. Bodenstein						3
3	Sonny James						3
2	Butch Messer						2
2	E. Everett						2
2	H. Higgins						2
2	J. Paris						2
2	John Bunton						2
1	B. Millan						1
1	Clarrie Hurst						1
1	I. Wood						1
1	T. Carey						1
1	v.d.Heever						1
1	van Rooyen						1
0	T. Gibson						0

S.A. NATIONAL LGE, - DOMESTIC RIDERS POINT SCORES, by YEAR

Table with columns for years 1952/53 to 1957/58 and a TOTAL column. Each year column has sub-columns for 'Mtchs', 'Max', and 'Pts'. The table lists numerous riders and their performance statistics across these years.

NOTE :
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TEAMS
Wembley Lions (Red)
Pretoria Eagles (Cyan)
(Germiston)/ Spring Stars (Green)
(Boksburg)/ Randfontein Aces (Yellow)
Durban Hornets (Brown)
- The green entries of Control Board Lge teams,(56/57) were Pretoria, West Rand Rockets or East Rand Stars.



# S.A. NATIONAL LGE, - VISITING RIDERS POINT SCORES by YEAR

& TRANSVAAL LGE VISITORS SCORES (below)

	1952/53			1953/54			1954/55			1955/56			1956/57			1957/58			TOTAL		Ave.
	Mtchs	Max	Pts	Mtchs	Max	Pts	Mtchs	Max	Pts	Mtchs	Max	Pts	Mtchs	Max	Pts	Mtchs	Max	Pts	Mtchs	Pts	
Trevor Redmond	3		27	13	5	133	8	1	80	6		48	1		14	5		68.5	36	370.5	10.28
Barry Briggs	4		37				8		73				5	1	66				17	176	10.35
Dick Campbell	2		16	7		53	7		65										16	134	8.38
Basse Hveem	6	6	72							4		32							10	104	10.40
Reider Kristofferson	2		11							9		54							11	65	5.91
Bertil Carlsson	4	2	42																4	42	10.50
Ronnie Moore	3	2	33																3	33	11.00
Evert Andersson	3		22																3	22	7.33
Karl Kilmeyer	2		15																2	15	7.50
Josef Hofmeister	2		8																2	8	4.00
Fred Williams				11	4	122	7	2	68										18	190	10.56
Howdy Byford				13		89	6	1	43				6		58				25	190	7.60
Brian Crutcher				14	9	161													14	161	11.50
Dom Perry				15		132													15	132	8.80
Ian Williams				13	3	115													13	115	8.85
Reg Duval				13		84	3		20										16	104	6.50
Bill Kitchen				13		100													13	100	7.69
Bill Griffiths				13		82													13	82	6.31
Gerry Hussey				4		27													4	27	6.75
Olle Nygren							2		21	11	6	108	5		66	4	2	57	22	252	11.45
Ronnie Genz							7	1	61				2		21				9	82	9.11
Ken McKinley							8		66										8	66	8.25
Junior Bainbridge							8	1	59										8	59	7.38
Peter Clark							8		57										8	57	7.13
Gerald Jackson							8		56										8	56	7.00
Allan Quinn							6		38										6	38	6.33
Alan Hunt										9	3	86	6	1	55				15	141	9.40
Lasse Petterson										13		94							13	94	7.23
Rune Sormander										8	3	80							8	80	10.00
Ulf Ericsson										7		64							7	64	9.14
Dan Forsberg										6	1	50							6	50	8.33
Dennis Newton													4		41	4		55	8	96	12.00
Peter Craven													6	3	84				6	84	14.00
Ray Cresp													7		62				7	62	8.86
Eric Boothroyd													7		61				7	61	8.71
Nick Nicholls													5		41				5	41	8.20
Peter Williams													5		39				5	39	7.80
Jimmy Gooch													3		27				3	27	9.00
Jim Lightfoot													3		18				3	18	6.00
Vic Ridgeon													1		6				1	6	6.00
Roy Bowers																5		50.5	5	50.5	10.00
Bob Andrews																4		48	4	48	12.00
Ove Fundin																3		29.5	3	29.5	9.67

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## TRANSVAAL LGE, - VISITING RIDERS' SCORES

### 1950/51 Dutch Tourists Lge Scores

	Mtchs	Pts	Ave.
Tinus Metzelaar	10	69	8.63
Gerrit Jonkers	8	66	8.25
Henk Steman	7	53	7.57
Henk Dammers	9	47	5.22
Jan Bosman	6	46	7.67
Thei Bisschopps	7	44	6.29
Wim van Hemelrijk	8	37	4.63
Joop Nolten	4	15	3.75
Bert Willard	2	6	3.00

### 1951/52 'Overseas' Tourists Lge Scores

	Mtchs	Pts	Ave.
Reg Duval	10	89	8.90
Trevor Redmond	10	87	8.65
Ken Middleditch	8	84	10.50
Sune Carlsson	12	79	6.58
Jock Grierson	10	79	7.90
Tony Lewis	9	75	8.33
Henry Andersen	7	70	10.00
Arne Lindqvist	8	50	6.25
Geoff Mardon	5	47	9.40

In the 5-year Tsv. Lge campaign, 1950/51 was the first season to use Test visitors.