

## High Beech 2008

### By Harry Ward

The annual celebration of the birth of speedway took place at the King's Oak pub in High Beech on Sunday 17th February, this year being special as it's eighty years since the first meeting at High Beech.

Outside were many bikes from all the speedway ages, inside was a small collectors fayre.

Stan Stevens and Bert harkins were present talking about the old days. I did hear Bert say how difficult it was to race in that first meeting!!!

The collectors fayre was a was a great warm up for the year ahead with many items for the 2008 season already available.

A fairly low key affair and I feel that more could have been done by the BSPA to celebrate this special birthday.



Racing colours worn by Eric Chitty



Danny Dunton's personal body colour



California Poppies were represented



Sixties rivals - The ESO (Jawa) and the JAP



A New Cross 'action' shot



A real vintage machine



Terry Stone starts up his Douglas



One of Billy Sanders' bikes



Craig Saul interviews the daughter of Mr Cearn



Stan Stevens



The Collectors Fayre



Craig Saul and Terry Stone



The Pits



The pub behind which it all began

---

We always welcome and value any feedback from our visitors. If you'd like to comment on this article then please fill in our feedback form at <http://www.speedwayplus.com/HighBeech2008.shtml#feedback>