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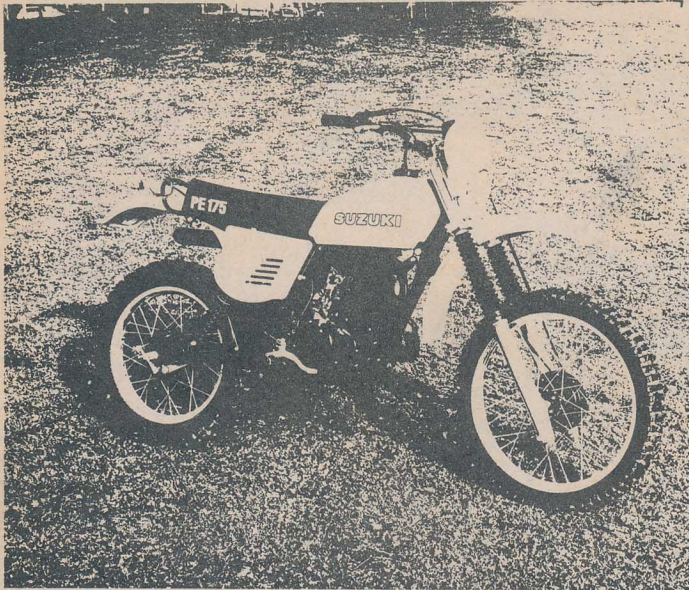
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Trail and Track columnist, Mike Landman leads the field during the first round of MR.MX at Tivoli, Qld.

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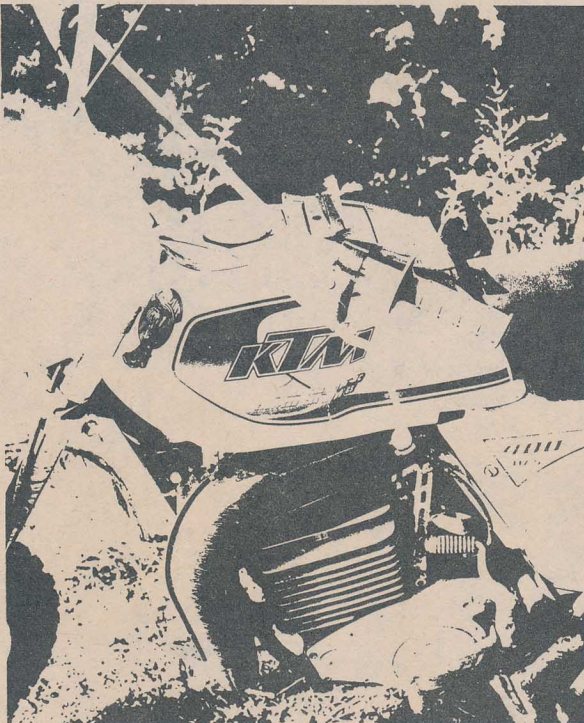
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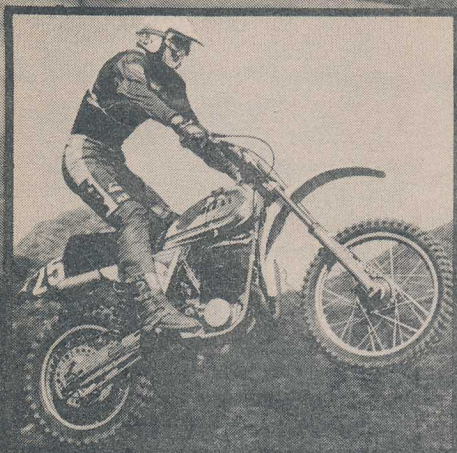
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MOISSEEV WINS BRITISH G.P.



Russian 250 world motocross champion Gennady Moisseev has consolidated his lead in this year's world title. Moisseev was in top flight for the British round of the championship at Kilmartin circuit. The KTM factory rider won both races to give him an undisputed overall victory.

His brilliant riding left nobody in doubt that he is determined to win the world championship for the second year in a row and few riders were in any position to stop his "on form" riding.

The pro Neil Hudson crowd were overwhelmed with their local hero's efforts. Before the British round Hudson had moved into fifth place in the title after a superb ride in West Germany. Hudson recorded the second fastest practice time behind Kawasaki rider Torlief Hansen.

Hudson rode well in the two races, finishing with two third places. This now lifts him to fourth on the

championship table.

While the crowd enjoyed the exciting racing round the spectacular hillside course, few were aware that a horrific practice crash had left Sachs factory rider Willy Bauer with a broken back. Fortunately for the injured rider, the organising Mid-Argyll Club had laid on an emergency rescue helicopter which ferried him to a Glasgow hospital.

With the course well watered on all but the start straight, the riders came to the gate for the first race.

Steve Beamish dropped his clutch before the gates fell, launching into a ten yard lead. However, by the first turn Zdenek Velky (CZ) was leading Fritz Schneider (Maico) and Hudson.

As the riders disappeared into a cloud of dust, Velky took good advantage of the visibility out in front and pulled out a commanding lead.

Hans Maisch (Maico) was now

ABOVE: The mighty Kilmartin motocross circuit.

INSERT: Gennady Moisseev on his way to overall victory.





second after Schneider retired after badly twisting an ankle. Jean Paul Mingels (Montesa) now held down third place ahead of Hudson who was delighting the crowd in fourth place.

Following the Englishman, after a poor start, was Gennady Moisseev who had passed Daniel Pean and the fast starting Beamish, who was now in seventh before a second lap crash which relegated him to last place.

On the second lap the flying Velky crashed out of the race on the back section of the course and Mingels inherited the lead for two laps. His position did not look too strong, however, as Moisseev was charging through fast and it was only a matter of time before he would take the lead.

British riders weren't fairing too well. Rob Hooper had hit fallen rider Gordon Phillip and was left well back. Pete Mathia was suffering from a misfiring Suzuki, which forced him to retire.

Moisseev had taken the lead by lap five, a lead he held to the finish. A fantastic battle for second had developed between Hudson, Maisch and slow starting Torlief Hansen.

The pace proved too hot for Maisch who crashed heavily, but remounted in fifth place. Hansen moved ahead of Hudson and all three settled down to some very fast times.

Harry Everts, from a poor start, was slowly moving up on his Bultaco.

On lap 11, Everts slipped past Hudson as the Maico rider appeared to slow and Hansen really started to close on Moisseev. The two pulled out a bigger lead as they duelled for four laps.

What looked like turning into a thrilling race never materialised when, on lap fifteen, Hansen ran into a large boulder in the middle of the course in exactly the same place as Baver was seriously injured.

Cartwheeling down the track without injury, Hansen decided enough was enough and the Kawasaki did not return to the racing for the rest of the day. The shaken Swede sat and watched his second place in the world championship disappear as Everts closed on Moisseev.

Hudson was content to finish third.

Behind Hudson Kavinov and Haakan Carlqvist were scrapping after the two relegated Maisch to sixth place after his second crash of the race.

When the flag finally fell, Moisseev

had a ten second lead over Everts, with Hudson in a comfortable third place and ten valuable points better off.

Kavinov finally got the better of Carlqvist for fourth place, while Maisch ended the moto in sixth.

The second leg was a Moisseev benefit match after a massive first lap pile up took out four riders. Velky chopped up half the field in the fast right-hander and Beamish, Raymond Boven and Mingels all crashed ending their race.

After a lap Moisseev was well ahead of Neil Hudson. After four laps Moisseev, Hudson and now Everts were dicing for the lead.

Moisseev was quickly signalled by his team manager and pulled out all the stops going to a very comfortable lead.

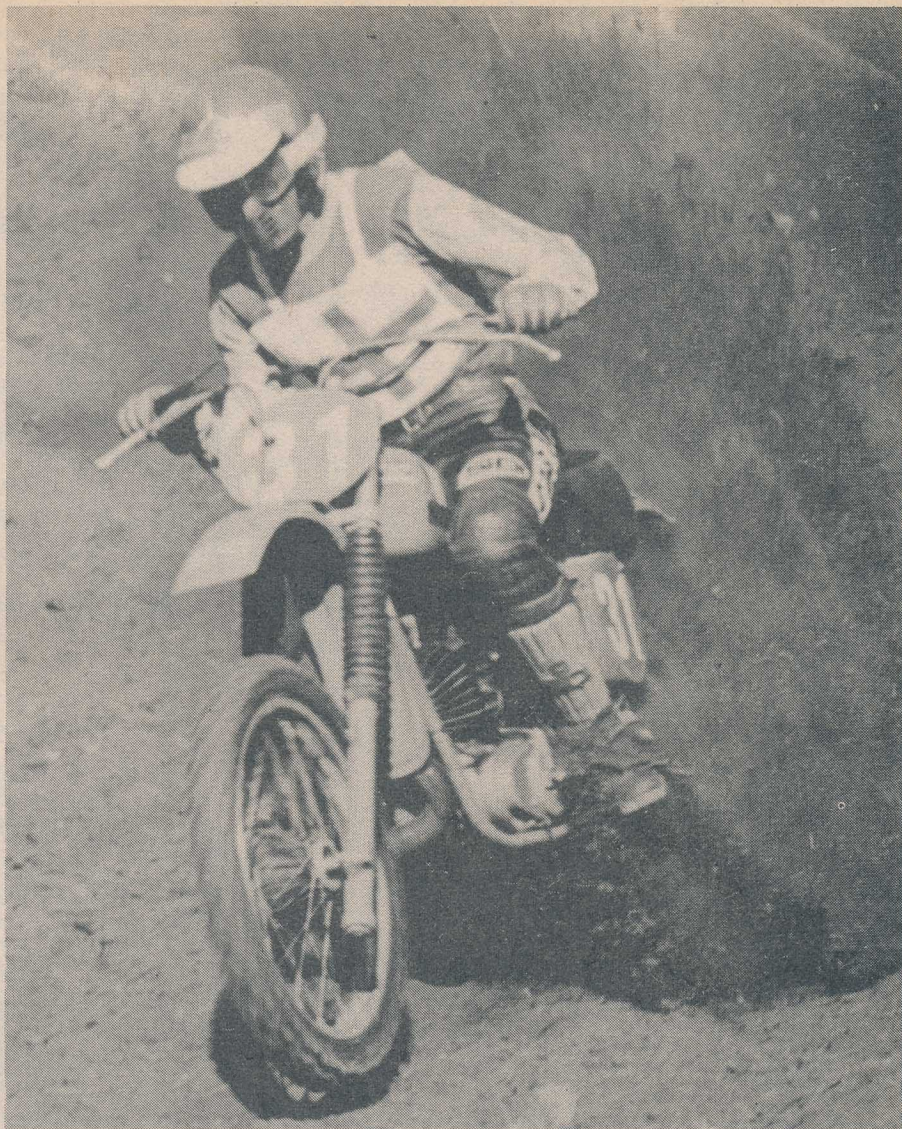
Everts challenged Hudson until the 13th. lap when he finally sneaked past the Maico rider and once more Hudson seemed content with third place.

Maisch was holding a distant, but steady fourth place ahead of Daniel Pean and Vladimir Kavinov.

Rob Hooper was riding extremely well in seventh place.

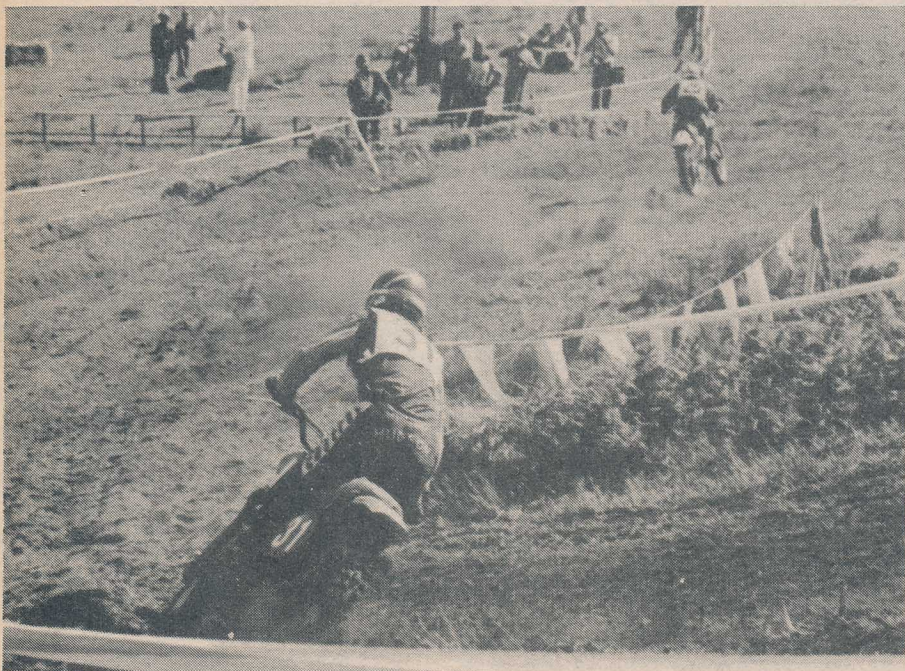
When the final flag fell on the British 250 Grand Prix Gennady Moisseev had proved beyond doubt that he was the man to beat in the quarter litre class.

Everts consolidated his second place in the championship with two second places and Neil Hudson had his best ride to date with his third consecutive third place overall.



ABOVE: Neil Hudson on his Maico.

LEFT: Hudson chases eventual winner Gennady Moisseev.



RESULTS:

LEG ONE: 1. Moisseev (KTM,USSR). 2. Everts (Bultaco, Belgium). 3. Hudson (Maico, GB). 4. Kavinov (KTM, USSR). 5. Carlqvist (Husky, Sweden).

LEG TWO: 1. Moisseev. 2. Everts. 3. Hudson. 4. Maisch (Maico, West Germany). 5. Kavinov.

OVERALL:

1. Moisseev	30 pts.
2. Everts	24 pts.
3. Hudson	20 pts.
4. Kavinov	14 pts.
5. Maisch	13 pts.

1. Moisseev 117, 2. Everts 110, 3. Hansen 86, 4. Hudson 79, 5. Maisch 78.