



TUNING UP FOR SATURDAY'S MIDGET RACES

## Big Field for Ascot Race

Forty-five powerful midget race cars will vie for 28 starting positions in Saturday night's (July 2) 50-lap URA South West Championship feature at Ascot Stadium.

The United Racing Assn. will pit Offenhausers against Ford-engined machines in the chase around the fast, dirt half-mile track on Vermont Ave. at 182nd St. Action opens at 8:30 with

qualifying runs starting at 7. Veterans Allen Heath of Northridge and Don Cameron of La Mirada will stake their racing savvy against the brashness of such young lions as Long Beach's Don Staudinger and Buddy Lee of

Duarte, last year's top URA drivers. All will be out to halt the year's only two-time main event winner, heavy-footed Lloyd Cobbin of Anaheim in the former Billy Vukovich Kurtis-Offy.

### Destruction Derby Heads Three-Day Bill at Gardena

Gardena Stadium opens its gala Holiday weekend, on Sunday evening with a Triple-Header show for sport fans. The show which will feature, the much talked about Destruction Derby, along with a complete Fireworks program, and also Clowns and Circus Acts will begin at 8 p.m.

The Fireworks show which will be presented for the sixth year at the stadium will be an extra added attraction to the gigantic 75 car Destruction Derby which will precede it. Among the Circus Acts which will be presented are, High Wire acts, trampoline stunts, and a trained animal act.

Leading the list of drivers for the Destruction Derby will be, last weeks winners, Bob Goddard, Malibu; and Jud Grant of Venice. Goddard currently third in the championship point standings will be out to catch present leaders, Howard Walton, Hawthorne, and Dite Wall, Lancaster. Grant will be shooting for his first main event win, although with consistent finishes he has moved up to seventh place in points.

Other top pilots entered include: Roger Hazher, Torrance; Harry Nobel, Long Beach; Lamarr Anderson, Manhattan Beach; Gene Millard, Lynwood; Ike Valdez, El Monte; Frank Rose, Long Beach; Melle Lewis, Los Angeles; Larry Wright, Lynwood; Don Blevins, Wilmington, and Woody Pridgett, Los Angeles.

With the first event getting under way at 8 p.m., and gates opening at 6:15 p.m., fans will be able to obtain good seating in the 7,500 seat stadium located at 139th St. and Western Ave. In Gardena. Admission for adults is just \$2 with juniors \$1 and kids under eight free.

### Gardena Stadium Slates Holiday Racing Program

Gardena Stadium presents its second big Holiday evening event, Monday night when the popular CJA Hot Rod takes the rapid one-third mile clay oval in a special fourth of July event.

Along with the slam-bang Hot Rod program, a special fireworks display will be presented. This will be the sixth year of this colorful display at the stadium. Also on the program are many Circus acts, including High Wire stunts, Trampoline entertainers, animal acts, and Clowns to entertain the kids.

Heading the list of entries for the Hot Rod races, will be two of the top up and coming drivers, Ron Garriott, Gardena; and Paul Jones, of Torrance. Garriott is the son of former, L. A. Angel center fielder, Cece Garriott, and is one of the drivers picked by track officials to go far in racing.

Jones is the younger brother of the famous Parnelli Jones, who is on the way to the top of the ladder in racing circles. Young Jones has won several top Hot Rod events in Southern California and is expected to step in the Sprint Cars in the near future.

Other top pilots entered include: Bob Hogle, Buena Park; Ed Van Eyk, Bellflower; Art Atkinson, Pasadena; Freddy Thompson, Downey; Chuck Townsen, Gardena; Jack Austin, Downey; Rip Erikson, N. Hollywood; Jack Kelly, Long Beach; and Ernie Young, Lakewood.

Action will begin with time trials at 7 p.m. and the first race at 8:15 p.m. A 40 lap feature tops the full racing show.

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### Dodgers Unbeaten In Little League

The Union 76 Dodgers remained unbeaten in Harbor City Little League play with a come-from-behind victory over the Lions, Club Cubs, 11-10. Don Graham singled home the winning run in the 7th inning. The Dodgers topped the Cubs earlier, 14-7. The 7-Up Pirates and the Gonzales Giants remained two games off the pace as both clubs notched a pair of victories.

The Pirates pounded the Rossman Lumber Phillies twice, 19-7 and 3-1, with John Dalton saving the latter game with a spectacular catch of a "sure" home run ball tagged by the Phillies' Pat McDowell.

L & M Equipment Braves absorbed a 12-6 defeat at the

hands of the Giants as Stefan Jarett belted a three-run homer. In the two clubs' second encounter, the Braves grabbed a 5-3 win with Rudy Combs on the hill.

#### LEAGUE STANDINGS

	W	L
Dodgers	6	0
Pirates	4	2
Giants	4	2
Cubs	2	4
Phillies	1	5
Braves	1	5

#### MINOR STANDINGS

	W	L
Stars	3	0
Angels	3	1
Beavers	2	3
Seals	0	4

Minor League Scores: Angels 23, Beavers 9; Beavers 21, Seals 19; Stars 9, Angels 8.



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