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## PUBLIC ENIGMA No. 1

By F. J. CAMM (Editor of "The Cyclist")

WHERE stand we now after six years of war? Cycling, like many other pastimes, is battle scarred, but those six years have provided that powerful pause which has enabled us to purge the Augean stables of much that was unclean; it has shown us our friends and our enemies, the weakness and the strength of our case and our opposition, and it has enabled us to think about improvements, not only in the bicycle itself but in the various facets which collectively constitute this scintillating pastime.

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F. J. CAMM

We must preserve open minds on the wishes of others and be ready to receive and sympathetically to consider any new development in our sport. We must be ready to stand together if our freedom is attacked, and be particularly careful that in fighting for the freedom of others we do not lose our own.

Every cyclist possesses as part of his heritage the right to indulge in any legal form of sport if it does not interfere with the sport of others. Fear of a new thing often foments opposition to it, and causes the fearful ones to worship at the shrine of false gods and to advance false reasons for their fear.

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Therefore, I say if the lacuna of six years has given to many abroad fighting for our country a nostalgic desire to return to the English lanes and the comradeship of the wheel, may I say to them (apostrophising a famous phrase): Better this six years in Europe than a cycle of Cathay.

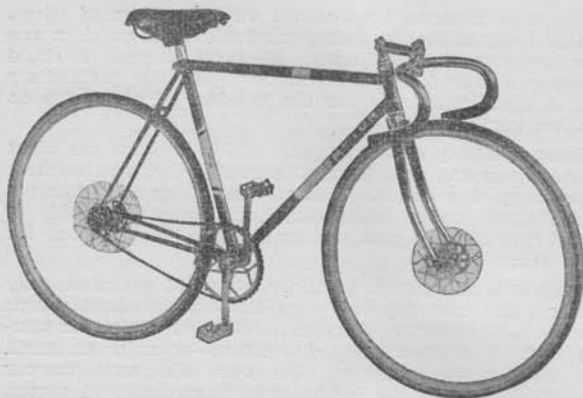
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By CHARLES FEARNLEY.

MANY cycling enthusiasts who wish to match their speed against others in competition plunge into the sport without pausing to consider whether they are healthy and strong enough to do so.

The fact that you have a nice turn of speed, found out, no doubt, by "having a go" once or twice with some pals, is by no means an indication that your physique is attuned to meet the tax which racing puts upon it.

Going out on the road and indulging in sundry "tear-ups" can easily do more harm than good to the man who has not put his body through a period of preparation. This is best accomplished by performing regularly some well-chosen exercises designed to increase the organic, as well as muscular toughness of your trunk and arms, presuming that your legs are already in good condition.

Here, then, are a few movements, which, if followed faithfully as regards repetitions, etc., will have the desired object in the shortest possible time.

### EXERCISE 1.

Stand at an open window, your hands placed shoulder width on the ledge, feet 24 inches back from the wall. Now bend forward, at the same time raising the straight left leg upwards until it forms a straight line with the trunk, which by this time has leaned forward to the Horizontal. Pause, then try to raise the leg a little higher. Lower, then repeat with the right leg, and so on alternately until 15 repetitions have been performed with *each* leg. Breathe deeply throughout. (For the spinal muscles and buttocks.)

### EXERCISE 2.

Lie face up on floor, arms out at "crucifix" position. Now raise the left foot upwards and across the body diagonally until the foot reaches the hand. Here pause, then return leg to first position and repeat with other leg. Ten repetitions each leg. (For the abdominal muscles.)

### EXERCISE 3.

A "resistance" movement for the biceps and triceps of the upper arms (those muscles which bend and straighten the elbow respectively) is incorporated in the following routine: Grasp one hand with the other in a convenient grip; now, with the right hand, bend the left arm as much as it will go, offering a certain amount of resistance with the left arm. Then allow the left arm to be straightened by the right, as in a self-imposed tug-o'-war. Repeat

steadily and smoothly for 10 repetitions, then reverse the muscular pull, and repeat 10 times again.

EXERCISE 4.

For developing strength in the chest and upper back, resistance should be accomplished by pressing one hand across the chest as far as it will go with the other hand, then press back to the other side of the body. This is for the muscles on the chest; for the upper back, each hand should *pull*, not push, across the chest. Repeat both these movements 10 times each.

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This little table of exercises should be repeated three times on four nights per week, preferably when you are not putting in too many strenuous miles.

Suppleness of the body generally should be encouraged by leaping and balancing, and trunk weaving as in shadow boxing. This should end your work-out with a bath and bed to end the day.

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*Alice Delysia, famous French cabaret star, presenting R. Davey, East London R.C., with "Bastille" trophy, July 14th, Battersea Park, London.*



*Frank Guy, ace cycling commentator, working under difficulties.*



*Andre Sosson, French Navy, winner, confined Navy event, congratulated by French Naval Attache.*



*Finish of "Grand Prix de la Bastille," July 14th, Battersea Park, London. R. Davey, East London R.C., winning from L. Hook, West London R.C.*



## TEAM TACTICS

By S. HEMMINGS, West London R.C.

SINCE the formation of the B.L.R.C. a new style of road racing has been evolved; this brought many new situations which had to be mastered for success to attend a rider's efforts.

It was found that a rider could rarely win "on his own" but had to have help from his team-mates, the team working together and using team tactics to achieve success for any member of the team. The question arises "What are these tactics?" and are they really necessary?

The answer has been supplied by the fact that during 1944 season the successful riders were those from clubs working as a team and using team tactics.

The problem then to be faced is "How can a team achieve this?" A great deal depends on current circumstances, the nature of the course and the ability of the riders, etc.; but several salient rules govern the conduct of a team.

Briefly they are Only attack at chosen times; keep on attacking (the other teams are probably just as weary); never take up "the peloton" to other riders who may have broken away; be a team at the finish as well as at the start of a race; and finally, vary the methods of attack.

Taking these points in turn, it will be shown how a team should use them. The riders necessary for a team should not be less than four. They may be of varying ability, but there will be attributes common to each, *i.e.*, reasonably good hill climbers, fairly strong riders into a wind.

They would then attack at times when these capabilities gave them an advantage over the "peloton," not try to break on a hill when they know that they can be held easily by the other riders.

When the "peloton" can be observed easing down the pace, then is the time to attack, even though it hurts; the same applies after making the ascent of a severe hill. If a team finds itself clear at the top, then it must try to keep going, not ease up and wait for the field to absorb it.

A general fault is that where a team has broken away one rider takes upon himself to catch them. This is very foolish, helping no one but the general peloton. The correct thing to do is for the whole team to break away and catch the fugitives together. Then they can try to split the small remaining bunch.

It follows that the only thing which should split a team is mechanical trouble, and even in such cases the rider's own judgment should decide whether they should all stop or continue one short. The main thing to remember is that team tactics cannot be pursued without a team.



The final point is probably the most important; a team that varies the form of its attacks will usually succeed. As an illustration of this point, a team of four riders could use the following variations:—

- (1) Two riders sprint away; when caught, the other two jump. This is carried on until a break is achieved.
- (2) All four riders go together, each doing bit and bit, remembering to first jump together, then in line.
- (3) Attack after climbing a hill. Riders should do about 100 yards each as fast as possible, giving the opposition no time to recover from the climb.
- (4) All four riders should take up different positions in the field so that the attention of the other riders is divided. Sprints can then be carried out at pre-arranged places with more chance of the "peloton" being caught off guard.

These are a few of the tactics which have been successfully used by the West London Road Club during the past season, a notable occasion being the Battersea Park Circuit Race. Here a decisive break was achieved and the team filled the first four places.

A point of interest was that contrary to general belief it was achieved on a flat course. The method used was general wearing down of the field and then a simultaneous sprint at a pre-arranged point.

By thus showing how team tactics have helped one club achieve success, it is hoped that the 1945 season will see other clubs thinking on the same lines. The standard of racing would be raised and massed racing would become a strategic sport as well as a strenuous one. For until races are won by teams using team tactics English riders cannot hope to compete successfully with their Continental rivals.

#### A WORD OF THANKS

Our cycling friends who have been called to the various Services crave for news of home conditions in war time. . . . The B.L.R.C. wishes to acknowledge with gratitude the public spirited policy of the *Bicycle* for the impartial manner in which they have published news and correspondence concerning B.L.R.C. activities during the past years. . . . the *Bicycle* has truly supplied the cycling news of war time Britain.

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## THE ROAD RACE CHAMPION

P. T. STALLARD, Wolverhampton Racing Cycling Club.

COMMENCED racing in 1927, in the Wolverhampton Wheelers' novice event, finished almost four minutes behind the winner, and won a free entry to the club. The same year rode a 50 mile event, but the time returned, 3.29.22, was nearly an hour behind the winner.

Won his first race in 1928, 100 miles in 5.21.45, good enough to beat the next man by 7½ minutes. By 1932 was winning open events and had brought 50 mile time down to 2.13.51.

1933 saw him Half-mile Midland Track Champion and competing in his first bunch race at Brooklands. Did not finish owing to two punctures, but won the majority of the Primes and gained selection for the World's Championships held at Montlhery, near Paris. It was on this trip that he first realised the strength of the sport on the Continent, and although his selection had been criticised by the Cycling Press, who referred to him as someone from the Midlands selected to give geographical balance to F. W. Southall from London and J. J. Salt from Liverpool, he was nevertheless the first Englishman to finish, gaining 11th position. Southall punctured, took six minutes to change his tyre, and eventually retired. On the other hand, Lowie, of Belgium, finished third after puncturing.

Riding in the Paris-Chauny race on the hottest day of the year, came up against real team work for the first time; was the first of four Englishmen, finishing in 16th position. The course, reputed to be "flat," brought two of the "star" British team to their feet. In the World's Championships at Leipzig finished 6th. Charles Holland finished 3rd, registering the best performance by a Britisher in this type of event for a generation.

1935 saw him again in Paris competing in a special invitation race at the Tuileries Gardens, won by Guy Lapebie. Again selected to compete in the World's Championships, this time at Namur, Belgium, over a very tough course. Here the English riders found it beyond their capabilities to hold the leading Continentals on the two-mile climb; was the first of the team, finishing in 12th position. The "gate" of 250,000 at this event ably demonstrated the following the sport has on the Continent. 1937 found him once again in the Championship team visiting Denmark. In this event he was involved in a crash, as was Jack Holmes, another member of the British team. Ray Jones, the only English rider to finish, rode remarkably well to fill 8th position.

Was selected to captain the World's Championship team to Italy, a trip curtailed by the present war.

Owing to the sport being sadly neglected during the early war years, it was not until the advent of the B.L.R.C. in 1942 that he again took up serious racing. Riding in the Morecombe-Bradford race he finished 3rd after puncturing, and in the final event of the year, the Craven Dales race, crossed the line first.

1943 saw him forsaking racing for organising, but in 1944 made a re-appearance, eventually winning the National Championship at Harrogate, over probably the toughest course in the country, beating his protégé, E. A. Clements, Wrekin R.C., by a wheel.

Percy Stallard has a few words of wisdom for the coming "stars": "If I may be permitted to offer a little advice to budding racers, I would say: train over the hilliest courses you can find, learn to suffer by refusing to put your foot to the ground when training unless forced to do so by mechanical trouble, and above all never retire in a race. If you have the initiative and enthusiasm to carry out this advice you may one day become a champion—they are not born, but made by their own efforts."



*P. T. Stallard, 1944 Road Champion, second from right, at the line up prior to the "Vatutin Tribute Criterion," Battersea Park, London.*

### STATEMENT of B.L.R.C. POLICY.

The policy of the British League of Racing Cyclists is to encourage and promote, in Great Britain, all forms of amateur and professional cycling, based upon international practice, and in conformity with Union Cycliste Internationale Rules. The League is willing to cooperate with other promoting bodies who are prepared to further this aim.

22nd December, 1943.

## THE TOUR COMES NEARER

By **WALLY SUMMERS**, Organiser, Southern Grand Prix.

**I**NSPIRED by the success of the "Mercury Grand Prix" two-stage race of 1943, I began to carry plans a step further towards the eventual goal that every member of the British League desires, a "Tour of Great Britain."

The "Tour de France," a 2,800 mile road race, was, before the war, the most talked of race in the cycling world, and on the Continent was the main news of France and her neighbours for the whole three weeks of its duration.

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The wild enthusiasm has to be seen to be believed, the newspapers, the radio, the news films, all devoted to this famous cycling race. The only comparable events in Britain are "The Boat Race," "The Cup Final" or "The Derby."

The "Southern Grand Prix," however, a 270 mile, 3-day race, was an all-amateur affair, though employing scores of voluntary workers from the League for nearly a year.

The riders raced 276 miles, which included climbing 36 hills, in the total time of 12 hrs. 29 min. 18 sec.

The toughness of the course, and the riders' ability to race long distances day after day, was a heartening pointer to future International competition. Frank Guy, now looked upon as the only commentator for cycling events, handled the mike with his usual incomparable efficient ease throughout the race, and Jimmy Kain, the evergreen veteran timekeeper from the Ealing C.C., was kept busy recording times and positions for the whole three days.

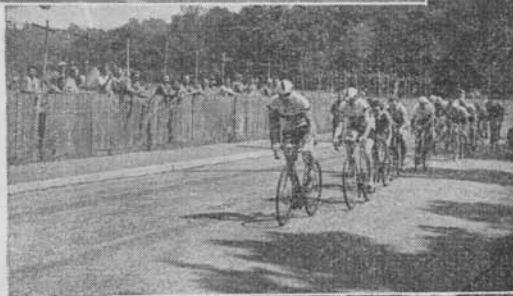
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## THE WORLD AND US

By A. H. CLARKE, Events Secretary, London Section.

NO cyclist who is interested in cycling as a sport is not dimly aware that this country has not produced a World's Champion for over a generation. The fact that in other sporting spheres Britain can equal, and even better, International competition, proves that the material is available. Why, then, are we in this country unable to hold our own in the realms of International cycle racing? Those of you who have given it thought no doubt reflect upon the great difference in the popularity of the sport in nearly all Continental countries compared with the relative handful of enthusiasts in this, and think, if only we had that following in this country, with all its attendant facilities, trade support, indoor and outdoor tracks, an extensive and virile professional class, money, the interest and support of the "powers that be," what couldn't we do? Exactly. With these facilities for training, etc., British cyclists may then command some International respect. It is only too true that nowhere in the world is the sport of cycle racing practised in such a secretive and antiquated manner as in this country.

This secretive nature of cycle racing has successfully kept the public as a whole blissfully unaware that there is such a sport, and without the sanction and understanding of the public these longed for facilities are so much "pie in the sky." Therefore, cycle racing must be presented to the public, they must be taught to understand the sport in all its aspects, and when this is achieved, and results of cycle races looked for as eagerly as the results of football and cricket matches, can we look to the future of the sport with confidence. For not only will it bring the required facilities for placing the sport before the public, but, with this public support, suppressive cycling legislature could be successfully abated.

The revolutionary changes practised by the B.L.R.C. have only one aim: to place the sport on a firm National footing. That this is possible has been proved by the measure of success achieved by the B.L.R.C. in three short years.

Also, were other bodies to frame rules more in keeping with the present trend, then undoubtedly we would find our position immeasurably strengthened, for the realisation that cyclists will have to present a strong front to combat post-war anti-cycling encroachments is not the prerogative of any one school of thought: it would be presumptuous to think so.



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 "Allied Nations" Circuit Race, Battersea Park, 50 kilos. E. Jones, Wrekin R.C.C. 25.70 m.p.h.  
 Moss Moor Road Race, 50 miles. F. Cooper, Glen C.C. 19.49 m.p.h.  
 Chelkners Road Race, 64 miles. L. Plume, Manchester R.C. 20.56 m.p.h.  
 "Tour of the Wrekin," 60 miles. H. D. Binfield, Wolverhampton R.C.C. 19.77 m.p.h.  
 Washburn Road Race, 70½ miles. C. B. Deveraux, Manchester R.C.C. 17.64 m.p.h.  
 "Tour of the Peaks," 82 miles. E. A. Clements, Wrekin R.C.C. 18.32 m.p.h.  
 Shrewsbury Hospital Road Race, 90 miles. H. D. Binfield, Wolverhampton R.C. 22.26 m.p.h.  
 Australian Road Race, London Section, 69 miles. C. L. Owen, Leycrest Manor R.C. 20.49 m.p.h.  
 London Section Championship, 82 miles. R. R. Baker, West London R.C. 21.67 m.p.h.  
 Midland Section Championship, 72 miles. E. A. Clements, Wrekin R.C.C. 21.89 m.p.h.  
 Northern Section Championship, 66 miles. R. Parkin, Bradford R.C.C. 20.52 m.p.h.  
 Southern Section Championship. H. Gibson, Achilles Velo.  
 Australian Road Race, Southern Section. D. Gwinnett, West Hants R.C.  
 "Grand Prix de la Bastille" Circuit Race, Battersea Park, 50 kilos. R. Davey, Sandon C.C. 25.65 m.p.h.  
 Australian Road Race, Southern Section. D. Cox, Achilles Velo.  
 "Tour of the Clees," 96 miles. E. A. Clements, Wrekin R.C.C. 20.23 m.p.h.  
 National Championship, 77½ miles. P. T. Stallard, Wolverhampton R.C.C. 17.74 m.p.h.  
 "Southern Grand Prix" 3-Day Race, 276 miles. L. Plume, Manchester R.C.C. 20.43 m.p.h.  
 Morecombe-Bradford Road Race, 65 miles. G. Clark, Bradford R.C.C. 22.11 m.p.h.  
 Border Grand Prix, 57 miles. A. H. Clarke, Vegetarian R.C. 21.47 m.p.h.  
 "Tour of the Chilterns," 76 miles. D. Jaggard, Ealing C.C. 21.37 m.p.h.  
 Midland Circuit Race, 75 miles. L. J. Cocker, Wolverhampton R.C. 20.93 m.p.h.  
 Craven Dales Road Race, 66 miles. R. Kitching, Bradford R.C.C. 20.60 m.p.h.  
 "Vatutin Tribute Criterium" Circuit Race, Battersea Park, 50 kilos. L. A. Hook, West London R.C. 25.59 m.p.h.  
 Bournemouth Australian Rd. Race. H. Gibson, Achilles Velo.

**JUNIORS (under 18)**  
 Forest Circuit Road Race, 42 miles. H. G. Poole, Wolverhampton R.C.C. 19.59 m.p.h.  
 Nidderdale Circuit Road Race, 34 miles. R. Parkin, Bradford R.C.C. 17.89 m.p.h.

Junior Championship, 40 miles. D. Welch, English Electric C.C. 21.74 m.p.h.  
 "Pol Hill Circuit" Road Race, 29½ miles. J. Bishop, Southern Coureurs, 21.35 m.p.h.  
 Sheffield Road Race, 48 miles. D. Welch, English Electric C.C. 19.56 m.p.h.

#### TIME TRIAL CHAMPIONS

h. m. s.

Southern Section. D. Cox, Achilles Velo.  
 London Section, 74 miles. C. L. Owen, Leycrest Manor R.C. ... 3 17 34  
 Midland Section, 74 miles. E. Jones, Wrekin R.C.C. 3 21 10  
 Northern Section, 100 miles. R. Kitching, Bradford R.C. ... 4 27 11  
 National Time Trial Champion, 76 miles. E. A. Clements, Wrekin R.C. ... 3 25 53

#### PRINCIPAL TEAM TIME TRIALS

Southern Coureurs, 26 miles. West London R.C. (S. Hemmings, D. Leary, L. A. Hook) ... 1 8 56  
 Leycrest Manor R.C., 28½ miles. West London R.C. (R. Baker, D. Gillings, V. Humphrey) ... 1 17 5  
 Southern Coureurs, 36 miles. Southern Coureurs (D. Boyden, S. Honour, J. Moss) ... 1 46 7  
 Wolverhampton R.C.C., 51 miles. Wolverhampton R.C.C. (P. Stallard, H. Binfield, G. Ireson, R. Jones) ... 2 29 45  
 Leycrest Manor R.C., 68 miles. Leycrest Manor R.C. (C. L. Owen, W. Tilley, R. Morbey) ... 3 13 55  
 Glen C.C., 51 miles. Leeds Olympic R.C. (C. Rhodes, L. Gibson, G. Adams) ... 2 17 25  
 Bradford R.C.C., 51 miles. Bradford R.C.C. (L. Kitchen, F. Hill, W. Tetley) ... 2 22 54  
 Glen C.C. (Juniors), 25½ miles. Leeds Wellington C.C. (A. Goodall, G. Auton, E. O'Donnell) ... 1 9 58  
 National Championship, 63 miles. Bradford R.C.C. (R. Kitching, G. Clark, T. Briggs) ... 2 50 48

#### LADIES' EVENTS

Battersea Park Circuit Race (Three Laps). M. Judge, Leycrest Manor R.C.  
 English Electric, 10 miles. I. Haggitt, Wolverhampton R.C.C. 28 min. 54 sec.  
 Wrekin R.C., 23½ miles. J. Burton, Wrekin R.C. 1.14.1  
 Ealing C.C., 25 miles. R. Wakeman, W. London R.C. 1.26.53.  
 Glen C.C., 25 miles. L. Rhea, Glen C.C. 1.21.35.  
 National Ladies' Time Trial Championship, 24 miles. M. Judge, Leycrest Manor R.C. 1.10.56.

#### OPEN HILL CLIMBS

Halifax R.C.C., Cragg Vale, 5.6 miles. C. B. Deveraux, Manchester R.C. 24 min. 53 1/5 sec.  
 London Section, Star Hill, 1 mile 400 yards (Bunch Handicap). C. Walker, West London R.C. 5 min. 53 sec.  
 Achilles Velo, Stoner Hill, 1 mile 3 furlongs. H. Gibson, Achilles Velo, 5 min. 21 sec.  
 Vegetarian R.C., Brasted Hill, 695 yards. W. Summers, Southern Coureurs, 1 min. 52 1/5 sec.  
 National Hill Climb Championship, Cat and Fiddle Hill, Derbyshire, 4 miles 5 furlongs. R. Clements, Wolverhampton R.C.C. 16 min. 28 3/5 sec.

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### 1945 FIXTURES and PROGRAMME

FEB.

Event and Locality.

25.—Harrogate Rough Stuff. E. Morrell, 22, Station Parade, Harrogate, Yorks.

MAR.

- 4.—Wolverhampton R.C.C. Cross-Country Race. A. T. Holmes, "Holcroft," Bridgenorth Road, Wimbourn Common, Wolverhampton.
- 4.—Bradford R.C.C. Cross-Country Race. J. Ridy, 156, Mayo Avenue, Bradford, Yorks.
- 11.—Wrekin R.C.C. Cross-Country Race. J. Clements, Holyhead Road, Ketley, Wellington, Shropshire.
- 11.—Southern Winter Critorium. L. Menzies, 12, Bushey Way, Beckenham, Kent.
- 18.—English Electric Cross-Country Race. R. C. Tew, 2, Stychfields, Stafford, Staffs.
- 18.—Circuit T.T., 18 miles, West London R.C. E. E. Leary, 16, Denison Road, Ealing, W.5.
- 25.—East London R.C. T.T.T. (Seniors and Juniors). C. L. Owen, 11, Chingford Mount Road, Chingford, E.4.
- 25.—Wolverhampton Wheelers, 25m. T.T. R. D. Whitmore, "Shaun Glyn," Fancourt Ave., Penn, Wolverhampton.
- 25.—North-Eastern Section, 25m. T.T. (Low Gear). S. Pearson, c/o A. Macqueen, 94, Shakespeare Ave., Hepburn-on-Tyne, County Durham.
- 25.—Harrogate, 25m. T.T. (Seniors and Juniors). E. Morrell, 22, Station Parade, Harrogate, Yorks.

APRIL

- 1.—Nidderdale Road Race, 36 miles. C. J. Fox, 140, Spencer Road, Bradford, Yorks.
- 1.—West Hants, 25m. T.T. D. W. Gwinnett, 27, Heatherview Road, Branksome, Bournemouth.
- 8.—Wrekin R.C.C., Team T.T. J. Clements, Holyhead Road, Ketley, Wellington, Shropshire.
- 8.—Northern Coureurs, 25m. T.T. (Medium Gear). W. Grieves, 63, Ashley Grove, West Jesmond, Newcastle-on-Tyne.
- 8.—Ealing C.C., 25m. T.T. J. Davis, 51, Old Oak Common Lane, Acton, W.3.
- 8.—Tee-side R.C.C., 10m. T.T. (Junior). J. Taylor, 69, Greta Road, Norton-on-Tees.
- 14.—London Section. Battersea Park Circuit Race. A. H. Clarke, 7, Chestnut Road, Enfield, Middlesex.
- 15.—Vegetarian R.C., Team T.T., 40 miles (approx.). R. J. Bailey, 134, Hoppers Road, Winchmore Hill, N.21.
- 15.—Bradford R.C.C., 25m. T.T. C. J. Fox, 140, Spencer Road, Bradford, Yorks.
- 22.—Halifax R.C.C., "Moss Moor" Road Race. S. Copley, 104, Lister Ave., Bradford, Yorks.
- 22.—Southern Coureurs, Team T.T. "Star Hill Circuit," Kent. L. Menzies, 12, Bushey Way, Beckenham, Kent.
- 22.—Blaydonian R.C., 25 T.T. R. Johnson, 20a, Front Street, Whickham-on-Tyne, Co. Durham.
- 22.—Wrekin R.C.C. Hill Climb. J. Clements, Holyhead Road, Ketley, Wellington, Shropshire.
- 29.—"Circuit of the Wrekin" Road Race. J. Clements, Holyhead Road, Ketley, Wellington, Shropshire.

- APRIL** **Event and Locality.**  
 29.—Australian Pursuit Road Race, Yorkshire Section. C. J. Fox, 140, Spencer Road, Bradford, Yorks.  
 29.—Vegetarian R.C., Team T.T., 60 miles (approx.). R. J. Bailey, 134, Hoppers Road, Winchmore Hill, London, N.21.  
 29.—Southern Section, 25m. T.T. Seniors, Juniors, Ladies. H. Gibson, 157, Twyford Road, Eastleigh, Hants.

- MAY**  
 6.—"Chelkers Road Race," Glen C.C., 64 miles. G. W. Truelove, "Tan-Dem," Pasture Road, Baildon, Yorks.  
 6.—Southern Coureurs, "Star Hill" Road Race (Juniors). W. Boyden, 27, Campbell Road, Croydon, Surrey.  
 6.—West London R.C., 75 miles Team T.T. Tour of Chilterns Course, 3 up. E. Mansfield, 9, Cresta Court, Hangar Lane, London, W.  
 6.—Wrekin R.C.C., 50m. T.T. J. Clements, Holyhead Road, Ketley, Wellington, Shropshire.  
 6.—North-Eastern Section, Road Race, 30 miles. A. Macqueen, 94, Shakespeare Ave., Hepburn-on-Tyne, Co. Durham.  
 13.—Ealing C.C., "Ealing Hospital Road Race," 85 miles (approx.). H. Huggon, 173, Kingshill Ave., Northolt, Middlesex.  
 13.—Midland Section, "Junior Grand Prix" Road Race. A. T. Holmes, "Holmcroft," Bridgenorth Road, Wimbourn Common, Wolverhampton.  
 13.—Tee-side R.C.C., 25m. T.T. Seniors and Juniors. J. Taylor, 69, Greta Road, Norton-on-Tees.  
 20.—"Tour of the Peaks" Road Race (Derbyshire). Manchester R.C. L. Plume, 18, Manton Street, Moss Side, Manchester.  
 21.—Southern Section, "Isle of Wight Road Race." H. Gibson, 157, Twyford Road, Eastleigh, Hants.  
 27.—All Sections. **Time Trial Championships.** (See Section Events Secretary).

- JUNE**  
 3.—Wrekin R.C.C., "Shrewsbury Hospital Road Race." J. Clements, Holyhead Road, Ketley, Wellington, Shropshire.  
 3.—Glen C.C., "Forest Circuit Road Race" (Juniors). 36 miles. G. W. Truelove, "Tan-Dem," Pasture Road, Baildon, Yorks.  
 3.—Ealing C.C., Team T.T., 55 miles (approx.). J. Davis, 51, Old Oak Common Lane, Acton, London, W.3.  
 3.—Bradford, 50m. T.T. C. J. Fox, 140, Spencer Road, Bradford, Yorks.  
 3.—Northern Coureurs, 10m. T.T., Seniors and Juniors. W. Grieves, 63, Ashleigh Grove, West Jesmond, Newcastle-on-Tyne.  
 6.—Bradford R.C.C., 10m. T.T. (evening). C. J. Fox, 140, Spencer Road, Bradford, Yorks.  
 9.—Wolverhampton R.C.C., "East Park Circuit Road Race." Seniors, Juniors and Ladies. A. T. Holmes, "Holmcroft," Bridgenorth Road, Wimbourn Common, Wolverhampton.  
 10.—"Washburn Road Race," 70 miles. C. J. Fox, 140, Spencer Road, Bradford, Yorks.  
 10.—Vegetarian R.C., Team T.T., 90 miles (approx.). R. J. Bailey, 134, Hoppers Road, Winchmore Hill, London, N.21.  
 10.—Wolverhampton Wheelers, 50m. T.T. N. Haselock, 17, Links Road, Penn, Wolverhampton.

- JUNE** **Event and Locality.**  
 10.—Wolverhampton R.C.C., 18m. T.T. (Circuit), Ladies. A. T. Holmes, "Holmcroft," Bridgenorth Road, Wimbourn Common, Wolverhampton.  
 17.—East London R.C., Road Race. C. L. Owen, 11, Chingford Mount Road, Chingford, E.11.  
 17.—Wolverhampton R.C.C., "The Wolverhampton Road Race." A. T. Holmes, "Holmcroft," Bridgenorth Road, Wimbourn Common, Wolverhampton.  
 17.—Glen C.C., 25m. T.T. G. W. Truelove, "Tan-Dem," Pasture Road, Baildon, Yorks.  
 17.—Northern Coureurs, "Circuit of the Wannies" Road Race. W. Grieves, 63, Ashleigh Grove, West Jesmond, Newcastle-on-Tyne.  
 17.—Southern Section, Australian Pursuit Road Race. H. Gibson, 157, Twyford Road, Eastleigh, Hants.  
 24.—Tee-side R.C.C., "Cleveland Road Race." J. Taylor, 69, Greta Road, Norton-on-Tees.  
 24.—Southern Coureurs, Team T.T. Seniors and Juniors, "Star Hill Circuit." Kent. L. Menzies, 12, Bushey Way, Beckenham, Kent.  
 24.—Wolverhampton R.C.C., Team T.T. Circuit. A. T. Holmes, "Holmcroft," Bridgenorth Road, Wimbourn Common, Wolverhampton.

- JULY**  
 1.—Midland Section **Junior Road Race Championship.** R. Jones, "Gwynfryn," Prestwood Road, Wednesfield, Staffs.  
 1.—East London R.C., Team T.T. C. L. Owen, 11, Chingford Mount Road, Chingford, London, E.11.  
 1.—Northern Coureurs, 50m. T.T. W. Grieves, 63, Ashleigh Grove, West Jesmond, Newcastle-on-Tyne.  
 1.—Bradford R.C.C., 100m. Seniors and 10m. T.T. Juniors. C. J. Fox, 140, Spencer Road, Bradford, Yorks.  
 4.—Bradford R.C.C., 10m. T.T. (evening). C. J. Fox, 140, Spencer Road, Bradford, Yorks.  
 8.—All Sections. **Road Race Championships.** (See Section Events Secretary).  
 14.—London Section, "Grand Prix de la Bastille," Battersea Park London. A. H. Clarke, 7, Chestnut Road, Enfield, Middlesex.  
 15.—North-Eastern Section Road Race. S. Pearson, c/o A. Macqueen, 94, Shakespeare Ave., Hepburn-on-Tyne, Co. Durham.  
 15.—London Section, Road Race, Junior. A. H. Clarke, 7, Chestnut Road, Enfield, Middlesex.  
 15.—West Hants R.C., 50m. D. Gwinnett, 27, Heatherview Road, Branksome, Bournemouth.  
 22.—"Circuit of the Clee's" Road Race, Wolverhampton R.C.C. V. Williams, 46, Dudley Walk, Coldthorn Hill, Wolverhampton.  
 22.—Ealing C.C., 54 miles Circuit T.T. J. Davis, 51, Old Oak Common Lane, Acton, London, W.3.  
 22.—Glen C.C., Team T.T. G. W. Truelove, "Tan-Dem," Pasture Road, Baildon, Yorks.  
 22.—Ridley C.C., 25m. T.T. W. Cracknell, 51, Hugh Gardens, Benwell, Newcastle-on-Tyne.  
 29.—National Team T.T. Championship. R. Jones, "Gwynfryn," Prestwood Road, Wednesfield, Staffs.  
 29.—West Hants R.C., 100m. T.T. D. W. Gwinnett, 27, Heatherview Road, Branksome, Bournemouth.  
 29.—Northumbrian R.C., Road Race. A. Kitchen, 73, Broomfield Ave., Walkerville, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

- AUG. Event and Locality.**
- 1.—Bradford R.C.C., 10m. T.T. (evening). C. J. Fox, 140, Spencer Road, Bradford, Yorks.
  - 4, 5, 6, 7, 8.—London to Glasgow Road Race. (See Section Secretaries and National Press).
  - 5.—Bradford R.C.C., "Morecombe to Bradford Road Race." C. J. Fox, 140, Spencer Road, Bradford, Yorks.
  - 8.—Northumbrian R.C.C., 25m. T.T. (evening). A. Kitchen, 73, Broomfield Ave., Walkerville, Newcastle-on-Tyne.
  - 12.—National Road Race Championship, 77 miles (approx.). Harrogate. The toughest course in the country. C. J. Fox, 140, Spencer Road, Bradford, Yorks.
  - 12.—East London R.C., Team T.T., 28 miles (approx.). Junior. C. L. Owen, 11, Chingford Mount Road, Chingford, E.11.
  - 19.—Midland Section, "Midland Grand Prix" Road Race. A. T. Holmes, "Holmcroft," Bridgenorth Road, Wimbourn Common, Wolverhampton.
  - 19.—Sheffield R.C.C., "Burbage Junior Road Race." K. F. Slater, 20, Northfield Road, Sheffield, 10.
  - 19.—Ealing C.C., 50m. T.T. J. Davis, 51, Old Oak Common Lane, Acton, W.4.
  - 19.—Ridley C.C., Team T.T. W. Cracknell, 51, Hugh Gardens, Benwell, Newcastle-on-Tyne.
  - 26.—West London R.C., "Tour of the Chilterns" Road Race, 76 miles. E. Mansfield, 9, Cresta Court, Hangar Lane, London, W.3.
  - 26.—English Electric Team T.T. K. Thompson, 105, Oxford Gardens, Stafford, Staffs.
  - 26.—Bradford R.C.C. 12-hour. C. J. Fox, 140, Spencer Road, Bradford, Yorks.
  - 26.—Northern Coureurs, 10m. T.T., Seniors, Juniors and Ladies. W. Grieves, 63, Ashleigh Grove, West Jesmond, Newcastle-on-Tyne.
  - 29.—Bradford R.C.C., 10m. T.T. (evening), Seniors and Juniors. C. J. Fox, 140, Spencer Road, Bradford, Yorks.

- SEPT.**
- 2.—National Time Trial Championship, 76 miles, London. A. H. Clarke, 7, Chestnut Road, Enfield, Middlesex.
  - 2.—Tee-side R.C.C., Hill Climb, Sutton Bank. J. Taylor, 69, Greta Road, Norton-on-Tees.
  - 9.—Wrekin R.C.C., "Salop Road Race." J. Clements, Holyhead Road, Ketley, Wellington, Shropshire.
  - 9.—Ealing C.C., 100m. T.T. J. Davis, 51, Old Oak Common Lane, Acton, London, W.3.
  - 9.—Bradford R.C.C., 25m. T.T., Seniors and Juniors. C. J. Fox, 140, Spencer Road, Bradford, Yorks.
  - 9.—Blaydonian R.C., Road Race. R. Johnson, 20a, Front Street, Whickham-on-Tyne, Co. Durham.
  - 16.—Achilles Velo Road Race. H. Gibson, 157, Twyford Road, Eastleigh, Hants.
  - 16.—Glen C.C., "Craven Dales Road Race." G. W. Truelove, "Tan-Dem," Pasture Road, Baldon, Yorks.
  - 16.—Blaydonian R.C., Hill Climb. R. Johnson, 20a, Front Street, Whickham-on-Tyne, Co. Durham.
  - 22.—London Section, Battersea Park Circuit Race. A. H. Clarke, 7, Chestnut Road, Enfield, Middlesex.
  - 23.—Halifax R.C., Team T.T. S. Copley, 104, Lister Ave., Bradford, Yorks.
  - 23.—English Electric 25m. K. Thompson, 105, Oxford Gdns., Stafford, Staffs.

- SEPT. Event and Locality.**
- 23.—West London R.C., Hill Climb (Hindhead). E. Mansfield, 9, Cresta Court, Hangar Lane, London, W.
  - 23.—North-Eastern Section, Hill Climb. S. Pearson, 20, Brierleydale Gardens, Newcastle-on-Tyne, 4.
  - 30.—Hill Climb Championship, Manchester R.C. L. Plume, 18, Monton Street, Moss Side, Manchester.
  - 30.—East London, 25m. T.T., Seniors, Juniors and Ladies. C. L. Owen, 11, Chingford Mount Rd., Chingford, E.11.
- OCT.**
- 7.—Wrekin R.C.C., 25m. T.T. J. Clements, Holyhead Road, Ketley, Wellington, Shropshire.
  - 7.—Bradford R.C.C., Hill Climb. C. J. Fox, 140, Spencer Road, Bradford, Yorks.
  - 7.—Achilles Velo. Hill Climb. H. Gibson, 157, Twyford Road, Eastleigh, Hants.
  - 14.—Halifax R.C., Hill Climb. S. Copley, 104, Lister Ave., Bradford, Yorks.
  - 14.—English Electric Hill Climb. K. Thompson, 105, Oxford Gardens, Stafford, Staffs.
  - 14.—London Section, Hill Climb. A. H. Clarke, 7, Chestnut Road, Enfield, Middlesex.
  - 21.—Vegetarian R.C., Hill Climb, Bunch Handicap, Star Hill, Kent. R. J. Bailey, 134, Hoppers Road, Winchmore Hill, London, N.21.

## SCOTTISH SECTION

- APRIL**
- 21 (Sat).—"Bridge of Weir" Team T.T., 2 up, 25m. approx. Start 2 p.m.
  - 29.—25m. T.T. Seniors. 10m. T.T. Juniors.
- MAY**
- 13.—50m. T.T. West Ferry. Start 2 p.m.
  - 19 (Sat).—"Campsie Circuit" Road Race. Start 5 p.m.
  - 27.—Scottish Section T.T. Championship.
- JUNE**
- 10.—"Trossachs Circuit" Road Race. 2 laps. Start 1 p.m.
  - 16 (Sat).—"Denny Circuit" Road Race, Junior.
  - 23.—Australian Pursuit Road Race, in conjunction with the Cumcock Rally.
- JULY**
- 7.—Scottish Section Road Race Championship.
  - 15.—"Bute Circuit" Road Race. (Fair Holiday).
  - 22.—"Bute Circuit" Road Race. (Fair Holiday).
  - 29.—100m. T.T. Senior. 10m. T.T. Junior.
- AUG.**
- 12.—Junior Road Race Championship.
  - 19.—Perth-Dundee T.T.
  - 26.—"Trossachs Circuit" Road Race. 78m. approx. 3 laps.
- SEPT.**
- 15 (Sat).—Glasgow-Edinburgh and back Road Race.
  - 30.—Hill Climb.

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