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## EDITORIAL.

At last your patience has been rewarded and we have pleasure in presenting our second issue of THE SPOKE. We hope you will enjoy reading this one as much as you appear to have done the first edition. We have tried to correct our faults, some of which were pointed out to us! Doubtless you will continue to tell us where we can improve, and thus we shall hope to make THE SPOKE the kind of 'mag' you want to read! All for now - The Co-Editors.

## CONGRATULATIONS

We have received congratulations on our first edition from many friends of the Club, among them being Mr. Workman, Mr. Tindall, Trevor Payne, Miss Mary Butt, and Mr. W. A. Sibly, of whom we have recently heard the very sad news of his death. We shall miss his leadership in the Club. An IN MEMORIUM for Mr. Sibly will be found on page 8 of this issue. Criticisms must also be mentioned; Mr. Peter Turner and Mr. Victor Coleman are to be commended on the alertness of their minds!!

## STROUD SHOW.

### CYCLE COMPETITION, 18th JULY.

At 2 o'clock some of the competitors for the cycle competition arrived at the main car park of Stratford Park. As the Carnival Procession passed by I noticed three more cyclists riding some old 'bone-shaker' type bikes (not their own!) One of the said riders had a bit of bad luck, however, while he was riding round the parade ring. His chain broke, and so he had to push it (the bike, not the chain!) The procession over, two of the riders came down to where the test was to be held, just by the swings, while the third rider who had entered for the test went to change from her old-fashioned rig-out, and equip herself with her present bike. The other entrants fixed some numbers on their left arms.

There were supposed to be three classes, but insufficient entries from Juniors made it possible to hold only a Ladies' and Men's class. Three judges checking road-worthiness of cycles, tool-kits and spares, and the clothing of the competitors, awarded prizes (in the form of vouchers to be exchanged for goods at T. G. Hall's) to: 1st. Tony Neale (S.W.) 34½ points, 2nd. B. Leach (S.C.T.C.) 3rd. George Woodman (S.W.) 32 points. (B. Leach 32½ pts) Ladies' awards: 1st Miss Joyce Hampton (S.W.) 32½ points, 2nd Miss M. Stevens (S.C.T.C.) 31 points. At 6.15 the five winners paraded round the main ring. George Woodman.

## COTSWOLD TIME TRIAL.

The Cotswold Time Trial was held on 19th July. In the morning the marshalls went out to their various marshalling points and the two drinking stations were prepared just after Fosse Bridge and on the long climb up to Seven Springs. There were 14 riders, on whom the sun beat mercilessly all day. The south-westerly wind made the second part of the course harder than the first. Mr. Neno, the Timekeeper, recorded the following times: 1st. S. P. Daniels 2hrs.26mins.36 secs.(event record), 2nd J. Millman 2.28.25., 3rd M. Cooke 2.38.38.(Obviously these are the first three placings only). Credit must go to John Millman for organising the event, and for his splendid ride, he being the 2nd member ever to get inside 2½ hours. Tea followed at Rogers' Cafe in Stroud.

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### Letters to the Editors

3 Winchome Terrace,  
Slad Road,  
STROUD,Glos.

3rd July, 1959.

Dear Co-Editors,

I should like to say how much I enjoyed the first edition of 'The Spoke'. I found the newsletter very interesting indeed, and I hope many of them will follow in the future.

I enjoy reading about the club's activities and their achievements, as I once went out with the Club for a day, also I have had the pleasure of being invited to your parties, which I have enjoyed immensely.

All I can do now is to wish you all every success in the future, and many trophies to be won.

Yours sincerely,  
An Interested Onlooker.

Pearcroft,  
STONEHOUSE,  
Glos.

12th July, 1959.

Congratulations on the publication of "Spoko" at a time when many magazines are closing down owing to the Strike, and thank you for sending me a copy.

W. A. Sibly.

### HANDY HINTS.

The felt pennant of the S.W.'s can be cleaned by gently washing in warm soapy water. (This is a complete wash-out) Andrew Hampton.

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO KUN-SKRIP-SHUN.

And it came to pass that there was a call throughout the land of Bre-tan, and Daive, son of Hop-king, having reached nigh on the age of manhood was commanded by the high priests to depart from the house of his father and to go unto an high place called Kamp.

Now when he arrived at Kamp the servants of the high priests called Ennceos did sieze and take hold upon him and lead him into a great temple called Storz and there did give unto him a multitude of things and they did give unto him shirts, angola, socks, worsted, boots, ammunition and sundry other raiment. And an Ennceo said unto him "Take this and wear it. Hencelorth these things are in thy charge and shall be called Kytt, and for this thou hast signed, yea even in the "23400271".

And it came to pass that in the middle of the first night when it was yet dark there arose a great noise, and it was the sound of an horn, and straightways did Daive awake, yea, he and all those that did yet dwell with him. And they were commanded by the Ennceos "Wakewakiputyerfeetonthedeckyerlazyhounds", which being spake in the tongue which Daive did know meant "Arise, for the morning is well nigh come". And they did come unto a great place of worship known as Jimm, where there was a passing strange man known as Pete-Tee.

And Pete-Tee commanded unto Daive and all those that were his brethren and he did say unto him "shun" and he shunned, and they shunned, and Pete-Tee was exceeding cruel. Again he did command unto them "jump" and so it was and they did touch four walls and back again and smartly it was that they did so. And Daive was sore afraid and did groan in his heart.

Now, when they had eaten they were led by Ennceo to a holy place called Sqwaire and the High Priest See-Essem did bid them march and they did march and he did weep and was sore displeased and did beat his breast and say "shower"!!!

And notwithstanding this, ere twenty-four moons did wax and wane they did well in the sight of See-Essem and some did fall down before the god Cy-Non and returned not unto Si-Vi. But Daive did return unto the house of his father where the horn sounded not in the time of dumber and no longer did he have one hundred per cent turn out in effesemoe or Best Bede-d and small was his sorrow thereat.

A right Crank. (Dave Carr).

Small Ads.

For Sale

Ernie Clements  
frame (bought at  
Southgate Cycles  
23½"; dark wine  
recently flam.  
re-spray. Will  
take 27" but

Wanted

Pair 27" H.P's.  
Urgent.  
A. Potter.  
(Chief D. raft-  
man)

An Odd Bit.

Two campers rode to Chippenham,  
And found they were in fickledom,  
They had their beds, tent and rolls  
But found they had not brought their  
poles!  
W. John Howells.

For Sale

Cont.

better for  
26" or sprints.  
£5. W.J. Howells.

Cycling shoes, 7,  
little wom.  
Ditto size 8½.

P. Coleman  
Gnutt's file, chain  
set 47/50 teeth.  
Williams chain-  
set & spuerings

P.C.  
Simplex front &  
rear changers.

P.C.  
Crater-leapedals  
& Brodie Pelips

P.C.  
Alloy bars on 3"  
extd. Steel stem.  
P. Coleman (sail)

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rode onto the B4068 which led us straight to the model village of the village of "Bourton-on-the-Water" Water.

At Westfield we enjoyed Milk off the Milk for Stamina van, which seemed to know we were thirsty at the time. Subsequently we arrived at Bourton-on-the-Water to see a sign on a fence which read "Moore Road" and there was.

Nobody visited the model village; apparently all had seen it before, but instead Anne and myself bathed our feet in the cool waters of the Windrush.

After more drinks and general refreshment we climbed out of Bourton first on the Fosse Way (Anne's idea) and then onto the Clapton-Farmington lane. We filled ourselves with water (I'm just a little ole jug! - Ed.) at Farmington - Tony and I debating as to whether it was a tap or well variety, anyway it wasn't H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>., so we drank it gratefully. Others also partook of the Farmington waters and lived... We arrived at Northleach where Mouse and Chris Shipton (now known as little Booty) informed us we were a few minutes late. Mouse Millman did his fastest time ever in the morning at the Glos. City C.C. open '25'. Two other partakers were D. Shipton and Mike Cook (raw in training). We enjoyed a good tea and took the Fosse Way to return via Fossebridge and Cirencester where a stop was made. On arrival at Aston Down some members decided to return via the Common while others including myself went via Chalford and its fine views of Terraces and British Railways railways! Every body split up (ugh!) to go their ways at Stroud, leaving the Runs Leader to return to

Report on "Bourton on the Water" Water Run. 5th July.

Shortly after 9 a.m. on Sunday 5th July a group of 8 cyclists started a run which was to lead them to Bourton on the Water Water itself. We proceeded briskly up the Wick Valley passing Painswick Church and its 99 Yew Trees, (though not too briskly as our Club Leader Alec had a steadying influence on those who tried to go too fast). The sun streamed down on us unmercifully, and we were glad to be eating cakes and drinking tea at the Air Balloon cafe.

Being a little short of time we decided to reach Cowley directly by means of the A436. Soon we were in the real Cotswold Country itself, rolling along at a mere 10 miles p.h. in places (less in others!) passing en route (French!?) quaint villages and Hamlets as Cowley where the Manor was admired - some reminiscing of their experiences there. Our route lay through Colesborne, Withington and Compton Abdale, where quite near a peaceful dinner was enjoyed.

We stopped at Salperton to discern our way, finding we were quite close to Salperton Park, although time did not permit an inspection, much as we would have liked it, as our objective was Bourton-on-the-Water. We rode onto the B4068 which led us straight to the model village of the village of "Bourton-on-the-Water" Water.

Stonehouse alone, meeting one of the Common Bods, who went via the Common, who reckoned he waited, taking pity on me. He did! Those taking part were: J. Howells (me)(Run Leader) P. Fletcher, A. Blandford, K. Smith, T. Neale, A. Cathcart (Dad) M. Cook, J. Millman, D. Shipton, and C. Shipton. besides this, it was hot.

W.J.H.

#### GENERAL CLUB NEWS.

General section runs have not been so well supported lately as they usually are. Practically every Sunday the odd four or five turn up (some are odder than others!) Ofcourse, some members have other interests!!! (Why not bring them with you? It would be quite entertaining to see some of you @ing your knitting or sewing, or carpentry etc. etc., as you go along!!!)

5th July - Bourton-on-the-Water. See previous report.  
12th July - Symonds Yat.  
19th July - Cotswold Time Trial. See report.  
26th July - Bristol Zoo. An admirable opportunity to see your relatives - combining business with pleasure - and the opportunity was sadly neglected!  
2nd August - Ripple. Tea at Winchcombe.

But why should I waste space telling you all this, when you have your runs lists (or should have) ?

#### YOUTH HOSTEL NEWS

11th July - A small party, under the leadership of Alec made their way via Thornbury, Chepstow, Abergavenny, Crickhowell to Ty'n-y-Cae Youth Hostel. Unfortunately the run to Stratford-on-Avon was not supported at all, though I did receive one booking which was cancelled later as no-one else was going!

I hope you will all come along to the Firework Night at Duntisbourne Abbots (please don't bring any bangers!!!) on 7th November. Thirteen bookings have already been sent off, and we must have a few more; thirteen is a very unlucky number. Bring your own fireworks (please, not bangers, if you don't mind!)

Also seven bookings have already been sent to Duntisbourne, for their Christmas party on 5th December. Cost: Seniors and Juniors 9/6d(Special Christmas Supper, what-ho), Juveniles 9s. PLEASE BOOK VERY EARLY.

Dot.

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#### BELLERISMS.

And now we bring you Bells Super Brake.....

#### The GAA-ZUNK.

Direct - Definite - Dynamic.

This startling new conception in Cycle Brakes must surely start

a new era in the world of Cycling. Picture the scene; our Club Member is merrily cycling along a country lane when suddenly from out of the verge runs a two-toed snuttle-hog. What to do!! No problem, for he has fitted Bells Super Brake. He applies the Boggle-Lever control, and gaa-zunk, he stops immediately and the snuttle-hog runs happily off to play.

Now to explain the ingenious working of this Wonder Brake. It consists of a five hundredweight (cwt.) block of concrete, which is mounted on a special frame behind the saddle. Connected to the block is a length of chain which is in turn fastened to your machine. A touch on the Boggle-Lever control, and frame and its contents are tilted sending the block crashing into space. We guarantee you will stop DEAD (and how!) Please note the following points:

- \*The only one like it in the World
- \*Streamlined - the block has rounded corners.
- \*No risk of being fined for speeding as the weight of the block makes speeds of over 5 m.p.h. virtually impossible.
- \*Life Membership of the P.C.S.H. (Prevention of Cruelty to Snuttle-Hogs) conferred with each one sold.
- \*Gain full marks in next year's brake test in the B.C.T.C.
- \*With each outfit we supply FREE one First Aid Kit.
- \*Crane for lifting block into position can be supplied at extra cost.

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#### CYCLING DEFINITIONS

1. A toe-clip - A blow across the toes.
2. Runs List - A list or lurch caused by excessive running.
3. Dust cap - type of headgear which collects dust.
4. Tyre lever - A person who discards tyres.
5. Crank - An odd cyclist.
6. Oilskin - skin smothered in oil.

We would like to thank Jim Hargreaves for kindly offering a trophy for the first person to complete 240 miles in 12 hours. Also Peter Daniels for offering a cup for the first person to complete 25 miles under one hour - in the Club's name.

Mike Garlick has done a 58 minute 25 mile Time Trial, but unfortunately this was not in the Club's name.

Copy for the next (Christmas) edition of the Spoke should be in to the Co-Editors not later than 15th November.

RACING NEWS.

28.6.59 Cheltenham & County C.C. '50'.  
Course: U.27  
Winner: R. Lane 1.59.38.  
Club Times: A. J. Vigar 2.10.54 (3rd H'cap)  
J. R. Millman 2.11.42 (2nd H'cap)  
S. P. Daniels 2.16.5 (Trike)

2.7.59 Stonehouse Wheelers '10'.  
1st J. Howells 24.24.  
2nd D. Goad 26.23.  
3rd A. Potter 27.17  
4th D. Carr 27.43.

5.7.59 Gloucester City '25'.  
Course: U9.  
Winner: J. Smith 58.19.  
Club times: J. R. Millman 1.4.37.

5.7.59 Yeovil & District 12 hour.  
1st S. P. Daniels 238.312 miles.

12.7.59 Bristol R.C. '100'.  
Course: U.33A  
Winner: E. Davey 4.22.17.  
Club Times: S. P. Daniels 4.42.47 (12th)

12.7.59 T.C.C.A. '50' (Hereford)  
Course R.42.  
Winner: J. Prestidge 2.11.42.  
Club Times: 2nd J. R. Millman 2.14.00 (1st H'cap)  
8th W. J. Howells 2.21.25  
10th D. W. Shipton 2.23.00 (3rd H'cap)  
11th M. L. Cooke 2.24.26

19.7.59 Cotswold Time Trial.  
1st S. P. Daniels 2.26.36 (record)  
2nd J.R. Millman 2.28.25  
3rd M. L. Cooke 2.38.52  
4th P. E. Daniels 2.44.23  
5th D. Goad 2.47.27.

26.7.59 Four members entered the Circuit of the Blowing Stone Road Race. One member D.N.S., two D.N.F., and the other one, S. P. Daniels, came 4th.



Racing News Cont.

26th June. Pete Coleman rode to Plymouth and back on his solo bicycle in 20 hrs. 39 mins. (Does this mean that he is singing all the way??- Ed.)

Racing results subsequent to these given, will be published in the next issue.

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IN MEMORIUM

The late Mr. W. A. Sibly became the first president of our Club in its early days. He was a lifelong cyclist, proud of his fifty years' membership of the C.T.C., and with much experience of cycling abroad.

He was an excellent photographer and speaker. When he gave one of his slide-shows he would give a complete picture of a country - its climate, customs, problems, etc., making an interesting show. Although often abroad when our A.G.M.'s and socials were held, he attended them whenever he could.

He was active in the work of the National Trust, in addition to the many societies to which he belonged.

Concerning our own club, he had this to say: "I think you are doing a very good job."

A. Cathcart.

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We look forward to receiving reports of your holidays, and any other interesting things you have been up to - within reason - for inclusion in future editions of THE SPOKE. There is nothing like a good story of sunny days and summer holidays to brighten the Winter. So get writing everybody!

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