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Ah doo,

I hope you are all dried out after yesterday's meeting. Yes it's Nympsfield I'm referring to. I don't know what it is but we always seem to take the rain with us when we go there.

Well it's no good apologising about the weather it wasn't my fault it rained, and I don't feel like apologising about the track, we did what we thought was best for the 'B' and 'C' groups under the circumstances. One thing I do admire about in some folk is, that, if they think the track is dangerous, or think that their lad cannot cope they withdraw them from the races. To me this makes common sense. One thing I don't understand is a parent who will let his son or sons ride and yet moans about the condition of the track. Speaking for myself, (and I think you all know that I do worry if I think a track is not what it should be) I didn't think it was too bad at all, I made sure I positioned myself at the top of the hill just in case I had to stop the race in the event of a pile-up, but it wasn't necessary and again we got through without any injury.

This could have happened to one lad though at Nympsfield, I thought what a spectacular landing place. Charlie Ball the "bush man" chose to land in one race, poor old Steve (Charlie is a nickname by the way, No. 52) did a super landing right in the middle of a thorn bush. Someone did say Steve was hoping he would be taken off to hospital so as the nurses

could have a go at pulling all the thorns out of his b, b, bu, back. It's funny but when we have a laugh about something, it's always at someone else's misfortune, and I can tell you Steve, a good many folk, including myself at the top of the hill had a fair chuckle about your misfortune. Never-the-less Charlie came out unscathed to finish the day's racing.

The 'A' Group tackled the course without much difficulty and provided some interesting races. Don't get me wrong you 'B' and 'C' Group lads you always give us some interesting racing, but the 'A' Group have had quite a bit more experience and have got longer legs, and should be able to tackle anything we put up for them, so don't get disheartened, you younger lads will be doing the same thing in the future, and by the way some of you are riding you could be even better.

A quick mention to all lads that have been upgraded, you are all doing well, keep it up.

At the last Committee meeting among other things discussed was the A.G.M. and the Xmas party. It was decided that the trophies should be presented at the Xmas party and not at the A.G.M. The A.G.M. runs on long enough as it is, and I'm sure the atmosphere of the Xmas party is much better than the A.G.M. (says I thinking of a pint in one hand and a chicken leg in t'other). Hope this meets with your approval. Oh yes, the date, the Xmas party will be on Jan. 5th, that's if we can get the Hall that we are after. I think we must

One little point I would like to make, whilst on the subject of steep hills, and that is, that most of the trouble is caused by not changing down quick enough, some of you wait until you nearly stall your engine before you change gear, and then by the time you have changed gear your bike is at a standstill, what happens, phut! phut! and the engine conks. Now if you would only change gear a little sooner when you still have plenty of revs on you stand more chance of pulling away better, and keeping your front wheel on the ground. If you are not good at changing gear in a hill, knock her into bottom gear at the bottom of the hill and then you should have no trouble at all (No you lads, I did not say knock your Mum on the bottom, I said knock your bike into bottom 1st gear).

Anyway, I'm not criticizing I'm only giving advice for what it's worth, and if you are lucky enough to have anywhere to practice, not just ride round and round, but if there is a hill, practice on this up and down, changing gear, or anything you are not too good at. There goes that name again. One other point is and this includes 'A' and 'B' Groups. You should not ride your bike as fast as it will go, you should ride only as fast as you can handle it. As I have said 'A' Group should be O.K. on anything, but my congratulations to the 'B' Group and a special cheer for the 'C' Group for riding so well at Doncombe.

Did I see a certain Bulto flying in one race, yes I did, come on Roy, you don't seem to be having the best of luck this year do you, but perhaps once you get the clutch done you may

have at least, a hall to take up to 300 people judging by last year's turnout.

Monday after Doncombe,

Yes, I did have to open my big mouth again, no sooner I said about our injuries, we had to take a lad to hospital, thank God it was only for stitches, and by the time you read this Alan should be fit again. Hard luck Alan.

Once again we see to be out-growing another of our tracks. Doncombe to me is a super track but we want that little bit more width on the start. I think all the tracks we have are just the job, but as one past member used to say, when you are riding on your own dung heap you should do well, meaning when you are riding in your own locality you should have more confidence. This wasn't so this time though, although the local lads did quite well, they were often passed by the not so locals. Steve Daniels on a different piece of machinery was flying again as was Jeremy Merchant, Chris Clarke and Andy Taylor, just to mention but a few.

But what about our 'C' Group, I know some of them were a little nervous about going up over the steep hill, but after a little talk to a few of them everything was O.K. One could see that they improved every race and I'm sure, although it may seem a bit tough to put them round the full course, that many of them learnt quite a bit from this day's meeting.

have better luck through the rest of the season.

Oh yes, a point to the parents, the season is going pretty fast, worst luck, and it may seem early but start thinking about your new officers and committee members for next year. There are now 130 plus members and I know many of you would make good committee members, plus the members that we already have on the committee who would probably like to be re-elected, and may I say are doing a great job. So start nattering and asking, so as you have a good list to choose from when the time comes. Xmas party is on Jan. 5th so keep this date open.

That's it folks, no more time,

Gordon F. Davis.
(Chairman).

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Christmas Magazine Cover Competition.

Don't forget the competition boys! The entries are beginning to trickle in now and closing date is 30th October, 1973.

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NYMPSEFIELD - 5th August, 1973.

It must have been the monsoon season for the rain just would not stop, but as we have said before it takes more than rain to stop some Corsham riders.

'C' Group riders with their own course in the bottom gave us some fine sport. John Brezeskiewicz won two finals and Robert Shears one. (John is about to go into 'B' Group shortly so until he finds his feet I will not be having so much trouble with his surname. Best of Luck John.) Nicky Selwyn and Kenneth Nurden were never far away.

It was Kevin Poole's day in 'B' Group with two wins and Kevin Denman winning the other, Mark Webb close in attendance.

In 'A' Group, Phil Davis won two finals and Chris Clark one, Andy Taylor giving them both a run for their money. I think this was Andy Carter's last meeting in the Corsham Schoolboys Club and we wish you all the best in the future.

Mrs. Parker sold £12.50p. worth of raffle tickets. Thank you for your hard work on such a wet day.

NYMPSEFIELD RESULTS.

<u>Event 1. 'C'</u>	<u>'B'</u>	<u>'A'</u>
1. J. Brezeskiewicz.	K. Denman.	P. Davis.
2. N. Selwyn.	K. Poole.	A. Taylor.
3. R. Shears.	G. Hudson.	C. Clark.
4. R. Hughes.	P. Collins.	A. Thorpe.
5. K. Nurden.	M. Webb.	C. Bryan.
6. M. Lake.	S. Bailey.	N. Toms.
7. S. Leyfield.		

MEETING AT PENSFORD ON 16th SEPTEMBER, 1973.

Postponed in favour of Trophee De Nations at Doddington and will now be run on 7th October, still at Pensford.

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Our Next Club Meeting:

30th September at Burton. Please post your entry.

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B.S.M.A. Championship Meeting is 23rd September, at IWERNE MINSTER.

Time is short, and this really is an important meeting, so if you wish to enter, Contact Mrs. Daniels without delay or telephone, Mr. Davis at Marshfield 362.

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POINTS POSITION - BRADENSTOKE MEETING.								
'A' Group.		'B'		'C'				
Name.	No.	Total.	Name.	No.	Total.	Name.	No.	Total.
P.Turner.	40	20	G.Hudson.	29	66	P.Spencer.	51	20
S.Daniels	25	38	F.Parker.	75	26	M.Law	64	41
P.Davies	83	50	P.Collins	92	49	G.Selwyn	17	51
K.Eddolls	61	14	K.Denman	65	52	R.Shears	5	59
N.Tomms	19	13	J.Bailey	69	15	B.Toogood	88	7
R.Goddard	74	3	K.Poole	39	17	S.Faultley	3	9
A.Taylor	62	31	R.Ford	112	6	M.Lake	18	12
C.Chapman	63	17	P.Toogood	71	1	T.N.Thorpe	109	10
C.Clark	31	42	M.Downes	72	9	R.Hughes	22	29
K.Marshall	58	9	K.Ashford	95	8	J.Brezeskiewicz.		
							11	38
C. Davies	57	5	C.Beavis	36	5	K.Munden	114	18
J.Jones	82	4	K.Turner	42	22	S.N.Thorpe	27	2
J.Meadon	24	2	A.Sugg	15	22	T.Poole	28	12
R.Stacey	47	17	P.Spencer	51	4			
C.Bryan	34	31	M.Webb	97	-			
P.Rickards	38	2	J.Brezeskiewicz					
				11	11			
E. Board	45	1						
K.Rae	98	12						
S.Ball	52	7						
J.Meadon	24	2						
P.N.Thorpe	35	1						
A.Thorpe	2	3						
R.Ford	112	1						

NYMPFIELD RESULTS, 'cont'd.

2nd Event.	Points Race.	'B'	'A'
1.	J.Brezeskiewicz.	M. Poole.	P. Davis.
2.	K. Nurden.	P. Collins.	C. Clark.
3.	R. Shears.	M. Webb.	C. Bryan.
4.	R. Hughes.	G. Hudson.	A. Taylor.
5.	N. Selwyn.		G. Davies.
6.	S. Faultley.		C. Chapman.
7.	T. Poole.		N. Toms.
8.	S. Gray.		K. Ree.
3rd Event.	'C'	'B'	'A'
1.	R. Shears.	K. Poole.	C. Clark.
2.	N. Selwyn.	M. Webb.	P. Davis.
3.	K. Nurden.	S. Bailey.	K. Marshall.
4.	T. Poole.		C. Bryan.
5.	M. Lake.		

DONCOMBE - 19th August, 1973.

This time the weather arrived exactly as was ordered. Robert Shears with five wins must be this week's star performer. Well done, Robert, but watch it, Nicky Selwyn is nearly always on your tail.

Kevin Denman and Keith Turner, two wins each and Gary Hudson one, show us that 'B' Group racing can be every bit as exciting as 'A' Group, especially when Paul Collins and Andy Sugg are on the warpath.

In 'A' Group it was our visitor, Jerry Merchant who did most of the winning. Well done Jerry, Steve Daniels and Phil Davis both with one win each and both our Chris's, Chris Clark and Chris Bryan I think intend extra training to put this right.

Full results so I won't mention more other than to thank Mrs. Ree for her work on the raffle - £12 worth of tickets. I think I even saw her selling tickets to the unsuspecting folk who happened to pop their heads over the wall from the road. Well done Thelma.

DONCOMBE RESULTS.

Event 1. 'C'	'B'	'A'
1. R. Shears.	K. Denman.	* J. Merchant.
2. J. Brezeskiewicz.	K. Turner.	C. Bryan.
3. N. Selwyn.	A. Sugg.	* T. Holloway.
4. K. Nurden.	M. Gover.	N. Toms.
5. T. Poole.	P. Collins.	A. Taylor.
6. D. Nott-Bower.	M. Webb.	C. Chapman.
7. S. Gray.	K. Poole.	K. Marshall.
8. R. Hughes.	B. Toogood.	C. Clark.

Points. 'C'	'B'	'A'
1. N. Selwyn.	K. Denman.	S. Daniels.
2. R. Shears.	K. Turner.	P. Davis.
3. M. Law.	G. Hudson.	C. Bryan.
4. J. Brezeskiewicz.	K. Denman.	C. Clark.
5. S. Gray.	P. Collins.	S. Ball.
6. T. Poole.	K. Turner.	A. Thorpe.
7. K. Nurden.	A. Sugg.	N. Toms.
8. M. Lake.	M. Gover.	K. Ree.

DONCOMBE RESULTS, cont'd.

Event 3. 'C'	'B'	'A'
1. R. Shears.	K. Turner.	* J. Merchant.
2. M. Law.	A. Sugg.	C. Clark.
3. N. Selwyn.	M. Webb.	P. Davis.
4. J. Brezeskiewicz.	M. Gover.	* T. Holloway.
5. K. Nurden.	K. Poole.	N. Toms.
6. S. Gray.	P. Collins.	S. Daniels.
* 7. D. Nott-Bower.	S. Bailey.	C. Bryan.
8. M. Tuck.	N. Sugg.	A. Thorpe.

Event 4. 'C'	'B'	'A'
1. R. Shears.	G. Hudson.	J. Merchant.
2. N. Selwyn.	K. Denman.	S. Daniels.
3. M. Law.	P. Collins.	C. Clark.
4. J. Brezeskiewicz.	K. Turner.	N. Toms.
5. S. Gray.	A. Sugg.	* T. Holloway.
6. K. Nurden.	M. Gover.	C. Bryan.
7. T. Poole.	M. Webb.	* A. Clissott.
* 8. D. Nott-Bower.	K. Poole.	A. Thorpe.

Event 5. 'C'	'B'	'A'
1. R. Shears.	K. Turner.	P. Davis.
2. N. Selwyn.	K. Denman.	J. Merchant.
3. M. Law.	P. Collins.	S. Daniels.
4. J. Brezeskiewicz.	A. Sugg.	C. Bryan.
5. K. Nurden.	M. Gover.	C. Clark.
6. S. Gray.	S. Bailey.	C. Chapman.
7. D. Nott-Bower.	K. Poole.	K. Marshall.
8. T. Poole.	B. Toogood.	N. Toms.

DONCOMBE RESULTS, cont'd.

'C' Group Extra Race.

1. R. Shears, 2. M. Law, 3. K. Nurden, 4. J. Brezeski
5. N. Selwyn, 6. S. Gray, 7. D. Nott-Bower, 8. M.

OVERALL RESULTS.

'C'		'B'		'A'	
1. R. Shears	39 pts.	K. Turner	35 pts.	J. Merchant	pts.
2. N. Selwyn	34 "	K. Denman	30 "	S. Daniels	
3. J. Brezeskiewicz	27 "	A. Sugg	26 "	C. Clark	
4. M. Law	25 pts.	P. Collins	24 "	C. Bryan	

RIDING NUMBERS.

Just a word about riding numbers. A few of you should stand back and watch while Dad rides your bike over a bend, then imagine the bike surrounded by others, an honest look. Are your numbers clear, and is the shape them easy to read, also are they central? This is all very important as the lap scorers only get a fraction of a second and no chance of a second glance. It's in your own interest and if you don't believe me, take a pen and paper and try scoring for fun, you will see what I mean.

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WHITHAM PARK - 26th August, 1973.

Some 20 families camped for the weekend and together with those who prefer their own beds some 71 members rode at this two day event. The races were for fun only, no championship or trophies but a very enjoyable weekend.

This meeting was drawn up to give all boys an equal amount of rides, thus 'B' and 'C' Groups having an extra and 'A' Group boys who did not qualify riding in a non-qualifiers race. These extra races were for fun only to get the overall results were not used, but you will find that we printed the results in full.

Thank you to Mrs. Parker for running this week's raffle she sold £10.80p. worth of tickets, good work for the club economy.

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WHITHAM PARK RESULTS.

<u>Event 1.</u>	'C'	'B'	'A'
1.	R. Shears.	K. Denman.	A. Taylor.
2.	R. Hughes.	P. Collins.	P. Davis.
3.	T. Poole.	A. Sugg.	C. Bryan.
4.	S. Gray.	K. Poole.	K. Marshall
5.	M. Lake.	M. Webb.	C. Chapman.
6.		G. Hudson.	A. Thorpe.
7.		D. Stacey.	K. Eddolls.
8.		S. Bailey.	R. Stacey.

WHITHAM PARK RESULTS, cont'd.

Extra 'C' & 'B' Races.

1. R. Shears.	K. Denman.
2. S. Gray.	P. Collins.
3. M. Lake.	K. Poole.
4. T. Poole.	M. Webb.
5. S. Faultley.	D. Stacey.
6.	J. Bailey.
7.	K. Ashford.
8.	B. Toogood.
9.	J. Brezeskiewicz.

Event 2. 'C'

	'B'	'A'
1. R. Shears.	K. Denman.	A. Taylor.
2. K. Nurden.	G. Hudson.	P. Davis.
3. S. Gray.	P. Collins.	S. Daniels.
4. M. Lake.	M. Webb.	T. Thorpe.
5. T. Poole.	A. Sugg.	K. Marshall.
6. S. Faultley.	D. Stacey.	C. Bryan.
7. N. Huntley.	B. Toogood.	C. Chapman.
8. R. Smith.	J. Bailey.	K. Eddolls.

Extra 'C' & 'B' Races.

1. R. Shears.	G. Hudson.
2. K. Nurden.	K. Denman.
3. T. Poole.	P. Collins.
4. M. Lake.	B. Toogood.
5. R. Hughes.	D. Stacey.
6. S. Gray.	M. Webb.
7. S. Faultley.	J. Brezeskiewicz.
8. N. Huntley.	P. Huntley.

WHITHAM PARK RESULTS, cont'd.

Event 3. 'C'

1. R. Shears.
2. K. Nurden.
3. T. Poole.
4. M. Lake.
5. S. Faultley.
6. S. Gray.
7. N. Huntley.
8. A. Lake.

'B'

G. Hudson.
K. Denman.
P. Collins.
J. Bailey.
M. Webb.
A. Sugg.
K. Poole.
D. Stacey.

'A'

P. Davis.
C. Bryan.
A. Thorpe.
S. Daniels.
K. Marshall.
R. Stacey.
S. Ball.
R. Ford.

Extra 'C' & 'B' Races.

1. R. Shears.	A. Sugg.
2. K. Nurden.	P. Collins.
3. M. Lake.	K. Poole.
4. T. Poole.	K. Denman.
5. S. Gray.	J. Bailey.
6. C. Nurden.	M. Webb.
7. N. Huntley.	J. Brezeskiewicz.
8. A. Lake.	D. Stacey.

Event 4.

1. R. Shears.	K. Denman.	S. Daniels.
2. K. Nurden.	G. Hudson.	A. Taylor.
3. S. Gray.	P. Collins.	P. Davis.
4. T. Poole.	A. Sugg.	C. Bryan.
5. M. Lake.	K. Poole.	K. Marshall.
6. R. Hughes.	M. Webb.	A. Thorpe.
7. S. Faultley.	B. Toogood.	K. Eddolls.
8. N. Huntley.	D. Stacey.	D. Stacey.

WHITHAM PARK RESULTS, cont'd.

Extra 'C' & 'B' Group Race.

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|-----------------|-------------|
| 1. R. Shears. | G. Hudson. |
| 2. K. Nurden. | K. Denman. |
| 3. S. Gray. | P. Collins. |
| 4. T. Poole. | A. Sugg. |
| 5. M. Lake. | K. Poole. |
| 6. S. Faultley. | B. Toogood. |
| 7. N. Huntley. | M. Webb. |
| 8. A. Lake. | D. Stacey. |

OVERALL RESULTS.

'C'		'B'		'A'	
1. R. Shears	32 pts.	K. Denman	31 pts.	P. Davis	21 pts.
2. K. Nurden	21 "	G. Hudson	25 "	A. Taylor	21 "
3. S. Gray	20 "	P. Collins	25 "	C. Bryan	21 "
4. T. Poole	19 "	A. Sugg	18 "	S. Daniels	18 "

FORWARD FIXTURE LIST.

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| 9th Sept. | British Championship. |
| 16th " | Postponed for Doddington. |
| 23rd " | B.S.M.A. |
| 30th " | Burton. |
| 7th Oct. | Pensford. |
| 14th " | Whitham Friary. |
| 28th " | Malmesbury. |

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MONDAY AT WHITHAM PARK.

We called it a fun day, and that was exactly what it was. We started off with a block of our usual scrambling, then we had a block of scrambling with a Le Manns start. This was followed by a team event and a father and son race, and then an egg and spoon race. Everyone was in fine spirits and it was then decided at the boys' request to end with another block of scrambling. Unfortunately, this was where Francis Parker had the misfortune to break his leg and that last race of the day was abandoned. However, the latest report on Francis is good and we hope to have him back with us very soon.

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LADIES PAGE.

Hello Everyone,

After the very wet and dismal meeting at Nympsfield, I was extremely delighted to receive a letter from a new member expressing his thanks for a most enjoyable meeting (his first with the Club) and stating how friendly and helpful everyone was, so making the 400 mile round trip more than worthwhile. Thank you Mr. Priest (129) and to all who made him and Michael feel so welcome.

Now I must pass on two very useful sewing hints that I learned from a male member. 1st Hint - To patch a pair of trousers, slit open the side of leg, pin patch in position, sew on, then re-sew up side. 2nd Hint - Quick way to darn a hole in toe of sock, sew up along top of sock and cut off the toe. I will leave you to guess the member's name, but his wife had real lessons in economy to help towards the cost of scrambling. 3rd Hint - Take one sweater minus a sleeve, huck through the workshop to retrieve sleeve, very oily and dusty, wash, refit into sweater, good as new.

That's all folk except my personal thanks to all for being such a great group of people. I am proud to belong to such a Club as ours.

Your friend and secretary,

Rose Daniels.

PERSONALITY PAGE. COLIN CHAPMAN, No. 63.

Colin who is 16, is in his last year of the C.S.S.C., which he joined in January, 1968, but his motor cycle career started long before that, on his first birthday in fact, when he rode on the tank of Dad's Goldie in the pits at Littleport, Cambs. All went well till Mum removed him, he then sat on the floor and screamed until he was red in the face. At five he acquired a Go-Cart and with this he was quite happy until his 9th birthday when a 25/- Moped appeared, Colin was away on 2 wheels. In January, 1968, mounted on a 125 cc Villiers costing 14/7d (10/- for bike plus 20 Embassy for the chap who found it) he joined the C.S.S.C. and after a further 2/6d for a S/H Knobbly the racing began.

Various bikes followed, another unit in the Villiers, then a Bantam was developed and this he rode until August 1971, but this time Dad didn't get away with shillings, it was a new 100 cc Rickman, which later, when club rules were altered, had a 125 cc motor fitted.

This season, Colin appeared with a new 125 cc CZ, and Dad's comments, "the most satisfactory machine so far." It seems that he will probably be CZ mounted when he joins the seniors in 1974.

Colin, who is a pupil at Chippenham school, doesn't only think of scrambling, last year he took O Levels in Maths and Geography and this year I hear he has had satisfactory results in a further eight subjects and now hopes to go on to take A Levels in Science and Maths and eventually a Science Degree. We wish you luck Colin.

Personality Page, cont'd....

Swimming seems to be the second sport of the Chapman family, not only with Colin but with sister Susan, who at 14 has already represented the Bristol City Club in Germany. Brother Peter aged six will be the next Chapman scrambler to appear. He is currently nagging Dad to finish his 50 cc NSU "Garden bike". (Hurry up Dad). Mum still has reservations about these two wheeled machines but never-the-less is quite often there as a loyal supporter.

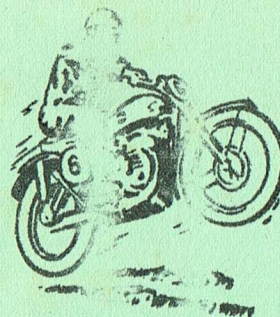
Colin enjoys working on the bike but with all his homework most of the work is left to Dad, who I'm sure is secretly enjoying the chance to play. Colin's favourite rider has always been John Banks, but with ex-schoolboys like Graham Noyce and Neil Hudson making their elders and betters sit up and take notice his loyalties are now divided.

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