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Report on the Board Meeting

Held at the Windsor Castle Inn, Bath, on Wednesday, 19th October, 1960. In the Chair, Mr. J. Parkin.

The minutes of the Board of 22nd September and the minutes of the Competitions Committee of 12th October were read and approved.

Arising the outcome of the Newbury Scrambles Drivers Status Conference was discussed and the findings of the meeting adopted; the scheme will come into operation for 1961 and full details will be published later on.

The wish of the Swindon and District Club to leave the Wessex Centre was accepted by the Board.

The date of the Annual General Meeting was fixed for 21st January, at the Windsor Castle Inn, or other suitable venue.

The Centre Dates Meeting was reported by the Hon. Secretary, 15 clubs attended and a full programme drawn up for 1961.

An offer from a publisher to produce a Handbook was accepted and Mr. Bracher and Mr. Croft to deal with the matter; the issue will be free and should contain much interesting matter on a variety of subjects.

The Inter-Centre Team Scramble was discussed, our Wessex Team did well to finish third against strong opposition, and in spite of inclement weather a big crowd attended.

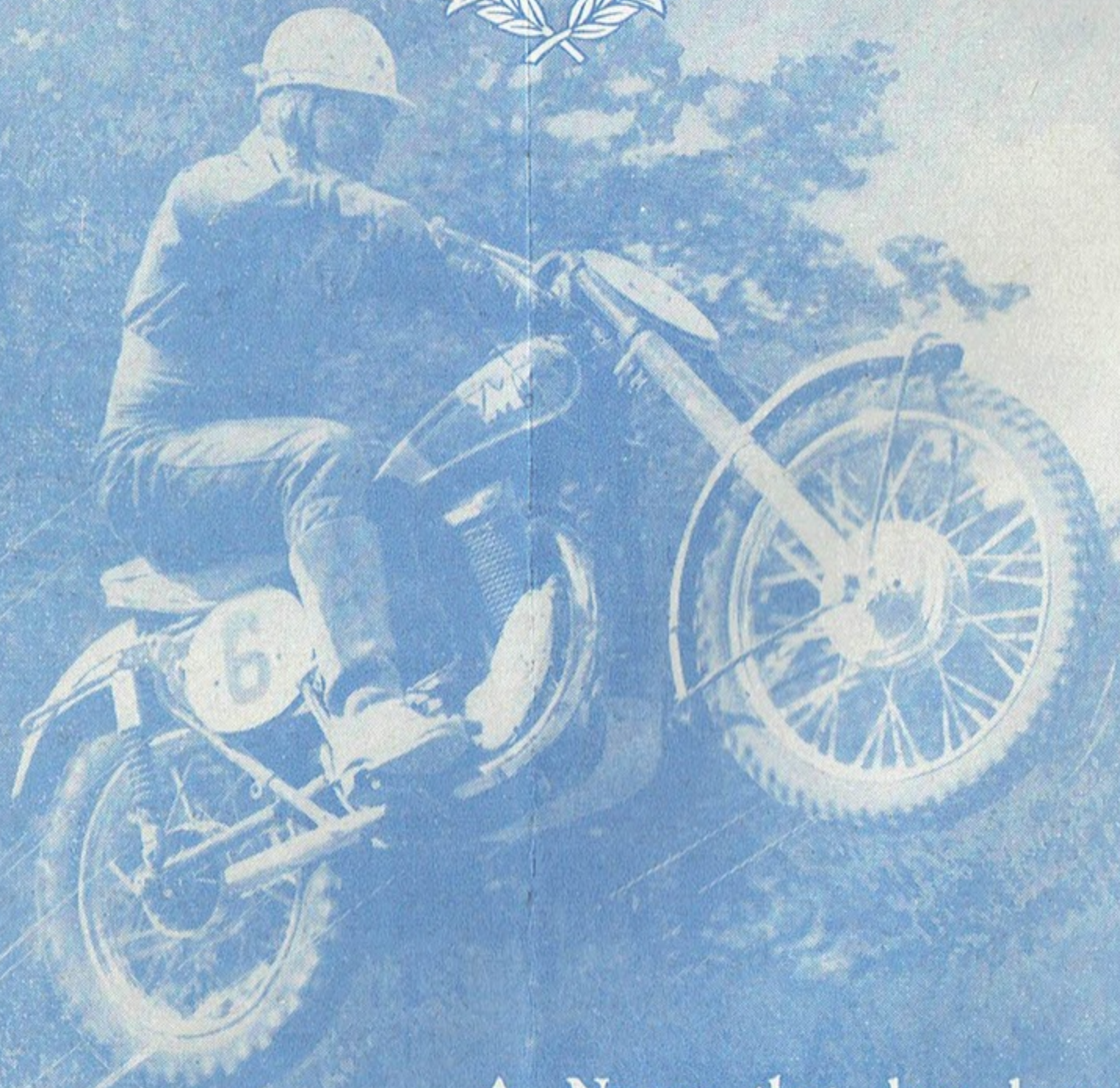
The Centre Dinner is to be held at Bath for the first time for many years, tickets are limited to 180 and clubs were reminded to get their quota whilst supplies last.

Clubs were also reminded that Muir, Beddalls Personal Accident Insurance for Trials Drivers is now available; 1/- per driver or sidecar passenger per event; any information apply to the Hon. Secretary.

Next meeting, 23rd November at the Windsor Castle Inn, Bath.

The A.C.U. Handbook is going to print early in December and it is necessary to notify any changes of club secretaries; will you inform the Hon. Secretary by 7th November at the latest if there is any change from the list at present published.

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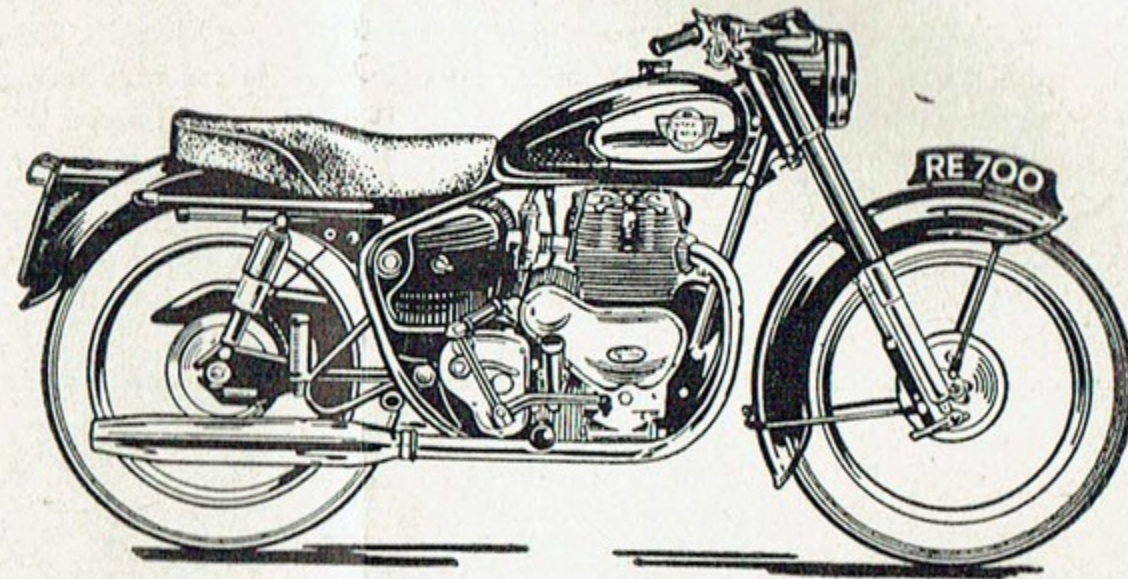
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CLUB NOTES

KINGSWOOD M.C.C.

We had a jolly evening at our Annual Dance, held at Hawksbury Upton on 8th October. Despite the bad weather it was well supported and everybody seemed to enjoy themselves. We would like to thank members of other clubs who sold tickets for us and so helped to make it a successful evening. While on social news, I would like to remind members and others who might be interested, that there will be a skittle match against the North Somerset M.S.C. on 26th October at the Blue Bowl Inn, Bath Road. We hope you will all come along and make it a jolly evening.

Rules and Regulations are now available for our Kingswood Closed-to-Club Trial, to be held on 11th December, from Mrs. Avery, 76 Courtney Road, Kingswood.

We were very pleased to hear that one of our fellow clubmen, T. Vowles, now serving in Singapore, represented the Royal Signals in a trial out there. We are glad to say that he won the individualist award and hope he has as much success in his forthcoming trial.

We are pleased to welcome new faces to our club meetings, held at the Lamb and Lark, Speedwell. The dates for November being the 2nd, 16th and 30th.

B.S.S.A.

As the results of the John Douglas Trial have shown, the efforts of our members in the local National were not very outstanding, only one—Jim Kendall—finished the course. Perhaps the most unfortunate was Mike Bird who missed a Section, which I have no doubt in saying would not have troubled him in the slightest: his probable position at the end of the Trial would have been runner-up to Arthur Pulman with a First Class Award.

With the long trip to Minety Vale and the League Trial over, a discussion was had in the club regarding how there could be a more equal competition between solo and sidecar competitors, as no matter how well the sidecars ride they always remain at the bottom of the list. It appears that John O'Keeff has devised a system whereby they can compete on even terms. I am convinced he calculated it with the aid of an old Air Gunner's wind-deflector chart, but the main thing is it seems to work as no doubt the Centre Board will have a chance to judge when League Trial marking is next discussed.

We also talked about how we could help to shorten the time observers have to spend in sections. It was admitted that whilst perhaps on some occasions we were somewhat to blame, given a good course with no time-absorbing sections we could complete the distance almost as quickly as solos.

I must apologise for the disjointed nature of these notes as they were written at very short notice.

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BATH AND WEST OF ENGLAND M.C.

My apologies to both gentlemen for the slip of the pen which led me to write about Mike Harding in my report on the Shield Trophy Trial last month when I should have said Mike Povey.

Repeated reminder—Knut Trophy Trial, 27th November. Rules and Regulations from the Secretary of the Meeting, Mrs. P. Croft, Knowle Hill Garage, Bawdrip, Nr. Bridgwater. Any volunteers for observing duties, etc. please contact Mr. R. A. Green, 5 Ainslies Belvedere, Lansdown, Bath.

At the Dates Meeting we were fortunate to be granted 26th March and 2nd July for scramble dates and appointed to run the First League Trial of the new series on 29th January next.

TOR M.C. AND C.C.

First item this month, our thanks to all those club members (not forgetting the Centre officials) who came and stood in the rain to give us a hand with the Inter-Centre Championship. True, the weather was not quite as bad as it could have been, but without the help we had on the course, at the gates and in the car parks we could not have run the meeting to time and have every car away afterwards within an hour of the end of the last race. The crowd was a record for the course by several thousand, and we think they had their money's worth of thrills and spills (as the posters say).

We have another scramble soon—6th November, in fact. It is our usual end of season meeting at Knowle Hill, Yarley, near Wells, and we have a very good entry list indeed, including such stars as Don Rickman, Johnny Clayton, Joe Johnson, Frank Underwood, Pat Lamper, Bryan Goss, Geoff King, Brian Slee, Len Sanders and Roy Bradley. There will be an official working party on 5th November.

Club members will shortly receive official notice of the Annual General Meeting. Last year we had a very good turn-out for this important meeting and the Committee hope for even more members this year. The election of the new committee is important and it isn't every day you get the chance to say just what you think about the old lot, so do come along.

BRISTOL M.C.C.

The last few weeks have been busy ones on the trials and scrambles field. After a couple of wet scrambles at Yatton, we were blessed with a glorious day for the September event and it seems we may have made a profit on this one, which after the others will be welcome. The day before saw a band of half a dozen stalwarts work very hard erecting rope and stakes, and it seemed to get done quicker and with less fuss than I can ever remember. On the day itself it seems the chief marshal was a little short of help, but after a plea of help had been put out he managed somehow. The racing itself, although without any stars, except the local ones, was very good and the crowd seemed to enjoy it all. Our thanks go to the gentleman, whose name I didn't catch, who transported the equipment to and from the track and to everyone else who made this scramble a success.

It was a pity the League Trial was on the same day, and starting out with the best of intentions, to "do" the two events, I am afraid the course laid on by our friends of Wilts Border, made some of us, old boys, who are staging a comeback to the competitive side of trials, a little bit too tired, after foot slogging through the Wiltshire mud to go to Yatton and help clear up after the scramble, although I hear some of the younger ones found some energy to do this. The number one team finished up after the younger ones to Minety Vale, who I am afraid are too far ahead for us to catch, as the deciding trial will be on their home ground.

In one capacity or another, the club wended its way to Glastonbury, for the Inter-Centre Team Scramble. What had promised to be a superb event, in view of the brilliant organisation, which I had been privileged to see going on behind the scenes, turned into the survival of the fittest, due to the weather of the previous week. That the Wessex Centre should, finish in third berth, showed that they worked as a team, this also includes those marshals, who even though the drivers were covered in thick mud, knew who to push out! Even so we congratulate the team on a very good effort, Len Sanders, needless to say, revelled in the conditions and played a great part in the team finishing intact by lending Ken Messenger part of a "mag" when his own had packed up, in the fully retarded position.

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While all this rain was pouring down, the sections of the "John Douglas" were rapidly changing. Stoneyard Lane was a raging torrent, uncovering a long discarded mattress and a Norton of bygone days! A few of us put the section tidy and hoped it would stay that way until the 8th. The week before, when I had made sure all the sections were in order and the all important permissions granted, we had a little "trial" trial, and were pleased to see no less than a dozen drivers out for some badly needed practice. We started out from Winford, all in a quiet and orderly manner, only to lose Don Smith before we got to Dundry. At Burlledge we lost one sidecar and one other solo due to puncture and lack of sparks, we then lost a further solo, in fact it began to look like the "ten little nigger boys". I hope you will all have heard my letter read out at the club, in which Arthur Fedden and I thank you all for your help on the very wet and windy day of the trial. To all those other clubs in the Centre who read this and helped, may I take this opportunity of thanking you all for your valuable assistance. We hope we shall be able to return the gesture at your next event. Drivers were astounded to see the results the next day and even *Motor Cycling's* representative was shaken, he had the results by opening time!

The following day, three teams and reserves did battle with the Minety mud. The fact that Minety were first away did little to help us regain some of the marks we so badly needed. Although our teams did their best, it seems that the cup will not be ours this year. Congratulations Minety.

On the 15th, our reciprocal club, the Glos. and Cotswold, organised their trial at Birdlip, and some of our club members seem to have carried off the major honours. Mick Smith won the Premier Award, Harvey Mason, W. E. and W. Jackson Jnr., all won First Class Awards, and Don Smith a Novice Cup.

The next day saw an enjoyable trial, run by the Frome Club at their scramble course at Asham Woods. After a hurried journey there, including a quick tyre change on Chelwood Bridge, Mike Povey had one of the best rides he has had for a long time, beating the Wessex Centre Trials Champion by one mark. Harvey Mason had another good day to win the 500 Cup and Barry Chandler and Tony Allen returned to their old form to win First Class Awards.

Once again I appeal to the social side of the club for some information on their "doings", as these newsletters seem to be all competitive notes.

There will be a Closed-to-Club Trial on 12th November, Mike Greaney in charge. This will be held in Shortwood Brickworks, and will be on the handicap system, of awards to best A, B, C class drivers. See Margaret Fedden for your Rules and Regulations.

A coach will be going to the Motorcycle Show and your names will be accepted by any of the social committee.

Anyone willing to help observe in the Knut National Trial on 27th November (Sunday), get in touch with me, and I will forward your names to the Bath and West Club who are the organisers.

Wessex Centre Dinner tickets are available from A. C. Fedden, the date, 6th Dec. (Tuesday), at the Pump Room, Bath, seven o'clock.

Our friend who was injured at Lansdown in August, is now out of hospital and can manage to hobble around, and I am glad to report no permanent damage was done.

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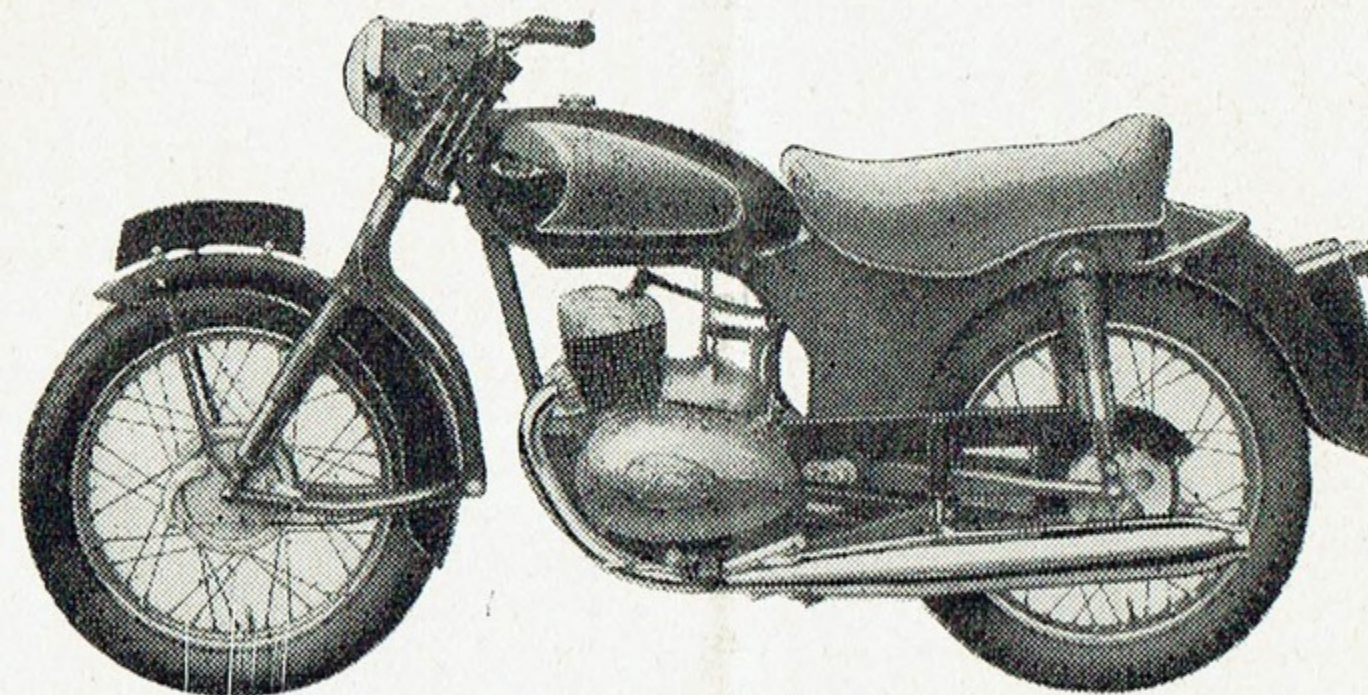
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FROME AND DISTRICT UNITED M.C. AND L.C.C.

The club held its E. W. Smith Trial at Asham Woods on Sunday, 16th October. There was an entry of 80 riders and the dry weather, first time for some years, for this event) made the going easier than usual. Results: **Premier Award:** M. Povey (9 marks lost); **Runner-up:** T. E. Povey (10); **250 c.c. Cup:** D. Norville (12); **350 c.c. Cup:** W. McWhirter (31); **500 c.c. Cup:** H. E. Mason (12); **Novice:** M. Palfrey (31); **First Class Awards:** A. Allen (19), T. Wilson (22), I. Chapman (23), B. Taylor (23), B. Wright (25), B. Chandler (30).

After much deliberation by the Road Safety Committee they have awarded the Shell-Mex/A.C.U. Road Safety Award for this year to Duncan Gale.

The Annual Dinner, Dance and Presentation of Awards will be held on Friday, 2nd December, at the George Hotel, Frome, commencing at 8 p.m. Tickets 12s. 6d., are available from our Secretary, Jim Webb, 1 Whitbourne Cottages, Corsley, Warminster.

At the Centre Dates Meeting we were allocated three dates for scrambles, the first being on Easter Monday.

The next sporting event organised by the club will be the Wyndham Haines Trophy Trial to be held at Asham Woods on 1st January, 1961.

The dates of meetings during November are: Tuesday, 8th November and Tuesday, 29th November.

WILTS BORDER M.C. AND L.C.C.

Please accept my apologies for the non-appearance of the notes in last month's Gazette.

In early September we had Peter Stacey competing in the Senior Manx Grand Prix. His average speed was over 80 m.p.h. for the whole race and he finished about half-way down the field, which was a very good show for a first attempt at the Mountain Circuit.

Next highlight in the club calendar was the combined Scramble with the Enfield Club which took place at Farleigh. Although many shortcomings did appear in the organisation most people agreed it was a successful meeting and one in which a small amount of profit was made.

The Autumn Trophy Trial, held a few days ago, seemed all set to be the best trial of the year when these notes were written. A fortnight before the event over sixty entries had been received from something like 150 to 200 sets of regulations sent out. Also we have every hope of being able to use yet another new set of sections for this trial and so give the old favourites a bit of a rest.

On 13th October there was to have been a film show laid on with films from Lodge Plugs—but unfortunately no films showed up—so no show!

There is to be a general lark-about and firework display (?) at Godfrey Palmer's farm on 5th November. Do come along and bring the little perishers and why not bring your own eats as well? But whatever you do don't forget the bangers—the ones with the blue touch paper on, what one lights and then retires. Says he musing—the bangers today ain't what they used to be, not enough noise!

In place of the usual club meeting on Thursday, 10th November, we have arranged a visit from Stan Dibben who will be talking about his experiences with Eric Oliver. Now we want a good crowd for this so tell everyone you know and come along to hear all about riding with a world champion.

Bob Cohu has a supply of Centre Dinner tickets at 15s. a head, this annual "do" is being held at the Bath Pump Room this year, that gives us a shorter distance to travel and so lessens our excuses for not going.

Future dates: Friday, 18th November, Film Show of Girling Films at the Five Alls, Sheldon Road, Chippenham at 7.30 p.m. Friday, 16th December, Annual Christmas Party at the Castle Combe Community Centre at 7.30 p.m. until goodness knows when. Same pattern as last year, do please bring the children—there are games laid on for them. Invitations to neighbouring clubs will be going out, Kenny Ess is the M.C. and the music (?) is by Razz and his bunch of Nits.

SHEPTON MALLET M.C.

Our commiserations to Tor for being blessed with "Westbury" weather on the occasion of the Inter-Centre Team Scramble, the hard work involved under such conditions can only be assessed by those unfortunates having to do it. To our indefatigable Wessex Centre Team—congratulations—the prestige which they gained for both themselves and the Centre is an achievement of which all Centre sportsmen may be justly proud.

Now to club business—the Autumn Cup Trial (Closed) promises to be a successful venture with nearly fifty entries already to hand.

We have no major sporting events for November but preparations will be in hand for the Barton Trophy Trial on 4th December and the support of both solo and sidecar exponents is solicited, also those worthies whose support makes such events popular.

Skittles enthusiasts interested in a game occasionally are invited to contact Social Secretary John Catley as League games are now in full swing.

NORTH SOMERSET M.S.C.

Well, as you can see, we are no longer Bristol Speedway M.C.C. The new name has now been officially sanctioned. Internally the club remains as before and all officials still stand (except the Chairman, who presumably remains seated).

Last month's activities again proved that the boys are better at trials than skittles, when did we last win a match? The R.E. Owners, helped by Pop, won by a small margin. I'm ashamed to say that had Pop and yours truly changed places, we would have won. The Continentals, too, proved more than a match for us. Their girls putting up a very good show indeed. (Yes, we're still talking about skittles!).

The Third League Trial hoisted us up a few places in the table. Johnny Bull and Ivan Manning both winning awards. The Fourth Trial has been run (although Ivan apparently walked through most of it) but no results are available at the time of writing.

Our President's Trophy Trial, which is a star event, will be run on 20th November. Note the late start, 11 a.m. Observers should be at the start, Price's Garage, Bishop Sutton, not later than 10.30 a.m. We would be very grateful for any help other clubs could give in the way of observers, as we feel that many people will not turn up if they have been to London for the Motorcycle Show the day before. The Secretary of the Meeting is N. A. Micklefield, 48 Lulworth Crescent, Downend, Bristol.

There are still a few seats available for our coach trip to the Motorcycle Show. Seats price 17s., are available from the above address, and are open to anyone, club member or not. The coach leaves from the *Evening World* offices at 7 a.m.

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MENDIP VALE M.C. AND L.C.C.

Although it now seems a long way off I should just like to say that all those who went on the trip to the B.S.A. factory had a very good day and I only wish that more members could have come along. Even the fact that at one time we thought it would be necessary to walk in front of the coach with a match didn't seem to worry anyone unduly!

We were very pleased to have such a good attendance at the last business meeting and it certainly helps to get everyone's point of view before making any great decisions. I only hope this sort of attendance will keep up during the winter months.

By the time you read these notes our skittle match with the Bristol South Club will be over and I hope our members will have turned out in force to meet them.

Our Closed-to-Club Trial will also be over by now and I hope all the observers are out of the mud. I seem to remember one or two rather sticky patches at Draycott Rocks from previous years. Anyway thanks to all those who helped.

Two future dates to be noted please: Saturday, 12th November, when we shall be holding a Dance at Biddisham Hall, this is at Biddisham on the main A.38. Refreshments will be available and dancing from 8 to 11.45 p.m. so we hope to see you all there.

This year we return to Weston-super-Mare for our Annual Dinner and Dance and Presentation of Awards, which will be held on Friday, 16th December at the Grand Central Hotel, tickets are 12s. 6d. and can be obtained from all Committee members so please get in touch with them as soon as you can.

WEST WILTS M.C.

The O.T.C. Errington Cup Trial on 6th November will start at J. Giddings Farm, Whitley, near Melksham. Regulations from Mr. Lywood, Barton Farm, Bradford-on-Avon. Ken Lywood also wants observers for this trial.

The officials of the club are to be congratulated on finding and getting permission to use, what appears to be a first class scramble course, it is situated at Bratton, near Westbury, Wiltshire. It has a wonderful view and natural grandstand for spectators.

Centre Scramblers please note we are hoping to run a meeting at Christmas if the necessary permission can be obtained.

The Rally organised by Ben Harman attracted 28 entries, the Motor Cycle Class was won by R. Taylor and J. Hodgson and the Car Class by Julian Alexander and Ray Simpson.

Please keep an open date for the Club Dinner, 3rd March, 1961. Next club meeting, 2nd November, at Avon Sports Club, Melksham.

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MOTOR CYCLE SHOW

All motorcyclists will be welcomed at the A.C.U. Stand—Number 18—where Officials of the Union and members of the permanent staff will be in attendance to give advice and information.

1961 INTER-CENTRE TEAM TRIAL

The Competitions Committee, at its recent meeting, accepted the offer of the Yorkshire Centre to organise the 1961 Inter-Centre Team Trial in the Harrogate area on Sunday, 12th March next.

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DATE	O.T.C. TRIALS	C.T.C. TRIALS	SPEED EVENT	JOINT O.T.C.	JOINT C.T.C.	PROP. EVENT
January						
1	Frome *	N. Somerset	—	—	—	—
8	Shepton M. *	Wilts Bdr.	—	—	—	—
15	B.M.C.C. *	Mendip V.	—	—	—	—
22	W. Wilts *	—	—	—	—	—
29	First League Trial (Bath)		—	—	—	—
February						
5	Enfield *	Minety	—	—	—	—
12	Kingswood	—	—	—	—	—
19	B.M.C.C. (R.R. Trial—Provisional)		—	—	—	—
26	Wilts Bdr. *	Tor M.C.	—	—	—	—
March						
4	—	B.M.C.C.	—	—	—	—
5	Minety V.	Shepton M.	—	—	—	—
11	KICKHAM TRIAL—NATIONAL—(Provisional)		—	—	—	—
12	Second League Trial (Bristol)		—	—	—	—
18	—	—	—	W. Wilts	—	—
19	Bath	—	—	—	—	—
25	—	—	—	—	B.M.C.C.	—
26	Mendip V. *	—	Bath	—	—	—
April						
2	EASTER SUNDAY		—	—	—	—
3	—	—	Frome	—	—	—
9	N. Somerset	—	B.M.C.C.	—	—	—
16	WESSEX SCRAMBLE—NATIONAL—(Provisional)		—	—	Nat. Smelt'g.	—
22	CASTLE COMBE ROAD RACES—(Provisional)		—	—	—	—
23	—	—	W. Wilts	—	—	—
30	Wilts Bdr.	—	Shepton M.	—	—	—
May						
6	—	—	—	W. Wilts	Bath	—
7	—	—	S. Bristol	—	—	—
13	—	—	—	—	—	B.M.C.C.
14	—	—	Minety V.	—	—	—
21	—	—	—	Shepton M.	—	—
22	—	—	Mendip V.	—	—	—
27	—	Tor M.C.	—	—	—	—
28	—	—	—	—	—	—
June						
4	—	—	—	—	—	—
10	—	—	—	—	—	Bath
11	—	Frome	Minety V.	—	Nat. Smelt'g.	—
18	—	Bath	—	—	—	Shepton M.
24	—	—	—	B.M.C.C.	—	—
25	—	—	—	—	—	—
July						
2	—	—	Bath	W. Wilts	—	—
9	B.M.C.C.	—	Shepton M.	—	—	—
15	CASTLE COMBE ROAD RACES—(Provisional)		—	—	—	—
23	—	—	—	—	—	—
30	—	—	Mendip V.	—	—	—

DATE	O.T.C. TRIALS	C.T.C. TRIALS	SPEED EVENT	JOINT O.T.C.	JOINT C.T.C.	PROP. EVENT
August						
6	—	—	—	—	—	—
13	—	—	Frome	—	—	—
20	—	—	Enfield	—	—	—
26	—	Bath/B.M.C.C.	—	—	—	—
27	—	—	Shepton M.	—	—	—
September						
3	—	—	S. Bristol	—	—	—
10	Bath *	Wilts Bdr.	Tor M.C.	—	—	—
16	—	—	—	—	B.M.C.C.	—
17	Third League Trial (W. Bdr.)		Mendip V.	—	Nat. Smelt'g.	—
23	—	—	—	W. Wilts	—	—
24	—	—	B.M.C.C.	—	—	—
October						
1	Kingswood *	—	Frome	—	—	—
7	JOHN DOUGLAS—NATIONAL—(Provisional)		—	—	—	—
8	Fourth League Trial		—	—	—	—
15	Frome	Minety V.	W. Wilts	—	—	—
22	—	Shepton M.	—	—	—	—
29	Wilts Bdr.	Mendip V.	—	—	—	—
November						
4	—	B.M.C.C.	—	—	—	—
5	W. Wilts	—	Tor M.C.	—	—	—
12	ARMISTICE SUNDAY		—	—	—	—
19	N. Somerset *	Tor M.C.	—	—	—	—
26	Enfield	—	—	—	—	—
December						
2	KNUT TROPHY TRIAL—NATIONAL—(Provisional)		—	—	—	—
3	Shepton M.	—	—	—	—	—
10	Tor M.C. *	—	—	—	—	—
17	B.M.C.C.	—	—	—	—	—
24	—	Kingswood	—	—	—	—
26	Minety V. *	—	—	—	—	—
31	W. Wilts	—	—	—	—	—

* Denotes Star Trials

Wessex Centre A.C.U.

The Dates Meeting was held at the Windsor Castle Inn, Bath, on Wednesday, 12th October, fifteen clubs being represented.

The Hon. Secretary called the Roll, explained the purpose and procedure of the Meeting and called for nominations for the position of Chairman. Mr. J. Parkin was elected being the only name put forward, and the business of the evening began.

No serious difficulties were encountered, most clubs being very helpful and giving way in several instances to their own disadvantage.

A full list is printed elsewhere in this issue. Permit fees now payable to Mr. L. Nott, 15 Midford Road, Combe Down, Bath, are as follows: O.T.C. Trials, £1; C.T.C. Trials and Propaganda Events, 7s. 6d.; Speed Events, £2. Please do not send fees for Joint Permit Events, these go to the R.A.C.

Gymkhanas will be dealt with as and when they arise.

Will organisers please note—Star Trial results to Mr. Parkin, 48 Crossways Road, Knowle, Bristol 4; all O.T.C. Trials results to Mr. Cullimore, 56 Salisbury Road, Downend, Bristol.

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Clubs interested in providing personal accident cover for trials for drivers, should apply to Messrs. Muir Beddall Ltd., Gracechurch St., London, for details.

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The Swindon and District Club apparently wish to transfer to the Southern Centre, the Wessex have decided not to object to this.

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The Annual General Meeting of the Wessex Centre will be held on Saturday, 21st January, 1961, at Bath.

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Congratulations to Vic Keeling (Manager) and his Wessex Centre team, who did so well in the Inter-Centre Team Scramble held at Tor on 2nd October.

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The Inter-Centre Team Scramble was run under conditions which were about the worst possible, and the thanks of the A.C.U. and the Centre must be expressed to the Tor Club who surmounted all the difficulties with flying colours.

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The A.C.U. have offered to run the next International Six Days Trial, and if the F.I.M. agree, no doubt someone is going to be very busy, as the event which this year included special tests seems to have met the approval of most people and this will now call for considerably more organising than previously.

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The Temple Press Ltd. are once again producing the *Motor Cycling Diary*, 1961. This contains many items of great interest to motorcyclists. It costs, in leather, with pencil, 6s. 6d.; and in rexine, 4s. 6d., both prices including purchase tax.

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To The Editor,
The Wessex Gazette.

Dear Vic,

National Inter-Centre Team Scramble Championship

May I claim the hospitality of your columns to express the Tor Club's grateful thanks to the members of other clubs both inside and outside our Centre who assisted us so nobly on the 2nd October. As readers will know, the conditions were atrocious and the job of course marshals and gate stewards was appallingly difficult. That we were able to complete the programme in reasonable order was in no small measure due to the fact that these helpers stuck to their task despite the difficulties. In particular I would like to mention the following clubs—Frome, Bristol M.C.C., Yeo Vale M.C.C., Wilts Border, Shepton Mallet, West Wilts and Bath.

I am sure all enthusiasts will want me to place on record our sincere thanks to the various farmers who allowed the use of their land. Without the sporting co-operation of Mr. Alan Tucker and several other gentlemen, the meeting would not have been possible. They all willingly agreed to the meeting being held knowing full well that considerable damage was inevitable. Our very grateful thanks to them all.

Yours sincerely,

R. W. BRACHER,
Secretary of the Meeting.

WESSEX CENTRE LEAGUE TRIALS

TEAM PLACINGS	1st & 2nd Trial	3rd Trial	4th Trial	Total
1. Minety Vale M.C.C. No. 1	39	38	50	127
2. Minety Vale M.C.C. No. 3	96	57	42	195
3. Bristol M.C.C. No. 1	67	72	60	199
4. Bath & West of England M.C. No. 1	78	66	87	231
5. Frome & Dist. United M.C. No. 1	86	56	102	244
6. Wilts Border M.C. & L.C.C. No. 3	93	78	79	250
7. Wilts Border M.C. & L.C.C. No. 2	80	85	93	258
8. Bristol M.C.C. No. 3	110	90	73	273
9. Minety Vale M.C.C. No. 2	107	93	75	275
10. Shepton Mallet & Dist. M.C.C. No. 1	63	104	112	279
11. Bath & West of England M.C. No. 2	111	84	85	280
12. Kingswood M.C.C. No. 1	115	80	113	308
13. Kingswood M.C.C. No. 2	103	79	127	309
14. Bristol M.C.C. No. 2	120	79	121	320
15. Wilts Border M.C. & L.C.C. No. 1	97	101	135	333
16. North Somerset M.S.C. No. 1	104	80	152	336
17. Swindon & District M.C.C. No. 1	236	91	62	389
18. Kingswood M.C.C. No. 3	140	75	178	393
19. Tor M.C. & C.C. No. 1	145	90	201	436
20. British Sporting Sidecar Association	303	141	221	665
21. Tor M.C. & C.C. No. 2	103	375	375	853
22. Tor M.C. & C.C. No. 3	254	375	375	1,004

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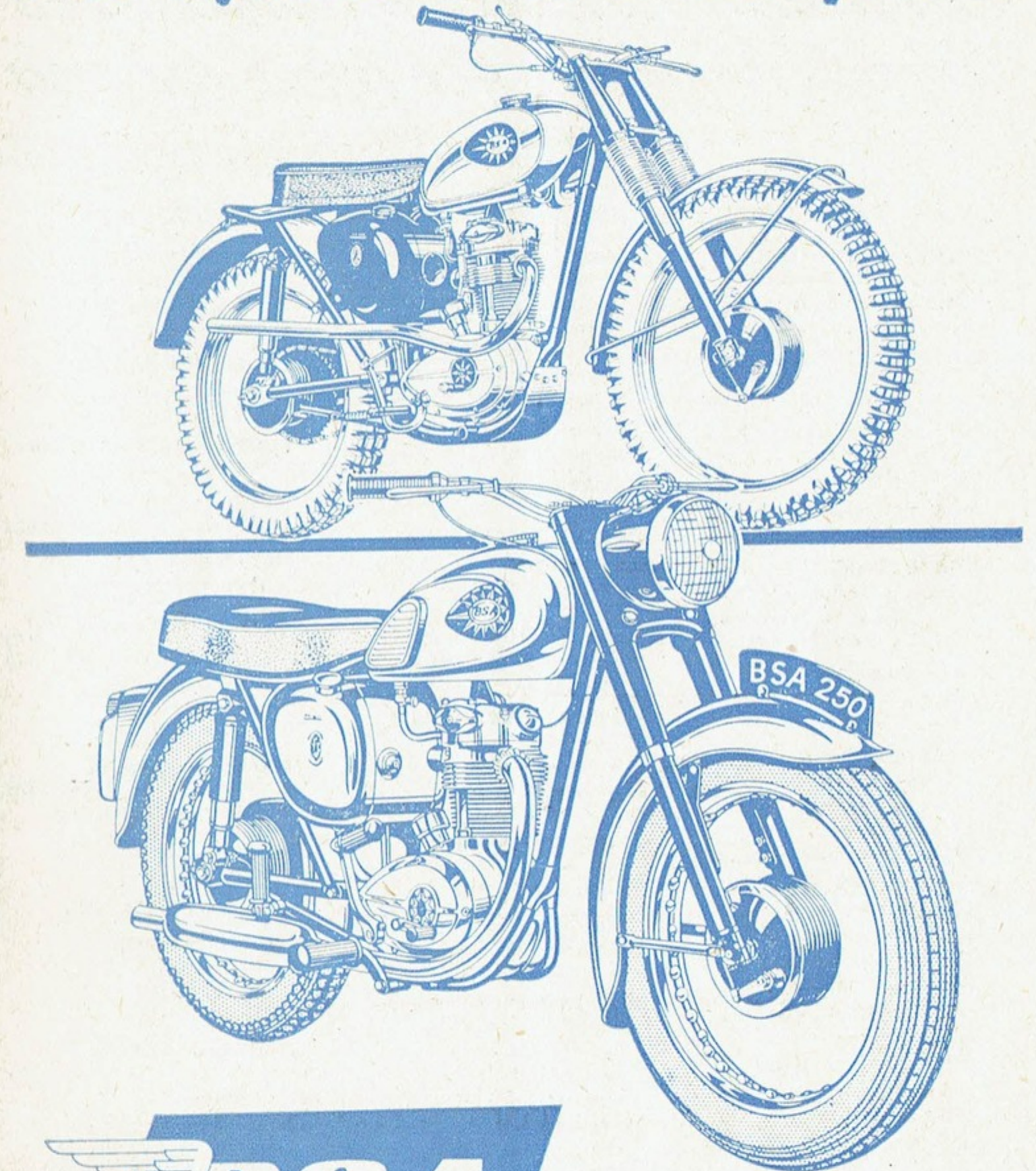
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Junior—1st, 3rd
Senior—2nd, 3rd
Lightweight—1st, 2nd
Ultra Lightweight—2nd, 3rd

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Best Solo Performance
Best Sidecar Performance
Manufacturers Team Prize
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250 c.c.—2nd, 3rd
500 c.c.—3rd

SILVERSTONE RACES (May 28th)

350 c.c.—3rd
250 c.c.—2nd, 3rd
125 c.c.—3rd
Sidecar—1st, 3rd

BLANDFORD ROAD RACES

Senior—1st, 2nd
Junior—1st, 2nd
Sidecar—1st
Lightweight—2nd
Ultra Lightweight—2nd

T.T. RACES

Sidecar—1st, 2nd, 3rd
Junior—3rd

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Senior—1st
Junior—1st
Lightweight—1st
Ultra Lightweight—1st

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Winner

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Winner
Senior—1st
Junior—1st
Lightweight—1st

BRANDS HATCH RACES

Sidecar—1st, 2nd
Junior—2nd, 3rd
Lightweight—2nd, 3rd

GERMAN GRAND PRIX

Sidecar—1st, 3rd

SHRUBLAND PARK SCRAMBLE

Grand National—1st
Senior—1st
Junior—1st
Lightweight—1st

OULTON PARK RACES (Aug. 1st)

500 c.c.—1st, 3rd
350 c.c.—1st, 2nd
250 c.c.—2nd, 3rd
125 c.c.—3rd
Sidecar—2nd, 3rd

LEINSTER '200'

500 c.c.—1st, 2nd, 3rd
250 c.c.—2nd, 3rd
350 c.c.—3rd

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(Sept. 15)
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Junior—1st, 3rd
Senior—2nd
Sidecar—1st, 2nd, 3rd

AINTREE ROAD RACES

(Sept. 24)
Lightweight—1st, 3rd
Junior—2nd
Senior—3rd
Sidecar—2nd, 3rd
'Century'—1st, 3rd

IRISH MOTO CROSS

500 c.c.—1st
350 c.c.—1st
250 c.c.—1st

MALLORY PARK RACES

(Sept. 25)
Senior—1st
Junior—1st
Lightweight—2nd, 3rd
Sidecar—1st, 3rd
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