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BICYCLE CLUB,

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Report

AND

Accounts

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER,

1892.

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AND

The Committee regret to announce to the Members that the Club has just been deprived of the valued and experienced services of their Secretary, Mr. LAWRENCE FLETCHER — business necessitating his journeying to Africa.

All will join in wishing him a safe and quick return to us again.

*25th February, 1893.*

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# ❖ OFFICERS ❖

FOR 1893.

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## President:

MR. DAVID J. BELL.

## Vice-Presidents:

MR. E. EDWARDS. | MR. D. R. FELL.

## Captain:

MR. W. R. TOFT.

## Sub-Captains:

MR. R. H. CARLISLE. | MR. H. HELLIER.  
A. H. COTTLE (Wirral Division).

## Hon. Treasurer:

MR. J. B. BEAZLEY, 42, Balmoral Road.

## Committee:

MR. T. B. CONWAY,		MR. S. H. KEELING,
" A. N. DEAKIN,		" H. B. SAUNDERS,
" W. R. HOOD,		" A. G. WHITE.
MR. E. G. WORTH.		

## Hon. Secretary:

MR. LAWRENCE FLETCHER,  
17, South Castle Street, Liverpool. (TELEPHONE No. 2369.)

# ANFIELD BICYCLE CLUB.

## SECRETARY'S REPORT,

*Presented at the Annual General Meeting of the Members,  
on Thursday, the 5th January, 1893.*

MR. CHAIRMAN AND GENTLEMEN,

In accordance with custom, the Thirteenth Annual Report of the proceedings of your Club, must commence with the usual statistics, which will be found as satisfactory as they are instructive.

We closed the year 1891 with an Active Membership of 115 as against 125 at 31st December, 1892, and the performances of our Members undeniably prove that we can hold our own, on the road, with any Club in the world.

There have been 51 Club Runs, and the attendance has been as follows :—

W. R. Toft .....	51	H. C. Siddeley.....	26
L. Fletcher .....	48	D. R. Fell.....	25
H. Hellier .....	45	C. J. Conway .....	24
E. Edwards.....	42	W. Corrie.....	22
T. B. Conway.....	41	W. M. Owen .....	22
F. Bath.....	40	H. P. Spence .....	21
E. G. Worth .....	40	W. W. Shaw .....	20
J. B. Beazley .....	38	A. G. White.....	19
R. H. Carlisle .....	38	W. Adams .....	19
S. H. Keeling .....	36	C. E. Stoker.....	18
D. Duggan .....	34	A. J. Jack.....	17
D. C. Rowatt .....	34	R. C. Shore .....	17
J. A. Bennett .....	33	W. R. Thompson .....	17
H. Cottle.....	33	R. W. Lloyd.....	16
H. B. Saunders .....	31	R. Thomas .....	15
P. C. Beardwood.....	28	F. del Strother.....	14
A. N. Deakin .....	28	W. H. Cottle.....	12

A. Brereton .....	12	H. W. L. Shubrook .....	5
W. R. Hood.....	12	J. Ruddin, Jr.....	5
J. F. German .....	12	E. J. Holmes .....	4
H. del Strother .....	11	J. Craddock.....	3
J. R. Thompson .....	11	J. Price Edwards.....	3
J. W. Fisher .....	11	A. E. Barlow .....	3
D. Templeton .....	10	C. J. A. Decker .....	2
N. Crooke.....	9	H. Lever .....	2
J. H. Jones .....	9	F. Lawton .....	2
A. G. Rowe .....	9	F. S. Moore .....	2
W. Deakin .....	8	J. C. Robinson.....	2
G. W. Elias .....	8	G. H. Tetley .....	2
J. Ashcroft .....	8	W. B. Hope.....	2
H. Stephens.....	8	H. H. Carlisle.....	2
J. W. Gregory.....	7	W. A. Hammond .....	2
E. Browne .....	7	F. Fisher .....	1
D. J. Bell .....	7	E. B. Halsall .....	1
F. D. Cox.....	6	G. B. Mercer .....	1
J. B. Hartley .....	6	A. Pollard.....	1
F. J. Plant .....	6	S. V. Rowe .....	1
W. Tomlin .....	6	E. C. Bissetot .....	1
I. Roberts.....	6	F. Rose.....	1
C. W. Lloyd.....	5		

The competition for the Attendance Prizes has again been very keen, and has finally resulted in favor of Mr. H. Hellier, the Second Prize falling to the lot of Mr. T. B. Conway.

The average attendance at Club Runs has been 24, which is distinctly satisfactory, eclipsing as it does any previous Club Record, and being, so far as is known, a long way ahead of the figures of any other Cycling Club in the United Kingdom.

The Runs and Tours have all been successful even beyond precedent, though the dreadful weather which was inflicted upon us during the Summer, operated very much against a successful Road Racing Season.

Long distance road riding has, as usual, been the feature of the year, and your Club closed its season of 1892 in possession of the Northern Road Records for 50 miles, 100 miles, 12 hours, and 24 hours on ordinary bicycle, safety bicycle, and tricycle, thus proving, once again, its absolute superiority over any other local cycling organization.



Quiet and secluded courses have been selected for all the shorter races, and your Committee reports with pleasure that not a single misadventure to the Public has resulted.

On Good Friday, Mr. R. H. Carlisle opened the ball by an attack upon the Northern 24-hours' Tricycle Record, but owing to an accident to his tyre, was compelled to give up at a very early stage of the proceedings.

The great event of the year in the North was, as usual, our 100 miles Invitation Road Handicap on Whit Monday, in which the Members competed against a number of the best road riders in the Kingdom.

The day was beautifully fine, the roads in capital order, and our new course round the Shropshire Triangles proved fast even beyond expectation.

The race ended in a win for Messrs. J. M. James (North Road C. C.), and F. Lowe (Bath Road C. C.), who, with 8 minutes' start, got home on a Tandem Safety Bicycle, 1 $\frac{1}{4}$  minutes in front of our Mr. J. A. Bennett, scratch.

The Tandem Safety *beat world's Record for 100 miles*, and Mr. Bennett *also did fastest time in the race, 5h. 46m. 50s., beat world's Record for that distance over an out and home course and lowered his own Northern Record by nearly 40 minutes, as well as riding the fastest 100 miles which has been done on the road this year.* Mr. W. R. Hood, another of our own Members, finished third from 30 minutes' start, in 6h. 26m. 10s. Mr. R. J. Hsley (North Road C. C.), 4th, scratch, in 6h. 1m. 51s. Mr. W. R. Toft, 5th, from 15 minutes', in 6h. 17m. 13s., the last-named *also beating the previous Northern Record*, whilst Mr. W. W. Shaw rode through into seventh place in the good time of 6h. 46m. 56s.

The thanks of the Club are due in large measure to Messrs. S. H. Keeling and E. G. Worth, for their untiring zeal in unearthing, defining, and measuring new courses, all of which have been accepted by the Northern Road Records' Association, the

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performances done upon them having passed muster at the hands of that body, being duly checked and satisfactorily hall-marked.

Owing to the altogether uncalled-for interference of the Police with road racing, we have been forced to ride our 50 miles Handicaps over slower routes than formerly, and this, taken in conjunction with the very bad weather during the season, has caused the times to run slower all round, and has put the Members and the Club to a good deal of extra expense and trouble over necessary arrangements for holding the races.

The Handicapping Committee (consisting of Messrs. Carlisle, L. Fletcher & Worth) has adjusted all the starts, and is to be congratulated upon having obtained fairly successful results.

The first fifty was run off on the Wirral Triangle course, on the 7th May. The day was fine but with a strong wind blowing, which greatly hampered the men. In the result, Mr. A. H. Cottle, 28 minutes' start, won by a minute from Mr. W. Adams, 20 minutes' start; Mr T. B. Conway, 20 minutes' start, being third, 2 minutes further back. In this race, Mr. A. J. Jack came through in 2h. 56m. 50s., accomplishing *fastest time in the fastest 50 of the year*. The following quick times were also recorded:— H. B. Saunders, 2h. 58m. 10s. W. R. Toft, 2h. 59m. 50s., and W. W. Shaw, 3h. 0m. 25s.

The next event was a 50 miles Handicap for Members who had never previously completed the distance in 3h. 15m., or less. This race was brought off on Saturday, the 21st May, and was productive of intense interest and capital sport. It was also ridden on the Wirral Triangle course, the day being fortunately fine though somewhat breezy. A very exciting race throughout, was won by a foot by Mr. W. R. Hood, 8 minutes, after a tremendous finish with Mr. E. Edwards, 10 minutes; Mr. H. Hellier, scratch, being 300 yards further back in 3rd place, this Member also taking *fastest time viz*:—3h. 0m. 10s. Mr. D. Duggan, 15 minutes, finishing 4th, and Mr. C. E. Stoker, scratch, 5th, *something less than 1½ minutes thus covering the arrival of the first five men*.

In this race, Mr. Stoker covered the distance in the capital time of 3h. 1m. 15s., for which your Committee has allotted him a special medal.

In May, Mr. R. H. Carlisle made an attempt, on the North Road, upon the World's 24-hours' Bicycle Record; at 12 hours Mr. Carlisle was going extremely well, and looking close up to record figures, but the strong wind which prevailed all day, increased most unfortunately until it blew a whole gale, and he was obliged to abandon the attempt at 290 miles.

On the 3rd June, Mr. J. F. German made a successful attack upon the Bicycle Record, from Liverpool to Edinbro', covering the distance, 215 miles, in *20h. 27m. practically unfaced.*

Two weeks later, starting from Edinbro', and being fairly well paced, Mr. R. H. Carlisle got through to Liverpool, 220 miles, in 15h. 54m., accomplishing a magnificent performance and *beating record by upwards of 4½ hours.*

On the 17th June, a large party of our Members left the G.P.O. at midnight, bound for York, to meet the North Road C. C. from London, the Speedwell B. C. from Birmingham, and the Waverley Roads Club from Edinbro'.

The night was fine though the roads were wet and heavy. Preston was safely reached in the early morning, and after taking in "speed food" at the "Bull and Royal," the detachment made fair progress to Skipton, where a good breakfast was disposed of. Soon after entering the Wharfedale, the weather unfortunately broke up, and after sheltering for upwards of an hour at Harewood, the division rode on through Tadcaster to York in drenching rain. At York we mustered 22 Members, the North Road 20, the Waverley 1, and the Speedwell none.

On the 9th July, Mr. Lawrence Fletcher attempted to beat his own 24-hours' Northern Tricycle Record, but was compelled to give up at 75 miles, owing to an accident to his machine, and to the complete break-down of the weather.

A few days later Mr. H. C. Siddeley had a shot at the 50 miles' Northern Tricycle Record, and favored by a fine, still evening, and perfect pacing, covered the given distance over the Anfield course in 2h. 53m. 12s., *beating Northern Record by nearly 10 minutes, and also beating World's Tricycle Record for an out and home course.*

On Thursday, the 28th July, a 50-miles Sealed Handicap was brought off on the Trotting Track, at Aintree. There were ten starters, but owing to the tyres of Messrs. Saunders and Toft's machines going wrong, the race was robbed of much of its interest at an early stage of the proceedings, and was easily won by Mr. J. A. Bennett, who covered the distance from scratch in 2h. 44m., Mr. P. C. Beardwood, 6 minutes' start, being second in 2h. 59m., and Mr. R. Thomas, 4 minutes' start, being third in 2h. 57m. 17s., whilst Mr. W. R. Hood and Mr. I. Roberts respectively accomplished the good times of 2h. 57m. 27s., and 2h. 59m. ; thus winning Time Medals for getting in under 3 hrs.

The Annual 24-hours' Road Ride was held on the 5/6th August, starting from Rainhill at 11 p.m., the weather being fortunately fine, and the roads in good condition.

The course lay through Holmes Chapel, and Congleton to Whitchurch, twice round the Shropshire Triangle, and back through Whitchurch and Nantwich to Rainhill, with an extension for Safeties, from Whitchurch, through Chester to Gayton and back.

Some dozen Members started, and a good performance was looked for. Up to 12 hours the race proved somewhat exciting, as in the Bicycling Division, Mr. J. A. Bennett was being most persistently hunted by Mr. S. H. Keeling, whilst amongst the Tricyclists, Mr. Lawrence Fletcher and Mr. H. C. Siddeley had failed to part company. The distances at 12 hours being, Bennett 163, Keeling 158½, Fletcher and Siddeley 146.

Just after 12 hours, however, the race lost interest, Mr. Bennett succeeding in getting clean away from his persecutor, and

Mr. Siddeley's tyre bursting, thereby putting matters into Mr. Fletcher's hands.

The final result was as follows:—Bennett 1st, 305½ miles; Keeling 2nd, 268 miles; Fletcher 3rd, 270 miles. Siddeley also covered 260 miles, and thereby won his 24-hours' Standard Medal. Messrs. Keeling, Fletcher, and Siddeley having completed the allotted course at Rainhill, were placed for prizes in the order in which they arrived there, but Mr. Keeling rode on to Knotty Ash and stopped, whilst Mr. Fletcher, arriving there just before the call of time, and riding against Record figures, covered an additional 2 miles, *thus beating Northern Tricycle Record by 34½ miles.*

On August 16th, Mr. R. H. Carlisle again left Edinbro', this time for London, and in spite of abominable weather and heavy roads for over 100 miles, stuck to his work with most determined pluck, and accomplished what is considered one of the very finest performances of the year, covering the 395 miles, from Edinbro' to London, in the splendid time of 32h. 55m., *thus beating record by 5¾ hours*; in this ride Mr. Carlisle was indebted to Mr. W. Deakin for much valuable assistance in pacing.

At midnight, on August 14th, Mr. Lawrence Fletcher left the Land's End, to attempt to beat Mr. T. A. Edge's Record Ride of 4d. and 40m., to John o' Groats.

Favored with a fine day and perfect pacing, Kidderminster (273 miles) was reached the first night, and Preston (387) at 1 p.m. on the second day, here the weather unfortunately broke up, and a deluge of rain supervened, which lasted almost to Moffatt (514); Dalwhinnie in the Garry Pass (665) was reached just outside 3 days, and Tain (757) at noon the 4th day, in another downpour of rain, which continued, together with a very strong head wind, until the finish of the ride; Wick (842) was reached at 9-15 p.m., and the cross roads, a mile from the finish, at 11-10 p.m., here Mr. Fletcher and his Pace-makers unfortunately lost their way, and John o' Groats' House was only reached five minutes before 12, the time for the full distance, 861 miles from End to End, being

3d. 23h. 55m., *the Record thus coming back to the Anfield, reduced by 45 minutes.*

Too much praise cannot be accorded to those genuine sportsmen, Messrs. Adams, Bennett, Keeling, Saunders, Shaw, Toft, and Tomlin, who rendered Mr. Fletcher service of inestimable value in pacing and generally assisting, and who, together with Mr. James Lennox, of Dumfries, and Mr. Arthur Gastall, of Manchester, succeeded by their untiring and self-denying efforts in making a success of a ride which would otherwise have been of necessity a failure.

On 24th August, Mr. H. R. Pope, one of our London Members, rode a Tricycle from London to York in 15h. 12m., accomplishing a capital performance, and beating record by 16 minutes.

On Saturday 3rd September, another Fifty Miles Handicap was brought off over the new course from Chester, over the Cholmondley, Whitchurch Triangle; the day was threatening, and the roads wet and heavy, whilst at half distance the weather broke up completely, and for the last hour and a half the men had to ride in a downpour of rain, the result was:—Mr. P. C. Beardwood, 23 minutes' start, 1st; Mr. W. R. Toft, scratch, 2nd; Mr. H. B. Saunders, scratch, 3rd. Mr. Toft took *fastest time*, 3h. 28m. The race was won by 300 yards, and had not Mr. Saunders broken his chain three miles from the finish, there would have been a good race between the scratch men.

On the same day was held the Bath Road C. C. open 100-miles Scratch Race down South, in which *Mr. J. A. Bennett was only beaten for first place, by Mr. C. A. Smith, by a yard at the finish.*

On September 10th, Mr. Lawrence Fletcher essayed to beat his own Northern 24-hours' Bicycle Record of 314½ miles, but after riding for 7 hours in the rain was obliged to relinquish the attempt.

On the same day was held the North Road Open 24-hours' Ride, in which most of the crack riders of the year competed, and in this race Mr. Bennett *again finished second.* The day was

fine down South, and Record was beaten by the winner, whilst Mr. Bennett covered the splendid distance of 354 miles in the given time.

On September 17th, Mr. W. R. Toft essayed to beat his own Northern Tricycle Records for 100 miles and 12 hours, and getting a fine day and perfect pacing, reeled off the 100 miles in the fast time of 6h. 29m. 54s., beating Northern Record by just an hour, and not satisfied with this, proceeded to pile up the figures until 12 hours was reached, with the magnificent total of 175 miles, *not only smothering Northern Tricycle Record by over 20 miles, but absolutely beating the Northern 12-hours' Bicycle Record by 8 miles, this being, without doubt, the very finest road ride accomplished in England during 1892.*

On September 24th, Mr. W. W. Shaw, riding for several hours through the rain, with wet roads all day, and practically no pacing, accomplished 148½ miles in 12 hours, thus winning a Standard Medal.

On October 5th, Mr. W. R. Toft essayed to beat Mr. T. A. Edge's Bicycle Record, from Liverpool to London; in spite of wet roads and a strong head wind, Mr Toft reached Rugeley ahead of time, but was shortly afterwards obliged to give up owing to the complete breakdown of the weather, and to the wind increasing until it blew a whole gale dead ahead.

During the summer, Mr. Bennett also competed in the 100-miles Open Race of the Waverley Roads Club, Edinbro', and *finished second*, in spite of a breakdown which necessitated four changes of machines.

The last 50-miles Race was held on Saturday, 1st October, on the Whitchurch Triangle course, and proved a ghastly failure. Hardly had the scratch men started, than the rain came down in torrents, and all the back markers gave up early in the race, with the solitary exception of Mr. R. H. Carlisle, whose chain broke later on, and compelled him also to stop; Mr. P. C. Beardwood, 23 minutes' start, was *the only man who rode through to the finish*,

his time being 3h. 56m. 50s. Mr. Beardwood, of course, took first prize, but kindly withdrew his right to the fastest time medal.

Taken all round, the long distance riding of the year, has been of a most encouraging order, especially in face of the extremely bad weather which prevailed all through the summer and autumn, and which effectively prevented consistent training.

Last year I predicted that the feature of 1892 would be an increased interest in Tricycling, and this prediction has been more than fulfilled, as whilst, amongst the Northern Records, Mr. Jack's Ordinary Bicycle figures have remained absolutely untouched, and of the Safety Records, only the 100 miles has been reduced, *every single one of the three-wheel record figures have received a startling lift.*

The Club experienced a very severe loss during the summer, by the departure of Mr. R. W. Lloyd for permanent residence in America, the best of good fellows, a splendid rider and a thorough sportsman. His absence causes a gap in our ranks which it will be impossible to fill.

It is difficult, even beyond precedent, to name the absolute best amongst so many good riders. Mr. Bennett has once and again asserted himself, however, as *a champion amongst road riders*, whether at 50 miles, or 24 hours, whilst Mr. Carlisle, whom we regarded as essentially a short distance man, now holds what is, *with one exception, the longest Road Record in the Kingdom*, whilst Mr. W. R. Toft's tricycle riding, places him *head and shoulders above any rider of three wheels in England.* For Mr. H. C. Siddeley, I last year predicted a great future, and he has fulfilled my promise, his 50-miles Tricycle Ride being a *phenomenal performance*, dwarfed in my opinion, however, by his determined riding in the 24-hours' competition, a game to which he was an utter stranger.

Amongst new Members, Mr. W. R. Hood stands out prominently, his win in the Novices' Handicap, and his splendid riding in the open 100, causing the Handicappers much troubled thought for the



future, whilst Messrs. Beardwood, Hellier, Thomas, A. H. Cottle, Adams, German, Duggan, Pope, F. del Strother, White, Roberts, and Spence have all shown, by their excellent and improving form, that they are built of the stuff that has made the Anfield what it is, and that they will have to be reckoned with during 1893.

Prominently amongst the new Members stands out Mr. S. H. Keeling, who, by his grand riding in the 24-hours' competition, proves that he has reached the goal of his ambition and become a "*speedman*" of the first water. As for the Old Brigade, they seem fairly to have "*squared*" *Father Time*, if we are to judge by the performances of Messrs. Edwards, Fletcher, Jack, Saunders, and Stoker.

Taken as a whole, I may again say that the Club has been successful even beyond precedent, and without trenching upon the Treasurer's province, I may point out that some £100 has been distributed amongst the Members for Road Riding Prizes during the past year, figures which no other Club in the Kingdom can touch for purely road riding events.

On the path, Messrs. A. N. Deakin, Barlow, Cox, Lever, Shaw, Bennett, Siddeley, and H. del Strother have all done well, and kept the name of the Club to the front.

The Winter Runs have been well attended, but the Paper Chases have been almost discontinued as proving to be lacking in popularity, and everything points to a *still greater Anfield success in 1893*.

The Officers and Committee have been summoned to 12 Meetings, which they have attended as follows :—

J. B. Beazley .....	12	H. B. Saunders .....	10
D. J. Bell .....	12	W. Corrie.....	9
E. Edwards .....	12	A. N. Deakin .....	9
L. Fletcher .....	12	S. H. Keeling .....	8
W. R. Toft .....	12	R. H. Carlisle .....	7
T. B. Conway .....	11	H. Hellier (possible 6) .....	5
A. H. Cottle.....	11	R. W. Lloyd (resigned) .....	5
E. G. Worth.....	11	J. W. Fisher (possible 7) ...	3
D. R. Fell.....	10	D. C. Rowatt (resigned).....	2

LAWRENCE FLETCHER,

*Honorary Secretary.*

Dr. Cash Account for the Year ending 31st December, 1892. Cr.

To Balance from 1891. ....	£	s.	d.	By Road Riding Prizes .....	£	s.	d.
„ Balance from Hot-Pot Supper, being surplus .....	10	19	6	„ Postages, Printing, Stationery, &c....	69	16	3
„ Subscriptions and Entrance Fees ...	0	8	6	„ Time-keeper's Fees and Expenses ...	23	19	2
„ Badges Sold to Members .....	114	2	0	„ Subscriptions to Record Associations	14	7	0
„ Donations to Prize Fund .....	2	11	0	„ Badges, A/c. ....	0	10	0
„ Interest allowed by Bank .....	50	8	0	„ Loss over three Dinners .....	2	10	6
	0	2	10	„ Cash in Bank and in Hand .....	5	4	0
	<u>£178 11 10</u>				<u>£178 11 10</u>		
<i>LIABILITIES.</i>				<i>ASSETS.</i>			
To Long Distance Prizes not yet selected by Members .....	£	s.	d.	By Balance of Cash .....	£	s.	d.
„ Balance being Surplus .....	41	10	0	„ Subscriptions Outstanding.....	62	4	11
	33	10	5	„ Long distance Shield, Badges, &c. ...	5	15	6
	<u>£75 0 5</u>				<u>£75 0 5</u>		

Audited and found correct,

JOHN ASHCROFT, } AUDITORS.  
R. C. SHORE, }

J. B. BEAZLEY,  
Honorary Treasurer.

The Bankers of the Club are—The Manchester & Liverpool District Banking Co. Ltd., 3, Water Street, Liverpool.

AT THE

## Annual General Meeting of the Members,

HELD AT

LAURENCE'S HOTEL, CLAYTON SQUARE,  
LIVERPOOL.

On Thursday, the 5th January, 1893, at 6:30 p.m.

## PRESENT:

Mr. David J. Bell in the Chair.

Messrs. J. Ashcroft, F. Bath, P. C. Beardwood, J. B. Beazley, J. A. Bennett, E. Browne, R. H. Carlisle, C. J. Conway, T. B. Conway, A. H. Cottle, W. H. Cottle, A. N. Deakin, W. Deakin, D. Duggan, E. Edwards, G. W. Elias, D. R. Fell, P. Forrester, J. F. German, H. Hellier, W. R. Hood, S. H. Keeling, C. Keizer, W. M. Owen, A. Pollard, J. C. Robinson, D. C. Rowatt, A. G. Rowe, H. B. Saunders, R. C. Shore, H. C. Siddeley, H. P. Spence, H. Stephens, C. E. Stoker, F. del Strother, D. Templeton, E. A. Thompson, W. R. Thompson, W. R. Toft, A. G. White, E. G. Worth, and the Honorary Secretary.

The notice convening the Meeting was read.

Mr. T. B. Conway moved, Mr. H. C. Siddeley seconded, and it was *resolved*.

"That the Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting be taken as read, and that they be confirmed."

Mr. D. C. Rowatt moved, Mr. D. R. Fell seconded, and it was *resolved*—

"That the Honorary Secretary's Report be adopted."

Mr. C. E. Stoker moved, Mr. A. G. White seconded, and it was *resolved*—

"That the Accounts for the Year ending 31st December, 1892, be adopted."

Mr. J. B. Beazley moved, Mr. W. R. Toft seconded, and it was *resolved*—

“That the Annual Subscription for Active Members during the year 1893 shall be One Guinea, and the Annual Subscription for Honorary Members, a minimum sum of Ten Shillings.”

Mr. David J. Bell, proposed by Mr. Lawrence Fletcher and seconded by Mr. J. B. Beazley, was re-elected President by acclamation.

Messrs. D. Duggan and F. del Strother having been appointed Scrutineers, it was *resolved by ballot* that the following gentlemen be re-elected to the Offices of Vice-Presidents :—

NAME	PROPOSED BY	SECONDED BY
Mr. E. Edwards	Mr. R. C. Shore	Mr. W. R. Toft
„ D. R. Fell	„ E. Edwards	„ H. B. Saunders

Mr. W. R. Toft, proposed by Mr. T. B. Conway and seconded by Mr. D. C. Rowatt, was re-elected to the Office of Captain.

Mr. J. B. Beazley, proposed by Mr. H. B. Saunders and seconded by Mr. C. J. Conway, was re-elected to the Office of Hon. Treasurer.

Mr. Lawrence Fletcher, proposed by Mr. R. C. Shore and seconded by Mr. C. E. Stoker, was re-elected to the Office of Hon. Secretary.

It was *resolved by ballot* that the following gentlemen be elected to the Offices of Sub-Captains :—

NAME	PROPOSED BY	SECONDED BY
Mr. R. H. Carlisle	Mr. A. G. White	Mr. W. R. Hood
„ H. Hellier	„ W. R. Toft	„ D. R. Fell
„ A. H. Cottle (Wirral Division)	„ E. Edwards	„ R. C. Shore

It was *resolved by ballot* that the following gentlemen be elected Members of the Committee :—Messrs. T. B. Conway, A. N. Deakin, S. H. Keeling, W. R. Hood, H. B. Saunders, A. G. White, and E. G. Worth.

On the motion of Mr. Lawrence Fletcher, seconded by Mr. H. Hellier, *it was resolved*—“That the Club do carry out its usual Road Racing Programme.”

Mr. T. B. Conway moved, Mr. C. J. Conway seconded, and it was resolved—"That the Club Tour at Easter shall be into North Wales as usual."

On the motion of Mr. E. G. Worth, seconded by Mr. H. B. Saunders, it was resolved—"That the Club do hold an All-Day Ride to Peterborough on Saturday, the 24th June.

It has been decided that the Club Tour on August Bank Holiday shall be to Hereford and the Wye Valley.

It has been decided to hold the following Road Events:—A 24-hours' Invitation Scratch Ride, a 100 miles Invitation Handicap, Three 50 miles Handicaps, and an extra 50 miles Handicap for Novices.

The decision as to dates, prizes, and standard medals, was left to the Committee.

On the motion of Mr. J. B. Beazley, seconded by Mr. C. E. Stoker, it was resolved—"That a Gold Medal be presented to Mr. H. R. Pope for his Record Ride, from London to York per Tricycle, Prize Rule No. 1 notwithstanding."

The Hon. Secretary having asked for the feeling of the Meeting with regard to the continued absence of the Club from the Councils of the Liverpool Local Centre of the National Cyclists' Union, Mr. D. C. Rowatt moved, Mr. J. B. Beazley seconded, and it was unanimously resolved—"That this Club sees no reason to alter its decision regarding the N.C.U."

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the following gentlemen, who promised prizes for 1893 to the value of £27:—Messrs. Ashcroft, T. B. Conway, A. H. Cottle, E. Edwards, Fell, L. Fletcher, Helliier, Hood, Keeling, Saunders, Toft, and White.

The Meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Chairman, the retiring Officers, and the Auditors.

## R U L E S .

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- 1.—This club shall be called the "ANFIELD BICYCLE CLUB."
- 2.—This Club shall consist of Cyclists who are considered eligible for membership under Rule 20.
- 3.—No active Member of this Club shall be permitted to join or retain active membership in any other *local* Club, nor in any Cycling Club having its head-quarters within 100 miles of the G. P. O., Liverpool. This Rule not to apply to Clubs in which existing Anfielders have held membership prior to 30th June, 1891.

### OFFICERS.

- 4.—The Officers of the Club shall consist of President, two Vice-Presidents, Captain, three Sub-Captains (two Main Division, one Wirral Division), Honorary Secretary and Treasurer, all being active Members.

### COMMITTEE.

- 5.—The Committee shall consist of sixteen Members, including the Officers.

### AUDITORS.

- 6.—Two Auditors from amongst the Members, none of the Committee being eligible, shall be appointed annually by the Committee, to examine, and report upon, the Accounts and Balance Sheet.

### MEETINGS.

- 7.—The Annual General Meeting shall be held within the first two weeks of January, to receive the Hon. Secretary's report

and Treasurer's Balance Sheet ; to appoint Officers and Committee for the ensuing twelve months ; and to transact any other business that may be found necessary.

8.—A General Meeting of the Club shall take place whenever the Committee or Secretary convenes the same. Thirteen to form a quorum.

9.—It shall be the duty of the Committee or Secretary to convene a General Meeting when requested to do so, in writing, by ten or more Members of the Club, and they shall call such meeting within two weeks after receiving such requisition. If the Committee or Secretary fails to call such meeting, then the requisitionists shall be entitled to call it.

10.—Six days' notice of all General Meetings shall be given by the Hon. Secretary, who shall at the same time, circulate amongst the Members an Agenda paper of the matters to be brought forward.

11.—Any Member wishing to bring forward any matters, should send particulars to the Hon. Secretary, who shall cause the same to be entered on the Agenda of the next General Meeting.

12.—Business which does not appear on the Agenda paper shall not be brought forward until all the subjects on the Agenda have been disposed of, nor shall such business then be discussed, unless it be voted *urgent* by two-thirds of the Members present.

13.—Any proposition appearing on the Agenda paper in the name of an absent Member, shall be deemed equal to, and treated as, a proposition made *in propria persona* by the said Member, and shall be moved by the Hon. Secretary.

14.—Every Amendment and every proposition which does not appear on the Agenda paper, shall be written and signed by its proposer and seconder, on a form which shall be provided by the Hon. Secretary.

15.—No resolution of any previous General Meeting shall be rescinded unless the Member proposing to cancel such resolution shall have given notice on the Agenda paper of his intention to do so.

16.—No alteration of the rules of the Club shall be made, except at a General Meeting, and then only by a two-thirds majority of the Members present and voting.

17.—*All* active Members residing at a distance of not less than fifteen miles from Liverpool, may exercise the right of Proxy Voting upon any subject appearing on the Agenda of any General Meeting, or which the Chairman may rule to be coincident thereto.

18.—The Minutes of all Meetings shall be open for inspection to any Member of the Club on giving reasonable notice to the Hon. Secretary.

19.—Committee Meetings shall take place during the second week of each month. Seven to form a quorum.

### ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP.

20.—Candidates for Membership must fill up a form provided by the Club, which must also be signed by the proposer and seconder, (both having been active Members of the Club for at least two months) and forward same to the Secretary, who shall place it before the next Committee Meeting. If there be any objection, and the Nomination be still insisted on by the proposers, a special General Meeting shall be called to consider the Candidature. Ten black balls to exclude.

21.—Any Member violating the rules or regulations of the Club, or being discovered not to be, or ceasing to be an amateur, or being guilty of misconduct, may be expelled by the votes of a two-thirds majority of the Members present, and voting, at a Special General Meeting summoned for the purpose, and such Member shall receive six days' notice of such Meeting. Any Member so expelled shall forfeit all claim upon the property of the Club, and shall cease to be a Member. Voting to be by ballot.



### HONORARY MEMBERSHIP.

22.—Candidates for Honorary Membership shall be proposed and seconded by Active Members, and shall, unless objected to, be elected by the Committee at their next meeting; but should any objection be made, it shall be dealt with under Rule 20.

23.—Honorary Members shall not receive the regular notices of Club runs, &c., neither shall they be permitted to attend or vote at any General Meetings, nor to take part in more than three Club runs during the year, nor compete for any of its long-distance prizes, or in any of its closed events.

24.—An Honorary Member may become an Active Member upon payment of the difference between his honorary subscription and the current subscription, and Entrance Fee of the Club; but his name must come before the Committee in the usual way.

### SUBSCRIPTIONS, &c.

25.—The *minimum* Annual Subscription for Honorary Members shall be 10s., no entrance fee being charged to them. The Annual Subscription for Active Members shall be one guinea, payable within one month from date of election, with an entrance fee of 5s. Any Member whose Renewal Subscription is not paid by 1st March, shall receive written application from the Treasurer, and if payment be not made within one month from the date of such notice, the Treasurer shall bring the matter before the Committee, that body having full power to deal with the case as it thinks fit. After the 31st August in each year, the subscription to incoming Members shall be one-half the ordinary Annual Subscription, but the full Entrance Fee shall be chargeable under all circumstances.

*RESIGNATIONS, &c.*

26.—Any Officer or Member of the Committee wishing to resign his office or seat on the Committee, shall notify the same (in writing) to the Hon. Secretary, for the information of the Committee, but until such resignation shall have been accepted, he shall continue to exercise the duties, and retain the responsibilities of his office.

27.—Any active Member wishing to resign, must give notice in writing to the Hon. Secretary, before the Annual General Meeting, otherwise he will be held accountable for the ensuing year's subscription.

*FINANCE.*

28.—The funds of the Club shall be banked in the names of the President and Treasurer for the time being, who shall jointly sign cheques to meet current expenditure, as authorised by the Committee. All accounts to be passed by the Committee and initialled by the Chairman before payment.

29.—The Financial Year of the Club shall expire on the 31st December in each year.

*UNIFORM.*

30.—The uniform shall be black patrol jacket, knicks and hose, with black cricket cap, and blue and black scarf. The Captain to be distinguished by a gold badge.

*COMMITTEE.*

31.—All runs shall be arranged by the Committee, and shall not be altered without its consent.

32.—The Committee shall have power to fill up any vacancy

in the Officers or Committee which shall occur within the year, subject to confirmation by the next General Meeting.

33.—The Committee may decide any question on the meaning of these Rules, or anything relative to the Club not provided for therein, and may do whatever they deem necessary for the well-being of the Club, which is not inconsistent with these Rules. The decision of the Committee shall be final, unless notice of appeal, in writing, be given to the Hon. Secretary within seven days following that on which the decision is arrived at. All such appeals shall be heard at the next General Meeting, and the decision of such meeting shall, in every case, be final.



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# PRIZE LIST AND RULES FOR COMPETITION.

## SEASON 1893.

No. 1.—No Medals, Record Medals, or Prizes of any description, will be awarded, unless the claimants have ridden under the name of the Anfield B. C. *only*. No Member is eligible to receive any of the Standard Medals or Record Prizes, unless he has attended at *least* twelve ordinary Club Runs.

No. 2.—Standard Medals will be awarded as follows :—

A. On any class of machine, 200 miles in 24 hours, Gold-Centred Silver Medal.

Gold Medals in 24 consecutive hours.

	B	C	D	E	F
Safety Bicycle	230	260	290	320	350
Ordinary Bicycle, Tandem Bicycle, or Tandem Tricycle	225	250	275	290	305
Tricycle					

Ten per cent. extra for Rides in the District of the Great North Road. Previous Winners barred, *i.e.*, holders of the former Standard Medal for 200 miles, are eligible under Class B and upwards.

"	"	225	"	"	"	C	"
"	"	250	"	"	"	D	"
"	"	275	"	"	"	E	"

No. 3.—For 12 hours' rides, Medals will be awarded as follows:—

	Gold.	Gold Centre.	Silver.	Bronze.
Safety Bicycle	180	160	140	120
Ordinary Bicycle, Tandem Bicycle, or Tandem Tricycle	175	155	135	115
Tricycle	170	150	130	110

Ten per cent. extra for Rides in the District of the Great North Road.

No. 4.—No Member will be entitled to more than one Standard Medal at the end of the year in each of the Ten Classes, (that is : Safety Bicycle, Ordinary Bicycle, Single Tricycle, and Tandems, Bicycle and Tricycle, twelve hours, and 24 hours each), such medal being for the longest distance during the year. Previous Winners barred.

No. 5.—A Gold Medal will be awarded to any Member who succeeds in beating any of the Road Records, or Northern Road Records for the time being, the ride to be proved to the satisfaction of the Road Records Association, or Northern Road Records Association, as the case may be.

A Member who succeeds in beating a Record more than once, shall be entitled to a Medal for the highest performance *only* at each distance during the year.

No. 6.—For the purpose of awarding Northern Record Medals, the Records existing on the 31st December, 1892, must be noted as follows:—

DETAILS.	ORDINARY BICYCLE.	SAFETY BICYCLE.	TRICYCLE.	TANDEM SAFETY.	TANDEM TRICYCLE.
Fifty Miles ... ..	A. J. Jack 3 h : 12 m : 43 s	J. A. Bennett 2 h : 38 m : 57 s	H. C. Siddeley 2 h : 53 m : 12 s	Lowest Standard 2 h : 50 m : 0 s	J. Reilly & A. Gastall 3 h : 4 m : 45 s
Hundred Miles... ..	A. J. Jack 6 h : 58 m : 25 s	J. A. Bennett 5 h : 46 m : 50 s	W. R. Toft 6 h : 29 m : 54 s	F. Lowe & J. M. James 5 h : 53 m : 7 s	Lowest Standard 6 h : 45 m : 0 s
Twelve Hours ... ..	A. J. Jack 156 miles	J. A. Bennett 167 miles	W. R. Toft 175 miles	Lowest Standard 160 miles	Lowest Standard 160 miles
Twenty-four Hours ...	A. J. Jack 286½ miles	Lawrence Fletcher 314½ miles	Lawrence Fletcher 268½ miles	Lowest Standard 300 miles	Lowest Standard 300 miles

No. 7.—All Tandem Prizes will be divided, half to each man, and both riders must be active Members of the Anfield B.C. and comply with Prize Rule No. 1.

No. 8.—If a Record Medal is awarded, no Standard Medal can be claimed for the same ride.

No. 9.—Members winning medals may substitute Prizes of equal value, subject to the approval of the Committee as to the form these may take.

No. 10.—Claims for Medals, accompanied by proofs, must be sent in to the Hon. Secretary, within 7 days after the performance of each ride.

No. 11.—No distance ridden in any of the Competitions will be recognized, if it be done either wholly or partially on a Sunday.

No. 12.—*No piece of Road, may, upon any pretext, be covered more than twice, or if covered, shall not be counted in the total distance claimed.*

No. 13.—All Prizes and Medals will be awarded at the discretion of the Committee, who shall have full power to decide any question which may arise as to the interpretation of these Rules, and successful Competitors will receive their Prizes at the Annual Dinner of the Club.

### ROAD RACES.

Members are requested to consider the information contained herein as "Private and Confidential."

Three Fifty Miles Road Handicaps will be held during the Season over the usual Course, or any other which may be selected by the Committee, and for each of these Races, four Prizes will be offered, viz., value Four Guineas, Two Guineas, and One Guinea, and a Gold Time Medal. In these three Races a Gold Star will also be awarded to all (Prize Winners excepted) completing the distance in 2h. 50m. or less, and a Gold Centre Silver Star to all

(Winners of Prizes and Gold Stars excepted) covering the distance in 3 hours or less, and a Bronze Medal to all (Winners of Prizes, Gold or Gold Centre Stars excepted) covering the distance in 3h. 10m. or less. These three Races will be open to every Active Member of the Club.

A Fifty Miles Road Handicap will also be held, with five prizes, viz., Gold, Gold Centre, Silver and Bronze Medals, and Gold-Centre Time Medal. This race will be confined to Members who have not, up to the date of the Race, accomplished the distance in 3h. 15m. or less.

The Hundred Miles Invitation Road Handicap will be held as usual, when Prizes value Five Guineas, Three Guineas and Two Guineas, will be offered, and also a Gold Medal for fastest time in the Race.

The 24 hours' Invitation Road Ride will be brought off during the Season, when the following Prizes will be offered, viz., value Five Guineas, Three Guineas, and Two Guineas.

### **RUNS, &c.**

A Gold-Centred Silver Medal will be presented to the Member attending the greatest number of Saturday Club Runs connected with the Main Division, and a Silver Medal to the Member with the Second largest attendance (Officers barred). A Gold-Centred Silver Medal will also be presented to the Member attending the greatest number of Saturday Club Runs connected with the Wirral Division (Officers barred.)



## LIST OF ACTIVE MEMBERS.

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1	Adams, W.	55	Hood, W. R.
2	Ashcroft, J.	56	Hope, W. B.
3	Barlow, A. E.	57	Jack, A. J.
4	Bath, F.	58	Jones, J. H.
5	Beardwood, P. C.	59	Keeling, S. H.
6	Beazley, J. B.	60	Keizer, C.
7	Bell, D. J.	61	Laybourn, G. W.
8	Bennett, J. A.	62	Lawton, F.
9	Brereton, A.	63	Leigh, A.
10	Broadbent, E. E.	64	Lennox, J.
11	Brooke, C. S.	65	Lloyd, C. W.
12	Browne, E.	66	Lloyd, R. W.
13	Butterwith, R.	67	Mercer, G. B.
14	Carlisle, H. H.	68	Mills, G. P.
15	Carlisle, R. H.	69	Neason, A. S.
16	Carter, H. R.	70	Neason, W. J.
17	Conway, C. J.	71	Owen, W. M.
18	Conway, J. K.	72	Plant, F. J.
19	Conway, T. B.	73	Pollard, A.
20	Cook, J. H.	74	Pope, H. R.
21	Cook, W. P.	75	Roberts, I.
22	Corrie, W.	76	Robinson, J. C.
23	Cottle, A. H.	77	Rose, F.
24	Cottle, W. H.	78	Rowatt, D. C.
25	Cox, F. D.	79	Rowe, A. G.
26	Craddock, J.	80	Ruddin, J., Junr.
27	Crippen, E. R.	81	Ruddin, J. H.
28	Crooke, N.	82	Ruddin, T. E.
29	Davies, J. R.	83	Russell, F. G.
30	Deakin, A. N.	84	Sargeant, C. M.
31	Deakin, W.	85	Saunders, H. B.
32	Decker, C. J. A.	86	Shaw, W. W.
33	Duggan, D.	87	Shore, R. C.
34	Edge, T. A.	88	Shubbrook, H. W. L.
35	Edwards, E.	89	Siddeley, H. C.
36	Edwards, J. P.	90	Siddeley, J. D.
37	Elias, G. W.	91	Spence, H. P.
38	Elwood, W.	92	Stainton, W.
39	Fell, D. R.	93	Stephens, H.
40	Fisher, F.	94	Stoker, C. E.
41	Fisher, J. W.	95	Strother, F. del
42	Fletcher, A. H.	96	Templeton, D.
43	Fletcher, J. P.	97	Tetley, G. H.
44	Fletcher, L.	98	Thomas, R.
45	Forrester, P.	99	Thompson, E. A.
46	Fraser, H.	100	Thompson, J. R.
47	Gastall, A.	101	Thompson, W. R.
48	German, J. F.	102	Toft, W. R.
49	Gregory, J. W.	103	Tomlin, W.
50	Hammond, W. A.	104	Walmsley, J.
51	Hartley, J. B.	105	White, A. G.
52	Hellier, H.	106	Wild, J.
53	Hignett, S. C.	107	Worth, E. G.
54	Holmes, E. J.		

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