

ANFIELD BICYCLE CLUB.

Hon. General Secretary's Report for the year ended 30/9/50.

Presented at the Annual General Meeting for Members at the Derby Arms, Halewood, October, 14th, 1950.

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

I have much pleasure in presenting this Report of the Club's activities for the year ended 30th September, 1950.

This, the 71st year of the Club has been yet another successful year, the steady progress that has been made since the end of the war has been maintained.

The membership now numbers, 140, an increase of 3 on last year's total. This figure is composed of 13 life, 84 full, 16 junior full and 27 Honorary members. During the year 8 new members have been elected, 4 members have resigned, 2 members have been transferred from Honorary to Full membership, 2 have been transferred from Full to Honorary membership.

It is with deep regret that I have to report the death of one member, viz. Mr. Albert Lusty.

Mr. Albert Lusty joined the Club in 1920 and despite the fact that he resided in Birmingham which precluded him from taking an active part in our affairs he was always an enthusiastic Anfielder and willingly gave his services as timekeeper for many years. His passing was in tragic circumstances and the Club and the cycling world in general has lost a great personality.

There have been 54 fixtures during the year with an average attendance 20.68 as compared with 21.98 - a decrease of 1.30:- 81 members have been out on more than one occasion. Quarterly average attendances were:- October/December 20.2, January/March 21.7, April/June 22.2, July/September 18.5.

The highest attendance was at the Derby Arms, Halewood, on March 18th when 49 members and 2 friends were present. This was the occasion of the Club's 71st Birthday Run when those present were entertained to a lantern talk by Mr. J.G. Shaw. The inauguration of the Birthday Run has proved most successful judging by the numbers attending. It is an occasion when those of us who are not regular attenders make that special effort to be present, and we look forward to even better attendances at this fixture in the future.

X Another successful fixture was the Special Run to Parkgate on January 21 when wives and lady friends were invited out. On this occasion 35 members and 15 visitors were present and were entertained to a lantern talk by Wayfarer (himself) on his Irish travels. We were indebted to Mr. J. Williams, A.R.P.S. of the C.T.C. for providing and operating the lantern at these two events.

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The lowest recorded attendance this year was 13, on five occasions.

Mr. Green has again attended the highest number of runs, having 52 to his credit. This figure brings his aggregate to 1910 runs a truly remarkable figure and our President is to be congratulated on his splendid achievement.

Officers and Committee being barred the attendance prizes have been won by Messrs. P. Williamson and A. Haworth with 47 and 40 runs respectively.

Individual attendances were as follows:-

H. Green	52		K.W. Barker	14	E.M. Haslam	22
T. Mandall	47		E. Davies	15	E. Byron	22
P. Williamson	47	1st	J.R. Band	14	J.D. Cranshaw	22
A. Gorman	45		W.G. Connor	13	E. Haynes	22
L.J. Hill	41		F. Perkins	13	J.H. Jones	22
F.E. Marriott	41		G. Stephenson	12	A.E. Preston	22
D. Stewart	40		R. Wilson	11	J. Seed	22
A. Haworth	40	2nd	A. Bretherick	10	C. Selkirk	22
W. Thorpe	48		H. Austin	9	D. Smith	22
G. Parr	37		A.E.C. Birkby	9	G.G. Taylor	22
J.F. Palmer	34		W.C. Smart	9	N. Turvey	22
R. Barker	34		H.G. Buckley	8	J.R. Walton	22
L.J. Walls	34		P.L. Stephenson	8	H.W. Powell	1
S. Wild	34		H. Catling	7	D.L. Birchall	1
J.E. Reeves	33		W.H. Kettle	6	S.T. Carver	1
J.J. Davies	32		F. Chandler	6	J.O. Cooper	1
J. Long	31		G. Molyneux	6	N.S. Heath	1
L. Pendlebury	28		F.H. Swift	6	C.J. Halsall	1
S.N. Bradley	26		W. Orrell	5	J.S. Jonas	1
Bryan Jones	20		R.J. Austin	5	E.L. Killip	1
J.J. Salt	19		C. Davy	5	W.H. Lloyd	1
J.C. Futter	19		E.O. Morris	5	J. Pitchford	1
V. Lambert	18		T. Sherman	5	W.M. Robinson	1
A. Williams	18		I.A. Thomas	5	H.V. Rourke	1
B. Orrell Jnr.	16		R.R. Austin	4	J.G. Shaw	1
G.B. Orrell	16		E. Buckley	3	J.H. Williams	1
W.P. Rock	16		F.D. McCann	3		
			W.C. Tierney	3		

There have been 12 meetings of the Committee, individual attendances being:

H. Green	12
T. Mandall	12
L. Hill	12
W.G. Connor	12
D. Stewart	11
K.W. Barker	11
J. Long	11
F.E. Marriott	10
J.E. Reeves	9
J.R. Band	9
S. Wild	9
E. Davies	8
R. Barker	8
A. Gorman	8
W.P. Rock	5
L. Pendlebury	2

The Club tours have again been carried out successfully, brief details being as follows:-

Autumnal Tints Tour 1949 to Glynceiriog when 22 members and 1

It is my pleasure to report that our Life Member Percy Beardwood has been elected to the Presidency of the Fellowship of Old Time Cyclists. The best wishes and congratulations of the Club are extended to Percy Charles on his election to office of this select body of old timers.

Bath Roader were present. The management at the Glyn Valley Hotel made us very welcome in their usual hospitable manner and an enjoyable week-end was had by those taking part.

The Easter Tour was to Settle, Yorks, with headquarters at the Craven Heifer Inn. Another very enjoyable week-end was had by the 9 members and two friends who took part in this tour in spite of the bad weather which attended it.

Whitsuntide saw us as usual at Shrewsbury for the Open "100" with headquarters at the Lion Hotel, 38 members being present on this occasion.

The August Tour was to the Bath Road "100" when 15 members were present.

There has also been a full programme of Club Races in addition to the Open "100" details of which will be found in the Hon. Racing Secretary's Report.

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The best thanks of the Club are due to Mr. Ken Barker for the excellent way in which he has edited the Circular which has both informed and entertained us during the year.

The Club's best thanks are again due to Mr. W.H. Kettle for placing at our disposal each month his office for the Committee Meetings.

Our thanks are also due to George and Peter Stephenson for this work in connection with the addressing of envelopes for the Circulars.

In conclusion I would like to thank the President and members of the Committee for their help during the year.

W.G. CONNOR.

Hon. Gen. Secretary.