

Ferry to Bromborough 2, Eastham 3, Great Sutton 6, Chester 13. We do not purpose in this route describing Chester, a full description of the old city most probably appearing in one of our forthcoming issues. Most cyclists go up the river as a matter of course, and there is much that is interesting in the quaint buildings, while a walk around the walls is a *sine qua non*. The "Bull & Stirrup" is a good hotel for cyclists. Leaving Chester by the Liverpool



OLD GATEWAY AT HINDERTON

Road, keep to the left at the fork roads about 300 yards beyond the cathedral, slightly down hill for about 1/4 mile. This is known as the top road to Birkenhead, and for about thirteen miles boasts of a surface that will compare favourably with any in the Kingdom; it is free from hills. At Shotwick Toll Bar (6 miles), by taking the road to left, a run of three miles brings one to Queen's Ferry, the road generally used by Liverpool riders desirous of visiting the North Wales coast. The new bridge across the Dee opened last season is a great boon, and a vast improvement on the old system of crossing by boats, which often caused delay. Returning to the top road, we continue to Hinderton (ten miles from Chester), a popular resort, where cyclists are well catered for at the Shrewsbury Arms. Gayton is reached



2 1/2 miles further on—another favourite stopping place. Our lady riders will be glad to know that the hotel here is about to be enlarged, and that special attention will be given to the comfort of ladies who ride out here. From Gayton, turn to the left, and then right, the road leading through Heswell and Thurston to West Kirby (six miles). Care must be taken in descending the hill at Thurston. Entering West Kirby by Grange Road is another hill with a danger-board at the



BIDSTON OBSERVATORY.

top, which, of course, speaks for itself. Proceeding through West Kirby another mile brings the rider to Hoylake (Green Lodge Hotel) then through Meols and Bidston, leaving the observatory and light house on our right to Birkenhead, which should be entered by Laird and Conway Streets. Hoylake to Birkenhead 1 mile. Boats to Liverpool every ten minutes, fare 3d. including machine. An alternative shorter route from Chester to Birkenhead

may be taken as follows: Along the top road to Gayton, as above (11 miles), bear to right at the "Clegg Arms," then first road to the left—the post "Barnston"—a ride of little over a mile brings one to Barnston village, where there is a descent with an awkward curve. Keep to right at the "Horse & Jockey," and shortly after there is a stiff pull up Woodchurch Lane, through Woodchurch, entering Birkenhead by Oxtan Road and Grange Road, (Gayton to Birkenhead 8 miles). By the way we must not forget to mention Rabynere, a favourite spot in Wirral much frequented by picnic parties. The scenery is pretty and a limited amount of boating can be obtained. The best way to reach it from Liverpool is by steamer to New Ferry, then

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After five years Eddie Buckley's Northern 24 hours road record has been beaten by R. L. Knips.

Messrs. White, Owen, Edwards, Poole, and a number of other well-known Anfielders were seen ploughing through the mud Crontonwards on Saturday.

THE ANFIELDERS ON TOUR.
This time last year the Anfield U.C. took to the road. It was this year's annual "tour" that has been recorded in the "Dynamo" of the 15th. A list of the names of the club members who were on the tour is given in the "Dynamo" of the 15th. The return journey on Monday was made by various routes, one party going by way of Llanrwst, Llanfair, Tal-y-haen, Abergelle, St. Asaph, Holywell, and Chester.

A MEDAL'S ADVENTURES.
J. M. JAMES of the North has just had a period of being a "gold medal" winner in the "Dynamo" of the 15th. He received a letter from a stranger who had found it. The stranger stated that he had found it in his garden. J. M. J. was more than naturally pleased at its recovery.



High Legh Janv. 1901



EWING—February 5, at Devon Field, Switzerland, after a long and painful illness, aged 33 years. Walter Ewing, third son of the late G. W. Ewing, of 19, Rodney Street, Liverpool, 1902.

WALTER EWING



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THE ANFIELD INVITATION HUNDRED.

AN UNQUALIFIED SUCCESS.

Except for a somewhat troublesome breeze Whit-Monday was an ideal day for fast road riding, the rain of the previous day having completely laid the dust and rendered the "going" first-class. Consequently times in that time-honoured event, the Anfield "100," on, to give it its full title, "The Anfield 100 miles invitation unpaired handicap time trial," ruled very fast.

HOW THEY DID IT.

The Anfielders are past masters in the art of running off time trials on the road without causing inconvenience to other users of the highway, and therefore it is not surprising to learn that their last flutter from start to finish was carried out without much as a single hitch occurring. Strict rules are laid down by the club for their hundred, and about a dozen checkers are stationed at various points on the route to see that the rules are carried out. To be paced, accompanied, or followed is entirely prohibited; to "hang on" to follow competitors is forbidden, and incurs disqualification; no competitor may be fed by riders coming alongside; everyone handing food to competitors must be on foot; each competitor must call out his name as he passes the checkers; any competitor riding on the footpath will be disqualified, &c., &c.

LAST YEAR.

Last Whit-Monday (June 4, 1900), for the first time in the Anfield 100, pacing was entirely prohibited. On that occasion W. H. Nutt, North Road C.C. won the race, and did fastest time, viz., 5 hr 38 min 47 sec; J. H. Banks, Congleton C.C., doing the next best time (5 hr 39 min 55 sec); and R. L. L. Knipe, Anfield B.C., the third best (5 hr 42 min 48 sec). The roads were in fair condition, but a strong wind troubled the men on the outward journey. Twenty-three started, and fifteen went through.

THIS YEAR.

Twenty-nine men entered for the race, twenty-five started, and fifteen went through. The non-starters were: O. Bryer, North Road C.C. (10 mins); T. B. Gayer, Manchester Wheelers (20 min); H. P. Smith, Anfield B.C. (25 min.); and T. Fairhurst, Birkenhead G.C. (30 min); and the starters were:

- R. N. Cary, Bath Road C.C., scratch
- R. S. Cobley, North Road C.C., scratch
- R. L. L. Knipe, Anfield B.C., scratch
- W. H. Nutt, North Road C.C., scratch
- J. H. Banks, Congleton C.C., 1 min.
- H. W. Burman, Speedwell B.C., 5 mins.
- R. Ibbotson, North Road C.C., 5 mins.
- C. Moynihan, Manchester Wheelers, 5 min.
- W. R. Oppenheimer, Anfield B.C., 8 mins.
- W. E. Gee, Manchester Wednesday C.C., 10 mins.
- H. Wheeler, Leeds Road Club, 10 mins.
- G. Lovelady, Liverpool C.C., 18 mins
- S. Irving, Anfield B.C., 20 mins.
- W. Osborne, Stockport C.C., 20 mins.
- M. Owen, Anfield B.C., 20 mins.
- R. E. Pritchard, Anfield B.C., 20 mins.
- A. Duff, Manchester Wednesday C.C., 25 mins.
- J. Lightfoot, North Liverpool B.C., 25 mins.

A Classic Event.

The Anfield Hundred is entitled to be described as a classic event, an invitation to compete in which is regarded as an honour. Twenty-five men started in the race on Whit-Monday, fifteen completing the distance. The scratch men were: Cary, Nutt, and Knipe, Anfield, Cobley, who recently won so well in the North Road unpaired fifty, and Knipe, Anfield, who recently won the fastest time (5 h. 25 min.) in the Anfield event. W. Osborne, Stockport C.C., won the handicap, his time being 5 h. 30 min. 35 sec., and having an allowance of 10 min. Knipe, Anfield, was second with 5 h. 30 min. 24 sec., and W. M. Owen, Anfield, was third in the handicap. Knipe punctured at 50 miles, being then 4 minutes inside Northern record.

Anfield 24: Knipe Breaks the 24 Hours Record.

The Anfield 24 was duly held last week, starting on Friday night. The winner turned up in K. L. Knipe, who, fortunately unassisted by his proverbial bad luck, did a fine mile. He finished first with a total of 386 miles, constituting Northern record. In twenty-four hours he covered 214 miles, thus breaking the record for that distance, which was held by W. M. Owen, on a tandem, with 160 miles, and W. R. Oppenheimer third with 130 miles.

- F. Woods, Anfield B.C., 25 mins.
- W. Bland, Anfield B.C., 30 mins.
- M. Brady, Manchester and District Clarion C.C., 30 mins.
- H. M. Buck, Anfield B.C., 30 mins.
- O. Johnson, North Liverpool B.C., 34 mins.
- C. H. Hunt, Liverpool O.C., 35 mins.
- W. Arnold, Cheshire C.C., 45 mins.

NORTHERN RECORD BEATEN.

Knipe's time of 5 hr 31 min 52 sec. (made on June 10th last year) was beaten by four of the riders; no less than 6 min 52 sec being chipped off it by Cobley, who finished third in the handicap, and did fastest time. Knipe was again unfortunate in this year's race, as, when going strong and as fast as anyone in the race, he had the bad luck to puncture at 50 miles. The rider of his spare machine went "blind" right past him, and the only other machine Knipe could get proved unsuitable. He stuck it for sixteen miles, however, but then was forced to abandon the struggle. The Bridgell hand-gear was used by Wheeler, but after taking something like three hours to cover fifty miles, that rider retired. Cary was forced to give up at sixty miles, being seized with violent cramp, and Nutt was thrown out early in the race through bending one of his cranks, his machine being built too low for the sharp turns in the course.

W. OSBORNE.

of the Stockport C.C. (30 mins start), undoubtedly provided the surprise of the race, that rider going through in the third fastest time. He rode a machine geared to 91, and he appeared in the pink of condition. We learn that Osborne made the Lake District his training ground for the race, and it certainly seems that his selection of quarters was a wise one.

RODE A FREE WHEEL.

Burman rode a free wheel, but apparently he did not gain anything by so doing, the time being possibly down the hills faster than Burman could free wheel. With the exception of Cobley, all the North Road men were mounted on path-racers, fitted with wood rims and Paris or similar light tyres. Most of the Northerners were mounted on road-racers, fitted with road-racing tyres. Result of the race:—

Start	M. M. S.	Actual Time
1	W. Osborne, Stockport C.C.	5 27 35
2	W. R. Oppenheimer, Anfield B.C.	5 30 54
3	R. S. Cobley, North Road C.C.	5 35 0
(Fastest Time.)		
4	J. H. Banks, Congleton C.C.	5 36 43
5	H. W. Burman, Speedwell B.C.	5 35 14
6	H. Brady, Manchr. and Dis. Clarion C.C.	5 30 min. 2 4
7	H. M. Buck, Anfield B.C.	5 35 55
8	W. E. Gee, Manchr. Wed. C.C.	5 43 47
Also finished: A. Duff, 6-0-30; R. Ibbotson, 5-47-38; O. Moynihan, 5-47-57; W. Arnold, 6-30-49; W. M. Owen, 6-8-55; J. Lightfoot, 6-28-21; W. Bland, 6-34-45.		

PRIZE.

First Prize, value five guineas, to be chosen by the winner.

The Anfield Invitation 100.

The Anfield B.C. has once more decided to hold its 100 on the road, and as last year, to have it "unpaired."

The Black Anfielders have clung fondly to their 100, whilst other clubs have allowed their event to "slide," and each year a great measure of success has crowned the efforts of our Northern friends. The Anfield B.C. very wisely considered, decided to make their event an "unpaired" effort last year, and they had every reason to congratulate themselves on the result.

If we remember right, thirteen clubs were represented; we know there were twenty-eight entrants, and of these twenty-three started and fifteen finished, which seems most creditable when the early date is taken into consideration. Whit-Monday will again be the date for this fixture, and as it falls this year very early, May 27th, we hope members intending to compete will bestir themselves at once, for an out and home too at such a date is no "soft job" if one would do one's self justice. From experience we can say that a more enjoyable holiday could not be spent than Whit-Monday with the Anfielders, and to all intending competitors we can confidently promise the very best of times. Come and see for yourselves.

Second Prize, value three guineas, to be chosen by the winner.

Third Prize, value two guineas, to be chosen by the winner.

Cobley, in addition to third prize, gains a gold medal for doing the fastest time, and Oppenheimer takes second prize, and the special prize offered to the first placed Anfielder, and also a gold medal for beating record.

The Anfield Hundred.

This classic event took place on Whit Monday, on Shropshire and Cheshire roads, and was a most pronounced success. There were thirty-nine entries and about twenty-five starters. The arrangements were first class, and as the route had been kept remarkably quiet, a very few besides members of the Anfield, North Road, Manchester Wheelers, Speedwell, and M.C. & A.C. were present. There were no casualties to make a fuss about, and everything passed off in the most satisfactory manner. The rain of Sunday morning made the roads exactly right for the undertaking, and consequently there were some extraordinarily fast times done. There were a lot of "fancies" for the race, all the big clubs having representatives of class and stamina "up," and there were all sorts of "tips" as to the winner, which proved pretty conclusively how good the handicapping had been. The most fancied man among the Midland contingent was H. Westley Burman, of the Speedwell C.C.; while among the Londoners R. S. Cobley, of the North Road, who had already made his mark in an unpaired fifty, which he did in 2 hr 27 min unpaired, was ranked as the best of the Southern division. A "dark horse," however, by the name of W. Osborne, proved to be the winner, and the following are the first five finishers:—

Start	M. M. S.	Actual Time
1	W. Osborne, Stockport C.C.	5 27 35
2	W. R. Oppenheimer, Anfield B.C.	5 30 54
3	R. S. Cobley, North Road C.C.	5 35 0
4	J. H. Banks, Congleton C.C.	5 36 43
5	H. W. Burman, Speedwell B.C.	5 35 14

It will thus be seen that Osborne is a rider of extraordinary ability, as, with the exception of Cobley and J. H. Banks, of Congleton, his net time was better than anyone. Cobley's performance was a grand one, and Burman's ride for an unpaired 100 stamps him as a cyclist of the very first class. The Anfield members are to be congratulated on the splendid success of the annual, which was favoured by ideal weather, and carried out under the best possible conditions. 1901

The Anfield Invitation 100 Miles Handicap.

A GOOD DAY, A GOOD ENTRY, A GOOD RACE; AND FAST TIMES.

A GOOD day, a good entry, a good race; and fast times. This is the 1901 Anfield one hundred summed up shortly. There were twenty nine entries, twenty-five starters, and fifteen finishes; what more could any club want. There were four men on scratch—Knipe (of the Anfield), Cobley and Nutt (of the North Road), and the editor. Banks, of Congleton, the old-timer, was on 1m, Speedwell Burman, North Road Bob Ibbotson, and Manutian Moyoian on the 5m mark. Oppenheimer, the coming Anfielder, had 8m, and North Road Bryer and Manchester Wednesday Gee on 10m. The former was a non-starter, and so on up to W. Arnold, of the Cheshire C.C., who had the allowance of 45m. Perhaps the race was robbed of some of its interest by the trouble which befell and knocked out three of the four scratch men. Knipe suffered a puncture, Nutt bent a crank, whilst the editor, after travelling the first sixty-two miles in 3 hr. 25m, was left writhing on the floor with cramp. The editor, after being out about ten minutes on the ground, tied up in knots, deemed it advisable to chuck it. The winner turned up in a dark horse, one Osborne by name, of the Stockport C.C., with 20m. allowance did the net time of 5 hr. 27m. 35s. Oppenheimer, of the promoting club, from 8m, was second, with the net time of 5 hr. 30m. 24s. Cobley, of the N.R.C., who did 5 hr. 25m., got third and fastest. The winner rode a 91in. gear, and won by 17.25. In conclusion, it is only necessary to state that all the marshalling, feeding, and other arrangements were perfect, as usual.

THE ANFIELD HUNDRED.

GRAND PERFORMANCE BY A STOCKPORT MAN.

On Monday the Anfield 100 miles handicap road race was brought off, the start being from Hednesford, near Shrewsbury, and the finish, near Buxton. Some of the best road men of the country competed, including R. N. Cary, of the Bath Road C.C., R. S. Cobley, of the North Road C.C., R. L. L. Knipe (Anfield B.C.), J. H. Banks (Congleton). There were 27 starters, and among them was W. Osborne, who rode in the colours of the Stockport C.C. Osborne was on the 20 minutes' mark, and riding grandly he gained no less than four minutes on Cary, the scratch man, and eventually finished up an egg first doing the 100 miles in the splendid time of 5 hr. 27m. 35m. W. R. Oppenheimer, of the Anfield, came in second, his time being 5 hr. 30m. 54s., and R. S. Cobley was third with the magnificent time of 5 hr. 35m. Cobley's time is a record for the Anfield unpaired race. Osborne rode a "Yermon" machine.

ANFIELD B.C. "FIFTY."

On Saturday the Anfield B.C. successfully carried out the first "fifty" unpaired, of the season. The roads were in excellent condition, but a strong wind troubled the men on the outward journey, and they were further hampered by the swarms of midges with which the air was filled. There were several punctures, three men—A. H. Peers (14m.), F. J. Cheminai (15m.), and A. T. Simpson (15m.)—having to retire through tyre troubles. Twelve started, and the eight following finished:—

Start	M. M. S.	Actual Time
1	W. H. Oppenheimer	4 26 51
2	S. Irving	4 33 31
3	P. Roskell	4 35 54
4	R. E. Pritchard	4 36 25
5	H. M. Buck	4 38 41
6	F. Wood	4 41 41
7	J. H. Cook	4 42 59
8	R. L. L. Knipe	4 48 59

Knipe, who was riding a machine fitted with the Bridgell gear, collided with a furniture van when coming through Holmes Chapel on the return journey. His machine was injured, and he was rather badly knocked about. He went through, however, although he had to change machines twice after the accident. Mr. H. Poole, F.R.A., acted as timekeeper.

ANFIELD B.C.'S SECOND FIFTY.

GRAND PERFORMANCE BY KNIFE.

The fifty miles unpaired handicap road ride, held by the Anfield B.C. on Saturday, was one of the most successful in the history of the club. Out of 18 entrants, all but two (F. H. Koenen, ill, and A. R. Peers) faced the starter; and of the fifteen starters, all but three (F. Shields, H. M. Buck, and H. W. Peers) went through. The roads were in capital condition, but on the return journey the men were to face a strong wind, and R. L. L. Knipe (who rode without the Bridgell gear this time) accomplished a wonderful performance, considering the wind, his time being three minutes faster than has ever been done over the course before. J. E. Green punctured, and had to change machines three times. Results:—

Start	M. M. S.	Actual Time
1	R. L. L. Knipe	3 38 15 fastest time
2	W. R. Oppenheimer	3 40 10
3	F. Wood	3 43 35

Also finished: F. Roskell, 2hr 45min 7sec; J. E. Green, 2hr 47min 46sec; W. M. Owen, 2hr 53min 9sec; S. Irving, 2hr 54min 19sec; R. E. Pritchard, 2hr 54min 57sec; F. Bird, 2hr 55min 10sec; A. T. Simpson (punctured), 2hr 55min 51sec; F. J. Cheminai; 2hr 56min 34sec; S. J. Lancaster (first attempt at speed work), 3hr 1min 54sec; L. Oppenheimer (also a novice), 3hr 15min 16sec; Mr. H. Poole, F.R.A., who was out on his motor cycle, acted as timekeeper.

The Anfield "50."

In almost continuous rain the Anfield B.C. carried out a 50 miles unpaired handicap on Saturday. The roads were "swimming," and most of the men abandoned their speed mounts in favour of roadsters. F. Roskell (5 min.), finished first, and did fastest time, viz., 2 hr 57 min 58 sec. R. E. Pritchard (18 min.) was second, 3 hr 6 min 20 sec.; H. M. Buck (15 min) third, 3 hr 10 min 30 sec. Also finished: A. H. Peers, 3 hr 20 min 30 sec; E. Buckley, 3 hr 20 min 30 sec; and W. C. Humphreys, 3 hr 27 min 40 sec.

Our Liverpool correspondent was in error in describing the fifty mile handicap, held by the Anfield B.C. last month, as the club's last race of the season. The "black Anfielders" indulged in another flutter—a fifty miles unpaired road handicap—on Saturday last, with most satisfactory results, the times of the first four men being excellent. Knipe, the scratch man, again did fastest time, but he could only get second. Results:—

Start	M. M. S.	Actual Time
1	W. R. Oppenheimer	3 38 15
2	R. L. L. Knipe	3 39 45
3	F. E. Richard	3 43 35
4	F. Cheminai	3 45 9

J. Craig (13m.), 2h. 55m. 15s.; H. M. Buck (14m.), 3h. 4m. 9s.; F. Wood and J. H. Cook also finished. The times were taken by Mr. W. F. Collier, of the Northern Roads Record Association.

The Anfield "50."

The Anfield "50" held another 50 miles unpaired handicap race on Saturday. The weather was beautiful, and the roads were in excellent condition. Results:—

Start	M. M. S.	Actual Time
1	L. Oppenheimer	3 38 15
2	E. Buckley	3 40 10
3	H. M. Buck	3 43 35

Also finished: F. J. Cheminai, 2 hr 58 min 18 sec; J. M. James, 2 hr 48 min 20 sec (fastest time); T. T. Simpson, 2 hr 50 min 50 sec; H. M. Keizer and C. E. Greenwood (tandem), 2 hr 55 min 38 sec; W. Osborn (scratch), who was riding a machine fitted with wood rims and continental tyres, met with a mishap, and did not go through. A. H. Peers was thrown out by a puncture, and others who started but did not finish were R. E. Pritchard, W. Bland, and S. J. Lancaster.

NEW NORTHERN RECORDS FOR 12 AND 24 HOURS.

THE ANFIELD TWENTY-FOUR.

SEVERAL RECORDS BEATEN.

Good Weather. The annual twenty-four hours race of the Anfield Bicycle Club, held on Friday and Saturday, the 12th and 13th, was carried out under fairly favourable conditions, as, with the exception of a gusty wind, which was particularly strong from the 12th to the 20th hour, there was nothing to grumble at in the matter of weather. In places the roads were rather loose, however, and as a consequence punctures were numerous.

Two Men Beat the 12 Hours Record.

W. R. Oppenheimer and R. L. L. Knipe both beat the Northern 12 hours paced record which stood at 207 miles (W. R. Oppenheimer), the first named covering 209 miles and Knipe 214 miles. N.R.R.A. Standard Beaten.

The standard distance of 800 miles for 24 hours (for tandems) fixed by the Northern Roads Record Association was beaten by Messrs. F. Wood and W. M. Owen, who covered 800 1/2 miles in the time.

A Grand Fight.

For the first 18 hours there was a grand fight between W. R. Oppenheimer and Oppenheimer being left alone through his pacing tandem puncturing, gave up at 800 1/2 miles, however.

Bravo, Knipe!

Knipe, who rode grandly and finished very strong, had his usual puncture troubles, having to change machines no fewer than seven times in the first eight hours. Nevertheless he beat record handsomely covering 386 miles in the 24 hours. The previous record (374 miles) was held by E. Brockley.

Complete Results.

By the first 10 m.	12 Hours.	24 Hours.
W. R. Oppenheimer	214 (record)	386 (record)
R. L. L. Knipe	214 (record)	386 (record)
W. R. Oppenheimer	209	303 1/2
Buck and Pritchard	182	303 1/2
(tandem)		
Wood and Owen	170	306 1/2 (record)
(tandem)		
S. Irving	171	294
W. R. Oppenheimer	160	294
H. W. Keizer	160	294
L. Oppenheimer	152	294

In the ranks of the famous Anfield B.C. are twenty-four riders who have covered club 50 miles in the 24 hrs. It is not that a

This Anfield 100 was held on Cheshire and Shropshire roads on Whit-Monday, and proved again an enormous success. There were no casualties of consequence to the riders, and the public were not in any manner inconvenienced, since the course was over lonely highways and every rider was travelling on his own account, which means that no pacers or followers were allowed. The arrangements were in all respects admirable, and the race was a grand success. The road was laid, and the air was consequently sweet and exhilarating. There were thirty-nine entries and twenty-five starters over a somewhat hilly course, and the winner proved to be W. Osborne, a Stockport rider, who had twenty minutes' start, and whose net time was 5 hr. 27m. 35s. Oppenheimer, of the Anfield, was second, and R. S. Cobley, of the North Road, who did the fastest time of 5 hr. 35m., was third. He was followed by J. H. Banks, of Congleton, and then came H. Westley Burman, of the Speedwell, a young Midland rider of great promise, whose first hundred it was in competition, and whose time of 5 hr. 35m. 14sec. in an unpaired time trial must be accounted exceedingly good, as the course was comparatively strange to him, and he did not have the benefit of the North Road man in a fine specimen of Saxon make, and who rode like a champion throughout the journey. This is one of the classic road events of the year, and hundreds of cyclists from all over the country were on the festive points of the long course watching the competition with the keenest of enjoyment.

W. R. Oppenheimer's record is not so much the virtue of his own before the introduction of pacing by the Anfield B.C., of Liverpool, but that he has mounted on tandems, look part of it, for which the weather was all that could be desired. The hero of the day, R. Knipe, had wretched luck. His tyres got punctured repeatedly, and he had to change machines no fewer than seven times. A pedal of one machine broke and the front-wheel spindle of another, in spite of the best of his luck, took the first prize with a fine performance of 386 miles, and thus eclipsed E. Buckley's record for northern roads of 374 miles, which had stood since 1895. Moreover, in riding 214 miles in the first twelve hours he beat M. Moyoian's more recent record of 207 miles. W. R. Oppenheimer, a Manchester member of the club, rode well in the first twelve hours, which he did 210 miles, but he gave up when he had gone 303 miles, and was beaten for the second prize by W. M. Owen and F. Wood, a tandem pair, who finished with 306 miles to their credit. They were regarded as the "tourists" of the party, but it is notable that they exceeded the standard set by the Northern Roads Record Association by the odd six miles. Their performance will therefore rank as a record. The disappointment of the race was the poor performance of the other tandem pair, Messrs. Buck and Pritchard, whose success in setting up a twelve hours record I chronicled a few weeks ago. They once again ventured forth on a machine geared to 104—far too high, but owing to the breakage of a spindle after they had ridden 105 miles they had to change on to another machine. Their second mount was geared only to 87 inches, and perhaps had they kept their own machine they would have done well. But when they had ridden another 100 miles the changed back to their own tandem, which had been needed in the meanwhile, and afterwards they collapsed. It is interesting to note that when about 125 miles had been ridden Oppenheimer was twelve minutes ahead of Knipe, but when Knipe had gone 205 miles the position was reversed. Knipe was then twelve minutes ahead of the Manchester man. There is probably no rider on either road or path who can stand hard work better than Knipe. The timekeepers were Mr. J. H. Baynes, of Manchester, and Mr. H. Poole, of Liverpool, both of whom are officials of the N.R.R.A.

Another Grand Ride.

On Saturday the 31st inst., Mr. J. M. James, of the Anfield B.C., accomplished a very fine ride on Shropshire roads. Splendidly paced and going in grand style, he covered 100 miles in 4 hr 43 min 25 sec, beating the N.R.R.A. record for single bicycle (held by C. W. Schaffer) by 12 min 30 sec, and thus regaining for his club the record it has held since 1894. The Anfield Bicycle Club now holds all the N.R.R.A. paced bicycle records.

Presentation to an Old Anfielder.

At Hunt's Cross, on Saturday week Mr. F. Edwards, a well-known member of the club, presented by his fellow-clubman with a handsome clock as a slight mark of the great esteem in which he is held by the President A. G. White, in a very graceful speech, referred to Mr. Edwards' long connection with the Anfield B.C. Mr. Edwards had been a member for 16 years, during most of which time he had been an able and hard-working committee member. He had been vice-president for several years, and a most active supporter of club fixtures always.

Nothing Daunts an Anfielder.

Despite the dense fog which prevailed on Saturday week, no fewer than 22 members of the Anfield B.C. carried out the run to Sankey Chapel. There were a few minor casualties, a gate or two, and a flock of sheep being run into, but all got through unharmed. Between Farnworth and Harrogate, on the return journey, the fog was particularly black. All the men out covered from 80 to 40 miles.

At the Anfield B.C. headquarters of the Anfield B.C. (the Club) at Anfield, Birkenhead, Liverpool, this is the first time in the history of the club that a member of the club has been elected to the position of President. The Anfield B.C. has a long and distinguished history, and its members are proud to have a member of the club elected to the position of President. The Anfield B.C. has a long and distinguished history, and its members are proud to have a member of the club elected to the position of President.



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Northern Road Records Association

As Manchester is the head-quarters of this association, I have been asked to correct several figures that have recently appeared concerning rides accomplished and in perspective. The figures against Buckley, and in the list of records, of London, and others, in the issue were incorrect, and are unreservedly withdrawn. The unpaced record has given scope for aspirants to establish new times and distances, and as the attempts have been rather numerous of late, I have had to trouble Mr. F. H. Koenen, the hon. sec., for a revised list. This season no less than nine records have been beaten against two for last year. The new paced 100-mile safety is now held by J. M. James, as 4 hr 48 min 25 sec; the 12 hours and 24 hours paced safety, by R. L. L. Knipe, at 21 1/2 miles and 3 1/4 miles respectively; the 50 mile paced tandem bicycle, by W. M. Owen and F. H. Koenen, as 1 hr 4 min 18 sec; the 24-hours paced tandem bicycle, by W. M. Owen and F. Wood, at 394 miles; all of the Anfield B.C. The new unpaced records are as follows: Fifty miles' safety, R. L. L. Knipe, as 2 hr 27 min 50 sec; 12-hours' tandem bicycle, H. M. Buck and R. E. Pritchard, at 200 miles all of the Anfield B.C. The 12-hours' unpaced bicycle, by J. A. Walker, at 196 1/2 miles; and the 24-hours unpaced bicycle, by M. Higham, at 322 miles both of the Yorkshire Roads Club.

The Anfielders of To-day.

If some historian essayed to state the doings of the Anfield B.C. from its inception in 1879, the history of cycle record sports on the road would be largely written. The photographs of the "Black Anfielders" on another page show past and present holders of records, and many have more than one name as speedmen. In the group will be found Captain Frank Rosell, A. N. Deakin, W. R. Tomlinson, Conway (Liverpool), Edinburgh record holder, E. Buckley (N.R.R.A. 24 hours), Hugh (N.R.R.A. 12 hours), W. R. Oppenheimer, D. R. Fell (wearing the star he won for being the first man to ride from London to London in one day), D. J. Bell, Mercer, President A. G. White, H. F. (N.R.R.A. and N.R.R.A. time-keeper), G. Worth, R. L. L. Knipe (N.R.R.A. 50 and 100 miles unpaced record holder, and 24 hours paced record holder), H. M. Buck and R. E. Pritchard (N.R.R.A. 24 hours unpaced tandem record holders), M. Owen (N.R.R.A. 24 hours paced record holder), E. H. Koenen (the best of many record holders), and "Jimmy" (who is now an active Anfielder).

Good All Round.

R. L. L. KNIFE, of the Anfield B.C., did a grand unpaced ride on June 9th, securing the 100 miles unpaced record on Northern roads. His time was 9 hrs. 31 mins. 52 secs., excellent going, especially as the roads were not too good. This beats the time done by W. H. Nutt in the Anfield Hundred by 7 minutes, and is the first attempt on the Northern 100 miles. The standard to be beaten was 10 hrs. 38 mins. We present to you the time which he did, and the record, on account of it being done in competition, and the fact that it was done out of court by the N.R.R.A. rules. In addition to his success for cycling, Knipe is an enthusiastic oarsman and captain of the Liverpool Victoria Rowing Club, which has been successful in races on the Dee and elsewhere. Mr. Knipe was last year awarded the silver medal of the Humayy Society, being instrumental in saving the life of a lad who fell into the Wallasey Pool, Birkenhead. He serves on the committee of the Anfield B.C., and has performed excellently well in past Anfield unpaced work is decidedly his forte.



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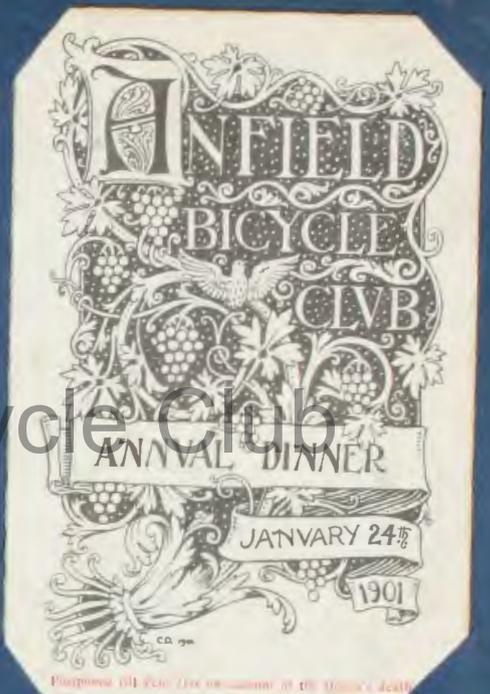


W. J. NEASON "Imperial Rover" SEPT. 1894.



FRED DEL STROTHER "Bradsh" 1874.

Knipe the Anfielder broke a spindle and a pedal and punctured continuously. Though he had to change machines seven times, he won the Anfield "24."



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Green's Challenge.

J. E. Green, of the Anfield B.C., in a letter to a contemporary, offers to ride the winner of the pursuit race at Fallowfield on Saturday, under similar conditions, if a prize forthcoming. Tommy Davies, who won this race in question, called at his office this morning, and stated his willingness to ride Green either a quarter or half-mile pursuit race, the event to take place either at Bolton or Manchester, but not at Wigan, as suggested by Green.

An Old Anfielder in Charge.

Mr. A. N. Deakin, the old Anfield crack, is now in charge of The Cycle and Motor Company's big shop in Bold Street. He has, as his lieutenant, Mr. H. McCormick, and these two gentlemen will be in command of the C. and M. Company's stand, which will contain 15 machines (Swifts and Sparkbrooks). Features of the Swift cycles are their twin stays and back-pedalling hand brakes, while the Sparkbrook is notable by reason of its duplex tubing. The Sparkbrook Duplex grand roadster, priced 23 guineas net, is a very handsome machine.

ANFIELD B.C. EASTER TOUR.

A TIME-HONOURED FUNCTION.

The Anfield Bicycle Club was formed in 1874, and every Easter since then the members have made the Glan Aber Hotel, Bettws-y-Coed, their headquarters for the whole of the first holiday of the year. This year's tour was a great success. Thirty-four members and five visitors took part in it, and but for the bad weather on Saturday and Sunday at least ten more would have made Bettws, several members having got as far as the road as Llangollen, where they remained storm-bound. The advance guard went right through on Thursday; another detachment broke the journey at Llangollen, while the main body rode into Bettws on the Friday.

after passing Llanrwst, although they had it wet again when nearing Lake Ogwen. The ride along the coast against the wind was a very stiff one, and when climbing the Pass of Nant Francon, Howden, W. P. Cook

Buckled His Back Forks,

and until he was met at Capel Curig by a motor, which had been sent to his aid, he had to get along as best he could minus a chain. At Bettws the obliging Buckley came to the rescue, and with his help the frame was straightened sufficiently to admit of the scribe doing the return journey to Liverpool wheel. Saturday night witnessed

F. J. Cheminias were in fine form, while Messrs. J. and W. Bulcock fairly eclipsed themselves. On Sunday several parties were made up, one large party walking to Capel Curig. Another big detachment rode to

Dolwyddellen,

despite the rain, and altogether a most enjoyable day was spent, adverse circumstances notwithstanding. At night an informal social was held. Monday found the men making tracks for home. Some went over the hills to Ruthin; but the main body followed the usual route through Pentre Voelas, Cerrig-y-Druidion, and Corwan, putting up at Llangollen for lunch, and at Pufford for tea. With a strong wind behind them, very fast time was done to Llangollen. Fortunately, all the party got back before the weather broke again, thus bringing to a conclusion, in comfort, another successful

Mr. G. J. Theakstone, the well-known Liverpool humorist, and a member of the Anfield B.C., who is to be married shortly, was the subject of a presentation last week.



Glan Aber Hotel, Bettws-y-Coed.

On Good Friday the weather was simply perfect, and those who had made the Glan Aber on the Thursday night enjoyed a magnificent run to Beddgelert and back, while the main body had a glorious time of it "all the way". At Cerrig-y-Druidion the M.B. fell in with the

Manchester Wheelers, good old "Jack" Eay being very much to the fore, while at Bettws, en route for Capel Curig, the Centur C.C., of Birmingham, with "Johnny" Price, "as large as life and twice as natural," was encountered. The Anfielders had their usual experience of wet weather; but several of the members carried out the circular run through Conway, Bangor, Bethesda, Pass of Nant Francon, and Capel Curig, arranged for the Saturday, and they were rewarded with fine weather

The Anfield B.C. Easter feature at Bettws-y-Coed was as successful as ever, thirty-six members and five friends participating therein, and having a most enjoyable time. The weather was on its best behaviour, except for some heavy misty rain on Saturday morning, and a strong wind. Some of the party went right through on Thursday evening, and so on as far as Llangollen, Friday and Saturday bringing further additions until the Glan Aber Hotel was full. On Saturday a grand ride to Beddgelert and Post Aberglaslyn was experienced, and on Sunday various parties were made up, one party going a stiff eighteen mile walk to Trefw and over the mountains to Capel Curig and back to Bettws, another going to Llangollen. On Monday the return journey was made by various routes, some sticking to the regular way, via Corwen and Rusbot, but quite a large party returned via Llanrwst, Llanfair Talhaiarn, Abergele, St. Asaph, Holywell, and Queen's Ferry. Nearly all the old members participated, and in the gathering were the motor-tricycles, one tandem, and three bicycles. The evenings were enlivened with musical programmes, under the direction of Mr. F. J. Cheminias, in which he and Mr. G. J. Theakstone took a prominent part, while President A. G. White presided over all the various functions, which are such pleasing features of this annual gathering.

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1902 ROAD RECORDS, 1902.
F. Roskell's 50 miles (plus one further) unpaced tricycle record made on June 14, in 2hr. 43min. 10sec. has retained the hall-mark of the Northern Road Records Association. R. L. L. Knipe's records, made in the Anfield competitions on July 18-19, for 12hr. and 24hr., were passed at 217 miles

the arrival of G. J. Theakstone, who, in view of his **Approaching Marriage**, was made much of. He was met at the station by a landau, and with R. E. Pritchard (in a wondrous rig out) acting as coachman, and several other members as horses, he was borne to the hotel with great élan. The usual social was held on Saturday night, a feature of which, this year, was the presentation to the aforementioned Theakstone of a handsome clock and ornaments as a wedding present. President A. G. White, in a most graceful manner, made the presentation, and the recipient, who was "visibly affected," becomingly and modestly acknowledged the gift. The social was one of the best ever held at Bettws. Messrs. A. T. Simpson, Pritchard, Theakstone, and

The Anfield Bicycle Club, which, as I have before said, has a number of members in Manchester, besides several in Bolton, has long had a reputation for hard riding, and there have been years in which the winter runs of the club have been better attended than the summer fixtures. These winter runs are held every Saturday, and occasionally they are enlivened by a musical evening. Mr. W. P. Cook, the honorary secretary, tells me that on Saturday week, despite of the snowstorm, no fewer than thirty members gathered at Hunt's Cross, and that twelve of them rode out. The occasion was the last of the musical evenings of this "off-season." Mr. F. J. Cheminias, who, along with Mr. F. H. Koenen, of Manchester, is a well-known club organizer, arranged the entertainment, and the chief item of a capital programme was a display of club-swinging by Mr. R. L. Knipe, the holder of the 50 and 100 mile unpaced and the 12 and 24 hour paced records for women of England, and at one time the Anfielders used to make a feature of paper chases on wheels in the winter, and it may be that they still do so; but on that point I am not clear. It was on one of those paper chases, in the winter of 1884-5, that G. P. Mills, of Sand-End-to-John-o-Groat's fame, first gave an insight into his prowess. He astonished everybody (including) long-distance riders of those days, and Mr. C. H. Stoker, a well-known pathman. No club in England—nor even the vaunted North Road club—has developed more or finer long-distance riders than this notable Liverpool club.

Perfect autumnal weather favoured the Anfield B.C. last Saturday, and the run to High Legh was supported by twenty-seven members and several friends. A very warm welcome was given to Mr. G. J. Slide on his first appearance since his return from the war, and Mr. R. L. L. Knipe received hearty congratulations on his record ride from Liverpool to Edinburgh. The week-end party toured over South Cheshire roads, and the week-end proved the best experienced for a long time.

Easter tour. Among those who took part in the tour, and who have not been previously named, were: F. H. Koenen, W. R. Toft, F. Bird, H. Poole, E. Allen Troth, F. Roskell, E. G. Worth, "Jimmie" James, D. C. Rowatt, E. Buckley, J. H. Cork, W. R. Oppenheimer, "Dan" Simpson, H. Hellier, P. C. Beardwood, "Dave" Fell, T. B. Conway, and E. Edwards.

The Usual Photo

was not taken this year, owing to the regrettable absence of C. J. Conway, who was at Newcastle along with J. K. Conway and Hugh Fraser. That trio wired the Bettws crowd as follows: "With you in spirit; hearty felicitations to Theakstone." By-the-way, C. J. Conway was represented by his famous chocolate, which has now become quite a Bettws institution.

Nothing seems to daunt the Anfield men. On Saturday week their fixture was an inter-club run with the Manchester Wheelers. High Legh was the appointed meeting-place, and either thirty-three of them ri-paired. But, alas! although High Legh is a much shorter journey from Manchester than from Liverpool, only one member of the Wheelers put in an appearance. Mr. W. P. Cook, the Anfield secretary, tells me this morning I should judge, in sorrow than in anger, Doubtless he, as an old rider, remembers the time when the Manchester Club was stronger on the road than it is to-day, and genuinely regrets its decadence. For my part I incline to make excuses for the Wheelers. Perhaps the rain was heavier on the Manchester-to-Liverpool highway than on the Liverpool-to-Warrington road. I remember going out to avoid, on the other side of the river, the "curious" (one might say about twelve years ago in order to avoid the Anfield men on their annual twenty-five hours' race, and the small hours after in preparing "speed-food" workhouse. But the men in black came not—at least not until eight o'clock the next morning. They were half-dozed, and, rousing me out of a deep sleep, explained that not the poles (as I had feared) but heavy rain in Liverpool had frustrated the race. Yet, save that the moon had now and again been obscured by a racing black cloud, it had been a fine night with me.

June NEW RECORD 1902
The attempt to establish a new unpaced fifty miles tricycle record, by Mr. F. Roskell, the captain of the Anfield B.C., was most successful. A limit standard had been fixed at three hours. The rider was started near Hodnet by Mr. H. Poole, an official timekeeper to the N.R.R.A., and accomplished the distance in 2h. 43min. 10sec. The paced record for the same distance and type of machine made in June, 1895, in 2h. 19min. 0sec., is still held by Mr. J. Fowler, of Macclesfield.



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THE NORTHERN ROAD RECORDS ASSOCIATION:

Riders and their Records in 1901.



The N.R.R.A., which has its headquarters in Manchester, was formed in 1899, and occupies a most important position in checking and recording road record attempts, paced or unpaced, taking place up to the end of the year proved a busy one for this Association, no less than nine of the time being established during the season, as compared with two claims received and passed in 1900.

The following list covers RIDERS AND THEIR RECORDS created in 1901—J. M. James (Anfield B.C.) 100 miles paced, hrs. 43 mins. 25 secs.; J. A. Walker, Leeds (Yorkshire Road Club) 100 miles; W. R. Oppenheimer and F. H. Koenen (Anfield B.C.), 50 miles tandem

Club, 12 hours unpaced, 196 miles; W. R. Oppenheimer and F. H. Koenen (Anfield B.C.) 12 hours tandem unpaced, 306 miles; W. M. Owen and Frank Wood, 24 hours tandem paced 306 miles; R. L. L. Knipe (Anfield B.C.) 24 hours safety unpaced, 385 miles; 12 hours safety paced, 384 miles; and 24 hours safety paced, 384 miles.

We will start with the FACED 100 of "Jimmy" James, the old North Roader, who is now domiciled in the Potteries. His ride, done on September 21st, is an improvement of fully 12 minutes on the old record, which has been frequently equaled by different riders unsuccessfully. It probably came as a great surprise to those who had not watched Jimmy James' return to record speed. It certainly is an improvement on anything that this crack of ten years ago ever accomplished at this distance and indicates "fitness" next year.

Coming to the records of it might be mentioned that this is the first time that records in Yorkshire (for Yorkshire Road Club medals) have been made under the rules of the N.R.R.A. and it is pleasing to see that any differences that might have existed between these two bodies have been brushed away.

The total put up by the veteran rider J. A. Walker on September 16th, is a splendid one. Starting from Wetherby, he traversed the Y.R.C. 100 mile course and created a record for Yorkshire, unpaced, by covering the distance in 5 hrs. 42 mins., and covering 196 1/2 miles in the 12 hours, the previous record being 178 miles, held by W. R. Oppenheimer. These are the remarks on the ride penned by the rider: "Not the best course that could be selected, as going for

THE Y.R.C. 100. I was compelled to go round by York to reach the good roads around Thirsk. Roads through York bad. Wind veered round in the morning, and met it going to Otterington, and again returning to Wetherby. Food failed me at Wetherby after doing the 100, and rode bad 36 miles to Thirsk, until I fed again. Lost a lot of time. Rather windy all day. A lot of excuses are generally made on a long ride of this description, and anyone is very fortunate in going through without drawbacks. In my favour was the fact that I did not have a puncture throughout, while my watchers, who followed, nearly all suffered from punctures. I rode on out and home course, finishing only half a mile short of the starting point, Wetherby."

By the way, an interesting bit of history attaches itself to the photo of Mr. Walker and his son, given on this page. The son, who is 10 minutes; he won by a foot, and Walker prize—later in the same year J. A. Walker won the Leeds Road Club "100" from scratch. These two wins caused the road racing—a rule prohibiting their handicappers and the Cup nearest the son is the Albion Cup for the "50"



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R. L. L. KNIFE (ANFIELD B.C.). Holder of fifty miles' unpaced, two and twenty four hours' paced records, all on safety. He also holds the hundred miles' unpaced safety record. The above of Mr. Knipe was especially chosen for the year and completes the interesting series of N.R.R.A. breakers in 1901.

A machine, built by Routledge, of Liverpool, for R. L. L. Knipe, of the Anfield, was one of the lightest in the Show. It weighed little more than 20lbs. FEB 02



Anfield Bicycle Club. A most satisfactory state of affairs was reported at the annual general meeting of the above old established club. (The) meeting in 1901 was particularly well-attended, the average attendance at the 84 general meetings being 275, which is higher than the previous best. Messrs. H. M. Buck, W. R. Toft, and F. Roskell attended every run, and the same might have said of Mr. W. P. Cook (hon. sec.) had not business taken him to the Continent in December, thus causing him to miss the last three runs. The club holds a fine string of Northern records, and it was never in a healthier condition.

Easter Tour. The time-honoured tour to Bettws-y-Coed will be held at Easter, and, as usual, the (Glan) Aber Hotel will be made the club's headquarters. No dinner will be held this year, the musical evenings having proved so successful that it is felt, that there is no call for a mid-week fixture in town. The usual programme of tours, time trials, and runs will be carried out during the present year.

Officials. Mr. F. Roskell was re-elected captain; Messrs. F. H. Koenen and F. J. Cheminais, sub-captains; Mr. C. J. Conway hon. treasurer, and Mr. W. P. Cook, 15, Brunswick Street, Liverpool, hon. secretary. The only change in the committee was the election of Mr. H. M. Buck in place of Mr. J. B. Conway. JAN 1902.

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above-mentioned, and the Ebor Cup is the other. This was for J. A. Walker's 100 miles in 1899 (5 hrs. 42 mins. record (unpaced). Not being timed by the R.R.A. or N.R.R.A. it was not recognised by either body. But to resume: Mark Higham started for the "24" on September 18th, after putting the ride off twice on account of bad weather. The day was rather blowy, and a LATE START was MADE. The night, too, was very dark and several of his "followers" collided with cows or tumbled into the hedges. He succeeded, under these unfavourable circumstances, in putting in a ery

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ANOTHER GRAND RIDE BY KNIFE. That fine all-round athlete, Mr. R. L. L. Knipe, of the Anfield B.C., on Saturday week, he covered the 200 miles lying between Liverpool and Edinburgh in 14h. 40min., unpaced, thus beating the record of 15h. 38min. held by W. M. Jolly, by 40min. Knipe started from Liverpool at 4.20 a.m., and, notwithstanding that he was pulled up several times by punctures, and was handicapped by greasy roads between Lancaster and Kendal, and the bad condition of Shap, he was never once disheartened, but went from start to finish, full of pluck and enthusiasm. Knipe's time is only 14 minutes slower than the paced record, held by T. B. Conway. 1902.

ESTATE OF A LIVERPOOL TOBACCO IMPORTER. The estate of the late Mr. David Rowatt, of the firm of Rowatt and Lyon, tobacco importers, Liverpool, who died recently at his residence in Waterloo, and whose will has just been proved, has been sworn at £63,888 net. The residuary estate, for certain legacies, including two of £10,000, two of £5,000, and one of £2,000, the testator bequeaths the residue of the estate and his business to his son. MAY 1902.

A MUSTER OF THIRTY-FIVE. Probably the largest turn-out of any club in the country on Saturday week was that of the Anfield B.C., who mustered thirty-five for the run to Warrington. Some of the men who went the long way, via Chester and has again been elected chief in charge of the club's musical evenings, which are held periodically in connection with the Saturday afternoon winter runs. NOV. 1902.

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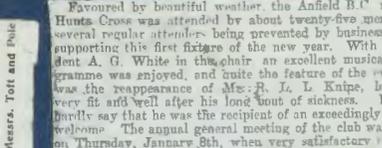
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THE ANFIELD TWENTY-FOUR HOURS.
The members had a record of their annual 24-hour event on Monday, June 15, 1902. The weather was ideal for the occasion. The weather was up to the mark and the men were in excellent condition. The following are the names of the riders who took part in the event: H. Nutt, R. C. C. and J. W. Fisher. The winners were H. Nutt and R. C. C. who both covered 240 miles in 24 hours. The other riders were: J. W. Fisher, M. P. G. and J. C. G. The event was a great success and the members were very pleased with the result.

AUG. A CORRECTION 1902.
Through a slip on the part of the printers, the Anfield B.C.'s last fifty was described as paced, whereas, of course, it was unpaced, as are all this club's fifty miles road trials nowadays. In addition to the men named last week, the following did good rides:— W. Arnold (15min.), actual time 2h. 57min. 11sec.; F. Roskell (tricycle), (10min.) 2h. 55min. 48sec.; S. J. Lancaster (10min.) 2h. 52min. 55sec.; C. E. Griswood (20min.) 3h. 3min. 45sec.; R. E. Prichard (10min.), 2h. 57min. 18sec. (punctured); E. H. Fox (10min.), 2h. 58min. 2sec.; A. H. Maddock (25min.), 3h. 16min. 2sec.; and H. Park (20min.), 3h. 17min. Mr. H. Poole, R.R.A., took the times, and Mr. A. G. White acted as judge.

AN OLD SPIRIT.
The portrait we give below is that of Mr. A. N. Deakin, who will be remembered by old timers as a crack performer in Anfield races of years ago and an ever-ready path man. Like many other old time men, Mr. Deakin has given up pedalling in favour of motor-cars, and he is now quite an expert motorist. At the members' meeting, he turned out in the members' mile handicap, but although the spirit was willing, the flesh was weak, and he had to take a back seat to the more active breed.

INVALID KNIFE.—Mr. Bull appears to have been taken the effects of his own severe illness. I learn that he formed one of the best of the club's fifty miles road trials, and he has recently returned to health is nothing short of an expert. He must have a better constitution.

SOMETHING LIKE A YEAR'S CYCLING.—Last year Mr. W. P. Cook, the honorary secretary of the Anfield B.C., covered 7,260 miles, 5,500 miles of which were done with the club. Fifty four runs and tours were carried out by the club, every one of which was attended by Mr. Cook. The "Operation Tour" was one of the longest ever undertaken by the Anfielders, the distance covered in the four days being up to 325 miles or eighty miles per day, and in a little country.

HIDES A CHAINLESS IN THE WINTER. In addition to his riding with the club, Mr. Cook did a good deal of touring on a Raleigh tandem, and a free-wheel single last summer. In the winter months he rides a chainless machine, and in his present mood of that type he has covered many hundreds of miles. Last year Mr. Cook was exceedingly fortunate in the matter of freedom from the troubles. On his Humber motor-cyclo, fitted with 18in. Dunlop pneumatic tyres, reinforced by narrow South's bands, he covered 5,400 miles with only four punctures. Two of the punctures occurred on his second turn-out on the machine, and on the same day. The broken piece of glass was the cause of them.



THE ANFIELD B.C.'S FIRST FLUTTER OF THE SEASONS.
The Anfield Bicycle Club successfully carried out its first fifty miles unpaced trial on Saturday. The roads were good, but the wind was very strong and troublesome. The weather was up to the mark and the men were in excellent condition. The following are the names of the riders who took part in the event: H. Nutt, R. C. C. and J. W. Fisher. The winners were H. Nutt and R. C. C. who both covered 50 miles in 1 hour and 15 minutes. The other riders were: J. W. Fisher, M. P. G. and J. C. G. The event was a great success and the members were very pleased with the result.

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Bravo, Anfield!
Notwithstanding the terrible snowstorm and big counter-attractions in the Cycle Show and Ping-pong Tournament, no fewer than 45 members and friends of the Anfield B.C. turned up at Hunt's Cross on Saturday night week. Among the dozen brave hearts who made the journey a wheel were D. H. Fell, E. G. Worth, W. H. Toft, H. M. Buck, H. Park, F. Roskell, and W. P. Cook. Mr. H. Poole and W. Arnold (who started from Manchester on a tandem) got as far as Lynton. They then took train to Speke, and rode from there to Hunt's Cross.

Interesting Display by Knife.
Mr. A. McCall was the accompanist, and among others who gave "turns" were Messrs. Henderson, F. H. Keenan, F. Smith, W. Nick-on, A. E. Harrison, A. T. Simpson, J. Simpson, W. Arnold, and Frank Coops, the last-named giving some very fine recitations. Probably the most notable feature of the entertainment was a fine display of club swinging by that grand all-round athlete, R. L. L. Knipe.

ON A ROVER.—In the Anfield B.C.'s annual report we notice the following reference to a twenty-four hour ride by Mr. W. Crompton Humphreys, the Rover Cycle Company's pushing Manchester manager:—"Mr. Humphreys finished out time with a total of 310 miles, and thereby secured Mr. E. A. Coote's special prize for fourth place with a most meritorious performance; and we all feel that it is well there was such a prize, for Mr. Humphreys' ride was excellent enough to have secured a place in any previous year's list. It is a pity our friend Mr. Humphreys is as energetic at his play as he is at his business."



The Anfield Annual.
The report and accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1901, of the famous Anfield B.C. show the old club to be in a thoroughly sound and flourishing condition. The bon secretary's (Mr. W. P. Cook) report, which occupies 16 of the 42 pages most interesting reading. It is every important event of the year is dealt with in a pleasing manner, and that Mr. Cook appears in every page. I notice that three members attended every run held (54, one member 52, two 51, and twenty one half the runs held. Seven members of the monthly meetings held. The club has 100 active members and 19 honorary members. Conducive to Longevity. "Our membership list," writes Mr. Cook, "continues to grow in a healthy way, the resignations having been 12 and the additions to membership 18; but I have to record, with great regret, the death of Mr. J. W. Fisher, an old member, who joined us when the Bootle B.C. amalgamated with us. Mr. Fisher was a valued member of the Bootle B.C., and was no less active with us, so that his loss is one many of us will feel keenly, particularly as it is only the second loss the club has suffered by death since it was formed." The italics are mine. With a big membership like the Anfield Club has always had (and it was formed as far back as 1879), it seems extraordinary that only two members should have been lost by death. All the year-round riding is evidently conducive to good health and longevity. JAN. 1902.

ANFIELD FIFTY 1902.
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ANFIELD'S FINE PERFORMANCE.
F. Roskell, the popular captain of the Anfield B.C., made a successful onslaught on Saturday week on the N.R.R.A. standard of three hours, to create a record for a 50 mile tricycle spin unpaced. Riding very strongly he covered the distance in the splendid time of 2 hours 43 mins. to secs. a record which should stand for some time. By the way, the R.R.A. record is 2 hours 35 mins. to secs. JUNE 1902.

Looking Forward to Easter.
"With the advent of March," continues Mr. Cook, "the club's fixtures are further ahead. Chester, Hulford, and High Legh were to be visited, and everyone is looking forward to the Easter tour in North Wales, when the Glan Aher at Bettws-y-Coed is to be the headquarters, as usual."

THE MUD PLUGGERS. MAR 1902.
Mr. Cook writes: "Saturday week was not a very inviting day, but 23 members of the Anfield Bicycle Club rode out to Croton. The roads were in a worse state than they experienced this winter, the morning's rain having made them one mass of slush and water, so that, in places, they were almost unrideable. An informal smoking concert was held after tea, and advantage of the gathering was taken to pass a very hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Cheminias for the very able way in which he has conducted the series of monthly evening rides in connection with the weekly runs."



The above is a group of the famous Anfielders. The photograph was taken by Mr. C. J. Conway, the club photographer, and comes out remarkably well considering that a drizzle was falling at the time it was taken. In the front row are excellent likenesses of the president of the club, Mr. A. G. White (in the centre), W. M. Owen, F. H. Keenan, R. E. Prichard, and James Park (winner of the twenty-four hour ride). In the second row are E. G. Worth, N. M. Bigham, G. B. Mercer (winner of the twenty-four hour ride), and W. P. Cook (hon. sec.). In the third row are H. Heilner and W. R. Toft (tricycle record holders), and in the back row, H. Poole (R.R.A. and N.R.R.A. timekeeper), H. Fraser ("Kangaroo" Fraser), and T. B. Conway (Liverpool to Edinburgh record holder).

At the Easter headquarters of the Anfield B.C. Club



HIGH LEFT ANFIELD B.C. JULY, 1903
Formed in 1876, and is a road riding club, par excellence. The "Black Anfielders" ride all the year round, and indulge in touring as well as road racing. One of the first to abandon the antiquated club run, features merely consist of meeting at a weekly. Membership well maintained at about 115, and average attendance last year was about 50 for all the year-round events. Their famous "Junction 100" the only road race in a ride now held and two or three handicaps always prove excellent sport.



THE CRYPTO ROAD RACER.

Encouraged by excellent weather and good roads the Anfield B.C. August holiday tour in North Wales was most successful. The ordinary Sunday ride was interrupted and the tour was continued. Back via the Great Valley of Brycheiniog some roads for a mile. The Sunday ride was continued for a day and then the ride to the Great Valley was resumed. The Sunday ride was continued for a day and then the ride to the Great Valley was resumed. The Sunday ride was continued for a day and then the ride to the Great Valley was resumed.



Anfielders Break Record.
Starting at Hednesford on Friday, July 10, 1903, the Anfield B.C. attempted to break the 100-mile record. They had to beat 1 hour for the journey and they did with 16 minutes to spare. The ride was very stormy with heavy wind and heavy rain, and a large party of the Anfielders were put out of the journey about 10 miles from Hednesford. The record was broken in 1 hour 16 minutes. 1903.



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AT MANCHESTER.



THE ANFIELD 'OPEN HUNDRED'.
J. H. Bank starting at Hednesford. The Checking Station at Hednesford. R. S. Coble riding steadily. (See page 1904.)

Anfielders' Officers.
The annual meeting of the Anfield Bicycle Club was held on the 15th of last week, and was one of the largest and most enthusiastic meetings held in many years. A racing and touring programme, very similar to that carried out in 1903, was decided upon, the most important change being the decision to run the 24 hours ride with only pacing by singles allowed. Easter will be spent in North Wales, with Bettws-y-Coed as the centre, and an all-night ride of about 150 miles will be held in June. Mr. A. C. White was re-elected president, and the captaincy is once more assumed by Mr. W. R. Toff, while the hon. treasurer, Mr. W. M. Owen, 25, Coltart Road, Liverpool, and the hon. secretary, Mr. W. P. Cook, 7, Brunswick Street, Liverpool, were again re-elected, together with the following executive—Vice-presidents, Messrs. H. B. Mercer and E. G. Worth; Messrs. R. L. L. Knipe and F. H. Komen committee Messrs. H. M. Buck, J. J. Cheminias, T. B. C. F. Edwards, H. Heller, Irving, H. Doolle and W. Venables. JAN. 1904.

I have always been a great admirer of the Anfield Bicycle Club, of which I was at one time an honorary member, but I am afraid that Mr. Cook claims too much for his club when he says that it was the first to run 24 hours' rides on the road, and is the oldest road club in existence. The Pickwick Bicycle Club is the oldest bicycle club, and the Anfield is a "bicycle" club, not a "road" club. It is a bicycle club that rides on the road, but so is the Pickwick, and so are several other clubs, older than the Anfield. As to 24 hours' road rides, I do not know the year in which the Anfield Bicycle Club held its first, but I do know that the London Tricycle Club held an open 24 hours' road ride in the year 1883, in which I myself secured a medal. In the following year the North London Tricycle Club held a 24 hours' road ride confined to its own members, in which I took the first prize, and these events were at the time, and always have remained in my memory, the first twice-round-the-clock rides promoted by any club in the world. The Anfield has such a splendid record of genuine deeds that it has no need to claim more than its due share. IRISH CYCLIST 1904.

At a meeting of the Anfield B.C. on the 15th of last week, the following were elected: President—Mr. A. C. White; Vice-presidents—Messrs. H. B. Mercer and E. G. Worth; Treasurer—Mr. W. M. Owen; Secretary—Mr. W. P. Cook; Committee—Messrs. H. M. Buck, J. J. Cheminias, T. B. C. F. Edwards, H. Heller, Irving, H. Doolle and W. Venables. JAN. 1904.



Photo by Anfield B.C. Intest club group taken recently at the Kilton, Moo Green, on the occasion of an ordinary club run. (Mr. O. J. Cox)



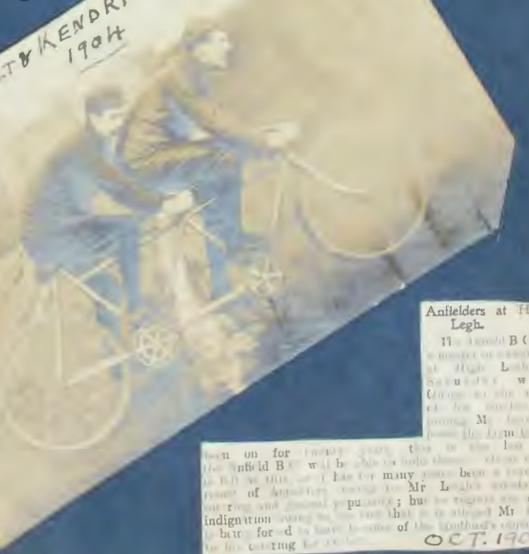
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Anfielders at High Legh.

The Anfield B.C. club was formed in 1876 and is the oldest road club in existence. It has a long and successful record of road racing and touring. The club has many members and is very active. The club has a long and successful record of road racing and touring. The club has many members and is very active.

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THE ANFIELD "100."
The Road Riders' Derby.

THE ANFIELD "100," the most important road event of the year, started on Monday, the 23rd, and was won by E. J. Cody, who had an allowance of 24 minutes. The race was run on a course of 100 miles, starting from the North Road Club, and finishing at the same place. The race was won by E. J. Cody, who had an allowance of 24 minutes. The race was won by E. J. Cody, who had an allowance of 24 minutes.

the first and second places in the race were both secured by members of the North London C.C., but though R. H. Paul won the Vegetarian Club, he did not hold the title of the former club. He had a job, but only ran first place in his older and weaker performance. Club-mate, Bishop, by a very close race.

TIMES AND PLACINGS

Name.	Club	Time	Handicap
1. I. Wingrave	North Road	5 hr. 15 min.	8 min.
2. W. H. Bishop	North Road	5 hr. 17 min.	5 min.
3. W. T. Bishop	North London	5 hr. 20 min.	2 min.
4. R. H. Paul	Vegetarian	5 hr. 25 min.	5 min.
5. A. Charlesworth	Manchester Wheelers	5 hr. 27 min.	5 min.
6. S. C. Taylor	Anfield	5 hr. 30 min.	5 min.
7. I. A. Fisher	Unity	5 hr. 31 min.	5 min.
8. C. H. Brian	Unity	5 hr. 32 min.	5 min.
9. F. I. Howe	Unity	5 hr. 33 min.	5 min.
10. J. Taylor	Manchester Wheelers	5 hr. 34 min.	5 min.
11. J. Taylor	Unity	5 hr. 35 min.	5 min.
12. J. Taylor	Manchester Wheelers	5 hr. 36 min.	5 min.
13. F. I. Howe	Manchester Wheelers	5 hr. 37 min.	5 min.
14. E. J. Cody	Vegetarian	5 hr. 38 min.	5 min.
15. H. Higham	Anfield	5 hr. 39 min.	5 min.
16. W. C. Tierney	Vegetarian	5 hr. 40 min.	5 min.

THE ANFIELD "HUNDRED"
A GREAT ROAD RACE.

The Anfield "100" was a great success, and was won by E. J. Cody, who had an allowance of 24 minutes. The race was run on a course of 100 miles, starting from the North Road Club, and finishing at the same place. The race was won by E. J. Cody, who had an allowance of 24 minutes.

Anfield "50."
An Anfield "50" was run off on Saturday, the 24th, and was won by E. J. Cody, who had an allowance of 24 minutes. The race was run on a course of 50 miles, starting from the North Road Club, and finishing at the same place. The race was won by E. J. Cody, who had an allowance of 24 minutes.

A Northern Speedman.
E. J. Cody of the Anfield B.C., whose performance in the club road events this year, riding from 200 to 100 miles, has put him in the first two and second to the third in the Anfield "100" and "50" races, was the winner of the Northern Speedman, a 100-mile race, which was won by E. J. Cody, who had an allowance of 24 minutes.

The first prize was won by W. T. Bishop of the North London C.C. (22min. allowance) who spent 5hrs. 20min. 39sec. in the race. The second prize was won by R. H. Paul of the Vegetarian C.C. (20min. allowance) who spent 5hrs. 25min. 15sec. in the race. The third prize was won by H. Higham of the North Road Club (15min. allowance) who spent 5hrs. 30min. 15sec. in the race.

The result of the Anfield "100" at the week-end was—1st, E. J. Cody (24min. allowance), 5hrs. 38min. 38sec.; 2nd, R. A. Rudd (35min.), 5hrs. 22min. 32sec.; 3rd, W. G. Tierney (15min.), 6hrs. 2min. 53sec. Cody got the first prize and fastest time.



E. J. Cody, who won the Anfield "100" as reported in last week's "Cycling."



E. J. CODY, Anfield B.C.



The Edinburgh to York Record Broken by a Wide Margin.
UNSUCCESSFUL ATTEMPT ON THE WORK TO LONDON RECORD.

On Friday last the Edinburgh to York race was undertaken by Mr. Martin and Mr. Voad, Walpole, of the Bath Road Club, who were successfully attempted by G. L. Knipe and S. Irving, the previous time of 1hr. 17min. being beaten by the splendid margin of 43min. Starting from the G.P.O., Edinburgh, at 5 a.m. on Friday morning, the 7th, they tackled the long rise, and later went flying down the drop into Coldstream, 48 miles, in 2hr. 30min.—a performance that made some motorists who met at that place stare. They were at this stage well looked after by Mr. Swan. The road from Wooler to Morpeth is very trying, but the Sturton Archers' Special gear here served them well up Weldon Hill (1.13). They arrived at Morpeth at 10.15, too early for food, and so left at 10.40, reaching Newcastle at 12.45, at which place Mr. Alf. Scooter, of the Rover firm, gave them a good rub down and every assistance. They continued to get ahead of their timetable, and reached Darlington at 1.30. The heat was now terrific, and a cross wind proved troublesome. Leaving Darlington at 2 p.m., they were checked through Northalton and Thirsk, and arrived at York at 4.35 p.m. As they were not expected so early, the timekeepers arranged for by Mr. Zimms, of the Yorkshire B.C., were just leaving the city by a direct route, as the record breakers came in the best way they could, and so missed them and the assistance they would have been rendering on the way through the city. The record was broken by a wide margin.

At the Centre...

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Our photograph is of the Anfield B cycle Club, taken two years after its foundation. This is the earliest picture extant of the club, which recently celebrated its jubilee. The huntsman's garb, the cycling dress of that day, will be noted.

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