

SECRETARY'S REPORT 1975

Open Events

Four events were promoted, commencing with the Reliability Trial in February, which attracted 60 entries and continuing with the Road Race in April held on the new Thakeham circuit. The 25 mile Time Trial in June was competed for on a very hot Saturday afternoon and was the first Excelsior event to receive live coverage on Radio Brighton when organiser Tony Palmer reported from the Poling studio!

Our last promotion consisted of a series of 5 "Kermesse" races ridden, with the co-operation of the council and police, on a closed section of the Worthing seafront on August Bank Holiday Sunday morning.

Racing

Club events were generally well supported, with the evening series again proving its popularity - the quantity of juniorriders perhaps auguring well for '76.

Touring

Club run interest was maintained, contributed to, in no small way, by touring secretary Dave Hudson. Members enjoyed excursions of varying duration with some partaking in C.T.C. organised expeditions to Sweden and Romania.

Social

Approximately 60 persons were sustained by the provender proffered by "Puttick Promotions" for his enjoyable Christmas engorgement.

The annual dinner did not, perhaps, receive the same universal acclaim and your committee are in the process of rethinking the format for the coming year.

The cost of the hiring of the club room was tripled by the council early in the year and although attendances have hardly increased in the same proportion, interest has certainly been continued.

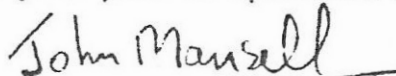
General

A variety of sojourns were arranged, amongst which were visits to the York Rally and the 6 day events at Wembley and Antwerp.

Members continue to receive the benefit of Norman Macmillan's enthusiasm and expertise in their quest for fitness (Norman is now a qualified BCF coach).

Theo and Vera Puttick, on behalf of the club, were awarded the Whitehead Trophy by the Worthing Road Safety Committee, mainly for involvement in the cycling section of the road safety rally.

In closing this report I thank you for your past co-operation and anticipate its continuance.



John Mansell
General Secretary