

BORDER CITY WHEELERS

AN ACCOUNT OF THE CLUBS ACTIVITIES DURING MARCH 1951.

March 4th.

An INTER-CLUB 10 miles TT was held on a Carlisle course. D. Skelton recorded fastest time with a 26.12. C. Tickell managed 4th place with 28.12. The weather was exceptionally cold when the club proceeded to Newcastleton for lunch. Although the wind faced the riders in the afternoon a good run was enjoyed passed Armitage Castle to Langholm for tea. On the homeward journey two new members joined the club after a week-end hosteling.

March 7th.

The A.G.M. was held in the club room at Swifts Row, starting fairly prompt the business was soon dispensed with. The following committee were elected for 1951. President. W.T. TIFFEN: Chairman. J.D. BLACKETT: General Sec. R. ELLIOTT: Treasurer. S. FRENCH: Racing Sec. J.K. ROGERSON: Club Captain. T. MOSCROP: D. SKELTON and F. BAKER. Timekeeper, S. FRENCH: Handicapper. J. MACDONALD: Auditors. H. ADAMSON and J. REAY.

Club subs. were raised from 4/- to 6/- and 2/6 to 4/- for juniors. Standard medals were abolished for this year owing to the financial situation of the club.

March 11th.

Six members set off for West Cumberland to compete in the NWTTA MG. 25, it was doomed to be a bad day for the riders. Four late starts and one crash, D. Skelton and C. Hardman were placed 3rd and 4th in the event. The main bunch of the club had lunch at Cockermouth and were joined by the racing section. A grand run was enjoyed over Newlands Pass where a would be fast man lost a complete leg of his trousers on the run down. Mosedale was the tea venue, 22 members sat down to tea the biggest attendance this year.

March 18th.

A miserable type of day rain fell nearly all day, the club was split into several sections, some going over the border, two went over Hartside and met others at Penrith for tea.

March 25th.

Easter week-end and what depressing weather it was, five members made there way to Langholm for lunch. Two poachers (tandem) tried to catch pheasants without success but ajourned to the Buck Hotel for liquid refreshment. The club arrived home early owing to the bad weather.

Tickets for the club drawing are available from R. ELLIOTT.
1 BROOKSIDE PLACE.

RACING DATES 1951.

May 10th	Junior Championship	10.
27th	Tiffen Cup	25.
June 7th	Junior Championship	10.
July 19th	" "	15.
29th	Club	50.
Sept. 9th	Club	100.

The N.C.U. rally is to be held at Park House this year, a good programme is being planned so let's have some good support.

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An account of the clubs activities during April 1951.

April 1st. The club held its first event of the season on Sunday. A 25 miles T.T. medium gear (72") Scratch man D. Skelton won the event to set up a new club record for the distance followed closely by C. Tickell another young rider showing promise. Leading Times were as follows:- 1st D. Skelton 1 - 7 - 42; 2nd C. Tickell 1 - 9 - 43; 3rd F.W. Atkinson 1 - 10 - 22. Handicap winners:- 1st C. Tickell 1 - 9 - 43 less 2.00; 2nd F.W. Atkinson 1 - 10 - 22 less 2.30; 3rd R. Sheekley 1 - 15 - 11 less 7 - 15

April 8th. The run was by the back road to Penrith & Shap for dinner. In the Afternoon it was by Orton, Sunbigger Tarn & a dash into Appleby just in time for a quick one. One or two of the racing men joined the club for tea at Penrith after racing unsuccessfully in the West.

April 15th. The racing section travelled across the Border to compete in the Lorburn Wheelers 25 mile event. A fairly strong N.W. wind blew across the course slowing the riders a bit. M. Angus the Scottish massed start champion won the event with a time of 1 - 6 - 15.

Border City riders recorded creditable times G. Barnes improving of his last performance by 17 mins.

April 22nd. Ten members left the Crescent to tackle Sty Head Pass, & lurching at Keswick they soon progressed to Stockley Bridge. Where Shouldering cycles the stiff climb to the top was made. A few photographs were taken on the way over, and before Wastdale Head was reached a few cycles & old shoes were going cheap. An enjoyable run was concluded round Wastwater & home via Egremont & Cockermouth.

April 24th. An inter-club 10 was held at night. R. Wallace C. R. C. recorded the fastest time with 24 - 44. D. Skelton & C. Tickell second & third. "Hook Hewson" riding in his first event lifted first handicap with the very good time of 27 - 43. G. Barnes managed third handicap.

April 29th A strong North Westerly wind blew eleven riders to Alston for lunch, the run was to have been over Nenthead but weather conditions changed this & instead a fast run over Hartside an through the lanes to Templesoverby. A short halt was called whilst "Hook Hewson" endeavoured to win his tea money. Penrith was the Tea venue and the riders made their way home by Skelton and Dalston. The stayer visited Brock for the first time and acheived a three year ambition in doing a 1 - 9 - 54 J.D. will have to look around now for a third man for his long markers team. A certain member has offered to put a cup on J. D. sideboard provided he beats this member in three events this year. The sideboard is cleared ready the cup is still in the shop, and J. D. won't get out of bed. Could be he is after a different record??

Notes: A few members have not paid their club subs yet it is hoped they will do so before the next event.

Entry forms are available for the following club 10. May 10th entries close on 28th April. Maryport 25 May 20th entries close on 10th May. Club runs are:-

6/5/51.	Impromptue.	
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20/5/51	Threlkeld Grisedale Pass Penrith.	
27/5/51	Tiffen Cup.	1.30 pm Club members