

BORDER CITY WHEELERS.

An Account of the clubs activities during May 1951.

May 6th. N.W.T.T.A. 25. Twelve entrants took part in the Associations 25. one or two were none starters. F.W. Atkinson carried a parcel for 20 miles before deciding to pack up. Times were much slower than usual C. Tickell showing the fastest time for the B.C.W. riders.

May 10th. The first event of the Junior Championship and the club 10 was held. D. Skelton recorded the fastest time with C. Tickell second fastest, but winning the first event of the junior series. A point to note is that all the riders beat 'evens'

May 13th. Being Whit. week end the club was split up some of the fast men going over the border to St. Marys Loch, while two went over Scarth Gap into Ennerdale.

May 20th. With the exception of two or three riders some of the racing men are not striking form yet. In the Maryport C.C. 25 C. Tickell recorded his fastest time of the year 1.5.58 whilst 'Paris Skelton' remained static with a seven. After the event some of the members made their way to Penrith for tea. Owing to the uncertain weather the Grisedale Pass run was cancelled.

May 27th. In gale conditions the Border City Wheelers held the Annual Tiffen Cup race. C. Tickell won the event & cup with the very good time of 1 hr. 6. mins. 13. secs. R. Hewson riding in his first 25 recorded a creditable 1 hr. 12. mins. 35. secs. In the Afternoon 10 members went to Anthorn to try out the new massed start circuit. Arrangements are now in hand for the use of the perimeter for training purposes through the week.

Notes:- Mr S. T. French has kindly donated 10/- to the open '50' for the winner if breaking the course record of 2hrs. 6 mins. 49 secs.

A Tuesday night training run has been arranged meeting at the Crescent at 7 o'clock sharp. Any fast men interested will be welcomed. Please note bundles will be left at home & D. S. will follow the bashers round with brush & shovel & will deliver the remains.

The Club drawing was a huge success & the committee are pleased to state that the club finances benefited considerably from the same. Practically all the tickets were sold and the prize winners are as follows:-

1. Parcel of Groceries. No. 1191 Mrs Adamson, 5, Gilford Crescent, Harraby.
2. 50 Cigarettes. No. 1264 Sec. Lakeland Clarion, 37 Crown St. Cockermouth.
3. Ball Pen. No. 247 T. Mills Caldewgate.
4. Cigarette Lighter. No. 1059 Madge Cook, 11, Lord Street, Carlisle.
5. Pr. Nylons. No. 265 R. Holliday 21 Church Street, Carlisle.
6. One Bottle Port. No. 496 Mrs Thompson 118 Orton Road, Carlisle.
7. Safety Razor. No. 1334 G. Horne, 13 Dobinson Road, Carlisle.
8. Box Chocolates No. 952 Miss E. Harper 58 Baird Road, Harraby.
9. Book Token No. 139 J. Breckan 15 Raffles Avenue, Carlisle.

D. Skelton sold most books & won the prize with 13 books.

Next months club runs:-

3rd.	Cockermouth	Monister Pass	Bothel	9.0.a.m.
10th.	T.T.A. '50'	impromptue		1.30. p.m.
17th.	Open '50'	impromptue		1.30. p.m.
24th.	Bonchester	Jedburgh	Langholme	9.0.a.m.

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- 3rd. An hour after dawn a party of riders left to compete in the Cumberland & Westmorland N.C.U. 25 miles T.T. D. Skelton struck his best form this year recording 1 hr. 2 mins. 59 secs. for second place, only 31 secs. slower than the winner. After the event the club went to Cockermouth for lunch and punctures. The weather continued perfect for the run to be completed over Honister Pass & on by Borrowdale & Bothel Craggs for tea.
- 10th. T.T. 50 miles road race was run on the local course & C. Hardman resuming his racing after an illness had the best time for the club riders, his being a 2 - 19 - 54. F.W. Atkinson did a 2 - 20 - 44 & J.K.R. 2 - 21 - 8. Conditions were fairly hard.
- 17th. The Annual Open 50 was held today. It proved to be a bit of a dissapointment both regards to the poor entry & the bad weather. Only about half of the 57 entrants started & the winner being R. Wallace for the second year in succession
- 24th. Five Cumberland clubs combined in a inter club 30 Good times were recorded & D. Skelton once again proved that he is not far behind Wallace the local 'crack' in short distance events. The club did very well out of the race gaining second fastest with D. Skelton & second & third handicaps with G. Barnes & R. Sheckley respectively. After the race the Club run was to Newcastleton for lunch & then on via Bonchester Bridge to Jedburgh. One member received a very large bundle on the return journey & after being persuaded that he wouldn't die as he first hoped he managed to recover & made home in one piece.

Notes:- The N.C.U. rally is in July & after a civic Welcome by Mr Partridge Deputy Mayor it will be held at Park House.

Runs for next month are:-

	Lunch	Tea
8/7/51	Alston Stanhope & Bardon Mill	
15/7/51	N.C.U. Rally Parkhouse.	
19/7/51	Club & Junior 15.	
22/7/51	T.T.A. 100	
29/7/51	Club 50	

Forms available for the above.