West of Scotland Cyclists' Defence Committee

THE SEVENTEENTH

Cumnock Rally

26th & 27th June, 1954
OFFICIAL PROGRAMME 3d

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THE CYCLIST'S WEEKLY NEWSPAPER
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THE
CUMNOCK RALLY

with

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West of Scotland Cyclists' Defence Committee

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In 1839 at Cumnock, Ayrshire, MacMillan, Blacksmith, invented the World's First Pedal Propelled Bicycle.

In so doing, "Daft Pate" gave to the world a machine whose offsprings proved to be "a boon and a blessing to man."

Later on clubs were founded, first two being the National Cyclists' Union and the (now) Cyclists' Touring Club. Each founded in 1878.

New types of pedal propelled cycles arrived and departed and a new industry and new organisations arose catering for cyclists. To-day a mighty Cycle Industry and Touring Organisations are all built round—"The Bike."

Mechanically propelled vehicles, the offsprings of the "Humble Bike," appeared on the roads, and in so doing introduced problems that multiply each day.

Cyclists had now to fight for the right of keeping their place on the road, and clubs spent much time and money so that all cyclists could legitimately use "for the purpose of passage" every road in the land—their roads.

Tribute is paid here to the C.T.C. for their everlasting fight to preserve that right.

Years flew past, until in 1935 mass meetings organised by the C.T.C. were held in every area. Arising from a joint Glasgow mass meeting, the West of Scotland Cyclists' Defence Committee was founded in March of that year.

Sunday afternoon propaganda rallies were held, then in 1938 the first Cumnock Rally was held in August. Since then the Cumnock Rally has carried on without a break, war or no war, and is purely a side-line to the main work—Cyclists' Defence.

In the presentation of the Seventeenth Cumnock Rally we now introduce our Rally Chairman, Mr. D. D. McLauchlan. Mr. McLauchlan is Director of Publicity for Hercules Cycle & Motor Co. Ltd., was a Committee Member of our Twin Rally—the Birmingham Festival of Cycling—and is intimately connected with the N.C.U. Leamington Spa Rally. Finally, as the name shows, "Mac" is a Scot.

We also welcome our own Alex. Beith, "The Voice of Cumnock."

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That the C.T.C. has always fought, is still fighting—and will continue to fight—to defend your rights as a road-user?
The C.T.C. is not just a touring organisation. Its main function is to "promote, assist, and protect the use of bicycles, tricycles and other similar vehicles on the public roads."

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Seventeenth Cumnock Rally

OFFICIALS.
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Mr. D. D. McLAUCHLAN
(Director of Publicity, Hercules Cycle & Motor Co. Ltd.).
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Bicycle Polo, ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... J. B. Campbell.


Assistant Organisers, ... G. Laurie, M. Ogilvie, W. Ronald.

Hon. Secretary and Hon. Rally Organiser:
ROBERT MARSHALL, 9A SCOTIA STREET, GLASGOW, G.4.
SWIMMING GALA PROGRAMME

SATURDAY, 26th JUNE, 1954.

7.30 p.m. CUMNOCK SWIMMING POOL
UNDER THE AUSPICES OF CUMNOCK A.S.C.
(Under S.A.S.A. Rules.)
No Entry Fees.
Admission to Pool: Cyclists, 6d. Ordinary, 1/-.
Children, 6d.
1. CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS. Mr. D. D. McLachlan.
2. WATER POLO MATCH.
3. CIVIC WELCOME. Provost John Edgar, M.A.
4. ONE LENGTH BALLOON BURSTING RACE (Girls).
   Confined to Members of Defence Committee
   Affiliated Clubs and Cumnock A.S.C. (16 years and under).
5. ONE LENGTH BALLOON BURSTING RACE (Boys).
   Confined to Members of Defence Committee
   Affiliated Clubs and Cumnock A.S.C. (16 years and under).
6. WEIGHT LIFTING DISPLAY by Members of the Ayr
   Health and Strength Club (Tom McKean, Leader).
7. "PUSHING THE PAIL" ONE LENGTH RACE (33
   Yards, Gents).
8. "PUSHING THE PAIL" ONE LENGTH RACE (33
   Yards, Ladies).
9. ONE LENGTH NOVELTY OBSTACLE RACE (Gents).
   Confined to Members of Defence Committee
   Affiliated Clubs.
10. MUSICAL CHAIRS.
11. ONE LENGTH RACE (33 Yards, Ladies). Confined to
    Members of Cumnock A.S.C.
12. "SPOON AND POTATO" ONE LENGTH RACE (33
    Yards, Gents).
13. SWIMMING AND DIVING DISPLAY by Members of
    Cumnock A.S.C.
14. "SPOON AND POTATO" ONE LENGTH RACE (33
    Yards, Ladies).
15. TWO LENGTHS RACE (66 Yards, Gents). Confined to
    Members of Cumnock A.S.C.
16. DIVING COMPETITION.
    Presentation of Prizes—Lady Provost Mrs. Edgar.

All Swimmers taking part in this Gala are bona fide Amateurs.
Competitors are requested to give their Names and
Intended Events to Stewards inside Pool entrance.
Collection will be taken in aid of Empire Games Appeal Fund
(Cyclists and Swimmers).

Have YOU one of the Lucky Gala Programmes?
CUMNOCK RALLY

Programme

SUNDAY, 27th JUNE, 1954

6 a.m. Promotion by the
Ayrshire and Dumfriesshire Cyclist Association.

CUMNOCK RALLY TEN MILE TIME TRIAL.
Place of Starting: New Cumnock Road.
(Winner: "Bailey Trophy" and Replica Cup.)
(Last Year's Winner: J. Dunn, Fullarton Wheelers.
Time: 23m. 37s.—New Course Record).

LADIES' EVENT—SAME PLACE.
(Last Year's Winner: Betty Duthie, Fife Century.
Time: 27m. 16s.
Recorder: J. Campbell.

MAIN ARENA - - - WOODROAD PARK
(Adjacent to Swimming Pool.)
No Admission Charges to Park.

Car and Bus Park—at Entrance to Park (held behind church).
Official Marquee—near Pool.
Official Rally Office—Dunlop Van.

SPORTS EVENTS - - - - 10.30 a.m.
Entry Fee: 1d. per event per person.
1—FREE WHEEL SLOW CYCLE RACE (Mixed).
(Winner: "The Odeon Cup.")
(Cycles must be kept moving in Slow Events.)
2—FIXED WHEEL SLOW CYCLE RACE (Mixed).
3—TANDEM SLOW CYCLE RACE (Mixed).
4—WHEELBARROW RACE (Lady and Gent).
5—GENTS' NOVELTY OBSTACLE RACE.
(Winner: "The Brooks Trophy.")
6—LADIES' NOVELTY OBSTACLE RACE.
7—GENTS' TUG-OF-WAR (Teams of Six). Confined to Members of Defence Committee Affiliated Clubs.
One Team per Club.
(Winner: "The Alex. Beith Cup.")
8—LADIES' TUG-OF-WAR (Teams of Six). Confined to Members of Defence Committee Affiliated Clubs.

Note.—No Spiked Shoes or Heavy Boots allowed. Competitors are required to keep a straight course in the Slow Cycle Race. No Coaches allowed in Tug-of-War Events.
Competitors must keep off the field unless when actually competing.
Prize Cards must be completed and handed over at Presentation of Prizes.

12.30 to 1.30 p.m. SCOTLAND'S PREMIER YOUTH CLUB
—THE MARYHILL CLUB—
Maryhill Club Pipe Band
supported by the Girls' Physical Training Team
and Girls' Club Swinging Team.

1.30 p.m. CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS—Mr. D. D. McLachlan.
Speaker, ... Mr. WILLIAM ROSS, M.P.
(Mr. Ross is a Member of Parliament for Kilmarnock, also Hon. President of Ayrshire and Dumfriesshire Cycling Association. Interested in all Cycling Activities, Road Safety, Defence Work, and is a keen cyclist.)

2 p.m. - - - CUP FINAL OF BICYCLE POLO.
Scottish Bicycle Polo Club
(Summer League).
(Winners: "C.T.C. Cumnock Rally Polo Cup.")

2.45 p.m. - - - RESUME OF SPORTS EVENTS.

5 p.m. (approx.) - - - Presentation of Prizes:
(The "Brooks Trophy": Mr. H. Cranswick.)

Selections by Maryhill Club Pipe Band during Programme.

In order to help defray Rally expenses, a collection will be taken during afternoon activities. Cyclists and Visitors are asked to give generously.

LOUD SPEAKER VAN AND EQUIPMENT
kindly lent by
"SCOTTISH SUNDAY EXPRESS."

All Inquiries, requests for Broadcast Aid, etc., must be made to the Officials at the Official Rally Office—Dunlop Van.

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PROGRAMME (CONTINUED)

SUNDAY, 27th JUNE.

PAYED TENNIS COURT ARENA.

SCOTLAND’S PREMIER YOUTH CLUB—MARYHILL CLUB.
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Demonstration of Roller Hockey.
Basketball Demonstration by Scottish Junior Champions.
Various Types of Physical and Variety Items by
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Cambuslang C.C. in action and ready to Collect Your Pennies.
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SCOTTISH YOUTH HOSTELS ASSOCN.—S.—W. DISTRICT.
Scottish Country Dancing.
12 to 12.30 p.m. and 3 to 3.30 p.m.
Official in Charge: Ailsa Wansbrough.

SUNDAY, 27th JUNE. PLATFORM ARENA.

SCOTTISH CYCLISTS’ UNION.
(Ayrshire and Dumfriesshire Cyclist Association.)
Officials: William Fulton and Tom Muir.
Cycle Roller Racing Events and Demonstrations.
(Rollers kindly lent by Dunlop Rubber Co. (Scotland) Ltd.)

SCOTTISH YOUTH HOSTELS ASSOCN.—S.—W. DISTRICT.
Scottish Country Dancing.

AYR HEALTH AND STRENGTH CLUB.
Leader: Tom McKean.
Weight Lifting Displays by Members.
Olympic Lifting by Scottish Champion and Record Holders
(all Members of Club).

JUNIOR ARENA— WOODROAD PARK
(Adjacent to Children’s Paddling Pool and Swings.)
Events open to all Children. Age Limit 15 years.

SPRINTS EVENTS. No Entry Fees. 1.30 p.m.
Events for the Very Young — Age Group up to 5 Years.
Events for the Young — Age Group 5 to 7 Years.
Events for the Little Folks — Age Group 7 to 9 Years.
Events for the In-Betweens — Age Group 9 to 12 Years.
Events for the Big Folks — Age Group 12 to 15 Years.
(Prizes will be presented after each Event.)

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What the CLARION offers the cycling Scot.

RECREATION
Each Section offers you the joys of Club Runs—Socials, Week-end Hostelling and many other activities of the Club Cyclist.
The Scottish Union organises Meets, Rallies, Sports Days, Tourist Trials, etc.
Tours in any District can be had and advice on Touring given. The Club Handbook contains a list of recommended Caterers, together with their charges.

SPORT
West of Scotland Clarion Cycling & Athletic Club caters locally for the racing enthusiast by promoting confined and open events. Tour-de-Trossachs Time Trial, etc. Cycling and Athletic Clubs also operate in Ayrshire and East of Scotland.
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National Clarion Cycling Club
Further Information from W. M. POLLOCK, Scottish Union Hon. Sec., c/o Hunter, 35 Huxley Street, Glasgow, N.W.

PROGRAMME (CONTINUED)
At Camp Site No. 1, Main Avenues - - - Marquees.
Cycling Associations and Maryhill Club.
Scottish Youth Hostels Association.
(Open-air Cine Show—S.Y.H.A.)
Camping Equipment Exhibition by Thomas Black & Sons (Greenock), Ltd.
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CYCLISTS! - - - LAST BUT NOT LEAST
WE EXPECT THAT EVERY MAN AND WOMAN THIS WEEK-END WILL DO THEIR DUTY BY CLEARING THE PARK GROUNDS OF LITTER BEFORE LEAVING.

THANKS.
THANKS

We take this opportunity of thanking the following for their valuable co-operation in the organising of this Rally:

General.
Mr. and Mrs. D. D. McLachlan; Mr. Emrys Hughes, M.P.; Mr. William Ross, M.P.; Provost John Edgar, M.A.; Lady Provost Mrs. Edgar; Cumnock Town Council; Mr. Tom Fraser, M.P.; Mr. Alex. Beith; Mr. R. D. Hunter; Councillor Tom Finn, M.A.; Mr. R. B. Lorimer; Mr. Hugh Palma, M.B.E.; Cumnock A.S.C.; Mr. D. B. Lorimer; Mr. Keir H. McCall; Cumnock Ramblers’ C.C.; Inspector R. Borthwick and Ayrshire Constabulary; Mr. Alex. Taylor and Lanarkshire Road Safety Committee; Scottish Amateur Swimming Association and Mr. T. L. Chapman; Scottish Bicycle Polo Club; St. Andrew’s Ambulance Corps Unit; Members of Maryhill Club and Mr. and Mrs. James Muirhead; Scottish Youth Hostels Association; Mr. Tom McInerny and Ayr Health and Strength Club; Hercules Cycle & Motor Co. Ltd.; Mr. W. Fleming; Mr. D. R. Knowles and Dunlop Rubber Co. (Scotland) Ltd.; Mr. M. McLaren; Raleigh Industries, Ltd.; Thomas Black & Sons (Greenock), Ltd.; Mr. H. H. England; Mr. S. G. Kendall and “Cycling”; Mr. W. R. Lindsay and Reynolds Tube Co. Ltd.; “The Bicycle”; “The Motor Cycle and Cycle Trader”; Cambuslang C.C.; Mr. Harry Fairbairn; Hotel Royal; Ayrshire Bakers, Ltd.; Mr. E. S. Broadbent; Staff of Pool and Café; Co-operating and Donating Vendors; Mr. John Baird; Mr. Jack Smith: “Scottish Sunday Express”; Gardner & Ball; Western S.M.T. Ltd.; Gaumont and Odeon Organisations; British Broadcasting Corporation; Scottish Cyclists’ Union; Ayrshire and Dumfriesshire C.A.; J. B. Brooks & Co. Ltd.; Mr. Harold Briercliffe; “Cumnock Chronicle.”

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