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Sadly, we lost Les Pyne this month at the age of 89 and I wish to offer my condolences to Tibs and her family. By the time you read this myself and other club members will have attended his funeral on Friday 28th to pay our last respects to him.

On Sunday the 9th May I rode out to support our riders, Jon, Sarah, Jayne and Dave H. in the Wigmore 25 on Chilham (no doubt our Ed will have published the result elsewhere). Seems I was the only one to get wet but I did manage 44 miles. Whilst on the subject of racing, I have only ridden 2 events since my last report, I did a 26.24 on the Fowlmead circuit on the 28th April and due to the bad weather chickened out of the KCA'10' the following Sunday, and the next two mid week Fowlmead events but did managed to ride the Bexley '10' on Saturday 15th along with Roy and we both got in the prizes, Roy 2nd on age standard and me 4th. (again, I guess Mark has already noted our times elsewhere) The club '25' the following day was reduced to 11.5 miles but I understand this 'club' morning along with the Thanet R C. Rye & District Whls, and the Ashford Whls. was a success.

On that morning Lyn and I were out at Roy's LVRC event, The Ken Fuller Memorial Road Race. It was good to see so many club members in attendance. After the event about a dozen of us went to the White Hart in Godstone for an enjoyable meal and a good chat.

Nine of us had a great day on our bikes in France, organised by Kav the following Saturday, misty at first but the sun did come out by lunch time. Steve Valentine took some good 'action' shots but I am not sure they will pass the editors census, best ask Roy boy why! Thanks John when's the next one?

After my mention of the Isle of Grain connections with the Faunce family it appears I am now committed to organising a trip to these foreign parts. This will be a park and ride affair, and also a walk for the ladies and anyone not up to a bike ride. The end of August is a possible date. I will try to get over to Grain as soon as I have a chance and find a suitable place for lunch and also check with the vicar to arrange to get the key to St Helen's Church.

Look forward to seeing many of you at the OMA Lunch on the 27th

DID YOU KNOW

Faunce Family in Rochester

Thomas (2) as a young man joined the navy and in 1588 took part in the attack on the Spanish Armada in the English Channel.

Thomas (2) made his home in Rochester in St Margaret's Parish close to the Castle and Cathedral. Of the old St Margaret's Church, only the tower remains of the original building (which dates from the 13th century), but the parish registers record the Faunce family marriages and baptisms during the 1700 century.

Thomas (2) and his wife Anne had eight children, 3 boys & 5 girls. Next month I will stay with the direct lineage to our founder and continue with Thomas (3) and his sons, still in Rochester.

The Faunce family still have connections in Rochester today for the Headmaster of Kings School is Dr Ian Walker whose mother, Rhoda Walker, was a Faunce, but I am jumping ahead.

Note. I googled Kings school and discovered it is the second oldest school in the world (604 AD) and its choir is the oldest.

“KAY’S REPORT”

On Sunday 16th May we held the vets road race on the Bletchingly course. There is a saying that we all know, it goes: There is no fool like an old fool. In this case there are no fools like old fools - and I do not mean the riders!!

Let me explain: Our event organiser Roy Savery asked me if I would take photographs of the riders as they came in at the finish and then at the prize-giving. That was no problem, I said. As we had five events in one (different age groups) I took shots of them as they came in. Then, on looking down at my camera window to see what I had taken, I saw it was blank. I had forgotten to put the memory card in and had left it at home.

I knew that Alan Rowe had his camera with him and I asked him to take some shots of the prize presentation. Alan said that it was a new camera and he was not sure how it worked but he would have a go.

After the presentation I asked Alan if he had got some photos. He said his screen was blank!! Alan have you left the memory card out? was my reply. He said he had not but, do you know what? He had left the lens cap on - as I said ‘There is no fool like an old fool.

Well done Roy - you did well sorting out all the old buggers at the start and at the finish. Considering that you had five events going on at one time, it must have been a nightmare sorting out the results.

Talking about old people, I got permission from the old peoples home to take a group of oldies to France on their bikes for the day.

A merry little lot, they consisted of: Malcolm Adam, Len (half wheel) Brown, Kenny Legge, Roy Savery, Dick Bradley, Brian Dacey and Mike and Steve Valentine. We met at Dover Docks and it was freezing. Do we wear tights? Do we wear long sleeves? This kind of thing confuses old people.

We set off from Calais (still freezing) on our way to Ardres for lunch. I was asked to avoid the big hill at Cap Blanc, by Lenny Brown, as he does not like big hills. We then started to have one of our many relief stops. We had a stop at Guines for coffee and another relief stop.

We arrived at La Fregate Restaurant in Ardres for lunch where the manager, who was very helpful, put all the tables together in a corner so that he could not hear the noise and we were next to the toilets! In the same restaurant was a hen party that made more noise than us. The poor bride-to-be was dressed up as a chicken. The tradition is that the bride-to-be has to sell her hard-boiled eggs to off-set the cost of her hen party.

Do you know what? - you get a kiss from the hen when you buy an egg. Steve Valentine could not keep his hands off of her eggs.

After a good meal and plenty to drink, we made our way back to Calais and yet more relief stops. Job Archdeacon - if you are reading this and laughing..... you will be old yourself one day.

On the social side, we have the Old Members lunch at Brighton on 27th June and on 20th June we have the mid-summer club run and picnic in Richmond Park (9 a.m. start from Roehampton Gate) - this is always a good laugh.



A Few Farewell Words for Les Pyne

Len Danby



A great pity Les Pyne did not make his 90th birthday, but he did have a long, full and eventful life. I remember Les first of all at 'our' cabin in Herne Hill Track. I see from my records that on Wednesday 13th August 1947 at the Club 500 yards, I lost my heat! Then on Friday 15th," My first crack at ¼ mile flying start, I was 1 and 4/5 seconds off obtaining a medal". I never made the 'medal'. Well most of mine (medals) were 'bronze'. Never a 'high flyer', tells one much about my passage through this life! He was always there (with Ken Hill), Les just back from WWII and with much advice, to me,

who knew so little of 'track life'. After 16 years as verger for funerals at the Parish Church, I had heard many a eulogy. When I had all the congregation seated, I would remove all the 'no waiting' signs from the road outside the church and return to my appointed place within. As was my custom to have had a few 'pre Service drinks', I would, in a happy mood, 'doze'. I would awake to hear the minister or family friend telling of this wonderful person and their deeds of a past life. I would think, I must listen, then realise it was not at least a true picture, I listened with increasing amazement at the untruths. But it often happened.

All part of the act. But to me, I will always remember a great true act of kindness to me by Les during the late 1940s. As we know he was by profession, the same as Derek Morse (another DeLaune member) a cobbler. As with many of my peer group in the club at that time, we were apprentices to various trades/professions and all had a '



lack of money'. One day he asked me my shoes size. Maybe he noticed my 'down at heel' cycling shoes. He told me to appear at his abode one evening. Which, being a dutiful member of the human race, I did just that! He sat me down in his 'front room' (always the best room in a house during said period). It was a bit like Cinderella. He produced not one, but two pairs of cycling shoes he had made by his own fair hand. What soft leather, so well made, to me items of much joy, "Yours for a one pound a pair", says he to me. I cycled back to Woolwich, a very happy lad. In life one always remembers such events, that is why I recall Les Pyne with so much gratitude.

TRACK NEWS

It is May and I am afraid I have not kept you up to date about the track. I ran a successful Spring Autumn Omnium Series in April following the washed out Good Friday meeting.

There has been a change in the training programme at Herne Hill which is as follows:

Saturday	9.00	Youth Track Training
	10.00	Intermediate Track Training
	11.30	Novice Track Induction
	12.45	Basic Track Training
Sunday	9.00	Advanced Track Training
Monday	18.30	Race Training
Wednesday	19.00	Track League
Thursday	18.00	Derny Paced Training

I have started training on Monday nights and I can recommend it to those of you who have ridden the track before.

For further information and details of the weekend meetings try:

<http://www.hernehillvelodrome.com/information>

We intend to hold our Club Track Championships in August with Addiscombe CC and Bec CC and as soon as I have the date I will post it in the DLN.

Look forward to seeing you at the track. ----- Jeremy White

Well a new season has started and our riders are out there competing for the De Laune. some of us are not ready to start yet, but as can be seen our new president is training hard!



he was also out there as shown flying the flag for the De Laune.

I am afraid I cant tell you much about the rides our members have done

as I only have scant information, they maybe found elsewhere in this addition.

Alan G. Rowe



May I, through the medium of the DLN, congratulate Malcolm Adams on becoming President of the Club. I thoroughly enjoyed reading his autobiography, and his first President's Report, and know that he will fulfil the role with much enthusiasm, vigour and success. Good luck Malcolm.

Whilst writing I couldn't help being amused by Cliff Pendleton living in France and telling us about the depth of the unusual snowfall in inches and not centimetres. In this country in 1972 the government of the day announced that the metric system would be officially accepted in the UK. Many people think this came about by us joining the EU but it is not so. After almost 40 years I find it inconceivable that we are still using Imperial weights and measures. Unlike decimalization of the coinage we should have been forced into metrication and not allowed to have the confusion of two systems being in use at the same time.

Arthur How

Dear Brian

25 January 2010

Thank you for my DLN and reminder for my subs, cheque for £15-00 enclosed.

I tried to send you an email but I take so long to get the spelling right by the time I want to sent it I'm off line so it's a manual job.

I am doing quite well speech is OK spelling is proving difficult, but I can do 40 -50 miles a week On my bike if I've got time.

I want to wish all the members A .VERY HAPPY NEW AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR



I enclose a picture Margaret took of me in my new club jersey, it was about the last warm day last October.

Kindest regards Bert Wason

Another photo of Bert on page 19

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DE LAUNE - LYRC ROAD RACES

16th May Blechingley

The Ken Fuller Memorial Road Race went very well yesterday thanks to all who came and were involved from marshaling, to Sarah and Jayne helping me on the finishing line telling me how many laps to go so that I could shout it to the riders (could not find the lap board, found it after the event) also Jayne for feeding me. Thanks to the 5 car drivers Kav, Roy Chitt, Dave Hag, Nigel Sca, Christain Rud and Mike Val and all the girls welcoming the riders and signing them in.

Thanks to all.

Royboy

Roy,

Thank you to yourself and all the De Laune'ys for an excellent race today. It was great to be road racing again in a safe environment with such an encouraging crew manning the junctions.

regards,

Ian Cleverly and the Mosquito Bikes crew.

KEN FULLER MEMORIAL ROAD RACE 16TH MAY

What a great turn-out of the De Laune - really good to see you all.

Roy Savery did a wonderful job of organising. When we arrived, Roy, Maureen and me, everything was well under way in the Outwood Village Hall. Our signing-on table was all set out ready for us 'girls': Lyn Adams, Carole Deeley, Pat Kav, Gina S and me - certainly lots of helpers for that job. Ken Knapman said we looked like "Loose Women" from the TV show (blooming cheek - or was it a compliment as we are a bit older than they are!).

Marshals then went off to their position - along with cars - Kav, Roy C, and Terry on his motor bike. We managed to while-away the time whilst the race was on, mainly chatting about various important things!! Then, racing over, in came the marshals, freezing cold from standing on corners. Luckily the rain kept away. Good to see so many old members out helping. Clif Pendleton must have got the most miles in to get there - travelling from the Savoie Region of France. He even went to the time trial in Kent earlier in the morning. Thanks Clif.

I was honoured, once more, to present the prizes, and of course there were kisses from a few young men and the old ones were okay as well.

We finally left to have lunch at Godstone with about a dozen of us.

A good day with many happy thoughts and memories of Ken. Thanks every one.

Dot

BRIGHTON LUNCH - Sun 27th June

Remember to book your lunch. All details in May edition of DLN and menu. I will be away from 27th May to 17th June - if the volcanic ash clears and BA do not strike. I will be in the USA on holiday. You can contact Tricia on 012273 546226.

RACING RESULTS

Hampshire RC 10 - 1 May

1	Jerone Walters	Sigma Sport C T	00:19:39	S
57	Roy Savery	De Laune CC	00:24:36	V
	Tony Peachey	De Laune CC	DNS	

Farnham Road Club 10 - 8th May 2010

1	Tony Gibb	www.cyclepremier.com/metaltek	20.25	
36	Roy Savery	Delaune CC	25.31	+7.31

Wigmore CC Open 25 - 9 May

1	Ben Instone	www.Scientific-Coaching.Com	00:51:55	CR
12	Jon Archdeacon	De Laune CC	00:57:53	
49	David Haggart	De Laune CC	01:04:03	
74	Jayne Wadsworth	De Laune CC	01:11:33	
80	Sarah Archdeacon	De Laune CC	01:12:13	

VTTA (London & Home Counties) 10 - 12 May

1	Dave Johnson	VC 10	00:21:55	+ 6.04
41	Roy Savery	Delaune CC	00:25:39	+ 7.23

Dave Ashdown Memorial 10 mile 15th May

Malcolm Adams- De Laune CC – 27.31 4th overall on age standard - well done Malcolm

CC Bexley & TA 10 - 15 May

1	Will Manger	(Team Larkfield Cycles)	00 20.58	
	Roy Savery	De Laune CC	00.26.61	+6.41
	Malcolm Adams	De Laune CC	00.27.31	+4.59

Reg Smith (DCB Kent) took the vets prize on age standard with a +7.45. Second place went to Roy Savery (De Laune CC) returning a plus of 6.41 with Kevin Tye (+5.52) third and De Laune CC's Malcolm Adams fourth with a +4.59.

Joint Club 25 - 16th May

1	Jon Archdeacon	00.26.00
2	Dave Haggart	00.27.39
3	Jayne Wadsworth	00.30.29
4	Sarah Archdeacon	00.31.36

Due to unforeseen circumstances the event had to be shortened to avoid the roadworks on the Ashford leg, hopefully we will have a full course on 8th on our next outing. The full distance of today's event was 11.5 miles, measured with Garmin.

Southern Counties CU 10 - 22 May

1	R BURBIDGE	REDHILL CC	00:20:53	20.43	
8	J ARCHDEACON	DE LAUNE CC	00:22:31	21.51	3.23
18	D HAGGART	DE LAUNE CC	00:23:53	21.03	3.27
34	S LOWE	DE LAUNE CC	00:26:29	21.59	- 0.11
37	S ARCHDEACON	DE LAUNE CC	00:27:01	21.01	0.06
37	B MEENS	DE LAUNE CC	00:27:01		3.15
42	T PEACHEY	DE LAUNE CC	00:31:11	26.51	1.51

Crawley Wheelers SPOCO 41.59 miles - 23 May

1	Steve Dennis	East Grinstead CC	1:33:39.		
9	Jon ARCHDEACON	De Laune CC	Y	1:43:33	+ 12:08
33	David HAGGART	De Laune CC	Y	1:55:39	+ 06:14
43	Jayne WADSWORTH	De Laune CC		2:04:56.	

Refreshingly cool but sunny conditions greeted the field at the start just of the A23. The temps soon warmed up on the course which ran down to Cowfold before heading out to the A24 and then down to Steyning. The return is via two trips in and out of Henfield before tackling the tortuous climb back up Crabtree and then the deceptively draggy return back to Handcross. Were there a man of the match award, it would probably go to Rob Pelham (Lewes Wanderers) who is on blistering form at the mo and bagged 2nd place, over a minute clear of 3rd place man Mike Coyle of Brighton Mitre. Wanderers added to their 2010 haul of team prizes and Jayne Wadsworth of De Laune CC was the fastest lady with 2:04:56.



Everyone is familiar with the story of Eugene Christophe losing the 1913 Tour de France after a car knocked him off, breaking his forks. After running 13 kms with his bike on his shoulder to Saint-Marie de Campan, he took 4 hours to make new forks at the blacksmith's but was penalised a further 3 minutes because he got a small boy to operate the forge's bellows while he shaped the metal. Less well-known, in the 1919 Tour he lost two and a half hours repairing another fracture in a small bike factory in Valenciennes and in 1922 had another fork breakage while descending the Galibier and had to borrow a bike from a priest in Valloire.

FROM THE TREASURERS DESK

Very little from me this month as I missed the last committee due to holiday, except to remind you to let Dave Haggart know whether you wish to continue to receive this publication as a hard copy. If you do not respond you will not be included on the magic list of recipients.



Reducing our printing and postage costs is purely a cost cutting exercise in an endeavour to keep our membership fees constant for all.

In the absence of Claire and Ian who are still on holiday in Scotland the result of the first club morning 25 held on 16th May gave the following result:- Unfortunately due to road works accompanied by temporary traffic lights on the Ashford leg the event had to be shortened to 11½ miles. Club riders recorded

Jon Archdeacon	26.00
Dave Haggart	27.39
Jayne Wadsworth	30.29
Sarah Archdeacon	31.36

These were the only 4 De Laune members who entered and rode. De Laune helpers on the morning were Val & Tony Peachey timekeepers and Clif Pendleton who pushed off.

Fastest of the morning was Simon Henderson (Thanet RC) in 25.23. There were 28 finishers from a total entry of 39. The morning was bright, sunny and fairly warm which engendered a friendly atmosphere between the participating club members of all 4 clubs in the HQ over cups of tea and biscuits. Hopefully we will see an increased entry from the De Laune on 8th August. Claire will be pleased to receive your entry.

Val the Peach

Doping perspective - - Nigel Scales

Radio Shack's Chinese rider Fuyu Li was provisionally suspended by the International Cycling Union and his team on April 22, after he was found positive for Clenbuterol in a control conducted at the Dwars Door Vlaanderen on March 23. Perhaps surprisingly, he has since received the support of Dutch anti-doping expert Douwe de Boer as he attempts to clear his name of a positive doping control for asthma medication, Clenbuterol. De Boer, a biochemist from the University Hospital Maastricht and former director of the WADA-approved laboratory in Lisbon, Portugal, said the levels of the drug detected in Li's sample are below those that would be expected in the case of intentional ingestion.

"Laboratories must be able to find 1.00 ng/mL, while a normal threshold value is considered to be 2.00 ng/mL. The value of 0.05-0.10 ng/mL that was found in Fuyu Li's body points clearly in the direction of a contamination. On top of that, such a low dose would not help his performance in any way,".

Clenbuterol is banned in and out of competition due to its off-label uses as a weight-loss drug and anabolic agent. Li has denied ever doping and says he has no idea how the drug entered his system. De Boer has suggested that the low levels found in Li's sample could be an indication of contaminated food stuffs. "The extremely low value points in the direction of a contamination. Clenbuterol contaminations exist in food supplements and in meat. Clenbuterol is often used to improve the visible quality of meat," he said. "There have been several scandals in China, with Clenbuterol poisoning of people by eating heavily contaminated meat. My best guess would be that something like this caused Fuyu Li's positive. I hope he will be treated fairly in his process in China."

Unfortunately for Li, doping rules say that a rider himself is held responsible for irregularities in his body. It will be hard, if not impossible to really prove how he did get the Clenbuterol in his urine.

We're lucky in that, with the exception of the riders contesting Masters Championships at the National, European or World level, most of us are unlikely to be "controlled" - perhaps just as well as I doubt whether many of us scrutinise the contents list of any supplements, carb drinks etc that we use (even supposing familiarity with what exactly is on the list in the first place - if I were a gambling man I'd lay long odds that most members wouldn't even know where to find the list

of controlled substances, much less have actually looked at it!) . Having worked briefly for the Wellcome Foundation, in its Tablet-Making Division, after leaving school, I'm painfully aware of how easily cross-contamination of products can occur and the steps pharmaceutical manufacturers go to to avoid it. There were restrictions on where you could sit in the canteen, and who with. Some processing areas were off-limits except for the operators directly making the product - delivery of empty and collection of filled containers was done in a handling area etc. Cross-contamination has been a particular problem for products made by manufacturers who produce products for weight-trainers, who are often interested in bulking up using products that are on the UCI "banned" list - they are often not competing so are not bothered about drugs tests. Obviously if mainstream food products are contaminated (as suggested in Li's case) you have no real means of knowing. On the medical side you could fall foul of the rules quite easily. After I experienced worrying breathing difficulties during and after a climb in a road race some years ago - I simply could not re-establish a breathing rhythm even after easing off - I went for a check-up. After an ECG and some other tests they decided to follow a protocol to check a possible cause. I went along with it without really questioning it and it was only when discussing it afterwards that I thought to question what I'd been asked to inhale - the answer being the infamous salbutamol, which caused Alessandro Petacchi so much problem when he exceeded what they thought was a reasonable limit covered by his Therapeutic Use Certificate (TUE). The conclusion was that I have a tendency to exercise-induced asthma when exercising hard in cold/damp conditions (so any time except August in the UK!). However, technically, in the absence of a TUE for salbutamol I'd have recorded a positive if I'd been "controlled". Presumably since it was ingested in the course of medical treatment/investigation there would have been no sanction but I'm sure it would have taken a few months to get to that point. While I have no sympathy with real dopers, I do sympathise with pro riders in general who have to be careful to the point of paranoia when it comes to this topic. And that's without the constraints of the out of competition testing - I was struck by reports of the Belgian rider who was "controlled" while at a Funeral Parlour with his wife arranging the funeral of their young son, and the rider who had to strip off for testing in the corridor between a restaurant and its toilets while out for a meal with his life.



Franco Ballerini crashed during Ghent-Wevelghem, dislocatng his shoulder. He popped it back in himself and finished the race. - four days later he rode to victory across the bone-jarring cobble of Paris-Roubaix!

De Laune Cycling Club

As mentioned last month here is the first article on the early days of the Club when club runs were high on the agenda being held on Wednesday/Saturday and Sundays with a strict code of practice prevailing. The Captain or his deputy were required to lead and regulate the pace on all runs and no member was allowed to pass him. In 1898 much discussion ensued as what town to visit during the coming year – Hastings or Oxford. The end result was that they visited both, taking Lunch and Tea at various eating houses at a cost of 2 shillings and 1 shilling respectively.

Contained within the minute papers is a 'Form of Membership', where the individual was proposed and seconded and requested to pay the 'entrance fee' of 1/-. In 1900 any prospective new member was required to attend before committee 'to answer satisfactorily the questions the Secretary or anyone of the committee may ask him, as to his abilities'. Non attendance meant application was deferred !

The highlight of the winter social scene in 1890's were the annual concerts. Initially started as a means to raise funds for a penniless club. The idea was to think big right from the start and Hampton Court Palace Hotel, Hampton Street was booked. Musical Directors from the committee were nominated, most of the performers of the songs, dances and musicians were the committee men of the day, entertaining the gathered throng. Clearly unions were not active at the time as I could not imagine any of the committee belonging to Equity. The whole venture was a complete success putting the club on sound financial footings. These concerts, often three per year, continued to be the highlight of the club scene for many years to come. Several references to the organisation of these functions are mentioned through the minutes, even scheduling professional performers to enhance the club members' input. Punters obviously enjoyed the experience and gladly paid 2/- for the evening's entertainment.

Apart from the concerts other functions organised were, a dinner and a week later a dance. Music for the dance was provided by a 7 piece band costing 'no more than 2 guineas'. The summer months saw the promotion of various garden parties.

The first dinner menu in the archive is dated 28th November, 1903, it hosted a 7 course dinner but the most interesting item was 'De Laune Pudding'. No description of this course could be found, but it stayed on the menu for the next 5 years. This evening encompassed not only the dinner but another concert of 20 songs intermixed between toasts to The King, Queen & Royal family, The club, The press and visitors and The chairman. The evening concluded with a prize presentation, all this for the princely sum of 3/6d (17½p) a head.

However on a more sobering note a Special General Meeting was convened after the above dinner to discuss the bad conduct of several members at the club function. It appears a bunch of grapes was thrown from one end of the table to the other – this was followed up by a retaliatory gesture of a soda syphon being squirted at the perpetrators, unfortunately ‘dignatories’ were in the way and some of them were drenched. At the subsequent meeting a resolution was passed that those guilty be expelled from the club – Sec was required to write to the errant individuals by recorded delivery, returning their entrance fee. Committee was commissioned to visit the club rules and make any amendments necessary to ensure similar occurrences do not happen again. Things haven’t changed !!!

At the start of 1901 the Secretary/Treasurer reported that after audit, the club’s balance in hand after all liabilities had been met was a healthy sum of £6. A year later we had 55 active members and 3 honorary members and the club cash balance had risen to £9.17s 1d. This was deemed to be highly satisfactory by all present. By 1904 this balance had risen again to £17.2s 9d.

1903 saw the instigation of a club 25 mile Championship event. It was proposed to run this Championship event on 12th July on the Bath Road from the 12th milestone to a turning point at 24½ miles finishing at the 12th milestone. Scratchman to start first at 6.30 am prompt other competitors to follow at 5 minute intervals – if wet race to be postponed ! The event was hailed a success and at the AGM held 18th February 1904 the President Alured Faunce De Laune presented the club with a £5 cheque with the sole purpose to purchase a Challenge Cup as a perpetual 25 mile Championship Trophy. This same trophy remains open for competition today.

The popularity of the club continued to grow in 1905 with 81 members and the promotion of time trials, club runs and tours, concerts, dances, dinners, garden parties, together with challenge matches of whist drives, billiards and football with other local clubs. Our ever growing bank balance to £21.18.7d in 1906 was testament to all this activity.

Much discussion took place on 26th July 1906 regarding the loss of a ladies umbrella at the recent garden party. The lady in question was claiming 4/- for its replacement the decision was carried with a casting vote from the chairman to reimburse the individual as a goodwill gesture. In 1907 the club decided to perform one of the concerts for the inmates of the Christ Church Workhouse and that March 4th was the appropriate date.

More next month
Val the Peach



Young Alf Wason can afford to smile. He has the world—or at any rate his own little world—at his feet.

Cycle mechanic Alf, 17, was the winner of the Herne Hill Supporters' Club championship cycling race, held at Herne Hill track. He won a cup, a medal, a black and white sash, a bouquet of flowers—and adoring looks from admirers.

Diary Social/Club for 2010

Sunday	20 June	Mid-Summer Club run & Picnic in Richmond Park John Kavhagh	
Sunday	27 June	OMA Lunch - Brighton	12:45
Sunday	25 July	Max Dods Memorial B-B-Q at Herne Bay	9:00
Sunday	? November	Club run to the Down Hill	10:00
Sunday	21 November	Newnham Remembrance Service	10:30
Sunday	12 December	Richmond Park Christmas Social Ride	09:00

Club & Inter-Club Events for 2010

Tuesday	15 June	18:30	Circuit Race	Crystal Palace	
Saturday	24 July	07:30	Open '10' TT	Harrietsham	Q10/22
Sunday	1 August	06:30	Fred Peachey 25	Chilham	Q25/8
Sunday	8 August	06:30	Mid-Summer 25	Chilham	Q25/8
Saturday	14 August	07:30	OMA 10	Harrietsham	Q10/22
Sunday	26 Sept.	06:30	Autumn 25	Chilham	Q25/8
Saturday	9 October	11:00	Hill Climb	Titsey Hill	GH/31
Sunday	24 October		KCA Reliability Trial	Phone Kav 01622 726959	
Sunday	? November	12:00	Down Hill	Tilburstow Hill	

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