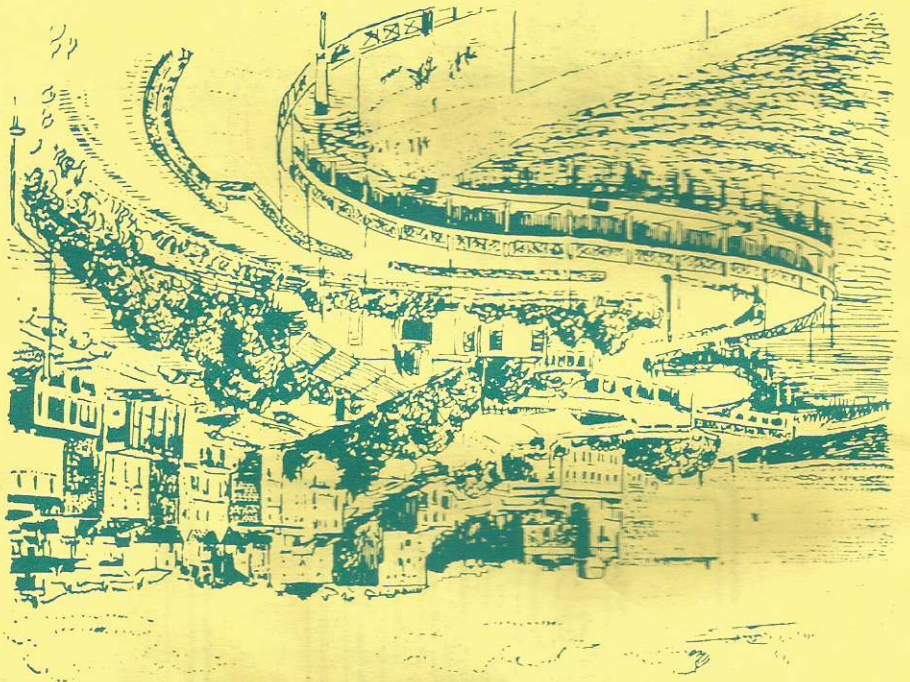


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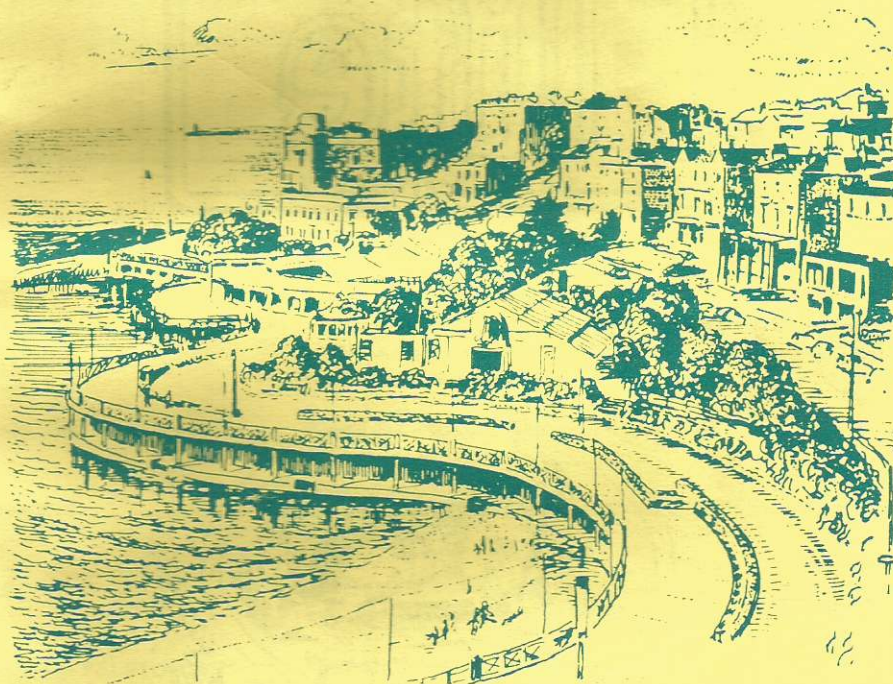
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Dear Spectator and Supporter,

Welcome to the return of Weston-Super-Mare Sea Front Circuit Races promoted by Weston-Super-Mare Wheelers C.C. on this new exciting circuit.

This afternoon we are hoping to entertain you with the very best in bike racing. Those of you who are unfamiliar with our sport, will I am sure, enjoy the repartee of our very knowledgeable commentator.

With the national need to economise on fuel it is gratifying to see so many people taking an interest in cycling. I hope many of you watching this event will be encouraged to cycle to work or school. Cycling keeps one fit and is an inexpensive means of transport.

In finishing I would like to express my thanks to all concerned with the organisation and hope that they as well as you will have a good day.

RON HAYES,

President, Weston-Super-Mare Wheelers C.C.

TECHNICAL TERMS

CRITERIUM or KERMESSE	A short duration race on a small, tight circuit, just like this afternoon.
PRIME	A prize put up for the first across the line on a particular lap. These are announced by the commentator during the race and donations can be made at the commentator's desk.
ECHELON	Riding in a staggered line. So as to gain shelter from the rider in front.
HONKING	Standing out of the saddle so as to use all your strength when climbing hills.
BLOCKING	When a rider is in the lead by some seconds, his team-mates could well ride slowly at the front of the group so as to hinder the field.
BUNCH or PELETON	The main group of riders.
BREAK	A smaller group or individual in front of the main bunch.
SITTING IN	Remaining behind someone else and not going to the front of the bunch so as to conserve energy.
SWITCHING	Violently swerving across the road.
COMMISSAIRE	The official in overall charge of the race during the running of it. To-day's Chief Commissaire is Mr. Leo Bohin.
LAP OUT	Riders may stop and regain the race a lap later if they suffer mechanical damage and also notify the commissaire.



Cycle meeting about 1888 on sea front outside Leeves' cottage. There are nearly 60 cycles — about 30 ordinaries (or penny farthings), 13 rear-drive safeties, 7 tricycles and one "kangaroo". Cycling became popular in the 1870s and the Weston-Super-Mare Cycling Club was founded in 1878. An 1889 advertisement lists amongst Weston's attractions "The Best Cycling Track in England". Most of the riders of the ordinaries are older men and the younger men are using the fashionable new "Safety" bicycles.



WESTON CYCLING CLUB/WESTON-SUPER-MARE WHEELERS

1878 — 1981

Weston Cycling Club was founded in 1878, the same year that the first national cycling organisation, The Cyclists' Touring Club was formed. At the time, the cycles used were Ordinaries or Tricycles being superseded later by the Rear-drive Safeties. By 1892, the Club, with its H.Q. at Huntley Restaurant, Royal Parade had 109 members including the local Squire Cecil Hugh Smyth Piggot and Sir Edmond Elton. Another famous member of the club in 1886 namely C.E. Masters represented England in the International Championships at Alexandra Palace. For the record, one season he had 13 wins in 13 consecutive races. His family firm of Estate Agents are still in business in Weston.

In an account recorded at that time, it was one of the sights of the neighbourhood to see the Club sally forth on its Saturday runs. They would meet at the Marine Parade and cycle to such places as Burrington Combe preceded by a bugler since the bicycles had no bells. Members wore a uniform of C.T.C. grey jacket and trousers and a cap with cruciform badge. Somewhat different to to-day's racing gear.

In 1885, the Club was re-organised and joined the C.T.C. en masse, it was also the year that one of the best racing tracks in the country was opened in Weston at the Recreation Ground. The fastest 25 mile Championship ever ridden on the track was won by J. Fenton, Ripley Road Club in 1Hr. 19mins. 20secs. In 1895 the track fell into disuse, let us hope that when Weston finally gets its new Sports Complex the promise of a cycle track will be fulfilled.

In the winter (when the Wheelmen in their bitterness of soul seek partial solace in the flowing bowl — as the Cyclists Magazine of 1886 put it) the Club staged Smoking Concerts/Lantern Exhibitions and Musical Entertainments not much different to today.

By 1933, the Weston Cycling Club had reformed and became the present Weston-Super-Mare Wheelers. During the war years the ladies kept the Club going until the next official meeting in 1946. Membership was low for a while but the Club gradually grew. In the late 1960's it became associated with the Y.M.C.A. where it still has a Club Room.

Weston-Super-Mare Wheelers since that period has had its successes and still enjoys a flourishing membership and in holding this event hope to start having them on a regular basis as was in previous years. As a Club, we are active in Time Trialling and Road/Circuit Racing. If you are interested in cycling whether young or old, then come along and join our Club. Contact our Secretary: Paul Goodrich, Tel: Burnham-on-Sea 789425.

Please support the Red Cross who are holding a Mile of Pennies Event adjacent to our Circuit Racing and who will be providing medical cover for our afternoon's racing.

Why not when in Weston visit The Museum, Burlington Street, and see its collection of Penny Farthing Cycles and its exhibition of Cycling, Past and Present in Weston-Super-Mare.

OFFICIALS

COMMISSAIRE:	LEO BOHIN
CHIEF JUDGE:	MRS. K. BOHIN
ASSISTANT JUDGES:	P. GOODRICH R. SHUTE J. TEMPAN
JOINT ORGANISERS:	D. MELLUISH D. TROWBRIDGE
CHIEF MARSHALLS:	C. GUNDRY A. DAVIES
TIMEKEEPER:	E. WILKINSON
MACHINE EXAMINERS:	J. PARKMAN M. OSBORNE
RECORDERS:	MRS. J. GOODRICH MRS. S. TROWBRIDGE
COMMENTATOR	COLIN DOCKER
MARSHALLS:	Members of Weston-Super-Mare Wheelers C.C.

D. TROWBRIDGE

PLUMBING AND HEATING

1 WREN CLOSE, WESTON - SUPER - MARE

Telephone: 29981

PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

EVENT 1 SCHOOLBOYS DEVIL RACE

1.30 p.m. For Schoolboys under 16 yrs. — 10 mins. duration + 3 laps
SPONSORED BY THE ROZEL HOTEL

- 1st £5.00 plus tubular
- 2nd £4.00 plus chain
- 3rd £3.00
- 4th £2.00
- 5th £1.00

EVENT 2 JUNIORS DEVIL RACE

1.50 p.m. For Juniors under 18 yrs. and Ladies — 15 mins. duration + 3 laps
SPONSORED BY WESTON MOTORS (MERCEDES BENZ) LTD.

- 1st £8.00 plus tubular
- 2nd £6.00 plus thermos flask
- 3rd £4.00
- 4th £2.00
- 5th £1.00
- 1st Lady Rider — £4.00

EVENT 3 THIRD CAT. POINTS RACE FOR SENIORS

2.20 p.m. 20 mins. duration + 3 laps
SPONSORED BY CABOT BARS

- 1st £10.00 plus tubular
- 2nd £8.00 plus chain
- 3rd £5.00
- 4th £3.00
- 5th £2.00

EVENT 4 FIRST & SECOND CAT. POINTS RACE FOR SENIORS

2.50 p.m. 25 mins. duration + 3 laps
SPONSORED BY LES WILKINS (CYCLES) LTD.
1st £25.00 plus prize donated by The Grosvenor Hotel

- 2nd £20.00 plus chain
- 3rd £15.00
- 4th £10.00
- 5th £5.00

CHAMPAGNE AND PROMOTION GIRLS BY CRACKERS DISCOTHEQUE

EVENT 5 SCHOOLBOYS MAIN RACE

3.25 p.m. For Schoolboys under 16 yrs. — 10 mins. duration + 3 laps
SPONSORED BY LES WILKINS (CYCLES) LTD.

- 1st £7.00 plus Cup and Duplicate Cup plus tubular
- 2nd £5.00 plus chain
- 3rd £3.00 plus Viga shorts
- 4th £2.00
- 5th £1.00

EVENT 6 JUNIORS MAIN RACE

3.45 p.m. For Juniors under 18 yrs. and Ladies — 20 mins. duration + 3 laps
CUP DONATED BY MAJOR FROM GLENGARRY

- 1st £10.00 plus Cup and Duplicate Cup plus tubular
- 2nd £8.00 plus chain
- 3rd £6.00
- 4th £4.00
- 5th £2.00
- 1st Lady Rider — £4.00

EVENT 7 THIRD CAT. MAIN RACE FOR SENIORS

4.15 p.m. 30 mins. duration + 3 laps

SPONSORED BY HALLS OF OXFORD & WEST BREWING CO. LTD.

- 1st £15.00 plus Cup and Duplicate Cup plus tubular plus chain
- 2nd £10.00 plus tubular
- 3rd £8.00 plus chain
- 4th £6.00
- 5th £4.00

EVENT 8 FIRST & SECOND CAT. MAIN RACE FOR SENIORS

5 p.m. 40 mins. duration + 3 laps

SPONSORED BY HALLS OF OXFORD & WEST BREWING CO. LTD.

- 1st £30.00 plus Cup and Duplicate Cup plus Huret changer plus plus training top plus champagne plus chain
- 2nd £25.00 plus chain
- 3rd £18.00 plus chain
- 4th £12.00
- 5th £8.00

6 p.m. Prize Presentation

WARNING

This type of cycle racing can be very dangerous. Your presence at this meeting is entirely at your own risk — with racing at over 30 m.p.h. we appeal to everybody to keep off the road while racing is in progress and particularly parents please look after children. It would be appreciated if the centre of the Promenade and gardens could be clear of spectators so as to give everybody a good view of the racing. The events depend on your co-operation and generosity in making them a success. Thank you.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPETITORS

EVENT H.Q. — CARAVAN IN CYCLE Paddock

Signing on and machine examination to be completed 15 minutes before YOUR RACE

NO LICENCE NO RIDE CRASH HATS MUST BE WORN

All riders are asked to leave machines in Paddock when not riding in order to keep Marine Parade clear for spectators and the general public.

Lapped Riders will be pulled out at the discretion of the Judges.

LOCK YOUR BIKE — THERE MAY BE A THIEF ABOUT.

Any complaints regarding the Event should be made to the Race Organisers in writing within 48 hours of it taking place.

ALL PRIME WINNERS WILL BE PAID WITHIN 7 DAYS

TROPHIES TO BE HELD FOR ONE YEAR

When Prime Prize is due a whistle will be blown and a board showing Prime next lap will be shown.

Finally, let us make this event a success, race well, obey instructions and leave the Circuit areas tidy and we will try to make it an Annual Event.

MAKE A DAY AT WESTON-SUPER-MARE

ENJOY A FULL DAYS CYCLE RACING.

WHY NOT ATTEND BRISTOL SOUTH C.C. ANNUAL

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TIME TRIAL EVENT.

SUNDAY MORNING 6th SEPTEMBER, 1981.

FINISH AT THE BEACH LAWNS BY THE SWIMMING POOL.



"If this is the start I wonder what the rest of the course is like."