

1972

Polo continued in the Croydon Winter League without a break as they are hardy souls. The next game for the A Team was against the Palace. An unwise decision was made at the start. The Referee had not arrived and it was decided to start without him. This match was likely to be rather close and hard fought. The Palace had a 6 goals handicap this Paragon team had 14 so the Palace had to win by 8 goals to win the handicap. As expected, it was a very close game and by half time the score was just 2 – 1 to the Palace. Just after the interval Palace scored two more with only one in reply. Then in the last 'Chucka' the Paragon fell apart and the Palace scored six without reply. Even Keith Ongley and a penalty deflected and then the rebound shot saved. It was one of those days. The result was a win for the Palace 10 – 2 and therefore a draw on handicap 16 apiece.

The B Team match against the Tooting was enlivened in the first 5 minutes by a superb goal by Harry Corby for the other side! Graham Forster pulled off a great save and smashed the ball back out into play – only to see it hit Harry's bike and sail back into the goal! After that things settled down and by half time the scores were level 3 each. Tooting scored just after the break but swift replies by Corby and Standen kept the Paragon in front. In the last Chucka Tooting scored again but Crby made the necessary replay for the Paragon to come out on top 6 – 5. On handicap we lost 37 –30.

The first Open Event was of course the Croydon and District Hardriders on the 20th February. George Clare riding for Croydon Premier went round the difficult course in 1.6.34 to make everyone else seem rather pedestrian. Bob Chambers was our best man in 11th place with a 1.14.31. Andy Murray was 13th in 1.15.32, Pete Hamilton 16th 1.16.05, Ian Murray 17th 1.16.12, Dave Worsfold 20th 1.17.02, Pete Corry 23rd 1.18.02, Keith Mitchell 24th 1.19.10 and ray Carthy 40th in 1.27.20. This was excellent grouping at the front end of the field, but not good enough to stop the Hainault winning the Team prize.

Five brave souls went north of the Thames to ride the North Road Hardriders and Pete Hamilton is determined to continue where he left off last season. He completed the course in 1.14.01 whilst Ian Murray was also well to the fore with a 1.14.14 that involved a puncture. Dave Worsfold finished in 1.16.30, Pete Corry 1.20.51 and Jack Platts 1.21.50. Jack rode a single gear on a course that requires gears, a large number of them and some with lots of teeth.

The 6th March, the East Surrey Hardriders, and a morning that any sensible person would send out for breakfast. Robin splashed round in 1.22.17 for 2nd place. Pete Hamilton punctured but finished in 1.25.39, Dave Worsfold took 1.29.34, Pete Corry 1.33.33, with a puncture, and Graham Bristow 1.33.49. On the plus side we also won the Team race.

Whether the efforts in the East Surrey Hardriders were worth it was a matter of debate as neither Robin Buchan not Dave Worsfold could start their races the following weekend due to heavy colds. You pays your money and you

takes your choice. That these two gentlemen were not really missed is shown by the result of the Central Sussex Hilly '22' where Pete Hamilton was 5th in 1.0.19, Ian Murray took 1.2.25 and Andy Murray 1.2.33 and the Paragon took the Team race.

Gale force winds faced the riders next day in the Club '10' on the Sunday morning. Times were a little on the slow side! Ian Murray fought his way back in 27.01 and it would be interesting to know when he last took that long to do 10 miles in a race. In 2nd place was brother Andy in 27.33 and 3rd was Graham Bristow in 27.47. There was then a 2 minutes gap to Keith Mitchell in 4th place.

In the next match the B Team (23 goals) played Selhurst (8 goals) but with Pete Standen getting a couple of goals Selhurst's job was far too difficult. They won on scratch by 11 – 2 but lost on handicap 19 – 25. By switching a couple of players Selhurst met the A Team with a handicap of 21 goals to our 15. Fortunately the A Team was meshing well and with Pete Durbin, Mick Nash and Keith Ongley getting 4 apiece the Paragon won 12 – 2 and 27 – 23 on handicap. It doesn't pay to try to fiddle the books! The needle match was the A team (13 goals) versus the B Team (26 goals). No prisoners to be taken! Whilst messrs Durbin, Ongley and Nash were trying to score as many as possible Ian Forrest was having an inspired game in the B Team goal. Then Pete Standen and Tom Corby sneaked away to get a couple of goals on the break-out and the match was rather close. At the end the A Team won on scratch by 14 – 2 but on Handicap the B Team got it by 28 – 27. This was a pretty accurate piece of handicapping.

Pete Hamilton was up with the leaders in the Kentish Whs '25' with a 1.2.57 for 6th place. Graham Bristow finished in 1.6.51, Pet Corry 1.8.37 and Keith Mitchell 1.10.12. Robin Buchan came 5th in the 34th Nomads Spring road race after just failing to hold the bunch at bay. Pete Ansell came 9th in the Booker road race around Fifield.

Both Polo Teams came through to the Quarterfinals of the Surrey Cup (games decided on handicap results). The B Team was up against Selhurst and had an advantage of 13 goals. With 5 minutes to go Selhurst had managed to score just those 13 and needed just one more to win then concerted attacks by Jimmy and Frank Corby both succeeded and the Paragon ended the match 13 – 2 down but 13 – 15 up on handicap and were through to the semi-finals. The A Team drew Rufus and was 11 goals down on handicap. Fortunately the task concentrated the minds of the Team and they played an excellent team game. At half time the score was 9 – 2 and at full time the lads had pulled that out to 18 – 4. This meant a win on scratch and an 18 – 15 win on handicap. Thus both Paragon teams were in the semi-finals. Later it was confirmed that they were not playing each other.

The next weekend Robin Buchan started his 1972 time trialling campaign with a win in the Suck Bucks Mountain '30' with a 1.10.52 that sound pretty impressive until one reads the Result Card. This informs the public that the course was short! Robin did take the special award for the fastest climb of the

'mountain'. Rowan Vacher also came out to play for the first time this year and recorded a 1.5.23 in the De Laune event. In the West Kent road race Pete Ansell finished 4th and Pete Corry 12th.

Once again Pete Hamilton led the winning team. This time it was in the SCCU '25'. Pete finished in 1.0.22 with the two Murray in 1.2.08, Andy, and 1.2.31, Ian. Pete Ansell came in with a 1.34.20, Bob Chamber 1.4.51 and Keith Mitchell 1.10.40.

On Good Friday Keith Mitchell rode the Crawley Whs '25 and clocked 1.8.54 and on Easter Monday Pete Ansell finished the Actonia '25' in 1.2.51 and Pete Corry 1.6.25.

Pete Hamilton was in ruthless form when on a very cold morning he stood head and shoulders (physically and metaphorically) above the other riders in the Jim Fox '25' on the 9th April. His 1.1.15 was 4 minutes quicker than Graham Bristow, 1.5.20, and 8 minutes faster than 3rd place Jack Platts 1.9.17. Graham did take the handicap from John Overton and Jack Platts. The Murrays, John Jennings and Dave Worsfold went adventuring to the Circuit of the Dales. Andy Murray being our Hill Climbing champion came out as our best rider with a 2.19.50 ride with John Jennings finishing in 2.26 something. Ian Murray had trouble with a slipping chain but came in with 2.27.30 whilst Dave Worsfold had trouble with slipping muscles in his 2.28 something. Pete Ansell took part in the De Laune road race and finished in 2nd place. Robin Buchan was 13th in the Tour of the Rodings.

On the 14th May Harry Corby and Pete Standen were picked to play for a London Team against Warwickshire. For some unknown reason the London captain left Pete in goal for 5 of the 6 chuckas so when he came out and started scoring it was too late and London lost 10 – 2. In the English Cup Quarter finals the A Team completely outplayed North Downs by 18 – 1. Harry Corby scored 4, Pete Standen 5, Pete Durbin 4 and Keith Ongley 5 whilst Alan Roberts kept goal.

The following week Pete Hamilton team up with Ian Murray and they won the Croydon & District 2up '25' in 1.0.58. Pete then came 3rd in the Bec '25' with a 59.41. Rowan Vacher started to show a bit of speed with his 1.2.34 whilst Ian Murray came in with 1.3.58, Doug Vacher 1.4.02 and Pete Corry 1.5.15.

The Semi-finals of the Surrey Cup were not as productive as they might have been. The day picked coincided with holidays for most of the B team and only 3 players turned up. They did play the match as a forlorn hope but lost quite heavily even on handicap 29 – 23 to the Aces. The A team did much better in their games against North Downs although you would not have thought so in the first chucka. After 15 minutes our lads were 3 – 0 down but that did help to concentrate the mind. By half time the Paragon had reduced that lead to 4 – 3. After Pete Standen levelled the scores North Downs threw everything into the attack but were denied by superb goal-keeping by Alan Roberts. Eventually they did score to make it 5 – 4 but that was their swansong. The Paragon lads piled on the pressure, and goals, to win by 8 goals to 5. In fact

they did not need their handicap to win and go through to the Final. Scorers were Pete Durbin 1, Harry Corby 1, Pete Standen 3 and Keith Ongley 3.

No report of the Final has been found except a note that the Paragon won and the team was Alan Roberts, Pete Standen, Pete Durbin, Keith Ongley, Harry Corby and Mick Nash.

Peter Hamilton did it again in the Dave London '30'. He won in 1.15.39 by over 6 minutes from Graham Bristow, 1.21.58, and Keith Mitchell, 1.25.02, was nearly 10 minutes back. Keith did get some joy from the morning by taking the Dave London Trophy for best on handicap. The Oxonian '25' also had some poor weather and high winds as our team of four were well down on their usual times. Rowan Vacher finished in 1.4.05, Pete Ansell 1.4.21, Ian Murray 1.5.00, and Doug Vacherf 1.6.28. Robin Buchan, of course, showed them what should be done with a 1.1.10 in the Easterley '25'.

Another Team race came our way in the Croydon Premier '25' with Pete Hamilton taking 2nd place with a 1.0.15. Rowan Vacher came 5th with 1.1.40 and Doug Vacher chipped in with a 1.4.34 to make the team. Keith Mitchell also finished in 1.8.52. Jack Platts and Mike Wilson rode the VTTA '25 and clocked 1.10.58 and 1.13.38 respectively.

The Polhill '10's also started about this time and the first three times we have are Rowan Vacher 23.29, Doug Vacher 24.27 and Paul Lambeth 29.20. Pete Hamilton won the Gravesend 3rd Category road race both on scratch and on points. Pete Ansell was also well up coming 4th in the sprint and 3rd on points.

At our Crystal Palace promotion the result of the Schoolboy races was 1st D Peachey (VC Londres), 2nd R Arnold (Twickenham) and 3rd M Morgan (Lewisham). The Senior race result was 1st P Miles (Kingston RC), 2nd Dave Smith (Catford) and 3rd G Hayman (34th Nomads).

More Polhill times Pete Hamilton 22.31 and 23.07, Rowan Vacher 23.03, Doug Vacher 24.43, and Keith Mitchell 25.17. On the Gatwick course John Overton has returned a 26.40 and a 26.07 whilst Paul Lambeth won 1st on handicap in the Gravesend '10' in 29.46.

Nine riders completed the 34th Nomads '25' the fastest of ours being Pete Hamilton with a 1.1.16. Pete Ansell clocked a 1.2.38 and Ian Murray a 1.3.28 that was sufficiently quick for the Team race to go to the Paragon. Other rides were done by John Jennings 1.3.43, Graham Bristow 1.6.14, Keith Mitchell 1.10.56, Mike Wilson 1.11.47, Pete Corry 1.13.00 and Ray Giles 1.15.41. Rowan Vacher went off by himself and did a 1.1.31 in the High Wycombe '25'. Dave Worsfold rode the SCCU '50' and completed the course in 2.11.18.

There were only 2 finishers in the first Club '50' where Graham Bristow, 2.18.44, got the better of John Jennings, 2.20.38. Robin Buchan came 2nd in the Medway Velo '50' in 2.12.38. With backing by Ian Murray 2.17.18 and Dave Worsfold 2.20.32 the Paragon won the Team race. We had seven finishers in the Surrey St Christopher's '25' with Graham Bristow being our

fastest man in 1.4.55. Following him were Jack Platts 1.7.14, Dennis Young 1.8.30, Charlie Nichols 1.8.46, Ken Cattermole 1.10.14, Steve Lambeth 1.15.25 and Paul Lambeth 1.16.38. The Vachers went off to ride a '30' with Rowan finishing in 1.13.27 and Doug 1.16.28 in the Havering event.

Rowan came 4th in the De Laune '25' with a 1.0.50 beating Pete Hamilton by 1'22". Peter finished in 1.2.12, Pete Corry 1.5.34, Charlie Nichols 1.7.00 and Keith Mitchell 1.9.35. Pete Ansell and Ray Giles rode the Farnham '25' recording a 1.4.45 and 1.17.02 respectively.

Pete Hamilton just failed to beat the hour in the Basildon '25' when he crossed the line in 1.0.04. Pete Ansell came in with a 1.3.24 and Pete Corry 1.6.55. John Overton came 8th in the GH Stancer Schoolboy '10' with 26.50.

Dave Worsfold showed a touch of form when he finished the Archer '50' in 2.5.52 whilst Ian Murray could only produce a 2.10.50. Rowan Vacher claimed a famous scalp in the South Eastern '25' when he beat Robin Buchan by 2 seconds. Rowan was 3rd in the event and Robin 4th. Ian Murray was our third man with a 1.2.17 followed by Doug Vacher 1.3.12 and Charlie Nichols 1.6.22. We missed the Team race by 49 seconds. In the Veterans section Jack Platts finished in 1.7.20, Mike Wilson 1.9.52 and Ken Cattermole 1.10.47. In the Clarendon 3rd category road race Pete Corry was 6th.

It would be interesting to know what happened in the Purley to Brighton as Bob Chambers won it with 1.58.53! Graham Bristow was 2nd in 2.0.18 and Ken Cattermole 3rd in 2.5.53. The Addiscombe won the team race as they did have at least 6 riders to our three. However the event was discussed at the June Committee Meeting, as there were now seven sets of traffic lights on the course.

This weekend was a beast, as the report in Blah puts it with gale force winds and rain to help ones appreciation of the conditions. Pete Hamilton was in the results of the DVCCA '25' with 1.1.43 for 5th place. Pete Corry came in with a 1.6.21. Robin Buchan was 4th in the Colchester '50' clocking 2.1.04 for the distance. Dave Worsfold dropped back to a 2.11.37 beating Ian Murray's 2.11.52 but they did win the Team race. Pete Ansell just missed the magic hour in the Clarence Whs '25' with a fine 1.0.20 but Mike Wilson went slower in the Festival event with a 1.15.04. This in an event that had more non-starters than starters! However he did make up for that with a much faster 1.7.32 in the Chelmer '25'. Pete Corry came 11th in the Clarence road race for 3rd category riders.

Out on the Bath Road Graham Bristow finished the Newbury '25' with a 1.4.17 whilst Mike Wilson took 1.11.32. In the South Western '25' Pete Hamilton 'got under' with a 59.42. Ian Murray just missed with a 1.0.23 (a season's best) whilst Pete Corry finished, also with a season's best, in 1.4.06. Pete Hamilton was very disappointed with his 13th place in the National Championship 1000m time trial with a 1.19.5 that is well outside club record and his best.

Lots of evening '10's were ridden either at Gatwick or on the Polhill Course. At Gatwick Keith Mitchell did a 25.22, a 25.00 and 25.43, Pete Hamilton did 23.03 to come 2nd in the East Surrey promotion, Ian Murray a 24.00, Dave Worsfold 24.14, Pete Ansell 24.37, John Overton 26.30 and Ray Giles 27.10. On the Polhill course Keith Mitchell finally got inside 25 minutes with a 24.06. Rowan Vacher has a 23.57 to his name, Doug Vacher 25.42 whilst Pete Ansell has a 24.01 and 23.03.

For a time Robin Buchan was out of action following a crash in the Crawley Whs road race that necessitated a stay overnight in Cuckfield hospital and an enforced rest from bike riding. However racing went on but without the regular successes.

Rowan Vacher came 4th in the Welland Valley '25' in 59.18 whilst brother Doug took 1.5.00. Pete Ansell also got under the hour but in the Chelmer '25' with a 59.20. Dave Worsfold proved he was fast man with an excellent ride in the Maidenhead '50' of 2.2.20 but getting extremely wet in the process. Ken Cattermole rode the SCCU '50' and got round in 2.26.38.

Seven riders appeared in the Results of the Dulwich Paragon Middlemarkers '25'. Doug Vacher led them home with a 1.3.53 followed by Jack Platts 1.6.34, Keith Mitchell 1.7.02, Mike Wilson 1.8.45, Ray Giles 1.12.12 and Gordon Davies 1.24.32.

The Moon Trophy had 14 riders. Fastest on the day was Peter Hamilton with a 59.18 some 3 minutes faster than Pete Ansell and 4 minutes quicker than Graham Bristow, 1.3.34. However the Moon Trophy has nothing to do with speed as it is all about handicap times. The Paragon won 1st Team Prize and the Walter Moon Shield with Paul Lambeth (54.49), Graham Bristow (57.14), Keith Mitchell (55.44) and Vin Callanan (56.44). Paul Lambeth won 1st handicap in the event proper and that was Graham Bristow's fastest '25' for 3 seasons. Dave Worsfold went off to the Oxford City '50' but could not reproduce his Maidenhead perform and finishing in 2.15.52.

Graham Bristow was our lone rider in the SCCU '100' and he finished in 4.39.32 to win the Goss Green Cup, The SCCU Novice Medal, the Bill Saggars award for the best Novice, 1st handicap in the SCCU event and, as he was the only Paragon finisher in the 100, the Club Events Championship for 1972. Not a bad haul from one ride!

Pete Hamilton beat Terry Slattery in the Finals of the SW London & Surrey 880 yards grass track Championship with Graham Bristow and Pete Corry also getting through to the seven man Final. At Danson Park Pete Hamilton came 2nd in the Unknown distance event and 2nd in the 12 laps points race. Later he came 4th in the South Eastern CA 8 kms event. Pete Corry also rode the Meeting and came 3rd in the Unknown distance event.

In a later Meeting at Danson Park Pete Hamilton came 2nd in the 'Devil' and won both the Unknown distance and 10 miles events. Graham Bristow came 4th in the 800m sprint.

In our Frank Southall Open '50' Dave Worsfold got the better of a still out of form Robin Buchan with a 2.2.34 to Robin's 2.4.26. This was not good enough to get into the prizes with Terry Ewing (Archer) winning in a new event record of 1.57.39. Dan Burgess of Century and Map Reading fame came 2nd with 1.58.58 and R Grime (South Bucks) 3rd in 1.59.16. Pete Ansell was our third man with 2.10.51 but we were 55 seconds too slow for the Team race.

Our Ashdown road races were held as usual and the Senior event over 4 laps of the Newtons Hill circuit was won by Don Awcock (Central Sussex) from R Woodley (Kingston Phoenix). Garth Standen (Surrey Road) won the Junior event over 3 laps of the same circuit. Our riders did not do too well. Pete Hamilton was tailed off on the last lap of the Senior event whilst Dave Worsfold came 5th in the 3rd Category event. Keith Lambeth came 2nd in the Woolwich 3rd category road race at Shorne, Kent.

Following this ride Dave Worsfold went down to Hampshire to try the New Forest '50' and came 2nd in his fastest ride at the distance this year of 2.1.35. Doug Vacher led our team in the London St Christopher's '25' with a 1.4.10 and Mike Wilson chipped in with a 1.10.00 and Paul Lambeth a 1.14.05. Andy Murray became the fastest man in the Club this year with a 58.19 in the Cambrian Whs '25'. Doug Vacher also rode with a 1.2.31 but Pete Hamilton punctured.

Another attempt at a Club Team Record was tried in the Mercia '30' Pete Hamilton clocked 1.10.22, Andy Murray 1.12.20 and Pete Ansell 1.13.50 but this also just missed. In the Balham Middlemarkers Doug Vacher was again our fastest finisher with 1.4.46. Just behind him were Graham Bristow, 1.5.40, and Pete Corry 1.6.04. In the Bec Veterans Jack Platts finished in 1.5.04 and Mike Wilson 1.8.55.

Robin Buchan showed that form was returning with 3rd place in the Kingston Whs '25' in 1.1.39. Pete Ansell and Pete Corry rode the Redmon '30' and did 1.14 and 1.18 respectively but no seconds are recorded. Pete Hamilton won the Fryco Cup '50' in 2.5.31 taking nearly 6 minutes out of Dave Worsfold, 2.11.10. Pete Ansell was 3rd in 2.12.13. Ride of the month went to Graham Bristow. After his first attempt at 100 miles in the SCCU event he tried the fast roads west of Reading for a second bite at the cherry. In the Westerley event he improved 10 minutes to finish with a 4.29.50.

After his two 100 miles efforts Graham Bristow turned his attention to even longer distances. He then rode the SCCU 12 hours and ran out time with 235 miles on not a very good day to take the Rotherham Cup, the Bill Saggars prize for the best Novice and Newman Godward Cup for the Club Open Road Championship. At the other end of the scale Pete Hamilton won the BCF SW London & Surrey 1000m and 20 kms titles that, with his grass track title, makes three Champion ships in one year.

Pete then tried for a sub 2-hour '50' in the Brentwood event but sold out on the way back with the wind *behind* him after putting too much into the fight to

the turn. He had to be content with a 2.2.17. Dave Worsfold went back a bit with a 2.5.15.

After winning the Surrey Cup at the end of last season the Paragon Polo Team started the 1972/1973 winter season by winning the George Brake Memorial Trophy. The team was Tony Knight, Pete Standen, Pete Durbin and Keith Ongley. Not to be outdone the Junior Team of T Hyams, Pete Standen, Frank Corby, Tom Corby and Derek Bowman won the Junior Polo Championship after extra time. The Score at full time was 6 all before Frank Corby scored the all-important last goal.

Keith Mitchell collected a 3rd place in the South Western road club race at Cranleigh. A junior '15' was held on the 24th September and John Overton, 43.20 beat D McKenzie, 44.41. The Inter-Club Track Meeting provided another win for the Paragon mainly due to superb riding by Pete Hamilton.

Once again Peter Hamilton produced the fastest time in the Mayne Cup by over 5 minutes. He recorded 59.12 to finish 5 minutes in front of Andy Murray, 1.4.41, and Graham Bristow, 1.5.15. Even so he only just won the Mayne Cup to be Man of the Day as being on scratch his time of 59.12 had no deductions. John Overton nearly did the trick by improving to 1.8.22 and having a nett time of 59.22 for 'only' 2nd place. John Cleeve came out of the woodwork to finish with a 1.10.44 and a nett 59.44 for 3rd handicap.

A new name went onto the Hill Climb Trophy when Keith Mitchell won in 4.27.2 from Pete Corry 4.29.2 and Graham Bristow 4.30.4.

Some hardy lads turned out for Len's '10'. Pete Corry was the best of them with a 24.53 then came John Overton 26.01, Dennis Young 26.23, Ken Cattermole 27.0p2, Keith Parkinson 27.10, D McKenzie 27.30 and Paul Lambeth 28.11. Keith Parkinson took the handicap from D McKenzie and John Overton.

The Club Track Championships were run off on 17th October and did not get a very warm afternoon. The 4000m Pursuit resulted in a win for Pete Hamilton in 5.32 with Graham Bristow on 5.50, Pete Ansell on 5.55 and Andy Murray 5.56. The Sprint Heats produced a four up Final of Petes Ansell, Corry and Hamilton against Graham Bristow. Pete C jumped down the back straight but Pete H gave chase and caught and passed him in the home straight. Graham Bristow was hanging onto Pete H and also slipped passed the dying Pete C. The handicap showed the difference between those that regularly ride the track and those that don't. Trackmen go on the whistle! Sportsmen/no hopers wait for the gun. Pete C went for it passing the riders in front of him but taking Graham B with him, glued to his wheel. Into the home straight and Graham Bristow went to pass Pete C but to the dismay of both were passed in the last few yards by a flying Pete H.. With this ride Pete Hamilton won the Frank Burton Cup outright after his previous wins in 1968 and 1969. The 5 miles scratch and points race was a delight as tactics were needed. Graham Bristow had to win the 5 miles to take the Track Championship. Pete H had to stop him but also had to keep an eye on all the other who would be going for

the points but who, so easily, drift away off the front and win the scratch race. So Graham was trying to do as little as possible to save his sprint. Ian Murray, Keith Mitchell, Andy Murray and Pete Hamilton went for the points with the final points going to Ian Murray as he took a flyer but found the back straight appearing to be double its usual distance, as he died a treat. This left Pete H a clear run to the line holding of the challenge of Graham Bristow with Pete Ansell crossing the line in 3rd place. The result of the Club Championship was a win for Pete Hamilton with 9 points, 2nd was Graham Bristow with 6 and 3rd Pete Ansell with 2 points.

Pete Hamilton kept on racing when nearly all others had stopped. However it was at least profitable. He came 9th in the Brighton Mitre '25' with a 1.1.43 and won the special prize for the fastest first 1000m in 1.17. Keith Mitchell tried the Catford and Bec Hill Climbs. He took 2.34 to get up Yorks Hill and 2.45 to climb Old Titsey Lane.

The Frank Cleeve Trophy resulted in a win for Ian Murray with 17 points, 2nd Pete Hamilton 16 points and 3rd Keith Mitchell with 12 points.

As reported earlier Graham Bristow took both the Open Road Championship (21.813 mph) and the Club Road Championship (22.208 mph). Robin Buchan took the Road race Championship and John Overton the Junior Road race Championship and the time Trial Championship (21.901mph).