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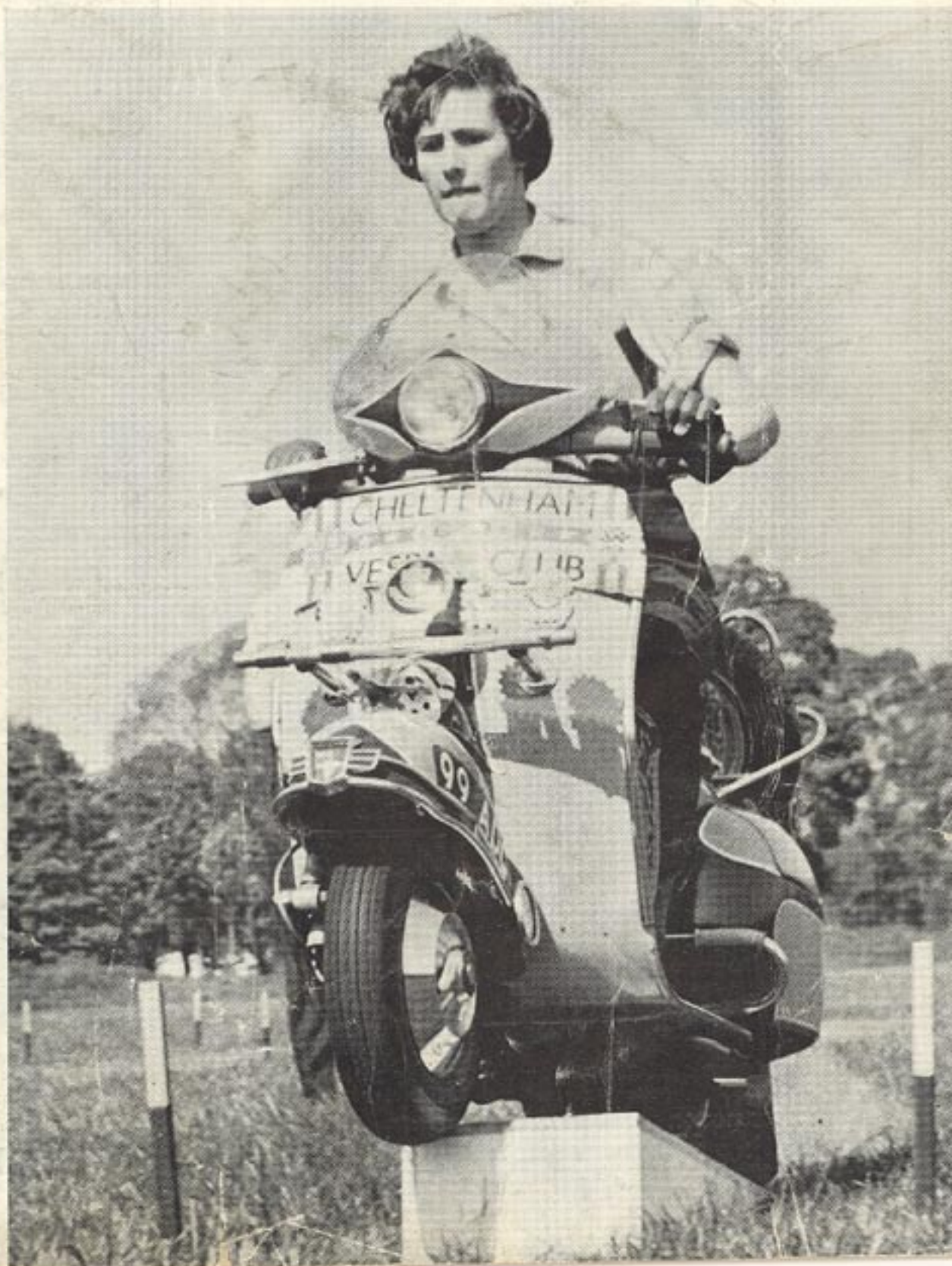
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Above: Hot on the tail of a rival, R. T. Young (Vespa) sweeps up the hill to the finishing line on his last lap of the Druidale circuit. Short wave radio in the CD van (right) kept marshalls in touch with other parts of the course. Below, left: T. M. Moore (Lambretta) leads a member of the S. Devon V.C., (riding a 90 c.c. Vespa) through the gateways on the new scramble course



Left: Miss Anne Wallace of Cambridge, winner of the Scooter Girl award; Right: The engaged couple who, naturally, won the Loving Cup; Miss Pat Norman and Tom Westfield of Hemel Hempstead L.C.

Report on the Isle of Man Rally, 1964

How a new-come

THE weather stayed fine, the attendance was up, the events went like clockwork—all in all, this year's Isle of Man Scooter Rally week was one of the most successful and enjoyable ever held. Everyone agreed this, from old hand reporters to the organising staff, but most pleased of the lot was newcomer **R. Crook** of Nottingham L.C. He won the Premier Award and five other trophies, and left the prizegiving richer by £19.

The week's events got off to a good start early on the Sunday morning when the 95 entrants in the Manx 400 event (some 12 hours riding round the T.T. course with strict time controls) drove one by one down the starting ramp on Douglas promenade—watched by a crowd of holidaymakers and encouraged by **Malcolm Clarkson's**

commentary from the B.L.O.A. control van.

Social evenings were mixed with field events to keep the riders busy through the week. Highlights were the Mayor's reception in a Douglas ballroom on Monday, followed by dancing to Kenny Ball's band. Among the field events was a concours d'elegance with classes for new and old models—one of the lads from Ireland carried off the former with his gleaming new Heinkel.

A surprisingly good crowd turned out for the revised scramble event on the Tuesday, both to enter and to watch. Only one scrambles special was entered, a Parilla owned by Manx rider **Peter Hudson**. He won both events he entered, but had some stiff opposition from Polish girl rider

Elizabeth Smolen on a Vespa G.S. and Czechoslovakian **R. Huncik** on a Manet. Some exciting riding resulted, over an interesting course which included a stream, two gates and a grassy straight.

The seven Jawa riders from Czechoslovakia were a feature of the rally, and though they claimed no sensational results, they made a good impression with their efficient riding, neat turnout and obvious enthusiasm. Island girl **Brenda Cain** rode with them on a Manet, having met the team during T.T. week.

A treasure hunt kept the scooterists busy all one day, and they followed a course cunningly designed to show them much of the island and its scenic delights. Newcomer **Miss Ann Wallace** from Harlton, Cambridge, first showed



Left: One of the most spectacular field events was the race track slalom. Here V. Zealey and his passenger (Cherokees S.C.) pull their combination round the last bend to win the sidecar class. Right: R. G. Salter whizzes through the Druidale watersplash in the fastest and final event of the week.



Above: Keeping close to schedule in the closing stages of the Manx 400, are three riders in the lightweight class. Left to right: Mrs. J. M. Barnes from S. Devon, Czechoslovakian R. Huncik, and A. Killip. Right: The sign on the theatre behind might well apply to this group of Czech team members chatting to one of the rally officials just before starting on the Manx 400.

swept the board...

her hand on this event, riding her new Vespa 90 to win the ladies award, and she later went on to become Scooter Girl and to win the ladies class in the slalom event. Miss Nan Anstead of the S. Devon V.C. also did well, being the best lady rider overall and taking the Power & Pedal Scooter Queen Trophy.

The Scooter Girl judging took place with the Loving Cup competition (best looking boy and girl on a scooter) in front of a huge deck-chaired audience in the Villa Marina gardens, and followed a band programme and a talent contest. The judges had a very difficult time because the standards of turnout were so high, but eventually Mr. Geoffrey Wharton of Raleigh Industries was able to present the trophies and sashes.

One of the most hilarious events of the week was the display at Ouchan Stadium, which started with a parade of drum majorettes, and included the slalom event. Some exciting saddlework was displayed here, all of which was overshadowed by a brilliant clear run by Glasgow man H. C. Watt. In an amazing series of skids and engine revving, he gave the paying public their 2s. worth and recorded a time far shorter than even his nearest rival.

A crazy pram race, scooters towing prams full of helmeted pillionist, made it a day.

Final and major event of the rally was the Druidale timed event, in which riders had to complete a given number of laps at an average speed so high that the event was virtually a race. Closed roads were used, going

through interesting terrain by the coast, over the mountains and through a watersplash. Nothing untoward occurred, though one or two mechanics were kept busy, including the indispensable George from Douglas Vespa. The event lasted the whole of a hot, sunny morning and was won by Mr. Crook followed by two lads from Glasgow L.C. Mr. Crook formed part of a three man team from Nottingham L.C., the other two being brothers J. & N. Ronald. They told our reporter that they had ridden the circuit everyday and in the actual event could take almost every corner at full throttle.

At the Friday night prizegiving, attended by the Mayor of Douglas and the Lieutenant-Governor of the Island, V.C.B. secretary Dave Pullom and B.L.O.A. secretary Bob Wilkinson arrived to join in the fun. They said that they hoped it might be possible to hold their huge joint rally (originated by Power & Pedal but cancelled at the last minute earlier this year) on the Island in 1965.

(results overleaf)



Sun-tanned and cheerful after a successful week in the sun, this was the overall winning team. R. Crook (centre) was also rally champion and, like the two Ronald brothers behind, is a member of Nottingham Lambretta Club

(Isle of Man report, continued)

Some facts and figures:

186 competitors entered the rally.

51 first class awards and 17 second class awards presented for the Manx 400.

Glasgow Contingent with 19 members travelling 216 miles to the rally logged the biggest national mileage, 4,104 miles.

Czechoslovakian Contingent, with 7 members coming 1,600 miles from Prague, logged 11,200 miles. Both groups won £5.

The following awards were not made: Best team of Villiers-engined scooters; Best performance by N.W. London competitor.

Date of next year's rally: June 26th.

Results

CONCOURS D'ELEGANCE

1964 models: O. J. Newman (Heinkel) Heinkel Club of Ireland.

Pre 1964 models: T. Westfield (Lambretta) Hemel Hempstead L.C.

SCRAMBLE RACES

Unlimited & over 150 c.c.: P. E. Hudson (Special) Isle of Man.

Under 150 c.c.: R. Huncik (Manet) Prague.

Handicap: L. Kitto (Vespa) Exeter.

TREASURE HUNT

First R. T. Young (Vespa) Rutherglen.

Ladies award: Miss A. Wallace (Vespa) Harlton.

SCOOTER GIRL

Miss A. Wallace.

LOVING CUP

Miss Pat Norman/Mr. Tom Westfield (Lambretta) Hemel Hempstead L.C.

SLALOM COMPETITION

First: H. C. Watt (Lambretta) Glasgow L.C.

Fastest Sidecar: V. Zealey (Lambretta) Hemel Hempstead L.C.

Best Lady: Miss A. Wallace.

PREMIER AWARD

R. W. E. Crook (Lambretta) Nottingham L.C.

Second Best: H. C. Watt (Lambretta) Glasgow L.C.

Third Best: R. Paterson (Lambretta) Glasgow L.R.C.

RALLY TEAM AWARD

The Bowmen (Nottingham L.C.)

R. Crook (Lambretta); J. Ronald (Lambretta); N. Ronald (Vespa).

SCOOTER QUEEN

Power & Pedal Challenge Trophy:

Honda expansion

A new spare parts centre for the Honda range of motor cycles has opened at 20 Woolaton Road, Nottingham—Tel. no. Nottingham 282181.

The existing administrative headquarters at Kingston-on-Thames is being transferred to larger premises at Power Road, Chiswick. Tel. Turnham Green 9381-8.

Registrations

Provisional registration figures for May show a continued rise in the "not over 50 c.c." class—12,154 in May this year compared with 8,922 in May, 1963. Total registrations for this year are 46,744 compared with 27,129 during the same period last year.

For motor cycles over 50 c.c., registrations in May (10,158) show a decrease on last year's figure of

Miss Nan Anstead (Vespa) South Devon V.C.

ISLE OF MAN CHAMPIONSHIP

R. A. Jackson (Manet) Isle of Man.

BEST SIDECAR

G. T. W. Burnhill (Vespa) Thames Valley V.C.

DRUIDALE EVENT

R. Crook; H. C. Watt; R. Paterson.

NEWCOMER'S AWARD

R. Crook.

LAMBRETTA TROPHY

R. Crook

MAICO TROPHY

D. C. Buckey, Burton Latimer.

BEST KENT RIDER

D. G. Saunders (Lambretta) Bromley Innocents L.C.

VESPA AWARD

Miss N. W. Anstead.

Isle of Man photographs

Copies of Isle of Man photos, (price 3s. 6d. per half-plate, 5s. per whole plate, cash with order) are obtainable from: **Grade Publicity, 9 Dryland Road, Snodland, Kent.** QUOTE RALLY NUMBER. Also available are unpublished shots of these machines: 89, 65 (Slalom); 85, 110, 65, 143 (Treasure Hunt); 65, 170, 111 (Druidale); 58, 144, 7, 186, 12, 127 (Scramble); 184, 12, 37, 42, 43, 41, 143, 144 (Majorette's parade); 128, 85, 146, 137, 52, 179, 47EOD (Manx 400). Contact prints for reference are available at 9d. each. QUOTE RALLY NUMBER.

10,760. Numbers are up, however, for the first 5 months of this year—38,783 against 35,970 in 1964.

Miss Motor Show

The finals of the Miss Motor Show 1964 Competition will be held on Tuesday October 27th at the BEN London Centre Motor Show Dance. A panel of well known personalities will choose Miss Motor Show who will receive the 'Babs Henly' Trophy and a valuable prize of her own choice to the value of at least £50. There will be other valuable prizes for all the finalists.

The only requirements for entry are that the competitor shall be of the fair sex and employed in the motor, cycle or allied trades. Entry forms are now available from Miss Motor Show 1964 Competition, 15 Fitzhardinge Street, London, W.1.

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First



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First

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1st, 2nd and Ladies Award
in the Isle Of Man Treasure Hunt for Vespa
1st Scooter Girl Competition for Vespa
The Slalom Competition — Fastest Performance by Lady for Vespa
Scooter Queen — Power And Pedal Challenge Trophy for Vespa
Watsonian Challenge Trophy for Vespa

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