

# YOUNGER GENERATION URGED TO TAKE UP CYCLING

Every effort should be made to attract the younger generation to the healthy sport of cycling before they become 'motorised' members of the Hastings and St. Leonards Cycling Club were told at their annual dinner and dance at the Royal Victoria Hotel on Saturday.

## TALKING CHESS

Last week's McArthur Cup match with Brighton was yet again an exciting affair. Time was due to be called at seven o'clock. At 6.40 the score was 1½-all; then Sellens blundered in a good position that was worth at the very least a draw, and Prus-in-plaster (after his accident) drew a game in which he had always some slight advantage that couldn't be converted into a tangible point.

Richard Upton pulled out his best form against Julian Simpole (B.C.F. rating 208) and, in a time scramble, where Simpole missed his way, snatched a crafty point. This leaves that improving player Oxenham's game remaining for adjudication. He's a pawn up and simply cannot lose. What will the adjudicator find for his opponent? There's no bottom board elimination in this competition, so if the bottom board is won for Hastings the match is drawn.

Hastings	Brighton
W. A. Winer ½	G. J. Nicholas ½
R. St. G. Upton 1	J. I. P. Simpole 0
F. Prus ½	B. Thomas ½
G. B. Sellens 0	D. C. A. Shallcross 1
J. E. Ramsay 0	A. P. R. Lewis 1
R. A. Oxenham	P. R. Selby ... a
2	2

a—for adjudication  
Hastings had white on the odd boards.

The game of the match has been very kindly annotated by Julian Simpole:

White	Black
Julian Simpole	Richard Upton

Nimzowitch	Defence
1. P-K4	Kt-QB3
2. Kt-QB3	Kt-B3
3. P-Q4	P-Q2

Mr Gordon Ely, a former mayor of Faversham and president of the town's cycling club, said that there were a tremendous number of potential cycling club members in the under-16 age group. 'We must go out of our way to attract them to our sport.'

Proposing a toast to the sport of cycling, Mr Ely said that last year alone, seven and a half million bicycles were sold in the United States. This meant that one in 20 of their population bought a new bike. Many had been purchased by adults for two reasons; they were a handy way of getting around and there was the health advantage.

### INCREASE

He went on: 'As far as transport is concerned, we tend to follow America and I can foresee a big increase in the number of cyclists here in the next few years. We must encourage as many as possible to join clubs.'

Unfortunately, too many people got the idea that cyclists rode bikes because they were unable to afford alternative means of transport. This theory, however, was killed by the number of competitors who drove off in cars after events.

This year, Mr Ely continued, the world cycling championships were being held in this country and it was up to cyclists to make the most of the publicity that would be gained from them.

### 'LOOK SMART'

'We must go out of our way to make people realise that cycling is just as respectable as other forms of sport,' he

told the company and urged riders to turn out for events looking as smart as possible. 'Care must be taken, particularly in road races, to entertain the public and not to annoy them.'

Replying, Mr Dennis Neeves congratulated Mr Ely on the improvements that had been made to the town of Faversham. He described it as one of the smartest towns in the South East.

Mr Neeves welcomed representatives from a wide range of clubs from as far away as Faversham, Woolwich and Catford. Mr Fred Churchill of the Catford club had travelled from Norfolk to attend the function.

### FROM NEW ZEALAND

There was a special welcome for Miss Pauline Tyler from Hastings, New Zealand, and among those present was Mr George Jenkins, an England 50-mile champion in 1929 and 1930.

Mr Neeves said that the Hastings club had enjoyed a steady year without hitting the headlines. They had a good nucleus of members who were on the road practically every Sunday.

He made special mention of veteran Jack Southerden, who had emerged sixth in the East Sussex hill climb, a remarkable achievement against much younger competitors.

Mr Neeves concluded by appealing for more members. 'The hills of Hastings seem to put many youngsters off and they get motorised at a very early age,' he added. He felt, however, that the club could face the future with reasonable confidence.



Top table guests and others who enjoyed Hastings and St. Leonards Cycling Club's annual dinner at the Royal Victoria Hotel on Saturday.

## Watney Games League

**MEN'S SECTION**  
Darts: Fountain 'A' 5, Cricketers 2; North Star 5, Mount Pleasant 2; Cutter 4, Wellington 3; Belmont 2, Havelock 5; Dolphin 5, Clifton Tavern 2; Silverhill Tavern 5, Manor 2.  
Shovepenny: Fountain 'A' 3, Cricketers 0; North Star 3, Mount Pleasant 0; Cutter 2, Wellington 1; Belmont 2, Havelock 1; Dolphin 3, Clifton Tavern 0; Silverhill Tavern 1, Manor 2.  
Team Trophy: Fountain 'A', Mount Pleasant, Wellington, Havelock, Clifton Tavern, Silverhill Tavern.

Shovepenny	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Fountain 'A'	13	13	0	37	2	26
Fountain 'B'	13	12	1	32	7	24
Havelock	13	10	3	28	11	20
Royal George	13	9	4	27	12	18
Dolphin	12	8	4	24	12	16
Clifton Tavern	14	8	6	20	22	16
Cutter	13	7	6	21	18	14
Manor	14	7	7	22	20	14
Mount Pleasant	13	6	7	17	22	12
Belmont	11	5	6	11	22	10
Wellington	13	3	10	14	25	6
Silverhill Tavern	13	3	10	9	30	6
North Star	13	2	11	13	26	4
Cricketers	10	2	8	7	23	4
Plough	12	0	12	3	33	0

Darts	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Fountain 'A'	13	12	1	75	16	24
Havelock	13	12	1	70	21	24
Royal George	13	11	2	59	32	22
Clifton Tavern	14	10	4	62	36	20
Dolphin	12	7	5	50	34	14
Silverhill Tavern	13	7	6	47	44	14
Belmont	11	6	5	34	43	12
Plough	12	6	6	34	50	12
North Star	13	6	7	46	45	12
Mount Pleasant	13	5	8	30	61	10

## ROUND-UP

### Tough at top in Snooker League

It's tough at the top in the Snooker League, and in a week of surprises both division leaders were beaten. Wheatshaf, Little Common, had their first win, quickly followed by their second. Queen's take up the running in the Monday Division after collecting another nine points last week. Results: Carlisle 'A' 2, Old Hastings 3; Yorkshire Grey 'A' 3, Rising Sun 'B' 2; Wheatshaf 'A' 1, Fishermen 'B' 4; Fishermen 'A' 1, Queen's 4; Bexhill B.L. 5, Wheatshaf 'B' 0; Rising Sun 'A' 3, Yorkshire Grey 'B' 2; Granville 4, Carlisle 'B' 1; Wheatshaf 'A' 0, Queen's 5; Provincial 'B' 4, Old Hastings 1; Yorkshire Grey 'A' 1, Fishermen 'B' 4.

Despite their 3-2 defeat at Carlisle 'B' Yorkshire Grey 'A' are in a strong position, thanks mainly to Railway's recent reverses. They surprisingly lost at Old Hastings 'B' 3-2. Other results: Old Hastings 'A' 3, Queen's 2; Provincial 'B' 3, Sidley W.M.C. 2; Yorkshire Grey 'B' 2, Carlisle 'A' 3; Wheatshaf 'B' 2, Fishermen 'A' 3; Fishermen 'B' 2, Wheatshaf 'A' 3; Rising Sun 4,

### SNOOKER BAR BILLIARDS DARTS CRIB BILLIARDS SHOVEPENNY

### FREMLINS LADIES LEAGUE

Darts	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
O.K.J.	11	9	2	36	19	18
Kings Head	12	8	4	37	23	16
R. De Mortain	12	8	4	33	27	16
New Central	11	5	6	26	29	10
Wishing Tree	12	5	7	31	29	10
Tower	12	5	7	25	35	10
British Queen	11	4	7	27	28	8
Rising Sun	11	4	7	22	33	8
Marina	12	3	9	23	37	6

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Rising Sun	11	7	4	20	13	14
New Central	11	7	4	19	14	14
British Queen	11	7	4	17	14	14
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Wishing Tree	12	5	7	16	20	10
Kings Head	12	4	8	14	22	8
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Robert De Mortain	12	10	2	20
New Central	11	9	1	18

## LIGHTNING WIN BY GUTSELL

Although Sussex were beaten by 19 bouts to eight in the National Schools A.B.A. championships at Brighton on Saturday, West Hill boxer Jimmy Gutsell showed what a great future he has in boxing when he stopped Kent champion W. Coade within a minute of the first round.

Gutsell went straight into the attack, staggering Coates with a series of powerful lefts to the head before trapping him on the ropes with blows from all angles. The referee stepped in to save the Kent man from further punishment and Gutsell now goes on to the regional finals at Coulsdon.

At Guildford today, Hastings light heavyweight M. Turner boxes in the Southern Counties championships.

## First water polo match ends in draw

The Hastings Seagull Swimming Club correspondent writes: After a long and arduous game, the water polo team's opening game of the season resulted in an 8-8 draw. The team comprised