

## CYCLING AND ATHLETIC CONTESTS.

MR. CONWAY WERTHEIMER PRESENTS  
THE PRIZES.

A highly-successful cycling and athletic race meeting was held in the Central Cricket and Recreation Ground on the afternoon of Bank Holiday, promoted by the Hastings Cycling Club. There was some capital racing and a satisfactory attendance, a large number of prominent residents being accommodated in a reserved enclosure.

The officials were: Judges, Councillor J. Niedermayer, N.C.C. (cycling), and Mr. A. Saunders (running); Referee, Mr. C. T. March; Starter, Mr. W. J. Ransom; Umpires, Messrs. W. H. Raby, A. Stokes, W. T. Roberts, and W. Huggett; Timekeeper, Mr. A. Moule; Lap Scorers, Mr. Philip O. Buswell and Councillor E. A. Hocking; Marksmen, Messrs. T. Wade, H. Sherwood, and A. F. Tyrell; Dressing Room Steward, Mr. Toff Lynch; Telegraph Steward, Mr. Sargood Williams; Enclosure Stewards, Mr. W. Catt and Mr. J. King; N.C.U. Representatives, Mr. W. Huggett and Mr. W. T. Roberts; handicappers, Mr. V. Waterhouse, N.C.U. (cycling) and A.A.A. Board of Handicappers (running); Hon. Secretaries, Messrs. G. H. Chapman and Harry Groome.

Appended are the results:—

**One Mile Open Cycle Handicap.**—Prizes value four guineas, two guineas, and one guinea. The first two in each heat competed in the final. The heat winners were: W. Harvey (Kentish Wheelers), 180 yards start; W. A. Muir (Tonbridge Wells St. John's), 70 yards; E. A. Firrell (Eastbourne Rovers), 110 yards; A. P. Richardson (Paddington C.C.), 125 yards; G. E. Brown (Elite C.C.), 125 yards; and W. A. McLaren (Brighton Stanley C.C.), 130 yards. Final: Brown, 1; Harvey, 2; Muir, 3. Won by a wheel. Time, 2mins. 27 3-5th seconds.

**Half-Mile Open Flat Handicap.**—Prizes value three guineas, two guineas, and one guinea.—C. Betts (Tonbridge Invicta A.C.), 68 yards, 1; E. Barker (Brighton), 62 yards, 2; H. E. Prosser (Aldershot), 58 yards, 3. Fourteen faced the starter. Barker won a good race in 1min. 55secs.

**One Mile Local Cycle Scratch Race.**—Three prizes for Tradesmen's carriers. The heat winners were A. E. Crouch, Henry Knight, J. G. Avery, and F. Follows. Final: Avery, 1; Crouch, 2; Knight, 3. Time, 3mins. 28secs. A very good contest.

**One Mile Open Flat.**—Prizes value three guineas, two guineas, and one guinea. F. Strange (Ashford), 140 yards, 1; E. Barker (Brighton), 118 yards, 2; P. Boulton (Hastings C.C.), 180 yards, 3. Thirteen started. A very pretty race. Gear of Hastings made the pace too hot, and fell back in the last lap. Time, 4mins. 25 2-5th secs.

**Two Miles Open Cycle Handicap.**—Prizes value four guineas, two guineas, and one guinea.—First Heat: A. P. Richardson (Paddington), 230 yards, 1; G. E. Brown (Elite), 215 yards, 2. Time, 5mins. 6 1-5th secs. Second Heat: W. Harvey (Kentish Wheelers), 340 yards, 1; T. L. Watts (Tonbridge Wells St. John's), 270 yards, 2. Time, 4mins. 34 2-5th secs. Third Heat: F. L. March (Hastings), 230 yards, 1; W. A. McLaren (Brighton Stanley), 220 yards, 2. Time, 5mins. 12 4-5th secs. Final: A. P. Richardson, 1; G. E. Brown, 2; W. Harvey, 3. Won by half a dozen yards. March had hard luck. After going a lap his machine went wrong, and he dismounted, and took another machine. This put him in a hopeless position. The time was 5mins. 32 2-5th secs.

**Bill Posting Race.**—Prizes given by Messrs. Watney, Combe, Read, and Co., Ltd.—Conditions: Competitors to run half a lap with

paste can, brush, and half the bill, paste latter on the board, complete lap, and collect remaining half of the bill, run another half of the lap, and paste same on the board. Prizes awarded for the most expedition and neatest. 1st, D. Carden (Slippery); 2nd, T. Barton (Cuthbert); and W. Diplock (Gudron).

One Mile Sussex N.C.U. Championship.—First prize, 18-carat gold medal; second prize, gold centre medal. Heat 1: 1st, F. L. March (Hastings C.C.); 2nd, W. A. McLaren (Brighton Stanley C.C.). Heat 2: 1st, E. A. Firrell (Eastbourne Rovers); 2nd, E. J. Hooker (East Grinstead C.C.). This final was disallowed owing to the competitors exceeding the time limit of three minutes.

Half-Mile (Club) Flat Handicap.—First prize (value £1 10s.), case of fish knives and forks, R. Bursley; second prize (value £1 1s.), plated flower epergne, G. D. Gear; third prize (value 10s.), clock, F. G. Leigh-Nicholls.

Final One Mile, Tradesmen's Cycle Race.—1st, J. G. Avery; 2nd, A. E. Crouch; 3rd, H. Knight. Time, 3mins. 27secs.

One Mile Club Handicap (winner to hold the Harvey du Cros 15-guinea challenge shield for twelve months, also first prize of a case of fish knives and forks).—1st, C. Maxted; 2nd, plated sugar basin, S. G. Kent; third, plated salad bowl and servers, W. Gentle. Time, 2mins. 13secs.

The prizegiving was held in the Pavilion after the races, when Mr. Conway Wertheimer handed to the successful competitors the many handsome awards. One of the recipients, while receiving his prize for the bill-posting competition from Mr. Conway Wertheimer, said: "I hope I shall have the pleasure of sticking up your bills when the time comes."

Mr. Conway Wertheimer, in acknowledging the cheers given on his behalf, said that he was pleased to find that visitors had taken an interest in the meeting, and that the prizes had had a general change round. He also expressed the hope of meeting them again on the occasion of their next meeting.