

# ENGLAND TRIES OUT NEW BOWLERS

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## Sale-Bairnsdale To 15-Year-Old Boy

ALTHOUGH only 15 years of age, Max Rowley (Maffra, 11m) showed courage and ability of a veteran when he won the sixth annual open League of Wheelmen's Sale to Bairnsdale (43 miles) road race at the week-end. Rowley sprinted away from a bunch of five older and more experienced riders, and had a wheel to spare from J. McNamara (Bairnsdale, 11m.), on the line. L. Mills (Maffra, 14m.) was third, half a length away.

Fastest time was made by J. Hodges (Glenhuntingly-Ormond, 2.30), with 1hr 46m 49s. The winner's time was 1.56.29.

THE scratch division rode soundly while intact, fastest time honors went elsewhere. Lloyd Thomas, formerly of New Zealand, winner of the Gippsland Road Championship the previous week, was the first of the bunch to finish, but he was well behind Hodges.

"Oppy's" re-appearance was not exactly auspicious, for the field had barely covered 20 miles when he crashed into Toseland's back wheel and buckled his own front wheel.

In order that Opperman might be able to continue, Toseland sportingly gave his own front wheel to him and retired from the race.

"Oppy" lost a lot of time, and during the delay Thomas cleared right away. Plugging on, however, "Oppy" finished about 11 minutes behind the placed men.

Rowley and his group still held command at 30 miles, but other bunches down to the 2.30m. mark had amalgamated.

Three miles from the finish the 2.30 min. men, among them Cecil Nichol, and others on marks up to 12min., were 23 miles behind Matt Rowley and the rest of the leaders. Lloyd Thomas was 54min. further back.

Matt Rowley's time was 1hr. 56min 25sec.

## Moritz Uses a Sturme-Archer

EVIDENCE of the widespread popularity among cyclists of the Sturme-Archer variable gear is accumulating rapidly.

LATEST to come forward with an expression of his appreciation of this very up-to-date accessory in Australian 100 miles road champion, Bill Moritz, who, like many other competitors, will use one in the Midland Tour next Saturday.

"I find they answer all requirements for racing on so stiff a course as that for the Midland Tour," said Moritz on Monday. "Personally," he added, "I have derived so much benefit from it that I often wonder how I ever got on without it. To find yourself getting the same result on hills as you do on the flat without any extra pedalling is marvellous."

English riders using the Sturme-Archer include Sid Perks, holder of the Land's End-John O'Grada and 1000 miles records, Bert James, holder of the 100 miles record, and Charles Holland, who put up new figures for the Land's End-London ride, and that from Edinburgh to York.

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**BILL MORITZ**  
Australia's No. 1 and Healing Rider

Bill Moritz adds that for absolute safety and instantaneous change he favors the Sturme-Archer 4-Speed Hub. Moritz, twice winner of the Australian 100 Miles Championship, will use three gears in defending the title in the HEALING MIDLANDS TOUR on Saturday. In his 1938 tour he found that the rear wheel, fitted with the latest quick release device and a centre wire, was disconcerted by a sharp tap of the hand and a centre wire in a couple of seconds. It is one of many features of the gear—and any tyre change is simplified by the quick-removal of the rear wheel.

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SYD FERRIS—Land's End, John O'Grada (twice) records.

TOM GODWIN—12 months' endurance test. At end of June he was 4000 miles ahead of Cecil Nicholson's figure.

CHARLIE HOLLAND—Tour de France rider, first 12th British Olympic team. Best all-rounder in Eng., 1936.

BERT JAMES—London-Liverpool record; outstanding endurance rider and record breaker.

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## CLAYTON WINS NATIONAL ROAD TITLE

THE all-important Australian road championships, held in Brisbane last Wednesday, resulted in a brilliant win for Queensland's ace rider, Harry Clayton, who, at the finish, made his running, led the field out at 200 yards to go, and won by a wheel from G. Kennedy (Victoria).

As he unbound a paralyzing sprint, F. Hines (Vic.) went with him, but could not hold the pace and finished fourth, being displaced over the last few yards by Kennedy (Vic.), and Ireland (Q.).

Throughout the race Clayton did more than his share of pace, and in withholding his finishing run until so late, showed temperament for international competition.

The New South Wales representatives, Scott, Porter, Smith, and Gould, who were freely tipped as having the race to themselves, were not even prominent at the finish.

Porter, however, probably left his form on the road. He joined Bert Schussinger (Q.) in a "breakaway" in the first 20 miles.

They had a half-mile lead at "the turn," but "burnt up" five miles later, and were never afterwards a danger.

The field of 15 riders were bunched until 70 miles, when D. West (Q.), holder of the Queensland title, "eried enough," and faded out at Caboolture. The time, 6hrs 0mins 25sec, was slow, but the field was riding into the teeth of a gale-like cross-wind.

In the 25 miles junior championship of Australia, Queensland riders were outgeneraled in the dash to the judges, and the first Queensland rider home was A. McKenzie, who finished in fifth place.

R. Jones (N.S.W.) sprinted in dash-like style to win by a wheel from K. Stewart (Vic.), who seemed to hesitate five yards from the line, and crossed over the line.

As in the senior event, the time for this event was slow, 1hr 29min 2sec, but the force of the wind was terrific.

117 Miles Championship of Australia:—

H. Clayton (Q.)	1
G. Kennedy (Vic.)	2
A. Ireland (Q.)	3
F. Hines (Vic.)	4

Won by a wheel. Time 5.0.25.

25 Miles Junior Championship of Australia:—

R. Jones (N.S.W.)	1
K. Stewart (Vic.)	2
A. Cooper (Vic.)	3
J. Kohlenberg (N.S.W.)	4
A. McKenzie (Q.)	5

Won by a wheel. Time 1.29.2.



LEARY CONSTANTINE bagged five wickets in England's first innings on Saturday.

## Cricket Birthdays

MANY happy returns on:—

August 24: O. C. Scott (West Indies).

August 26: Ray McNamee (Randwick and N.S.W.), W. Hunt (Balmalm and N.S.W.), P. J. E. Andrews (Petersham and N.S.W.).

August 27: D. G. Bradman (N.S.W. and S.A.).

August 28: Lindsay Hassett (Victoria), O. Lovelock (W.A.).

August 29: N. Y. Deane (North Sydney and N.S.W.).

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## ENGLAND v. WEST INDIES

Final Test at Kennington Oval, August 19, 21 and 22, 1939. Hammond won the toss.

ENGLAND—1st Innings.	
L. Hutton, c and b Johnson	73
W. W. Keeton, b Johnson	9
N. Oldfield, c Sealy, b Constantine	0
W. L. Hammond, c Grant, b Constantine	80
A. Woods, b Constantine	48
D. Compton, c Gomez, b Martin	21
J. Hardstaff, b Constantine	24
M. S. Nichols, run out	24
A. Woods, b Constantine	0
D. V. P. Wright, lbw, b Constantine	6
T. W. Goddard, b Clarke	0
R. T. D. Perks, not out	10
Byes 4, leg-byes 5, no-ball 1	10
Total	352

West Indies—1st Innings

R. G. GRANT, c Goddard, b Perks	6
J. B. STOLMEYER, c Perks, b Hutton	50
G. A. HREADLEY, run out	53
E. A. V. STOLMEYER, spd	96
Wood, b Goddard	11
C. E. ANDREWS, b Perks	11
R. G. WEEKES, c Hammond, b Nichols	137
J. E. D. SEALY, not out	17
L. N. CONSTANTINE, not out	11
Sundries	3

Six for 395  
Nichols 1-112, Perks 3-105, Wright 0-53, Goddard 1-55, Hutton 1-45, Comp-

## CRICKET ITEMS

H. VERITY is to spend the winter in South Africa coaching.

The English team for India does not include one member of the Yorkshire County eleven.

Waverley District match in aid of the A. F. Kippax testimonial will be played on the home oval on September 2.

A souvenir booklet has been published in connection with this match.

An enthusiast, Mr. J. D. Durham, president for 22 years, has taken on the hon. secretaryship of the N.S.W. Junior Union, because no one offers to carry on the labors of Mr. Watson, who recently retired from the position after seven years in harness.

## 17 Men In Three Tests West Indies' Batsmen Take Root at Oval

(By "NOT OUT")

ENGLAND'S selectors have spread their bowling for the three West Indies Tests over a wide range of talent. In the experimental sense, with South Africa next season and Australia immediately following, in mind, it suggests good tactics.

But we look in vain for new blood, comparative youth or spin bowlers of a type to wring mischief out of a true pitch in Australia.

THE bowlers tried in the three Tests include Bowes (who secured 11 wickets at 16 runs a wicket), Copson (11 at 16.81), and Verity (2 at 27). Oblission of these three from the final Test is not due to failure. They appear to have answered the test and have merely given way to others for the testing.

New men brought in at The Oval include M. S. Nichols, the Essex fast bowler, who has been in Tests before, and shortly enters his fortieth year. Still a fine bowler, he is not exactly qualified in age for a hard tour in Australia.

T. W. Goddard is bowling well all-round for his county and England. But he, too, is close on forty years old. R. T. D. Perks, of Worcestershire, is younger and getting plenty of success in county cricket.

## Hammond's Toss

R. S. Grant won the toss in the first two Tests, but W. R. Hammond broke his run at the Oval on Saturday. England performed splendidly to make 352. In the first two Tests they did not have a complete innings, the closure being applied at 404 for five wickets, 164 for seven wickets and 128 for six wickets. In the first match the second innings score was 2 for 100, when they won by eight wickets. Hence this 352 is the first completed innings by England in the series.

W. W. Keeton played on to Johnson's in-swinging without scoring. Johnson is a youngster, 22 years old. He bowls left-hand fast, and reveals in the christian name of Tyrrell.

N. Oldfield's second wicket stand with Hutton, putting on 151, was a great start for a new man. His 30 included eight fours. His name is Norman, and he is 28 years old. In each of the last four seasons he topped the thousand for Lancashire. With E. Paynter last season he put on 305 for the first wicket against Hampshire, making a new Lancashire record. A stylish batsman. Hutton opened these Tests with 196



A. E. MARKS, captain of Randwick, joins the N.S.W. selection committee. (See story page 23).



THIS PICTURE shows how the blocks are set in the new starting frame; and slots for altering the positions of feet. Spikes hold the frame to the ground. See story.

at Lord's, but they then got rid of him cheaply, three times with 16, 13, and 17. On Saturday his 73 was very timely.

Hammond's 43 is his top in this series. He was brilliantly caught at short leg by Grant off Constantine. His earlier innings were 24, 30 not out, 22, and 32. Compton, the middlesex colt, fell cheaply for 21. But Hardstaff kept up his enhanced reputation by getting to 94—top score of the day. He must be very close to one of England's three greatest batsmen of the period.

L. N. Constantine was the West Indies hero. His fielding was brilliant and spectacular. His throwing out of Nichols exceptional. Constantine finished with 5 for 75, a great piece of work. Johnson, playing in his first Test, got 2 for 33.

Main interest to Australians after the first day was the batting of Headley. He was 7 not out with one down for 27 at the close of Saturday. On Saturday at the Sydney Cricket Ground an enthusiast asked me if I happened to know the second christian name of George Headley. I gave a guess, "Alphonso"—George Alphonso Headley. He doubted it—and I didn't wonder. Look it up that night. I smiled to find it right—a lucky bit in memory.

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E. A. V. Stollmeyer, who was stumped after making 95, did not take part in either of the other Tests. He is a steady batsman, brother of the colt, and aged 22.

K. H. Weekes, who was 113 not out at tea, had played in only the first of the other two Tests. He is a vigorous left-hander from Jamaica, where he has made a big reputation. Also a wicket-keeper and under-study to Barrow in this team.

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## LEG-SIDE L.B.W. TURNED DOWN BY N.S.W.

NEW SOUTH WALES, by a very strong vote, has turned down the proposal to extend the l.b.w. law to balls pitched on the leg side. Mr. Justice Irvine, speaking to this proposal, remarked on the fact that Don Bradman, the champion batsman, should favor it, while W. J. O'Reilly, the star bowler, should oppose it. Their views showed clearly that neither looked at it from his own particular angle, but from the broader interests of cricket.

The position now is that Queensland and New South Wales have vetoed this proposal, while South Australia and Victoria have adopted it. The latter States may bring it into operation in their club preliminaries. It cannot operate in the Sheffield Shield unless the interstate conference adopts it.

The absurdity of State associations making law changes is here shown. The function should rest only with the Board of Control, and then only with the sanction of the law-making body in England.

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## RACING ALONG THE Running Track



MR. W. GRANT'S starting frame, which the Victorian public schools A.A.A. has endorsed. The runner is shown in a "set" position on the blocks.

## MAIL VOTE ON STARTING BLOCKS

SINCE the International Amateur Athletic Federation legalised the use of starting blocks in sprint races, as from January 1, 1939, and the Associated Public Schools and Associated Grammar Schools of Victoria intend to use them at their annual meets, the Victorian Amateur Athletic Association has decided to approach the A.A.U., requesting a mail vote to decide whether starting blocks should be sanctioned for general use.

If the vote is in the affirmative, starting blocks will be in use when the V.A.A.A. opens its 1939-40 track and field games season the first Saturday in November.

The starting blocks, illustrated elsewhere, which have been designed by Mr. W. Grant, secretary of the inter-club sports committee of the V.A.A.A., conform to international regulations in that they are (a) firm and contain no springs or other devices to aid the getaway; (b) the toes are able to keep contact with the ground.

## ADVANTAGES OF THE BLOCKS

Advantages claimed for Mr. Grant's type of starting blocks, which have been given exhaustive tests, are:—(1) Blocks may be set in slots to suit the particular "feet" of any individual; (2) Blocks may be prepared by the individual so that the angle of placement of feet is suitable; (3) The frame, made of steel, is everlasting; (4) Frames are put in position at the beginning of a meeting and are not moved thereafter; (5) A series of long spikes keeps the frame immovable, even though the ground be soft; and (6) Tests have proved that the runner is able to get just as comfortable a set, and an even better kick-off, from the blocks as he can from holes carved on the starting line.—Harold Balfe.

## Mick Simmons ahead again! PRE-SEASON SPECIALS!



"CANT-B-BEAT" CLUB OUTFIT VALUES

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THE Australian Rowing Council suggests that only a single and a double sculling entry should be made for the 1940 Olympic Games. But all rowing and sculling events at the Empire Games, at Canada in 1942, should be contested by Australia, they say.

Whether Australia should concentrate more on the Empire Games is a matter that has been widely discussed.

The Olympic contests have reached a stage where success is almost impossible for an Australian crew. Rowing in Australia is still looked upon as a pastime. To win at the Olympic Games a crew must make its preparation a full-time job.

Our chances, however, might be improved if an earlier selection were made.

In the case of the double sculls, where combination is the main issue and can only be obtained by practice, this is of great importance.

We have had no success in overseas events since the days of Bobby Pearce. Much of his success can be attributed to consistent coaching; even after he had reached his top.

In order to have attained their present efficiency, some of our scullers have had excellent tuition.

But, having reached a stage when they are able to beat any local talent, they are inclined to rest on their laurels.

However, to be successful against the