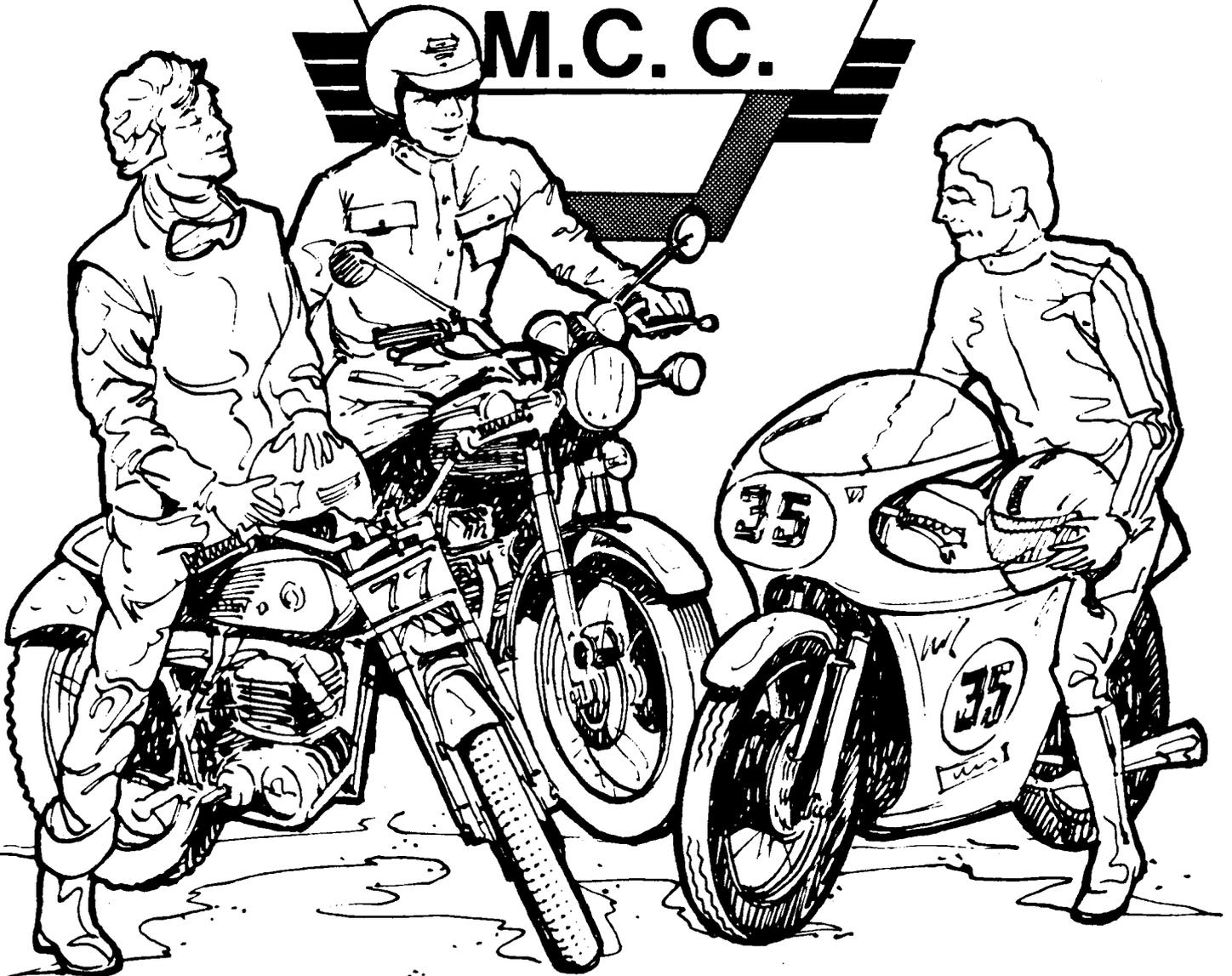


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CLUB ROOM and NIGHT - See cover.

DIARY OF EVENTS.

Mar. 2. Film Show in Clubroom. 8-45 pm.

Mar. 10. COMMITTEE MEETING. Note change of date. 8-30pm. Clubroom.

Mar. 14. Club Run to Mouldsworth Motor Museum. Starting from Robin Hood at 9-30 am. or meet at Mouldsworth at 11-00 am.  
From the A.556 Manchester to Chester Road turn right after Kelsall and follow signs. The museum has over 50 vehicles including 20 bikes dating from 1910. Admission is 50p.

APRIL. 9 - 18. International Motorcycle Show at the NEC. Birmingham.  
A club run to the show will take place on the 18th. April.  
Start from Robin Hood at 9-00 am prompt.

Apr. 25. John Simister Trial. High Edge Buxton.

EDITORIAL

One of the advantages of having a newsletter is that the membership can be advised about what the club is doing and what it will be doing in the next month or twelve months. Everybody knows, and not just those members who come along on a Tuesday night, even those committee members who didn't come along to the Annual Dinner will know because it is in the Newsletter. Coupled with the dinner is of course the presentation of the 'Awards', and whilst an account of the 'Do' appears later in this issue I thought that members should be told about some of those awards and who presented them in the first place. However I'm afraid that my research into the origin of all the cups is not yet complete and will have to wait until next month.

In the meantime I am pleased to you that I now have in my possession the first account of the 'runs' that the original members did in 1936. together with the 'Minutes Book' for 1946 to 1954. They were handed to me in the clubroom and I became so engrossed in reading them that I didn't go to bed until 1 am. Here is the account of the clubs first Annual Dinner on Sunday the 19th. January 1936.

Present: Messrs. Anyon, Cave, Dugdale, Hallam, Hobson, Harley, Lacey, Machan, Scholefield, Sommers, Stretch and Thomas.

We assembled (with the exception of Mr. Stretch, who turned up late and followed on.) at the Princess Hotel at 2 pm. As the roads were covered in ice we had three toboggans in the van. We went by way of Heald Green, Handforth, & Macclesfield to Mrs. Linleys. (the poached egg shop.) at Rainow.

We parked the bikes and spent the afternoon toboggoning. During the afternoon the wind came on very strong and we finally retired to the farm for dinner. The dinner which was a huge success, started at 6-30 pm and finished with two helpings of Christmas pudding at about 7-15 pm. R. Hallam was the only one who felt at all ill, although everyone had eaten too much, and all for 2/- !

At 8-30 we decided to go home as we expected some trouble as it was snowing hard and blowing a blizzard. We finally got all the bikes going and started for home at about 9-15 pm. The roads were not too bad, none of the snowdrifts were more than two feet deep. We returned to Macclesfield but decided that the minor roads would be very bad so we went through Hazel Grove and Stockport. The last members arrived home at 11-15 pm.

Signed. T.A.Dugdale.

Further excerpts from the past will be published each month from now on, and I hope club members will write to the newsletter commenting on the goings on in the early days of the '17'.

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Letter from the BMF.

4, Hammersmith Broadway,  
London.

8th. February. 1982.

Dear Keith,

Thank you for your letter of 26th. January re: letter to Minister of Transport. It's nice to see some clubs taking such action. It's only a shame that not all clubs follow this course. It's something I shall refer to our newly formed publicity committee for consideration. After all, three hundred letters on the same subject would have a much greater impact. Yours sincerely, Derek Jackson. Ass. Gen. Sec.

SOCIAL SCENARIO by Graham Watson.

Starting off the month of February we had a filmshow on the 3rd. with a film of the Bol d'Or and another called Meet Me in Fort William. Both were enjoyed by a packed house. I do wish that club members would find a seat rather than crowd into the doorway. They give the impression of wanting to test the temperature of the water before venturing in. The film of the Scottish Six Days Trial was fantastic, and did you spot Dave Rowland on Pipeline. Seeing the film made me read again the letter Dave wrote for the December Newsletter. It is worth going to the S.S.D.T. just for the scenery.

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ANNUAL DINNER & AWARDS PRESENTATION. by Keith Haining.

The time 8 pm. the date Feb. 5th. the place the Belgrade Hotel, Dialstone Lane, and approximately 120 members and guests sat down to an excellent buffet and social evening. The buffet which was a departure from the practice of the past years was well organised, and everyone sat down at tables arranged in the same way as for a served meal. The only difference was that you collected the various courses, coffee however was served. The only complaint was that the chairs were a little too close together and the last person in had to use a shoehorn. The meal was accompanied by soft music from the band who managed to control the volume until the presentation of the awards had been made.

The awards presentation was a masterpiece of co-operation involving the President Ron Weale who handed over the 'loot' that was passed to him by Jim Capper the Trials Secretary who acted upon the announcement by Gordon Ruffley the Master of Ceremonies. This was followed by a comment, a joke or a quiz question from Paul Tootall accompanied by 'Off road' noises from that dynamic duo Winstanley and Watson. (I nearly said Wood and Walters)

Among the trials award winners, proving that it is hereditary were the Hulme family. Father Ron, Mother Joyce, Club Champion John and brother Alan, who between them won so many cups, plaques and shields that they had to get Securicor to arrange the transport back to Whalley Bridge. Amongst the awards that the family won were a First Class in the Dave Rowland Trial and with it the Hepworth Trophy. Premier in the Duron Series and the Stanbury and Len Eyre Trophies.

Bryan Green was the recipient of the Eric Bowers Enduro Trophy, and the Frank Lever Trophy while J. Chatwood received the Clubman Enduro Trophy. John Cantrell won the Strugglers Sprocket for the best performance for an over 40 in the Duron Series and following in fathers tyre tracks was Andrew taking home the Warburton Trophy for the best Intermediate in the same series. The Premier award in the Fisher Trial went to Paul Bennet.

Geoff Winstanley our Club Captain was awarded the Presidents Social Cup, and Paul Tootall and Roger Richards our Membership Secretary and organiser of the 'Dinner', were the runners up. In accepting the Nigel Wood Memorial Trophy, Paul Tootall reminded members of the young man in whose memory this award was made. Gordon Ruffley whose firm present the Clubman of the Year Trophy announced that this year it had been awarded to Keith Haining. Observer of the year

was won by a husband and wife team, Mr. & Mrs. G. King. A full list of the recipients is on the following page.



DARTBOARD QUIZ arranged by Graham Watson - Directed by KH.

Having done all the preparatory work including masses of questions, wall chart etc. I had to leave Keith in charge and go off to work. The trouble with leaving our Editor in charge is that if you haven't got everything set up absolutely perfect he moans like ....! First of all the dartboard hadn't got enough light on it. Then the quiz masters table was too close to the board so that the javelin throwers stood on his toes. The tables weren't arranged so that all the teams could see the board, who was going to play there was no one in the room who looked remotely capable of answering a simple question like "Have you sent in you entry for the bike name quiz in last months newsletter". Its not suprising that the Editor has lost nearly all his hair when the answer to that question is " Haven't had a magazine." I only hope that that gentleman doesn't question the cost of sending out the newsletter at the next AGM.

The Press Gangs were sent out far and wide, but Peter Potts and John Hoxworth were unassailable with their waggons drawn round in a protective cicle. The three must get beers! Ray, Ron, and Harold had to be blackmailed into joining Ian Harrison as team 'D'. The full lineup by the time we started was.

<u>Team 'A'</u>	<u>Team 'B'</u>	<u>Team 'C'</u>	<u>Team 'D'</u>
Mr. & Mrs. Bailey.	Karl Adams.	Geoff. Winstanley.	Ron Lyne.
Stephen Bailey.	Sandra Wood.	Ian Cottom.	Harold & Mrs.
The Nolans.	John Milburn.	Sue & Mike Heyes.	Dewhurst.
	Ian & Dave Tivey.		Ray Spence.
			Ian Harrison.

Anne Wood kept the score and by 10-15 pm. a winning team had emerged- Team 'A' with a score of 31, closely followed by Team 'C' with 29. Team 'B' scored 22 and Team 'D' 18½. The question master was alternately accused of 'Helping' and sorting out the easy questions for team A,B,C or D according to which team you were in. The winning team was presented with diaries from 'Avon' and they immediately proceeded to examine them to see if they were last year's. Joking aside, jolly good effort teams without your willingness to participate all Grahams efforts would be wasted, Thank you.

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FILM SHOW. 16th. February.

Not so many members in the Robin Hood this time, there must have been a party political broadcast on the tele proposing that motorcyclists be phased out by 1990. However those that spurn this type of blatant scaremongering saw a very exciting film called 'Austrian Enduro'. This was a film about the event that used to be called the International Six Days Trial. and now called the International Six Days Enduro. (If that alteration shows through I shall resign.) Our own Stuart Hall did the commentary injecting the kind of humour that we often get from John Ward when he describes the antics of his fellow trail riders. I was sorry that Dennis Taylor arrived just at the end and I couldn't show it again for him, but by the time I have re-wound and carried out all the gear to my car it is getting past cyrfew.

Arranged by Graham Watson - Projected by KH.

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CLUB RUN REPORT. by Keith Haining.Visit to the Chatterley Whitfield Colliery Museum 28th. February. 82.

This run was held over from December when the weather prevented us from getting out. The fact that the new date didn't clash with any other event also helped us attract a very good turnout. We invited the members of the BMW Club's Northern Section members to join us at the colliery and the response was very encouraging. A total of 34 was made up as follows:-

MANCHESTER 17 MCC.

Ron & Jean Armsden.  
Keith & Jane Barnes.  
Ron & Maureen Lyne.  
Harold & Brenda Dewhurst.  
Ray Spence.  
Alan Aldred.  
Glyn & Gary Baxter.  
Graham Watson.  
Geoff Winstanley.  
John, Mary & Gary Hoxworth.  
Harvey & Alma Lloyd.  
Phil Minne'.  
John & Chris Yates.  
Bob Willocks.

BMW. Club.

Mr. & Mrs. O'Neil.  
Bill Frazer.  
R. Booth.  
K. Jackson.  
D. Irving.  
K. Hartley.  
Barry Jones.  
  
Gordon & Mrs. Griffiths came along to say hallo.

Those members who elected to travel in convoy with me, ran into rain between Congleton and the museum, but at least we were wearing our waterproofs. On arriving at the museum dead on time 11-0 am. we were kitted out with helmets and lamps, leaving our waterproofs in the time office we then got wetter walking to the pit head when it would have been wiser to have run like hell.

We split up into three parties of ten, Barry Jones and the Yates's not wishing to go underground, Barry having been down twice already and John not quite recovered from his operation to do a full shift at the face. So lamps aglow we crammed into the cage, it certainly enables you to get to know one another even if your feet seem to be pointing in the wrong direction when you reach the bottom. (of the shaft.) 10 feet per second is the descent rate for visitors, the miners go down at four times this speed. I don't wonder they take their dinner in a tin box, its the only way you could be sure of getting it down with you.

The guides are of course ex miners and their explanations are sprinkled with terms peculiar to the area and the industry. The call high pressure hydraulic pipes - 'Bags' and the return of a five ton coal cutting machine from one end of the face to the other is known as- 'Elitting'. Machinery of course never comes back to the surface when the seam is worked out, and so we are able to see exactly what the coal cutters looked like in'situ'. Geoff Winstanley must have felt at home in this particular pit because it is named after him - The Winstanley seam.

Returning to the surface we visited the engine house, where the engine and winding drum that raise and lower the cages are installed. 'Magnificent' is the only word that befits the huge twin cylinder horizontal steam engine, BMW owners appreciated the layout, almost! The appearance was fantastic. However my discourse with the winding man on the mineworkers union and his not too complimentary opinion of Arthur Scargill meant that by the time I got back to the car park members had drifted away. The remainder rode to the Little Chef on the A.34, where after waiting for longer than I had intended twelve of us had lunch.

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Colliery Visit Concluded.

I understand that everyone enjoyed the visit, and the sun shone for the return journey. Thanks to all who came, I hope that we will see you on March the 14th. at the Mouldsworth Museum.

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Report on the Riders Vs Marshalls Quiz - The Village Hall, Alvanley.

by Sandra Wood.

18th. February.1982.

Competitors; For the Riders.

Stan Woods.  
Bill Smith.  
Charlie Williamson.  
Karl Adamson.  
Bob White.  
Dave Aukland.  
Steve Murray.  
John Dutton.

For the Marshalls.

S. Dusnap.  
N. Sadler.  
C. Pool.  
B. Shakelady.  
J. Ravenscroft.  
G. Boothby.  
B. Thurlwind.  
C. Beresford.

Judges;

Don Ray - Sector Marshall.  
Tony Evans - Marshall in charge, Oulton Park.  
Doug Austin - President, Cheshire Centre ACU.

This quiz was run in aid of the Marshall's Association and was laid out in two sections; two motorcycle rounds and a general knowledge round. There were four teams, two of riders and two of marshalls. Two points were awarded for a correct answer and in the case of an incorrect answer, the question was thrown over to the number 2 team on the same side, who scored one point for the correct answer.

The majority of the questions were extremely difficult and were mostly biased towards the longer in the tooth members (Bill Smith) with questions(dating back to the 1930's ) about road racing, trials and speedway. The general knowledge questions must have been set by Chris Bonnington as they all seem to relate to mountains of Great Britain.

However, after a few gallons of beer had been consumed everyone got stuck in and the tension built up and world war III could have broken out over a discrepancy in an answer and the marshalls were awarded an extra question, but the riders triumphed with a score of 23 points to 21 for the marshalls.

The quiz got slightly out of hand when one member was asked to give two definitions of a "knacker". Need I say more? but all in all an enjoyable, and generally rowdy evening was had by all.

One disappointing aspect was the general lack of spectator support considering the effort and time which had been put into organising the event, opening the bar etc. Perhaps next time more people could make the effort and give the riders and marshalls more verbal abuse! (probably members were afraid they might get roped into the teams and that gives them the jitters - Ed.)

TRIALS SECTION NEWS. by Jim Capper.

Hooray! at last we have actually managed to hold a trial in 1982. Sunday the 21st. February saw the first 'name' trial of the year The John Hartle Memorial Trial held at Harrat Grange. Thanks go to Rick and Sue Stewart for all the administrative labour they put in, also the section markers Alan Hulme, Chris Nuttall, Dave Porritt, Gus French, John Garlick and Harvey Lloyd, plus all us other officials on the day. One comment I feel must be made, out of 120 entries, we actually had 82 starters which means that a third of the entry didn't turn up to ride. When you consider that the secretary turned entries away because we had reached the maximum number, it seems a great pity. Let's hope it was due to the date having been changed.

Dates for your diary - Next TRIALS COMMITTEE MEETING - Wednesday 17th. March. 8-30pm. at the White Horse, Disley.

World Trial Round. March. 7th.

John Simister Trial. (R) 25th. April.

RESULTS. of John Hartle Trial.

Premier.	Sam Brownlee.	Majesty 320.	30 marks.
Runner Up.	D. Hook.	Gori. 250.	32.
First Class.	M. Holland.	Fantic. 240.	33.
"	" A. Hulme.	T & C. Montesa.	37.
		350.	
"	" J. Hulme.	Majesty 247.	43.
"	" D. Vaughan.	Fantic 240.	44.
"	" S. Thomas.	Majesty 320.	47.
"	" M. Carney.	Fantic 240.	55.
"	" P. Turner.	Majesty 250.	64.
Best Inter.	B. Wright.	Majesty 125.	70.
Runner Up Inter.	G. Hatton.	Montesa 248.	95.
Best Novice.	N. Worthington.	Fantic 200.	110.
Runner Up Novice.	G. French.	Majesty 250.	110.
Ladies Award.	M. Critchlow.	Yamaha 175.	179.

Rick Stewart.  
Secretary of the Meeting.

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ANNOUNCEMENT.

Gordon Ruffley And Henry Rosenthal are putting on a CHILDRENS CYCLE TRIAL at Harrop Grange on the 21st. March. Starting at 12 noon it is a trials competition for padal cycles it is not, repeat not for BMX type cyclo cross bikes. Children between the ages of 6 and 16 can enter. Entry fee is £1.00 and you can enter at the start. For further information contact GORDON RUFFLEY either by telephone or letter his address is 38, Charlecote Road, Poynton. The telephone number is Poynton 877531. Harrop Grange is on the Chapel en le Frith to Chesterfield Road A.623. between Sparrow Pit and Peak Forest.

STOP PRESS. DARLEY MOOR first meeting of 1982 on March 21st. Club racing at its best. Darley Moor is on the A.515 Ashbourne to Lichfield Road. just outside Ashbourne.

KOMPETITION KORNER.

We had a 250% increase in the number of entries for last months quiz, not bad, Eh! Those of you who didn't try it will kick yourselves when you see what the answers were, and if you got it right but didn't send your entry in - bend over and I will kick you.

The first correct entry to be opened came from John Yates to whom we are sending the £1. prize. John recently underwent an operation to rectify a hernia and we are all pleased to see that he is making a good recovery.

The other correct entry came from Margaret Lawson, with very good attempts from Dave Rowland, Wendy Capper, and Geoff Winstanley.

So here are the correct answers:-

Raleigh ; Dot ; Bultaco ; O.K. Supreme ;  
 Coventry-Eagle ; B.S.A. ; Zenith ; Sprite.  
 Matchless ; Cotton ; Scott ; Metisse ;  
 Francis Barnett . Velocette ; Panther ;  
 Honda ; S.O.S. ; Suzuki ; Norton ; Greeves ;  
 Rudge ; Ariel ; Triumph ; Sunbeam .

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This month we will give your brains a rest and instead test your sense of humour. The first story, which incidentally is a true one happened to a friend of Mr. Thomas Glass of Marple to whom we are indebted for allowing us to publish it.

Ten-Point Turn.

A Lady acquaintance, a highly emotional person, took her driving test a few years ago. Nothing went right.

Her three-point turn became a ten pointer, and finished on the pavement. Her hill start became a rapid reverse.

She stalled at every corner, and "kangarooed" along the road with her handbrake full on.

She went left when the examiner said "right", and of course as her troubles increased, so did her emotional state.

Eventually, even her Highway Code answers became muddled, and the examiner with a deep sigh, told her there was no point in continuing the test.

She burst into tears, exclaimed: "Oh! It's just not my day," and flung open the car door..and knocked a cyclist off his bike.

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The following are supposed to be genuine extracts from motor claim forms received by a large insurance company in London.

1. The accident was due to the other man narrowly missing me.
2. The lorry halted and worked for the Corporation.
3. I collided with a stationary tramcar coming in the opposite direction.
4. I left my Austin 7 outside, but when I came out later, to my amazement, there was an Austin 12.
5. To avoid a collision I ran into the other car.

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MOTORING MADNESS CONTINUED.

6. The water in my radiator accidentally froze at 12 midnight.
7. The car had to turn sharper than was necessary owing to an invisible lorry.
8. I was scraping my nearside on the bank when the accident happened.
9. I collided with a stationary tree.
10. The other man altered his mind, and I had to run into him.
11. One wheel went into the ditch, my foot jumped from the brake to the accelerator pedal, leapt across the road to the other side, and jumped into the trunk of a tree.
12. A cow wandered into my car, I was afterwards informed that the cow was half-witted.
13. A lamp post bumped into my car, damaging it in two places.
14. A bull was standing near and a fly must have tickled him because he gored my car.
15. Coming home I drove into the wrong house, and collided with a tree I haven't got. I cannot give details of the accident as I was somewhat confused at the time.
16. I blew my horn , but it would not work as it was stolen.
17. I thought the side window was down but it was up, as I found out when I put my head through it.
18. I knocked over a man. He admitted it was his fault as he had been knocked down before.
19. I left my car unattended for a minute and, whether by accident or desire, it ran away.
20. My car was stolen, and I set up a human cry but it has not been recovered.
21. My car ran away, and because I had just had a hernia I couldn't stop it.

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The first part of the document discusses the importance of maintaining accurate records of all transactions. It emphasizes that every entry, no matter how small, should be recorded to ensure the integrity of the financial data. This includes not only sales and purchases but also expenses and income. The document provides a detailed list of items that should be tracked, such as inventory levels, customer orders, and supplier deliveries. It also outlines the procedures for recording these transactions, including the use of specific forms and the assignment of responsibilities to different staff members.

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