

SIDCUP AND DISTRICT MOTOR CYCLE CLUB
The TWELFTH SIMMONS CUP TRIAL

Sunday 16th March 24th 1947

**Starting from the Outer Yard, Kelvington Manor,
Kelvington Park, St Mary Cray at 10:30 a.m.**

Report in the April 1947 issue of the Sidcup Club monthly magazine, "The Compass"

With the bogey of drastically shortening or cancellation hanging over them, the organisers must have been relieved when the 16th dawned bright and sunny.

One hundred and ninety entries were received including 13 solos and 5 sidecars from Sidcup.

Several competitors were heard to say that they would have liked a second lap, and no doubt had it been possible even the night before to have foreseen the glorious weather, this could have been put on.

RESULTS (PART OF)

SIMMONS CHALLENGE CUP	Charlie Plummer	347 A.J.S.	Bromley Club
BEST OPPOSITE CLASS	Bill Peacock	497 Ariel sidecar	Bromley Club
A.A. SMITH MEMORIAL AWARD (Best Sidcup Novice)	Ted Fogg	347 Matchless	Sidcup Club
BEST SIDCUP MEMBER not gaining a Combine Award	Jim Dunn	347 Matchless	Sidcup Club
FIRST CLASS AWARDS	Max Pring,	350 Matchless	Sidcup Club
	John Catchpole	596 Scott sidecar	Sidcup Club
SECOND CLASS AWARDS	Alex Brett	493 Triumph sidecar	Sidcup Club
	Ken Carter	498 A.J.S. sidecar	Sidcup Club
	Harold Daniell	490 Norton	Sidcup Club
TEAM AWARD	Bromley	—	

Present day notes:

There is a programme but no results sheet in the Club archives. Has anyone out there got them?

The Compass refers to possibly shortening the route or cancelling the trial. This was because there was a petrol crisis at the time, as well as a severe winter which lasted well into April.

The Compass report states there were 190 entries, but the programme shows only 82. The riding numbers started from 101 and all the named award winners are in the programme, so the '190 entries' is an error by the reporter, having seen the numbers on bikes.

The four names teams (Eltham, 55 Kent, Sidcup solo and Sidcup sidecar) do not include the winners, Bromley!

There must have been more First and Second Class Award winners than the Sidcup members named in the April Compass, but without the Official Results sheers, we cannot