

## Harold Osborne (Honk)

Harold Osborne cycled mostly with the Northampton **Invicta Road Cycling Club**. He is featured in this paper clipping taken in 1937 of Northampton Invicta RCC. He is the man standing on the far right- back row of picture, next to *Phil Wilkes* (glasses) who set up the *Northamptonshire District Cycling Association* in 1935 (see racing bicycles).

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THE popular Northampton Invicta Road Cycling Club is pictured for our Mercury Memories Where Are They Now? feature this week.

The picture, taken in 1938, was sent in by George Stafferton, shown third from left at the back, a member until he was called up for the War in 1939. The cycling club was founded in 1931 and celebrated its golden jubilee in 1981, with at least 50 former members taking part.

Mr Stafferton said: "It was quite a good club with good racing results in those days in the area. It was quite a number one club.

"After the War I never really had time for the club and I think it became a bit disjointed. I know where some of the members are, and I know some are not with us any more. But it would be nice to know where the rest of them are."

He said the picture was taken on one of the regular Sunday afternoon rides, but cannot remember where.

It shows l to r back: Bob Jefcoate, Ron Brace, Mr Stafferton, Vic Kirk, unknown, Phil Wykes and Harold Osborne (Honk).

L to r middle: George Eldred, Jim Worth, Doreen Eldred, Daphne Kirk.

Mr Stafferton does not remember anyone on the front row.

If you can put any names to these faces, or remember the cycling club during that time, write to Mercury Memories, Upper Mounts, Northampton, NN1 3HR.

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Harold Osborne died of a heart attack in the 1980's whilst testing out a 1948 ish Percy Stallard Zacapone that he had finished rebuilding. He had always said he would die whilst riding his bike.