

NEWS

The House Organ of
THE NORTH BRITISH RUBBER CO. LTD.
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Mr MARTIN presents EVENING CLASS AWARDS

On the eve of the Trades Holidays our Managing Director presented awards of bonuses for standard attained in Evening Classes during session 1963/64, and reminded everyone that the Company was always ready to encourage those who prepare themselves by study for better jobs. We are happy to record last session's successful students:

Control Division

G. M. Brown, Costing (I.C.-W.A. II) Correspondence Course; W. Clark, Costing (I.C.-W.A.I.) Correspondence Course.

Development Division

A. S. Dalgleish, Lab. Services (City & Guilds Rubber Tech. II and O.N.C. Chemistry); M. Daily, Mech. Dev. (Shorthand/Typing); J. Keith, Test Lab. (Rubber Tech. II); I. Kitson, Library (Higher English); S. G. Patrick, New Prod. Lab. (H.N.C. Chemistry A1).

Services Division

G. Fairgrieve, Fitting Shop; Eric Nisbet (I-Es) (Higher National Production Engineering); R. Jardine, Drawing Office (Endorsement on H.N.C.); R. G. Paterson, Drawing Office (I.I. Mech. Eng.).

Mechanical Division

M. Coleman, South Mill (C. & G. External candidate); A. Forbes, South Mill (Mech. Insp.); D. Forbes, South Mill (Rubber Tech. II); T. Friggs, Royalite (Rubber Tech. III); V. McLeod, Mech. Insp. (Rubber Tech. III); I. Ridgeway, South Mill Ban. (Rubber Tech. III); J. Shaw, South Mill (Rubber Tech. II); J. Campbelton, Plastics Prod. (AI Chemistry for H.N.C.).

Time Division

B. Audcent, East Mill (Rubber Tech. 1).



E. A. Martin, Managing Director, congratulating A. S. Dalgleish on his excellent results, which included being first in the second year Rubber Workshop Technology and the first year of the Ordinary National Certificate course in Chemistry. Centre is R. A. Cryer, Industrial Relations Manager.

P. & I.P.

A. McGill, Tyres (B.I.M. II); E. J. Leishman, Development (S.C.E. 2); Angela Linn, Development (S.C.E. 1); A. Wright, Industrial Engineering (National Endorsements).

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Harold Cresswell, Footwear Sales, and 51 years with North British, and Mrs I. Woodman, Bristol, 24 years, have retired.

LEFT—1963 Queen of the South sending off the Rally entrants. On her right, J. B. Graham.

BELOW—Mr and Mrs Coston with Police Sergeant E. McVittie, first Dumfries "Driver of the Year".

Dumfries "Drive of the Year"

G. H. COSTON TROPHY

Heathhall factory was originally built for the Arrol Johnston car . . . a 1909 15.9 h.p. model is aptly depicted on this handsome trophy.



In a place the size of Dumfries community spirit and enterprise counts for quite a lot. The annual Guid Nychburris Festival with its traditional riding of the marches seemed a few years ago in danger of losing some of its attraction. A streamlining of programme and some new ideas have helped immeasurably to keep very much alive this annual festival.

The festivities of 1964 were given a new interest by the introduction of a Car Rally on the Saturday evening previous to the Festival week, thanks largely to the initiative of some of N.B. personnel at Heathhall. John Graham, Industrial Relations Manager at Heathhall, has been very active in committee work locally and was asked to organise the new idea of a Car Rally and act as Clerk of the Course. Various members of our industrial engineering and control divisions at Heathhall looked after the points system of awards. And to ensure that this event should become firmly established as an invaluable contribution to safety on the roads with the accent on braking, manoeuvrability and knowledge of the Highway Code, George Coston presented a handsome trophy for the "Driver of the Year".

Altogether 40 cars went round an eight-mile route, setting off from the old aerodrome at the rear of our Heathhall factory. At eight main check points members of the local police traffic department officiated with A.A. and R.A.C. inspectors assisting in marshalling duties. The tests were carried out on Whitesands, after which competitors were invited to the Heathhall Canteen for coffee and a film show prior to the presentation of prizes by Mr and Mrs Coston on the steps of the Municipal Chambers.

A highly successful evening, blessed with reasonably good weather and an excellent prelude to the Guid Nychburris festivities of the following week. Those of our personnel who helped towards the overall success of the occasion can take much satisfaction from a voluntary effort well done.

David Gardiner, Production Manager, Sports Products, won 1st Prize in the Gentlemen's Section—a pair of U.S. Royal tyres.



T.V. ACTIVITY

Scottish Television filming unit in the Hose factory at Castle Mills on 3rd July aroused lots of speculation. They were acquiring film material for inclusion in a series of Scottish industry programmes in the coming autumn.

