

LAMBRETТА 48 c.c. MOPED ANNOUNCED

Two-stroke at £71 17s. 6d.

LAMBRETТА Concessionaires Ltd. has just introduced on to the market a 48 c.c. two-stroke moped, designed to retail at £71 17s. 6d., including tax of £13 18s. 3d. It has low petrol consumption, comfortable springing and a quiet engine.

A single beam cradle-type frame in pressed and welded steel incorporates steering tube, saddle support and half of the rear mudguard. Variable pitch helical springs are enclosed in front forks and actuated by the trailing link; at the rear the springs are enclosed in telescopic tubes. Adding to the rider's comfort are large wheels shod with 22 in. by 2 in. tyres.

Expanding brakes are fitted—the front brake is hand-controlled, and the rear brake is of the back-pedal variety.

The fuel tank has a capacity of 5½ pints and fuel consumption is claimed to be 225 m.p.g. at a speed of 22 m.p.h. The maximum speed is 31 m.p.h.

The gear box is a two-speed unit, having appropriate gear ratios to ensure high speeds on the flat, and to allow inclines up to 1 in 5 to be climbed. By means of a button device fitted on the carburettor side of the engine, it is possible to pedal the Lambretta 48 with a dead engine without much strain.

The machine has a weight of 97 lb. and a handle is fitted for lifting it when necessary. Starting is by a standing kick start by pedal; the compression release valve on the cylinder facilitates starting.

Noise of the engine is reduced to a minimum by various means, including the elimination practically of the intake suction noise by incorporating the carburettor air filter into the frame and the use of a new type silencer.

The company states that the Lambretta 48 is backed by a first class after-sales service with adequate supplies of spare parts and accessories. Publications available from Lambretta include a spare parts catalogue with detailed line drawings, and an "Instructions for Repair Shops" booklet which is profusely illustrated.

THE NEW LAMBRETТА MOPED is fitted with windscreen and pillion-seat. It has also front and rear springing and a lifting handle.

BRITISH EXPORTS RISE DURING JUNE

Cycle exports, both for the month of June and for the first six months of the year, show increases over those for the corresponding periods of 1955. Values of bicycles, with parts, sent abroad in June, 1956, alone, are up by over £1 million, while the total improvement is well over £2 million. Comparative figures are:

	June	
	1955	1956
Quantity	111,950	157,595
Value with parts	£1,628,424	£2,707,542

	1st six months	
	1955	1956
Quantity	1,096,926	1,106,625
Value with parts	£16,020,935	£18,217,548

Motor cycle exports jumped to over 5,000 for June. Exports for the first six months of the year also rose in value by nearly £200,000 over those of last year.

Comparative figures are:

	June	
	1955	1956
Quantity	3,735	5,028
Value with parts	£554,666	£747,332

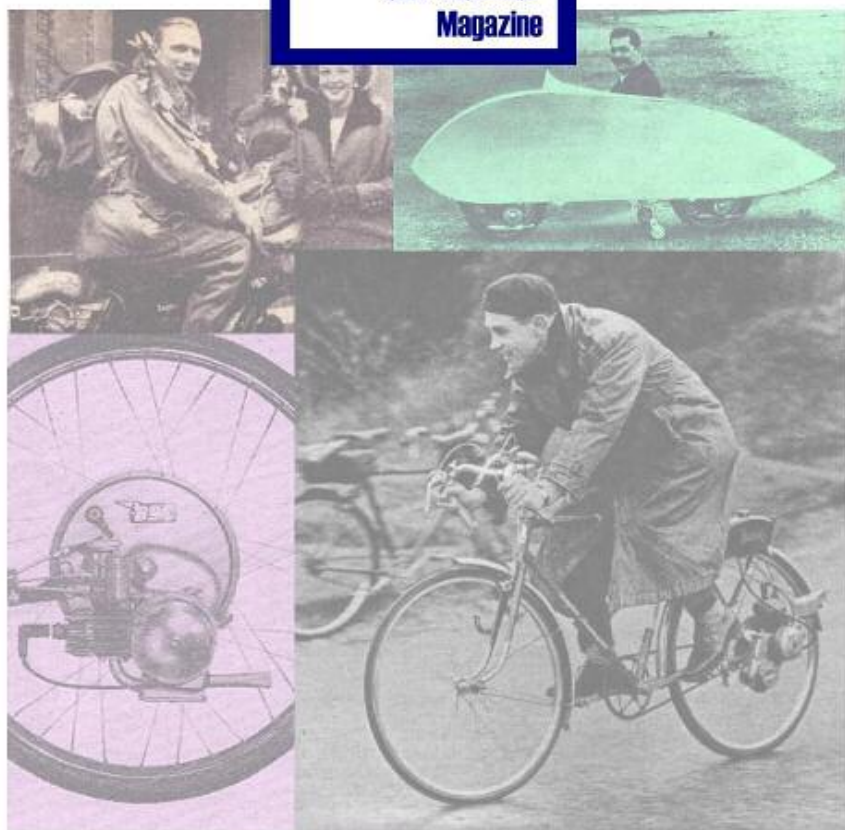
	Half-year	
	1955	1956
Quantity	34,890	38,080
Value with parts	£5,087,038	£5,777,571

More AJS's for Police

Hallens Motor Engineers, of Hawthorn Way, Cambridge, have just delivered a further six AJS 347 c.c. 16MS machines to the Cambridge County Police.



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