

## Bike Story

On this day young Archie May was picked to represent  
His country in the nation's greatest cycling event  
His Mother said that he would need to plan and to prepare  
"To look the part and make sure that you'll be alright out there"

A helmet and a waterproof, sun glasses and a bell,  
A hi-viz top, some padded shorts, bright lights and drink as well.  
"I can't take that. I won't need them. You'll make me look so daft"  
"You need to make sure you're prepared", his Mum said with a laugh

The race began; the pedals span, the wheels whizzed and whirred  
The crowds went wild and as they passed great whoops and cheers were heard  
But suddenly a problem. Whatever shall they do?  
"Look out" a steward told them, "a tunnel in front of you."  
*Hello? Hello? Which way to go? Echo echo echo.*

"It's just as well I brought along my bright bike lights today  
Perhaps my Mum was right this time" accepted Archie May

The race went on; the pedals spun, the wheels whizzed and whirred  
The crowds went wild and as they passed great whoops and cheers were heard  
But suddenly a problem. Whatever shall they do?  
"Look out" a steward told them. "There's rain in front of you."  
*Splitter splatter drip drop, splitter splatter splash.*  
*Splitter splatter drip drop, splitter splatter splash*

“It’s just as well I brought along my waterproof today  
Perhaps my Mum was right again” accepted Archie May

The race went on; the pedals spun, the wheels whizzed and whirred  
The crowds went wild and as they passed great whoops and cheers were heard  
But suddenly a problem. Whatever shall they do?  
“Look out” a steward told them, “big bumps in front of you.”

*Whump, Bump, Hump Thump Lump Bump Thump.*  
*Whump, Bump, Hump Thump Lump Bump Thump.*

“It’s just as well I brought along my padded shorts today  
Perhaps my Mum was right again” accepted Archie May

The race went on; the pedals spun, the wheels whizzed and whirred  
The crowds went wild and as they passed great whoops and cheers were heard  
But suddenly a problem. Whatever shall they do?  
“Look out” a steward told them, “some sheep in front of you.”

*Scuttle shuffle baa baa scuttle shuffle brrring*  
*Scuttle shuffle baa baa scuttle shuffle brrring*

“It’s just as well I brought along my bike bell today  
Perhaps my Mum was right again” accepted Archie May

The race went on; the pedals spun, the wheels whizzed and whirred  
The crowds went wild and as they passed great whoops and cheers were heard  
But suddenly a problem. Whatever shall they do?

“Look out” a steward told them, “low trees in front of you.”

*Bish bash tangle tangle tap tap thud*

*Bish bash tangle tangle tap tap thud*

“It’s just as well I brought along my bike helmet today

Perhaps my Mum was right again” accepted Archie May

The race went on; the pedals spun, the wheels whizzed and whirred

The crowds went wild and as they passed great whoops and cheers were heard

But suddenly a problem. Whatever shall they do?

“Look out” a steward told them, “traffic in front of you.”

*Rumble Roar Beep Beep, Neeeeeeeeooww*

*Rumble Roar Beep Beep, Neeeeeeeeooww*

“It’s just as well I brought along my hi-viz top today

Perhaps my Mum was right again” accepted Archie May

The race went on; the pedals spun, the wheels whizzed and whirred

The crowds went wild and as they passed great whoops and cheers were heard

But suddenly a problem. Whatever shall they do?

“Look out” a steward told them, “heat wave in front of you.”

*Fizzle dazzle sizzle frazzle sizzle frazzle melt.*

*Fizzle dazzle sizzle frazzle sizzle frazzle melt.*

“It’s just as well I brought my glasses and my drink today

Perhaps my Mum was right again” accepted Archie May

So on this day young Archie May got on his bike and went  
Around the course and finished off his cycling event  
He thanked his dear Mother for helping him prepare  
With all the things to make sure that he'd be alright out there.

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