



ENTER THE HONDA MOKICK

**New 50 cc moped from
Honda opens up two wheel
development**

● In five years, the Japanese bike firm known as Honda, entered—and decimated — the British motorcycle market. A never ending stream of new models kept appearing until they had practically plugged every gap in the capacity range and there was hardly a space left for the British maker.

Now, Honda are again ready to exploit the expanding cheap transport moped market.

The new P.50 which they unveiled recently is suprisingly ordinary in

appearance, yet packed with a wealth of technical advance.

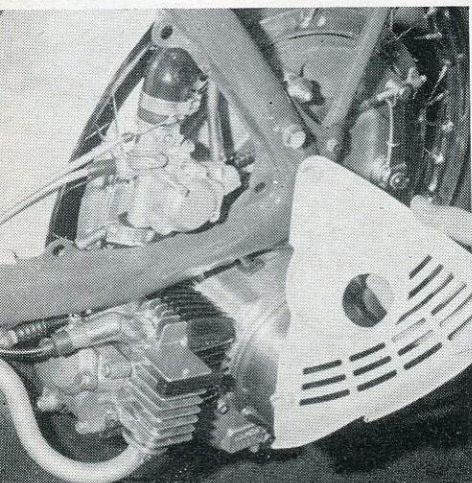
The whole engine unit is packed inside the rear hub and drives through an automatic clutch. The engine is a 49cc fourstroke with an overhead camshaft engine. Producing nearly one-and-a-half horsepower, it revs to a slightly unbelievable 4,500 rpm, but is mechanically limited to a top speed of 25 mph.

Honda claim that safety has been one of their top considerations in the design of the 'mokick' as it has been nicknamed. Powerful drum brakes are

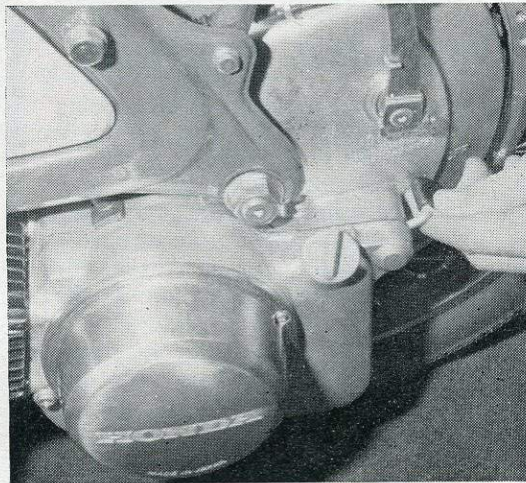
fitted front and rear and the pressed steel frame is enormously strong.

Front suspension is by leading link similar to that used on many bigger bikes, while the standard equipment is fairly lavish for an economy vehicle. The specification includes a rear view mirror and a rear carrier, with the extensive use of plastic.

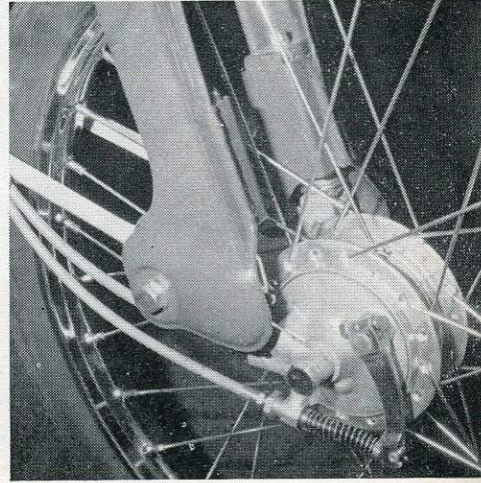
Price of the moped is £52 4s. 9d. which puts it slightly over the magic £50 bracket which has been pegged as the ideal price for the new generation of mopeds coming on the market.



Unique overhead camshaft engine has high compression (9:1) and produces nearly 1½ brake horsepower from its 50ccs.

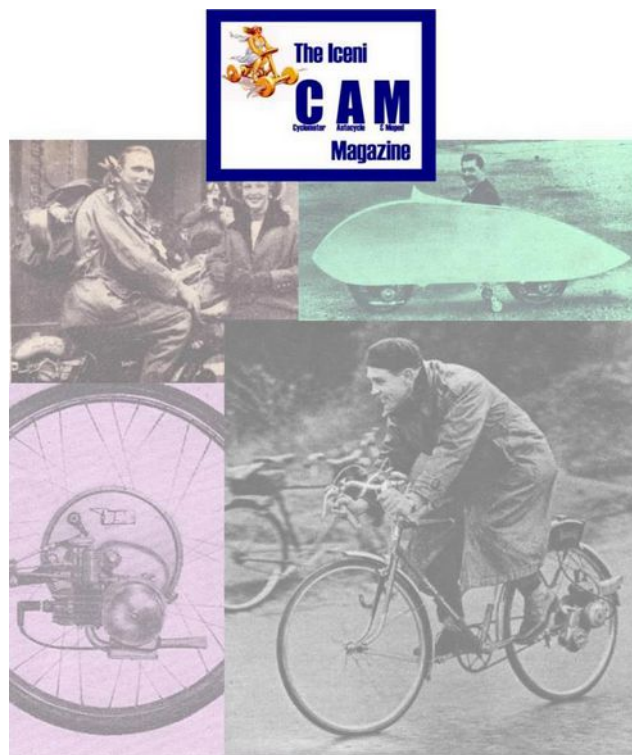


Disconnecting the drive is a simple matter of throwing a switch on the new Honda. This allows ordinary pedalling.



Front suspension is spring loaded leading link in pressed steel forks. Full-width alloy hubs carry powerful cable brakes.

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