

St Maurice's 15; 3 St Joseph's, Steps 41
Primary 6: M Ferguson (St Barth)
TEAM: St Bartholomew's 9
Girls
Primary 7
1 S Callan (St Pat); 2 S Webster (St Jos); 3 F Mitchell (St Barth)
TEAM: 1 St Patrick's; 2 St Bartholomew's 15; 3 St Monica's 30
Primary 6: L Nicol (Glen)
TEAM: Glenmanor 14

November 2

BEEFEATER AMPHILL TROPHY

U11 boys (1.5km - additional results)
1 R Threlfall (Mil K) 6:33; 2 D Parkinson (Cov) 6:49; 3 J Down (Mil K) 6:55
TEAM: 1 Milton Keynes 9; 2 Bedford & County 24; 3 Stamford Harriers 50

Road

November 16

BARRI'S EDINBURGH TO GLASGOW RELAY

MIZUNO Racing Club won the famous inter-city race for the seventh year in a row with the fifth biggest winning margin in the 59-year history of the event, *Fraser Clyne reports.*

The Edinburgh side claimed five of the fastest stage times as they romped to an emphatic victory, finishing 4min 30sec ahead of Shettleston Harriers who collected silver medals for the third time in four years.

John Robson and Davie Ross now share the distinction of being the only two athletes to have featured in all seven winning Mizuno line-ups since 1991.

Shettleston can at least still claim the record for most victories in the big race, having won 12 times between 1949 and 1976. Kilbarchan snatched third with a dramatic last gasp effort from George Gibson on the final leg. Its first time the Renfrewshire side has featured among the medals.

Fife received the special award for the most meritorious performance after finishing fifth - their highest ever position.

Further down the field, 50-year-old Colin Youngson made his 28th appearance in the race and helped Metro Aberdeen to ninth place.

Guest club Bedford and County had included Paula Radcliffe in its squad of 20 athletes listed for the race, but the world cross country silver medalist decided not to compete. Her club eventually finished 11th - an improvement of four places on the English side's 1996 effort.

Stage One

BILLY JENKINS led the elite field of 20 invited clubs off from Fettes College and went on to give Clydesdale Harriers the best possible start in their quest to record an historic first victory by racing home 100m clear of Shettleston's David Cameron.

Mizuno's John Ross was a further 50m down in third while indoor international Gary Brown brought 1990 winners Falkirk Victoria through in fourth spot.

Stage Two

ALLAN ADAMS kept Clydesdale ahead with the fastest time, but Ken Chapman overhauled Shettleston's Andy Little to ease Mizuno into second place. Ken Stirat kept Falkirk in fourth.

Stage Three

JOHN ROBSON turned in arguably the best individual per-

formance of the day as he propelled Mizuno into what turned out to be a decisive lead.

The 40-year-old former international turned a 150m deficit at the start of the shortest stage of the race into a lead of close to 800m by the end as he screamed away from Clydesdale's Ewan Calvert.

Bobby Quinn, recovering from recent injury problems, brought Kilbarchan up from seventh to third with the second best time of the day while Shettleston's John Duffy slipped to fourth.

Stage Four

MIZUNO's Ian Brown powered further ahead of the chasing clubs with a strong front-running performance. Adrian Callan regained second for Shettleston but Racing Club now enjoyed a lead of over three minutes.

Khareidine Idessane held third for Clydesdale as Kilbarchan retreated to fourth.

Stage Five

SCOTT COHEN extended the champions' lead by another 60 seconds as he sped away from the pursuing Willie Coyle.

Clydesdale held third while Sandy Moss brought Fife onto the fringe of the medal positions for the first time with an excellent run which elevated his side from seventh to fourth.

Stage Six

PAT O'KEEFE experienced the loneliness of the long distance runner as he recorded the fastest time on the longest stage of the day.

However, despite this fine effort, the Hunters Bog Trotter didn't have the satisfaction of passing another competitor and his side stayed in ninth place.

At the front, Davie Ross consolidated Mizuno's emphatic lead with Graeme Wight gaining a little ground to keep Shettleston securely in the silver medal position.

Former Scottish Junior cross country champion Daniel Leggett raised Fife into third ahead of Clydesdale's Jim Austin.

Stage Seven

MIZUNO's smooth progression towards victory continued as Frank McGowan extended the lead yet again with John Mackay gamely, but vainly, chasing in second spot.

Stewart Latimer held third for Fife while Andrew Muir brought Kilbarchan back into the frame by hoisting his side from seventh to fourth.

Stage Eight

GLEN STEWART went through the motions of confirming another Mizuno success with an impressive solo performance which yielded the fastest last leg time.

Chris Robison wasn't much slower in anchoring Shettleston to the silver medals, although he just avoided colliding with a car at an unmarshalled junction near the finish.

There was genuine excitement behind the front two as the battle for bronze intensified over the closing miles along the roads towards the finish inside Crownpoint stadium.

John Cowan had brought Cambuslang into third for the first time in the race when he overtook Fife's David Anderson and Kilbarchan's George Gibson.

Anderson dropped out of contention over the final mile and Cowan seemed to have seized the initiative as he broke clear of Gibson with only 300m remaining. Gibson, a former junior 800m

international, refused to give up however and dramatically regained the important final medal spot with a strong sprint over the final 100m around the track.

Men
1 Mizuno Racing Club 3:44:28 (J Ross 27:53, K Chapman 30:09, J Robson 24:38, I Brown 26:43, S Cohen 28:05, D Ross 34:58, F McGowan 26:31, G Stewart 25:31); 2 Shettleston Harriers 3:48:58 (D Cameron 27:47, A Little 30:53, J Duffy 26:44, A Callan 27:08, W Coyle 28:53, G Wight 34:48, J Mackay 27:08, C Robison 25:37); 3 Kilbarchan 3:55:28 (T Hearle 29:09, R Fitzsimmons 31:00, R Quinn 25:04, T Anderson 29:42, J Bennett 30:24, I McDougal 36:31, A Muir 27:53, G Gibson 26:45); 4 Ronhill Cambuslang 3:55:30 (W McTaggart 29:19, K Conley 30:42, J Brown 26:52, D Runciman 38:31, A Jenkins 30:37, C Thomson 34:28, D Thom 28:37, J Cowan 26:24); 5 Fife 3:56:19 (K McCue 29:17, J Cunningham 31:46, T Mitchell 25:40, H McKay 28:42, S Moss 28:30, D Leggett 35:03, S Latimer 29:14, D Anderson 28:07); 6 Hunters Bog Trotters 3:57:04 (J Harkness 29:18, D Naylor 30:31, C Hunter 27:05, N Blisset 30:27, D Wright 30:46, P O'Keefe 34:26, W Grant 28:07, J Pyrah 26:24); 7 Clydesdale Harriers 3:57:19 (W Jenkins 27:29, A Adams 30:02, E Calvert 27:31, K Idessane 28:03, S O'Connor 29:46, J Austin 36:47, J Hanratty 29:43, D Halpin 27:58); 8 Falkirk Victoria Harriers 3:58:47 (G Brown 28:09, K Stirat 30:33, J Stevenson 26:50, M McQuaid 29:11, M Colligan 30:03, I Johnston 35:52, D Hart 28:59, D Gillespie 29:10); 9 Metro Aberdeen 4:00:55 (F Clyne 28:53, K Farquhar 31:55, C Youngson 26:15, R Taylor 29:31, K Varney 29:38, N Milovorov 35:58, J Stewart 30:20, K Tulloch 28:25); 10 City of Edinburgh 4:01:21 (T Poyser 31:04, M Ferguson 31:31, I Steel 26:09, I Duff 29:13, D Blaikie 30:26, R Hope 35:56, M Flynn 29:41, A Donnachie 27:21); 11 Bedford & County 4:02:54 (J McMahon 28:49, G Barrie 32:57, J Ross 27:56, C Riley 30:01, S Herring 29:19, P Sibbett 25:29, A Cross 28:31, P Gooding 29:52); 12 Dundee Hawkhill Harriers 4:04:29 (B Cook 29:50, M Strachan 31:58, N Gunstone 27:14, J Hepburn 29:41, B Rennie 30:57, I Campbell 36:38, N Raitt 30:00, C Love 28:11); 13 Livingston 4:07:29 (T Brand 29:59, P Dymoke 31:49, G Gilhooly 27:56, C Eades 30:39, T Anderson 31:34, C Meek 36:42, R King 30:48, R Lee 28:02); 14 FMC Carnegie 4:08:09 (S Ogg 29:30, P Morrison 32:26, P Simpson 27:24, I Stewart 29:24, I McDonald 32:02, I Taylor 38:04, B McDonald 29:08, R Milton 30:11); 15 Springburn Harriers 4:08:57 (J Hendry 29:14, A Lees 32:12, A McIndoe 28:03, M Paton 31:11, A Chalmers 31:26, J Cooper 38:08, D Houston 29:54, J Bell 28:49); 16 Dumfries RC 4:10:27 (J Ferguson 30:45, D Scobie 32:41, A McDowall 28:42, L Hill 30:19, D Batsone 31:20, J Laird 35:31, M Brown 31:07, W Mason 30:02); 17 Irvine 4:13:38 (B Craig 30:58, B Richardson 32:11, R Montgomery 28:00, J Stevenson 32:30, A Rennie 33:02, C Millar 37:38, L Richardson 30:08, J White 29:11); 18 Teviotdale 4:13:59 (S Lauder 31:49, N Maltman 33:36, W Knox 31:14, D Cavers 27:46, S Watson 32:05, A Fair 36:48, B Carlin 31:30, P Douglas 29:11); 19 Babcock Pitreavie 4:20:30 (J Campbell 31:17, J Farquhar 32:28, S Koronka 31:38, D Amott 30:22, A Cowan 33:11, C Watson 38:56, I Brown 32:10, P Baxter 30:28); 20 Victoria Park 4:34:33 (D Watson 33:22, T McAra 35:37, J Doyle 29:23, J Marr 34:27, K Brown 33:02, A Nicol 40:16, P McGregor 33:03, C Young 35:23)

Fastest Times
Stage One (5.5M): Jenkins 27:29, Cameron 27:47, Ross 27:53, Brown 28:09, McMahon 28:49, Clyne 28:53, Hearle 29:09, Hendry 29:14, McCue 29:17, Harkness

29:18
Stage Two (6.6M): Adams 30:03, Chapman 30:09, Naylor 30:31, Stirat 30:33, Conley 30:42, Little 30:53, Fitzsimmons 31:00, Ferguson 31:31, Cunningham 31:46, Dymoke 31:49
Stage Three (4.7M): Robson 24:38, Quinn 25:04, Mitchell 25:40, Steel 26:09, Youngson 26:15, Duffy 26:44, Stevenson 26:50, Brown 26:52, Hunter 27:05, Gunstone 27:14
Stage Four (5.3M): Brown 26:43, Callan 27:08, Cavers 27:46, Idessane 28:02, Runciman 28:31, Anderson, Mckay 28:42, McQuaid 29:11, Duff 29:13, Stewart 29:14
Stage Five (5.5M): Cohen 28:05, Moss 28:30, Coyle 28:53, Herring 29:19, Varney 29:38, O'Connor 29:46, Colligan 30:03, Bennett 30:24, Blaikie 30:26, Jenkins 30:37
Stage Six (7M): O'Keefe 34:26, Thomson 34:28, Wight 34:48, Ross 34:58, Leggett 35:03, Sibbett 35:29, Laird 35:31, Johnston 35:52, Hope 35:56, Milovorov 35:58
Stage Seven (5.5M): McGowan 26:31, Mackay 27:08, Muir 27:53, Grant 28:07, Cross 28:31, Thom 28:37, Hart 28:59, McDonald 29:08, Latimer 29:14, Flynn 29:41
Stage Eight (5.4M): Stewart 25:31, Robison 25:37, Cowan, Pyrah 26:24, Gibson 26:45, Donachie 27:21, Halpin 27:58, Lee 28:02, Anderson 28:07, Love 28:11

NATWEST PRESTON 10

AFTER tough runs at Barnsley and Llandudno on successive Sundays, Martin McLaughlin had few problems in dominating this event, *Keith Bradshaw reports.*

Lancashire 10km champion Steve Smith made the early running before McLaughlin assumed control at the three-mile mark. Salford's Duncan Mason led the chase but McLaughlin stretched his lead throughout the second half to build a two minute winning gap.

"That was a good workout," declared the 38-year-old at the finish. "It was very windy, and running on my own I settled for a steady run. I'm going to have a look at cross country now. The Reebok Challenge at Cardiff, then the Inter-Counties are the next targets."

Mason came in second, with Steve Smith from host club Preston Harriers taking third to add the Lancashire 10 mile title to his collection.

Accountant Smith got his calculations wrong on the final corner as he came a cropper in a pile of wet, slippery leaves. Despite the high speed crash, and severe grazing down his side, he was delighted with the run which helped Preston to the team prize.

He said: "The fall didn't even slow me down. I slid along so quickly in the leaves. I was too shocked to think about what happened. It was a case of get up and get on with it."

Atrincham veteran Alison Vesey was unchallenged in the women's race, coming through strongly in the second half to win by over two minutes.

She said: "It was a good course and a great atmosphere, the winds bothered me a bit, but I thoroughly enjoyed the run."

Preston's Philippa Walsh, another veteran, took second and the county title. Her run helped the host club to clinch a team double, pipping Horwich by one point.

North Fyde's Stuart and Ruth Calderbank have won many prizes between them, but never in the same race. At Preston the school teaching duo were delighted to win their respective veteran categories.

Men
1 M McLaughlin (Liv PS) 50:33; 2 D Mason (Salf) 52:34; 3 S Smith 52:54; 4 M Neary (Salf, M45) 53:25; 5 T Ellis (N Flyde) 53:51; 6 P