

**Scottish Athletics Limited**  
**Road Running and Cross Country Commission**

**STEWARTS CROSS COUNTRY GRAND PRIX 2011/12**

Stewarts are pleased to announce the return of their Cross Country Grand Prix.

Building on the success of the 2008/09, 2009/10 and 2010/11 series, the Grand Prix will incorporate four of Scotland's biggest and best cross country races including the Scottish National Cross Country Championships.

The competition is open to senior and junior (under-20 age-group) men and women.

The events included are:

**Scottish 4k Championships**

Glasgow: 5/11/11

1<sup>st</sup> (20 points) reducing by 1 to 20<sup>th</sup> (one point)

**Scottish District Championships**

North (Forres): 26/11/11; West (Irvine): 10/11/11; East (Aberdeen): 10/11/11

1<sup>st</sup> (10 points) reducing by 1 to 10<sup>th</sup> (one point)

**BUPA Great Edinburgh International Cross Country/Scottish Inter-District Championships**

Edinburgh: 07/01/12

1<sup>st</sup> (20 points) reducing by 1 to 20<sup>th</sup> (one point)

**Scottish National Cross Country Championships**

Falkirk: 18/02/12

Senior: 1<sup>st</sup> (40 points) reducing by 2 to 20<sup>th</sup> (two points)

U20: 1<sup>st</sup> (30 points) reducing by 3 to 10<sup>th</sup> (three points)

£4000 of prize money is available to current scottishathletics members as follows: overall Grand Prix winners (male and female): 1<sup>st</sup>: £750; 2<sup>nd</sup>: £400; 3<sup>rd</sup>: £250; 4<sup>th</sup>: £150; 5<sup>th</sup>: £100; 6<sup>th</sup>: £75; 7<sup>th</sup>: £50; 8<sup>th</sup>: £40; 9<sup>th</sup>: £30; 10<sup>th</sup>: £20

In the event of a tie on points for 1<sup>st</sup> place, senior athletes will place ahead of U20 athletes and the head-to-head record between senior athletes in the senior Scottish National Cross Country Championships (Falkirk, 18 Feb 2011) will determine the placing.

scottishathletics Road and Cross Country Commission Convener Ron Morrison said: "The Stewarts Cross Country Grand Prix has been very successful in attracting our best athletes. It has become an integral part of the Cross-Country season enhancing the competitive edge of our National and District Championships."

Terry O'Hare, Managing Director of Stewarts added: "The Stewarts Cross Country Grand Prix is undoubtedly a success with high level competition and impressive performances in the four linked fixtures. The format had already proved a success in our road series and I'm delighted that the Stewarts Cross Country Grand Prix includes the showcase National Cross Country Championships, adding further profile and interest and offering an exciting conclusion to the winter season."

Additional notes

\*Last year Elspeth Curran (Kilbarchan AAC) won the women's series from Christina Rankin (Kilbarchan AAC) and Hester Dix (Fife AC). Alastair Hay (Central AC) won the men's series from John Newsom (Central AC) and Derek Hawkins (Kilbarchan AAC)

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