

SCOTTISH CROSS-COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS. HAMILTON RACECOURSE.



Photo by G. S. Barber.

Leaders at an early stage, Eddy Bannon (183) with John Stevenson behind. Ian Binnie (225) in front of John McLaren. Tom Stevenson (113) ahead of Andrew Brown.

SENIOR 9 MILES.

Individual :

1. E. Bannon, Shett. Harr. 46m. 55s.
2. A. H. Brown, M'well. 47m. 06s.
3. T. Stevenson, Gk. W'pk 47m. 30s.
4. J. Stevenson, Gk. W'pk 47m. 42s.
5. J. McLaren, Vict. Park 48m. 08s.
6. G. A. Dunn, Garscube 48m. 09s.
7. P. Moy, Vale of Leven 48m. 28s.
8. J. McCormick, Sp'burn 48m. 47s.
9. R. C. Calderwood, V.P. 48m. 58s.
10. J. C. Russell, Vict. Pk. 49m. 05s.
11. I. Binnie, Victoria Park 49m. 06s.
12. A. McDougall, V. of L. 49m. 10s.

Team :

1. Vict. Park A.A.C.—(J. McLaren 5; R. C. Calderwood 9; J. C. Russell 10; I. Binnie 11; R. Kane 22; C. D. Forbes 23). 80 pts. J. D. Stirling 26; N. Ellis

32; P. Keenan 50; D. McFarlane 81; A. Bell 114; P. Shuttleworth 127.

2. G'nock W'park H.—(T. Stevenson 3; J. Stevenson 4; G. C. King 21; W. Stoddart 33; D. McConnachie 43; P. McKay 51). 155 pts. C. Aitken 87; J. Cairns 93; D. McSwein 148; S. Brown 150; W. Aitken 154; S. Aitken 156.
3. Shettleston H.—(E. Bannon 1; C. Wallace 15; J. McNeil 20; A. Orr 39; J. Turnbull 42; J. McElroy 54). 171 pts. J. Eadie 57; D. Campbell 73; J. Kirk 80; F. Scally 91; W. McFarlane 97.

4. Springburn H.—(J. McCormick 8; I. McGale 24; T. Tracey 27; J. Ballantyne 53; J. Gordon 58; T. Lambert 61). 231 pts. P. McCulloch 101; J. Price 118; W. McLaughlin 122; J. Jackson 129; T. Phelan 145.

5. Edin. Sth. H.—(W. A. Robertson 29; R. McAllister 35; W. A. Lyall 38; J. Smart 40; H. S. Miller 49; K. Borthwick 84). 275 pts. J. Foster 112; H. Robertson 115; T. Grainger 116; M. Logie 132.

6. Garscube H.—(G. A. Dunn 6; A. Kidd 36; D. Paton 46; J. Linn 48; E. S. Murray 78; H. Carson 90). 304 pts. D. Coupland 96; D. G. Causon 99; J. Hughes 107; R. Donald 126; A. W. Warton 146.

7. Clydesdale H.—(G. White 31; J. Hume 41; J. Young 45; W. Linton 64; J. Duffy 74; P. Younger 82). 337 pts. D. Bowman 117; J. McLachlan 120; N. Hendry 123; W. Hislop 142; M. Harvey 147.

8. Maryhill H.—(J. E. Farrell 52; J. Wright 60; T. Harrison 69; S. Lawson 119; A. Ball 128; R. McDonald 130). 558 pts. G. Porteous 153; K. Ross 157; A. Dalgleish 158.

Incomplete Teams :

Braidburn A.C.—J. K. Hislop 66; J. H. Hamilton 67; W. Henderson 89; M. Innes 98; D. W. Dunn 134.

Plebeian H.—T. Rewcastle 68; J. McGregor 108; D. Barclay 110; A. C. Muir 136; J. McEwan 149.

Glasgow Police A.A.—J. Kinnell 104; W. Paul 111; A. Allan 124; J. McLeish 135; P. J. McGowan 138.

G'nock G'park H.—J. Grant 103; D. Kennedy 109; W. Kesson 133; D. Farren 137; J. McKenna 155.

Vale of Leven A.A.C.—P. Moy 7; A. McDougall 12; H. Garvey 62; J. Garvey 71.

Bellahouston H.—H. Fenion 28; G. Bell 72; R. Climie 121; R. Wilson 152.

Motherwell Y.M. H.—A. H. Brown 2; T. Scott 47; J. Campbell 131; R. Devon 159.

Kilmarnock H.—R. Miller 55; H. Rankin 86; D. D. Todd 139; J. Hamilton 143.

Edin. Univ. H. & H.—J. V. Paterson 34; M. Fraser 44; F. Eunson 141.

Glasgow Univ. H. & H.—P. Ballance 56; A. Galbraith 59; B. MacNamara 102.

Cambuslang H.—A. Fleming 37; W.

Kelly 77; J. McGovern 144.

Individual Entrants :

W. F. Lindsay (E.S.H.) 13; A. C. Gibson (Ham. H.) 14; J. Lawrence (Camb. Un.) 16; T. D. Reid (Lark. Y.M.) 17; H. Gibson (Ham. H.) 19; H. Lawrence (Tev. H.) 25; A. Hadden (Aber. A.C.) 30; R. Sinclair (F.V.H.) 63; W. McBrinn (Monk. H.) 65; J. A. Newton (Perth S.H.) 70; P. Bell (Irv. Y.M.) 75; H. Phillip (Ed. E.H.) 76; T. Blackhall (F.V.H.) 79; E. Hainey (Doon H.) 83; R. A. Baird (Dun. H.H.) 85; C. Donald (Aber. A.C.) 88; W. Graham (Dun. H.H.) 94; H. Bennet (Dun. H.H.) 95; N. Ross (Ed. S.) 105; A. McBean (Perth S.H.) 106; J. J. Kiehl (St. Mod.) 113; A. Dick (Ath. A.C.) 125; J. Stewart (Ham. H.) 140; S. Maxwell (Beith H.) 151.

Times :

13th pos. 49m. 16s; 14th 49.24; 15th 49.37; 16th 49.38; 17th 49.42; 18th 49.44; 19th 49.49; 20th 50.08; 25th 50.44; 30th 51.11; 35th 51.38; 40th 51.55; 45th 52.12; 50th 52.26; 55th 52.44; 60th 53.11; 65th 53.28; 70th 53.45; 75th 54.10; 80th 54.19; 85th 54.48; 90th 55.00; 95th 55.25; 100th 55.39; 110th 56.17; 120th 57.04; 130th 57.41; 140th 58.26; 150th 60.14.

YOUTHS' 3 MILES.

Individual :

1. W. Goodwin, Bella H. 15m. 05s.
2. J. Hislop, C'dale H. ... 15m. 28s.
3. W. Thomson, Irv. Y.M. 15m. 36s.
4. J. Rooney, Sp'burn H. 15m. 40s.
5. D. Simpson, Shotts MW 15m. 43s.
6. P. Maitland, Glas. Un. 15m. 56s.

Team :

1. Springburn H.—(J. Rooney 4; T. Craig 19; D. Wilmoth 29; E. Riddell 40). 92 pts. P. McNab 52; J. Murphy 63; W. Ewing 65; H. Hewitt 92.

2. Bellahouston H.—(W. Goodwin 1; J. Carry 17; T. Castre 39; A. Watt 51). 108 pts.

3. Falkirk Vict. H.—(I. Simpson 10; C. Mailer 33; R. Chalmers 37; D. Lamond 43). 123 pts. A. Hunter 81.

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Scottish form came when he won both the 100 and 220 yards Scottish University Championships at what could be termed his home ground, Westerlands in 10 secs. and 22.2 secs. beating Alan Dunbar in the latter.

At Edinburgh, in the open Scottish his lack of experience was very apparent, where he not only ran poorly in the 100 but slept badly at the start of the 220. Later in the season he came again and at the U.A.U. Championships held on the White City Track at Manchester he finished 4th in both the 100 and 220 yards his time being 10.3 secs. in the final of the 100 yards. In his heat however he did a 10.2.

The next meeting of importance for him was the British Championships where he reached the semi-final of the 220 yards. He qualified for a standard medal his heat time being 22.3 and his semi time being 22.5. After his performance he was asked to represent Great Britain in the "World Student Games," and managed to reach the final of the 100 metres and semi-final of the 200 metres. His best performance here was 11 secs. for the 100 metres which was won by Vercruysse of Belgium. Once again the season was at an end and for one who had just broken into senior running Graham Robertson had done very well for himself. Now what of 1956?

Well, for the first time Graham has not played any Rugby so that in itself is something. Secondly, he has been working to a definite schedule and, having been hard at it since early November most weeks doing 4 days a week training comprising of interval and repetition running over distances ranging from 150 yards to 440 yards, I am sure that in the coming summer he will have improved considerably on last seasons performances.

Has he any Olympic aspirations?

Well, to quote Graham: "Everybody has those, but as far as I am concerned I am not even a Scottish title holder, that being the case my training schedule is based on giving me as big a general

improvement as possible, then perhaps who knows?"

There you have it, ability, physique, and the urge to improve. Who does know, perhaps he will make that trip to Melbourne!

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4. Clydesdale H.—(J. Hislop 2; D. Stirrat 27; G. Abbot 41; E. McMahon 63). 138 pts.

5. Shettleston H.—(T. Malone 26; D. Drye 34; J. Kay 46; L. Botfield 47). 153 pts. M. Jones 86; D. Mackay 94; D. Daniels 101; W. Lawson 102.

6. Braidburn A.C.—(W. Connolly 12; J. Drever 24; W. Walker 57; T. Yardley 66). 159 pts. H. Taylor 77; T. Howie 83; A. T. D. Scott 88.

7. Dundee Hawkhill H.—(I. McDougall 13; W. Kennedy 48; J. Gallo-way 55; J. Kennedy 70). 186 pts.

8. Edin. South H.—(G. A. Turnbull 31; J. Bruce 42; C. Jeffrey 58; R. Anderson 64). 195 pts.

9. Vict. Park A.A.C.—(R. Lees 16; W. Lees 44; J. Taylor 60; J. Thomson 79). 199 pts. D. Campbell 80.

10. Irvine Y.M.C.A. H.—(W. Thomson 3; M. Young 54; A. Taylor 67; J. Kerr 89). 213 pts. T. McKenna 91.

11. Geo. Heriot School—(G. M. Brown 8; A. Hermiston 25; I. A. Henderson 96; L. Williams 104). 233 pts.

12. Glasgow Un. H. & H.—(P. Maitland 6; J. McLean 71; P. Martin 78; J. Watson 84). 239 pts.

Incomplete Teams:

Beith H.—T. Cochrane 35; W. Davidson 38; W. Carlyle 72.

G'nock W'park H.—A. Cairns 32; I. Ross 56; J. Melville 98.

Cambuslang H.—J. C. Brown 45; P. Mulrooney 62; T. Rafferty 95.

Edin. Eastern H.—M. Irvine 7; M. Elder 22.

Aberdeen A.A.C.—I. S. Taylor 9; J. Gray 23.

St. Modans A.A.C.—P. M. Flaherty 50; A. Roy 59.

Others:—I. Murray (St. And.) 11; J. Stewart (Gars. H.) 14; D. Small (Doon H.) 15; A. Todd (Shotts) 18;



Photo by J. Barrowman.

Leaders at half-distance in the Junior race. Geo. Govan (93), followed by John Wright, Joe Connolly, George Dickson, Gordon Nelson, Pat McParland (143) the winner, James Irvine, Billy Black (Maryhill), and Adrian Horne.

D. K. Carter (St. Andr.) 20; T. Thomson (Pais. H.) 21; R. Ritchie (Unatt.) 28; J. Fotheringham (Dun. Th. H.) 30; A. C. Mackay (V. of L.) 36; H. M. Neeson (V. of L.) 49; G. Leggat (Larkhall Y.M.) 53; R. Coyle (Pleb. H.) 61; C. Shields (G.G.H.) 69; G. Anderson (Kil. H.) 73; W. E. Crichton (V. of L.) 74; W. Patrick (Gars. H.) 75; J. Spence (G.G.H.) 76; D. C. Anderson (Lark. Y.M.) 82; A. J. Adamson (Stran. H.) 85; A. Murdoch (Pais. H.) 90; D. C. Sinclair (E.N.H.) 93; J. Smith (Mar. H.) 97; D. Houston (B. & W.) 99; W. Kinaird (B. & W.) 100; J. Storm (Pais. H.) 103.

Times:

7th pos. 15.57; 8th 16.02; 9th 16.06; 10th 16.06; 15th 16.18; 20th 16.30; 55th 17.18.

JUNIOR 6 MILES.

Individual:

1. P. McParland, S'burn H. 31m. 26s.
2. J. Wright, C'dale H. ... 31m. 36s.
3. G. Govan, Shett. H. ... 32m. 04s.
4. J. Connolly, Bella. H. 32m. 13s.
5. G. Dickson, G'cube H. 32m. 25s.

6. J. C. Harris, Beith H. 32m. 29s.
Team:

1. Bellahouston H.—(J. Connolly 4; G. Nelson 7; R. Black 10; J. Irvine 11). 32 pts. D. Wright 34.

2. Shettleston H.—(G. Govan 3; T. Kelly 9; W. Gorman 23; J. Ross 30). 65 pts. F. Linden 35; I. Donald 61; J. McDines 85.

3. Garscube H.—(G. Dickson 5; B. Linn 13; A. MacDonald 19; G. Paris 43). 80 pts. D. McFadyen 66.

4. Edin. Univ. H. & H.—(A. H. C. Horne 12; W. H. Watson 18; H. W. Alexander 38; W. Hood 57). 125 pts. A. Paulin 67.

5. Springburn H.—(P. McParland 1; E. Sinclair 15; D. Buchanan 54; F. MacDonnachie 64). 134 pts. J. Baker 92.

6. Falkirk Vic. H.—(C. Rankin 26; R. Gordon 27; D. Shields 37; J. Welsh 44). 134 pts. J. Hastings 82.

7. Edin. Sth. H.—(A. Ross 14; N. Halverson 24; E. Clark 51; J. Heggie 53). 142 pts. H. Curran 58.

8. Clydesdale H.—(J. Wright 2; R. Clark 22; J. Parker 74; J. McPherson

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76). 174 pts. W. Roddick 84.

9. Glasgow Univ. H. & H.—(P. Johnston 36; J. Pearson 40; S. MacFarlane 48; T. Robertson 56). 180 pts. D. Valentine 72.

10. Greenock Wellpark H.—(P. McConnachie 31; J. McGregor 33; J. Howe 63; R. McSwein 88). 215 pts.

11. Irvine Y.M. H.—(S. Kennedy 39; T. Parker 49; W. Kennedy 70; J. Kerr 75). 233 pts.

12. Dundee Hawkhill H.—(A. Smith 45; L. Simpson 46; J. Smith 73; D. McDonald 81). 245 pts.

13. Hamilton H.—(A. Johnstone 50; J. Orr 69; T. McCafferty 86; W. Carlton 90). 295 pts.

Incomplete Teams :

Braidburn A.C.—B. D. Underhill 16; B. Bannister 65; G. Dick 77.

G'nock G'park H.—D. McFarlane 41; M. Thomson 52.

Vict. Park A.A.C.—D. Ross 47; W. Richmond 80.

Cambuslang H.—W. Mulrooney 55; J. Mulrooney 87.

Individual Entrants :

W. Black (Mary. H.) 8; G. Watson (Moth. Y.M.) 17; I. Docherty (St. And.) 20; I. D. Maycock (St. And.) 21; J. Poulton (Moth Y.M.) 25; W. J. More (Kilm. H.) 29; G. B. McLintock (Mary. H.) 32; G. R. Thomson (Ed. N.H.) 42; W. McLeod (Stranraer H.) 59; A. Kyle (Str. H.) 60; P. Stewart (Ed. E.H.) 62; P. Paterson (V. of L.) 68; S. Hendry (Monk. H.) 75; A. Hayes (Beith H.) 78; A. Ewing (Dunb. A.C.) 79; D. McEwan (Pleb. H.) 83; I. Wilson (Auchm. H.) 89; N. Preston (Auchm. H.) 91.

Times :

7th pos. 32.35; 8th 32.46; 9th 32.57; 10th 33.03; 15th 33.29; 20th 33.47; 25th 34.00; 30th 34.23; 35th 34.49; 40th 34.57; 45th 35.11; 50th 35.31;

Scottish News

Scotland's team for to-day's International Championship at Belfast is as follows:—

E. Bannon (Shett. H.) Capt., A. H. Brown (Motherwell Y.M.C.A.), J. McCormack (Springburn H.), G. A. Dunn (Garscube), J. McGhee (Shett. H.), J. McLaren (Victoria Pk.) P. Moy (Vale of Leven), T. Stevenson and J. Stevenson (Greenock Well. H.). The Team Manager is Mr. Fred Evans, a former Surrey and Army distance runner.

The team is a blend of experience and youth and will do well to finish in 4th or 5th place. E. Bannon, of course, may give his more fancied rivals a shake as, in form, Eddie is a grand cross-country runner. Andy Brown will also give a good account of himself and, if fully fit, John McLaren should finish well up in the front ranks.

Scottish Women's C.C. Championship at Musselburgh.

Miss E. Drummond (Maryhill H.) retained her title after a spirited tussle with Miss D. Fulton (Springburn H.) and Mrs. J. G. Herdman (Edin. South H.). Miss Drummond won by 15 yds. in 16.26 with Miss Fulton just beating Mrs. Herdman in 16.30 to 16.31.

The other leading positions were:—4, M.

By W. DIVERTY

Ferguson (Springburn H.), 5, Mrs. Steedman (Lewis Sparta Club); 6, M. Campbell (Maryhill H.). These six will be Scotland's team in the International with England and Wales at Hornchurch, Essex, on March 17th.

Maryhill H. retained their team title with 23 pts. (1, 6, 7, 9), Ayre C.C. being 2nd with 51pts.

L.A.C. SCHOOLS' MEETING

The London A.C. have again decided to issue complimentary tickets, each admitting two teachers or leaders and twenty scholars, for their Schools' Challenge Cups Meeting at the White City on Friday, April 20th, and Saturday, April 21st. Applications for these tickets should be sent to G. D. Basan, 45 Tierney Road, Streatham Hill, London, S.W.2, and a stamped addressed envelope should be enclosed.

