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WALKING

by A. D. McSweeney

A BLUSTERING wind slowed times in the Metropolitan W.C. Meeting at Regents Park and in all four races the winners were all well down on the previous course bests. Ken Matthews had an almost too casual win in the 20 km. At no time did he appear to be racing and yet, with slowing down to a crawl nearing home, he finished 3m.23s. ahead of the field. He was 3m.20s. outside his 1961 time. Arthur Thomson and Bob Clark had a set-to and were always sure of holding their place next to the leader. We fancied Clark would prove the stronger but the reverse was the case and Thomson moved well away over the last lap to clock 95.54; Clark 96.58, and Don Thomson, who finished strongly as usual, fourth in 97.25. John Paddick, 5th, showed his stamina in sticking close to Don for several miles and in being beaten by only half-a-minute. Mike Shannon was sixth, passing a tiring George Williams — who did finish this time though, and won the handicap.

Matthews led from Clark, Thomson and George Williams by only 10 secs. at 5km., with Colin Williams another 10secs. back. At half distance Matthews was about 200 yards up on Clark and Thomson, the two Williams having lost ground. At three-quarter distance Colin Williams retired and leaders were: Matthews 68.40; Thomson 70.53; Clarke 70.55; Williams G. 72.23; Paddick 72.31; Thomson D. 72.32. They went on to finish as described. The promoting club, Metropolitan, won the team race but Poly did very well to finish only 10 pts. down.

In the supporting events, **Denis Read** (Steyning) easily won the Junior 5 miles, taking over from Martin Higgins — who made a very fast start, in the second mile. Peter Selby beat Peter Marlow by 10 secs. for second place. Ian Taylor (Essex Beagles) won the Youths' 2½ miles in his usual accomplished style, but he had only 4 secs. to spare from Pat Cassie (Steyning). Terry Morris (Godiva) was third. Leicester took the Boys' 2 miles team race from close rivals Essex Beagles but the latter had an easy individual winner in Paul Bishop.

Sheffield Open 15 Miles. The requested result and report from Frank Clay has not arrived in time for publication and will have to be given next week.

Stock Exchange A.C. 25 Miles Championship

Ray Hall won in 3h.45m.40s., good time in view of the prevailing conditions although 6 mins. down on his record. At 10 miles Hall was just ahead of Green but only 28 secs., covered the leading pack of six, which included Mason, Butler, Evans and Ficken. On the climb from Westerham, Hall and Green moved

out well in front of the rest and with Hall taking the initiative he led at the 20 miles point by some 3 mins. Green cut this down over the closing stages to 1m.33s. at the finish. Ken Mason was third 6 mins. behind. Brian Ficken was fourth, but only a minute in front of young Syd Pearson who walked an extremely good race and won the handicap. First five beat four hours — a record for the event, and Jim Evans was only seconds outside. Of the post-war entry of 42, 34 started and all finished the course.

This Saturday. Surrey W.C. 18½ miles Croydon to Godstone and Back Inter-Club race. Midland Area 20 Miles Championship, Coventry, 2 p.m.

March 31st

Somerset & Dorset. 6M. Championship, and Wilts. Inter-Club, Yeovil. 1, D. Levy 51.20; B. Swallow 52.28; 3, B. Bullock 53.02; 4, M. Wright 53.55; 5, W. Pickette 54.16; (all Wilts. and Trowbridge). 6, E. Rogers 55.00 (1st Som). 1st Dorset: J. M. Cartwright 55.55.

Inter-County Match: Wilts. 22, Somerset & Dorset 62.

Birmingham W.C. 15M. 1, A. Collins 2.27.13; 2, G. Mitchell 2.27.54; 3, A. Stokes 2.36.18.

Youths 5M. 1, B. Thomas 45.40; 2, J. Burdett 53.35; 3, P. Lockley 53.41.

April 7th

Metropolitan W.C. Regents Park Open Meeting. 20km. 1, K. J. Matthews (R. Sutton), 92.31; 2, A. G. Thomson (M) 95.54; 3, R. Clark (Poly) 96.58; 4, D. J. Thomson (Met) 97.25; 5, J. Paddick (R. Sutton) 97.57; 6, M. Shannon (Highgate) 99.10; 7, G. Williams (Belg) 100.20; 8, R. Haluza (Essex B.) 101.44; 9, K. Easlea (Enfield) 102.56; 10, A. Leiser (Switz.) 103.31; 11, J. Elston (Highgate) 103.49; 12, R. Davies (Woodford) 104.20. **Teams:** 1, Met. 36; 2, Poly. 46; 3, Belgrave 59. **Handicap:** 1, M. Shannon (Highgate) 90.20; 2, A. Collins (Birm) 90.26; 3, W. Belderson (Belg) 90.39.

Junior 5M. 1, D. Read (Steyning) 38.47; 2, P. Selby (Surrey W.C.) 39.42; 3, P. Marlow (Southend) 39.52. **Team:** Southend. **Youth 2½M.** 1, I. Taylor (Essex B.) 22.28; 2, P. Cassie (Steyning) 22.32; 3, T. Morris (Godiva) 22.50. **Boys' 2M.** 1, P. Bishop (Essex B.) 16.06; 2, R. Edwards (Leicester) 16.46; 3, R. Henderson (Leics.) 16.52. **Team:** Leicester.

Stock Exchange 25M. Champ., Hayes. 1, R. Hall 3.45.40; 2, R. Green 3.47.13; 3, K. Mason 3.53.27; 4, B. Ficken 3.57.12; 5, S. Pearson 3.58.13; 6, J. Evans 4.00.54. **Handicap:** S. Pearson.

Blackheath H. "Johnson Bowl" 7½M. 1, G. Monshall 70.58; 2, N. Dudley 71.10; 3, L. Piper 71.26. **Handicap:** D. Child.

Cover photo by Gerry Cranham: Dave Jones wins A.A.A. 60 yards Indoor Championship

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EVERY SATURDAY — ONE SHILLING

COME TO STAY

THE attendances at the Gt. Britain v. Germany match last week-end must have been very encouraging to the sponsors, the *Daily Herald*, and proved beyond doubt that indoor athletics is here to stay. The right type of competition, particularly international competition, and the right presentation will always attract a good attendance at Wembley.

Next year, no doubt, there will be a much earlier start and it may well be that more indoor meetings, will take the place of some of the outdoor winter meetings, though they are very different. The outdoor meeting will no doubt continue to appeal to the club athlete and provide him with the competition he needs out of season, while the indoor meeting is essentially for the international or near international athlete and is of necessity a spectator sport, whereas the first is not.

The result of the German match was gratifying, for most people considered it a foregone conclusion that we were in for a sound beating. When some of our athletes have accustomed themselves to the sharp, built-up bends, they will do even better and international matches on the boards will be popular winter events in the future.

The latest edition of the Barrier Club publication "Splash" is an excellent job and Charles Elliott is to be congratulated on its new format. He will be pleased to supply details of the Barrier Club and/or their magazine from his address at 15 Ashley Road, Thornton Heath, Surrey.

While on the subject of publications, would readers please note that all the A.A.A. publications — a full list of which will be published next week — may be obtained from H. Hitchcock (AW), 39 Saxonbury Avenue, Sunbury-on-Thames, Middx.

Events today include the London-Brighton National Relay in which Derby and Portsmouth should renew their rivalry, Uxbridge Relay, Ryde "Sands" Relay, Hornsey St. M. Relay with 44 teams, Herts. County "10", Dundee "10", Balloch-Clydebank "12", Stockton and N. & D. "20", Hereford Open and County "20" and the Balbriggan to Dublin "20".

Results of several events have had to be held over until next week. I would also ask readers to be a little indulgent with regard to replies to letters this week — "A.W." is without any staff for a few days, a torn back muscle laying me low temporarily, and my assistant being away with German Measles! But I'm still hoping to get to the London-Brighton Relay.

THE EDITOR

Scottish News

By W. DIVERTY

EDINBURGH SOUTH H. 2½ M. RELAY

Motherwell Y.M. recorded another success with a record breaking run to win the E.S.H. Relay at Fernieside on March 31. Bert McKay gave them an 80 yds. lead on the first leg from J. T. Finn (Monk.), this was increased to 150 yds. by Davie Simpson, with Beattie (Hawk.) in second place, John Linaker went still further ahead and Andy Brown romped home for a comfortable win on the final leg.

1, Motherwell YMCA (McKay 12.05, Simpson 12.34, Linaker 12.20, A. Brown 12.08) 49.07 (rec.)

2, Teviotdale (Roden 12.43, Meikle 12.47, Moody 12.35, Douglas 12.25) 50.30.

3, Shettleston (Malone 12.57, McGhie 12.42, Donald 12.49, Summerhill 12.25) 50.53.

4, Hawkhill 51.06; 5, E. S. H. 51.09; 6, E. S. H. "B" 51.35; 7, Victoria Pk. 51.47; 8, Edinburgh 52.04; 9, Monkland 52.12. **Fastest Laps:** R. McKay (M'well) 12.05, A. Brown (M'well) 12.08, J. Finn (Monk) 12.17, Linaker (M'well) 12.20, F. Murray (Hawk) 12.23, R. Coleman (Hawk), J. Douglas (Teviot), H. Summerhill (Shett) all 12.25.

TOM SCOTT MEMORIAL RACE

Over 90 runners faced the starter for the "Tom Scott" Memorial 10M. Race from Law to Motherwell on April 7th. A fast start saw Jim Alder go to the front followed by Andy Brown. After a mile Brown led Alder by 20 yards with Linaker and McKay (M'well) and Coleman (Hawk) in a group 30 yards further back. At 3 miles Brown was 4 sec. ahead of Alder in 14.23, with Linaker, McKay, Coleman and Eadie all together 100 yards behind in 14.45.

The next 3 miles saw Brown increase his lead while Alder fell back, and at 6 miles Brown led in 29.35, followed by McKay 29.55, Linaker 29.56 and Alder 30.00. Coming up for 8 miles Brown was 100 yards ahead of Linaker and McKay was another 50 yards behind, and Eadie was still 4th. Alder had now been passed by Simpson (M'well), Ryan (St. Modans) and Kerr (Airdrie).

Running very confidently over the last two miles, Brown finished a good winner in 50.33, 200 yards ahead of Linaker, with McKay a similar distance away, third. Motherwell romped away with team honours and Shettleston beat Cambuslang on the position of their last scorer for second place. A word of praise for secretary John Kerr and his Committee for their organisation — I wonder where John got the strength from to finish 8th after all his work.

1, A. H. Brown (Motherwell Y.M.) ... 50.33

2, J. H. Linaker (Motherwell Y.M.) ... 51.06
3, R. W. McKay (Motherwell Y.M.) ... 51.41
4, G. Eadie (Camb'g) 51.55; 5, R. Coleman (Hawk) 52.38; 6, D. Simpson (M'well) 52.50; 7, M. Ryan (St. Mod) 53.04; 8, J. Kerr (Airdrie) 53.26; 9, A. Gibson (Mary'l) 53.29; 10, T. Poulton (M'well) 53.32; 11, W. Ramage (Edin) 53.41; 12, R. Hartley (GU) 53.44; 13, J. Alder (Morp) 53.51; 14, W. Marshall (M'well) 54.22; 15, R. Penman (Bell'n) 54.25; 16, I. Donald (Shett) 54.37; 17, F. Murray (Hawk) 54.38; 18, J. Stevenson (Well) 54.40; 19, R. Calderwood (VP) 54.42; 20, R. Wallace (Shett) 54.47; 21, F. McPherson (VP) 54.54; 22, T. Malone (Shett) 54.59; 23, I. Harris (Beith) 55.03; 24, A. Faulds (GU) 55.06; 25, W. Kelly (Camb'g) 55.07.

Teams:

1, Motherwell YMCA (1, 2, 3) 6
2, Shettleston H. (16, 20, 22) 58
3, Cambuslang H. (4, 25, 29) 58
4, Hawkhill 66; 5, Motherwell "B" 81; 6, Victoria Pk. 83; 7, Wellpark 85; 8, Edinburgh 86; 9, Glasgow Univ. 95; 10, St. Modans 98; 11, Beith 110; 12, Monkland 114.

OVERSEAS NEWS

by Melvyn Watman

BILL Cornell, of Chelmsford A.C., and Brian Turner of Polytechnic H's., both students at Southern Illinois University, have been showing great form lately. Turner twice beat Derek Ibbotson's UK indoor mile best of 4:07.0. He clocked 4:05.3 in Chicago on March 9th behind Jim Beatty (3:59.7) and Tom O'Hara (4:01.7) and 4:06.6 on a 147 yd track in Cleveland, Ohio, on March 16th behind O'Hara's 4:02.8. At this second meet, Cornell placed 4th in the 1,000y. (2:14.7), won by Canadian Bill Crothers in 2:11.6. Outdoors at Fayetteville, Arkansas, on March 30th (reports Derek Cole) Cornell ran the 3rd leg in a 4x880y. relay in 1:48.6! He covered the first lap in 54.0 and finished strongly. He thought his time would be slow and did not believe it when first told. Cornell, it will be remembered, was the former junior sensation who ran 1:52.8 and 4:14.6 in 1957. Earlier in the year, he set a UK indoor 600y. best of 1:11.2.

Further details on John Uelses' pole vault record. He thought the height was 16'0¼", but on remeasurement another ½" was added. He cleared on the second attempt. Dave Tork was 2nd at 15'9¼" (equal to Don Bragg's best), George Davies 3rd at 15'4½" and Jeff Chase 4th at 15'4¾". At the same meet (Santa Barbara, March 31st) Larry Dunn ran 100y. in a windy 9.3, the Formosan C. K. Yang ran 120yH in 14.2, Parry O'Brien put the shot 58'7" (Jay Silvester 4th at 56'9"), Rink Babka beat Silvester in the discus: 194'0¼" to 193'1½".

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KANGAROO CLUB

Results of the Kangaroo Club Meeting at Loughborough on March 31st:—

Long Jump (S) 1, A. Connolly (LCAT) 21'1"; 2, R. Beeby (LCAT) 20'1"; 3, J. Phillips (Trowbridge) 19'4". (J) 1, N. Gribby (Notts) 19'2½"; 2, A. Boulton (Stoke) 18'7¼". (Y) 1, K. Jackson (Stoke) 21'2"; 2, J. Vernon (Notts) 20'8".

Sat. May 5—Harlow, Essex. LJ/TJ for S.J.Y.

Mon. May 7—Battersea Park, London (7 p.m.) TJ only, for S.J.Y.

Sat. May 12—Locking, Somerset. LJ/TJ for S.J.Y.B.

Sat. May 19—Lackenhams, Norwich, Norfolk. LJ/TJ (Men), LJ (Women), all age groups.

Sat. May 26—Maindy Stadium, Cardiff. LJ/TJ for all age groups.

Mon. June 25—Battersea Park, London. LJ only for S.J.Y.

Wed. July 4—Battersea Park, London.—LJ only for S.J.Y.

Sun. Aug. 12—Southall, Middlesex. LJ/TJ all groups, LJ (Women).

Any non-club members wishing to compete in these events should write to D. Hayward, 36 Primrose Road, S. Woodford, London, E.18. It is hoped to arrange more meetings at

Triple Jump (S) 1, R. Beeby (LCAT) 43'3"; 2, K. Kelly (Herne Hill) 43'0½"; 3, J. Phillips (Trow.) 41'3". (J) 1, J. Carr (Leicester H.) 43'0½"; 2, A. Boulton (Stoke) 41'3½". (Y) 1, K. Jackson (Stoke) 43'8"; 2, J. Myers (Woodford Gn.) 43'3"; 3, J. Vernon (Notts) 41'10".

This was the first of a series of contests which have been arranged at various venues throughout the country during 1962, others including:—

other venues later in the season, and any club secretary or coach willing to organise a competition for the Kangaroo Club, please contact D. Hayward as above.

BRIAN KILBY WINS HARBOURNE H. ROAD RELAY

BRIAN KILBY set a new record on the first lap to give Godiva a lead of a minute and it took Derby until the last but one leg before they finally caught the leaders. With Mike Bullivant to take the final lap Derby came home good winners, but no-one approached Kilby's time on a day when a strong wind made fast times difficult.

1, Derby & Cty. (E. Matley 27.31; J. Keiley 28.01; T. Sharpe 27.25; J. Mays 27.13; M. Bullivant 27.28) 2:17.38.

2, Coventry Godiva (B. Kilby 26.31; M. Cressfield 28.15; R. Carey 27.47; J. Taylor 28.01; A. Dowall 27.55) 2:18.29.

3, Tipton (A. Whittle 27.57; G. Wood 27.37; R. Franklin 27.14; K. Rickhuss 28.17; D. Fownes 27.49) 2:18.54.

4, Birchfield 2:20.51; 5, Derby & Cty 'B' 2:20.55; 6, Coventry Godiva 'B' 2:23.10; 7, Birchfield 'B' 2:24.02; 8, Small Heath 2:24.37; 9, Worcester 2:25.59; 10, Tipton 'B' 2:26.03; 11, AEI (Rugby) 2:27.50; 12, Wolverhampton 2:28.25; 13, Sparkhill 2:28.40; 14, Bilston 2:29.04; 15, Cov. Godiva 'C' 2:30.24; 16, Nth. Staffs & Stone 2:30.36; 17, Stourbridge 2:30.59; 18, Oldbury 2:31.10; 19, Birchfield 'C' 2:31.14; 20, Tipton 'C' 2:32.20.

Fastest Laps: B. Kilby (Godiva) 26.31 (rec); 2, J. Mays (Derby) 27.13; M. Herriott (Sparkhill) 27.14; R. Franklin (Tipton) 27.14; J. Cliffe (S. Heath) 27.21; A. Guildford (Derby) 27.24.

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GOSFORTH OPEN ROAD RELAYS, Mar. 31st

In fine and dry weather, 16 teams started in the Senior event. On the first leg Aisbitt (Morpeth) led Atkinson (Saltwell) by 350 yards in 22.01, with Elswick, Gateshead and Gosforth in close attendance.

On lap 2 Leitch brought Gateshead through to lead with a run of 22.02, Morpeth dropped to 2nd and Ogle took Benwell from 8th to 3rd with 22.27. On the next the first three positions did not change but Elliott increased the leaders margin with a 21.53 run.

On the final lap Jim Alder ran the fastest lap of the day to bring Morpeth home 100 yards ahead of Gateshead and in a stirring tussle for third place Hillen (Saltwell) beat Dance (Benwell) by inches.

In the Boys' race 25 teams started and at the end of lap 1 Trainor (Gateshead) had a 22sec. lead over Walsh (Burn Road) with Gorman (Springburn) third. Scottish Boys' champion Middleton took Springburn into a 12 sec. lead on lap 2 with fastest time of 11.09, but on the final lap Robson (Gateshead) overtook Springburn's Colvin to win by 11sec., Burn Road holding on to third place.

1, Morpeth H. (T. Aisbitt 22.01; D. Patten 23.23; P. Carmichael 22.55; J. Alder 21.30) 89.49.

2, Gateshead (K. Bond 23.06; A. Leitch 22.02; T. Elliott 21.53; C. Holmes 23.10) 90.11.

3, Saltwell (M. Atkinson 22.53; W. Churchill 23.22; W. McGuirk 23.39; J. Hillen 21.58) 91.52.

4, Benwell 91.53; 5, Darlington 93.34; 6, Gosforth 94.45; 7, Gateshead "B" 97.48; 8, Gateshead "C" 98.34; 9, Gosforth "B" 99.15; 10, Jarrow 100.11; 11, Gosforth "C" 102.41; 12, Sunderland 104.50.

Fastest Laps: 1, J. Alder (Morpeth) 21.30; 2, T. Elliott (Gateshead) 21.53; 3, J. Hillen (Saltwell) 21.58; 4, T. Aisbitt (Morpeth) 22.01; 5, A. Leitch (Gates) 22.02; 6, eq. G. Ogle, W. Dance (Benwell) 22.27.

Boys

1, Gateshead (J. Trainor 11.26; T. McFall 11.49; L. Robson 11.18) 34.33.

2, Springburn (H. Gorman 11.54; D. Middleton 11.09; R. Colvin 11.41) 34.44.

3, Burn Road (A. Walsh 11.48; D. Camp 11.46; H. Nicholson 11.38) 35.12.

4, Heaton 35.31; 5, Elswick 36.17; 6, N. Shields 36.17; 7, Saltwell 36.24; 8, St. Thomas More 36.49; 9, Jarrow 37.01; 10, Houghton 37.33; 11, Elswick "B" 37.38; 12, Gateshead "B" 37.39.

Fastest Times: 1, D. Middleton (Springburn) 11.09; 2, L. Robson (Gates) 11.18; 3, P. Annington (Heaton) 11.24; 4, J. Trainor (Gates) 11.26; 5, W. Nicholson (Burn Road) 11.38; 6, R. Colvin (Springburn) 11.41.

EASY FOR DEVONPORT IN BARNSTAPLE-BIDEFORD RELAY

Nine teams started in the Barnstaple to Bideford and Back Relay on Sunday, April 1st. Stage 1 saw Dennis Crook (26.17) give Paignton a lead of 1min.25sec., followed by G. Mears (Barnstaple) 27.42, A. Reed (Devon. 'B') 28.40, and D. Poil (Devon. 'A') 28.41.

On stage 2 Dave Hunn (Devon 'A') took his team from 3rd to 1st with a fine run of 25.16, next best being Street (Barnstaple) and Baker (Exeter) with 26.47.

There was no change in the first three teams, Devonport, Paignton and Barnstaple. Fastest times: Williams (Devon.) 24.34, Drake (Torquay) 24.50, Cutland (Barn.) 25.25.

On stage 2 Dave Hunn (Devon 'A') took from the field to win the race for Devonport, while Peter Deane pulled Barnstaple up from 3rd to 2nd. Fastest times: V. French (Dev.) 24.54, A. Wye (Exeter) 26.35, P. Deane (Barn.) 26.43.

1, Devonport 1:43.25; 2, Barnstaple 1:46.37; 3, Paignton 1:47.14; 4, Devonport "C" 1:50.09; 5, Torquay 1:51.59; 6, Devonport "B" 1:53.14; 7, Exeter 1:53.24; 8, Barnstaple "B" 1:54.53; 9, Barnstaple "C" 1:59.15.

QUEENS PARK H. SCHOOLS' ROAD RELAY

At Eastcote, April 3rd

1, Bishopshalt Sch. (J. Butterworth 12.02; B. Savery 12.27; S. Hodgson 12.24; J. Wrighton 12.17) 49.10.

2, Harrow County Sch. (A. Broadribb 12.32; G. Wilson 12.32; A. Devel 12.43; M. Anderson 11.58) 49.45.

3, Luton G.S. (M. Phillips 12.44; B. Emmett 12.48; M. Haynes 13.05; R. Moore 12.09) 50.46.

4, Haberdashers Askes Sch. 50.56; 5, St. Clement Danes G.S. 51.32; 6, Latymer Upper Sch. 51.40; 7, Watford G.S. 51.46; 8, Finchley Catholic G.S. 52.03; 9, John Lyon Sch. 52.27; 10, Harrow Cty. Sch. 52.40; 11, Chiswick G.S. 52.46; 12, Luton G.S. 53.05; 13, Clarendon Sch. 53.16; 14, Watford G.S. "B" 53.45; 15, Harrow Weald G.S. 53.51.

Fastest Laps: 1, M. Anderson (Harrow Cty) 11.58; 2, J. Butterworth (Bishopshalt) 12.02; 3, R. Douglas Turner (Haber) 12.08; 4, R. Moore (Luton) 12.09; 5, K. Richardson (Bishop. "B") 12.16; 6, J. Wrighton (Bishop.) 12.17.

TERRITORIAL ARMY CROSS-COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS

NINE teams and eleven individuals contested the National T.A. Cross-Country Championships held over a testing 7 mile course near Leek on March 24th.

From the start R. Cooper, the Worcester Harrier, went into the lead and thereafter was never headed, but his team were unable to repeat their victories earlier in the year over the North Staffs. team although they closed in first.

Neither the individual holder, J. Tarrant, winner in 1960 and 1961, nor the team holders had a very successful day. John Tarrant, obviously suffering from lack of training due to leg trouble, was well placed early on but then fell back to finish well down the field, while the Scottish team running as a pack failed to break up the string of Hereford and North Staffs. runners and could only finish third.

1, R. Cooper (Hereford L.I.)	45.57
2, G. Dean (North Staffs.)	46.18
3, Gerrard (North Staffs.)	46.35
4, (Para Regt); 5, K. Flowers (HLI); 6, A. Boyden (NS); 7, G. Mathuidis (HLI); 8, D. Shelley (NS); 9, C. Fraser (Edinburgh Regt); 10, J. Collins (HLI); 11, J. Doyle (NS); 12*, Harvey (Ox. & Bucks LU); 13, Aylett (HLI); 14, D. Davies (HLI); 15, A. Ross (Edin); 16, R. Dewsnap (NS).	

* Individual.

Teams:	Pts.
1, 5/6 Bn. Nth. Staffs. (2. 3. 6. 8.11.15)	45
2, 1 Bn. Hereford L.I. (1. 5. 7.10.12.13)	48
3, City of Edinburgh (9.14.16.17.18.19)	93

SOUTHERN COMMAND (ARMY) CHAMPIONSHIPS

At Bulford, Wilts., February 24th

1, WO II M. Bryant (16 Para OFP) ...	32.37
2, Sgt. G. Burt (1 Para)	33.26
3, 2 Lt. R. Mawer (1 TRRE)	33.28

Teams: 1, 1 Para 74pts; 2, 1 DERR 156; 3, 1 TRRE 202.

Cyprus

INTER-SERVICES C.C. LEAGUE April 5th

1, G. Porter (Akrotiri)	31.55
2, R. Swales (Episkopi)	33.21
3, H. Cobie (Episkopi)	33.55
4, D. Wooten (Epis) 34.16; 5, T. Cox (Epis) 35.55; 6, J. Watson (Epis) 36.13; 7, Cooke (2 Para) 36.44; 8, D. McCarthy (Epis) 37.00; 9, Brittliffe (Akrot) 37.14; 10, Steggles (2 Para) 37.22; 11, Griffiths (Akrot) 37.41; 12, Nicholson (Epis) 38.26.	

Teams:	Pts.
1, R.A.F. Episkopi	(2.3.4.5.6.8) 28
2, R.A.F. Akrotiri	68

Final League Positions: 1, R.A.F. Episkopi 66 pts; 2, R.A.F. Akrotiri 59; 3, Rhine Camp 38; 4, 9, Signals 36; 5, 2 Para. Regt. 31; 6, R.A.F. Nicosia 16; 7, 20 Signals 8; 8, R.A.F. Pergamos 7; 9, Dhekelia Garrison and 15 Signals 3.

Malta

MALTA A.A.A. C.C. CHAMPIONSHIPS

1, A. Munton (HMS Falcon)	23.25
2, D. Cobley (RAF Luqa)	
3, B. Johnson (RAF Luqa)	

Teams: 1, R.A.F. Luqa; 2, H.M.S. Falcon "A"; 3, H.M.S. Falcon "B".

Juniors

1, M. Abel (Herc. A.C., Malta) (rec.)	18.38
2, C. Cioffi (Salesians)	
3, P. Vella (Salesians)	

Teams: 1, Salesians A.C.; 2, Hercules A.C.; 3, H.M.S. Blake.

COACHING COURSES

Northern Counties A.A. (Sheffield Dist.) Coaching Committee have arranged for two Coaching "Classes" at The Grove, Hexthorpe, Doncaster, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. (indoors if wet), on Sundays April 29th. and May 6th. While the emphasis will be on field events, the track athlete will not be overlooked. Further details from G. M. Adam, 28 Stockil Road, Doncaster.

Derbyshire A.A.A. Championships will be held at the new Queens Park Annexe Track, Chesterfield, on April 28th. Entries close this week-end to Mr. H. Husband, 33a Sydney Street, Chesterfield.

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RON HILL TAKES LONGWOOD "10"

RON HILL (Bolton U.H.) became the second Lancastrian to win the Longwood "10" when he scored a fine victory in the event at Huddersfield on March 31st.

It appears the race is rapidly becoming a "happy hunting ground" for the National Universities Champion for Hill's predecessor to that title D. M. Turner (Liverpool & Cambridge Univ.) won the event last year.

Three runners, Les Millns (Sheffield), Laurie Sykes (Longwood) and Ron Hill (Bolton) began to show in front, once the field had settled down, but the Sheffield runner gave way to the other two shortly before the two mile mark.

Running shoulder to shoulder, the two Roses rivals, Sykes of Yorkshire and Hill of Lancashire, battled for supremacy with no quarter asked or given. Approaching the seven mile mark on the short sharp climb to Clifton, the Bolton international began to break contact and although Sykes fought desperately hard, a gap opened slowly but surely.

Hill appeared to relish the gruelling hills in the later stages and his strong running gave him a margin of 250 yards at the finish over Stan Sykes (no relation to Laurie) who had passed his namesake on the climb up Brighthouse Hill over the last mile.

The forward placings of the Sykes boys enabled the promoting club to offset the absence of their captain, Derek Ibbotson, "doing his stuff" on the boards at Wembley and they won the team race for the third successive year, with five points to spare over their great rivals, Sheffield Utd. H.

A word, too, for athletics correspondent, Peter Keeling. Surely no reporter gets his report a harder way than by competing in a ten-mile road race.

J.G.B.

- 1, R. Hill (Bolton) 51.47
- 2, S. Sykes (Longwood) 52.39
- 3, L. Sykes (Longwood) 52.55
- 4, A. Morten (Macclesfield) 54.03; 5, B. Ollerenshaw (Sheffield United) 54.09; 6, R. Carter (Rochdale) 54.22; 7, W. Tidswell (Halifax) 54.47; 8, J. Britland (Hallamshire) 54.49; 9, D. Makin (Sheff) 54.56; 10, L. Millns (Sheff) 54.59; 11, P. O. Warren (Salford) 55.05; 12, A. Hughes (Roch) 55.09; 13, D. Pilkington (Salford-Ind) 55.11; 14, L. Liles (Long) 55.23; 15, P. J. Keeling (Hallam) 56.01; 16, T. McGovern (Hallam) 56.02; 17, R. Moore (Long) 56.09; 18, M. Nunn (Long) 56.15; 19, F. Dawson (Sal) 56.36; 20, K. D. Clarke (Airedale) 56.49; 21, K. Pawson (Harehills) 56.55; 22, I. Wainwright (Sheff) 56.57; 23, A. J. Walsham (Sal) 57.02; 24, A. V. Corker (Sheff) 57.28; 25, T. Smyth (Roch) 57.33; 26, A. Hazel (Hallam) 57.46; 27, G. H. Doggett (Sal) 57.52; 28, E. Foley (Bolton) 57.52; 29, L. Sullivan (Sal) 58.10; 30, V. Short (Sal) 58.18; 31, I. G. Beckett (Long) 58.29; 32, A. Knowles (Liverpool B.) 58.31; 33, E. W. Mason (E. Cheshire) 58.45; 34, R. Beecher (Haltemprice) 59.03; 35, A. Swindlehurst (L'pool B.) 59.25; 36, L. Outwin (Sheff) 59.52; 37, R. E. Alden (Airedale) 59.58; 38, C. M. Pawson (Harehills) 59.59; 39, M. Murray (H'hills) 60.07; 40, S. Walton (Hallam) 60.24; 41, P. Jones (L'pool B.-Ind) 60.34; 42, J. Crumpton (Royton) 60.35; 43,



First three home in the Longwood H. "10". L. to R.—Stan Sykes (Longwood) 2nd, Ron Hill (Bolton) 1st, and Laurie Sykes (Longwood) 3rd.

Eric North.

The start of the Longwood Harriers' 10 Miles Road Race.



Eric North.

R. Mathieson (Long) 61.09; 44, I. P. Watson (Maccles) 61.21; 45, R. Beck (Long) 61.29; 46, J. Lawton (H'hills) 61.35; 47, J. Terry (Maccles) 61.59; 48, R. Lawton (Long) 62.28; 49, R. S. Walker (Saltwell) 63.04; 50, B. Jackson (Long) 63.37.

Teams:	Pts.
1, Longwood H.	(2. 3.14) 19
2, Sheffield Utd. H.	(5. 9.10) 24
3, Hallamshire H.	(8.15.16) 39
4, Rochdale 43; 5, Salford 53; 6, Macclesfield 95; 7, Harehills 98; 8, Airedale 114; 9, Royton 147.	

LANGLEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL CROSS-COUNTRY RELAY

The first annual Cross-Country relay for schoolboys under fifteen organised by Langley G.S., was run over a 4 x 1½ miles course in fine weather on March 24th.

Dr. Challoner's G.S., with four of the successful Buckinghamshire Schools' Junior team in their side, led throughout the race. The other places were keenly contested with as many as seven teams in the running for second place at the beginning of the last lap.

At the end of lap 1 Dr. Challoner's led by 11 secs. from Langley, Strode's Sch., and Slough G.S.

On lap 2 Dr. Challoner's increased their lead to 36 secs over Woodfield Sch., Slough and Bishopshalt G.S.

Lap 3 saw the lead increased to 66 secs., with Langley, moving up from 5th to 2nd place in front of Sutton G.S. and Slough. R. Horswood (Sutton) ran a very good lap to bring his team up from 10th place.

On lap 4, J. Gulson, second in the English Schools' Championships the previous week, increased the lead by a further 22 secs. Langley held on to second place despite a fine finish by Woodfield Sch.

- 1, Dr. Challoner's G.S. (J. Newman 7.30, R. Read 7.36, J. Stagg 7.19, J. Gulson 6.59) 29.24.
- 2, Langley G.S. (D. Payne 7.41, P. Garnham 8.16, P. Frost 7.34, D. Webb 7.21) 30.52.
- 3, Woodfield Sch. (P. Roberts 7.52, J. Flower 7.50, J. Waterman 8.0, E. Webb 7.15) 30.57.
- 4, Slough G.S. (M. Bell 7.50, R. Breen 8.04, J. Luckie 7.48, D. Dilnot 7.28) 31.10; 5, Sutton G.S. 31.14; 6, Strode's Sch. 31.16; 7, Bishopshalt G.S. 31.23; 8, Watford G.S. 31.27; 9, Windsor G.S. 32.21; 10, Burnham G.S. 32.43; 11, Purley G.S. 33.04; 12, Slough & Eton Sch. 33.23.

Fastest Laps: 1, J. Gulson (Dr. Challoner's) 6.59; 2, R. Horswood (Sutton) 7.08; 3, E. Webb (Woodfield) 7.15; 4, F. Collyer (Watford) 7.18; 5, J. Stagg (Dr. Challoner's) 7.19; 6, G. Stickler (Strode's) 7.20. **R.A.P.**

ALL-IRELAND "10" TRACK CHAMPIONSHIPS

At Aircraft Park, Tillysburn, March 31st

Subject to ratification, A. Messitt set a new N.I. All-Comers' record, and W. McCue a N.I. Native record. Both stood to the credit of Steve McCooke, 52:31.4.

1, A. Messitt (Donore H.)	(rec.) 52.08
2, W. McCue (Lisnagarvey H.)	52.24
3, M. Connolly (Donore)	52.39
4, W. Jebb (East Antrim)	57.21
5, T. Mallon (Lisna)	57.36
6, R. Catterson (E. Ant)	58.33

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THE SPORTS CENTRE

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T.V.H. BEAT RECORD IN WATFORD RELAY

OUT of an entry of 53 teams, a record 45 started and at the end of lap 1 Harrison (Highgate) just got his chest in front of Macey (St. Albans) with Freeman (TVH), Stevens (Reading) and Shirley (Finchley) not far behind. Blackheath and Ealing were well back in 15th and 16th places.

Smith soon took St. Albans into the lead but with 300 yards to go he was in turn overhauled by Williams who gave the Valley a lead they never lost throughout. Bivens ran a fast lap to bring Ealing from 16th to 3rd, while George Brown (14.07) ran even faster in taking Welwyn up from 24th to 9th.

Mike Wiggs showed that he has regained some of his old form by keeping T.V.H. in front on lap 3 despite a spirited challenge from Denis O'Gorman. Both ran fast laps but the honours on this leg went to "kipper" Herring who had his usual fast run on this course to clock 13.56 in taking Blackheath from 14th to 3rd, Ealing were 4th, Welwyn 5th and T.V.H. "B" 6th.

On lap 4 Wilkinson took St. Albans to within a second of the Valley (Ellis) and the struggle on lap 5 between Card of T.V.H. and Thorpe (St. Albans) took them into a minute lead of the rest of the field. Bignell ran the fastest on this lap to take Windsor up seven places to 8th.

With Haith to follow Card virtually settled the fight by opening up a gap of 100 yards over his St. Albans rival. Meanwhile a great battle was going on between Ealing and Blackheath for third place and after dropping behind on the previous lap Blackheath reversed the positions once more.

On the final lap Haith ran right away from Palmer (St. Albans) and crossed the line in 85.57 to break St. Albans' course record by 57secs. Mike Barratt made certain of third place for Ealing with a fast 14.27 T.V.H. "C" put up a great performance to finish 7th and newcomers Swindon did well to finish 11th. The award for the most improved team went to St. Albans "B".

1, Thames Valley H. (Freeman 14.22, Williams 14.35, Wiggs 14.09, Ellis 14.34, Card 14.11, Haith 14.06) 85m.57s. (record).

2, St. Albans City (Macey 14.14, Smith 14.48, O'Gorman 14.08, Wilkinson 14.31, Thorpe 14.11, Haith 14.06) 87m.17s.

3, Ealing H. (Piper 14.57, Bivens 14.09, Roberts 15.08, Lusty 14.45, Case 14.56, Barratt 14.27) 88m.22s.

4, Blackheath H. (Catley 14.53, Heaver 15.03, Herring 13.56, Pinder 15.16, Sullivan 14.45, Baldwin 14.43) 88m.36s. 5, T.V.H. "B" (Lowe 14.34, Roberts 14.44, Hawkes 15.13,

Nottage 14.45, Stacey 14.57, Huffer 15.05) 89m.18s. 6, Windsor & E. (Openshaw 14.40, Graham 14.37, Marrines 16.10, Bignell 14.28, Holden 15.32, Eldon 14.14) 89m.41s. 7, T.V.H. "C" 90.02; 8, Welwyn 90.04; 9, Reading 90.37; 10, V. of Aylesbury 90.50; 11, Swindon 90.56; 12, Luton 91.10; 13, Watford 91.18; 14, Finchley 91.53; 15, Wycombe 91.59; 16, T.V.H. "D" 92.05; 17, Q.P.H. 92.19; 18, St. Albans 92.26; 19, Ruislip-N. 92.40; 20, Oxford C. 92.52.
No fastest times available.

GODIVA PRESS DERBY IN LIVINGSTON RELAY

DERBY, with Wilkinson, Matley and Joe Keily, brought their number of wins up to sixteen in the 35th Livingston Road Relay at Leicester on March 31st.

Derby led throughout, having only one minor crisis when on lap 4 Basil Heatley took Godiva up to second place to reduce Derby's lead to a mere 4 sec. with a splendid 14.15 for the 3 miles and 45 yards, only 5 sec. outside Bullivant's 1961 record.

On the final leg anchor man Bullivant drew away steadily from marathon ace Brian Kilby and despite a sudden snowstorm, returned 14.19.

1, Derby & Cty. (Mays 14.21, Calladine 15.01, Sadler 15.00, Sharpe 14.46, Bullivant 14.19) 73m.27s.

2, Coventry Godiva (Adcocks 14.52, Dowall 15.05, Taylor 15.00, Heatley 14.15, Kilby 14.27) 73m.39s.

3, Tipton H. (Wood 14.39, Whittle 15.06, Franklin 14.48, Rickhuss 14.54, Fownes 15.05) 74m.32s.

4, Leicester CAT 75.23; 5, Birchfield 75.38; 6, Godiva "B" 75.47; 7, Derby "B" 76.01; 8, Notts 76.47; 9, Sparkhill 77.02; 10, Small Heath 77.27; 11, Birchfield "B" 77.51; 12, Lincoln Well 78.17; 13, Bilston 78.27; 14, Leicester CAT "B" 78.30; 15, AEI Rugby 78.38; 16, Tipton 79.03; 17, Leamington 80.22; 18, N. Staffs & S. 80.53; 19, Holwell 81.28; 20, Halesowen 81.45.

Fastest laps: 1, B. Heatley (Godiva) 14.15, M. Bullivant (Dby) 14.19; J. Mays (Dby) 14.21; L. Kilby (Godiva) 14.27; J. Cliffe (S. Heath) 14.33; B. Lee (Notts) 14.34.

The Southern 6 Miles Track Championship will be held in conjunction with the Hants "6" at Portsmouth on April 28th. Entries for either race can be sent to Mr. A. Gibb, 8 Magdalen Court, 355 London Road, Portsmouth.



Six laps to go in the 2 miles and Mick Neville leads Martin Hyman (Portsmouth) 3rd, and the eventual winner, Derek Ibbotson (Longwood).

Ed Lacey.

THE 1962 INDOOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

At Wembley, March 30th-31st



Willie Olivier (South Africa) leads Mick Neville (Eire) with two laps to go in the mile.

Gerry Cranham.

BARRIER CLUB

The A.G.M. of the Barrier Club will be held on Sunday, April 15, at Motspur Park, Surrey, and will be combined with a Coaching Session in the afternoon. The Meeting starts at 10.30 a.m. and all are welcome, whether Members or not. Those attending for the full day are advised to bring a packed lunch and a drink for mid-day. Further details from: Eddie Ellis, (Hon. Sec.), 116 Gordon Road, London, W.13.

Steeplechase Fixtures 1962

April

23 2000m. Carshalton

28 1500m. Southall

30 1500m. Chiswick

May

2 1500m. Sutcliffe Park

5 1500m. Hayes

2000m. Harlow New Town

3000m. Brighton

12 3000m. Peterborough

3000m. Nottingham

(1500m. for S.J.Y., 2000m. for S.J., 3000m. for S.)

Entry details now from C. Elliott, 15 Ashley Road, Thornton Heath, Surrey.

Somerset A.A.A. and W.A.A.A. Track & Field Championships will be held at Bath on May 26. Details from and entries (close May 12) to D. M. M. Shorrocks, 222 Staplegrove Road, Taunton. The Women's Pentathlon, Senior S'chase and Junior S'chase will be held at Millfield School on May 5. Entries (as above) close April 28.



Trevor Burton (St. Joseph's College) making his winning vault of 13'9", a new national indoor record.
Gerry Cranham.

Daphne Arden (Birchfield) No. 1, wins the W.A.A.A. 60yds. final from Jill Hall (Mitcham) No. 20, Jenny Taylor (Mitcham) No. 15, and Madeleine Cobb (Selsonia) No. 4.



Ed Lacey.

NORTH STAFFS. TAKE HONOURS IN WORDSLEY "15"

WITH Don Shelley winning the individual race and an easy team victory, with three out of the first four home, North Staffs. & Stone took all the honours in the Wordsley "15" on March 31st.

The weather could hardly have been worse. The first of a series of hailstorms broke during the first lap of 3 miles, at the end of which Colin Kemball led the field in just outside 15 mins., but was followed closely by a large bunch of runners. Soon after this, with a violent hailstorm raging, Don Shelley went into the lead and was never headed.

Shelley passed 7 miles in 36.34, 36sec. ahead of Kemball. Brian Gelsthorpe (Wolv'n) went by in 38 mins., with John Doyle just behind in 38.02 and Stan Gerrard fifth in 38.18.

At 11 miles Shelley had increased his lead and went by in 58.20, with Kemball 59.45, Doyle and Gerrard together in 60.50, and Gelsthorpe 61.20. The only other change of note on the third lap, run in heavy snow, was that Tipton were now challenging Wolverhampton for second place.

On the final lap the sun came out, though by now all the runners were soaked, badly battered by gale and storm, and past caring about the weather. Positions changed hardly at all and times were slow, not surprising in such conditions. A tribute is due to all the

officials who braved the elements and did a splendid job of work. **E.H.**

1, D. G. Shelley (Nth. Staffs)	80.34
2, C. K. Kemball (Wolverhampton) ...	82.45
3, J. B. Doyle (Nth. Staffs)	84.02
4, W. Gerrard (N. Staffs) 84.16; 5, B. Gelsthorpe (Wolver'n) 85.10; 6, R. Bentley (Tipton) 85.43; 7, P. Silverman (Sparkhill) 85.46; 8, M. Powell (Tip) 87.23; 9, G. Johnson (Tip) 87.23; 10, B. Boyce (Stourbridge) 87.34; 11, D. Harris (Stour) 87.54; 12, R. Whittle (Stour) 87.59; 13, F. M. Waldron (Stour) 88.13; 14, W. Carr (Tip) 88.54; 15, P. Craggs (Wolver'n) 90.56; 16, E. Norrish (N. Staffs) 90.57; 17, E. Grose (Halesowen) 91.24; 18, D. McWhirter (Wolver'n) 91.43; 19, A. Fern (Tipton) 93.01; 20, E. Shaw (Wolver'n) 93.15; 21, E. Skidmore (Stour) 93.47; 22, G. Mills (Nuneaton) 94.48; 23, R. Peacock (Hales) 95.57; 24, R. Bradney (Wolver'n) 96.28; 25, M. Magor (Hereford) 97.49.	

Teams:	Pts.
1, N. Staffs & Stone	(1. 3. 4) 8
2, Wolverhampton	(2. 5.15) 22
3, Tipton	(6. 8. 9) 23
4, Stourbridge, Wordsley, & Dist. 33;	
5, Hereford & Pontrilas 87; 6, Bilston	
Town	90
Staffs Champ: 1, Shelley; 2, Kemball; 3, Doyle.	

WOODFORD EASY WINNERS OF CHINGFORD RELAY

A STRONG wind was all against fast times when a record entry meant 48 teams starting in the Chingford Road Relay on March 24th.

K. Mahoney of Wigmore was the surprise leader at the end of lap 1 in 16.54, followed by Lewis (Woodford) 16.56, King (Essex B.) 16.58 and Baldwin (Chingford) 16.58. Ilford and Ealing were 17th and 18th respectively.

On lap 2—as last year—Woodford took command, never to lose it, while V.P.H. moved up to 2nd, Chingford to 3rd and with fastest time of the day, Bivens took Ealing right through to 4th, St. Albans were 5th and Ilford had come up to 6th.

On lap 3 Woodford increased their lead from 9 to 62 secs., Macey took St. Albans to 2nd and Ilford came through to 3rd, with Ealing 4th and Ponders End 5th.

Leading positions did not change on lap 4 but on the final lap the big battle took place. Dave Chapman kept Woodford well out in front to win by 73 sec., but with second fastest time of 16.43 Alan Perkins passed Thorpe (St. Albans) to give Ilford second place.

Officials from the various clubs rallied round to give their help with timekeeping and

recording, something which was greatly appreciated by the organising club.

1, Woodford Green (A. Lewis 16.56; C. Crump 17.11; M. Tribe 17.04; R. Garrett 16.53; D. Chapman 16.51) 84.55.

2, Ilford (P. Saunders 17.48; W. Rowe 17.20; J. Batchelor 17.14; D. Plater 17.03; A. Perkins 16.43) 86.08.

3, St. Albans City (B. Wilkinson 17.17; M. Palmer 17.30; R. Macey 17.26; D. O'Gorman 17.00; J. Thorpe 17.08) 86.21.

4, Ealing H. 87.30; 5, Ponders End 88.16; 6, Hornsey 89.09; 7, Hornchurch 89.10; 8, Welwyn 89.10; 9, Essex Beagles 89.52; 10, Victoria Park 90.05; 11, Hampstead 90.30; 12, Met. Police 91.02; 13, Woodford Gn. "B" 91.28; 14, St. Albans "B" 91.33; 15, Southgate 92.02; 16, Eton Manor 92.09; 17, Hadleigh 92.21; 18, Ilford 92.41; 19, Chingford 93.13; 20, Enfield 93.40.

Fastest Laps: T. Bivens (Ealing) 16.39; A. Perkins (Ilford) 16.43; D. Chapman (Woodford Gn.) 16.51; R. Garrett (Woodford) 16.53; K. Mahoney (Wigmore) 16.54; G. King (Essex Beagles) 16.58; J. Baldwin (Chingford) 16.58; D. Callaghan (VPH) 17.04.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Views expressed in readers' letters are not necessarily those of the Editor or the publishers

R.R.C. FIXTURES

Dear Sir,

I feel that I must express my agreement with Terry Dooris and his letter regarding R.R.C. fixtures. I may best be known as a marathon runner, but I can assure the R.R. Council that I really enjoy short distance races, especially the road relays.

I am always on the look out for the shorter races as I feel that speed plays an important part in marathon running, and my training consists of a lot of speed work. Unfortunately my work (5½ day week) curtails my travelling great distances but I wouldn't feel so enthusiastic if I knew that every race I had to run was 10 miles and over.

I myself would be willing to pay the extra 1/- subscription, but if Terry's assumptions are correct, and after six years experience I assume they are, even 5/6 a year would see the R.R.C. on the right side.

None of us get any younger and when we can put in some good fast running in a short race, it makes us feel that much younger.

Yours sincerely,

Peter Wilkinson,
Derby & County A.C.

AND SO SAY ALL OF US

Dear Sir,

It upsets me to hear young men in their twenties say, "I think I'll retire from Athletics." Many of them have scarcely tapped their resources. Today more than ever before we see young men going to seed, mentally and physically, through easy living. The human body seems to thrive on hard work, but we are constantly conditioned to believe that the less work we do, and the more we get paid for it, the better off we are going to be. What a fallacy. What is the use of a fat bank balance if your health is ruined?

The answer is athletics for all ages. Never before has the saying, "You're as old as you

feel," been more appropriate. Athletics or "Adult play," should become a way of life. There are, and always will be, those who run only to win, but if there were no losers there would be no sport.

I haven't been running very long compared with some of my clubmates, and at thirty-one a lot of people have a giggle when I compete. I invariably finish last, but so what! I enjoy running, and more than that, I enjoy the feeling of well-being that a healthy body can give. This is more than can be said for the majority of my age group today. Old before they have started to live. Their bodies deteriorating before their eyes, and they have the temerity to poke fun at the sweating athlete that they pass on the road in their motor car. Athletes sweat on, for your harvest will be bountiful.

Yours faithfully,

Ted Williams,
Roath Harriers, Cardiff.

INSURANCE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION 1962 CHAMPIONSHIPS

(Under A.A.A. and W.A.A.A. Laws)

Junior & Ladies'
Tuesday, June 19th

Senior Events
Tuesday, June 26th
Starting 5.45 p.m.

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Entry Forms with full details from: D. J. Parsons, Hon. Secretary, 47 Grimsdells Lane, Amersham, Bucks.

Entries close, 31st May, 1962

MAURICE HERRIOTT

(Sparkhill Harriers)

answers the A.W. Questionnaire

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Name (Surname first):

Herriott, Maurice.

Birthplace and date:

Great Wyrley, Staffs., 8.10.39.

Height:

5'10½".

Weight:

10st.6lbs.

Occupation:

Motor Cycle Fitter.

Club:

Sparkhill Harriers.

When did you first commence athletics?

Summer, 1954.

What were your first events?

880 yds. and mile.

What are your favourite events now?

Steeplechase and 2 miles.

What are your best marks at these events?

8:42.0, 8:53.0.

Give brief details of your athletic career, championships won, dates and performances:

1957/8 A.A.A. juniors S'chase champion, Warwicks junior 880/mile champion.

1958—4th England v. Finland.

1959—A.A.A. champion, 2nd G.B. v W. Germany, 2nd G.B. v. Poland, 3rd G.B. v. U.S.S.R., 2nd England v. Finland, 1st G.B. "B" v. Norway.

1960—Midland champion (also 1959 & 1961).

1961—A.A.A. champion, 3rd G.B. v. U.S.A., 3rd G.B. v. Hungary, 1st G.B. v. W. Germany, 1st G.B. v. Poland, 1st G.B. v. France, 3rd England v. Russian F.R., 2nd London v. Rhineland Cities.

Which performance gave you most personal satisfaction and why?

Winning back the A.A.A. title in 1961; I won this title in 1959 but lost it in 1960. Very close to this I would say winning my first full international in Germany for Gt. Britain, 1961.

How many days a week do you train in (a) Summer and (b) Winter?

(a) 6 or 7, (b) 5 or 6.

At what time of the day do you normally do your training?

I find I have more time to do all my training in the evenings, except for weekends when I train all Sunday morning.

How long do you spend on each training session?

About 2 hours.

Give a brief outline of your training in the Summer season, with a typical week's work:

Monday—1 x 2 miles, 1 x $\frac{1}{2}$ mile, about 20 hurdle jumps.
Tuesday—1 x mile, 2 x $\frac{1}{2}$ mile hurdles, about 20 hurdle jumps.

Wednesday—1 x 3 miles.

Thursday—4 x $\frac{1}{2}$ mile.

Friday—Rest.

Saturday—If not racing: 2 x mile, 2 x $\frac{1}{2}$ mile.

Sunday—About 4 miles over rough country, then to track for 2 x $\frac{3}{4}$ mile runs and jumping practice over water jump.

Give a brief outline of your training in the Winter season, with a typical week's work:

Monday—4 to 5 miles on road.

Tuesday—7 miles on road.

Wednesday—5 miles on road.

Thursday—7 miles on road (4 miles if racing on Saturday).

Friday—Rest.

Saturday—Race or about 7 miles cross country.

Sunday—9 or 10 miles cross country.

How often do you compete in the competitive season(s)?

Once a week if I can.

Describe briefly the warming-up you do before competition and time taken.

I don't do a great deal of warming-up compared with some athletes. Just jogging for 15 min., then a few leg and body exercises, also a few strides.

How many days rest do you prefer before competition?

One day.

Name the coaches who have coached you.

Only one man has ever coached me, Mr. Tom Heeley, from Hall Green, Birmingham.

Have you any suggestions for improvements in competition or athletics generally?

I would like to see all large cardboard number plates done away with, and instead use all cloth ones. Also I should like to see more steeplechase races put on in the Midlands instead of having to travel a long distance.

What advice would you offer to the young athlete or novice?

Try different distances before deciding which you prefer. Don't decide to be a miler just because you know a good miler. Don't have too many races. Don't race too often against someone who always beats you. And train.

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GREAT BRITAIN BEAT WEST GERMANY 69½-56½

But lose Women's match at Wembley 43-52

THE world's first official full-scale indoor international match was held at the Empire Pool, Wembley, on April 6th/7th. Such a success was this clash between Britain and West Germany that international matches of this sort must assuredly become a regular thing. A gratifyingly large and enthusiastic crowd witnessed many superb performances as Britain won the men's match 69½-56½ and lost the women's encounter 43-52.

The overall organisation and presentation was better than in the two previous meetings, though once again there was a tendency to clutter up the programme with superfluous invitation track events. Whatever the position may be outdoors, it has been obvious all the time that in indoor meets the spectators are quite happy to sit back and watch, uninterrupted, a field event. Thousands stayed on to watch the final stages of the pole vault and high jump long after the track events had concluded. Incidentally, the wealth of information relating to the field events given by the announcers did much to enhance the public's appreciation of the jumpers and throwers.

Judging by their cheers and applause, the spectators approved of the introduction by spotlight of the athletes immediately prior to their events. Yet this progressive move, advocated in this magazine a few weeks ago, was dropped after the first few events on the first evening — presumably because the programme dropped behind schedule. Without those gratuitous invitation races (after all, the crowd had paid to see a match between two of the world's strongest track and field nations) the introductions could easily have been fitted in throughout.

Friday, April 5th

60: Jones came through powerfully to win, with Overhead (the reigning A.A.A. junior 440 champion) gaining the verdict in a photo finish for 2nd. 1, David Jones (GB) 6.4; 2, Nick Overhead (GB) 6.4; 3, Hans Joachim Oswald (G) 6.4; 4, Willi Holdorf (G) no time taken.

880: Not since the runners in the 1932 Olympic steeplechase were made to run an extra lap has there been such a farcical mix-up. The track referee (Phil Gale) rang the bell when in fact there were two laps left to go (what a clanger!) The veteran Schmidt clearly knew the score, but young Setti put all he had in that "last" lap and swerved off up the banking thinking he had won. The two Germans carried right on and so, too, did Bryan after a

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little hesitation. Setti, his dream shattered, jogged in much later. The final placings were much as might have been expected, but in fairness to Setti, at least, a re-run the next day might have been arranged. 1, Paul Schmidt (G) 1:58.0; 2, Tom Bryan (GB) 1:58.7; 3, Jorg Balke (G) 1:58.7; 4, Bob Setti (GB).

2M: Ibbotson capped a wonderful indoor campaign by not only beating the redoubtable Kubicki, winner of the German indoor 3,000m. title in 8:02.8, but clipping 1.8 sec. off the European best held by Ireland's Pete McArdle (now a U.S. citizen). It was a fantastic performance, for Ibbotson pulled a muscle three days before the race and was medically advised not

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to run. Fortunately, the magic hands of Cliff Bould came to the rescue.

Kubicki, a lanky runner with a short, rapid stride well suited to indoor tracks, led for just over a mile before being superseded by British team captain Hyman, who ran an unselfish race in favour of his faster-finishing colleague. Kubicki (who beat Hyman in a 5,000m. track race in Brazil in January) went ahead again 650y. from the finish and tried to break away from Hyman 300y. out. He succeeded — but Ibbotson went with him, charged past him 160y. from the end and streaked round the last 145y. lap in 17.1 sec. to win by 10 yards. Ibbotson's second mile occupied less than 4:19!

1, Derek Ibbotson (GB) 8:47.8 (European, UK All-Comers & UK National best); 2, Peter Kubicki (G) 8:49.2 (German best); 3, Martin Hyman (GB) 8:54.2; 4, Wolfgang Fricke (G) 9:05.0.

PV: Most of the 7,000 spectators stayed on to cheer Burton over 13'9", equalling on his 3rd attempt his week-old UK best. Burton's own low-density fibre-glass pole snapped in training, so he used an unfamiliar high density model. That fine all-rounder Mohring sportingly agreed to vault out of turn at 14'0" to give Burton a breather. Scotsman Stevenson raised his all-time best by an inch. 1, Dieter Mohring (G) 14'3"; 2, Trevor Burton (GB) 13'9" (eq. UK National best); 3, David Stevenson (GB) 13'3"; Wolfgang Reinhardt (G) no valid jump.

SP: Gubner apart, Rowe come up with the greatest series in indoor shot-putting history. But one man was not satisfied. Rowe. Though he hit 62'2", 61'3½", 62'9¼", 62'7", 62'11½" and foul, Rowe was annoyed at failing to duplicate his casual warm-up effort of 65'0¼"! Still, he had the satisfaction of raising his own European and UK best. 1, Arthur Rowe (GB) 62'11½" (European & UK National best); 2, Dieter Urbach (G) 58'4" (German best); 3, Martyn Lucking (GB) 57'3"; 4, Josef Klik (G) 56'2".

Scores: Britain led 31-23.

Women

60: Good powerful sprinting by Arden, who should prove a match for Smart and Hyman (?) this summer. 1, Daphne Arden (GB) 7.1; 2, Renate Bronnsack (G) 7.1; 3, Jennifer Taylor (GB) 7.2; 4, Renate Junker (G) no time taken.

440: Dunbar made the most of her inside draw and led all the way, with Grieveson coming through late and fast for 2nd ahead of the 34-year-old German champion. 1, Jean Dunbar (GB) 59.5; 2, Joy Grieveson (GB) 60.7; 3, Maria Jeibmann (G) 61.0; 4, Emilie Bertram (G) 64.5.

60H: Fisch, co-holder of the world best at

7.7, led from gun to tape, with Fordyce doing well to beat 7.8 performer Schlundt. 1, Erika Fisch (G) 7.9; 2, Anne Fordyce (GB) 8.0; 3, Ingrid Schlundt (G) 8.1; 4, Dorothy Window (GB) no time taken.

HJ: Scissors-jumper Hans won a tense three-sided battle on the count-back. She had no failures at all, while Shirley failed once at 5'4" and Slaap missed once at 5'6". 1, Ilia Hans (G) 5'6" (German best); 2, Dorothy Shirley (GB) 5'6"; 3, Frances Slaap (GB) 5'6"; 4, Rita Kortum (G) 5'4".

LJ: The Germans may have filled the first two places with the best jumps seen indoors in this country, but what a tremendous performance by 15-year-old Sheila Parkin. Her series: 18'6½", 19'4½", 18'11½", 18'8½", 18'9". 1, Wilma Fabert (G) 19'10½" (UK All-Comers best); 2, Helga Hoffman (G) 19'10½"; 3, Sheila Parkin (GB) 19'4½"; 4, Janette Neil (GB) 18'7½".

4x1 lap relay: A slick baton pass between Taylor and Dew won Britain this race. 1, Gt. Britain (Jill Hall, Jennifer Taylor, Marianne Dew, Daphne Arden) 68.2; 2, W. Germany (Doris Schweimanns, Renate Bicker, Helga Henning, Maria Jeibmann) 69.1.

Scores: Britain led 32-30.

Invitation Events

440: 1, K. J. Wilcock (Sutton) 52.6; 2, B. H. A. Morris (Belgrave) 52.7; 3, J. W. B. Robertson (SLH) 54.0; 4, A. P. Cowen (Grafton) 55.4.

1,000: 1, C. J. G. Shilington (Willowfield) 2:15.5; 2, K. Mather (Wallasey) 2:17.3; 3, J. D. Pinkerton (Oxford City) 2:18.5; 4, J. E. Wenk (Welwyn) 2:18.5; 5, K. W. Baker (Southgate) 2:21.2.

3M: North led at 1M (4:38.4) and 2M (9:16.7). Strong led at the bell, but was easily outsprinted by Hill, who in this form will be bidding strongly for a place in the international team at 5,000 or 10,000m. The overall standard was the highest in indoor history. 1, R. Hill (Bolton) 13:47.0; 2, E. Strong (Bristol) 13:49.0; 3, G. A. North Blackpool) 13:50.6; 4, T. Briault (Brighton) 13:51.0; 5, L. G.

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Edelen (Chelmsford) 13:51.8; 6, J. Hogan (Poly) 13:56.0.

Junior 1M: 1, M. Jefferson (Sale) 4:25.1; 2, D. Hogg (Sale) 4:25.4; 3, F. J. Stebbings (Croydon) 4:27.6; 4, F. Roskilly (Woodford Gt) 4:28.4; 5, F. Martin (Eastleigh) 4:33.5; 6, T. Magee (Southall) 4:37.0.

Saturday, April 7th

60: Jones withdrew from the day's events. His replacement, Cmela, won by inches from the consistent Overhead. 1, George Cmela (GB) 6.4; 2, Nick Overhead (GB) 6.4; 3, Willi Holdorf (G) 6.6; Hans Joachim Oswald (G) disq. for false starts.

440: Jackson survived the rough-house tactics of the Germans, but he had to work hard for victory. 1, Barry Jackson (GB) 51.9; 2, Manfred Keusgen (G) 52.1; 3, Jens Ulbricht (G) 52.2; 4, Norman Futter (GB) 52.4.

1M: Norpoth, only 19, ran like a veteran. He audaciously nipped past the Britons on the inside with about 440y. to go and never looked like being caught. 1, Harald Norpoth (G) 4:14.5; 2, Mike Berisford (GB) 4:15.4; 3, Klaus Lehmann (G) 4:17.8; 4, Mike Blagrove (GB) 4:21.0.

60H: Nuske, who has run the equivalent of 7.2 for this event, won untroubled. Hogan (18) made an auspicious international debut. 1, Klaus Nuske (G) 7.5 (eq. UK All-Comers best); 2, Laurie Taitt (GB) 7.6; 3 eq., John Hogan (GB) & Hermann Alms (G) 7.7.

HJ: Miller provided a fitting finale to the indoor season by straddling 6'9" to equal Fairbrother's UK best (indoors and out). Fairbrother, himself, seemed as delighted as Miller. 1, Gordon Miller (GB) 6'9" (eq. UK All-Comers & National best); 2, Crawford Fairbrother (GB) 6'7"; 3, Peter Reibensahm (G) 6'6"; 4, Herbert Hopf (G) 6'5".

LJ: Though he took only four jumps (as did Alsop), Klein put on a terrific display. His hang style carried him to a personal best of 25'3 1/4" — despite landing off balance and losing inches! 1, Wolfgang Klein (G) 25'3 1/4" (UK All-Comers best & German best); 2, Peter Reinholz (G) 24'0 1/4"; 3, John Howell (GB) 23'7"; 4, Fred Alsop (GB) 22'11".

Medley relay (4x3x2x1 lap): Setti had the satisfaction of beating Balke by about 3y. over the first leg of 580 y., Jackson maintained the lead, Overhead ran a brilliant 2-lap stage to hand over nearly 20y. up and Cmela was able to coast home. Clearly, Overhead will be challenging strongly for a place in Britain's 4x400 team this year. 1, Gt. Britain 2:47.4; 2, W. Germany 2:49.6.

Match result: Britain won 69 1/2-56 1/2.

Women

60: Like Cmela, Fisch came in as reserve; and like Cmela she won. Taylor, only 17, again ran well for 3rd place. 1, Erika Fisch

(G) 7.1; 2, Daphne Arden (GB) 7.2; 3, Jennifer Taylor (GB) 7.2; 4, Renate Junker (G) 7.3.

880: Perkins tried valiantly to keep on terms, but the pace was too swift. The times were indeed excellent, the first three all beating the world's best of 2:17.4 by Sandra Knott (USA). 1, Anita Worner (G) 2:15.5 (UK All-Comers best); 2, Rosel Nitsch (G) 2:15.9; 3, Phyllis Perkins (GB) 2:16.3 (UK National best); 4, Susan Jarville (GB) 2:18.7.

SP: Allday's week-old UK All-Comers best was beaten 18 times in all by the four competitors. Peters achieved a heart-warming breakthrough by raising her best from 43'3 1/4" to 46'0 1/4", consistently putting around 45' and causing Allday's first defeat by a home athlete for many a long day. 1, Sigrun Grabert (G) 49'10 1/4" (UK All-Comers best); 2, Marlene Klein (G) 49'8 1/4"; 3, Mary Peters (GB) 46'0 1/4" (UK National best); 4, Suzanne Allday (GB) 45'11 1/4".

Match result: W. Germany won 52-43.

Invitation Events

880: 1, S. G. Purkis (Romford) 1:56.2; 2, M. A. Rawson (Birchfield) 1:57.7; 3, A. R. Jones (Roath) 1:57.7; 4, R. K. Tutin (Liverpool) 1:59.0; 5, R. I. Allen (Harrogate) 1:59.7; 6, M. Stafford (Jersey) 2:01.2.

2M: North led all the way, and uncorked an impressive finish. 1, G. A. North (Blackpool) 9:01.8; 2, A. F. Perkins (Ilford) 9:10.2; 3, K. Mather (Wallasey) 9:18.2; 4, R. Roath (Walton) 9:19.4; 5, W. P. Bennett (Wirral) 9:24.2; 6, L. Stone (Ponders End) 9:39.0.

Junior 2M: A terrific finish, with Malcolm Burton (a 1:53.2 800m performer!) winning by inches. 1, M. D. Burton (Mitcham) 9:21.6; 2, M. Gowan (HHH) 9:21.6; 3, W. J. Chidwick (Castlemount OB) 9:21.8; 4, A. Glenister (Ponders End) 9:30.6; 5, A. Booth (Longwood) 9:36.6; 6, J. Rathbone (Surrey Beagles) 9:37.6.

Women's 440: Dunbar lost her stride midway through the race, and could not make up enough ground on Grieveson. 1, J. Grieveson (Darlington) 60.0; 2, J. Dunbar (Watford) 60.3; 3, J. Barnett (Roath) 63.0; 4, P. Andrews (Maidenhead) 64.7.

SALFORD H. SCHOOLS C.C. RACES At Middleton, March 31st

Intermediates 2 1/2M.

1, P. Glazier (St. Gregorys)	12.49
2, J. Routledge (St. Dominic S.)	13.15
3, J. Noblett (St. Mary's)	13.25

Teams: 1, Plant Hill 50 pts; 2, St. Dominic 134; 3, Cardinal Langley 147.

Juniors 1 1/2M.

1, M. Laycock (St. Mary's)	8.52
2, J. Sankey (Plant Hill)	8.54
3, J. Burk (Cardinal Langley)	9.00

Teams: 1, Plant Hill 26 pts; 2, St. Claire's 60; 3, Cardinal Langley 61.

BATTY RUNS AWAY WITH ROMFORD HALF-MARATHON

PERSEVERANCE and dedication"—that sums up my sentiments towards the amazing form of Melvyn Batty. The "popular press" tell us that this Thurrock boy is the "find of the season"; the "athlete's popular mag." gives him 4th place in our cross-country rankings for this season; I say that this kind of form does not just grow on a fellow in one season. All those who read "A.W." should know their athletes so let me add a word of comfort to the many who finish behind Mel and point out that he is justly reaping the rewards of "perseverance and dedication." Let us be proud of the fact that, in Mel, we have the makings of a world beater.

It was nothing short of world beating form which took this Essex boy to an amazing win in the Romford Half-Marathon on 7th April. This was the third occasion on which Romford A.C. had served up what is rapidly becoming a popular event — judging by the quality and quantity of the entries. Brian Hill-Cottingham won the inaugural event, whilst "sparring partner" Buddy Edelen's name is next on the magnificent trophy. For the team trophy Herne Hill Harriers shook up the first lot, then Chelmsford smothered the opposition last year. Now read on.

To introduce 100% accuracy concerning the course let me quote from a well-prepared programme on which was a map of the course. "The undulating course consists of one lap of about four miles and a second lap of just over nine miles. This second lap has a small loop added to that run in previous years and the full course has now been accurately measured to bring the total distance to 13 miles 192 yards. To help competitors every mile stage, from 5 to 12 inclusive, has been painted on the left-hand side of the road."

On known form I singled out, from the 76 competitors, and likely athletes who would be most concerned in the destination of the attractively useful prizes. The previous two winners of the event and Mel Batty were obvious choices. Gerry North had entered but Gerry, at that hour, was spending 9 minutes bashing out 2 miles on the boards at Wembley. Sure enough, at the gun, Batty, Edelen and Hill-Cottingham were away "like the clappers."

The pace which these three set when negotiating a steep gradient soon after the start amazed even Jim Peters, who was Referee and whom I had the pleasure of accompanying round the course in his slow Riley! If anyone really believes that Essex is a flat county—as I did—let him come and look over this course; it's as tough as they could cram into 13 miles. Over the bumps the pace fluctuated

By SAM FERRIS

considerably—a down-hill stretch was producing 5 minute miles whilst rising to sea level again cost 5.15 miles. At 3 miles the leading trio were well inside 16 minutes and they were 40 seconds ahead of the rest of the field. On a fast down-hill stretch Hill-Cottingham suddenly developed a severe stitch which momentarily crippled Brian; he quickly recovered but could only hold his own in the hope that he might make up the lee-way later. At five miles Batty and Edelen were locked in combat showing 25.55 on the clock and 15 seconds ahead of Hill-Cottingham. The clock had slipped round to 27.38 before the next recording when Webb, Gobey, Forey and Barnes were logged. Tallon was almost sitting on this quartette. Next came Glanville (28.01) being closely pursued by Williams, Bacon and Gibson (28.10) whilst, an arm's length away, came another quartette consisting of Nowell, Birks, Charlton and Dyer (28.14). Chelmsford's vital issue, in the form of Burgess, came next in 28.23.

On the homeward stretch the gale-force wind became a distinct hazard; Batty was ready to weld this hazard into an advantage for himself and he mercilessly forced the pace to shake off the persistent Edelen. It must have been agonising to Buddy and Brian to see Melvyn brave the elements so effortlessly; bear in mind that these two are champions in their own right and both are capable of inside 14 minutes for three miles; indeed Buddy, on the night previous at Wembley, was only a shade worse than 13.50. With a sound average of 5.13 per mile Batty simply loped along and passed 10 miles in 52.08. Edelen had dropped to 53.19 but was fighting hard although almost folded up against the gale at that time. Hill-Cottingham (54.29) had wisely accepted personal comfort with an easier pace since he was well clear of any challenge to his third place.

The quality of these three international athletes can best be emphasised by the fact that the stop-watch showed 56.24 before the fourth man came along, it was a surprise to see Basil-don's young Webb holding Forey and Gobey (56.26). Charlton (57.03) had worked up from 15th position at 5 miles and was now in the company of Glanville and Barnes. Gibson (57.28) and Dyer (57.45) made up the first dozen. By this time (57.30) Batty had passed 11 miles and was pressing on in spite of the large gap between he and Buddy Edelen who was undistressed and unperturbed when he sportingly, with a smile, said "You've got to

hand it to that guy." We hand it to you, Buddy, for having the tenacity to see it through to the bitter end in spite of everything.

1, M. Batty (Thurrock H.) 68.28
 2, L. Edelen (Chelmsford A.C.) 71.19
 3, B. Hill-Cottingham (Chelms. A.C.) 72.23
 4, B. E. Forey (Feltham) 74.14; 5, J. A. Webb (Basildon) 74.30; 6, R. F. Gobey (Erith) 75.29;
 7, A. P. Glanville (Bristol) 75.37; 8, S. C. Charlton (Feltham) 75.49; 9, F. Barnes (Grafton) 76.18; 10, A. Gibson (Bracknell) 76.40; 11, V. A. Dyer (Ryde) 76.54; 12, A. Nowell (TVH) 77.03; 13, J. Blackeby (Ilford) 77.24;
 14, J. L. Birks (Brighton) 77.25; 15, J. F. Tallon (Lzells) 77.30; 16, B. Bacon (Reading) 77.35; 17, M. Frankell (Grafton) 77.36; 18, H. Williams (Ilford) 77.38; 19, E. S. Salnajs (QPH) 78.19; 20, F. G. Golding (Ilford) 78.33; 21, K. Burgess (Chelms) 78.41; 22, I. Brooks (QPH) 78.55; 23, R. Foster (Essex B.) 79.03; 24, A. Hughes (Woodford) 79.20; 25, T. Robertson (Herne Hill) 79.31; 26, D. W. Jones (Belgrave)

79.52; 27, A. Taylor (TVH) 79.59; 28, S. J. Webb (Essex B.) 80.11; 29, A. Ross (Reading) 80.29; 30, H. Downe (TVH) 80.31; 31, H. W. Dennis (TVH) 80.38; 32, A. W. Blatchford (Epsom) 80.55; 33, V. Fowle (Herne H.) 80.57; 34, C. J. Thomas (Met. Pol) 80.59; 35, D. S. Hale (Horsham) 81.06; 36, D. Robertson (SLH) 81.36; 37, D. P. Lynskey (QPH) 82.00; 38, G. Licorish (Herne H) 82.19; 39, F. Nicholls (Ponders End) 82.43; 40, F. Heaney (Ilford) 84.09; 41, A. D. Hicks (Feltham) 84.13; 42, C. B. Todd (Met. Pol) 84.40; 43, K. Dale (Walthamstow) 84.46; 44, R. F. Hopcroft (TVH) 84.58; 45, J. E. Symonds (Ryde) 85.09; 46, R. Johnston (TVH) 85.24; 47, T. Tate (Bracknell) 85.33; 48, R. Reynolds (TVH) 85.36; 49, D. Miller (Woodford) 85.39; 50, J. Entwisle (Bracknell) 86.41.

Teams: 1, Chelmsford 18 pts; 2, Ilford 35; 3, Feltham 38; 4, T.V.H. 51; 5, Q.P.H. 56; 6, Grafton 67; 7, Herne Hill 72; 8, Bracknell 81; 9, Ryde 82; 10, Essex Beagles 94.

Veterans' Prize: Harry Dennis (T.V.H.).

GREAT FINISH TO LEYTON-SOUTHEND RELAY

THE tenth annual Leyton to Southend Relay promoted by Eton Manor A.C. proved just about the best and closest of the series, and the positions of the first three teams were not decided until well into the last stage. With a strong following wind it was not surprising that all three broke the course record.

On the first leg the stage record holder, Mahoney (Wigmore) improved on his previous figures with 24.38 and was followed in by Cole (Eton Manor), who also beat the record with 24.45, Collins (Surrey A.C.) 25.16, Robinson (Guildford) 25.18, Bull (Ranelagh) 25.29 and Smyth (Welwyn) 25.33.

On stage 2 Keough took Eton Manor into a 12 sec. lead over Lambert (Wigmore). Surrey (Presland) were still third, Prosser had brought Welwyn up from 6th to 4th and Pailthorpe (Hornchurch) had moved from 9th to 5th.

Fastest Times: Presland (Surrey) 26.49, Keough (Eton Manor) 26.53, Palethorpe (Hornchurch) 26.56.

Nat Fisher ran a fine third stage to increase Eton Manor's lead to 65 sec. and George Brown was not much slower in taking Welwyn up to 2nd and he surprised by passing John Snowden who was much below form for Surrey.

Wigmore dropped right back to 8th and Hornchurch were 4th, followed by Cambridge H. for whom Ken Harland had run a fine leg to move up four places, Ranelagh (Lach) and

Windsor & Eton, Eldon having gone from 14th to 7th.

Fastest Times: Fisher (Eton Manor) 26.43, Brown (Welwyn) 26.52, Eldon (Windsor & E.) 27.09.

Maillardet knocked half a minute off the record on stage 4 to bring Cambridge H. up to third behind Welwyn and Eton Manor. Surrey were 4th, Ranelagh 5th and Hornchurch 6th.

Fastest Times: Maillardet (Camb. H.) 19.35, Wilson (Welwyn) 19.50, Baldwin (Finchley) 19.55, Beard (Herc.) 20.01, Wade (Ranelagh) 20.02 (all beat record).

Welwyn (Goode) kept their lead on stage 5 but changes were taking place behind them. Eton Manor dropped right back to 7th and Surrey (Fuller) had come up to 2nd, followed by Cambridge H. (Bowring), Ranelagh (Lang) and Windsor & Eton, Graham having put in a fast run to move up two places.

Fastest Times: Graham (Windsor) 19.13, Shirley (Finchley) 19.32, Fuller (Surrey) 19.45.

The tough sixth stage with the long uphill finish saw Surrey taking the lead through Hazeltine, who handed over 43 sec. ahead of Welwyn (Dyer). Dave Dellar ran a good leg to close a gap of almost a minute to 22 sec. behind Weywyn. Bill Bird ran even faster, only 2 sec. slower than Hazeltine, to bring Ranelagh in 18 sec. behind Cambridge and get right away from Windsor & Eton (Bignell). Dick Adams put in a good run here to bring Rochester up to 6th.

Fastest Times: Hazeltine (Surrey) 25.25, Bird (Ranelagh) 25.27, Dellar (Camb. H.) 26.04.

Excitement mounted as the first three teams, Surrey, Welwyn and Cambridge, closed together so that only 23 sec. separated first and third. Ranelagh, Windsor and Rochester were still 4th, 5th and 6th, but too far behind to trouble the first three.

Fastest Times: Mennie (Camb. H.) 19.25, Taylor (Welwyn) 19.35, Heryet (Finchley) 19.38.

The final stage into Southend had all the drama one could wish for. Staines for Welwyn and Goodfellow for Cambridge H. closed rapidly on Surrey's Barham and it was the Welwyn man who came into sight first along the front to finish with a mere 11 sec. advantage over Cambridge H., with Surrey A.C., who had looked almost certain winners, in third place well clear of Ranelagh who led the rest in. It is amazing how incredibly stupid some people can behave—Ranelagh ran two men on the last leg, both wearing the same number, one finishing fourth and the other well down the field. After the second man had finished and had been duly recorded, a Ranelagh official came up to the recorders and told them what they had done. Ranelagh were very fortunate to avoid disqualification, which would have been rough luck on the members of their team which did so well to finish fourth.

Fastest Times: Openshaw (Windsor) 19.29, Goodfellow (Camb. H.) 19.31, Staines (Welwyn) 19.32.

1, Welwyn A.C. (record) 3:05.01
2, Cambridge H. 3:05.12
3, Surrey A.C. 3:05.31
4, Ranelagh H. 3:07.33; 5, Windsor & Eton 3:08.18; 6, City of Rochester 3:09.53; 7, Finchley H. 3:10.37; 8, Hornsey St. M. 3:10.53; 9, Hercules 3:11.22; 10, Guildford & G. 3:12.08; 11, Eton Manor 3:12.43; 12, Hornchurch 3:13.17; 13, Wycombe Ph. 3:14.11; 14, Southgate 3:14.33; 15, Wigmore 3:14.38;

16, Epsom & E. 3:15.44; 17, Southall 3:17.49; 18, Cambridge City 3:19.42; 19, Enfield 3:23.29; 20, Dartford 3:27.59.

City of Rochester were awarded the medals for the most improved team. Medals went also to the stage record breakers and Lambert (Wigmore), Cole and Smith (Eton Manor) who have taken part in all ten races.

OVERSEAS NEWS—(Contd.)

Hal Connolly threw the hammer 219'1½" and Larry Stuart tossed the javelin 249'4½", Jim Beatty ran a mile relay leg in 4:02.6.

As at April 1st, leading U.S. outdoor marks included the following:— 100y: 9.2 Hayes (9.3 on March 24th), 9.3 Jerome (Can), 9.4 Paramore, Homer Jones; 220y: 20.4 Watson, 20.5 Homer Jones; 440y: 46.5 Williams; 880y: 1:48.2 Burleson; 1M: 4:03.6 Tucker (18!), 4:03.8 San Romani; 2M: 8:56.6 McGee; 3M: 13:50.2 Story; 3,000mST: 9:04.1 Oakley; 120yH: 13.7 Tarr, 13.9 Pierce; 220 yH: 22.7 Don Styron; HJ: 7'0½" Ridegway (Aus), 6'10½" Faust; PV: 16'0½" Uelses, 15'9½" Tork, 15'4½" Bennett; LJ: 25'0½" Miller; SP: 62'6" Long, 58'10" Maggard; DT: 194'0½" Babka, 193 (1½" Silvester, 188' 6½" Weill; HT: 227'3" Connolly; JT: 249'4½" Stuart.

Top marks in the New Zealand championships (Auckland, March 9th/10th) included:— 440y: Robinson 47.9; 880y: Snell 1:53.9; 3M: Helberg 13:45.8; 6M: Magee 29:25.4; Mar (Invercargill, March 3rd): Magee 2:24:55.4, Julian 2:25:27; PV: Richards 14'3"; LJ: Croxson 24'5½"w, Norris 24'4½"w; TJ: Norris 48'5½"; SP: Mills 54'10½"... 3, Harris (ex-Belgrave) 49'5½"; DT: Mills 172'0", Tait 170'10"; women's 100y/220y: Porter 11.3/24.5; 440y/880y: Chamberlain 55.9/2:11.9; HJ: Anderson 5'4"; SP: Young 49'6½"; DT: Young 153'9½", Everitt (ex-Croydon) 126'11".

The Soviet marathon runner Ivanov won the "L' Humanite" 8km cross country race in Paris on April 8th in 23.58 ahead of Konov (USSR) 24:13, Chromik (Poland) 24:18 and Ozog (Poland) 24:21. Babintseva (USSR) won the women's 2km race in 5.35.

MAURICE HERRIOTT—(Contd.)

Do you include any weight or circuit training in your programme? If so, what work of this nature do you do and what benefits have you noted?

Annual progression:—

	1 Mile	2 Miles	1500m ST	3000m ST
1957	4:25.0	9:09.0		9:14.2
1958	4:20.6	9:01.0	4:23.0	8:59.2
1959	4:17.6	8:59.0	4:19.6	8:48.6
1960	4:16.0	8:56.4	4:14.2	8:53.2
1961	4:10.0	8:53.2	4:12.2	8:42.0

Advertise **YOUR** event and increase your entries

PORTSMOUTH ATHLETIC CLUB CHICHESTER TO PORTSMOUTH

16 Miles Open Road Race

Saturday, 12th May, 1962

Individual, Scratch and Handicap Races
Scratch Team Race

Consolation and Veterans' Awards

Entries close 25th April on A.A.A. Forms.

Teams 5/-, Individuals 3/- to A. Gibb, 8
Magdalen Court, 355 London Road,
Portsmouth

ROATH (CARDIFF) HARRIERS

Fourth Annual

16½ MILES OPEN ROAD RACE

(Under A.A.A. Laws)

From Maindy Stadium, May 5th
at 3 p.m.

AWARDS to 1st, 2nd and 3rd; 1st and
2nd Teams; 1st Welshman; 1st Veteran
(40 or over).

Entries (2/6 individual, 5/- per team of
four — 3 to score) to B. J. Lee, 22 Fitzroy
St., Cathays, Cardiff, Glamorgan. Team
runners MUST enter as individuals.

CAMBERLEY & DISTRICT A.C.

Carnival Meeting, June 30th at 4 p.m.

5 MILE OPEN ROAD RACE

London Rd. Recreation Gnd., Camberley

PRIZES first 3 and first 2 teams.

Entry fees 2/6 ind., 5/- first team, others
3/-. Teams may enter 6, 4 to score.

Also Open Events—Senior Men's 100 &
880, Prizes first 3. Meeting starts 3 p.m.

Entry fees 2/- each event.

Entries to Mrs. D. M. Tarbox, "Tareng,"
3 Lea Road, Camberley, on AAA forms
and stating club colours, not later than
June 16th.

WALTON ATHLETIC CLUB

Annual

15 MILES ROAD RACE

(Under A.A.A. Laws)

Saturday, 30th June, 1962

Starting 3.45 p.m. from Stompond Lane
Sports Ground, Walton-on-Thames.

PRIZES—first 3 individuals and first 3
teams (4 run, 3 score).

Entries—2/6 each (no team fee) to J. F.
Harding, 37 Holly Avenue, Walton-on-
Thames, Surrey (Tel: Walton 27393).

Closing Date 25th June

KENT COUNTY A.A.A.

OPEN 20 MILES ROAD RACE AND COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP

on

26th May, 1962 at 3 p.m.

from

56 Bourne Way, Hayes, Kent

Team or individual entries (at 2/6d. per
individual) to Hon. Race Secretary, D. H.
Hopgood, 39, Whinnyates Road, Eltham,
London, S.E.9.

HARLOW ATHLETIC CLUB

In conjunction with the

ESSEX 20 MILES ROAD RACE

(Under A.A.A. Laws)

on Saturday, May 5th, 1962

the following OPEN events will be held:

MEN'S 1500 METRES

WOMEN'S 220 YARDS

Prizes valued £4.4.0, £2.2.0 and £1.1.0

Entries (fee 2/6) to A. T. Neuff, 20
Thorn Grove, Bishop's Stortford,
Herts, by April 26th.

The organisers reserve the right to re-
strict entry as there will be no heats.

DON'T MISS THIS—

OPEN ATHLETICS MEETING

(Under A.A.A. and W.A.A.A. Laws)

OXFORD

Saturday, 7th July, at 2.30 p.m.

MEN'S, WOMEN'S & YOUTHS' TRACK EVENTS

ROAD RACE — TUG-OF-WAR

Full details and entry forms from:—D. G. HIGGS, Fete Secretary,
Oxford Co-operative Celebrations, 65 George Street, Oxford.