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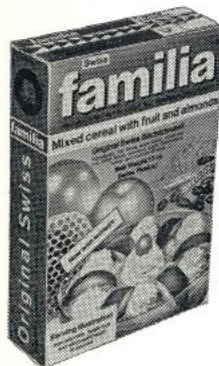
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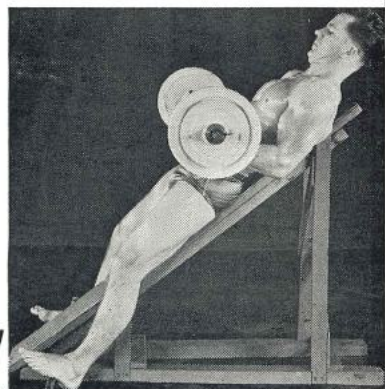
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THE WEEK AHEAD

Saturday, December 5th: Civil Service Cross-Country Championships at Richmond; Oxford v. Cambridge C.C. at Roehampton; Harry Whitehurst Memorial Trophy at Sheffield; Berks., Bucks. & Oxon. C.C. at Reading; S.E. Lancs League at Royton; Hampshire League at Eastleigh; Gower "11" at University Fields, Sketly, Swansea; Scottish Women's League at Dunfermline; Gwent League at Hereford; Ross Shield Road Race at Plymouth; Somerset Women's Championships at Yeovil; Kent League at Mote Park, Maidstone; Medway Women's Road Relays at Gillingham; Midland CCA "7"; RAF v. ULAC at RAF Benson. Walking Fixtures—Surrey WC Addington Cup 7M; Inter-club 7M at Steyning; Met. WC 15km Championship at Battersea Park (visitors welcome).

Sunday, December 6th: Basingstoke Road Races; Leicester Coritanian Winter Track Meeting at Leicester; ECCU teams at Pontivy (France) and Swevegem (Belgium).

Wednesday, December 9th: East Anglian League at Oakington; Opening of Asian Games in Bangkok.

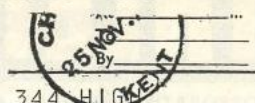
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YOUR SILVER JUBILEE ON 5TH DECEMBER = PHILIP

HAROLD ABRAHAM, chairman of British Amateur Athletic Board :

"In the first post-War number of *Athletics*—it did not become *Athletics Weekly* till January, 1950, my friend and colleague of over 40 years Billy Holt wrote: 'The undertaking of this publication in these difficult days of restrictions, shortages and many other obstacles requires courage and for this alone deserves success'. This first number was 24 pages (I have every number in my library). Now we have at least 36 pages every week, and I always look forward to Friday with particular expectation. 'Success' said Benjamin Disraeli exactly 100 years ago 'is the child of audacity; its secret constancy of purpose'. The undoubted success of *Athletics Weekly* is largely due to the courage, enthusiasm and hard work of Jimmy Green. May its next 25 years be even more successful, and may I be asked to pay my golden tribute in December 1995—the year before the centenary of the Olympics."

The Rt. Hon. CHRISTOPHER CHATAWAY, MP, Minister of Posts & Telecommunications :

"I have spent many happy hours reading *Athletics Weekly*. It has always been unique in the services it gives to athletics and I hope that this 25th anniversary is a milestone on the way to an even more successful future."

SANDY DUNCAN, secretary of British Olympic Association :

"I would like to add my congratulations to *Athletics Weekly* on its 25th anniversary. It is a magazine written by athletic experts for all athletes, and for those who know and care about athletics deeply. It does much to act as a link between individuals and clubs, and to strengthen athletics generally."

GEORGE DUNN, honorary secretary of English Cross-Country Union :

"Congratulations on attaining the 'silver' award, like most long distance races the pace has not always been an easy one but at least you now have the experience to give good value to all your supporters. All best wishes for the years ahead."

ARTHUR GOLD, honorary secretary of British Amateur Athletic Board :

"Congratulations on achieving your Silver Jubilee. May your typing fingers grow *citius*, your circulation grow *altius*, your output *fortius*."

JOHN HERRING, honorary secretary of International Athletes' Club :

"On behalf of the International Athletes' Club I would like to offer congratulations to 'AW' on the occasion of your 25th anniversary. May your detailed reports on meetings and events, home and abroad, continue to provide us with the full story of the occasion and that you will also continue to provide the forum for discussion and comment on our sport."

E. J. "BILLY" HOLT, former honorary secretary of Amateur Athletic Association and International Amateur Athletic Federation :

"Congratulations! And may the good work you have done in the past be continued in the future. I am one of the older generation and miss the old spirit of the past with its old rivalry and spirit among the clubs. In these days I get the impression that the youth of today lack loyalties to a club and its officials. Please give my best wishes to many old friends in the athletic world."

ANDREW HUXTABLE, honorary secretary of National Union of Track Statisticians :

"The NUTS congratulates *Athletics Weekly* on reaching its 25th birthday. Jimmy Green can feel justly pleased that the magazine which he launched (as a monthly) in 1945 has not only survived, but steadily expanded its coverage and increased its circulation, so that today it can claim to be one of the most respected athletics journals in the world. The NUTS (almost exactly half the age of 'AW') is particularly grateful to Jimmy Green, and more recently to Mel Watman, for publicising the work of the organisation. Members have long regarded it as the most reliable source for results in the UK and it is probably true to say that the compilation of our annual and all-time lists would be almost impossible without it. Even more importantly, perhaps, it provides a vital forum for

the expression of views and ideas on all aspects of the sport. 'AW' will undoubtedly play a crucial rôle in the development of athletics in the UK in the coming decade."

JOHN LE MASURIER, Senior National Coach :

"Hearty congratulations to the editors and staff of *Athletics Weekly* on the occasion of its 25th anniversary. Thank you for the tremendous contribution which you have made to our sport. Wishing you good luck and prosperity for very many more years."

ROY MOOR, athletics correspondent of "Daily Mail":

"Congratulations on 25 years outstanding service to athletics. Long may your good work continue."

MARY TOOMEY, 1964 Olympic long jump champion :

"I never thought *Athletics Weekly* would become so important in my life. There is always a race between Bill and me as to who should read it first and I nearly always win! When I was living in England I found I really took the magazine for granted. Now, living so far away in California, I read it from cover to cover. Not only does it keep me in touch with the British track scene but it makes me feel much closer to home. *Athletics Weekly*—thank you."

DENIS WATTS, Senior National Coach :

"Congratulations to *Athletics Weekly* on reaching its 25th anniversary. The magazine started by Jimmy Green on a shoestring and a great deal of courage and dedication is now read in the far corners of the Earth. In my opinion for a magazine covering news, views, technical articles and results, it is the world's No. 1 publication on athletics. My very best wishes for the next 25 years and I hope I shall still be around to read it!"

BARRY WILLIS, honorary secretary of Amateur Athletic Association :

"Congratulations to all concerned on the 25th anniversary of 'AW'. Your magazine, which is looked forward to every week by so many in British athletics, occupies a unique position in our sport and renders it a great service. Long may you and it flourish!"

Congratulations "AW"

(You don't look a day over 17!)

CLIFF TEMPLE
and the Cliffhangers

The Start Of A Bold Venture

IT was in December 1945, three months after the conclusion of World War Two, that this magazine made its bow. Its title was *Athletics*, it ran to 24 small pages and sold for sixpence. It was the start of a bold venture.

Jimmy Green, its creator and editor, had first thought of launching a specialised athletics news magazine some ten years earlier to fill the gaping void that had existed since the demise of the weekly, Manchester-published *Athletic News* in 1931. The war caused him to shelve his plans but as soon as peace returned he sought out two important figures in athletics, both of whom also happened to be involved in magazine publishing . . . Jack Crump and Walter Jewell. Their advice to him was to forget it, that the publication he had in mind was a non-starter in practical and economic terms. That made Jimmy all the more determined to go ahead and succeed!

As he wrote on the occasion of the magazine's 21st anniversary: "From the start it was uphill going. Circulation was small (about 2,000) and though we soon had a hard core of readers, it was as difficult as Walter Jewell had told me. Income was low and at first I worked in a room converted into an office at home, and without any assistance. But in 1950 it was decided to go over to weekly publication and we were fortunate enough to obtain an office on the premises of our printers, Kent Art Printers Ltd. The work increased considerably, so the staff was doubled!"

Thanks to Jimmy's dedication and tireless efforts, and the unflagging support of "Andy" Anderson, Managing Director of Kent Art Printers Ltd., the magazine grew steadily in size, circulation and influence. The 16-page weekly was enlarged to 20 pages in 1954, 24 pages in 1961, 28 pages in 1963, 32 pages in 1964, 36 pages in 1968 and, during the summer months, 40 pages from this year.

Of course, the price has risen too—fourfold since 1950—but the type area of the magazine has approximately trebled, so taking into account the cost of living index readers today are getting a better deal for their money. This has been made possible by the circulation rising to over 11,000, attracting an estimated weekly readership of over 40,000 in nearly sixty countries, together with an increase in advertising revenue.

In order to keep costs down to viable proportions, the magazine continues to be produced by a small staff. Jimmy Green (61) is managing editor (business manager) and advertisement director; Mel Watman (32), full-time with "AW" since 1961, has been editor since January 1968; Dave Cocksedge (23) is editorial assistant in succession to John Lusardi (1964-69). The team is completed by Jose Green (27), with ten years' service to "AW", and Yvonne Nash (19); between them they look after subscriptions, distribution and book sales.

Numerous skilled members of the Kent Art

Printers staff are involved with the production side, but special mention must be made of Harry Hills (works manager), Les Smith (composing room foreman), Ted Young (chief Intertype operator), Len David (compositor), Roy Puddephatt (reader) and not forgetting that grand veteran, George Collison (Intertype operator and reader), who worked on "AW" for so many years. We on the editorial staff salute these men and their colleagues.

M.W.

The Past—And The Future

IT has been most gratifying to reach this milestone and to find that all the dedicated work which has helped to put the magazine where it is today has been well worthwhile. In this respect I should like to pay tribute to two people in particular, both of whom have had a great deal to do with the development of "AW" over the last ten years.

The best tribute I can pay to Mel Watman is to say quite frankly that without his dedicated work "AW" could not have developed to the extent that it has, particularly in recent years when his untiring efforts have not only been appreciated at home, but have brought so many tributes from other countries. I suppose Melvyn's main attributes—a first class journalist and statistician—were the ideal foil to my background of a lifetime in club athletics as athlete and coach.

This issue is the 1,143rd since the magazine was founded 25 years ago. Over 27,000 pages of athletics news have been produced in that time—comprising nearly 20 million words illustrated by something approaching 10,000 photographs! Total sales to date: approx. 8 million.

We have had our differences of opinion but have always been able to see each other's point of view and I feel that this give and take has been reflected in the magazine and its contents.

I hope Jose Green won't mind my mentioning the fact that she has been with us for ten years, during which time her conscientious devotion to an ever-increasing volume of work and her never-failing cheerfulness have made our office a pleasant place in which to work. Unfortunately, Jose is likely to be leaving us during 1971 and we shall miss her when she goes—I know Dave Cocksedge and Yvonne Nash will echo these sentiments.

We all hope and intend that the development of *Athletics Weekly* shall continue and in the near future a contents survey will be held similar to that of a few years ago to ascertain the wishes of our readers and ensure that we are giving them just what they want. As I have said before, we cannot hope to please all our readers all of the time, but we do hope to satisfy the majority most of the time.

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Britain's International Record

FROM 1945 to 1970, the British men's team competed in 76 matches, winning 34, losing 41 and drawing one.

Here is the breakdown, by opponents:—

v. **British Commonwealth**—lost 1; v. **Czechoslovakia**—won 4, lost 0; v. **East Germany**—lost 2; v. **Finland**—won 6, lost 0; v. **France**—won 11, lost 7; v. **Greece**—won 1; v. **Hungary**—won 4, lost 2; v. **Italy**—won 1; v. **Poland**—tied 1, lost 8; v. **Russian SFSR**—won 1; v. **Sweden**—won 1, lost 2; v. **Switzerland**—won 1; v. **Turkey**—won 1; v. **USA**—lost 5; v. **USSR**—lost 4; v. **West Germany**—won 2, lost 10; v. **Yugoslavia**—won 1.

The widest margin of victory was 48 points (127-79) in the home match against France in 1953. On that occasion, British athletes won 16 of the 20 events, including 7 of the 8 field events! By general agreement, the finest victory was the 112-99 success over the Russian Federal Republic (population of approx 120 million) in Volgograd in 1963. Pole vaulter Rex Porter was the only field event winner but the trackmen rolled up an advantage of over 40 points with only the 10,000m being won by a Russian.

The heaviest defeat came at the hands of the USA at White City in 1967—by 55 points (84-139). On that occasion only Ian McCafferty (5000m) and Fred Alsop (TJ) prevented a US clean sweep of victories. The long jump result

makes interesting reading: 1, Boston 8.20/26'10 $\frac{1}{4}$ "; 2, Davies 8.11/26'7 $\frac{1}{4}$ "; 3, Beamon 7.93/26'0 $\frac{1}{4}$ "; 4, Lerwill 6.96/22'10".

Not surprisingly, the British women's team has been far more successful than the men's since the War: played 64, won 42, lost 22. The details:—

v. **British Commonwealth**—lost 1; v. **Czechoslovakia**—won 4, lost 0; v. **East Germany**—lost 2; v. **France**—won 12, lost 0; v. **Hungary**—won 7, lost 1; v. **Italy**—won 1, lost 1; v. **Netherlands**—won 3, lost 0; v. **Poland**—won 4, lost 5; v. **Rumania**—won 2, lost 0; v. **Russian SFSR**—lost 1; v. **USA**—won 3, lost 1; v. **USSR**—lost 4; v. **West Germany**—won 6, lost 6.

Again, the biggest win was at the expense of the French: by 40 points no less (73-33) in Paris in 1961. Maximum points were scored in every event except for the shot and discus where we placed first and fourth. The British girls' reputation for winning matches by a hairsbreadth seems justified, for on seven occasions they have triumphed by three points or fewer.

The team sustained its heaviest defeat (35 points) against the USSR in 1955 (48-83) and 1959 (41-76), both times in Moscow.

TOP POINTS SCORERS

The table that follows shows which athletes have scored the most points per event for Britain in outdoor matches since 1945. All matches, regardless of the system actually used at the time, have been scored on a 5-3-2-1 basis.

Event	Name	Span	Matches	Pts.
100	Ron Jones	1959-69	22	62
200	Dave Jones	1959-65	18	70
400	Robbie Brightwell	1960-64	13	53
800	Chris Carter	1963-68	15	56
1500	Alan Simpson	1961-67	15	59
5000	Gordon Pirie	1951-61	13	56
10,000	Martin Hyman	1958-64	9	34
SC	Maurice Herriott	1959-67	28	110
110H	Peter Hildreth	1950-58	22	77
400H	John Sherwood	1965-70	16	70
HJ	Crawford Fairbrother	1957-70	44	92 $\frac{1}{2}$
PV	Geoff Elliott	1950-59	23	76 $\frac{1}{2}$
LJ	Lynn Davies	1963-69	22	94
TJ	Fred Alsop	1960-69	24	87
SP	John Savidge	1949-57	16	67
DT	Mike Lindsay	1957-66	20	45
HT	Howard Payne	1960-70	37	121
JT	Colin Smith	1955-67	22	48

Women

100	Dorothy Hyman	1957-64	15	55
200	Dorothy Hyman	1959-63	11	52
400	Joy Grieseson	1961-66	11	45
800	Diane Leather	1954-58	13	59
1500	Rita Ridley	1969-70	5	21
80H	Carole Quinton	1957-60	11	43
HJ	Dorothy Shirley	1958-70	24	93
LJ	Mary Rand	1958-67	21	92
SP	Sue Allday	1951-64	27	77
DT	Sue Allday	1951-64	27	80
JT	Sue Platt	1957-69	24	86



HOWARD PAYNE
Britain's most prolific point scorer
Peter Tempest

FOR twenty of our 25 years a regular feature of the magazine has been the Questionnaire, answered by distinguished athletes. Among the questions always asked is what advice would he or she give the young athlete or novice... and here are the replies by a number of world record holders, Olympic and European champions.

McDonald Bailey: "Specialise if you are going into serious athletics. Learn proper technique from the very beginning. You can only succeed by being conscientious, but do not forget to enjoy yourself in the meantime—life is short! Get a good coach to watch you—this is important. Aim for fast times. Train hard and run hard. Use your common sense."

Chris Brasher: "Set a high target and then go about it sensibly. Think for yourself. Someone else can do the thinking for you in training but not in a race. Above all athletics will be much more fun if you have thought it all out for yourself. Always persevere however badly things are going."

Chris Chataway: "Decide which races in a season you are most keen to win, decide how much time you are prepared to put aside for training for them, plan your programme carefully and thoughtfully, and then try to stick to it as closely as you can."

Lynn Davies: "Try and get a good coach. Learn as much as possible about your event by studying the top exponents. Do not become disappointed or disheartened if success does not come quickly."

Basil Heatley: "Train—don't strain. Time is on your side and a foundation well laid now will stand you in good stead later."

Jim Hogan: "Remember there is no short cut to the top and that it may take a long time to achieve this. Take the rough with the smooth. Work hard and have faith in yourself at all times."

Derek Ibbotson: "Enjoy your athletics, don't take it too seriously too young. Train hard but within your capabilities."

Sandor Iharos: "Every year train harder than the preceding year. Listen very attentively to your trainer, discuss everything with him, because this makes it easier to carry out your intended programme."

Tim Johnston: "Don't be put off if you can't run fantastic times. As long as you believe in yourself and improve steadily you will overtake most of the 'infant prodigies' in the end. Find the training that suits you best and always remember that it is only a means to an end. There are no prizes for doing the fastest interval quarters or the most miles in a week."

Paul Nihill: "Be patient and gain all the experience you can. Don't listen to everybody, but pick someone whom everyone respects as an authority and seek his advice."

Al Oerter: "Keep at it, try to be the very best there is, but if you lose, learn how to lose gracefully."

TAKE MY ADVICE...

Jim Peters: "Join your local club and play your part in putting it on the map. You get much more pleasure than joining the queue for a big one. Read a lot, listen a lot and see a lot. Then decide for yourself. Pick a coach who has been a good performer at the distance you are 'after'. Turn to him for advice, friendship and learning when you're down, but be capable of knowing your very own self."

Gordon Pirie: "Enjoy your running. Go to win. Be uninhibited. Be ready to make sacrifices to win. Your athletics can be an education—not, as some critics suggest, a method of producing a super hermit."

Mike Rawson: "Don't be in too much of a hurry to improve. If you train hard and regularly you will get stronger, faster and fitter, and remember a little every day is better than overdoing it once a month."

Shirley Strickland: "Decide how much the sport is worth of time, money and energy. Find best two events (preferably complementary), study coaching methods, ideas, styles from books, coaches and other athletes. Work out optimum for self—don't try to be every style and lose natural ability."

Don Thompson: "Remember that a race is a race and not a fast training spin. Go out to win and give your utmost. If you don't think you are capable of a flat out effort, don't race."

Bruce Tulloh: "Remember athletics should add to your enjoyment of life, not restrict it. Keep setting your targets a bit higher, but not out of range. Don't be surprised by bad patches; everybody has them."

John Whetton: "Let nature give you improvements in times and distances whilst you are developing, rather than extra high standards of training; i.e. do not try to copy the sessions of mature men and women or international athletes (e.g. the '100 miles per week' yardstick). Leave all this until you are at least 19/20 years old, otherwise you will reach a mental and physical saturation point before the growth period has ended and time improvements, etc., in consequence will be disappointing."

Valerie Winn: "Work hard at your best event, but try many others as well. Watch and listen to other people and form your own ideas. Don't be afraid of 'star' names; they are probably just as frightened as you may be. Cultivate pluck and determination, but keep athletics in its proper place—an enjoyable recreation."

From here to page 16 we present some of the articles published during the first few months of "Athletics" in the hope of recapturing the flavour of the sport in those early post-war days.

INTERNATIONAL OUTLOOK IN 1946

—by Jack Crump

IT is a wholly natural and, indeed, desirable thing that with the completion of the final season of war-time athletics the athletic world should be looking forward to County, District, Inter-County and AAA Championships in 1946, and a resumption of international matches and meetings on the scale of pre-war times.

I imagine that few people look forward more than I do to these international engagements, and I hope that during next summer the unique thrill of international athletics will be experienced by many of our athletes who were robbed by the war of the honour of wearing the white vest with the Union Jack badge, and the others who, during the last season or so, have reached the required standard.

The editor of "Athletics" asks me to give my opinion on the outlook for British teams in the next year or so, and I think it will save a lot of disappointment, and perhaps some ill-judged adverse criticism later, if we face up to the fact that we are likely to be in for a pretty thin time for a season or so.

Our losses during the war have been grievous, both in athletes of established reputation, such as R. L. Palmer, D. B. Pell, G. T. Wethered, H. W. Yelder—and I name but a few of those who have made the supreme sacrifice—and also those who were surely stars in the making. Others have been so badly wounded that active athletics can no longer be indulged in. We must also recognise that many of our best athletes will still be on service duties, at any rate for the 1946 season, and the choice for international teams will be restricted in consequence.

A further blow to our athletic standard has been the lack of first-class athletes at our premier Universities. Just think back on the number of really great performers which Oxford and Cambridge have supplied to British teams in the years preceding World War No. 2. It will be some years probably before students will be permitted to spend three and four years at these Universities, and invariably Varsity athletes reached international standard only in their third and fourth years.

In short, it will take us several years before we can hope to reach our pre-war standard, and I am afraid that defeats in international matches and lack of success in international races must be expected. I know there are some people who, recognising the inevitability of losing international encounters, feel that Britain should not engage in



such matches but should wait until the standard has risen once more.

I disagree with them and think the reasons are so obvious that I need not set them down. My own feeling is that if our press and public recognise the causes for the lack of success they will not be unduly pessimistic, but will be satisfied to see evidence of a gradual improvement in our standard of performance.

This may sound very pessimistic but I recall the storm of criticism which followed the recent match with France, when we succeeded in winning only one event out of twelve. I freely concede that we had expected to do better than this, but an analysis of the results leaves little cause for real depression. For example, J. Pantton, K. Hodgkinson, R. H. Whitworth, Alan Paterson and

C. Denroche all did very well, and can be expected to improve still more in the immediate future, whilst Douglas Wilson, D. C. V. Watts, M. A. C. Dowling and S. E. W. Cox are all class athletes and have youth on their side.

We can expect Alan Pennington back in 1946, and much as we shall feel the loss of Cyril Holmes in the sprints, yet M. H. Broadbent, J. Archer and W. Conacher are all sprinters of real ability. Alan Watt, G. McDonald, A. Grieve, and there are others, will prove to be even timers with the reasonable progress we may expect from them in the next year or so. And McDonald Bailey hopes to stay in England for at least another season.

For the quarter mile distance we have several youngsters to support Pennington, Denroche and Pantan, and if, for example, D. Harold continues his rapid improvement he should soon be in the 49sec class.

If our middle distance prospects are not obviously bright, yet we have quite a number of young athletes who will develop on the right lines. G. Smillie, D. R. Ede, E. J. Nankivell, R. Sarbutt, L. M. Marchant, T. White and others are all "knocking at the door" which opens to the international arena.

Sydney Wooderson's plans for the future are not yet definite, I understand, but if he should forsake the mile for the longer distances, he will still be a great attraction, and a great asset to our team. And Douglas Wilson, C. A. Bunton, Harold Davies, and possibly Austin Littler, ensure a strong representation.

I haven't space to more than mention the three miles, in which Goodbody, Hovell and others will, I hope, improve with regular competition and training, and the hurdles, in which our prospects are the reverse of bright.

I think we shall hold our own with most European countries in the jumps, for Prince Adedoyin, the coloured high and long jumper, is qualified for Britain. As he has cleared 6'3" and long jumped over 23 feet consistently he is the logical team mate of Paterson in the high jump and must be considered for the long jump, too, along with Dowling, Morrish and Watts.

We've a long way to go in the throwing events, but E. J. Brewer is improving nicely, and Dr H. E. Moody, when he returns to this country, is more than merely useful; whilst in the javelin we have plenty who may improve to the 200 feet mark.

But I had better stop before I begin to persuade myself, and others, that the future can take care of itself. Perhaps we shall do well to expect little or nothing in 1946, and consider 1947 and the possible Olympic year of 1948, when we've had a season of peacetime athletics.

However, I do wish we could see some very definite signs that the root cause of our field events weakness—**LACK OF PROPER FACILITIES FOR TRAINING AND COMPETITION**—was generally recognised and that some concerted action to remedy this state of affairs was being taken.

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World Records In Last Decade (1935-45)

THE IAAF lists 62 world records for men and 28 for women. Of the men's records, 24 are for running, 6 for hurdling, 13 for walking, 10 for relays and 9 for field events including the decathlon. In this article I propose to confine my remarks to men's running records.

If we take the 24 records to date (and I am including the records held by the Swedish runners whose amateur status is now under consideration), we find that 18 of them were made in the last ten years, and no less than 13 in the last five. We find also that seven records are held by Sweden (all Hagg), six by Finland (of which four stand to the credit of Heino), 5½ by the United States, 2½ by Germany (Harbig) and one each by Great Britain, Hungary and the Argentine.

By comparison in 1935, nine were held by the United States and a similar number by Finland; two by the Argentine and one each by France, Great Britain, Hungary and New Zealand.

Let us now look a little more closely at what has happened. The 100 yards record is 9.4, accomplished as long ago as 1930 by the American, Wykoff, and since equalled, twice by the man I regard as the greatest sprinter I have ever seen, J. C. Owens, and by yet a third American, C. H. Jeffrey in 1940. Over the last 40 years the world 100 yards record has always been accomplished in the American Continent.

Performances over the 100 metres have been rather more widely dispersed, and although two Americans, Owens and Harold Davis, are now the joint holders, a Canadian, a Dutchman and a Japanese have featured in the list at one time or another, while Sweden, Denmark, Holland, Norway and Japan have all witnessed world record performances.

The 220 yards record and similarly that for 200 metres still stands to the credit of Owens—20.3, made in May 1935. With the exception of Willie Applegarth, all the previous record-holders listed at this distance by the IAAF are Americans.

The same is true of the 440 yards, but in the 400 metres we find that the late Rudolf Harbig (who shares the present record of 46.0 with the American Klemmer), and Eric Liddell, who so tragically lost his life in the Far East, and whose brilliant victory at the Paris Olympiad will always remain an epic, break the American monopoly.

Since 1936, the record for the 800 metres has been lowered from 1:49.7 (Glenn Cunningham) to 1:46.6 (Harbig), while over 880 yards Sydney Wooderson's 1:49.2 made at Motspur Park in 1938 still holds the field. This is Great Britain's only appearance in the male record list today.

When we come to the longer distances we find that the last decade has witnessed phenomenal advances, and it is here that the Swedish and Finnish runners have predominated. In the 1500 metres, Jack Lovelock's winning time at Berlin, 3:47.6, has been reduced to 3:43.0. In the mile Glenn Cunningham's 4:06.8 has been eclipsed by over 5 seconds, and indeed no less than nine runners have beaten Cunningham's time.

—by Harold Abrahams

The four minute mile has yet to be accomplished, but I cannot believe that the next decade will not see its achievement.

Hagg's performances over 2 and 3 miles are in some ways even more remarkable than his 1 mile performance. For 22 years Alfred Shrubbs's 9:09.6 remained a world record, and it was not till 1931 that Nurmi accomplished the seemingly impossible—two consecutive miles in under 4:30 apiece. What are we to think of 8:42.8, the present record. Two consecutive miles in under 4:22. Think of the number of British Championship miles won in 4:22, and imagine a runner winning a championship and then going on to run another mile in the same time. Incredible!

Shrubbs's 3 miles world record of 14:17.6 stood for twenty years. But now Hagg has beaten Shrubbs's time by over three-quarters of a minute. For 26 years Shrubbs's 6 miles record of 29:08.4 held the field. This summer Heino did 28:38.6. Similarly Heino has reduced the 10 miles record to 49:41.6, and is the first man to have run over 12 miles in the hour.

But for all this record smashing business, I still obstinately believe that W. G. George, or Alfred Shrubbs, or Paavo Nurmi were just as good as Hagg or Heino. Were it possible to put these men on the track together at almost any distance, I do not believe that more than a dozen yards would separate them. Yet Heino has shown himself, on paper, the best part of a lap better than Shrubbs over 10 miles, and Hagg, apparently, could give Nurmi 60 yards in a mile with George another ten yards or so behind.

All this shows how fallacious these records really are. Nevertheless they will continue to excite interest, and provided we keep a sense of proportion about them, no one will be much worse off.

Comparison: World Running Records 1935 & 1945

Event	1935	1945
100y	9.4	9.4
100m	10.3	10.2
200m (str)	20.3	20.3
400m	46.2	46.0
800m	1:49.8	1:46.6
1500m	3:48.8	3:43.0
Mile	4:06.8	4:01.4
3000m	8:18.4	8:01.2
2M	8:59.6	8:42.8
3M	13:50.6	13:32.4
5000m	14:17.0	13:58.2
6M	29:36.4	28:38.6
10,000m	30:06.2	29:35.4
10M	50:15.0	49:41.6
20,000m	64:38.4	63:01.2
1 Hour	11M 1649y	12M 29y

(January 1946 issue)

The 1948 Olympics

WE'VE been told officially that London is to be the venue of the Olympic Games in 1948, and now we have a tremendous job on our hands.

I am going to touch on only one side of our task, that is on securing the best possible team to represent Great Britain.

Under ordinary circumstances it would require all of two years to build up an adequate team, but with our standard of athletics so low as a result of the war the task is all the more difficult.

When we have had to take teams to the Games on previous occasions, the practice has been to include only those competitors who have a reasonable chance of reaching the average standard of the foreign competitors. This was so obviously the right course to adopt since it is manifestly wrong to waste money subscribed by a sporting public on those without hope, who would have succeeded only in cluttering up the field.

But now the Games are to be in England, the same considerations have scarcely the same force, and the sporting public will expect that our athletic team will be composed of quantity as well as quality.

So now we have the job to find a reasonable team. It's not entirely the responsibility of the AAA, nor even of the BAAB. It is the duty of everyone actively concerned in the management of athletics to do his part to ensure that every

athlete who has reasonable pretensions to Olympic class has a proper chance of proving his right to be considered for inclusion.

At the present time our standard in some events is very low, and little or no competition is offered in these particular items. So much can be done in the present season if clubs and promoters will include one or more of these in each of their programmes.

I have in mind the 2 miles steeplechase and the 6 miles, high and low hurdles, hop, step and jump, pole vault and the hammer.

I feel that our marathon men have plenty of, and perhaps a little too much, competition, whilst I have the fullest confidence in the zeal and efficiency of my colleagues of the Road Walking Association to see that the walkers get the right competition. They can point with pride to the results of the walk at Los Angeles and Berlin as justification of their ability and knowledge.

But, unless we get the other events on the programme regularly, we shall not unearth those embryo athletes to complete our team. I believe many will be encouraged to have a go at such events if the competition is provided.

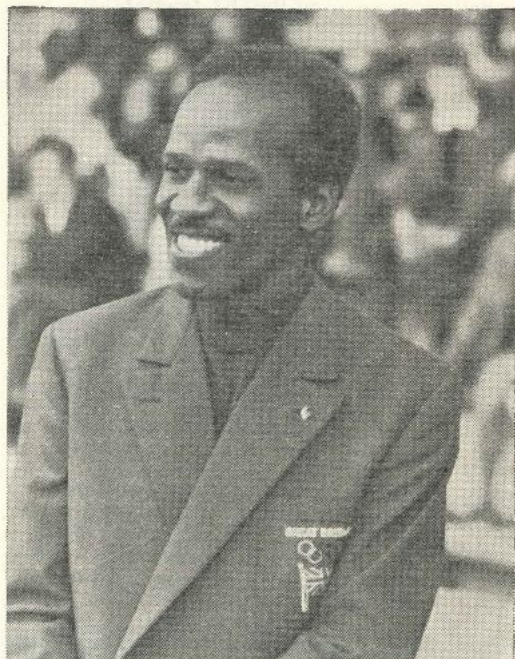
Frankly, I do not expect staggering results, but we can at least feel that we have given everyone a chance to prove his worth, and I believe all who have the National interests at heart will support this appeal.

Jack Crump

(March 1946 issue)



Arthur Wint, representing Jamaica, won the 1948 Olympic 400m title in 46.2. Here he is seen at White City in 1951. *H. W. Neale*



A recent shot of Polytechnic Harriers' other great West Indian star, McDonald Bailey, from Trinidad. *Tony Duffy*

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SYDNEY WOODERSON

WHEN the Public Schools mile was won in 1933, in the new record time of 4:29.8, it was obvious that the race had unearthed some unusually promising material, to say the least. The winner was Sydney Wooderson, a young Blackheath Harrier, who was destined to become our greatest middle distance runner of all time. He was followed home by D. B. Pell and C. A. J. Emery, both future internationals.

The following year saw Sydney winning the Kent county mile in record time, splitting Aubrey Reeve and Jack Lovelock in a great Southern Counties race won by the former in 4:14.8, and running-up to Lovelock in the AAA Championships and the British Games. The latter race brought Sydney's time down to 4:13.5, and our little bespectacled prodigy was already getting close to the British record.

In 1935 he started with the Southern mile at Portsmouth, and then came his first AAA Championship win in 4:17.4 from Lovelock. Another victory in the international match against France was followed by a great run in Glasgow, where he again beat Lovelock in 4:12.8.

A new British record came at Chelmsford in 1936, when the Southern mile was won in 4:10.8, and the AAA race saw another victory over Lovelock in 4:15. We had great hopes of the Union Jack being hoisted for our champion at the Olympic Games in Berlin, but a leg injury, later diagnosed as the splintering of a small ankle bone, resulted in his failure to qualify in the heats. This must have been as bitter a blow to Wooderson personally as it certainly was to all the British contingent at the Games.

The following season Sydney set out to show us what he might have done in the Olympic Games if injury had not robbed him of his chance. After the Southern mile at Brighton in 4:14.6 came the AAA mile in which he beat D. B. Pell, who was fast developing into his greatest rival, in 4:12.2. Then followed the 1500 metres against France in 3:51, the mile at the Bank Holiday White City meeting in 4:15.8 against a field which included such stars as San Romani and Szabo, a new British $\frac{3}{4}$ -mile record at Glasgow in 3:00.9, and finally a world record for the mile at Motspur Park in 4:06.4, which brought to an end a really hectic season.

The following year was a repeat of the previous season: the Southern mile at Gillingham, AAA mile in 4:13.4, once more from Pell, 1500 metres against Norway, a new British half-mile record when beating Lanzi at the White City in 1:50.9, the 880 against France, new world records for 800 metres and 880 yards at Motspur Park in 1:48.4 and 1:49.2 respectively, the 1500 metres in the European Games at Paris, beating Mostert

Profiles from 1946



Sydney Wooderson winning the 1946 AAA 3 miles in a British record of 13:53.2 from Willie Slykhuys (Netherlands).

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and Beccali in 3:53.6, and victories at Milan and Oslo in international meetings, including a 1500 metres at Oslo in 3:48.7.

In the few fateful months before the commencement of World War No. 2, we saw our midget marvel run a mile in 4:07.4 at the Inter-Counties meeting at the White City on Whit-Monday, then, prior to his disastrous American trip, break the world's $\frac{3}{4}$ -mile record with 2:59.5 at Manchester.

The trip to America when Sydney took on the best in the USA caused so much interest and enthusiasm that there are few who will not recall the excitement which prevailed when the event was broadcast and the disappointment when our great little champion was able to do no better than finish at the back, obviously much below his best.

It is only right to state here that this result was not entirely unexpected by a large number of experienced runners in this country. Many held the view that he was leaving his best running on the tracks over here, and there is little doubt that

this had a lot to do with his failure to show anything like his best form. He had too short a stay in the States before the race to ensure that he was in the peak of condition and fell between two stools, as so many famous athletes have done, before and since.

It was left to Dennis Pell to show that this form was all wrong when he soundly beat the American milers on their visit to this country later.

The war years severely curtailed Sydney's activities, but even so, he managed, between service duties, to break the Scottish All-Comers record for the mile with 4:11, run a "half" inside 1:54 at Grove Park, and times of 4:16, 4:11.6, 4:13.4, 4:15.2, 4:11.6 and 4:12.8 in 1941-2-3-4, before going into hospital with a severe rheumatic affliction which threatened to put an end to his running career.

After nearly four months in hospital and several months resting, he started some easy training and regained his great speed of former years. Not only that, but he proceeded at the age of 30 to take on the world record breaking Swedes in races which are still fresh in the memory and accomplished a personal record with 4:04.2 at Gothenburg when finishing second to Arne Andersson. Athletes, coaches and experts will ever remember and take sides on the question of whether Sydney made his effort too soon in these epic races. We shall never know and it will be added to the list of debatable points which old-timers long to discuss.

This great-hearted little runner is remarkable in many respects, none more pronounced than that such speed and endurance are possible with an athlete so slight of build and stature. Furthermore, Sydney is no stylist, but his style is undoubtedly suited to his physique. Running very upright, with an unusually high arm action, he gets tremendous leg drive which must have a great deal to do with his amazing speed.

Of a retiring disposition, Sydney could be readily described as the elusive Scarlet Pimpernel of the track—in more respects than one—but whenever he runs his opponents and the spectators are always certain of getting a run for their money.

It would not be fitting to leave the subject without mention of famous old-timer, Albert Hill, Sydney's coach and mentor, who has had a great deal to do with the success of his charge.

All those with the well-being of British sport at heart will wish Sydney every success at the longer distances, which are to be his lot in the future, and to hope that he can retain his amazing speed until the next Olympics and cause the Union Jack to be hoisted at the conclusion of the 5000 metres.

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Sydney went on to score one of his greatest victories in the 1946 European 5000 metres championship, clocking 14:08.6 — second only to Gunder Hagg's world record at the time. And in 1948 he closed his career with a win in the National Cross-Country Championship!

JACK HOLDEN

AT school J. T. Holden was better known as a boxer than a runner, and it was not until he was 18 that he commenced his athletic career and joined Tipton Harriers. In his first cross-country season he represented his club in Novice, Junior and Senior district races and the "National".

In the Novices race he finished no higher than 24th, and was well back in the Junior. But later in the season he was in the club's scoring six in both Senior and National races.

Three seasons of handicap racing on the track inspired him to reach championship class, and this he soon achieved. In 1929, his fourth season of running, Holden gained his first International vest and went on to run second in the AAA 10 miles at Bournville. In this event he was leading at 9 miles, but was troubled with blisters. Ernie Harper made a great effort and caught up with Holden, who stopped, took off his shoe, and still finished a lap in front of the third man! From that time onwards, Jack has scorned handicaps, sticking to scratch events and championships. He actually boasts that he has less handicap prizes than any other first class runner.

Between 1930 and 1939 he won ten county championships on the track, 18 Midland championships at distances ranging from 3 to 10 miles, and 4 AAA Championships at 6 or 10 miles. He also represented Britain against France, and in the British Empire Games and AAA teams in other representative matches.

It is, perhaps, over the country where Jack Holden has endeared himself to athletic enthusiasts generally, and Midland fans in particular. He ran in every International from 1929 to 1939, winning four times and finishing second on two further occasions. Particularly outstanding was the fact that, although winning three consecutive Internationals in 1933-34-35, he could not win the National title until 1938. He again managed this feat the following year. There could be no more popular victory on March 9th if Jack Holden capped a great record by leading the field home in this first post-war "National".

Jack, who will be 39 four days after the "National", says he is running as well as ever and puts this down to the fact that he has never gone out for fast times, but just to win whatever event he happened to be running in. A determined runner with a strong finish, he could always be relied on to rise to the occasion. The bigger the event the better he ran. For fifteen years the name of Jack Holden has been a household word in Midland athletic circles. May it be so for many years to come.

(March 1946 issue)

Jack won that 1946 National—and the 1950 Commonwealth and European marathons.

ALAN PATERSON

ALAN S. Paterson, holder of the Scottish high jump native record, has had a short but exciting career. At the early age of 14, while competing in the school sports of Hutcheson's Grammar School, Glasgow, he created a new record by clearing 5' 4" under difficult conditions. This, considering it was a scissors jump, is undoubtedly one of his greatest efforts.

After years of practice and development, Alan cultivated the "Western Roll" and made his first appearance at an open sports meeting at Glasgow Police Sports in June 1944, where he won by clearing comfortably 5' 8". In August of the same year, at Rangers FC Sports, he cleared 5' 11" to beat Stanley West, who failed at this height. This was the first meeting at which he competed as a member of Victoria Park AAC.

In season 1945, with improved practice conditions and good tuition, better heights resulted. Early in June he cleared 5' 11½" at his school sports. This was an improvement on the British Schoolboys' record. The rest of the season was even more thrilling since he broke the Scottish record of 6' 0¼". This record was held by J. Michie and had stood since 1933. At Lennoxton, in the Glasgow Police meeting, Alan cleared 6' 2½" on sodden turf, and then at Rangers FC meeting in August he established the present Scottish Native record by clearing 6' 3". This was indeed a wonderful performance for a boy under 18 years of age.

Alan was then honoured by competing for the AAA at the White City in August, and in Paris, early in September, as a member of the British team. At the White City his jump of 6' 0" was very good, considering this was his first introduction to a cinder "take off" and also to "big sport". At Paris he cleared about 6' 1½" but was only placed third because of his failures at lower heights.

There you have a brief survey of the jumping career of this boy wonder. With a personal height of 6' 5", it is to be hoped that Alan achieves his ambition to clear this.

It would not be fair to mention Alan without giving a certain amount of praise to his "guiding light"—his father—who is an expert at directing Alan's least weakness and who has patiently coached him in the gentle art of good jumping.

Not reaching 18 years of age until June of this year, Alan is still eligible to compete as a "youth" in the Scottish Championships, so great things may be expected.

(April 1946 issue)

Alan confirmed his great promise by taking the silver medal at the 1946 European Championships and the gold in 1950. His UK record of 6' 7½" in 1947 stood for 12 years.

HOW I WOULD RANK THEM

By Jack Crump

UNOFFICIAL rankings of athletes are regularly published in other countries, and at the request of the Editor I give below my own opinion on the relative order of merit of athletes eligible for the international teams of Great Britain, who were actually competing during the last track season (1945) . . . I do not give any rankings for the 440 yards hurdles, for the simple reason that there appears to be no point in doing so, for alas, we have no low hurdlers to list. For very much the same reason I do not give rankings for the pole vault and hammer.

100y: 1, C. B. Holmes (Army & Bolton UH); 2, E. McD. Bailey (RAF & Trinidad) 3, M. H. Broadbent (R. Navy & Bel. H); 4, J. Archer (RAF & Notts AC). **220y:** 1, Holmes; 2, Bailey; 3, K. Hodgkinson (Notts Univ). **440y:** 1, A. S. Wint (RAF & Jamaica); 2, J. Pantan (Victoria Pk); 3, C. Denroche (Poly). **880y:** 1, H. Fox (R. Navy & Leicester Coll); 2, J. W. L. Alford (RAF & Roath H); 3, A. Littler (RAF & Pilk RH). **1 mile:** 1, S. C. Wooderson (Army & Blackheath H); 2, D. G. Wilson (Poly); 3, Alford. **3M:** 1, Wilson; 2, S. E. W. Cox (RAF & Southgate H); 3, M. Bingham (Army & Finchley H). **2M SC:** T. Carter (Belgrave H). **120yH:** 1, R. H. Whitworth (St Thomas's H); 2, F. V. Scopes (Army & Achilles); 3, W. T. Stafford (Queen's U, Belfast). **HJ:** 1, A. F. Adedoyin (Queen's U, Belfast); 2, A. S. Paterson (Victoria Pk); 3, J. L. Newman (RAF & Southgate H). **LJ:** 1, Adedoyin; 2, J. Morrish (RAF & LAC); 3, D. C. V. Watts (RAF). **TJ:** 1, Adedoyin; 2, B. Shillington (9th OB, Belfast); 3, Cfm Leitch (Army). **SP:** 1, D. McD. Clark (RUC); 2, E. J. Brewer (London Univ); 3, A. F. Bandidt (RAF). **DT:** 1, W. A. Land (Army); 2, A. Fielder (Army); 3, D. L. Grigg (Met Police). **JT:** 1, D. A. Rickards (Reading Univ); 2, M. J. W. Dalrymple (London Univ); 3, E. R. Turner (Army).

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NAMEDROPPING . . .

In 1945 Midland Youths CC, Colin Kemball finished 11th, George Rhodes 18th, Colin Simpson 48th . . . turning to 1946, Les Cohen was 26th in Southern CC . . . in National, Jack Davies (father of half-miler John) placed 134th of 214 finishers, 10 places ahead of Gordon's father, Alick Pirie . . . Gordon himself won SLH novices 5M CC in 36:43 . . . Bill Lucas won South of Thames District Team Race, with Jimmy Green 9th, Peter Goodsell 60th, George Tolley 82nd, Gordon Doubleday 97th, Gerry Cranham (Southern junior 880y champion in 2:07.4) 108th, Doug Goodman 125th, Jim Braben 168th . . . Denis Watts was AAA LJ and TJ champion . . . Bill Ferguson won AAA Junior 100y (10.6) and 220y (23.4), with Pat McCarthy 3rd in the 220 . . . Terry Higgins won Southern Junior 440y (52.7) . . . Ron Murray won Univ. of London HJ at 5' 6" . . . Roger Bannister 2nd in Oxford Freshmen's mile and 3M, won in 4:52 and 15:58.

BRITISH HONOURS LIST

THE British athletes whose names follow achieved one or more of these honours during the past 25 years: an Olympic medal, a European or Commonwealth title, or a world record as listed in the IAAF Progressive World Record Lists (except where otherwise noted). Some of Britain's most distinguished athletes of the era—e.g. Don Finlay, Alan Simpson, Dick Taylor and Fred Alsop do not appear in this list, whereas others of modest calibre who happened to be members of successful relay squads are listed, but then the winning of supreme honours in athletics is a chancy business with, on occasions, the most deserving going unrewarded.

Alder, Jim: Commonwealth—1st 1966 marathon; world records—30km (1:34:01.8 in 1964; 1:31:30.4 in 1970 awaiting ratification).

Alexander, Sheila: Olympics—2nd 1952 high jump; European—1st 1950 HJ; world record—HJ (1.72/5'7½" in 1951).

Allday, Sue: Commonwealth—1st 1958 discus.
Anderson, Tim: Commonwealth—1st 1950 pole vault.

Archer, Jack: Olympics—2nd 1948 4x100m; European—1st 1946 100m.

Arden, Daphne: Olympics—3rd 1964 4x100m; world record—4x110y (45.2 in 1963).

Armitage, Heather: Olympics—3rd 1952 4x100m, 2nd 1956 4x100m; European—1st 1958 100m;

Commonwealth—1st 1958 4x110y; world record—4x110y (45.3 in 1958).

Attwood, Pauline: World record—4x400m (3:37.6 in 1969).

Bailey, McDonald: Olympics—3rd 1952 100m; world record—100m (10.2 in 1951).

Ball, Valerie: World records—880y (2:14.5 in 1952); 4x220y (1:43.4 in 1951); 3x800m and 3x880y (7:07.8 in 1949).

Bannister, Roger: European—1st 1954 1500m; Commonwealth—1st 1954 mile; world records—mile (3:59.4 in 1954); 4x1 mile (16:41.0 in 1953).

Batty, Mel: World record—10M (47:26.8 in 1964).

Blagrove, Mike: World record—4x1 mile (16:30.6 in 1958).

Board, Lillian: Olympics—2nd 1968 400m; European—1st 1969 800m & 4x400m; world records—4x110y (45.0 in 1968); 4x400m (3:37.6 & 3:30.8 in 1969); 4x800m (8:27.0 in 1970).

Born, Doris: World records—3x800m & 3x880y (7:07.8 in 1949).

Boulter, John: World record—4x880y (7:14.6 in 1966; unratified).

Brasher, Chris: Olympics—1st 1956 3000mSC.
Brecker, Adrian: Commonwealth—1st 1958 4x110y.

Brian, Margaret: World record—4x220y (1:41.4 in 1951).

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Brightwell, Robbie: Olympics—2nd 1964 4x400m; European—1st 1962 400m.

Bull, Mike: Commonwealth—1st 1970 pole vault.

Carey, Sheila: World records—4x800m (8:27.0 & 8:25.0 in 1970, latter awaiting ratification).

Carter, Chris: World record—4x880y (7:14.6 in 1966; unrated).

Carter, Len: Commonwealth—1st 1962 4x110y.

Cawley, Shirley: Olympics—3rd 1952 long jump.

Chataway, Chris: Commonwealth—1st 1954 3M; world records—3M (13:32.2 in 1954, 13:23.2 in 1955); 5000m (13:51.6 in 1954); 4x1 mile (16:41.0 in 1953).

Cheeseman, Sylvia: Olympics—3rd 1952 4x100m; world records—4x200m (1:39.7 in 1952); 4x220y (1:43.9, 1:43.4 & 1:41.4 in 1951).

Clark, Duncan: Commonwealth—1st 1950 hammer.

Clark, Peter: World record—4x1 mile (16:30.6 in 1958).

Cobb, Madeleine: Commonwealth—1st 1958 4x110y; world records—4x110y (45.3 in 1958, 45.2 in 1963).

Cooper, John: Olympics—2nd 1964 400mH & 4x400m.

Craig, Georgina: World record—4x800m (8:25.0 in 1970; awaiting ratification).

Critchley, Muriel: World record—3x880y (7:00.6 in 1952).

Davies, Lynn: Olympics—1st 1964 long jump; European—1st 1966 LJ; Commonwealth—1st 1966 & 1970 LJ.

Desforges, Jean: Olympics—3rd 1952 4x100m; European—1st 1950 4x100m, 1st 1954 long jump.

Dick, Alan: Commonwealth—1st 1954 4x440y.

Disley, John: Olympics—3rd 1952 3000mSC.

Driver, Peter: Commonwealth—1st 1954 6M.

Dryden, Joan: World record—3x880y (7:00.6 in 1952).

Dunkley, Ralph: World record—4x1500m (15:27.2 in 1953).

Elliott, Geoff: Commonwealth—1st 1954 & 1958 pole vault.

Ellis, Mike: Commonwealth—1st 1958 hammer.

Evans, Frank: World record—4x880y (7:30.6 in 1951).

Eyre, Len: Commonwealth—1st 1950 3M.

FitzSimons, John: Commonwealth—1st 1966 javelin.

Foster, Betty: World record—4x220y (1:41.4 in 1951).

Foulds, June: Olympics—3rd 1952 4x100m; 2nd 1956 4x100m; European—1st 1950 4x100m; Commonwealth—1st 1958 4x110y; world records—4x110y (45.3 in 1958); 4x200m (1:39.7 in 1952); 4x220y (1:43.9 & 1:43.4 in 1951).

Fryer, Peter: Commonwealth—1st 1954 4x440y.

Gardner, Maureen: Olympics—2nd 1948 80mH.

Garrett, Eileen: World records—3x800m & 3x880y (7:07.8 in 1949).

Graham, Tim: Olympics—2nd 1964 4x400 m.

Grant, Graeme: World record—4x880y (7:14.6 in 1966; unrated).

Green, Fred: World record—3M (13:32.2 in 1954).

Green, Phyllis: World record—3x880y (7:00.6 in 1952).

Gregory, Jack: Olympics—2nd 1948 4x100m.

Hall, Dorothy: Olympics—2nd 1948 100m; European—1st 1950 4x100m; world record—4x220y (1:41.4 in 1951).

Hampton, Shirley: World records—4x200m (1:39.7 in 1952); 4x220y (1:39.9 in 1953).

Harding, Enid: World record—880y (2:14.4 in 1952; unrated).

Hay, Elspeth: European—1st 1950 4x100m.

Heatley, Basil: Olympics—2nd 1964 marathon; world records—10M (47:47.0 in 1961), marathon (2:13.55 in 1964; unofficial).

Hemery, David: Olympics—1st 1968 400mH; Commonwealth—1st 1966 120y H; 1st 1970 110mH; world record—400mH (48.1 in 1968).

Herriott, Maurice: Olympics—2nd 1964 3000mSC.

Hewson, Brian: European—1st 1958 1500m; world record—4x1 mile (16:30.6 in 1958).

Higgins, Peter: Olympics—3rd 1956 4x400m; Commonwealth—1st 1954 4x440y.

Hill, Ron: European—1st 1969 marathon; Commonwealth—1st 1970 marathon; world records—10M (47:02.2 & 46:44.0 in 1968); 15M (1:12:48.2 in 1965); 25km (1:15:22.6 in 1965).

Hiscox, Molly: World record—440y (55.6 in 1958).

Hogan, Jim: European—1st 1966 marathon; world record—30km (1:32:25.4 in 1966).

Holden, Jack: European—1st 1950 marathon; Commonwealth—1st 1950 marathon.



Between them, Dorothy Hyman (2) and Mary Rand (4) accumulated six Olympic medals (1 gold, 2 silver, 3 bronze), four Commonwealth titles and one European championship!

Ed Lacey

Hopkins, Thelma: Olympics—2nd 1956 high jump; European—1st 1954 HJ; Commonwealth—1st 1954 HJ; world record—HJ (1.74/5'8½" in 1956).

Hoskin, Sheila: Commonwealth—1st 1958 long jump.

Hyman, Dorothy: Olympics—2nd 1960 100m, 3rd 200m; 3rd 1964 4x100m; European—1st 1962 100m; Commonwealth—1st 1958 4x110y; 1st 1962 100y & 220y; world records—4x110y (45.3 in 1958, 45.2 in 1963).

Ibbotson, Derek: Olympics—2nd 1956 5000m; world records—mile (3:37.2 in 1957); 4x1 mile (16:30.6 in 1958).

James, Della: World record—4x200m (1:33.8 in 1968).

Johnson, Ann: World records—4x200m (1:39.7 in 1952); 4x220y (1:39.9 in 1953).

Johnson, Derek: Olympics—2nd 1956 800m, 3rd 4x400m; Commonwealth—1st 1954 880y & 4x440y.

Johnson, Lloyd: Olympics—3rd 1948 50km walk.

Johnston, Tim: World record—30km (1:32:34.6 in 1965).

Jones, Berwyn: World record—4x110y (40.0 in 1963).

Jones, David: Olympics—3rd 1960 4x100m; Commonwealth—1st 1962 4x110y; world record—4x110y (40.0 in 1963).

Jones, Ken: Olympics—2nd 1948 4x100m.

Jones, Ron: World record—4x110y (40.0 in 1963).

Jordan, Joy: World record—880y (2:06.1 in 1960).

Kilby, Brian: European—1st 1962 marathon; Commonwealth—1st 1962 marathon.

Law, David: World record—4x1500m (15:27.2 in 1953).

Leather, Diane: World records—440y (56.6 in 1954; unratified); 880y (2:09.0 in 1954); 3x880y (6:49.0 in 1953, 6:46.0 in 1954).

Lerwill, Sheila: see Alexander.

Lewis, Les: European—1st 1950 4x400m.

Lowe, Pat: European—1st 1969 4x400m; world records—4x400m (3:30.8 in 1969); 3x800m (6:20.0 in 1967); 3x880y (6:25.2 in 1967); 4x800m (8:27.0 & 8:25.0 in 1970, latter awaiting ratification).

Lucking, Martyn: Commonwealth—1st 1962 shot.

McCorquodale, Alistair: Olympics—2nd 1948 4x100m.

McGee, Joe: Commonwealth—1st 1954 marathon.

MacIsaac, John: European—1st 1958 4x400m.

Manley, Dorothy: see Hall.

Matthews, Ken: Olympics—1st 1964 20km walk; European—1st 1962 20km walk.

Meakin, Alf: Commonwealth—1st 1962 4x110y.

Metcalfe, Adrian: Olympics—2nd 1964 4x400m.

Nankeville, Bill: World records—4x880y (7:30.6 in 1951); 4x1500m (15:27.2 in 1953); 4x1 mile (16:41.0 in 1953).

Neil, Anita: World record—4x110y (45.0 in 1968).

Newbould, Jean: World record—4x220y (1:39.9 in 1953).

Nilhill, Paul: Olympics—2nd 1964 50km walk; European—1st 1969 20km walk.

Oliver, Anne: World record—3x880y (6:46.0 in 1954).

Packer, Ann: Olympics—1st 1964 800m, 2nd 400m; world record—800m (2:01.1 in 1964).

Parlett, John: European—1st 1950 800m; Commonwealth—1st 1950 880y; world record—4x880y (7:30.6 in 1951).

Pashley, Anne: Olympics—2nd 1956 4x100m; world record—4x220y (1:39.9 in 1953).

Paterson, Alan: European—1st 1950 high jump.

Paul, June: see Foulds.

Pawsey, Jenny: World record—4x400m (3:37.6 in 1969).

Payne, Howard: Commonwealth—1st 1962, 1966 & 1970 hammer.

Payne, Rosemary: Commonwealth—1st 1970 discus.

Peat, Val: World record—4x200m (1:33.8 in 1968).

Peters, Jim: World records—marathon (2:20:42.2 in 1952, 2:18:40.2 & 2:18:34.8 in 1953, 2:17:39.4 in 1954; all unofficial).

Peters, Mary: Commonwealth—1st 1970 shot & pentathlon.

Piercy, Pam: World records—3x800m (6:20.0 in 1967); 3x880y (6:25.2 in 1967).

Pike, Martin: European—1st 1950 4x400m.

Pirie, Gordon: Olympics—2nd 1956 5000m; world records—3000m (7:55.6 & 7:52.8 in 1956); 5000m (13:36.8 in 1956); 6M (28:19.4 in 1953); 4x1500m (15:27.2 in 1953).

Platt, Sue: Commonwealth—1st 1962 javelin.

Pugh, Derek: European—1st 1950 400m & 4x400m.

Quinton, Carole: Olympics—2nd 1960 80mH.

Radford, Peter: Olympics—3rd 1960 100m & 4x100m; Commonwealth—1st 1958 4x110y; 1st 1962 4x110y; world records—200m & 220y (20.5 in 1960); 4x110y (40.0 in 1963).

Rand, Mary: Olympics—1st 1964 long jump, 2nd pentathlon, 3rd 4x100m; Commonwealth—1st 1966 LJ; world records—4x110y (45.2 in 1963); LJ (6.76/22'2¼" in 1964).

Rawson, Mike: European—1st 1958 800m.

Richards, Tom: Olympics—2nd 1948 marathon.

Ridley, Rita: Commonwealth—1st 1970 1500m.

Robins, Valerie: World records—4x220y (1:43.9 & 1:43.4 in 1951).

Rowe, Arthur: European—1st 1958 shot; Commonwealth—1st 1958 shot.

Ruff, Janet: World record—440y (56.5 in 1956; unofficial).

Salisbury, John: Olympics—3rd 1956 4x400m; European—1st 1958 4x400m.

Sampson, Ted: European—1st 1958 4x400m.

Sandstrom, Roy: Commonwealth—1st 1958 4x110y.

Savidge, John: Commonwealth—1st 1954 shot.

Scott, Angus: European—1st 1950 4x400m.

Scrivens, Jean: Olympics—2nd 1956 4x100m.

Seaman, Don: World record—4x1 mile (16:41.0 in 1953).

Segal, David: Olympics—3rd 1960 4x100m; Commonwealth—1st 1958 4x110y.

Shenton, Brian: European—1st 1950 200m.
Sherwood, John: Olympics—3rd 1968 400mH; Commonwealth—1st 1970 400mH.

Sherwood, Sheila: Olympics—2nd 1968 long jump; Commonwealth—1st 1970 LJ.

Shirley, Dorothy: Olympics—2nd equal 1960 high jump.

Simpson, Janet: Olympics—3rd 1964 4x100m; European—1st 1969 4x400m; world records—4x110y (45.0 in 1968); 4x200m (1:33.8 in 1968); 4x400m (3:37.6 & 3:30.8 in 1969).

Slater, Daphne: see Arden.

Slemon, Chris: World record—3x880y (6:49.0 in 1953).

Smalley, Nora: World records—3x880y (6:49.0 in 1953, 6:46.0 in 1954).

Smith, Anne: World records—1500m (4:17.3 in 1967); mile (4:37.0 in 1967).

Smith, Colin: Commonwealth—1st 1958 javelin.

Stewart, Ian: European—1st 1969 5000m; Commonwealth—1st 1970 5000m.

Stewart, Lachie: Commonwealth—1st 1970 10,000m.

Stirling, Rosemary: European—1st 1969 4x400m; Commonwealth—1st 1970 800m; world records—4x400m (3:30.8 in 1969); 3x800 (6:20.0 in 1967); 3x880y (6:25.2 in 1967); 4x800m (8:27.0 & 8:25.0 in 1970, latter awaiting ratification).

Thompson, Don: Olympics—1st 1960 50km walk.

Tranter, Maureen: World records—4x110y (45.0 in 1968); 4x200m (1:33.8 in 1968).

Travis, David: Commonwealth—1st 1970 javelin.

Tulloch, Bruce: European—1st 1962 5000m.

Turner, Betty: World record—women's 4x220y (1:43.9 in 1951).

Tyler, Dorothy: Olympics—2nd 1948 high jump; Commonwealth—1st 1950 HJ.

Varah, Mike: World record—4x880y (7:14.6 in 1966; unratified).

Vickers, Stan: Olympics—3rd 1960 20km walk; European—1st 1958 20km walk.

Wallwork, Ron: Commonwealth—1st 1966 20M walk.

Webster, Albert: World record—4x880y (7:30.6 in 1951).

Weston, Madeleine: see Cobb.

Wheeler, Mick: Olympics—3rd 1956 4x400m.

Whetton, John: European—1st 1969 1500m.

Whitehead, Nick: Olympics—3rd 1960 4x100m.

Williamson, Audrey: Olympics—2nd 1948 200m.

Wilmshurst, Ken: Commonwealth—1st 1954 long jump & triple jump.

Winn, Valerie: see Ball.

Wooderson, Sydney: European—1st 1946 5000m.

Wrighton, John: European—1st 1958 400m & 4x400m.

Young, Heather: see Armitage.



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Farewell Salute To White City —Home Of British Athletics

Mel Watman traces the stadium's momentous history

PROBABLY no stadium in the entire world has played host to so many great athletes as London's White City. From the thirties onwards, almost every athlete of distinction competed at the "City"—Jesse Owens, Bob Hayes, Tommie Smith, Herb McKenley, Mal Whitfield, Peter Snell, Jim Ryun, Herb Elliott, Gunder Hagg, Kip Keino, Emil Zatopek, Vladimir Kuts, Ron Clarke, Harrison Dillard, Valeriy Brumel, Ralph Boston, Bob Beamon, Jozef Szmidt, Parry O'Brien, Randy Matson, Al Oerter, Bob Mathias, Stella Walsh, Marjorie Jackson, Wilma Rudolph, Iolanda Balas... the list is endless. The London track fan has indeed been privileged.

The White City, in its present form, has been the "home" of British athletics since 1932, but its connection with the sport dates back to 1908 and the Olympic Games.

Those Games, the fourth of the modern era, had been awarded to Rome but in 1906 the Italian Government admitted it was unable to honour its commitment. With only 20 months to prepare, Britain undertook to stage the Games.

The authorities responsible for the Franco-British Exhibition, planned for Shepherd's Bush in 1908, agreed to build the necessary facilities for the Olympics at a cost of £44,000. The foundation was laid on July 31st 1907 and by May 1908 the stadium was complete.

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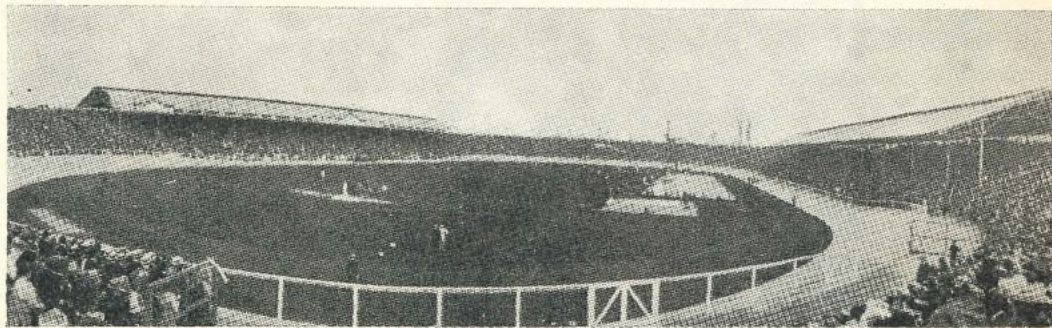
What a stadium it was! Known as the Great Olympic Stadium and claimed to be "the largest, most costly and best appointed the world has yet known," it provided seating accommodation for nearly 100,000 spectators. The arena was immense,

containing a 24ft wide cinder track measuring three laps to the mile which in turn was surrounded by a 35ft wide banked cycling track. The infield measured 235 yards by 99 yards and parallel to one of the two covered grandstands was a 110-yard swimming and diving pool!

The stadium was declared open on May 14th 1908 by the Prince of Wales, and Finchley Harriers organised a meeting to mark the occasion. Olympic trials were held there on May 29th, and history was made when Harold Wilson, a 1.63/5'4", 52kg/115lb Hallamshire Harrier, became the first man in the world to break four minutes for 1500 metres—clocking 3:59.8 in the days before world records were officially recognised.

The AAA Championships, on July 4th, were a great success. *The Sporting Life* enthused: "The great meeting at the Stadium produced some of the very finest sport that has ever been seen in connection with the championship gathering; in fact, the view of the old hands present was that the performances all round have never been equalled." There was a crowd in excess of 10,000 to watch the proceedings, which included a good mile won in 4:20.2 (60.4 last quarter) by Wilson, with the timeless Joe Deakin of Herne Hill Harriers runner-up.

Nine days later the Games were opened before a crowd of over 40,000 by King Edward VII. These, the first truly international Olympics, yielded many outstanding competitions and performances, including world bests by Americans Mel Sheppard (1:52.8 800m), Forrest Smithson (15.0 110m hurdles) and Charles Bacon (55.0 400m hurdles), and by Irishman Tim Ahearne (14.91/48'11¼" triple jump). Best mark by present day



The Stadium at the time of the 1908 Olympics. Seating capacity for nearly 100,000 . . . and a swimming pool parallel to right-hand straight.

standards was the 7.48/24'6½" long jump by Frank Irons (US).

The two names which will always be most closely associated with these Olympics, however, are Dorando Pietri and Wyndham Halswelle.

Dorando, the Italian marathon runner who entered the stadium first, collapsed on the track, was helped across the line and subsequently disqualified, has become one of the immortal figures of athletics history. But who remembers that the winner was an American, Johnny Hayes?

That poignant marathon race was historic for other reasons, too. The rather odd distance of 26 miles 385 yards or 42,195 metres that has come to be accepted as the standard length of a marathon race was merely born of convenience: the course from Windsor Castle to the entrance of the White City Stadium measured exactly 26 miles but in order that the runners might finish opposite the royal box an extra 385 yards were tacked on.

The marathon attracted tremendous public interest. An estimated quarter of a million people lined the route, and at least 70,000 were inside the stadium to see the dramatic finale. Forgotten was the disappointment over the showing of the British runners, who had confidently been expected to dominate the race. In fact, the first Briton home filled 12th place in 3:16:08.6.

The organisers, for their part, took pains to provide as much comfort as possible for the runners. "Refreshments en route", proclaimed the instructions to competitors: "The Oxo Company have been appointed official caterers and will supply the following free of charge to competitors: Oxo Athletes Flask, containing Oxo for immediate use; Oxo hot and cold; Oxo and soda, rice pudding, raisins, bananas, soda and milk." Just as well the announcement ended . . . "Stimulants will be available in cases of collapse".

Events in the 400 metres were hardly calculated to improve Anglo-American relations. Wyndham Halswelle, a London-born Scot who had served in the Boer War, clocked an Olympic record of 48.4

in winning his semi to emphasise his status as favourite. The following day he took on three Americans in the four-man final, or perhaps one should say the three Americans took him on. He was blatantly bumped, and bored across two-thirds of the track. The judges declared "no race" and J. C. Carpenter—the "winner"—was disqualified. The other two Americans boycotted the re-run ordered for two days later and thus the spectators were afforded the bizarre spectacle of Halswelle running the distance solo in a gentle 50 sec for his gold medal.

White elephant

With the AAA Championships reverting to Stamford Bridge, the White City became a white elephant as far as athletics was concerned for nearly a quarter of a century. In 1932, the stadium having been reduced in size and adapted for greyhound racing, the AAA made it its "home".

The Championships that year, staged on the new 440 yard track, were notable for the 880y win in 1:56.4 by Tom Hampson (later in the season to strike gold at the Los Angeles Olympics), Jerry Cornes' narrow mile victory over Jack Lovelock, the hurdling supremacy of Don Finlay (14.9) and Lord Burghley (54.6) and Bert Cooper's time of 13:44.6 in the 2 miles walk. Jack Holden, destined to enjoy his greatest triumphs 18 years later, was second in the 6 miles and Fred Housden tied for third in the pole vault.

The first world records to be set on the new track were to the credit of Alf Pope, who on August 31st 1932 collected four official walking records (for events no longer on the IAAF schedule): 5 miles in 35:47.2, 10,000m in 44:42.4, 7 miles in 50:28.8 and 8M 47y in the hour.

White City's next "first" was an international match between Britain and France in July 1933. The home team won 65½-54½ but only five of the eight field events were on the programme. One of Britain's 440y representatives was Roy Moor, that most sympathetic of all athletics writers.

One of the most famous pictures in athletics history: Dorando Pietri is helped across the line at the White City 62 years ago.



New Zealanders' Happy Hunting Ground



Murray Halberg completes 4:01.4 mile in 1958 Britain v. Commonwealth match. *Ed Lacey*



Peter Snell wins 1:48.4 half-mile at London v. Rhineland Cities match in 1961. *Ed Lacey*

Britain's unbeaten record at White City lasted only until the following month when Germany won 75-59 in another strangely emaciated match. Two interesting names in the long jump were Sandy Duncan and George Pallett, both making their international debut. Also during the year the WAAA used White City for the first time, three of the title winners registering British records: Eileen Hiscock (12.2 100m), Elsie Green (12.0 80m hurdles) and A. M. Holland (33.21/108'11 $\frac{1}{4}$ " discus).

It takes a major international Games to establish a world-wide reputation for a stadium and the new White City's opportunity came along in 1934 with the staging of the 2nd British Empire Games.

Poor weather held down the standard of many of the winning performances, for example Arthur Sweeney took the sprints in 10.0 and 21.9, but in spite of a soggy track Godfrey Rampling set a

British 440y record of 48.0 in defeating newcomer Bill Roberts. Another achievement of world class was the 15.63/51'3 $\frac{1}{4}$ " triple jump by Australian Jack Metcalfe. Jack Lovelock outkicked Sydney Wooderson for the mile title in 4:12.8 and Phil Edwards (British Guiana) sped through a 53.2 quarter in taking the half-mile crown in 1:54.2. In the women's events, Gladys Lunn scored an unusual double—the half in 2:19.4 and the javelin with 32.19/ 105'7 $\frac{1}{4}$ "—and Vi Webb (Janet Simpson's mother) won a bronze medal in the long jump with a dainty 5.23/17'2".

Of greater international significance was the 4th and final Women's World Games a few days later. This meeting was more of a world championship than had been the 1932 Olympics, which included the derisory total of six women's events. Here, at White City, representatives of 19 nations contested a full programme of twelve events. Top attraction

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IDENTIFY THESE ATHLETES—YOU



¹
Occasion is the 1968 AAA Championships. Who is this crossing the track?



²
First and last in an AAA 3 miles championship. Who are they?



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Identify these two ladies . . .

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Who is this sprinter? There's a connection with photo 2.



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Laszlo Tabori wins this mile—but who's that wearing number 16?

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and these three gentlemen.

For your guidance, the last 3 winning times have been 44.09 (1967), 43.47 (1968-rec) and 44.14 (1969). Address your postcard to "Athletics Weekly", 344 High Street, Rochester, Kent, to arrive not later than Dec. 18th. The winner will be offered a free trip with the "AW" Party to the Munich Olympics!



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Don Finlay, nearest the camera, making his final AAA Championships appearance in 1949. He won in 14.6 for his eighth title—17 years after his first. Finlay was aged 40 at the time and clocked 14.4 that season!

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WHITE CITY STORY continued from page 23 was the Olympic 100m champion and multi-world record breaker Stanislaw Walaciewicz (Stella Walsh) of Poland. She won the 60m all right, in 7.6, but was second to Germany's Kathe Krauss in the 100m (11.9) and 200m (24.9). Another German, Ruth Engelhardt, won the 80m hurdles in the world record time of 11.6, with Vi Webb picking up another bronze in 12.0. Best placed Briton was high jumper Mary Milne, second at 1.52/5'0".

Memorable meetings continued throughout the thirties, one of the most notable being the post-Olympic British Empire v USA match in 1936.

White City athletics reached new heights of popularity after the war. The first promotion, a match between the AAA, Army, RAF and US

Forces on August 6th 1945, attracted 54,000 sport-starved fans into the stadium and left thousands more outside the gates. The big draw was the mile duel between two former world record holders, Sydney Wooderson (4:06.4 in 1937) and Sweden's Arne Andersson (4:01.6 in 1944).

David did not quite manage to slay Goliath this time but Wooderson thrilled the vast crowd by taking the lead just before the bell. Andersson's finish proved too strong but Wooderson, who lost by four-tenths in 4:09.2, showed that despite his age and long record of illness he was still a threat to the best in the world. Among those present in the stadium was a 16-year-old lad who later stated that "seeing Wooderson's run that day inspired me with a new interest that has continued ever since". His name was Roger Bannister.

The drawbacks of a "conventional" track surface like White City's were all too apparent in this invitation 2000m in 1962. Jim Beatty (2), Jim Grelle (4) and Laszlo Tabori (8), of the Los Angeles Track Club, all dropped out before two laps were completed! Derek Ibbotson, here running third, added to his long list of White City successes.



Ed Lacey



Ron Clarke wins the 1965 AAA 3 miles title in an amazing world record of 12:52.4.

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The other star attraction that day in 1945 was Gunder Hagg, winner of the 2 miles in 9:00.6, a British all-comers record but nearly 18 sec outside his world record. Other highlights of the meeting were Cyril Holmes' sprint victories over Aircraftman McDonald Bailey in 9.9 and 22.2 and Flying Officer Arthur Wint's 440y win in 49.9. The West Indians were destined to become two of the most popular athletes in the history of British athletics, guaranteed to draw big crowds any time they ran.

Bailey and Wint played an important part during the golden years of British athletics when crowds of 30,000 or more were usual for the major White City meetings. Roger Bannister, Chris Chataway and Gordon Pirie were the others who caused the turnstiles to click merrily during the early and mid-fifties. A little later it was Derek Ibbotson's turn to top the popularity poll.

The most eventful meeting of this era was the London v Moscow match on October 13th 1954. Floodlit inter-city matches had already made their mark but this, the fifth in the series, reached dizzy heights. Thanks to a tidal wave of publicity, this being the first appearance in Britain of the then still mysterious Soviet athletes, the match was a sell-out while millions more watched on television.

What a meeting it was. It started at 5 p.m. and 30 events were packed into the 4½ hour programme on a rather foggy evening that somehow added to the unique atmosphere of the occasion. One great deed followed another, including a world

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record in the 440y hurdles by Yuriy Lituyev with Harry Kane an inspired second, but all else was forgotten in the sustained excitement of the classic 5000m duel between Chris Chataway and Vladimir Kuts.

There have been many marvellous moments at the White City since . . . Derek Ibbotson's world record mile in 1957, Adrian Metcalfe's anchor leg against Ullis Williams in 1961, John Pennel's pole vault record in 1963, Ron Clarke's almost unbelievable 12:52.4 3 miles in 1965 . . . but gradually the public has been deserting and the

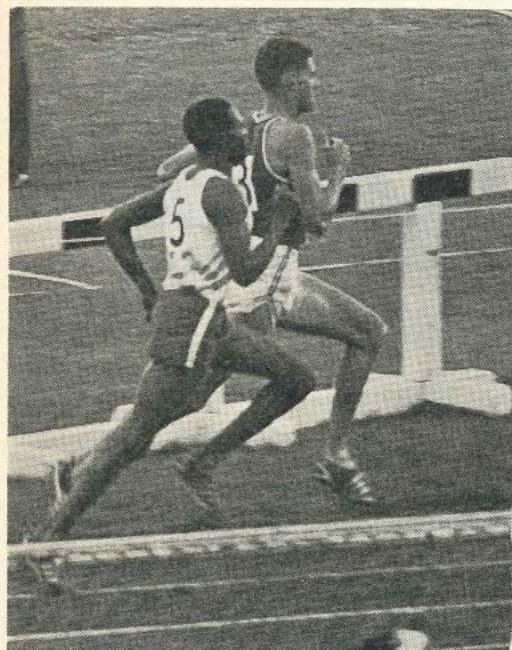
ageing stadium has come in for mounting criticism. The beginning of the end for White City as the home of British athletics came when, at the 1968 AAA Championships, the pole vault competition had to be cut short because it was delaying the start of the "dogs". With a Tartan track laid at Crystal Palace and talk of White City being redeveloped, it was just a matter of time before the move would come about.

That time has now come. Farewell the "City", so full of memories; welcome the "Palace", so full of promise.

World Records Set At The White City

(As listed in
"IAAF Progressive World Record Lists")

1908				
400mH	55.0	Charles Bacon (USA)	22.7	
120yH	15.0	Forrest Smithson (USA)	25.7	
110mH	15.0	Forrest Smithson (USA)	25.7	
1934				
80mH(W)	11.6	Ruth Engelhardt (Ger)	11.8	
1935				
30M Walk	4:29:31.8	Harold Whitlock (GB)	5.10	
1936				
4x800m	7:35.8	United States	15.8	
4x880y	7:35.8	United States	15.8	
4x1 mile	17:17.2	United States	15.8	
1949				
3x800m(W)	7:07.8	Southern Counties	6.8	
3x880y(W)	7:07.8	Southern Counties	6.8	



A clash of miling giants in 1967: Jim Ryun and Kip Keino battle it out along the final back straight.
Peter Tempest

1951				
HJ(W)	1.72/5'7½"	Sheila Lerwill (GB)	7.7	
4x220y(W)	1:43.9	Spartan Ladies	17.7	
4x880y	7:30.6	Great Britain	26.9	
4x220y(W)	1:41.4	England	26.9	
1952				
4x110y(W)	46.9	Australia	5.7	
4x880y	7:29.2	United States	4.8	
440yH	51.9	Charles Moore (USA)	4.8	
4x110y(W)	46.3	Australia	4.8	
4x220y(W)	1:40.0	United States	4.8	
4x440y	3:08.8	United States	9.8	
440yH	51.6	Charles Moore (USA)	9.8	
880y(W)	2:14.5	Valerie Ball (GB)	17.9	
4x200m(W)	1:39.7	Southern Counties	17.9	
1953				
6M	28:19.4	Gordon Pirie (GB)	10.7	
4x1 mile	16:41.0	Great Britain	1.8	
3x880y(W)	6:49.0	Great Britain	3.8	
4x1500m	15:27.2	Great Britain	23.9	
4x220y(W)	1:39.9	Great Britain	30.9	
1954				
880y(W)	2:09.0	Diane Leather (GB)	19.6	
3M	13:32.2	Freddie Green (GB)	10.7	
	13:32.2	Chris Chataway (GB)	10.7	
3x880y(W)	6:46.0	Great Britain	17.7	
3M	13:27.0	Vladimir Kuts (SU)	13.10	
5000m	13:51.6	Chris Chataway (GB)	13.10	
440yH	51.3	Yuriy Lituyev (SU)	13.10	
1955				
2M	8:33.4	Sandor Iharos (Hun)	30.5	
3M	13:23.2	Chris Chataway (GB)	30.7	
1957				
Mile	3:57.2	Derek Ibbotson (GB)	19.7	
1958				
440y(W)	55.6	Mollie Hiscox (GB)	2.8	
4x1 mile	16:30.6	England	27.9	
1960				
4x880y	7:19.4	United States	14.9	
1961				
DT(W)	58.98/193'6"	Tamara Press (SU)	20.9	
1963				
4x110y	40.0	Great Britain	3.8	
PV	5.13/16'10½"	John Pennel (US)	5.8	
4x110y(W)	45.2	Great Britain	5.8	
1965				
3M	12:52.4	Ron Clarke (Aus)	10.7	
1966				
3x800m(W)	6:21.2	Soviet Union	18.6	
1967				
3x800m(W)	6:20.0	Great Britain	28.8	

Uncrowned 'British Champions'

IT is a curious state of affairs but, officially there is no such animal as a British athletics champion. The AAA or WAAA champion of the year is usually regarded as the British champion, but what about when the title—as so often—goes overseas? Surely in those cases the first British athlete to finish should be acknowledged as the national champion. Here is a list of post-war "British champions" on that basis. On two occasions (880y in 1963 and triple jump in 1958) one had to wait until 6th place for the first UK finisher!

One acute problem with this list was deciding who should be regarded as eligible for the title

of "British champion". It seemed fair to include McDonald Bailey, from Trinidad, who represented Britain in international matches and also in the Olympics; but what about Arthur Wint, a British international who ran for Jamaica in the Olympics? Prince Adedoyin, Roy Hollingsworth and Betty Moore are among other borderline cases, as are displaced persons. Finally, it was decided to include all those athletes who, at the time of the championships in question, were members of British clubs and thus an integral part of the British athletics scene. In some cases, during the early post-war years, no place times were taken—accounting for the blanks in the list.

100 Yards (100 Metres)

46 McDonald Bailey (Trin)	9.8
47 McDonald Bailey	9.7
48 Alistair McCorquodale	—
49 McDonald Bailey	9.7
50 McDonald Bailey	9.9
51 McDonald Bailey	9.6
52 McDonald Bailey	9.6
53 McDonald Bailey	9.8
54 George Ellis	9.9
55 Roy Sandstrom	10.0
56 John Young	9.9
57 Ken Box	10.0
58 Ron Jones	10.0
59 Peter Radford	9.7
60 Peter Radford	9.7
61 Dave Jones	9.9
62 Peter Radford	9.9
63 Berwyn Jones	9.7
64 Lynn Davies	9.7
65 Barrie Kelly	9.8
66 Barrie Kelly	9.7
67 Barrie Kelly	9.9
68 Ron Jones	9.9
69 Ron Jones	10.7*
70 Brian Green	10.4*
* 100 metres	

220 Yards (200 Metres)

46 McDonald Bailey (Trin)	22.3
47 McDonald Bailey	21.7
48 Alistair McCorquodale	22.2
49 McDonald Bailey	21.7
50 McDonald Bailey	21.8
51 McDonald Bailey	21.4
52 McDonald Bailey	21.4
53 McDonald Bailey	21.4
54 Brian Shenton	21.5
55 George Ellis	22.0
56 Brian Shenton	21.8
57 Dave Segal	21.9
58 Dave Segal	21.4
59 Dave Jones	21.7
60 Dave Jones	21.3
61 Dave Jones	21.4
62 Dave Jones	21.4
63 Dave Jones	21.3
64 Menzies Campbell	21.1
65 Pat Morrison	21.8
66 Menzies Campbell	21.6
67 Menzies Campbell	21.4
68 Ralph Banthorpe	21.4

69 Dave Dear	21.4*
70 Martin Reynolds	21.0*
* 200 metres	

440 Yards (400 Metres)

46 Arthur Wint (Jam)	48.4
47 John Mark	—
48 Bill Roberts	48.5
49 Derek Pugh	48.2
50 Les Lewis	47.9
51 Derek Pugh	48.1
52 Arthur Wint	48.9
53 Peter Fryer	48.4
54 Peter Fryer	47.7
55 Peter Fryer	47.7
56 Mick Wheeler	47.6
57 Peter Higgins	47.2
58 John Salisbury	47.5
59 John Wrighton	47.0
60 Robbie Brightwell	47.6
61 Adrian Metcalfe	45.9
62 Robbie Brightwell	47.3
63 Adrian Metcalfe	47.5
64 Robbie Brightwell	47.6
65 John Adey	45.9
66 Wendell Mottley (Trin)	46.6
67 Tim Graham	46.9
68 Martin Winbolt Lewis	46.8*
69 Gwynne Griffiths	46.6*
70 Martin Bilham	46.6*
* 400 metres	

880 Yards (800 Metres)

46 Arthur Wint (Jam)	1:54.8
47 Tom White	1:53.8
48 John Parlett	1:52.2
49 John Parlett	1:53.7
50 Arthur Wint	1:51.6
51 Arthur Wint	1:49.6
52 Roger Bannister	1:51.5
53 Brian Hewson	1:54.2
54 Brian Hewson	1:52.2
55 Derek Johnson	1:51.4
56 Mike Rawson	1:51.3
57 Mike Rawson	1:50.0
58 Brian Hewson	1:48.3
59 Brian Hewson	1:52.0
60 Tom Farrell	1:49.3
61 Tony Harris	1:52.1
62 Sid Purkis	1:50.3
63 Alan Dean	1:51.5
64 Chris Carter	1:51.4

65 Chris Carter	1:49.9
66 Chris Carter	1:48.4
67 John Boulter	1:47.3
68 John Davies	1:50.1
69 Dave Cropper	1:49.0*
70 Andy Carter	1:49.6*
* 800 metres	

Mile (1500 Metres)

46 Doug Wilson	4:17.4
47 Bill Nankeville	—
48 Bill Nankeville	4:14.2
49 Bill Nankeville	4:08.8
50 Bill Nankeville	4:12.2
51 Roger Bannister	4:07.8
52 Bill Nankeville	4:09.8
53 Roger Bannister	4:05.2
54 Roger Bannister	4:07.6
55 Brian Hewson	4:05.4
56 Ken Wood	4:06.8
57 Brian Hewson	4:06.7
58 Graham Everett	4:06.4
59 Ken Wood	4:08.1
60 Mike Wiggs	4:01.2
61 Ken Wood	4:06.5
62 Stan Taylor	4:04.8
63 Alan Simpson	4:04.9
64 Alan Simpson	4:01.1
65 Alan Simpson	4:01.9
66 Walter Wilkinson	4:01.5
67 Andy Green	4:00.6
68 John Whetton	4:06.0
69 John Whetton	3:41.8*
70 Walter Wilkinson	3:45.3*
* 1500 metres	

3 Miles (5000 Metres)

46 Sydney Wooderson	13:53.2
47 Alec Olney	14:23.2
48 Alec Olney	14:15.4
49 Alan Chivers	14:12.6
50 Alec Olney	14:11.2
51 Roy Beckett	14:02.6
52 Chris Chataway	13:59.6
53 Gordon Pirie	13:43.4
54 Fred Green	13:32.2
55 Chris Chataway	13:33.6
56 Derek Ibbotson	13:32.6
57 Derek Ibbotson	13:20.8
58 Stan Eldon	13:22.4
59 Bruce Tulloh	13:31.2
60 Frank Salvat	13:33.0

61	Gordon Pirie	13:31.2
62	Bruce Tulloh	13:16.0
63	Bruce Tulloh	13:23.8
64	Bruce Tulloh	13:28.2
65	Derek Graham	13:15.8
66	Dick Taylor	13:17.6
67	Ian McCafferty	13:09.8
68	Lachie Stewart	13:28.4
69	Ian Stewart	13:39.8*
70	Chris Stewart	13:49.6*

* 5000 metres

6 Miles (10,000 Metres)

46	Jim Peters	30:50.4
47	Alan Chivers	30:31.4
48	Stan Cox	30:08.4
49	V. Lillakas (DP)	30:15.0
50	Frank Aaron	29:33.6
51	Gordon Pirie	29:32.0
52	Gordon Pirie	28:55.6
53	Gordon Pirie	28:19.4
54	Peter Driver	28:34.8
55	Ken Norris	29:00.6
56	Ken Norris	28:13.6
57	George Knight	28:50.4
58	Stan Eldon	28:05.0
59	Stan Eldon	28:12.4
60	Gordon Pirie	28:09.6
61	Basil Heatley	28:03.0
62	Roy Fowler	27:49.8
63	Ron Hill	27:49.8
64	Mike Bullivant	27:26.6
65	Ron Hill	27:40.8
66	Bruce Tulloh	27:23.8
67	Lachie Stewart	27:39.6
68	Tim Johnston	27:22.2
69	Dick Taylor	28:27.6*
70	Dave Bedford	28:26.4*

* 10,000 metres

10 Miles

46	not held	
47	Jim Peters	53:21.0
48-57	not held	
58	Fred Norris	49:39.0
59	Fred Norris	48:32.4
60	Basil Heatley	48:18.4
61	Basil Heatley	47:47.0
62	Buddy Edelen (US)	48:31.8
63	Mel Batty	48:13.4
64	Mel Batty	47:26.8
65	Ron Hill	48:56.0
66	Ron Hill	50:04.0
67	Ron Hill	47:38.6
68	Ron Hill	47:02.2
69	Ron Hill	47:27.0
70	Trevor Wright	47:20.2

Marathon

46	Squire Yarrow	2:43:14.4
47	Jack Holden	2:33:20.2
48	Jack Holden	2:36:44.6
49	Jack Holden	2:34:10.6
50	Jack Holden	2:31:03.4
51	Jim Peters	2:31:42.6
52	Jim Peters	2:20:42.2
53	Jim Peters	2:22:29.0
54	Jim Peters	2:17:39.4
55	Bob McMinnis	2:39:35.0
56	Harry Hicks	2:26:15.0
57	Eddie Kirkup	2:22:27.8
58	Colin Kemball	2:22:27.4
59	Chris Fleming-Smith	2:30:11.6
60	Brian Kilby	2:22:48.8
61	Brian Kilby	2:24:37.0

62	Brian Kilby	2:26:15.0
63	Brian Kilby	2:16:45.0
64	Brian Kilby	2:23:01.0
65	Bill Adcocks	2:16:50.0
66	Graham Taylor	2:19:04.0
67	Jim Alder	2:16:08.0
68	Tim Johnston	2:15:26.0
69	Ron Hill	2:13:42.0
70	Don Faircloth	2:18:15.0

3000 Metres (2 Miles) Steeplechase

46	Arthur Robertson	10:30.6*
47	Arthur Robertson	—
48	T. P. E. Curry	10:31.8*
49	Trevor Holt	10:29.0*
50	John Disley	10:05.4*
51	John Disley	10:04.0*
52	John Disley	9:44.0*
53	Eddie Ellis	10:02.8*
54	Ken Johnson	9:00.8
55	John Disley	8:56.6
56	Eric Shirley	8:51.6
57	John Disley	8:56.8
58	Eric Shirley	8:51.0
59	Maurice Herriott	8:52.8
60	Eric Shirley	8:51.0
61	Maurice Herriott	8:53.6
62	Maurice Herriott	8:43.8
63	Maurice Herriott	8:47.8
64	Maurice Herriott	8:40.0
65	Maurice Herriott	8:41.0
66	Maurice Herriott	8:37.0
67	Maurice Herriott	8:33.8
68	Gareth Bryan-Jones	8:36.2
69	John Jackson	8:35.0
70	Andy Holden	8:38.0

* 2 miles steeplechase

120 Yards (110 Metres) Hurdles

46	R. A. Powell	—
47	Don Finlay	—
48	Joe Birrell	15.1
49	Don Finlay	14.6
50	Peter Hildreth	15.2
51	Jack Parker	14.8
52	Peter Hildreth	14.4
53	Peter Hildreth	14.6
54	Jack Parker	14.7
55	Jack Parker	14.6
56	Peter Hildreth	14.5
57	Peter Hildreth	14.7
58	Peter Hildreth	14.5
59	Vic Matthews	14.5
60	Mike Parker	14.8
61	Bob Birrell	14.5
62	Laurie Taitt (BG)	14.3
63	Laurie Taitt	14.1
64	Mike Parker	14.2
65	Laurie Taitt	14.3
66	David Hemery	14.0
67	Alan Pascoe	14.3
68	Alan Pascoe	14.1
69	Alan Pascoe	14.0*
70	David Hemery	13.9*

* 110 metres hurdles

440 Yards (400 Metres) Hurdles

46	Ronald Ede	57.0
47	Harry Whittle	55.0
48	Harry Whittle	54.9
49	Harry Whittle	54.9
50	Harry Whittle	55.2
51	Harry Whittle	54.2
52	Harry Whittle	53.3
53	Harry Whittle	52.7
54	Harry Kane	53.4

55	Bob Shaw	52.2
56	Tom Farrell	53.0
57	Tom Farrell	52.1
58	Tom Farrell	52.7
59	Chris Goudge	52.7
60	Max Boyes	52.2
61	Chris Surety	52.3
62	Chris Surety	51.9
63	John Cooper	51.7
64	John Cooper	51.1
65	John Cooper	51.5
66	John Sherwood	51.1
67	John Sherwood	50.9
68	David Hemery	50.2
69	John Sherwood	50.1*
70	Bob Roberts	52.4*

* 400 metres hurdles

High Jump

46	Alan Paterson	1.88/6'2"
47	Prince Adedoyin (Nig)	1.93/6'4"
48	Alan Paterson	1.88/6'2"
49	Alan Paterson	1.93/6'4"
50	Alan Paterson	1.93/6'4"
51	Ron Pavitt	1.95/6'5"
52	Ron Pavitt	1.93/6'4"
53	Derek Cox	1.90/6'3"
54	Tony Orton	1.85/6'1"
55	Bill Piper	1.90/6'3"
56	Oladipo Okuwobi (Nig)	1.90/6'3"
57	Oladipo Okuwobi	1.95/6'5"
58	Gordon Miller	1.95/6'5"
59	Crawford Fairbrother	2.00/6'7"
60	Robert Kotei (Gha)	2.08/6'10"
61	Crawford Fairbrother	2.05/6'9"
62	Crawford Fairbrother	2.00/6'7"
63	Crawford Fairbrother	1.98/6'6"
64	Crawford Fairbrother	2.03/6'8"
65	Crawford Fairbrother	1.93/6'4"
66	Joe Kadiri (Nig)	1.98/6'6"
67	Gordon Miller	1.98/6'6"
68	Mike Campbell	1.98/6'6"
69	Crawford Fairbrother	1.96/6'5"
70	John Ellicock	1.93/6'4"

Pole Vault

46	J. H. Dodd	3.58/11'9"
47	H. J. Moesgaard-Kjeldsen (Den)	3.58/11'9"
48	Richard Webster	3.73/12'3"
49	Tim Anderson	3.66/12'0"
50	Tim Anderson	3.81/12'6"
51	Norman Gregor	3.81/12'6"
52	Geoff Elliott	3.96/13'0"
53	Geoff Elliott	4.11/13'6"
54	Geoff Elliott	4.11/13'6"
55	Geoff Elliott	4.11/13'6"
56	Ian Ward	3.96/13'0"
57	Ian Ward	4.09/13'5"
58	Geoff Elliott	4.11/13'6"
59	Rex Porter	3.96/13'0"
60	Rex Porter	4.11/13'6"
61	Rex Porter	3.96/13'0"
62	Trevor Burton	4.21/13'10"
63	Rex Porter	4.27/14'0"
64	Trevor Burton	4.57/15'0"
65	Trevor Burton	4.27/14'0"

66	Mike Bull	4.57/15'0"
67	Mike Bull	4.57/15'0"
68	Mike Bull	4.87/16'0"
69	Mike Bull	4.73/15'6"
70	Mike Bull	4.90/16'0"

Long Jump

46	Denis Watts	7.11/23'4"
47	Harry Whittle	7.25/23'9"
48	Prince Adedoyin (Nig)	7.00/22'11"
49	Harry Whittle	7.15/23'5"
50	Harry Askew	7.07/23'2"
51	Sylvanus Williams (Nig)	7.05/23'1"
52	Sylvanus Williams	7.32/24'0"
53	Karim Olowu (Nig)	7.15/23'5"

54	Roy Cruttenden	7.22/23'8"
55	Karim Olowu	7.36/24'2"
56	Roy Cruttenden	7.25/23'9"
57	Roy Cruttenden	7.26/23'10"
58	Roy Cruttenden	7.22/23'8"
59	David Whyte	7.24/23'9"
60	Fred Alsop	7.19/23'7"
61	John Howell	7.31/24'0"
62	John Howell	7.54/24'9"
63	Fred Alsop	7.52/24'8"
64	Lynn Davies	7.95/26'1"
65	Fred Alsop	7.38/24'3"
66	Lynn Davies	8.06/26'5"
67	Lynn Davies	7.94/26'0"
68	Lynn Davies	7.94/26'0"
69	Lynn Davies	7.62/25'0"
70	Alan Lerwill	7.64/25'0"

Triple Jump

46	Denis Watts	14.29/46'10"
47	Denis Watts	14.25/46'9"
48	A. Lindsay	14.07/46'2"
49	Sidney Cross	14.14/46'4"
50	Sidney Cross	14.26/46'9"
51	Sidney Cross	14.32/47'0"
52	N. Coleman	14.15/46'5"
53	Ken Wilmschurst	14.36/47'1"
54	Ken Wilmschurst	14.87/48'9"
55	Ken Wilmschurst	15.17/49'9"
56	Ken Wilmschurst	15.16/49'9"
57	Ken Wilmschurst	14.86/48'9"
58	Ken Wilmschurst	14.73/48'4"
59	John Whall	15.00/49'2"
60	Fred Alsop	15.43/50'7"
61	Fred Alsop	15.37/50'5"
62	Mike Ralph	15.56/51'0"
63	Mike Ralph	15.34/50'4"
64	Fred Alsop	15.92/52'3"
65	Fred Alsop	15.88/52'1"
66	Fred Alsop	15.30/50'2"
67	Fred Alsop	15.67/51'5"
68	Fred Alsop	15.87/52'1"
69	Tony Wadham	15.66/51'4"
70	Tony Wadham	15.62/51'3"

Shot

46	Harold Moody	12.58/41'3"
47	Harold Moody	13.31/43'8"
48	Harold Moody	14.18/46'6"
49	John Giles	14.13/46'4"
50	John Savidge	14.79/48'6"
51	John Savidge	15.70/51'6"
52	John Savidge	16.50/54'1"
53	John Savidge	16.16/53'0"
54	John Savidge	15.54/51'0"
55	Barclay Palmer	15.11/49'7"
56	Barclay Palmer	16.51/54'2"
57	Arthur Rowe	16.38/53'9"

58	Arthur Rowe	17.29/56'9"
59	Arthur Rowe	17.95/58'10"
60	Arthur Rowe	18.04/59'2"
61	Arthur Rowe	18.58/60'11"
62	Martyn Lucking	17.55/57'7"
63	Mike Lindsay	17.64/57'10"
64	Martyn Lucking	17.96/58'11"
65	Alan Carter	17.43/57'2"
66	Mike Lindsay	16.62/54'6"
67	Jeff Teale	16.79/55'1"
68	Jeff Teale	17.74/58'2"
69	Jeff Teale	18.32/60'1"
70	Jeff Teale	18.02/59'1"

Discus

46	J. Nesbitt	42.16/138'4"
47	J. Nesbitt	42.57/139'8"
48	Ernest Brewer	41.97/137'8"
49	A. Jankovskis (DP)	43.38/142'4"
50	Harry Duguid	45.00/147'7"
51	Mark Pharaoh	43.07/141'3"
52	Mark Pharaoh	44.70/146'8"
53	Mark Pharaoh	47.65/156'4"
54	Mark Pharaoh	47.75/156'8"
55	Mark Pharaoh	47.73/156'7"
56	Mark Pharaoh	50.01/164'1"
57	Mike Lindsay	50.75/166'6"
58	Gerry Carr	50.14/164'6"
59	Mike Lindsay	53.54/175'8"
60	Mike Lindsay	52.62/172'7"
61	Len Chinnery	50.08/164'3"
62	Roy Hollingsworth (Trin)	53.02/173'11"

63	Mike Lindsay	52.93/173'8"
64	Roy Hollingsworth	54.81/179'10"
65	Mike Lindsay	51.98/170'6"
66	Bill Tancred	51.77/169'10"
67	Bill Tancred	51.74/169'9"
68	Bill Tancred	53.06/174'1"
69	Bill Tancred	53.08/174'1"
70	Bill Tancred	53.88/176'9"

Hammer

46	Duncan Clark	47.79/156'9"
47	Duncan Clark	51.44/168'9"
48	N. Drake	49.24/161'6"
49	Duncan Clark	49.51/162'5"
50	Duncan Clark	54.37/178'4"
51	Duncan Clark	52.43/172'0"
52	Duncan Clark	53.02/173'11"
53	Don Anthony	53.24/174'8"
54	Alex Valentine	53.92/176'11"
55	Ewan Douglas	56.52/185'5"
56	Peter Allday	57.28/187'11"
57	Mike Ellis	60.27/197'9"
58	Mike Ellis	61.93/203'2"
59	Mike Ellis	61.28/201'0"
60	Mike Ellis	64.19/210'7"
61	Howard Payne	59.07/193'9"
62	Howard Payne	61.24/209'11"
63	Howard Payne	61.98/203'4"
64	Howard Payne	59.88/196'5"
65	Howard Payne	59.55/195'4"
66	Howard Payne	61.57/202'0"
67	Howard Payne	60.00/196'10"
68	Howard Payne	61.42/201'6"
69	Howard Payne	66.80/219'2"
70	Howard Payne	67.66/222'0"

Javelin

46	Malcolm Dalrymple	55.29/181'4"
47	J. Stendzenieks (DP)	64.20/210'7"

48	J. Stendzenieks	66.68/218'9"
49	Anthony Hignell	56.33/184'9"
50	Mike Denley	58.53/192'0"
51	Mike Denley	60.16/197'4"
52	Mike Denley	65.86/216'1"
53	Mike Denley	63.58/208'7"
54	Maurice Morrell	60.35/198'0"
55	Dennis Tucker	64.19/210'7"
56	Peter Cullen	65.28/214'2"
57	Peter Cullen	72.11/236'7"
58	Colin Smith	65.47/218'1"
59	Colin Smith	69.91/229'4"
60	Roger Lane	74.32/243'10"
61	John Greasley	70.64/231'9"
62	John McSorley	79.25/260'0"
63	Colin Smith	72.47/237'9"
64	John FitzSimons	74.07/243'1"
65	Dave Travis	73.76/242'0"
66	John FitzSimons	77.14/253'1"
67	Barry Sanderson	73.43/240'11"
68	Dave Travis	72.16/236'9"
69	Dave Travis	80.04/262'7"
70	Dave Travis	76.90/252'3"

Decathlon

46	not held	
47	H. J. Moesgaard-Kjeldsen (Den)	5965
48	H. J. Moesgaard-Kjeldsen	5794
49	H. J. Moesgaard-Kjeldsen	6138
50	Harry Whittle	6087
51	Les Pinder	5089
52	Les Pinder	5504
53	Les Pinder	5321
54	Les Pinder	5415
55	M. Dodds	4690
56	Gerald Brown (S. Rhod)	4934
57	Hywel Williams	5370
58	Colin Andrews	5113
59	Colin Andrews	5517
60	Colin Andrews	6176
61	Danie Burger (S. Afr)	6343
62	Zlatko Sumich (Aus)	6237
63	Zlatko Sumich	6538
64	Derek Clarke	6613
65	Norrie Foster	6840
66	Derek Clarke	7001
67	Peter Gabbett	6533
68	Peter Gabbett	7247
69	Peter de Villiers (S. Afr)	6960
70	Peter Gabbett	7331

1947-50 scored on 1934 tables;

1951-63 on 1950 tables; from 1964

on 1962 tables.

2 Miles (3000m) Walk

46	Harry Churcher	14:04.0
47	Harry Churcher	13:56.0
48	Harry Churcher	13:49.8
49	Harry Churcher	—
50	Roland Hardy	13:46.8
51	Roland Hardy	13:43.2
52	Roland Hardy	13:27.8
53	George Coleman	14:02.2
54	George Coleman	13:52.0
55	George Coleman	14:01.0
56	Bob Goodall	14:20.8
57	Stan Vickers	14:05.6
58	Stan Vickers	13:33.4
59	Ken Matthews	13:19.4
60	Stan Vickers	13:02.4
61	Ken Matthews	13:24.6
62	Ken Matthews	13:59.0
63	Ken Matthews	13:18.2

64	Ken Matthews	13:22.4
65	Paul Nihill	13:20.0
66	Ron Wallwork	13:35.0
67	Ron Wallwork	13:44.8
68	Arthur Jones	13:35.6
69	Roger Mills	12:57.0*
70	Paul Nihill	12:13.8*

* 3000 metres walk

7 Miles (10,000m) Walk

46	Eddie Staker	53:29.0
47	Harry Churcher	52:48.4
48	Harry Churcher	52:32.8
49	Harry Churcher	52:41.8
50	Roland Hardy	50:11.6
51	Roland Hardy	51:14.6
52	Roland Hardy	50:05.6
53	Roland Hardy	51:47.0
54	George Coleman	51:22.8
55	Roland Hardy	53:04.6
56	George Coleman	50:19.0
57	Stan Vickers	51:34.4
58	Stan Vickers	51:10.2
59	Ken Matthews	50:28.8
60	Ken Matthews	49:42.6
61	Ken Matthews	49:43.6
62	Colin Williams	52:15.0
63	Ken Matthews	49:52.8
64	Ken Matthews	48:23.0
65	Paul Nihill	51:54.4
66	Paul Nihill	50:52.0
67	Malcolm Tolley	52:32.4
68	Paul Nihill	51:10.4
69	Paul Nihill	44:07.0*
70	Bill Sutherland	45:16.8*

* 10,000 metres walk

10 Miles Walk (RWA)

46	not held	
47	Harry Churcher	81:23.0
48	Harry Churcher	75:10.4
49	Lol Allen	75:09.0
50	Lol Allen	74:38.0
51	Lol Allen	75:41.0
52	Roland Hardy	73:16.0
53	Roland Hardy	74:53.4
54	Roland Hardy	74:16.0
55	Roland Hardy	74:47.0
56	Roland Hardy	74:31.0
57	Stan Vickers	76:51.0
58	Stan Vickers	73:44.0
59	Ken Matthews	71:00.4
60	Ken Matthews	70:57.0
61	Ken Matthews	74:21.0
62	Ken Matthews	76:10.0
63	Ken Matthews	73:00.0
64	Ken Matthews	70:22.0
65	Paul Nihill	74:55.0
66	Peter McCullagh (Aus)	74:05.0
67	Ron Wallwork	75:06.0
68	Paul Nihill	72:28.0
69	Paul Nihill	71:14.0
70	Wilf Wesch (WG)	72:07.0

20 Kilometres Walk (RWA)

65	Paul Nihill	93:33.0
66	Paul Nihill	93:45.0
67	Ron Wallwork	97:21.0
68	Paul Nihill	91:19.0
69	Paul Nihill	90:07.0
70	Wilf Wesch (WG)	91:47.0

20 Miles Walk (RWA)

46	Harry Forbes	2:50:43
47	Harry Forbes	2:47:40
48	Rex Whitlock	2:52:07

49	Lol Allen	2:51:18
50	Lol Allen	2:52:16
51	Lol Allen	2:51:52
52	John Proctor	2:52:07
53	Bob Goodall	2:50:40
54	Lol Allen	2:47:48
55	George Coleman	2:40:08
56	Roland Hardy	2:38:27
57	Eric Hall	2:45:12
58	Lol Allen	2:43:21
59	Tom Misson	2:45:19
60	Stan Vickers	2:41:41
61	Don Thompson	2:44:49
62	Ken Matthews	2:38:39
63	Paul Nihill	2:39:43
64	Paul Nihill	2:40:13
65	Paul Nihill	2:44:03
66	Ray Middleton	2:40:08
67	Roy Lodge	2:42:43
68	Paul Nihill	2:35:07
69	Paul Nihill	2:44:51
70	Wilf Wesch (WG)	2:38:15

50 Kilometres Walk (RWA)

46	Charles Megnin	4:53:25
47	Harry Forbes	4:40:06
48	Rex Whitlock	4:35:35
49	Lloyd Johnson	4:51:50
50	John Proctor	4:43:04
51	Don Tunbridge	4:45:34
52	Don Tunbridge	4:38:02
53	Frank Bailey	4:46:10
54	Albert Johnson	4:34:34
55	Albert Johnson	4:31:32
56	Don Thompson	4:24:39
57	Don Thompson	4:41:48
58	Don Thompson	4:21:50
59	Don Thompson	4:12:19
60	Don Thompson	4:32:55
61	Don Thompson	4:22:51
62	Don Thompson	4:27:26
63	Ray Middleton	4:16:43
64	Paul Nihill	4:17:10
65	Ray Middleton	4:17:23
66	Don Thompson	4:28:26
67	Shaun Lightman	4:26:56
68	Paul Nihill	4:18:59
69	Bryan Eley	4:19:13
70	Bob Dobson	4:20:22

Cross-Country (ECCU)

46	Jack Holden	
47	Arthur Robertson	
48	Sydney Wooderson	
49	Frank Aaron	
50	Frank Aaron	
51	Frank Aaron	
52	Walter Hesketh	
53	Gordon Pirie	
54	Gordon Pirie	
55	Gordon Pirie	
56	Ken Norris	
57	Frank Sando	
58	Alan Perkins	
59	Fred Norris	
60	Basil Heatley	
61	Basil Heatley	
62	Gerry North	
63	Basil Heatley	
64	Mel Batty	
65	Mel Batty	
66	Ron Hill	
67	Dick Taylor	
68	Ron Hill	
69	Mike Tagg	
70	Trevor Wright	

Women**100 Yards (100 Metres)**

45	Winifred Jordan	12.8*
46	Maureen Gardner	12.6*
47	Winifred Jordan	12.1*
48	Winifred Jordan	12.6*
49	Sylvia Cheeseman	12.1*
50	June Foulds	12.6*
51	June Foulds	12.3*
52	Heather Armitage	10.9
53	Anne Pashley	11.0
54	Anne Pashley	11.1
55	Margaret Francis	10.8
56	June Paul (Foulds)	10.6
57	Heather Young (Armitage)	10.9
58	Madeleine Weston	10.6
59	Dorothy Hyman	10.8
60	Dorothy Hyman	11.7*
61	Jenny Smart	10.7
62	Dorothy Hyman	10.6
63	Dorothy Hyman	10.9
64	Daphne Arden	10.6
65	Jill Hall	10.7
66	Daphne Slater (Arden)	10.5
67	Della James	10.7
68	Val Peat	11.5*
69	Dorothy Hyman	11.9*
70	Anita Neil	11.6*

* 100 metres

220 Yards (200 Metres)

45	Winifred Jordan	26.7*
46	Sylvia Cheeseman	25.7*
47	Sylvia Cheeseman	25.0*
48	Sylvia Cheeseman	25.7*
49	Sylvia Cheeseman	25.4*
50	Dorothy Manley	25.2*
51	Sylvia Cheeseman	25.0*
52	Sylvia Cheeseman	25.0
53	Ann Johnson	25.0
54	Ann Johnson	25.1
55	Jean Scrivens	24.9
56	June Paul	23.8
57	Heather Young	24.2
58	Heather Young	24.5
59	Dorothy Hyman	24.5
60	Dorothy Hyman	24.0
61	Jenny Smart	24.0
62	Dorothy Hyman	23.8
63	Dorothy Hyman	24.3
64	Daphne Arden	23.6
65	Janet Simpson	23.9
66	Janet Simpson	24.1
67	Maureen Tranter	24.1
68	Val Peat	23.6*
69	Dorothy Hyman	23.7*
70	Margaret Critchley	23.8*

* 200 metres

440 Yards (400 Metres)

45	Winifred Jordan	61.8
46	Margaret Walker	59.3*
47	Jean Upton	61.6*
48	Valerie Ball	60.8*
49	Valerie Ball	59.4*
50	Valerie Ball	57.5*
51	Valerie Ball	58.2*
52	Valerie Ball	59.3
53	Valerie Winn (Ball)	57.6
54	Gloria Goldsborough	57.1
55	Janet Ruff	56.9
56	Janet Ruff	56.5
57	Janet Ruff	56.4
58	Shirley Pirie	56.4

59 Margaret Pickerell	55.9
60 Pam Piercy	57.2
61 Maevie Kyle (RoI)	56.3
62 Jean Sorrell	55.1
63 Joy Grieseson	55.9
64 Ann Packer	54.3
65 Joy Grieseson	55.1
66 Joy Grieseson	54.9
67 Lillian Board	55.3
68 Janet Simpson	53.9*
69 Jenny Pawsey	54.3*
70 Linda Peck	54.5*

* 400 metres

880 Yards (800 Metres)

45 Phyllis Richards	2:26.7
46 Phyllis Richards	2:21.0*
47 Nellie Batson	2:23.1*
48 Nellie Batson	2:20.3*
49 Hazel Spears	2:19.4*
50 Margaret Hume	2:20.5*
51 Nellie Batson	2:18.4*
52 Margaret Taylor	2:17.5
53 Anne Oliver	2:15.0
54 Diane Leather	2:09.0
55 Diane Leather	2:09.7
56 Phyllis Perkins	2:13.2
57 Diane Leather	2:09.4
58 Joy Jordan	2:13.3
59 Joy Jordan	2:09.5
60 Joy Jordan	2:09.1
61 Joy Jordan	2:11.0
62 Joy Jordan	2:08.0
63 Phyllis Perkins	2:12.2
64 Anne Smith	2:08.0
65 Anne Smith	2:07.2
66 Anne Smith	2:04.2
67 Anne Smith	2:04.8
68 Lillian Board	2:02.0*
69 Pat Lowe	2:03.3*
70 Sheila Carey	2:03.6*

* 800 metres

Mile (1500 Metres)

45 Pat Sandall	5:40.2
46 Brenda Harris	5:33.6
47 Nellie Batson	5:37.6
48 Nellie Batson	5:31.8
49 Eileen Garrett	5:20.0
50 Joyce Heath	5:25.8
51 Hazel Needham	5:23.4
52 Anne Oliver	5:11.0
53 Enid Harding	5:09.8
54 Phyllis Green	5:09.6
55 Phyllis Perkins (Green)	5:05.2
56 Diane Leather	5:01.0
57 Diane Leather	4:55.3
58 Maureen Bonnano	5:02.6
59 Joan Briggs	5:02.2
60 Roma Ashby	4:54.2
61 Roma Ashby	5:01.8
62 Joan Beretta (Aus)	4:57.0
63 Pam Davies	5:10.8
64 Alison Leggett	4:56.0
65 Joyce Smith	4:53.5
66 Rita Lincoln	4:47.9
67 Rita Lincoln	4:51.4
68 Rita Lincoln	4:25.3*
69 Rita Ridley (Lincoln)	4:25.4*
70 Rita Ridley	4:15.4*

* 1500 metres

3000 Metres

68 Carol Firth	10:06.4
69 Barbara Banks	9:54.4
70 Bridget Cushen	9:49.8

80 Metres Hurdles

45 Zena Hancock	13.6
46 Bertha Crowther	12.8
47 Maureen Gardner	11.5
48 Maureen Gardner	12.0
49 Jean Desforges	11.9
50 Maureen Dyson (Gardner)	11.6
51 Maureen Dyson	11.7
52 Jean Desforges	11.4
53 Jean Desforges	11.5
54 Jean Desforges	11.4
55 Margaret Francis	11.3
56 Pam Elliott	11.1
57 Thelma Hopkins	11.4
58 Carole Quinton	10.9
59 Mary Bignal	11.3
60 Carole Quinton	10.8
61 Betty Moore (Aus)	10.8
62 Betty Moore	10.7
63 Pat Nutting	11.2
64 Pat Pryce (Nutting)	10.7
65 Pat Jones	11.2
66 Pat Pryce	11.0
67 Pat Jones	11.0
68 Pat Pryce	10.9

100 Metres Hurdles

63 Pat Nutting	14.1
64 Pat Pryce (Nutting)	13.4
65 Pat Jones	13.8
66 Mary Rand	13.7
67 Pat Jones	13.8*
68 Chris Perera	13.5*
69 Chris Perera	14.3*
70 Mary Peters	14.0*

* 2'9" hurdles

200 Metres Hurdles

61 Pat Nutting	28.3
62 Pat Nutting	28.9
63 Pat Nutting	28.9
64 Pat Jones	27.9
65 Sue Mills	28.0
66 Pat Jones	27.7
67 Pat Jones	27.3
68 Chris Perera	27.8
69 Sue Hayward (Mills)	28.5
70 Chris Bell (Perera)	27.4

High Jump

45 Dora Gardner	1.52/5'0"
46 Dora Gardner	1.55/5'1"
47 Gladys Young	1.55/5'1"
48 Dorothy Tyler	1.62/5'4"
49 Dorothy Tyler	1.60/5'3"
50 Sheila Alexander	1.62/5'4"
51 Sheila Lerwill (Alexander)	1.72/5'7½"
52 Dorothy Tyler	1.65/5'5"
53 Sheila Lerwill	1.65/5'5"
54 Sheila Lerwill	1.62/5'4"
55 Thelma Hopkins	1.65/5'5"
56 Dorothy Tyler	1.60/5'3"
57 Thelma Hopkins	1.65/5'5"
58 Mary Bignal	1.65/5'5"
59 Mary Bignal	1.62/5'4"
60 Dorothy Shirley	1.67/5'6"
61 Dorothy Shirley	1.70/5'7"
62 Frances Slaap	1.70/5'7"
63 Linda Knowles and Susan Dennler	1.60/5'3"
64 Frances Slaap	1.72/5'8"
65 Frances Slaap	1.70/5'7"
66 Dorothy Shirley	1.70/5'7"
67 Linda Knowles	1.70/5'7"

68 Dorothy Shirley	1.67/5'6"
69 Barbara Inkpen	1.72/5'7½"
70 Dorothy Shirley	1.68/5'6"

Long Jump

45 Kathleen Duffy	4.76/15'7½"
46 Ethel Raby	5.05/16'7"
47 Kathleen Duffy	5.27/17'3½"
48 Joan Shepherd	5.70/18'8½"
49 Margaret Erskine	5.37/17'7½"
50 Margaret Erskine	5.45/17'10½"
51 Dorothy Tyler	5.58/18'3½"
52 Shirley Cawley	5.61/18'5"
53 Jean Desforges	5.76/18'10½"
54 Jean Desforges	5.83/19'1½"
55 Thelma Hopkins	5.76/18'11"
56 Sheila Hoskin	5.65/18'6½"
57 Chris Cops	5.87/19'3½"
58 Sheila Hoskin	5.96/19'6½"
59 Mary Bignal	6.04/19'9½"
60 Ann Packer	5.67/18'7½"
61 Mary Rand (Bignal)	5.95/19'6½"
62 Thelma Hopkins	5.98/19'7½"
63 Mary Rand	5.91/19'4½"
64 Mary Rand	6.58/21'7½"
65 Mary Rand	6.40/21'0"
66 Mary Rand	6.13/20'1½"
67 Ann Wilson	6.13/20'1½"
68 Sheila Sherwood	6.42/21'0½"
69 Sheila Sherwood	6.23/20'5½"
70 Ann Wilson	6.32/20'8½"

Shot

45 Kathleen Dyer	9.39/30'9½"
46 Kathleen Dyer	10.19/33'5½"
47 Bevis Reid	11.03/36'2½"
48 Bevis Reid	12.34/40'5½"
49 Bevis Reid	12.34/40'6"
50 Joan Linsell	11.07/36'3½"
51 Bevis Shergold (Reid)	11.78/38'8"
52 Joan Linsell	12.10/39'8½"
53 Joan Linsell	12.11/39'9"
54 Sue Allday	12.52/41'1"
55 Jo Page	11.90/39'0½"
56 Sue Allday	13.39/43'11½"
57 Jo Cook (Page)	12.60/41'4½"
58 Sue Allday	14.15/46'5"
59 Sue Allday	13.19/43'3½"
60 Sue Allday	14.30/46'11"
61 Sue Allday	13.73/45'0½"
62 Sue Allday	13.88/45'6½"
63 Sue Allday	14.81/48'7"
64 Mary Peters	14.22/46'7½"
65 Mary Peters	14.06/46'1½"
66 Brenda Bedford	14.52/47'7½"
67 Brenda Bedford	15.18/49'9½"
68 Brenda Bedford	14.71/48'3½"
69 Brenda Bedford	15.22/49'11½"
70 Mary Peters	14.85/48'8½"

Discus

45 Kathleen Dyer	30.38/99'8"
46 Margaret Lasbrey (Rhod)	28.36/93'0½"
47 Margaret Lucas	36.40/119'5"
48 Bevis Reid	36.73/120'6"
49 Bevis Reid	36.97/121'3"
50 Joyce Smith	33.04/108'4"
51 Bevis Shergold (Reid)	39.88/130'10"
52 Sue Farmer	39.33/129'0"
53 Sue Farmer	40.01/131'3"
54 Maya Giri	39.42/129'4"
55 Maya Giri	41.68/136'9"

56	Sue Allday (Farmer)	47.02/154'3"
57	Sylvia Needham	40.22/131'11"
58	Sue Allday	47.70/156'6"
59	Sue Allday	45.21/148'4"
60	Sue Allday	45.25/148'5"
61	Sue Allday	45.29/148'7"
62	Sue Allday	46.09/151'2"
63	Sue Allday	44.39/145'7"
64	Rosemary Payne	46.24/151'8"
65	Rosemary Payne	48.04/157'7"
66	Rosemary Payne	49.89/163'8"
67	Rosemary Payne	46.66/153'1"
68	Rosemary Payne	47.20/154'10"
69	Rosemary Payne	49.58/162'8"
70	Rosemary Payne	52.58/172'6"

Javelin

45	Gladys Clarke	31.73/104'1"
46	Margaret Lasbrey (Rhod)	34.44/113'0"
47	M. Taiblova (Cz)	31.50/103'4"
48	Bevis Reid	31.10/102'0"
49	E. J. Allen	31.62/103'9"
50	Diane Coates	39.06/128'1"
51	Diane Coates	38.04/124'9"
52	Diane Coates	45.30/148'7"
53	Anne Collins	36.56/119'11"
54	Ann Dukes	39.55/129'9"
55	Diane Coates	41.78/137'1"
56	Monica Podmore	40.62/133'3"
57	Averil Williams	40.23/132'0"
58	Averil Williams	43.49/142'8"
59	Sue Platt	49.04/160'10"
60	Sue Platt	50.84/166'9"
61	Sue Platt	47.88/157'1"
62	Sue Platt	50.72/166'5"
63	Rosemary Morgan	46.19/151'6"
64	Sue Platt	49.25/161'7"
65	Averil Williams	43.09/141'4"
66	Sue Platt	45.19/148'3"
67	Sue Platt	49.15/161'3"
68	Sue Platt	53.26/174'9"
69	Sue Platt	49.34/161'10"
70	Angela King	46.70/153'2"

Pentathlon

49	Bertha Crowther	3901
50	Bertha Crowther	3829

51	Dorothy Tyler	3953
52	Sheila Sewell	3514
53	Jean Desforges	3997
54	Jean Desforges	3973
55	Margaret Rowley	3943
56	Margaret Rowley	3812
57	Margaret Rowley	4183
58	Janet Gaunt	3887
59	Mary Bignal	4679
60	Mary Bignal	4568
61	Carole Hamby	3986
62	Mary Peters	4190
63	Mary Peters	4385
64	Mary Peters	4801
65	Mary Peters	4413
66	Mary Peters	4625
67	Janet Oldall	3965
68	Mary Peters	4723
69	Moiria Walls	4591
70	Mary Peters	4841

Track Walk

45	Joan Riddington (mile)	8:42.8
46	Doris Mann (1600m)	8:38.6
47	Joan Riddington	8:36.4
48	Joyce Heath	8:17.8
49	Joyce Heath	8:25.0
50	Joyce Heath	8:17.0
51	Joyce Heath	7:50.0
52	Beryl Day (mile)	7:58.2
53	Beryl Randle (Day)	7:48.2
54	Beryl Randle	7:38.4
55	Beryl Randle	7:59.4
56	Dilys Williams	7:47.6
57	Gillian Williams	8:08.4
58	Betty Franklin	8:09.4
59	Betty Franklin (1½M)	12:56.4
60	Judy Woodsford	12:31.2
61	Sheila Jennings	12:18.4
62	Judy Farr (Woodsford)	12:20.0
63	Judy Farr	12:26.4
64	Judy Farr	12:06.8
65	Judy Farr	12:14.2
66	Judy Farr	12:09.2
67	Judy Farr	12:09.2
68	Judy Farr	12:39.0
69	Judy Farr (2500m)	12:45.8
70	Judy Farr	12:34.0

Road Walk

46	Doris Hart-Mann	22:28
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47	Joyce Heath	21:29
48	Joyce Heath	20:49
49	Joyce Heath	22:03
50	Joyce Heath	23:18
51	Leila Deas	21:06.6
52	Dilys Williams	17:09
53	Dilys Williams	20:59
54	Dilys Williams	17:49
55	Dilys Williams	20:42
56	Dilys Williams	18:39
57	Gillian Williams	23:58
58	Pat Myatt	34:55
59	Beryl Randle	35:48
60	Sheila Jennings	36:01
61	Sheila Jennings	34:30
62	Judy Farr	32:55
63	Judy Farr	39:33
64	Judy Farr	35:51
65	Judy Farr	33:35
66	Sheila Jennings	28:15
67	Betty Franklin	35:21
68	Judy Farr	34:05
69	Betty Jenkins (Franklin)	32:57

Cross-Country

46	Pat Sandall	
47	Ruby Wright	
48	Ivy Kibbler	
49	E. Johnson	
50	Avery Gibson	
51	Phyllis Green	
52	Phyllis Green	
53	Diane Leather	
54	Diane Leather	
55	Diane Leather	
56	Diane Leather	
57	June Bridgland	
58	Roma Ashby	
59	Joyce Byatt	
60	Joyce Byatt	
61	Roma Ashby	
62	Roma Ashby	
63	Madeline Ibbotson	
64	Madeline Ibbotson	
65	Pam Davies	
66	Pam Davies	
67	Pam Davies	
68	Pam Davies	
69	Rita Lincoln	
70	Rita Ridley (Lincoln)	

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My Most Memorable Moment

Several well-known personalities were asked to describe their most memorable moment in athletics during the past 25 years. Here are their replies.

NEIL ALLEN ("The Times")

I remain happily uncertain about my greatest moment in athletics. Since I am convinced that continuing enthusiasm is vital to my job it is refreshing to think that, in spite of all that has gone before, this 1970 season produced the throbbing sustained drama of the Edinburgh 5,000m . . . and I wonder whether I have ever been so moved.

Yet how can I be so disloyal to other precious memories? Wint against McKenley in the 1948 Olympic 400m, Courtney just beating Johnson over 800m at Melbourne in 1956, Chataway's 5,000m triumph over Kuts, Ann Packer's 1964 Olympic 800m victory, the men's 1,600m relay at the same Games, Duclos versus Besson at Athens at 400m, Lillian Board's relay leg there and her first 400m break-through at Los Angeles in 1967 during a meeting in which Ryun crushed Keino over 1500m.

I think, too, of a forgotten race one windy afternoon at Cambridge when Herb Elliott, unfit, just held onto his unbeaten mile record against Martin Heath and had to disappear behind the bushes to be sick. And what about the field events? The men's high jump at Stockholm in 1958 with the stadium so hushed that you could hear the tram bells from the road outside . . . and three men trying for a world pole vault record at Turin one evening this summer past.

So, Mr. Editor, I fail your commission because I cannot choose. The embarrassment of riches is too great. But my congratulations on your notable anniversary. It allows me to add that

my best memory of the past 25 years of athletics has been the friends I have made. My best wishes to them all.

DAVE COCKSEGE

Silently they line up on the wet Tartan track. A buzz of excitement could be felt all over the hushed Meadowbank Stadium in Edinburgh. The Commonwealth Games 5000m final is about to commence.

From the gun, there is no sudden leaping away and it looks to be a slow affair until Dick Taylor steps to the front and kicks things up smartly. No one drops back, though, as Taylor leads past 2000m in 5:28.6. Dick continues to drive in punishing lap after lap, and a middle 800m stretch in a cruel 2:07.0 has only Ian Stewart, Ron Clarke, Ian McCafferty, Kip Keino, Allan Rushmer and John Ng'eno hanging on.

Still no one makes a move to help Taylor. Looking jaded, Dick sticks at his task, reaching 4000m in 10:52.0 a step ahead of McCafferty, Stewart, Keino, Clarke and Rushmer. With just under a kilometre left, McCafferty dashes out in front and the race has a new leader after nine laps of world record pace. It's suddenly down to three men now—Stewart, Keino and McCafferty.

Stewart, the hard young man of iron from Birmingham, makes his strike 50m from the bell. There is no sharp acceleration, just a gradual increase in pace, until all three men are sprinting flat out along the back straight, clinging desperately together. Keino, defending his title, moves up to Stewart's shoulder approaching the final



THE EDINBURGH 5000m

"It looks like McCafferty's race for a few fleeting moments, as he moves wide to deliver his kick, but no! Stewart simply grits his teeth and keeps his chest in front relentlessly as they near the tape."

Mark Shearman

turn, but Stewart's blue-vested figure refuses to give in, and he is still in front as they dash into the home stretch. Keino glances back suddenly and eases down, seeing he's safe for the bronze. The crowd is stunned, but now it's just the two Scottish representatives fighting it out for the gold.

It looks like McCafferty's race for a few fleeting moments, as he moves wide to deliver the kick, but no! Stewart simply grits his teeth and keeps his chest in front relentlessly as they near the tape. A few metres from the finish, McCafferty too eases, and Stewart, one arm upraised as ever, wins by six tenths. Time for his last lap: 55.4. The noise is deafening. All around me in the press enclosure hardened journalists are shouting and screaming with sheer emotion. My first Games—and what a finale!

JOHN LE MASURIER

The day is Wednesday, October 14th, 1964. The place is the National Stadium, Tokyo. The Olympic track and field programme begins. Rain has fallen incessantly throughout the night and it is still raining as the small British contingent arrives at 8.30 a.m. for the qualifying competitions.

Our minds go back four years to Rome and the "black Wednesday" which heralded so many disappointments. If only we could start with a gold medal on this first day to set a pattern of British strength. Mary Rand must be thinking about this as she prepares for the long jump. By 10.30 a.m. she has qualified with a jump which exceeds the previous Olympic record and leads the qualifiers. But she had also led in Rome, before disaster struck. There is a long wait for the final which starts at 3 p.m. We decide to wait at the stadium, so lunch consists of two pieces of chicken and a bread roll taken in the British dressing room which later was to become a team headquarters for competitors both male and female, a room in which so much nervous energy was to be generated and so much team spirit engendered.

Report time is 2.40 p.m. "Good luck". "Don't worry, I'll be O.K."

The stadium is packed, the rain has stopped and the 17 finalists measure out their run-ups. Will Mary vindicate her failure at Rome? She starts well—6.59m (21'7½"), then 6.56m (21'6¼"), then 6.57m (21'6¾"), then 6.63m (21'9"), then on her 5th jump 6.76m (22'2¼"). Every jump is better than the previous Olympic record and the 6.76 against a head wind of 1.69m is a world record and a gold medal.

Mary Rand has proved to the world that on this day she is the world's greatest woman long jumper. This is my most memorable occasion—but I may be slightly biased!

CLIFF TEMPLE ("Sunday Times")

At home, in a frame, I keep a cloth number and a photograph. The number, 853, was given to me, and appears in the photo: Bruce Tulloh is wearing it as he wins the 1962 European 5000m title in Belgrade.

I wasn't in Belgrade, so had to rely on tele-

vision to see that race. The 5000m wasn't even scheduled to be shown live, but when the race was due I switched on anyway—just in case. And lo! Instead of *Dixon of Dock Green* saying "Evening all", the regular programmes were interrupted to take in the closing stages of the 5000.

The slow early pace of that championship race, despite the presence of names like Zimny, Bernard, Herrmann, Bogey, and the newly crowned 10,000m champion Pyotr Bolotnikov, was playing right into Tulloh's hands (or feet). With 600m left he cut loose a vicious sprint which took him into a clear lead; at the time I thought he'd thrown the race away. Did he know there was another lap? Had he miscounted? He hadn't.

Instead of the risk of finding out, too late, that he couldn't outspurt the bunched field on the last lap, his sudden strike had completely unsettled his rivals, who were momentarily and disastrously left wondering whether to chase or wait. Chief rival Zimny waited. In fact, he eventually covered the final 400m faster than Tulloh's swift 57.4, but the damage was done. The Englishman's bold gamble won him the gold medal by seven metres in 14:00.6—not fast, even then, but it was the manner of victory which mattered.

Although Tulloh was to run with distinction for another five years, that Belgrade win proved the high-spot of his track career. It was almost un-British in its decisiveness; since 1962 I can only think of victories by David Hemery and Ian Stewart that have had a similar quality. But, unlike Tulloh, they look at home on a running track: sturdy. The memory of Tulloh's diminutive figure, sprinting furiously round that final lap, hunted by the cream of Europe's distance runners, is one that will never fade.

PETER HILDRETH ("Sunday Telegraph")

What Gordon Pirie might have done to Vladimir Kuts over 5,000 metres at White City in September 1956 will never be known. The Russian team flew home after the scheduled international match had been called off due to the diplomatic incident generally remembered as the "case of Nina and the hats". I was one member of the team who felt rather relieved: a heavy cold was not the best confidence-builder in my task of attempting to beat the best Russian high hurdlers. A trip to Malmö instead with the Achilles team was an altogether lighter labour.

Gordon travelled with the team as a guest, anxious to take advantage of a clash with the Hungarian stars Iharos, Tabori, and Roszavolgyi, who between them had deafened us with news of their record-breaking exploits. This time they planned a pace pyramid that would usher Roszavolgyi into the 3,000 metres world record list. Their scheme suited the Pirie purpose admirably. Striding resolutely on the tail of first one Hungarian then another, Gordon was always menacing. This was not just a tame follow-my-leader time trial because although he took up the unaccustomed role of sitter, he had a fresh Hungarian or two behind him for more than six laps.

With about 500 metres to go, Roszavolgyi struck

forcefully. Iharos and Tabori were spent but the formidable "Rosza" was full of fire and along the back straight it looked as though Gordon was whipped. But somehow he summoned a kick off the last turn. I can see it all now: the struggling figures under the floodlights; Roszavolgyi slowly losing his grip; Gordon lifting his shoulders and punching with his arms, his head wagging a little as it often did when under pressure; the crowd howling him on. He made it clearly. They timed him at 7 minutes 52.8 seconds and although it was 14 years ago I do not need to look up the books to check. It stood for six years as a world record and fourteen as a UK National.

STAN GREENBERG

It was late afternoon on July 27th, 1952, and, thanks to a generous Aunt, I was in Helsinki, at the end of an unforgettable feast of deeds and personalities. Zatopek's treble, Dillard finally getting his hurdles medal, a gold medal for Luxembourg (where?), a truly great triple-jumper, the "beauty" of Mal Whitfield's style, the leg speed of Marjorie Jackson, etc., etc. Even the formation in embryo of the NUTS. But it was all to be shaded by what was to come . . . the 4x400m relay.

There was little doubt that the world record would go, but who would win? As ever, the USA were favourites, and the Germans were good, but the British contingent were pulling for Jamaica, as 50% of the team were considered to be "ours". They were amazingly strong over three legs—Rhoden had won the 400m title by inches from McKenley, with 1948 champion Wint in fifth place. But could that great-hearted little runner, Les Laing, a favourite of British fans who had managed fifth place in the 200m, live in this sort of company and give his team-mates McKenley and Rhoden a chance? In the event, it was Wint who was lacklustre, handing over a yard down, and Laing tried all he knew against Gene Cole, who ran 45.5 for his leg. Laing's 47.0 left Jamaica some 12 yards down, only three yards ahead of Germany, as "Hustling" Herb took out after 400m hurdles gold medallist Charlie Moore.

Nobody who witnessed that leg will ever forget it, as incredibly the Jamaican closed the gap and passed Moore, who was running at 46.3 pace, to give Rhoden a one yard lead over Whitfield which was held to the end. One can perhaps imagine the reaction of that stadium of knowledgeable fans to that unbelievable run by McKenley. It was then learnt that Herb had run his 400m, at worst, in 44.6 seconds. It should be remembered that this was on an "old-fashioned" cinder track, the weather was not particularly good, and it was at sea-level. I firmly believe that there has not been a one-lap run like it since, Lee Evans or no Lee Evans.

DENIS WATTS

When asked to describe one's most memorable athletic experience one tends to go into a day-dream, the mind swinging comfortably from one great achievement to another down the corridors of athletics history, now and again stopping to bask in the warmth of the memories of such places at Tokyo and Athens, which represent our most recent triumphs.

Tempting though it is to look back, we can no longer afford the time. The next five years may well be the grimmest in our history. We have a battle of survival on our hands, which, if it is not won, may well mean the extinction of track and field athletics as we know it in this country. The "breach" is now so wide that it will take all our powers to stem the tide of apathy and indifference to the problems associated with the physical well-being of our young people.

My most memorable experience must, therefore, be as one of the coaches to the European team v. the Western Hemisphere in Stuttgart, 1969. Here I felt like a little boy from the Charles Dickens era with his nose pressed against a shop window at Christmas time, rubbing one bare foot against the other in an effort to relieve his itching chilblains. It was not just the money that had been spent or the wonderful facilities or even that the sport "lived" but what made me so envious was that Germany, like so many other nations in Europe, clearly cared about the physical development of its children and, caring, was doing something about it.

May I refer your readers to my article in "AW" on "Lessons of Stuttgart" published on August 16th, 1969. Here I pointed out that unless we prepared now on a national scale for the future years of automation, increased population and, maybe, the four day working week, we would be in desperate straits by the time our grandchildren became young men and women. Only the rich sports will survive, catering for a rapidly diminishing percentage of the population and we will become a nation of television sportsmen and sportswomen . . .

NORRIS McWHIRTER

It is a sobering thought that the oldest unequalled world record on the IAAF schedule dates only from the afternoon of July 21st, 1963. It was on that occasion when 21-year-old Valeriy Nikolayevich Brumel, competing for the USSR versus

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USA in the Match Giganta, addressed himself to the bar at the unprecedented height of 2 metres 28 cms (7'5½"). A moment before this the unmistakable figure of the 15 stone, 5'5" tall, chairman Nikita Khrushcheyev had entered the stadium, an event which brought very little response from the 60,000 crowd and caused only a momentary interruption in the proceedings.

Brumel had come in at 2.05 (6'8½"), cleared first time and again at the next height of 2.10 (6'10½"). At 2.15 (7'0½") he missed first time so Gene Johnson was actually leading. Brumel restored the balance by clearing 2.18 (7'1½") at his first attempt whereas Johnson, although coming close on his third try, went out of the competition. Brumel needed all three attempts at 2.23 (7'3½") and then had the bar raised to 1 cm above his own world record at 2.28 (7'5½").

His first attempt was a very poor one and his second only exhibited a mild degree of determination. The sun was now quite low in the western sky and there was a fairly heavy shadow over the high jump fan. Brumel stalked up in his usual fussless style for his third and last attempt. His straddle was executed so quickly that many spectators, bothered by the sun, thought that he had gone under the bar. The eruption of applause was only localised but gradually it was taken up in a mixture of disbelief and wishful thinking by the entire stadium. That astounding deed remained unchallenged until November 8th this year when Ni Chih-chin cleared 2.29/7'6", thereby proving the truth of the most censored of all genetic truths in Asia—"all men are born unequal"—even if they were, as in this case, born on the same day.

MEL WATMAN

Many of my most treasured memories stem from the Tokyo Olympics. The successes of Mary Rand, Ann Packer, Lynn Davies and Ken Matthews filled me with pleasure and pride; the sprinting of Bob Hayes took my breath away; that unbelievable

10,000 left me nearly as exhausted as the runners. The gymnastic display by Abebe Bikila after finishing his momentous marathon was another unforgettable moment, as was the come-through by the indomitable Al Oerter, who should by rights have been in hospital.

The most vivid of all my Tokyo memories, though, is of Robbie Brightwell in the 4 x 400m relay.

Most athletes would have accepted an Olympic fourth place in personal best time as, at worst, a reasonable performance. Not Robbie Brightwell. In his eyes, he was a failure.

His chance for rehabilitation came in the relay. With Tim Graham (45.9), Adrian Metcalfe (45.5) and John Cooper (45.4) having excelled themselves, the onus was on Brightwell to run the race of his life. He took over fourth, a stride behind and a lane outside Wendell Mottley and George Kerr, with Henry Carr well clear. The pace was scintillating and Robbie was unable to make any impression on his West Indian rivals—until the final straight. Then, as Kerr weakened, he saw his chance. Running with the power and verve that had temporarily deserted him in the individual final, Robbie passed his man some 60 metres out. He was in the bronze medal position.

But an inspired Robbie was not going to settle for that. He maintained perfect form, and his resolve, and the reward was that he edged past Mottley just a few strides before the line. He had gone from 4th to 2nd, clocked a glorious 44.8 and proved to his own satisfaction that he was indeed a great runner. I was glad to be there to see it.

ED LACEY

My most memorable event in athletics was the first sub-four minute mile. It was during the AAA v. Oxford University match at Iffley Road, Oxford, in 1954. For some years specialist milers had been very close to breaking the four minute barrier. Wes Santee was running very close to it, as was



TOKYO 4 x 400 METRES

Robbie Brightwell is helped off the track by Tim Graham and John Cooper, while Adrian Metcalfe has his own problems of recovery.

Ed Lacey

Roger Bannister. Little did I think that it would be achieved at a mere representative match, in front of just a few hundred spectators.

Chris Brasher took the lead with Chataway and Bannister settling in behind. The end of the first lap, 54, 55, 56, 57. Excitement mounted, the runners proceeded round the 2nd lap; times again 56, 57, 58, Brasher still leading. Was this it? Half way round the 3rd lap Brasher faltered and Chris Chataway moved into the lead with Bannister trailing him. End of lap three, and the two runners had passed before 3 minutes could be called.

With about a furlong to go Bannister pulled out all stops and surged ahead. There was no letting up, Roger kept it going and flew through the tape into the arms of Les Truelove (AAA team manager), who had moved in front of me ruining my picture of the finish. But who cared? I was only using a very antiquated old camera and the picture wouldn't have been as good as those I saw in the newspapers the next day.

We waited breathlessly for the result. Norris McWhirter announced it something like this. Here is the result of the one mile: first, R. G. Bannister, in a new meeting, track, English native, British National, British All-Comers, European, British Empire and world record time of three minutes . . . nobody heard the rest. The hair on the back of my neck tingled with excitement. After the cheering died down we finally heard the full time—3:59.4. The most perfect piece of running judgment I have ever seen.

ROY MOOR ("Daily Mail")

There could never be another afternoon like it. Only two men had beaten four minutes for the mile—Roger Bannister and Australia's John Landy and here they were racing the distance against each other.

As Landy tore into the finishing straight looking set for the title, he took a fleeting glance over his left shoulder to see just how far Bannister was behind on the bend. At that very moment Bannister pounced on the Australian's blind side and whipped on to win in a personal best 3:58.8. Landy chased him over the finishing line in 3:59.6 . . . it was the first time two runners had ever broken four minutes in the same race.

The excitement of the momentous mile was still buzzing through the packed stadium when suddenly the leading marathon runner appeared on the ramp leading from the stadium entrance to the last 400 yards on the track. The stride of the England-vested leader looked confident enough until he put foot to track. Then he swayed slightly, to fall a few paces later. He rose but went down again.

After repeated falls he tried to make progress on forearms and belly before getting up and going down with another agonising thump. The heart-breaking scene caused many onlookers to weep, some to scream. Athletes and officials yelled frantic encouragement to the virtually unconscious runner, hoping it would help him recover his full senses.

It took the ashen Jim Peters 20 minutes to cover 200 yards of that final circuit yet still he was in

the lead. Could he reach the finish? England's team masseur, Mickey Mays, wisely decided "No". With arms outstretched, Mickey went on the track and caught the tottering Jim as he was about to crumple again. As minutes later Scotland's Joe McGhee came through to bag the marathon gold medal, I watched doctors and nurses in a grim fight to save Jim's life. It was some days before they were sure they had succeeded.

All this mile and marathon drama was packed into a never-to-be-forgotten final session of the Commonwealth Games at Vancouver on Saturday, August 7th, 16 years ago.

COLIN YOUNG

I suppose it seems strange for a race walker and ardent long distance running fan to choose a decathlon as the most memorable event he has witnessed over the past 25 years but I am sure the many readers who were also spectators on that occasion will understand.

The event was the 1962 European championship in Belgrade. At the end of the first day Willi Holdorf, later to become Olympic champion, led with 4370 points with fellow West German, Werner von Moltke, 35 points down and the 1954 and 1958 champion Vasily Kuznyetsov way back in sixth place with 4161.

During the second day the Russian closed the gap with a 14.5 hurdles but von Moltke increased his lead in the discus and pole vault to start the javelin 328 points ahead, while Holdorf had dropped out of contention. However, the reigning champion produced a 68.08/223'4" javelin throw, some 39ft. ahead of von Moltke, so pulling back 284 points.

So to the gruelling 1500m with just 44 digits separating the two leaders. Heat 2 saw von Moltke clock 4:46.9 to total 8022 points and as Kuznyetsov lined up for the final heat it was realised that he had to run 4:41.3—3.9 sec inside his personal best—to win. Punishing himself as never before, this great decathlete thrashed round the 3½ circuits and as he crossed the line literally hundreds of stopwatches clicked in unison. I can still vividly remember everybody glancing at their watches and consulting with their neighbours. It was certainly around 4:41, but had he done it?

Thousands waited for the electronic scoreboard to resolve the issue and then the result was flashed up . . . it was 4:41.0 and Kuznyetsov had triumphed by just FOUR points! What a contest; even a prize winning novel could not have done justice to this event.

"JIMMY" GREEN

The place: London's White City. The date: October 13th, 1954. Some 40,000 spectators packed the White City, inspired by a great Press build-up for the visit of the athletes from the USSR who had dominated the European Championships in Berne. The first East v. West confrontation in Britain, with the Kuts-Chataway 5000m duel the main attraction, caught the imagination of thousands who did not normally visit the White City and the atmosphere in the packed stadium on that

cool, misty evening was electric in its intensity.

Though the field was made up of the two Vladimirs, Kuts and Okorokov, for Moscow, and Chris Chataway and Peter Driver for London, all eyes were on the two principals, the world record holder, Kuts, and our own champion, Chataway. From the gun Kuts went in front with Chataway on his heels and this was the order as they went through lap after lap for a first mile in 4:24.4, well inside schedule to better the world record of Kuts. Excitement mounted when on the fifth lap Kuts tore off with the first of many bursts calculated to kill off his opponent. A gap of some 15 yards opened, but Chataway gradually closed the gap. Again and again Kuts put in one of his famous bursts. With excitement now at fever heat Chataway invariably pegged him back. Time at two miles: 8:54.6. Kuts tried desperately to break his rival in the next few laps but as if connected by strong elastic, Chataway maintained contact, pulling back the distance lost with every Kuts burst. As the bell came with a new world

mark inevitable, it seemed as if the whole stadium was on its feet. Never have I seen and felt such intense excitement, either before or since, as Kuts raced for home, with Chataway still there on his heels. Could he hold him?

Kuts was racing down the straight, full of running, with Chataway seeming to make no impression. Then came his final effort and with some 40 yards to go it was seen that he was very slowly closing the gap. Twenty yards from the tape he was still a yard down, ten yards out he was still not on terms, five yards out he was level, and as both went for the tape Chataway's final burst gave him victory by some 18 inches for a new world record of 13 min. 51.6 sec., and for Kuts a new Soviet record only one fifth of a second slower, as well as a new world record of 13 min. 27 sec. for three miles.

What a race! No wonder I, and thousands like me, felt drained of nervous energy! It was a race we talked about for weeks afterwards and will never forget.

Heroic Effort By Stoke's Tony Birks

IN spite of City of Stoke finishing six runners before Liege's fourth counter, it was the Belgian club who won the 9th European Clubs Cross-Country Championship, at Arlon on November 22nd. The 8km race was held over six short laps, mainly consisting of tarmac and muddy grass-land.

Tony Birks led from the gun and remained in the first three throughout the early stages, with the rest of the Stoke team bunched around 15th place. But on the 3rd lap tragedy struck Stoke as Tony Birks, in leaping an open ditch, landed on a protruding metal spike and severely cut both feet. Heroically, he continued in the race and finished 8th, but straight afterwards he was taken to Arlon Hospital, where the worst of the cuts required four stitches. Both feet were heavily bandaged and he was carried home (literally) by his team mates next day and immediately admitted to Stoke-on-Trent Hospital.

The other Stoke runners battled magnificently against the course and first class opposition to lose by just three points. By finishing one second in front of a group consisting of Tony Birks, Roy Fowler and Peter Birks, Salve of Liege clinched victory for his club.

1, Philipp (Darmstadt) 26:37; 2, Goris (Liege) 26:47; 3, Lismont (Liege) 26:52; 4, Scharn (Arnhem); 5, Alvarez (Vigo); 6, DEAN; 7, Salve (Liege); 8, A. BIRKS; 9, FOWLER; 10, P. BIRKS; 11, DEAKIN; 12, ROBERTS. **TEAMS:** 1, FC Liegeois (Bel) 30pts. (2,3,7,18); 2, CITY OF STOKE 33 (6,8,9,10); 3, Real Vigo (Spa) 46 (5,11,14,16); 4, Darmstadt (WG) 80; 5, Milan (Ita) 83; 6, Arnhem (Neth) 86; 7, Berne (Swi) 98.

P.L.B.

English runners filled first five places at Cler-

mont-Ferrand the same day on a course which is one of the few on the Continent to be bona fide cross-country.

Besides the official ECCU party (Alan Blinston, Chris Garforth and Gerry Stevens, deputising for Tim Johnston) there was also one from Bournemouth AC, led by Chris Stewart, and at the end of the first lap (2.5km) the positions were Garforth, Blinston, Stevens, Boxberger, Borowski, Evans, Stewart, Dudouet and Lewis. After 5km it was Blinston, Stevens, Garforth, Stewart, Evans, Borowski, Boxberger and Lewis.

During the final lap, Garforth paid the penalty for going off too fast and suffered from stitch, but pulled back towards the finish. Blinston got away from Stewart and held off the latter's determined effort over the short finishing straight, while Stevens ran well for 3rd. Bournemouth, without Roger Matthews, lost the team race by a point.

1, BLINSTON 22:10; 2, C. STEWART 22:13; 3, STEVENS 22:18; 4, EVANS 22:25; 5, GARFORTH 22:32; 6, Boxberger (Fra) 22:41; 7, Borowski (Fra) 22:44; 8, LEWIS 22:57; 9, Dufresne (Fra) 23:10; 10, McBRIDE 23:15; 20, BROWN. **TEAMS:** 1, Sochaux 73; 2, Bournemouth 74. **Women's event:** 1, Roggemans 6:32.6; 2, Rieuf 6:33; 3, BARRASS (Aldershot) 6:57; 4, BOSHER (Ald).

G.L.N.D.

John McNamara (TVH) won the London CC Championship in 29.14 from Peter Fagan (Ealing & S) 29.29 and Graham Taylor (Cambridge H.) 29.32. The Edinburgh to Glasgow Relay was won by Shettleston in 3:53:39 ahead of Edinburgh SH 3:53:52 and Victoria Park 3:59:15.

Full details of these two events and all recent domestic races will appear in next week's issue, which will also include a large batch of reader's letters and a 1971 UK fixture list.

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LEAGUE RACES

NORTH GLOUCS. WOMEN'S LEAGUE At Cheltenham, November 7th

Seniors/Intermediates: 1, G. Rimell (Stratford-on-Avon) 15.38; 2, S. Priest (S-o-A) 16.15; 3, C. Keene (Glos) 17.05. Team: Cheltenham & Cty.
Juniors: 1, J. Stewart (Cheltenham) 9.09; 2, L. Stanley (Stratford) 9.14; 3, C. Hockaday (Glos) 9.48; 4, J. Hancock (Strat) 10.13. Teams: 1, Cheltenham & Cty. 12; 2, Gloucester 18. **Minors:** 1, A. Swift (Gloucester) 6.56; 2, P. Waters (Gloucester) 7.10; 3, J. Clifford (Cheltenham) 7.49. Team: Cheltenham & Cty.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE LEAGUE At Blaise Castle, November 14th

1. R. Clark (Bristol) 28.42
2. S. McHale (Gloucester) 28.51
3. K. Boyden (Tipton) 28.59
4. R. Cooper (Worcs) 29.06; 5. D. Fownes (Tipton) 29.16; 6. D. Francis (W'bury) 29.30; 7. E. Austin (Worcs) 29.37; 8. J. Pope (Glos) 29.41; 9. S. Popel (West) 29.43; 10. M. Orton (Tip) 29.55; 11. J. Townsend (Swindon) 30.01; 12. J. Allen (Tip) 30.04; 13. P. Lonnen (Bris) 30.07; 14. D. Palmer (West) 30.14; 15. Evans (Tip) 30.23; 16. A. Reed (West) 30.26; 17. J. Harvey (Tip) 30.29; 18. M. Hewer (Bris) 30.40; 19. J. Edwards (Tip) 30.43; 20. R. Townsend (Swin) 30.46.

Teams: 1, Tipton (Guests) 62; 2, Westbury 62; 3, Bristol 117; 4, Gloucester 127; 5, Worcester YMCA 139; 6, Cheltenham & Cty. 329; 7, Newport 365; 8, St. Paul's Coll. 368. **League:** 1, Westbury 71; 2, Bristol 78; 3, Gloucester 87; 4, Worcester YMCA 97; 5, Cheltenham 263; 6, Newport 300.

Youths

1. A. Staynings (Westbury) 18.14
2. N. Gates (Westbury) 18.30
3. C. Ridler (Westbury) 18.58
4. R. Samuel (Glos) 19.00; 5. G. Morgan (Lewis S) 19.11; 6. A. James (West) 19.23; 7. D. Bosley (Bris) 19.28; 8. M. Hill (Glos) 19.29; 9. C. Hicks (Swin) 19.31; 10. B. Rutter (West) 19.33. **Teams:** 1, Westbury 12; 2, Gloucester 60; 3, Swindon 61; 4, AAS Chepstow 68; 5, AAS Chepstow 'B' 112.

Boys

1. R. Crabb (Swindon) 11.30; 2. V. Phillips (Swindon) 12.12; 3. N. Merrett (West) 12.19; 4. C. Casling (West) 12.22; 5. A. Matthews (Bris) 12.28; 6. D. March (West) 12.34. **Teams:** 1, Westbury 25; 2, Swindon 34; 3, Bristol 54; 4, Gloucester 83; 5, AAS Chepstow 105; 6, Newport 125.

RED ROSE LEAGUE

At Rossendale, November 14th

1. M. Freary (Bolton) 31.47
2. E. Haslam (Bolton) 32.00
3. C. Robinson (Rochdale) 32.00
4. T. Proctor (Roch) 32.19; 5. S. Kenyon (Bolton)

32.58; 6, K. Mayor (Bolton) 33.57; 7, D. Hopkinson (Bolton) 34.07; 8, R. Ashworth (Rossendale) 34.26; 9, N. Ward (Bolt) 34.41; 10, J. Fisher (Roch) 34.50; 11, S. Adshead (Roch) 35.57; 12, R. Llewellyn (Roch) 36.26.

Teams: 1, Bolton UH 30; 2, Rochdale 57; 3, Bury & Radcliffe 110; 4, Rossendale 140.

Youths

1, A. Morley (Bury) 16.43; 2, D. Topping (Bolton) 17.26; 3, J. Duckworth (Roch) 18.03; 4, H. Turner (Ross) 18.03; 5, S. O'Donnell (Bolton) 18.46; 6, G. Warburton (Ross) 19.50. **Teams:** 1, Bolton 24; 2, Rossendale 28; 3, Bury & Radcliffe 30; 4, Rochdale 33.

Boys

1, R. Chaisty (Bury) 11.50; 2, B. Troughton (Bury) 11.50; 3, J. Gorner (Bolton) 12.10; 4, S. Whitehead (Bolton) 12.12; 5, I. Shipley (Roch) 12.13; 6, P. Robinson (Bury) 12.18. **Teams:** 1, Bolton UH 55; 2, Bury & Radcliffe 56; 3, Rossendale 73; 4, Rochdale 88.

Colts

1, S. Massey (Rochdale) 8.56; 2, N. Woolworth (Ross) 9.02; 3, P. Henson (Ross) 9.06; 4, D. Bent (Roch) 9.21; 5, S. Hannon (Bury) 9.24; 6, J. Quine (Bolton) 9.29. **Teams:** 1, Bolton 109; 2, Bury & Rad. 90; 3, Rochdale 45; 4, Rossendale 70.

NORTH YORKS. & SOUTH DURHAM LEAGUE

At Darlington, November 14th

1. P. Barker (Middlesbrough & Cleve) ... 33.58
2. G. Bellord (Middlesbrough & Cleve) ... 34.12
3. B. Hilton (Darlington) ... 35.43
4. S. Markley (M & C) 35.45; 5. N. Smith (Darl) 35.50; 6. T. Rook (M & C) 35.57; 7. R. Tribeck (M & C) 36.02; 8. K. Yodden (M & C) 37.03; 9. K. Maughen (Burn Rd) 37.10; 10. D. Hewison (Darl) 37.42; 11. C. Sykes (M & C) 38.10; 12. K. Fielden (Bill) 38.36. **Teams:** 1, Middlesbrough & Cleveland 31; 2, Darlington 69; 3, Burn Rd. 110; 4, Billingham Syn. 138.

Youths

1, D. Coates (M & C) 20.47; 2, S. Carter (Darlington) 21.06.

Boys

1, J. Houchen (M & C); 2, G. Graydon (Darl); 3, C. Berwick (M & C); 4, T. Willis (Burn Rd); 5, K. Tinkler (Darl); 6, — (M & C). **Teams:** 1, Middlesbrough & Cleveland 19; 2, Darlington 34; 3, Burn Road 52.

Colts

1, C. Wallace (M & C) 6.53; 2, D. Waddington (Darl) 7.15; 3, C. Bowers (Darl) 7.20. **Teams:** 1, Middlesbrough & Cleveland 19; 2, Darlington 28; 3, Burn Rd. 40.

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ROAD RACE RESULTS WANTED

Brian Nott, the RRC statistician, would appreciate the results of these events during the past year: Billingham 10½, Bury & Radcliffe 21, Cardiff 20, Chelmsford Half Marathon, Cleckheaton 10, Clonliffe 20, Derwentwater 10, BLE Marathon, Middleton 15, Mitcheldean 14, Rye 10, Scunthorpe 15, S. Shields 10, Sussex 20, Tipton 12. His address is 22 Bridge Court, Bridge Street, Leatherhead, Surrey.

At Uxbridge, November 21st

(Feltham); 50. L. Hatton (Basildon); 51. E. Aretze (Ver); 52. D. Fitzgerald (LOAC); 53. J. Gottard (Hav); 54. P. Ward (Watford); 55. M. Forbes (Cam'ly); 56. J. Cooke (Croy); 57. M. Stewart (Ilford); 58. L. Browning (Dork SP); 59. L. Hall (Feltham); 60. P. Winter (AFD); 61. D. Symond; (Mx. L); 62. J. French (Mx. L); 63. J. McClaren (Ux); 64. L. Howell (Selsonia); 65. C. Wilkinson (Uxb); 66. C. Dixon (Ryde); 67. P. Coldman (Tonbridge); 68. C. Symonds (Feltham); 69. S. Sharpe (H'gate); 70. S. Cooper (Medway); 71. T. Adams (Kt. AC); 72. G. Inns (Watford); 73. N. Sequin (Ex. L); 74. S. Powell (Ton); 75. W. Wilton (E & S). 158 finished.

Teams:

	Pts.
1. Havering (2, 4, 5, 9)	20
2. Aldershot, F. & D. (1,20,25,31)	77
3. LOAC (11,21,47,52)	131
4. Basildon 137; 5. Watford 139; 6. Verlea 146;	
7. Thurrock 148; 8. Feltham 155; 9. Ilford 188;	
10. Hillingdon 193; 11. Windsor, S. & E. 216;	
12. Essex LAC 240; 13. Uxbridge 242; 14. Middle-	
sex LAC 245; 15. Tonbridge 265; 16. Ryde 277;	
17. Mitcham 296; 18. Selsonia 344; 19. Wycombe	
Ph. 346; 20. Uxbridge "B" 392.	



Margaret Beacham leading from Norine Braithwaite during her record 1000 metres at Cosford.
Tony Duffy

'Dead Heat' Denied In Epsom '10'

UNEXPECTEDLY, officials split Reading runners Keith Darlow and Ron McAndrew as they crossed the line together in the Epsom open 10 miles road race on November 21st. While they were surprised at being separated, there was no question of indignation. In fact, Darlow, who was declared the winner, got the prize he wanted, an electric drill, while McAndrew was happy to settle for a stainless steel tea set! They were both given 49.27 but they were by no means together for the entire race.

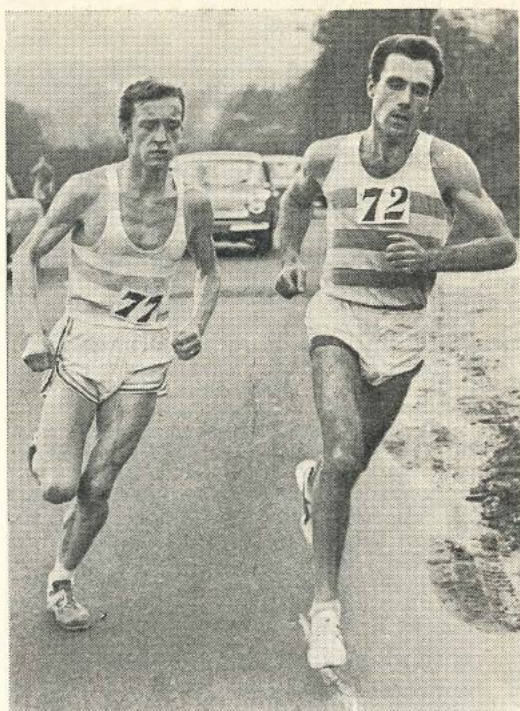
The Reading pair shot into the lead soon after the start and with the first of the two laps completed they were running level about 100y clear of Mitcham's Geoff Biscoe with another Reading runner, Brian Bacon, third. McAndrew and Darlow passed 5M in 24.04, Biscoe clocked 24.19, and Bacon 24.39. With just under four miles left, McAndrew pulled away from Darlow, who was still feeling the after-effects of a race at Aldershot three days earlier. McAndrew moved away steadily and the race seemed all but over.

However, two miles after making his break McAndrew himself hit a rough patch while Darlow, a 28-year-old Army captain, was looking stronger. With just under a mile to go the two were level again.

Epsom's organisation could not be faulted. There were plenty of markers along the narrow country lanes. An undulating and fairly tough "10", luckily there was not much traffic on the roads to make life too hazardous for the competitors.

Tom Pollak

1. K. Darlow (Reading) 49.27
2. R. McAndrew (Reading) 49.27
3. G. Biscoe (Mitcham) 50.11
4. B. Bacon (Reading) 50.24; 5. J. Awcock (Horsesham BS) 50.39; 6. M. Duff (Read) 50.47; 7. B. Baldaro (Read) 50.58; 8. C. Abrahams (Exeter) 51.04; 9. P. Lonnen (Bris) 51.20; 10. W. Allen (E&E) 51.36; 11. L. Mann (Bel) 51.55; 12. G. Pringuer (S'gate) 52.02; 13. K. Whyte (Read) 52.07; 14. D. Manning (Mit) 52.15; 15. L. O'Hara (Bel) 52.33; 16. P. O'Connor (Bel) 52.35; 17. B. Collins (Herc. Wim) 53.07; 18. G. McEntire (E&E) 53.12; 19. A. Pellett (B&H) 53.47; 20. T. Hart (Bel) 54.02; 21. D. Smallbone (Mit) 54.13; 22. R. Tinnling (Morpeth) 54.21; 23. D. Jenkinson (Oxford C) 54.24; 24. R. Small (Met. Police) 54.34; 25. R. Franklin (TVH-vet) 54.42; 26. C. Shippen (Bel) 54.50; 27. M. Farley (HHH) 54.58; 28. M. Coventry (Mit) 54.59; 29. S. Allen (HHH) 55.17; 30. D. Funnell (E&E-v) 55.22; 31. T. Lane (Read) 55.34; 32. C. Chater (Read) 55.34; 33. A. Codd (SLH) 55.39; 34. A. Pawsey (Mit) 55.43; 35. C. Solcombe (E&E) 55.54; 36. J. Cock (E&E) 56.05; 37. G. Newton (Luton) 56.09; 38. R. Johnson (Liv. Pem) 56.22; 39. R. James (Bel) 56.24; 40. R. Treadwell (BEA/Sy. Bgls) 56.26; 41. B. Oulds (Thurrock) 56.36; 42. P. Fenton (Croydon) 56.43; 43. T. Mayor (MP) 56.45; 44. E. Gutteridge (Camb) 57.01; 45. V. Barltrop (Unatt) 57.01; 46. B. Hicks (MP) 57.07; 47. B. Flanagan (Bristol)



Ron McAndrew (left) and Keith Darlow approaching the finish of the Epsom "10".

Ron Linstead

57.12; 48. J. Anderson (Croy) 57.16; 49. J. Ellingham (AFD) 57.23; 50. D. Atkinson (Barry) 57.32. 109 finished.

Teams: 1, Reading (1,2,4) 7; 2, Reading 'B' (5,6,10) 21; 3, Mitcham (3,11,15) 29; 4, Belgrave 34; 5, Epsom & Ewell 43; 6, HHH 73; 7, Met. Police 74; 8, Bristol 83; 9, Croydon 100; 10, Epsom & Ewell 'B' 100; 11, Cambridge 102; 12, Sy. Beagles 131.

NORTHERN POLICE LEAGUE

At Manchester, November 11th

1, E. Pomfret (Durham) 33.12; 2, M. Denham (W. Yks) 33.25; 3, Aconley (W. Yks) 33.56; 4, Berry (Lancs) 34.06; 5, Bufton (Staffs) 34.18; 6, Johnson (Staffs) 34.26; 7, Boothroyd (W. Yks) 34.40; 8, Jones (Staffs) 34.52; 9, Bailey (Lancs) 35.07; 10, Chambers (W. Yks) 35.20. **Teams:** 1, W. Yorks Police 22; 2, Staffs/Stoke Const. 33; 3, Durham Con. 42; 4, Lancashire Con. 47; 5, Sheffield/Rotherham Police 137; 6, Bradford City Police 151.

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West of Scotland Harriers' Club has been re-named the West of Scotland Athletic Club.



Some of the leading competitors during the Rochester "5": Richard Newble (193), Malcolm Absolom (14), Tim Briault (179) and Jon Wigley (206). *Peter Williams*

"ATHLETICS WEEKLY" TOURS ABROAD, 1971-72

European Championships, Helsinki, 1971. 10-day trip, centrally situated medium grade hotel.

The party will leave Luton Airport (transport laid on from Victoria) mid-morning on Monday, August 9th and will return to Luton (transport to Victoria) at 5.30 p.m. approx. on Wednesday, August 18th, giving two and a half days for sight-seeing, etc., after the Championships have finished. Helsinki is a most attractive seaport venue with lakes and forests nearby.

We had the option of travelling by Britannia aircraft which would be several pounds cheaper but would take nearly double the time. We felt that members would prefer to go by jet (BAC-111) and get there in just over two and a half hours. The cost has been kept down to £75 which will include 27/- airport taxes, a half-day sight-seeing tour, and probably lunch on the aircraft in each direction. Tickets for the stadium are being obtained for every member, cost to be notified later.

Early booking is advisable, as once the aircraft is full, it may not be possible to obtain a further aircraft for additional party members and only schedule flights may be available at considerable extra expense. So book now by sending £5 deposit to Page & Moy Ltd., 221/223 Belgrave Gate, Leicester, LE1 3HW.

Olympic Games, Munich, 1972. There will be two "A.W." Tours, No. 1 leaving London by air Friday evening, August 25th for Munich, where the party will go straight to the lovely resort of Konigsee in the Bavarian Alps amongst the lakes and mountains. The party will stay there until the day before the start of the athletics, then travel to Munich for the whole of the Games, based in an excellent hotel, and returning to London the day after the Closing Ceremony. For those wishing to attend the Opening Ceremony a special excursion will be run from Konigsee to Munich on August 26th and anyone wishing to stay in Munich for the whole period to attend other sports could be accommodated. Cost inc. full board at Konigsee and B. & B. Munich, all transport, etc., and full insurance cover, approx. £78-£80. Write to Asset Travel Ltd., 48 Maddox Street, London, W.1. Deposit on booking £5.

Tour No. 2 will leave London by coach on Tuesday, August 29th, then Southend-Ostend by Channel Airways to Munich by luxury coach, making overnight stop in Aachen. Returning September 11th with overnight stop in Aachen, arriving back September 12th. Price, inc. B. & B. in good class hotel, 51 gns. approx. Write to Page & Moy Ltd. as above. Deposit on booking £5.

Greater London Women's League

At Welwyn Garden City, November 28th

1. R. Ridley (Essex Ladies) 15.17
2. M. MacSherry (Cambridge H.) 15.22
3. R. Cullen (Watford) 15.31
4. A. Barrass (Aldershot) 15.44; 5. M. Sonner (Watford) 15.49; 6. C. Gould (Bar) 16.00; 7. B. Bush (B & H) 16.08; 8. P. Yule (B & H) 16.10; 9. J. Allison (Camb) 16.12; 10. B. Cushen (HW) 16.14; 11. S. Marquis (Wat) 16.25; 12. G. Goodburn (Camb) 16.30; 13. C. Ansell (Ver) 16.36; 14. J. Tye (Wat) 16.50; 15. P. Winter (Ver) 16.52; 16. M. Townsend (Ports) 16.53; 17. S. Fidler (Croy) 16.54; 18. A. Dunn (Camb) 16.54; 19. J. Caffall (Mx. L) 17.00; 20. C. Roy (Hill) 17.12; 21. L. Boshier (AFD) 17.14; 22. P. Davies (Sel) 17.17; 23. P. Fowler (H'wards H.) 17.22; 24. J. Freeman (Bar) 17.24; 25. C. Atkinson (Thurr) 17.28; 26. S. Kazi (AFD) 17.39; 27. B. Nelson (Bar) 17.40; 28. A. Roberts (Sy. AC) 17.42; 29. L. Hammond (Bar) 17.44; 30. C. Brannon (Hav) 17.45; 31. S. Bierton (Wat) 17.46; 32. P. Bagley (Camb) 17.46; 33. J. Leach (Ryde) 17.47; 34. P. Jones (Hf) 17.51; 35. L. Norgett (B & H) 17.55; 36. E. Fisher (Wat) 17.56; 37. B. Brown (Croy) 18.07; 38. M. Hadler (Camb) 18.12; 39. A. Toms (Bar) 18.14; 40. D. Marchment (Croy) 18.14; 41. C. Timms (Sy) 18.14; 42. B. Franklin (Kt. AC) 18.17; 43. F. Parker (Hill) 18.21; 44. C. Newman (H'gate) 18.21; 45. A. Jones (H'wards Hth) 18.25; 46. M. Caffall (Mx. L) 18.25; 47. G. Coleman (Thurr) 18.41; 48. A. Coleman (Thurr) 18.49; 49. N. Spain (H'gate) 19.01; 50. M. Hodgson (Sel) 19.02; 51. S. Day (E & E) 19.16; 52. S. Glen-Bott (E & E) 19.23; 53. M. Hoptrough (Hill) 19.29; 54. J. Ellis (Wat) 19.34; 55. J. Webster (AFD) 19.36; 56. S. Parsons (Ver) 19.49; 57. J. Dudley (Cam'ly) 19.53; 58. M. Tanetta (H'gate) 19.58; 59. H. Grier (Hill) 19.58; 60. J. Rowley (Mx. L) 20.01. 95 finished.

Teams: 1. Watford (3,5,11,14,31) 64; 2. Cambridge (2,9,12,18,32) 73; 3. Barnet (6,24,27,29,39) 125; 4. Aldershot 194; 5. Brighton & Hove 242; 6. Croydon 266; 7. Hillingdon 271; 8. Verlea 276; 9. Highgate 286; 10. Thurrock 291; 11. Middlesex LAC 298; 12. Haywards Hth 324; 13. Portsmouth 337; 14. Epsom & Ewell 341; 15. Essex LAC 341; 16. Kent AC 342; 17. Surrey AC 347; 18. Selsonia 356; 19. Ilford 384; 20. Camberley 392.

Final Result: 1. Watford (60,85,64) 209; 2. Cambridge (92,88,73) 253; 3. Barnet (114,248,125) 487; 4. Aldershot 672; 5. Brighton & Hove 759; 6. Thurrock 765; 7. Hillingdon 768; 8. Highgate 915; 9. Haywards Hth. 916; 10. Croydon 937; 11. Epsom & Ewell 956; 12. Verlea 957; 13. Middlesex L. 991; 14. Selsonia 1114; 15. Kent AC 1116; 16. Essex L. 1181; 17. Portsmouth 1183; 18. Ilford 1216; 19. Havering 1236; 20. Surrey AC 1251.

Individuals: 1. MacSherry (1,5,2) 8; 2. Bush (2,3,7) 12; 3. Barrass (4,7,4) 15; 4. Marquis 18; 5. Gould 23; 6. M. Sonner 25.
(Intermediate & Junior results, plus Cliff Temple's report will appear next week)

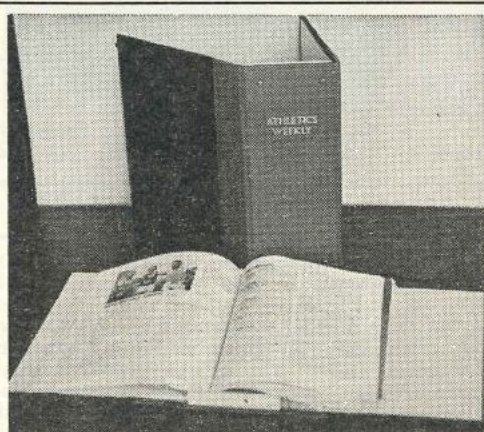
Ron Hill Is World's Fastest Marathoner

RON HILL, who with Bill Adcocks runs in the Asahi Marathon at Fukuoka in Japan on Sunday, is—it transpires—the holder of the unofficial world record for the marathon.

The fastest time on record is 2:08:33.6 by Australia's Derek Clayton at Antwerp on May 30th, 1969, but it has now come to light that the course was **630 metres short**—the best part of two minutes in terms of time.

Thus, the fastest time for an authentic marathon is Ron Hill's 2:09:28.0 in winning the Commonwealth title at Edinburgh on July 23rd, 1970, with Clayton ranking number two with his 2:09:36.4 at Fukuoka in 1967.

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RESULTS IN BRIEF

November 8th

Harding Women's Memorial Relays, at Hayes.
(Seniors) 1, London Olympiades 39.35; 2, Mitcham 39.37; 3, Hillingdon 39.53. **Fastest (3000m):** C. Roy (Hill) 9.05, B. Rowe (LOAC) 9.17, P. Thurmer (Mit) 9.20. **(Intermediates)** 1, Uxbridge 29.06; 2, Windsor, S&E 30.55; 3, Hillingdon 31.56; 4, LOAC 34.07. **Fastest (3000m):** B. Price (Ux) 8.50, J. Low (Ux) 9.25, K. Barnett (Wind) 9.41. **(Juniors)** 1, Uxbridge 28.15; 2, LOAC 28.21; 3, Hillingdon 28.29; 4, Windsor 29.25; 5, Huntingdon 29.48; 6, Windsor 'B' 30.01. **Fastest (2000m):** J. Crook (Ux) 9.07, A. Coxon (Hill) 9.07, L. Harvey (LOAC) 9.09.

Bracknell AC Discus Championships, at Bracknell. **(Junior)** S. Lody 46.92/153'11" (pb). **(Youths)** A. Goodwin 50.58/165'11". **(Intermediate Girls)** 1, J. Thompson 39.52/129' 8" (pb); 2, J. Elsmore 38.36/125'10"; 3, L. Shaw 30.50/100'1". **(Junior Girls)** 1, K. Whittear 30.60/100'5"; 2, W. Gornsell (13) 28.10/92'2" (pb); 3, J. Entwistle 27.96/91'9".

November 11th

Queen Mary Coll. 43, Royal Veterinary Coll.

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OPEN WEST HAM "8" ROAD RACE

(Under A.A.A. Laws)

WEDNESDAY, 24th FEBRUARY, 2.30 p.m.

At ASHTON PLAYING FIELDS, WOODFORD

Awards: First 3 teams, first 3 individuals.

Entry Fees: 5/- per individual, 15/- per team (four run, three to score).

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CAMBERLEY & DISTRICT A.C.

SEVENTH YOUNG ATHLETES' MEETING

(Under A.A.A. Laws)

SATURDAY, 29th MAY, 1970

BRACKNELL STADIUM

at 10.30 a.m.

Details available from Mr. R. Gilfrin, 40 Star Post Road, Camberley, Surrey.

ENTRIES CLOSE 1st MAY, 1971

NO LATE ENTRIES ACCEPTED

44, Brunel Univ. 88, St. Bart's MC 91, at Potters Bar. 1, D. Gunstone (LSE) 28.02; 2, R. Reeves (QMC) 28.04; 3, J. Newcombe (RVC) 28.07; 4, P. Walker (RVC) 29.06; 5, D. Atkin (RVC) 29.29; 6, A. Crompton (LSE) 29.45; 7, J. Brooks (St. B) 29.55; 8, G. Chamberlain (QMC) 30.06; 9, S. Kightley (QMC) 30.16; 10, G. Coffey (QMC) 30.25.

Sheffield Univ. "B" 17, Sheffield Univ. "C" 52, Nottingham Coll. 58. 1, J. Fisher (S) 21.05; 2, F. Upcott (S) 21.14; 3, A. Macbrayne (S) 21.18.

RAF 32, Leeds Univ. 53, RAF "B" 91, Leeds Univ. "B" 147, Bradford Univ. 159, at Leeds. 1, F. Briscoe (L) 31.54; 2, M. Hurd (R) 32.06; 3, F. Martin (R) 33.04; 4, T. Pugh (R) 33.04; 5, P. Griffiths (L) 33.29; 6, R. Auckett (R) 33.30; 7, Wylie (L) 33.42; 8, B. Balls (R) 33.50; 9, R. Donkin (R) 34.01; 10, M. Lambert (L) 34.15.

November 12th

Stretford AC 10 Mile Track Championship. 1, D. Owen 55.15; 2, D. Telford 56.29; 3, P. Cooper 58.39.

November 14th

Veterans AC Cross Country. 1, J. Flowers (5.30) 30.04; 2, R. Goodwin (6.55) 30.40; 3, G. Collett (5.05) 30.40. **Fastest:** S. Charlton 34.18.

Salford H 24, De-La-Salle College 65, at Boggart Hole Clough. 1, S. Curran (S) 34.45; 2, B. Aspdon (S) 35.05; 3, G. Claff (S) 35.23.

Polytechnic 21, London Irish 34 (including Poly. Champs.). 1, A. Joslyn (P) 25.28; 2, N. King (LI) 25.42; 3, A. Mineyko (P) 25.50; 4, P. Butcher (Guest) 26.12; 5, P. Robins (P) 27.13; 6, R. Cullinane (LI) 27.25.

York Univ. C.C. Relay. 1, Alsager Coll. (Robertson, Gordon, King, Hazeltine) 80.24; 2, Bradford Univ. (Freeman, Munt, Fleming, Cox) 80.34; 3, York Univ. (Lynch, Varney, Hampson, Morrison) 80.43; 4, Leicester Univ. 81.26; 5, Rowntrees AC 84.02; 6, Salford Univ. 86.11. **Fastest:** (3½M) King 18.43 (rec), Varney 19.14, M. Knowles (Leics) 19.22.

November 15th

St. Mary's Coll. 20, St. Mary's "B" 65, Veterans AC 108, at St. Mary's. 1, M. Kortenray (Mitcham) 29.07; 2, J. Mescall (SM) 29.09; 3, F. Brady (SM) 29.58. **Handicap:** B. Power 34.06 (6.00) 28.06.

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SATURDAY, 26th DECEMBER, 1970

At Memorial Hall, Cranford High Street

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3.15 p.m. T.V.H Cup 14-U/16 on 1.9.70.

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(9½M)

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SATURDAY, 19th DECEMBER, 2.50 p.m.

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CAMBERLEY & DISTRICT A.C.

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CROSS-COUNTRY RACES

(Under W.C.C. & R.W.A. Rules)

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(Over 11 & under 12 on 1.9.70)

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Wednesday, 9th. December.

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(MEN AND WOMEN)

At R.A.F. COSFORD,
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On FRIDAY/SATURDAY,

JANUARY 9th/10th, 1971

(Including some Open events)

Under A.A.A. & W.A.A.A. Laws

COSFORD GAMES EVENTS:

(Prizes will be awarded)

Senior Men: 60m, 400m, 800m, 1500m,
3000m, 60mH, 2000m S/C (Heats, Semis
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HJ and Shot.

Senior Ladies: 60m, 400m, 800m, 1500m,
60mH, LJ, HJ and Shot.

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CLOSING DATE: 19th DECEMBER, 1970

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