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European Indoor Championships**At Grenoble, March 11/12th****NO BRITISH MEDALS THIS TIME****World Bests By Viktor Saneyev, Tamara Pangelova, Rita Schmidt**

IF there were any doubts among Britain's team of 17 who competed in the European Indoor Championships at Grenoble as to how tough it will be to sniff any kind of medal in Munich, they were swept away at the Palais des Sports last weekend. For the first time since the Championships (née Games) were inaugurated in 1966, Britain returned not only without a gold medal, but indeed without anything higher than the two fifth places gained by Pete Browne (800m) and Maureen Chitty (long jump). In fact, of the eleven athletes competing in track events involving preliminary rounds, only Browne reached his final. Even without considering the American and emerging African challenge, competition at Munich is going to be of a murderously high standard, and although admittedly some leading British athletes have not been competing indoors, our squad of 17 was hardly a 'B' team; some sights will have to be raised for the summer.

Perhaps it was to our jumpers we looked most keenly for success, and that made the eighth place of Lynn Davies, a former title holder, all the harder to take, especially as this is his final season. Never looking really happy, Davies only just scraped into the extra three jumps pool, and then fouled all three. Hoping as he was to lay what he calls "the Cosford myth", he was desperately disappointed with his jump of 7.64/25'0 $\frac{1}{2}$ ", and now plans just to work on his training before coming out for a late start to summer competition. With Igor Ter-Ovanesyan not competing here after all, a tense contest for the medals still ensued, with just 23cm covering the first six places, as East Germany's Max Klauss snatched the title from holder Hans Baumgartner on his last effort, 8.02/26'3 $\frac{1}{2}$ ".

Barbara Inkpen, who like Davies, is still in the middle of heavy winter weight training, came down to earth with a thump in more ways than one in the high jump, as she found 1.78/5'10" beyond her, and almost missed landing on the pit on her third failure. A good six-foot clearance now would see Barbara more happily into the next phase of her Olympic training, but the opportunities are rare, and she will remain competitively hungry. Nevertheless, she gained some consolation in the fact that Beatrix Rechner, who beat her in Bucharest a fortnight before, could manage only 1.73/5'8" here, and finished last in a competition which was notable for the first major international title won by Rita Schmidt. She cleared 1.90/6'2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ", and was close to a world record 1.92/6'3 $\frac{1}{2}$ ", a performance which brought her the Athlete of the Championships award.

Mike Bull, who had been over 17 feet (5.18) in training at Belfast a few days before, had wretched luck in the pole vault. Although feeling good, he strained a thigh muscle warming up, and had to suffer a 45 minute waiting period for a doctor's attention while the opening stages of the competition took place. When he got into the event, the bar was already at 5.00/16'4 $\frac{1}{2}$ ", just four inches below his UK outdoor record. Taking a gamble, he actually snapped the bar on his first attempt, but hoisted himself clear on the second, to watch it shaking but staying up. He passed 5.10/16'8 $\frac{1}{2}$ ", prepared to have one do or die effort at 5.20/17'0 $\frac{1}{2}$ ", but after a couple of run-throughs decided the muscle made it impossible to vault, and sadly withdrew. His enforced wait landed him sixth place, however. The title itself went almost inevitably to Wolfgang Nordwig, but some brilliant vaulting from the Swede, Hans Lagerqvist, who upped his personal best to 5.30/17'4 $\frac{1}{2}$ ", 5.35/17'6 $\frac{1}{2}$ " (3rd attempt) and finally 5.40/17'8 $\frac{1}{2}$ ", (3rd attempt) stretched Nordwig to the limit. Both failed 5.45/17'10 $\frac{1}{2}$ ".

*Report by CLIFF TEMPLE
of the "Sunday Times"*

Geoff Capes, whose shot progress has been one of the happier aspects of this winter season, was never more ready, physically or mentally, for a competition, but somehow it just didn't click. His opening effort of around 19.60m (64'3 $\frac{1}{2}$ ") could have got him into the first six, but he lost balance and stumbled forward to make it void. Two other fouls, and a best of 18.67/61'3", left him eighth, and as his usually conservative prediction of his form had been around 19 metres he was naturally disappointed. Poor Capes had to follow Hartmut Briesenick, the defending champion (who blasted out a European indoor best of 20.67/67'9 $\frac{1}{2}$ "), into the circle each round, and a similarly unfortunate draw befell Mary Peters, following Nadyezhda Chizhova in the women's event. The Russian was also in great form (19.41/63'8 $\frac{1}{2}$ ") and though Mary was dejected with her own 13th place at 14.90/48'10 $\frac{1}{2}$ ", it still bodes well for the pentathlon.

Both Mary and Ann Wilson progressed to the semi-finals of the 50m hurdles as fastest losers, but got no further, and unhappily Alan Pascoe failed to reach the final of the men's event, won by a wildly-acclaimed Guy Drut, making amends

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THE WEEK AHEAD

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Sunday, March 19th: Blackheath H Winter Track Meeting at Crystal Palace; Cockermouth ASA Road Races; Sunday YA League at Welwyn.

Wednesday, March 22nd: RAF v. Belgian RAF at Brussels.

Saturday, March 25th: Northern 12 Stage Road Relay at Sheffield; Cambridge H Road Relay at Bexley; TVH Road Relay at Cranford; English Schoolboys Championships at Hillingdon; Orion '15'; Southend Road Relay; Combined Services v. ECCU v. BUSF v. BCSEA at HMS Dryad; Hastings '5'; Ballyclare '10'; St. Austell Road Race; Watford '6'; Gwent League at Bridgend; Midland Women's Road Relays at Harborne; Scottish National Indoor Championships at Perth; Clydesdale Open Road Races at Clydebank; Scottish Boys Brigade Championships at Edinburgh; Newcastle Open '7'; Havering Women's Road Relays; AAA 10,000m Track Walk at Hurlingham.

Sunday, March 26th: FISU World Students Championships at Surrey University, Guildford; Croydon H "Pedro Domecq" Road Relay at Crystal Palace; Ryde Women's Canoe Lake Relays, Isle of Wight; Hillingdon AC One Hour Track Race at Uxbridge.

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EASTER MONDAY, 3rd APRIL, 2 p.m. start.
Men's 100 yds. & 4 mls.; Women's mile;
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Fees: Men & Women 25p. Boys & Girls 10p.
Entries by 27th March to Bernard Baldwin,
9, Campbell Terrace, Mountain Ash, Glam.
Extensive prize lists.

HILLINGDON ATHLETIC CLUB

OPEN FLOODLIT MEETING

(Under A.A.A. & W.A.A.A. Laws)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5th, 1972

AT JUDGE HEATH LANE STADIUM

HAYES, MIDDLESEX

First Event 7 p.m.

Men's Events: 100, 200, 400, 800, 3000m, HJ.
Ladies' Events: 100, 200, 400, 800m, LJ.
Fees: 10p per event to D. Bullock, 38 Blacklands Drive, Hayes, Middx. Closing date: 29th March. No entries accepted on the day.

MAIDENHEAD A.C. 20th OPEN

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(Under A.A.A. Laws)

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Easter Monday, April 3rd, at 3 p.m.

From Braywick Sports Stadium, Maidenhead

Awards: Winner holds "Aspro Cup" for 1 year. Replica to winner and 12 ind. prizes. Time certs. all finishers. Winning team hold Coronation Trophy for year. Plaques to 3 members winning team and medals to 3 members 2nd and 3rd teams. Prize 1st Vets. over 40 and 45, plus Mystery prizes.

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SUSSEX LEAGUE

At Worthing, February 19th

1, P. Standing (Brighton & Hove) 32.39; 2, P. Bennett (Brighton & H) 33.21; 3, P. Standen (Brighton) 33.39; 4, D. Pellett (Brighton) 34.08; 5, B. Randall (Brighton) 34.16; 6, A. Clarke (Worthing) 34.40; 7, D. Cowell (Craw) 35.11; 8, J. Luxford (Horsham) 35.17; 9, B. Collier (Worthing) 35.20; 10, P. Gallaher (Craw) 36.27; 11, P. Bidmead (Hastings) 37.01; 12, M. Baker (Horsham) 37.16; 13, J. Painter (Worthing) 37.22; 14, P. Thompson (Worthing) 37.41; 15, D. Baker (Horsham) 38.00; 16, G. Harrison (B&H) 38.16; 17, D. White (Craw) 38.43; 18, H. Martin (Hor) 38.50; 19, I. Wilson (Brighton) 39.00; 20, C. Storey (Craw) 39.07. **Teams:** 1, Brighton & Hove 31; 2, Worthing 86; 3, Crawley 97; 4, Horsham BS 104; 5, Hastings 162½; 6, Bexhill 223; 7, Eastbourne 229½. **Final positions:** 1, Brighton & Hove 80; 2, Horsham BS 308; 3, Crawley 332; 4, Worthing 369; 5, Falmer Striders 513; 6, Hastings 590½; 7, Bexhill 610½; 8, Eastbourne R. 725.

Youths & Boys

1, D. Stevens (Bexhill) 17.43; 2, S. Skinner (Brighton) 17.55; 3, S. Donaghy (Worthing) 18.19; 4, J. McTear (Bexhill) 18.30; 5, G. Cooper (Brighton) 18.41; 6, S. Todd (Brighton) 18.49. **Teams:** 1, Brighton & Hove 24; 2, Bexhill 26; 3, Horsham BS 55½; 4, Worthing 56½; 5, Crawley 64. **Final positions:** 1, Bexhill 66; 2, Brighton & Hove 103; 3, Horsham BS 131½; 4, Crawley 204; 5, Worthing 261½; 6, Haywards Hth 239½; 7, Hastings 257.

CAMDEN CC RELAY

SHAFTESBURY HARRIERS won the Camden AC Memorial CC Relay over a muddy 3 miles course at Parliament Hill Fields on February 26th.

On the first of the four legs Shaftesbury's Hugh Richards led the 34 runners after half a mile, and on lap two his colleague, Tony Sunderland, was in front all the way with Dave Yaffe bringing Highgate up from fifth to second. The joint fastest lap time was set up on lap three by Guy Ogden (Highgate) who managed to catch up 200y to overhaul John Dryden (Shaftesbury) and pass over with a 7 yards lead, but Andy Tomlinson was too strong for Highgate secretary Bob Slowe, and he brought Shaftesbury home well clear.

1, Shaftesbury (H. Richards 14.36, A. Sunderland 15.26, J. Dryden 15.20, A. Tomlinson 15.01) 1:00.23; 2, Highgate (A. James 15.09, D. Yaffe 15.36, G. Ogden 14.36, R. Slowe 15.27) 1:00.48; 3, Eton Manor (K. Hutchins 15.59, G. Sayer 15.49, T. Crabb 15.13, M. Absolom 15.11) 1:02.12. **Fastest:** Richards 14.36, Ogden 14.36, D. Galloway (Hornsey) 15.00, Tomlinson 15.01, I. Nuckey (Barnet) 15.07; H. Feller (Shaft) 15.07.

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Spotlight on Youth**By Dave Cocksedge****SKY'S THE
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HARLOW does seem to be the place for some very talented young female athletes these days. Not surprisingly, Teresa Dainton, who was born in Harlow on July 19th, 1957, stands 1.75/5'9" and weighs 55kg/121lb, is a member of Harlow AC, like Susan Mapstone, who was profiled recently in this series.

Teresa first shot into national prominence by Fosbury-flopping over 1.70/5'7" at Cosford last December to equal the World's best by a 14-year-old. "It was an exciting meeting," she says, "and the atmosphere and friendliness of the other athletes helped me a lot too. I'd been preparing for this competition for a long time, and was expecting a personal best, as training was going well, but I didn't expect to end up winning the competition!" In fact, Teresa beat 16-year-old Rosaline Few on the countback and might well have gone higher had she not been forced to abandon the competition when she injured herself attempting 1.73/5'8", a height she has cleared in training.

Teresa attends Netteswell Comprehensive School in Harlow and, like Sue Mapstone, is coached by Roy Snow. She competes only in the high jump, and parried my tentative question about her possible potential at the Pentathlon by asserting "If you've ever seen me run, you wouldn't have asked that question!" Her progression makes staggering reading: 1968—1.32/4'4"; 1969—1.32; 1970—1.42/4'8"; 1971—1.70/5'7".

"At Junior school I played around with the high jump and it was the only event I was interested in during my first two years at Secondary School. I first took it up seriously in June of last year! Now my brother Alan and I are aiming to get a double family victory in the English Schools Intermediate high jumps, and I hope to get a British Junior vest. All-time, I aim to win the high jump at the 1976 Olympics and compete for a good few years yet.

"I was a scissors type jumper before, so Roy found it easy to convert me to the Fosbury as it's basically

a scissors take off from a curving run, and then a flip over onto your back as you go over the bar. Since Roy has been coaching me, I've improved a lot. If he hadn't come along, I would still be just another half-serious school high jumper. But he inspired me and got me really interested."

Now Teresa works out five times a week, spending two hours on average at each session. "All sessions start with 15 minutes warm-up on mobility exercises. Then we always finish up with 10 minutes of basketball or volleyball. I do three sessions on weights and three on easy striding and sprinting and one day a week I do bounding, hopping and leaping exercises. For these we use benches and box tops, and we try the leaping decathlon events quite often. One day a week, I spend on high jumping, working on a particular point of technique. We always have the bar high for this session; usually within two inches of my best. My summer training is very similar, only I do two weight sessions a week and spend much more time on running, hurdling etc. and work on actual jumping more often."

There is a high jump tradition in the Dainton family: "My father jumped 5' when he was 13 and was his school champion, and of course Alan, who is a year older than me, is keen on all sport though he concentrates on high jump. He recently made 6' (1.83) in training, so he should do well this year, I think." How high does she visualise jumping eventually? "Probably the aim for most women high jumpers today is two metres (6'6½"). Perhaps one day I'll make it."

Young Athletes' Results

Cardiff High Schools League, January 29th.
(Inters) D. Page (Glyn). Team: Glynderw HS.
(Juniors) H. Chadwick (G). Team: Cantonian HS.
(Girls) M. Parsons (Llan). Team: Llanrumney HS.
Yorkshire Schools Championships, at Bradford,

February 5th. 1, K. Newton 23.26; 2, W. Winter 24.00; 3, B. Monaghan 24.10. Team: Bradford. (Inters) 1, A. Hitchen 17.48; 2, S. Coe 17.56; 3, D. Cratton 17.59. Team: Bradford. (Jun) 1, J. Crowley 15.14; 2, M. Farrell 15.33; 3, K. Moylan 15.34. Team: Bradford. (Sen. Girls) 1, T. Keegan 15.13; 2, C. Berry 15.19; 3, A. Clark 15.27. Team: Claro. (Inters) 1, J. Haigh 9.59; 2, A. Romanovicz 10.20; 3, G. Garbutt 10.27. (Jun) 1, S. Molderrath 6.56; 2, M. Worth 6.58; 3, J. Faulds 7.02.

Somerset Schools Championships, at Langport, February 5th. 1, R. Read 27.43; 2, I. Martyn 28.19; 3, C. Heap 28.31. Team: Yeovil. (Inters) 1, D. Morris 24.08; 2, M. Gallop 24.28; 3, G. Batchelder 24.34. (Juns) 1, P. Nicol 18.25; 2, S. Humpage 18.44; 3, K. Jennings 18.54. (Sen. Girls) 1, R. Savage 13.16; 2, J. Haydon 13.33; 3, R. Bailey 14.01. Team: N. West. (Inters) 1, E. Horrell 11.23; 2, K. Britton 11.25; 3, H. Mealing 11.44. Team: N. East. (Juns) 1, L. McKay 8.40; 2, S. Chorley 8.48; 3, K. Bradford 9.01. Team: Yeovil.

Ranelagh Cup Schools Race, at Richmond Park, February 9th. 1, S. Edmonds (Latimer U) 19.59; 2, V. Keene (Watford GS) 20.25; 3, A. Newton (Raynes Pk) 20.47. Teams: 1, Watford GS 25; 2, St. Nicholas GS 34; 3, Raynes Pk. GS 61.

Sutton Schools Championships, February 9th. (O/17) 1, C. Taylor 19.16; 2, S. Blakesley 19.32; 3, K. Still 19.57. Team: Sutton Manor. (U/17) 1, R. Brookes 14.03; 2, S. McDonald 14.06; 3, I. Byrnes 14.07. Team: J. Fisher.

Newcastle Univ. 27, Royal GS Newcastle 67, February 9th. 1, P. Goddard (RGS) 18.22; 2, K. Garrett (U) 18.38; 3, D. Dilnot (U) 19.06.

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Buckinghamshire Schools Championships, at Chesham, February 11th. 1, D. Wright 31.18; 2, J. Crowley 31.35; 3, M. Khan 31.35. (Inters) 1, R. Lees 25.43; 2, M. Partridge 26.54; 3, P. Adams 27.15. (Juns) 1, T. Stokes 18.15; 2, R. Clarke 18.26; 3, Morgan 18.37. (Girls) 1, C. Hever 16.14; 2, K. Barnett 18.32. (Inters) 1, D. Thomson 13.13; 2, F. Hatton 13.38; 3, C. Watts 13.47. (Juns) 1, V. Priest 7.59; 2, J. May 8.05; 3, J. Berry 8.16.

Kent Schoolgirls Championships, at Hoo, Rochester, February 12th. 1, G. Adams 14.55; 2, M. Mutton 16.11; 3, J. Pollard 16.25. (Inters) 1, J. van Cuylenburg 12.26; 2, Courtney-Hood 13.16; 3, J. Kelly 13.28. Team: W. Kent. (Juniors) 1, N. Silburn 11.21; 2, L. Pamment 11.40; 3, A. Baldock 11.41. Team: Maidstone.

Surrey Schoolgirls Championships, at Reigate, February 12th. 1, A. Roberts 12.42; 2, S. Aitken 13.03; 3, K. Pursey 13.06. Team: Sutton. (Inters) 1, S. Pearce 12.13; 2, J. Bennett 12.23; 3, G. Allnutt 12.36. Team: Frimley & Camberley. (Juns) 1, C. Simmonds 10.01; 2, S. Bennett 10.02; 3, J. Stanbridge 10.04. Team: Croydon.

Sussex Schools Championships, February 12th. 1, P. Fowler 18.01; 2, A. Jones 18.24; 3, T. O'Brien 19.08. Team: Haywards Hth GS. (Inters) 1, R. Joyce 10.56; 2, J. Went 11.16; 3, D. Attwater 11.29. Team: Knoll. (Juns) 1, M. Joyce 8.56; 2, P. Robertson 9.47; 3, J. Levett 10.00. Team: Haywards Hth GS. (Boys) 1, I. Beauchamp 28.30; 2, G. Styan 29.05; 3, G. Cooper & T. Leach 30.45. Team: Brighton Coll. (Inters) 1, S. Skinner 21.32; 2, S. Ovett 21.35; 3, J. McTear 22.06. Team: Hazelwick 73. (Juns) 1, S. Morley 15.12; 2, W. Pelling 15.20; 3, S. Williams 15.37. Team: Nevill.

North East Schools League, at Cheadle Hulme, February 12th. (U/16) R. Davies (CH) 22.36. Team: C. Hulme. (U/14) I. Cherry (S'port) 19.26. Team: C. Hulme. (U/13) D. Smith (W. Lane) 13.32. Team: Woods Lane. (U/12) M. Boothby (Mos) 10.44. Team: C. Moseley GS.

Harlow AC YA Races, February 13th. 1, J. Saunders (Stev) 17.56; 2, S. Webb (Had. O) 18.05; 3, L. Thomas (Thurr) 18.15. Team: Thurrock. (Inters) 1, S. Hines (Thurr) 15.27; 2, L. Smith (Thurr) 16.16; 3, J. Coles (Hunt) 16.52. (Juniors) 1, J. Brinkhurst (Hunt) 12.20; 2, T. Hines (Thurr) 12.27; 3, P. Broughton (Har) 12.31. Team: Thurrock. (Minor Girls) B. Madigan (Windsor) 11.15. Team: Windsor, S&E. (Colts) S. Baldry (Thurr) 10.50. Team: Thurrock. (Minor Boys) R. Winger (Worksp) 10.17. (Juniors) 1, L. Coleman (Har) 21.22; 2, E. Morris (Horn) 21.26; 3, A. Prior (Had. O) 22.32. Team: Worksp. (Youths) 1, P. Andrews 21.25; 2, R. Coles (B'ht) 21.43; 3, P. Smith (Har) 22.04. (Boys) 1, R. Green (Har) 13.07; 2, S. Tamplin (Har) 13.42; 3, J. Edwards (Leics. C) 13.43. Team: Harlow.

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RESULTS IN BRIEF

February 20th

Ilford AC Road Championship, at Chigwell Row. 1, R. Gill 22.16; 2, J. Batchelor 23.32; 3, A. Catton 23.46; 4, D. Plater 23.54; 5, A. Barrett 24.26; 6, B. Steffens 24.40. (Mrs. P. Jones ran 27.47 unofficially.)

February 23rd

East Anglian League, at Swanton Morley. 1, Cameron (Wyton) 26.17; 2, Dicker (Ganges) 26.44; 3, Wray (Marham) 27.08; 4, Stone (Honington) 27.21; 5, Langley (Hon) 27.24; 6, Fawcett (SW Mor) 27.41; 7, Dodd (Mar) 28.04; 8, Simms (SW Mor) 28.08; 9, Richards (Mar) 28.18; 10, Kings (Hon) 28.27. Teams: 1, Marham 32; 2, Honington 38; 3, Ganges 53; 4, Wyton 64; 5, Coltishall 74; 6, Swanton Morley 95.

RAF 33, National Police 45, at West Wickham. 1, R. Clark (RAF) 31.07; 2, E. Pomfret (P) 31.24; 3, D. Lem (P) 31.32; 4, M. Hurd (RAF) 32.04; 5, K. Daykin (RAF) 32.06; 6, I. Forster (RAF) 32.06; 7, G. Edgington (RAF) 32.20; 8, Barker (P) 32.22; 9, P. Lem (P) 32.22; 10, S. Keith (RAF) 32.27; 11, R. Bean (P) 32.32; 12, Tebbutt (P) 32.33.

Loughborough Colls 22, Sheffield Un. 46, Loughborough Un. 60, Manchester Un. 68, Nottingham Un. 108, Leicester Un. 110, at Loughborough. 1,

SATURDAY, 19th AUGUST, 1972

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Relay Races for all age groups, Men and Women. Information from C. J. Hickey, 31 Farm Close, Bracknell, Berks. (Tel: 28124).

B. Cole (LU) 27.50; 2, P. Pape (MU) 28.07; 3, S. Mitchell (LC) 28.09; 4, M. Newport (MU) 28.17; 5, I. Hicks (LC) 28.25; 6, R. Sibson (LC) 28.28; 7, D. Singleton (LC) 28.31; 8, D. Thomas (LC) 28.36; 9, D. O'Donnell (SU) 28.45; 10, A. Lightfoot (SU) 28.48; 11, J. McGill (LC) 28.52; 12, M. Knapp (SU) 28.53.

February 26th

St. Mary's College 54, Met. Police 80, Croydon 87, Crawley 100, Crawley 'B' 203, at Lloyd Park, Croydon. (Scoring 12): 1, Croydon 216; 2, Crawley 221; 3, MP 229. 1, J. Lee (Croy-Yth) 27.09; 2, F. Brady (SM) 27.55; 3, D. Cowell (Craw) 28.20; 4, B. Cribbin (SM) 28.26; 5, M. Dunphy (HHH) 28.35; 6, P. Lill (Cro) 28.48; 7, J. Mescall (SM) 28.54; 8, M. Smith (MP) 29.21; 9, R. Small (MP) 29.30; 10, P. Callaghan (Craw) 29.30. (Youths) 1, K. Lawlor (E. Sy) 15.27; 2, A. Dickens (HHH) 15.45; 3, P. Simmons (Cro) 15.54; 4, N. Green (E. Sy) 16.02; 5, F. Barton (HHH) 16.04; 6, M. Bourke (HHH) 16.20. Teams: 1, HHH 30; 2, East Surrey 54; 3, Croydon 72.

Sheffield Univ. 15, Bradford Univ. 62, at Sheffield. 1, S. Richardson (S) 20.28; 2, W. Domoney (S) 20.39; 3, A. Lightfoot (S) 20.47; 4, J. Prater (S) 20.56; 5, M. Knapp (S) 20.58; 6, D. Fleming (B) 21.38.

Rugby 16, Sparkhill 16, Wallasey 22 (Road), at Shirley, Solihull. 1, J. Hughes (S) 21.41; 2, J. Mills (S) 22.08; 3, N. England (R) 22.19; 4, J. Gibbin (Sol) 22.19; 5, P. Lewis (W) 22.32; 6, M. Childs (R) 22.58. (14-16) 1, M. Lane (Broms & R) 11.09; 2, S. Griffin (Broms) 11.16; 3, V. Clayton (Broms) 11.28. (12-14) S. Lane (Broms) 12.14. Team: Bromsgrove & Redditch. (10-12) C. Perkins (Broms) 12.28. Team: Sparkhill.

Heaton H. Club Championships, at Wallsend. 1, N. Rackham 29.23; 2, R. Balding 29.35; 3, D. Coker 30.20; 4, M. Dickson 30.30; 5, J. Hawes 30.44; 6, R. Checkley 32.10. (Youths) H. Montgomery 33.24. (Boys) H. Stevenson 6.40. (Colts) A. Thompson 7.06. (Minors) B. Toleman 8.50.

Leeds City Club Championships, at Temple Newsom. 1, M. Baxter 37.10; 2, D. Nicholl 38.00; 3, P. Puckrin 39.22. (Youths/Boys) 1, W. Ward 10.46; 2, S. Garrity 10.46; 3, N. Jennings 10.52. (Colts) 1, S. Cahill 9.37; 2, N. Brewster 9.53; 3, N. Bailey 9.59.

Manchester AC CC Relay, at Heaton Park. 1, Bolton UH (S. Kenyon 14.59, W. Yale 14.45, E. Haslam 14.16, M. Freary 14.30) 58.30; 2, Stoke (A. Dean 15.11, J. Jackson 14.20, A. Adams 14.47, A. Birks 14.20) 58.38 3, M&D (G. Entwistle 14.56, R. Gregory 14.47, D. Hogg 14.58, R. Wilde 14.07) 58.48; 4, Sale 59.32; 5, Salford 59.48; 6, Liverpool Pembroke 60.15. Fastest: Wilde 14.07, J. Calvert (B'burn) 14.11, Haslam 14.16.

Wakefield H Championships. 1eq, S. Hollings, R. Hollings and H. Broadbent 35.03; 4, J. Newsome 36.16; 5, E. Edwards 36.58; 6, A. Hitchen (Boy) 37.14. Handicap: Edwards. (Youths and Boys) 1, D. Gratton 18.11; 2, M. Butterfield 18.34; 3, J. Ashton 18.40. Handicap: Ashton. (Colts) 1, M. Hinde 13.23; 2, M. Upton 14.17; 3, R. Eyre 14.20.

Swinton 12, Horwich 14, Farnworth 27, at Swinton. 1, B. Williams (S) 35.17; 2, M. Wakefield (F) 36.37; 3, Stevens (H) 37.08. (Boys) 1, M. Jones (S) 9.57; 2, C. Butler (H) 10.13; 3, E. Williams (F) 10.22. Team: Swinton.

Thames Valley H. Yacht handicap, at Cranford. 1, R. Baker 21.57; 2, R. Hopcroft 22.32; 3, J. Davies 24.43.

RNAC "Mini Interservices," at HMS Dryad. 1, P. Fulcher (Fire S) 31.39; 2, P. Standen (Brighton & H) 32.05; 3, R. Tudor (RNAC) 32.37. Teams: 1, RNAC (South) 45; 2, Fire Service 71; 3, Brighton & Hove 105.

Worthing H. Handicap. 1, C. Howard (7.10) 53.19; 2, A. Clarke (Scr) 53.48; 3, J. Painter (2.15) 53.55. Fastest: Clarke 41.08, Painter 43.30.

AVALON LEAGUE

At Yeovil, February 19th

1, G. McBride (Yeovil) 22.37; 2, A. Williams (Yeovil) 23.04; 3, R. Read (Taunton) 23.18; 4, D. Sherman (Bath) 23.45; 5, J. Frost (Yeo) 23.55; 6, P. Blake (Yeo) 23.59; 7, B. Dunn (Wey) 24.05; 8, D. Tiggard (Wey) 24.35; 9, J. Flatters (Yeo) 24.50; 10, D. Pinkard (Yeo) 25.05. Teams: 1, Yeovil Olympiads 33; 2, Weymouth SP 79; 3, Taunton 105; 4, Bath 119; 5, Trowbridge 125. Final position: Yeovil Oly. Individual: Williams. (Youths) 1, D. Nightingale (Bath) 16.24; 2, N. Thomas (Yeovil) 16.35; 3, A. White (Bath) 16.36; 4, P. Russell (Wey) 16.51; 5, P. Barber (Yeo) 16.57; 6, N. Merritt (Yeo) 17.02. Teams: 1, Yeovil Oly. 44; 2, Bath 48; 3, Weymouth SP 84; 4, Taunton 89; 5, Trowbridge 95. Final Pos: Yeovil Oly. Individual: P. Russell. (Boys) 1, G. Batchelder (Yeo) 15.02; 2, D. Morris (Bath) 15.13; 3, M. Gallop (Yeo) 15.46; 4, M. Clapp (Yeo) 15.57. Teams: 1, Yeovil Oly. 41; 2, Taunton 67; 3, Bath 68; 4, N. Dorset 69. Final League: Yeovil Oly. Ind: Batchelder. (Colts) 1, S. Call (Yeovil) 9.03; 2, G. Wollan (Taunton) 9.13; 3, T. Cook (Yeovil) 9.17. Teams: 1, Yeovil Oly 41; 2, Bath 58; 3, Taunton 93. Final League: Yeovil Oly. Ind: Call. (Women) 1, C. Lovelock (N. Dorset) 9.48; 2, A. Mealing (Bath) 10.32; 3, J. Farr (Trow) 10.34. Teams: 1, Trowbridge 21; 2, Yeovil O. 46; 3, Bath 46; 4, Taunton 50. Final League: Trowbridge. Ind: Lovelock. (Junior Girls) 1, M. Gray (N. Dorset) 9.28; 2, G. Emmerson (Trow) 9.32; 3, S. Williams (Taun) 9.37. Teams: 1, Taunton 22; 2, N. Dorset 43; 3, Yeovil 45. Final League: Bath. Individual: Gray.

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BRITISH ATHLETES IN HOLLAND

A group of British club athletes competed indoors at Groningen, Holland, on February 6th. Barbara Inkpen, who had set a UK indoor best of 1.80/5'10½" the day before, settled for 1.73/5'8" in another competition, and withdrew without failure. Rosaline Few (Andover) was fourth (1.65/5'5") and Penny Dimmock (Bracknell) sixth (1.60/5'3"). Other results: Women's 60m: 2, C. Hooper (Kent) 6.7. 400m: Hooper 59.6 (59.2ht); 2, B. Lewis (Reading) 61.9 (61.3ht). 50mH: C. Mathers (Enf) 7.6 (Dutch Intermediate all-comers rec); 4, Dimmock 8.1. In s-f, T. Moore (Camb) 7.9. LJ: 3, Lewis 5.45/17'10½".

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No British athlete is placed higher than third favourite, which may well be a blessing at this time. **Barbara Inkpen** is voted in that spot behind **Ilna Gusenbauer** (hottest favourite of the lot) and **Debbie Brill** in the high jump. If recent reports from Canada are correct, however, Debbie Brill is apparently in no mental or physical condition to be preparing for Munich, having "dropped out" of college.

Cliff Temple's CLIFFHANGERS

Next best British showing is fifth, through the 4x400m relay team and **Sheila Sherwood** in the long jump. The full list of favourites, according to WITFW: **100m** and **200m**: Stecher (E. Ger). **400m**: Neufville (Jam); (2nd favourite—Seidler, E. Ger). **800m**: Falck (W. Ger) & Nikolic (Yug) equal. **Lowe-Cropper** eq. 6th. **Stirling** 11th. **1500m**:

Burneleit (E. Ger). **Ridley** 6th. **Beacham** 10th. **100mH**: Balzer (E. Ger). **4x100m**: West Germany. **4x400m**: East Germany. **GB** 5th. **HJ**: Gusenbauer (Austria). **Inkpen** 3rd. **LJ**: Rosendahl (W. Ger). **Sherwood** 5th. **Wilson** eq. 9th. **SP**: Chizhova (USSR). **DT**: Myelnik (USSR). **JT**: Jaworska (Pol). **Pen**: Rosendahl (W. Ger). **Wilson** 7th.

It is, of course, just an exercise and not a serious appraisal of chances. After all, most correspondents were probably in possession of different pieces of information about various athletes, their form and intentions. Few, for example, probably knew that **Mary Peters** would be shooting for pentathlon gold at the time of their voting. And, as editor **Vince Reel** candidly admits in reviewing the eventual fate of the panel's 1968 predictions, "if you're not picked to win by this panel of outstanding experts, you probably have a better chance!" At least one of this year's voted favourites will be sadly agreeing with his words—an athlete who, ironically, had been staying with Vince and his wife at the time. We hope to see you back in action soon, Marilyn.

If you saw some depressed-looking athletes leaving RAF Cosford after the Friday night of the WAAA Indoor Championships, the chances are that they were not eliminated competitors, but disgruntled 1500m runners. With the heats of this event scheduled for Friday night (12 names on the programme) many of the runners had to leave home at Friday lunchtime and pay for overnight

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Maeve Kyle and her daughter **Shauna** made a big impact on the Northern Ireland women's rankings last year. Maeve ranked 5th in the 100m (12.6), 3rd in the 200m (25.6), 5th in the 400m (60.2) and 6th in the LJ (5.04), while Shauna topped the intermediate 80m hurdlers and pentathletes with 11.8 and 3557.

Fionnbar Callanan



accommodation. But when only nine athletes reported and started warming-up, it was announced that the event would be held as a straight final on Saturday. Gasps of anguish! Were 12 runners too many for a 1500m final anyway, even if all had turned up? But I suppose if a straight final on Saturday had been announced from the outset, there would have been more entries, necessitating heats, which would have to be held on Friday, and if it meant Friday then some of the entries wouldn't have been able to get there . . . and so forth.

And now the good and the bad news from Edinburgh Southern H. coach **George Sinclair**. First, the good news. **Helen Golden** is shaping up well in training, putting in four weight sessions a week, and looking forward to her first competition, the East District championships towards the end of April. "Then there's the East v. West match, and the new Motorway League fixtures, in which she'll be running," says George. "I think she can make the Munich team, providing she can get some runs in the right places. It's going to be very hard to get the Olympic qualifying standard for sprinters in this country because we can never be sure of the wind and the weather conditions being okay on the right day at the right time. You'll virtually have to go abroad to get the qualifying time, and I'm just hoping that British sprinters will get a chance to run abroad early in the season."

George is, of course, referring to the new Olympic rule which states that wind-assisted times are no longer eligible for qualifying performances.

Less happy news from the Edinburgh camp is that **Sandra Sutherland**, who clinched a surprise Helsinki 800m place with her 2:05.5 in the WAAA championships, may not be able to run seriously at all during 1972.

"Sandra has had this recurrent back injury, which started about the time she was selected for the European Junior championships in September,

1970. She had to withdraw from that team, and in fact the injury was bothering her throughout 1971. It got worse towards the end of the season, and she had a series of X-rays on it. The orthopaedic surgeon thought the condition showed a deterioration over twelve months, and that it was the orange warning light to stop. She is able to jog each day, and she's doing some exercises to strengthen her back, but she can't take on a great workload of training. There's still an ache over the right hip, and it looks as though she won't be able to race seriously this year. It's a great pity, because I thought she could go close to two minutes this year."

Sandra, 19, is now in her first year as a languages student at Edinburgh University.

In Brief: A dilemma facing **Rosaline Few**, winner of the WAAA indoor high jump, concerns the weekend of July 7-8. She is wondering whether she should take her one last opportunity to win an English Schools title in Durham (she has never been ESAA champion) or chase the possibility of an Olympic place in the WAAA Championships the same weekend . . . Derby's cross country international **Gillian Tivey** is having an operation to try to clear up recurrent tendon problem . . . The shoes **Mary Stewart** wore in winning the National Intermediate Cross Country title were hard worked that afternoon; no sooner was she across the line than **Pat Cropper**, who had forgotten her own, was untying them for use in the Senior race! . . . The comeback of **Liz (Parnett) Moss**, featured in "Cliffhangers" some weeks ago, has been hindered by injury . . . Edinburgh Southern H. and Maryhill Ladies host a Motorway League fixture at Meadowbank on July 15th. With the success of other women's leagues, and the imminence of the Southern Women's League, are the days of the trophy meeting numbered? . . . **Sharon Colyear** is in hospital for cartilage operation after a fall in training last month.

Former English Schools sprint champion **Sue**

EUROPEAN INDOOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

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for his Helsinki fall. Alan, looking strong nevertheless, didn't quite have the snap in starting of his rivals, and at 50m that spells doom. Competition, or rather the lack of it, must surely take the blame, for even a hundred training starts can never match one major competitive start in tense-ness. Graham Gower and Berwyn Price both failed to get beyond their heats, but further experience will be their reward from the competition. And of course the objective of all the hurdlers really centres on an event twice as long.

In the 50m sprint, Barrie Kelly, Madeleine Cobb and Sonia Lannaman all reached their semi-finals, with the girls just being edged out of final places; Kelly had a brilliant start in his semi, but faded. Verona Bernard looked set for great things after a personal best of 55.1, easing up, in her 400m heat (run at 10 o'clock in the morning, after which just one competitor was eliminated from the whole round!), but was slightly slower when she couldn't pick up a qualifying spot in her semi-final. Two solid runs, though.

Margaret Beacham, heroine of British sporting circles last year after these championships, made a quiet exit from the 800m, but a place in the final had been her highest, and not over-confident, hope. In the long jump, Maureen Chitty, ill the day before, was fifth, but never improved on her opening effort of 6.26/20'6½", which was a shame after the form indicated by recent performances at Crystal Palace and Cosford. Ruth Martin-Jones, after sitting back for a 5.99/19'7½" on her opening

jump, couldn't improve more than 1 cm, and didn't qualify for three extra jumps.

It was thus left for Pete Browne to wave the flag a bit for Britain in the 800m final. The narrow 180m track had the start for this event on the first bend, and with eight finalists a special rule had been made that if anyone fell in the first scramble for positions, a recall gun would be fired. Only seven, in fact, started, no-one fell, and Browne swept straight through to second place, unhindered. He led at the bell, looking strong, and it seemed the British medal jinx might be broken, but the flying figures of Josef Plachy and Ivan Ivanov sped past in the final 120m, leaving Browne wilting. He slowed considerably in the last short straight, fading to fifth in 1:51.2, but was nevertheless, with Maureen Chitty, the joint highest British placed athlete at Grenoble.

The saddest aspect of the championships was perhaps the anaemic race which saw the 3000m title, held by Britain since 1969, go to Russia's Yuris Grustins in 8:02.8. Even if Ian Stewart and Dave Bedford were not interested, it seems in retrospect that either Peter Morris or Allan Rushmer, on Cosford form this winter, would not only have almost certainly won a medal, they might even have maintained the winning streak. Bitter irony on a weekend of little cheer.

(Times in all track events were electrically recorded to hundredths, and officially announced as such throughout; but in the results that follow they have been rounded-off in the normal manner.)

50m: 1, V. Borzov (USSR) 5.8 (5.75); 2, A. Kornelyuk (USSR) 5.8 (5.81); 3, V. Papageorgopoulos (Gre) 5.8; 4, G. Wucherer (WG) 5.8; 5, R. Vilen (Fin) 5.9; 6, M. Carballo (Spa) 6.3. **BARRIE KELLY** 3rd ht (5.9); 5th sf (5.9).

400: 1, G. Nuckles (WG) 47.2; 2, U. Reich (WG) 47.4; 3, W. Muller (EG) 47.4; 4, A. Gabernet (Spa) 47.7.

800: 1, J. Plachy (Cz) 1:48.8; 2, I. Ivanov (USSR) 1:49.1; 3, F. Gonzales (Fra) 1:49.2; 4, A. Zsinka (Hun) 1:50.6; 5, PETE BROWNE 1:51.3 (3rd ht, 1:50.9); 6, M. Gayoso (Spa) 1:52.2; 7, T. Thorsteinsson (Ice) 1:53.3; J. Reijnders (Neth) scr.

1500: 1, J. Boxberger (Fra) 3:45.7; 2, S. Sacharopoulos (Gre) 3:46.1; 3, J. May (WG) 3:46.4; 4, J. Borraz (Spa) 3:47.2; 5, B. Wassenaar (Neth) 3:47.6; 6, J. Prasek (Pol) 3:47.7; 7, V. Semiaschkin (USSR) 3:47.8; 8, H. Mignon (Bel) 3:50.7.

3000: 1, Y. Grustins (USSR) 8:03.0; 2, Y. Aleksashin (USSR) 8:03.2; 3, U. Brugger (WG) 8:05.2; 4, A. Ornelis (Bel) 8:11.4; 5, P. Halle (Nor) 8:15.6; 6, R. Finelli (Ita) 8:18.8; 7, M. Geraudie (Fra) 8:24.6.

50mH: 1, G. Drut (Fra) 6.5 (6.51); 2, M. Schumann (WG) 6.6 (6.58); 3, A. Moshiasvili (USSR) 6.6; 4, M. Jozwik (Pol) 6.6; 5, M. Noe (Fra) 6.7; 6, M. Wodzinski (Pol) 6.7. **ALAN PASCOE** 3rd ht (6.7); 6th sf (6.8); **BERWYN PRICE** 6th ht (7.0); **GRAHAM GOWER** 6th ht (6.8).

HJ: 1, I. Major (Hun) 2.24/7'4½"; 2, K. Sapka (USSR) 2.22/7'3½"; 3, Y. Tarmak (USSR) 2.22; 4,

CLIFFHANGERS continued

Midgley from Spenborough is back in training after an enforced 18 month lay-off. Sue broke a leg in a car accident in August 1970, and has spent all the time since then getting the leg right. "Now the physio-therapist and doctor say I can start training again," she says "I've no definite plans for this summer, except to get back into competition and do something, perhaps even some 800m".

Another Northern girl on the road to recovery is junior international high jumper Ann Wetherall (Bury and Radcliffe), who has had operations on both feet after a specialist diagnosed deformed bones, made worse by jumping. "He said that if I'd left it any longer, it might have been too late to operate, and athletics would be out for good," she says. Now Ann is undertaking walking and foot manipulation exercises. "I hope to start training within the next few weeks, but jumping is definitely out for at least six months".

All the Junior and Intermediate events usually held in conjunction with the WAAA Senior Championships have this year been postponed in order to avoid a clash with the English Schools Championships on the same weekend (July 8th/9th). Invitation men's events are being held in their place. The WAAA Junior and Intermediate Championships will be held at Watford on June 24th.

J. Dahlgren (Swe) 2.17/7'11"; 5, V. Maly (Cz) 2.17; 6, A. Pesonen (Fin) 2.17; 7, J. Tihanyi (Hun) 2.14/7'01"; 8, R. Moravec (Cz) 2.14; 9eq, H-J. Wildforster (WG) & R. Baudis (Cz) 2.11/6'11"; 11, M. Le Goff (Fra) 2.11; 12, P. Bogdanov (Bul) 2.08/6'91"; 13eq, C. Dosa (Rum) & M. Schivo (Ita) 2.05/6'81"; 15, B. Tenger (Swi) 1.95/6'41".

PV: 1, W. Nordwig (EG) 5.40/17'81"; 2, H. Lagerqvist (Swe) 5.40; 3, A. Kalliomaki (Fin) 5.30/17'41"; 4, Y. Isakov (USSR) 5.20/17'01"; 5, I. Sola (Spa) 5.00/16'41"; 6, MIKE BULL 5.00; 7, H. Engel (WG) 4.80/15'9"; 8, F. Johansen (Den) 4.80; 9, S. Fraquelli (Ita) 4.80; 10, R. Steinhacker (Hun) 4.70/15'5"; J-M. Bellot (Fra) & R. Murawski (Pol) no ht.

LJ: 1, M. Klaus (EG) 8.02/26'31"; 2, H. Baumgartner (WG) 7.99/26'21"; 3, J. Broz (Cz) 7.88/25'101"; 4, M. Rak (Yug) 7.88; 5, T. Lepik (USSR) 7.82/25'8"; 6, J. Pani (Fra) 7.79/25'61"; 7, K. Beer (EG) 7.71/25'31"; 8, LYNN DAVIES 7.64/25'01" (7.51, 7.64, 7.64, —, —, —); 9, C. Corbu (Rum) 7.62/25'0"; 10, V. Jurca (Rum) 7.61/24'111"; 11, G. Cubimso (Pol) 7.51/24'71"; 12, J. Terring (Den) 7.09/23'31"; R. Toivonen (Fin) no distance.

TJ: 1, V. Saneyev (USSR) 16.97/55'81" (world best); 2, C. Corbu (Rum) 16.89/55'5"; 3, V. Shevchenko (USSR) 16.73/54'101"; 4, G. Bessonov (USSR) 16.58/54'41"; 5, M. Spasojevic (Yug) 16.29/53'51"; 6, M. Sauer (WG) 16.27/53'41"; 7, B. Lamitie (Fra) 16.26/53'41"; 8, M. Joachimowski (Pol) 16.21/53'21"; 9, A. Lasocki (Pol) 15.86/52'01"; 10, V. Fiser (Cz) 15.64/51'31"; 11, E. Biskupski (Pol) 15.38/50'51".

SP: 1, H. Briesenick (EG) 20.67/67'91" (Eur best); 2, W. Komar (Pol) 20.32/66'8"; 3, J. Brabec (Cz) 19.94/65'5"; 4, H-J. Rothenburg (EG) 19.90/65'31"; 5, Y. Brouzet (Fra) 19.80/64'111"; 6, M. Janousek (Cz) 19.34/63'51"; 7, S. Simola (Fin) 18.97/62'3"; 8, GEOFF CAPES 18.67/61'3" (—, 18.54, —, 18.63, 18.67, —); 9, I. Ivancic (Yug) 18.08/59'4"; 10, A. Beer (Fra) 17.89/58'81".

WOMEN

50m: 1, R. Stecher (EG) 6.3 (6.25); 2, A. Richter (WG) 6.3 (6.28); 3, S. Telliez (Fra) 6.3; 4eq, I. Helten (WG) & E. Schittenhelm (WG) 6.3; 6, I. Szewinska (Pol) 6.4. **SONIA LANNAMAN** 2nd ht (6.4); 4th sf (6.5); **MADELEINE COBB** 2nd ht (6.5); 4th sf (6.5).

400: 1, C. Frese (WG) 53.4; 2, I. Bodding (WG) 54.6; 3, E. Weinstein (WG) 54.7; 4, C. Besson (Fra) 55.6 (54.6 sf). **VERONA BERNARD** 2nd ht (55.1); 4th sf (55.3).

800: 1, G. Hoffmeister (EG) 2:04.8; 2, I. Silai (Rum) 2:05.2; 3, S. Zlateva (Bul) 2:05.5; 4, C. Merten (WG) 2:05.9; 5, G. Ellenberger (WG) 2:08.7; 6, D. Govoni (Ita) 2:09.7. **MARGARET BEACHAM** 4th ht (2:08.9).

1500: 1, T. Pangelova (USSR) 4:14.6 (world best); 2, L. Bragina (USSR) 4:18.4; 3, V. Amzina (Bul) 4:18.8; 4, E. Tittel (WG) 4:20.2; 5, M. Baulu (Fra) 4:49.4.

50mH: 1, A. Ehrhardt (EG) 6.9 (6.85); 2, T. Sukniewicz (Pol) 6.9 (6.94); 3, G. Rabsztyl (Pol) 7.1; 4, M. Antenen (Swi) 7.1; 5, M. Bach (WG) 7.1; 6, C. Mahr (Aus) 7.4. **MARY PETERS** 4th ht (7.2); 5th sf (7.2); **ANN WILSON** 3rd ht (7.2); 5th sf (7.2).

HJ: 1, R. Schmidt (EG) 1.90/6'21" (world best); 2, R. Gildemeister (EG) 1.84/6'01"; 3, Y. Blagoyeva (Bul) 1.84; 4, M. Komka (Hun) 1.84; 5, G. Ejstrup (Den) 1.80/5'101"; 6, M. Kostanova (Cz) 1.78/5'10"; 7, A. Proskova (Cz) 1.78; 8, M. Horrent (Fra) 1.76/5'91"; 9eq, **BARBARA INK-PEN** & M. Karbanova (Cz) 1.76; 11, V. Chulkova (USSR) 1.76; 12, S. Langkilde (Den) 1.76; 13, B. Rechner (Swi) 1.73/5'8".

LJ: 1, B. Rosen (WG) 6.58/21'71"; 2, M. Antenen (Swi) 6.42/21'01"; 3, J. Nygrynova (Cz) 6.39/20'111"; 4, S. Ammann (Swi) 6.26/20'61" (& 6.22); 5, **MAUREEN CHITTY** 6.26 (6.26, 6.15, —, —, 6.13, 6.11); 6, E. Vintila (Rum) 6.26; 7, D. Yorgova (Bul) 6.21/20'41"; 8, V. Viscopoleanu (Rum) 6.01/19'81"; 9, **RUTH MARTIN-JONES** 6.00/19'81" (5.99, —, 6.00); 10, M-P. Guillet (Fra) 5.56/18'3".

SP: 1, N. Chizhova (USSR) 19.41/63'81"; 2, A. Ivanova (USSR) 18.54/60'10"; 3, M. Adam (EG) 18.30/60'01"; 4, I. Khristova (Bul) 17.92/58'91"; 5, L. Chewinska (Pol) 17.88/58'8"; 6, G. Nyekrasova (USSR) 17.68/58'01"; 7, R. Vassekova (Bul) 17.60/57'9"; 8, H. Finbingerova (Cz) 17.40/57'1"; 9, V. Cioltan (Rum) 17.09/56'1"; 10, S. Kofink (WG) 16.18/53'1"; 11, A. Salagean (Rum) 16.04/52'71"; 12, E. Stoyanova (Bul) 15.63/51'31"; 13, **MARY PETERS** 14.90/48'101" (—, 13.77, 14.90).

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3. R. Ward (Cambridge).....	30.21
4. R. Smedley (B'ham) 30.27; 5. A. McKean (Edin)	
30.29; 6. P. Adams (Read) 30.35; 7. D. Gunstone	
(Camb) 30.46; 8. R. Brown (B'ham) 30.49; 9. A.	
Dewhurst (Dur) 30.57; 10. D. Allen (Sheff) 31.08;	
11. P. Harper (Ox) 31.03; 12. I. Graham (Leeds)	
31.06; 13. G. Hannon (Queen's) 31.09; 14. R. Harrison	
(Aberyst) 31.12; 15. H. Fletcher (Keele) 31.14;	
16. F. Clement (Strath) 31.16; 17. R. Lunn (Camb)	
31.17; 18. I. Thompson (Card) 31.20; 19. H. Dell	
(Camb) 31.20; 20. W. Domoney (Sheff) 31.23; 21.	
G. Whittleston (Sheff) 31.27; 22. L. Irvine (Camb)	
31.30; 23. I. Partington (Sheff) 31.32; 24. R. Treadwell	
(Camb) 31.34; 25. S. Mitchell (Lough C) 31.36; 26.	
D. Mayo (Card) 31.37; 27. B. Cole (Lough) 31.39;	
28. I. Gilmour (B'ham) 31.40; 29. P. Rockwood	
(Lon) 31.41; 30. N. Morrison (Sheff) 31.42; 31.	
P. Martin (Leic) 31.46; 32. A. Bird (Leeds) 31.47;	
33. A. Parker (Sx) 31.49; 34. P. Shaw (B'ham) 31.52;	
35. D. Ritchie (Aberdeen) 31.53; 36. A. Black (Newc)	
31.54; 37. J. Fox (Leeds) 31.58; 38. P. Pape (Man'r)	
31.59; 39. M. Price (Notts) 32.00; 40. P. Wood	
(Aberyst) 32.03	

41. J. Patton (Dur) 32.03; 42. R. Fields (Read) 32.05; 43. D. O'Donnell (Sheff) 32.10; 44. R. Sibbs (Lough C) 32.11; 45. J. Wiltshire (Liv) 32.11; 46. D. Thomas (Lough C) 32.11; 47. G. Thompson (B'ham) 32.12; 48. J. Dingwall (Edin) 32.16; 49. B. Williams (Notts) 32.18; 50. D. Logue (Glas) 32.20; 51. C. Murley (Dur) 32.22; 52. M. Dennet (Read) 32.25; 53. R. Towler (Notts) 32.27; 54. C. Downing (Read) 32.29; 55. A. Humble (New) 32.33; 56. T. Lawrence (Camb) 32.34; 57. D. Gaskell (Aberyst) 32.35; 58. C. Kitto (Read) 32.36; 59. W. Ewers (Ox) 32.37; 60. C. Lipple (Dur) 32.38; 61. K. Burlton (Dur) 32.38; 62. M. Seddon (Notts) 32.39; 63. B. Ellis (Dur) 32.40; 64. N. Jerome (Notts) 32.43; 65. E. Oxblade (Sx) 32.44; 66. D. Cresswell (New) 32.46; 67. D. Hill (B'ham) 32.52; 68. M. Bromilow (Ox) 32.54; 69. G. Domaingue (Lon) 32.55; 70. M. Lambert (Leeds) 32.56; 71. E. Imsworth (Dur) 32.58; 72. D. Gillanders (Sheff) 32.58; 73. T. Gregory (Leeds) 32.59; 74. G. Dugdale (Ox) 33.00; 75. C. Heath (Lon) 33.02; 76. J. Nay (Leic) 33.03; 77. I. Barnard (Leeds) 33.04; 78. N. Newport (Man'r) 33.05; 79. J. McGill (Lough C) 33.06; 80. C. Woodhouse (Leic) 33.06. 242 finished.

BUSF Individual Champ: 1, Moore; 2, Garforth; 3, Ward; 4, Smedley; 5, McKean; 6, Adams; 7, Gunstone; 8, Brown; 9, Dewhurst; 10, Allen; 11, Harper; 12, Graham.

UAU Individual Champ: 1, Smedley; 2, Adams; 3, Brown; 4, Dewhurst; 5, Allen; 6, Graham; 7, Harrison; 8, Fletcher; 9, Thompson; 10, Domoney; 11, Whittleston; 12, Partington.

BUSF Team Champ: 1, Cambridge 70; 2, Sheffield 145; 3, Birmingham 180; 4, Durham 272; 5, Leeds 290; 6, Oxford 294; 7, Reading 343; 8, Nottingham 385; 9, Newcastle 448; 10, London 451; 11, Aberystwyth 523; 12, Edinburgh 564; 13, Sussex 575; 14, Leicester 582; 15, Glasgow 583; 16, Ulster 584; 17,

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Manchester 685; 18, Queen's 698; 19, Aberdeen 750; 20, Loughborough 807; 21, Liverpool 813; 22, Bradford 826; 23, Strathclyde 905; 24, Bristol 941; 25, Swansea 992; 26, Southampton 1017; 27, Exeter 1024; 28, East Anglia 1050; 29, Surrey 1071; 30, UWIST 1073.

UAU Team Champ: 1, Sheffield 84; 2, Birmingham 123; 3, Durham 196; 4, Leeds 206; 5, Reading 245; 6, Nottingham 280; 7, Loughborough 323; 8, Newcastle 327; 9, Aberystwyth 376; 10, Sussex 413; 11, Leicester 424; 12, Manchester 488; 13, Loughborough 581; 14, Liverpool 588; 15, Bradford 598; 16, Bristol 681; 17, Swansea 729; 18, Southampton 749; 19, Exeter 751; 20, East Anglia 764; 21, Surrey 755; 22, UWIST 787.

(These results were not made available to "AW" until early March)

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Windsor, S & E Open YA Cross Country Races, February 19th. (Girls) Inters: 1, S. Hines (Thurrock) 13.27; 2, L. Smith (Thurr) 14.27; 3, A. Vaughan (Selsonia) 14.34; 4, L. Cobden (Sel) 14.43; 5, S. Barrass (AFD) 14.51; 6, S. Taylor (Read) 15.21. Teams: 1, Thurrock 13; 2, Aldershot 31; 3, Reading 32. (Juniors) 1, V. Priest (Wy. P) 9.16; 2, T. Hines (Thurr) 9.23; 3, L. Martin (Thurr) 9.33; 4, J. May (Wy. P) 9.35. Teams: 1, Thurrock 11; 2, Wycombe Ph. 22; 3, Aldershot 26. (Minors) 1, S. Noble (Har) 9.31; 2, S. Bates (Wy. P) 9.37; 3, S. Morgan (Wy. P) 9.37. Teams: 1, Windsor 24; 2, Wycombe Phoenix 25; 3, Feltham 26.

Surrey Schoolboys Championships, at Coulsdon, February 19th. 1, J. Lee 20.52; 2, S. Blakesley 21.20; 3, C. Taylor 21.42. Team: Sutton. (Inters) 1, D. Purcell 17.07; 2, T. Bowyer 17.31; 3, P. Barr 17.32. Team: Croydon. (Juns) 1, P. De Giovanni 14.48; 2, P. Tugwell 15.06; 3, T. Corning 15.11. Team: Sutton.

ARMY YOUTHS CHAMPIONSHIPS

At Harrogate, February 19th

1, R. Cargill (Jnr. L) 25.14; 2, M. Hickey (J. Gds) 25.22; 3, D. Gillies (Jnr. L) 25.30; 4, B. Johnson (RAMC) 25.32; 5, A. Knight (JL. RA) 25.46; 6, H. Nelson (J. Para. C) 25.52; 7, H. Worden (JL) 25.54; 8, T. Harris (JL) 25.57; 9, T. Randle (JL) 25.57; 10, A. Rodgers (JL) 26.02. Teams: 1, Inf. JL Bttn. 34; 2, JLR RA 92; 3, Jun. Para. Coy. 99.

MUNICH OLYMPICS

One of the few travel agents with tickets and accommodation available for the Munich Olympics is the Patrick Travel Agency of Swindon (see advertisement). Mr. Patrick tells us that he has tickets for eight athletics sessions, including the afternoons of September 4th, 6th and 7th, between August 31st and September 8th. Also tickets for football, hockey, judo, equestrian events and canoeing.

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CAN SCOTLAND END ENGLAND'S RUN AT CAMBRIDGE?

ENGLAND, bidding for a ninth consecutive team victory in the International Cross-Country Championships, face a stern challenge at Cambridge today (Saturday). Not only is the nine-man English formation less internationally proven than usual but the effect, psychological as well as physical, of the Sutton Coldfield ordeal, is unpredictable. To add to the English team's worries, there is formidable opposition to withstand from the strongest looking Scottish team yet. Scotland have promised much and achieved little in this race in recent years but such a combination of talents as Ian Stewart, Ian McCafferty, Jim Alder, Lachie Stewart and Alistair Blamire (the latter two were Sutton Coldfield campaigners, though) must be treated with the utmost respect. Belgium and Spain field solid teams as usual, and Wales could be set for the best result in years.

With the last two champions, Mike Tagg and Dave Bedford, non-runners, the individual race looks to be between Scotland's two Ians, Malcolm Thomas (if fully recovered) and Gaston Roelants, who had a 36 sec margin over Willy Polleunis in winning his eleventh Belgian title. Jim Brown (Scotland) and Dave Black (England), both of whom would grace any senior team, are the outstanding claimants to the junior title, with England facing a formidable Scottish squad in attempting to record her eleventh team victory in twelve years.

The women's championship could provide an exceptional duel between that remarkable American, Doris Brown, winner for the past five years (and in fine form judging by her recent 4:44.0 indoor mile) and Rita Ridley, with Joyce Smith capable of worrying them both. The English team has a good, solid ring to it but victory over the USA and a potentially dangerous Scotland will not be easy.

The appearance in this race of the mysterious Australian runner, Adrienne Beames, may perhaps settle speculation over the performances attributed to her in recent months. Miss Beames (29) ran in the 1970 International at Frederick, Maryland, on which occasion she finished 34th and last in 17:44, as compared with Doris Brown's winning 15:04 and Rita Ridley's 15:11. A few months earlier she had recorded 2:13.0 for 800m and 4:38.5 for 1500m, which appear to be her best official track marks.

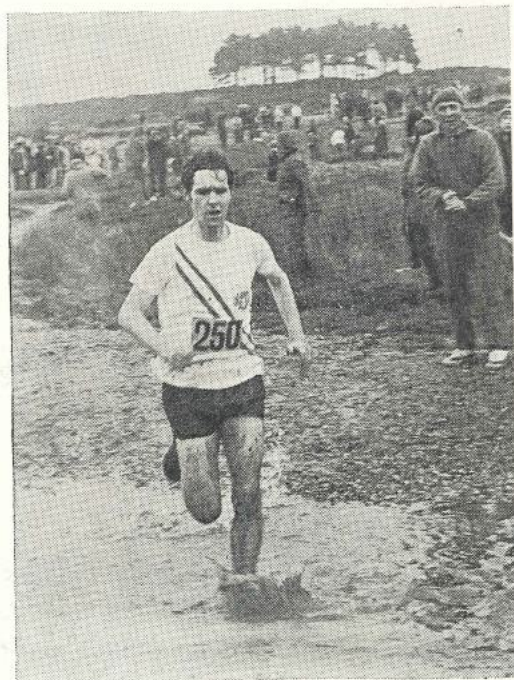
All those startling performances of late were registered in private time trials, or in unofficial races against men. The times credited to her under these conditions include 1500m in 4:08.0 (February 1972), mile in 4:28.8 (Jan. 7th), 5000m in 15:48.6 (Jan. 5th, possibly on road—9:27.2 or 9:27.6 at 3000m en route), 10,000m in 34:08 (Jan. 28th—27:35 at 5M and 33:09 at 6M en route), 10M in 57:23, 16M in 1:38:18 and marathon in 2:46:30 (Aug. 31st 1971). All, except the 3000m, are superior to the world's best times although of course in the circumstances none can be officially acknowledged as records.

Adrienne Beames, a former Victorian state squash champion who took up running about three years ago, has (for a woman) a phenomenally low pulse rate of 39-41 at rest and her daily training includes a 5-6M run each morning and about 10M in the evening; a weekly mileage in excess of 100.

The course at Cambridge is at Coldham's Common. Directions for spectators arriving by train: 150 yards down Station Road to right hand junction into Tenison Road; along Tenison Road to junction with Mill Road. In Mill Road catch 102 bus at stop outside the 'Kinema' which is just east of the junction on opposite side of road. Simplest way for a party is to share taxi to Brookes Road/Coldham's Lane Roundabout. The Junior race is at 2.15, Senior at 3.10, Women at 4.10.

Mel Watman

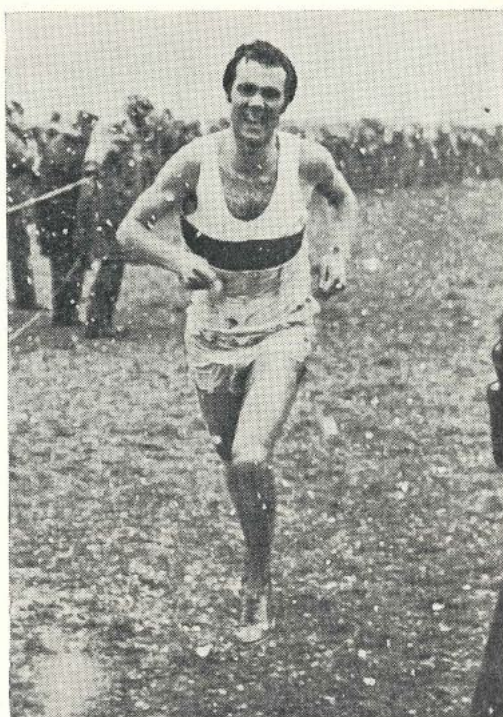
★ London Irish AC invite all visiting athletes from abroad to compete in an international inter-club 5 miles cross-country race at Parliament Hill Fields on Sunday, March 19th (11.30 a.m.). Prizes will be awarded.



Dave Black on the way to his triumph in the National Junior Championship. Tim Pike



MALCOLM THOMAS (1st)



BILL ROBINSON (2nd)

BRAVING THE ELEMENTS IN THE NATIONAL SENIOR CROSS-COUNTRY

Photographs by
Eric North

Trevor Wright leads this group, comprising Grenville Tuck (236), Allan Rushmer, Alistair Blamire (1251), Brendan Foster and David Slater (S48).



Great Races of the Past (13)

By Jack Barlow

White City Relay Thriller

ONE of the most memorable dates in British athletics history was August 15th 1936. The White City Stadium, London, was packed to the doors. Britain was in the throes of Olympic fever as the Games of the XI Olympiad in Berlin had ended only a week beforehand and the sporting public had flocked in their thousands to see the customary match between the British Empire and the United States. That exciting occasion was remarkable in many ways. It was the only time that the great Jesse Owens ever ran in Britain, and the last time that Jack Lovelock ever competed in this country. With almost the entire American Olympic team on view expectations ran high in the crowd and they were not disappointed as world records fell in three relay events and British records in the high hurdles, pole vault and high jump.

Of all the events staged that day, however, none brought the vast crowd as close to pandemonium pitch as the one mile relay in which the Empire team, consisting of those three illustrious British quarter-milers of the thirties, Godfrey Brown, Bill Roberts and Godfrey Rampling, together with Canadian, Bill Fritz, just defeated the Americans by inches in a hair-raising finish as both teams cracked the world record.

To fully appreciate the tremendous interest in this race it should be recalled that, barely a week before, Great Britain had scored a magnificent victory over the United States in the 1,600 metres relay at the Olympic Games in Berlin with a team comprised of Brown, Roberts, Rampling and Freddie Wolff. For this race, with their wealth of athletic talent, the Americans had fielded an entirely fresh team, thus leaving out their two fastest men, Archie Williams and Jimmy Luvall, who had just won the gold and bronze medals in the individual Olympic 400 metres final—not to mention two other sub-47 sec. quarter-milers in Glenn Hardin and Johnny Woodruff, who had just won the 400m hurdles and 800m respectively in Berlin. From an American viewpoint, therefore, it could quite justifiably have been argued at the time that had they fielded their absolutely strongest team at the Olympics, yet another gold medal could have been added to their tally of twelve.

Superb sporting drama

The capacity crowd of almost fifty thousand which jammed the famous stadium on that August Saturday of 1936 thus came with full knowledge that a battle royal seemed certain and they were not deprived. Enacted before them was staged perhaps the greatest relay race ever run in this country, a superb sporting drama of fluctuating

fortunes for both teams with victory in doubt until the very last few strides.

On paper, as in Berlin, the American team was again the faster, consisting in running order of Williams, then both world and Olympic record holder; Al Fitch, the only member included who ran on the US Olympic relay squad in Berlin; Glenn Hardin, who, though Olympic intermediate hurdles champion, was almost equally brilliant on the flat, as evidenced by the fact that he was twice a National Collegiate 440y champion; and, finally, the powerful Luvall whose top mark of 46.3 then ranked as the third fastest ever recorded for 400 metres.

The opposing Empire team remained 75 per cent the same as in Berlin and it was decided to run the immensely strong and completely reliable Bill Roberts first; followed by that most inspired of relay runners, Godfrey Rampling; then the consistent Canadian, Bill Fritz; with the final leg entrusted to the man who that year undoubtedly vied with Williams himself as the world's best quarter-miler—Godfrey Brown. The figures below give a comparison of the best personal 400m times achieved up to that year by both teams as added interest.

United States

1st Leg	A. F. Williams (46.1)
2nd Leg	A. Fitch (47.1)
3rd Leg	G. F. Hardin (46.5*)
4th Leg	J. E. Luvall (46.3)

British Empire

1st Leg	W. Roberts (46.8)
2nd Leg	G. L. Rampling (47.5)
3rd Leg	W. D. Fritz (47.4)
4th Leg	A. G. K. Brown (46.7)

(* Adjusted from 440y mark)

With typical bulldog tenacity Roberts set about the Olympic champion, Williams, over the first stage in no uncertain fashion and to the delight of the simmering multitude massed in the stands actually defeated him by a full yard to achieve the most distinguished performance of his splendid career. Rampling, whose superb second leg in Berlin had virtually clinched the gold medal for Britain, did not quite reproduce his true brilliance, but nevertheless held out against the straining, hard running Fitch. It was over the third stage, however, that fortune took a turn in the other direction as Glenn Hardin, an athlete of true genius, took the United States into the lead as he overhauled and finally outran Fritz to give the big and highly respected Jimmy Luvall a three yard lead over Brown for the vital last leg.

If ever the famous "A. G. K." was called upon to show his true greatness it was in that next pulsating three quarters of a minute. Undaunted at having to give such a man a start, Brown quickly attempted to make and keep essential con-

As well as being a great quarter and half miler, Godfrey Brown was also a superb sprinter. Here he defeats 10.4 100m performer Arthur Sweeney in the 1936 Kinnaird Trophy 100 yards in 9.9.



tact with the powerfully striding American. Twice down the long back stretch the 21-year-old Cambridge Blue got up to and actually tried to pass and twice he was held off. Around the final bend and into the last straight they swept before a transfixed and madly roaring crowd; on through those last punishing yards Luvalle held on to his lead and it began to look like a gallant defeat for the Empire foursome. Then, just when victory seemed impossible, Godfrey Brown summoned every morsel of his remaining strength and came yet again up to and just past the flagging Luvalle virtually to lift the tape off the American's chest and snatch an unforgettable victory.

The time for both teams was 3:10.6, just one full second inside the standing world's record set in California a few weeks earlier by a University of Southern California team, though, of course, it could not be accepted in the case of the Empire team because of the international composition of the squad. And the greatest quarter-miler that England has ever produced had run that epic last lap in just 45.9! By all accounts it represented phenomenal running around those notoriously sharp White City bends and on a track that in those days was decidedly slow. It was probably the greatest single run of his splendid career and compensated somewhat for his near-miss in the Olympic 400m final where, slowly gaining ground all the way up the final straight, he only just failed to catch Williams on the tape. In contrast to the official hand times of 46.5 and 46.7, respectively, the photo finish timing in Berlin showed 46.66 and 46.68—it was as close as that.

Strangely enough, Williams enjoyed only one brilliant year at the top (1936) and so Brown never did get the opportunity for revenge. He did, however, twice defeat the man who succeeded Williams as America's number one quarter miler, Ray Malott (46.6 for 440y). The first occasion was on a windy night in Stockholm in September 1937, by four yards in 47.2, and the second on a

rain soaked track in Milan one year later where he again won by four yards in 47.1.

There seems little doubt that between 1937 and 1938 Arthur Godfrey Kilner Brown rated as the world's best quarter miler, yet, despite the many magnificent races he ran, one feels that he never quite rose to such Olympian heights as on that magic August afternoon in 1936 when he was so fully called upon for his team and was not found wanting.

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Overseas News and Results

Morning After The Night Before Vault Record

IT was Friday evening (Feb. 25th) when Kjell Isaksson began vaulting at 4.98/16'4" in the AAU Indoor Championships in New York; it was Saturday morning (12.07 a.m.) when the 1.74/5'8½", 68kg/150lb Swede levered himself over a world indoor best of 5.45/17'10½". Outdoors, only two men have ever gone higher: Chris Papanicolaou at 5.49/18'0½" and Wolfgang Nordwig at 5.46/17'11". Isaksson, gripping a new Sky-pole at 4.70/15'5", cleared 4.98/16'4", 5.18/17'0", 5.28/17'4", 5.40/17'8½" and 5.45/17'10½" (2nd attempt) before failing at 5.50/18'0½". The previous week he had failed to clear his opening height of 5.03/16'6" in San Diego.

In other action at the AAU, Emiel Puttemans followed up his European indoor 2M record by winning the 3M in 13:18.4, another continental indoor best. Mile splits were 4:26.6, 4:32.0 and 4:19.8 . . . With Mel Pender losing his balance soon after the start and 5.8 man Herb Washington easing up expecting a recall that never came, the 60y went to outdoor AAU 100y champion Del Meriwether . . . Bob Beamon failed to make the long jump final with a dismal 7.26/23'10" (rumours that he had signed professional forms for the Har-

lem Globetrotters were incorrect) but Olympic triple jump 4th-placer Art Walker (30) began his serious comeback most encouragingly. Aiming merely for 50ft, having been training only a couple of months, he placed 4th with 15.96/52'4½"—and stated his target for Munich is a world record 57'3" (17.45).

Further details of Bob Mapstone's UK indoor mile mark of 3:59.5 in San Diego on Feb. 19th: Belgium's Andre de Hertoghe led through the quarters in 59.0, 2:01.0 and 3:01.7 before the Welshman took the lead with 240y (1½ laps of the 160y banked board track) to go. He covered the last quarter in 57.8.

Jim Ryun met with another disaster at an outdoor "Meet of Champions" to mark the opening of a Tartan track at the Los Angeles Coliseum on March 4th. Up with the leaders for only a lap he trailed home last of seven in 4:19.2 as the increasingly impressive Tom Von Ruden won in 3:57.8. Three others broke 4 minutes: Mark Winzenried, John Lawson and 34-year-old George Young (who becomes the world's oldest athlete to dip under four). A University of Southern California squad took 0.6 off the world 4x220y relay record but the mark won't count as the team included Don Quarrie, a Jamaican.

Indoor Results

18.2. New York. 1500m: 4, J. Mason 3:45.4; 5,

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CLOSING DATE SUNDAY, 2nd APRIL

DAVE WRIGHT 3:45.5; 6, CHRIS MASON 3:45.8. **18.2. Kalamazoo.** 3M: 2, GORDON MINTY 13:45.6. **18/19.2. Salt Lake City.** 60y: Stewart (Jam) 6.0; SP: DeBernardi 20.67/67'10", Arrhenius (Swe) 19.11/62'8". **19.2. Madison.** HJ: Matzdorf 2.13/7'0". **19.2. San Diego.** 60y: Borzov (USSR) 6.0 ht (eq. Eur best); Mile: (fuller result) BOB MAPLESTONE 3:59.5, Crawford 4:00.3, Messina 4:01.1, McDonald 4:01.3, Riley 4:01.6, de Hertoghe (Bel) 4:02.5, Matthews (NZ) 4:04.2; 2M: 3, Shorter 8:33.4; 4, Lindgren 8:34.0; 5, Laris 8:34.6; 3M: 4, Ryan (Rol) 13:45.6; LJ: 2, Hines 7.97/26'11"; 3, Moore 7.91/25'11"; 4, Baumgartner (WG) 7.72/25'4"; 5, McAlister 7.71/25'2"; . . . 7, Beamon 7.55/24'9"; SP: Lane 19.21/63'0"; 440y relay leg: Evans 46.1. **22.2. Boulder.** 60y: Daniels (Gha) 5.9 (eq. Comm. best); HJ/PV: Wedman 2.08/6'10" & 5.03/16'6".

25.2. New York. (AAU Champs) 60y: Meriwether 6.2, Tinker 6.2 (6.1 ht), Washington (6.1 ht), McGee (6.1 ht); 600y: Evans 1:11.3, T. Turner 1:11.7, Adkins 1:12.2; 1000y: Plachy (Cz) 2:09.8, Murphy (Rol) 2:09.8, Nehring 2:10.8, Luzins 2:11.2; Mile: Dyce (Jam) 4:01.8, de Hertoghe (Bel) 4:04.6, Fisher 4:05.9; 3M: Puttemans (Bel) 13:18.4 (Eur best), Hilton 13:19.4, Kardong 13:19.8, O'Reilly 13:21.6, McLaren (Can) 13:23.0, Crawford 13:23.4, Laris 13:25.0; 60yH: Milburn 7.1 (7.0 ht), Davenport (7.0 sf), Hall, Hill (7.1 ht); HJ: White 2.18/7'2", Brown 2.18, Culp & Dunn 2.13/7'0", David 2.13; PV: Isaksson (Swe) 5.45/17'10" (world best), Lagerqvist (Swe) 5.28/17'4", Smith 5.28, Wallick 5.18/17'0" . . . 7, Simpson (Can) 5.08/16'8"; LJ: Hines 7.90/25'11", Coleman 7.60/24'11", Boston 7.59/24'11" . . . 8, Beamon 7.26/23'10"; TJ: Craft 16.57/54'4", Reader 16.10/52'9", Smith 16.10, Walker 15.96/52'4" . . . 7, Beamon 14.78/48'6"; SP: DeBernardi 20.15/66'11", Stuart 19.83/65'0", Oldfield 19.30/63'3"; 35lb Wt: Frenn 22.05/72'4"; Mile Walk: Romansky 6:13.4, Laird 6:14.6, Walker 6:17.5; women's 60y: Davis 6.9; 220y: Stroy 24.8; 440y: Hammond 54.9, Lundgren (Swe) 54.9, Scott 55.0; 880y: Toussaint 2:08.2; Mile: Brown 4:44.0, Heald 4:47.0, Reiser (Can) 4:48.8; 60yH: Johnson 7.5 (eq. US rec); HJ: Van Kiebel (Can) 1.72/5'8"; LJ: Watson 6.39/20'11" (US rec), White 6.28/20'7"; SP: Seidler 15.53/50'11" (US rec).

25.2. Ann Arbor. 2M: MINTY 8:43.8; 70yH: Murray (Jam) 8.1 (eq. Comm. best). **25.2. Colorado.** 60y: Branch 6.0, Daniels (Gha) 6.1. **25/26.2. Montgomery.** Mile: O'Keeffe (Rol) 4:06.0; 2M: Cusack (Rol) 8:47.8; PV: Johnson 5.20/17'1"; LJ: Orum 7.77/25'6". **26.2. Ithaca.** 60yH: Collins 7.0; PV: Blair 5.19/17'0". **26.2. Columbus.** 1000y: Wottle 2:08.2. **27.2. Newark.** Mile: Mosser 4:02.0, Gregan (Rol) 4:04.3. **4.3. Princeton.** 1000y: McElroy 2:06.9. **4.3. Columbus.** 60y: Washington 5.9; 300y: Dill 29.6; HJ: Adama 2.16/7'1", Matzdorf 2.13/7'0".

Outdoor Results

28.1. Compton. DT: Lister 59.76/196'1". **29.1. Walnut.** PV: Smith 5.03/16'6"; HT: Connolly 66.66/218'8", Frenn 65.22/214'0". **6.2. Las Vegas.** Mar: Bringhurst 2:19.24. **13.2. Burlingame.** Mar: Kardong (8:32.8 indoor 2 miler) 2:18:05.6 (debut;

ran 150y over distance). **19.2. Santa Barbara.** 880y: Ryun 1:54.9, Winzenried 1:54.9; Mile: Ryun 4:06.9, Winzenried 4:07.9.

18.2. East Los Angeles. DT: Lister 60.38/198'1". **19.2. Ruston.** 100y: McGee 9.4. **25.2. E. Los Angeles.** DT: Van Reenen (SA) 61.58/202'0". **26.2. Westwood.** 440y: Brown 46.6; PV: Smith 5.20/17'1" . . . Tracanelli (Fra) failed 4.90/16'1"; Vets 220: Dean Smith 22.8 (world best). **26.2. Tempe.** HJ: Shepard 2.16/7'1". **26.2. San Diego.** 2M: 2, Billy Mills 8:58.4. **27.2. San Francisco.** 50km Walk (track): Kitchen 4:13:36 (US rec); 3:20:00 at 40km, 3:21:16 at 25M, 4:04:35 at 30M). **27.2. Seaside, Ore.** Mar: 5, Gerry Lindgren (debut) 2:27:47 (led for 21M). **4.3. Los Angeles.** 100y: (— 1.6m) Ravelomanantsoa (Malag) 9.4, Kemp 9.6; 440: Garrison 46.9; 880: Luzins 1:50.2 . . . 4, Swenson 1:51.8; Mile: Von Ruden 3:57.8, Winzenried 3:59.5, Lawson 3:59.5, Young 3:59.6 . . . 7, Ryun 4:19.2; 2M: Lindgren 8:39.6, DICK SELBY 8:40.2, Harrison 8:41.2, DICK SLINLEY 8:44.8; 120yH: (— 0.8m) Milburn 13.5, Wilson 14.0, Babb 14.0; 440yH: Whitney 50.9, Mann 51.0, Williams 51.7; HJ: Brown 2.16/7'1", Culp & Owens 2.13/7'0"; PV: Smith 5.31/17'5", Isaksson (Swe) 5.31, Lagerqvist 5.20/17'0", Railsback 5.05/16'6", Seagren 5.05/16'7"; LJ: Robinson 7.83/25'8", Hines 7.83/25'8", Beamon 7.77/25'6"; SP: Feuerbach 21.02/68'11", Matson 20.79/68'2", Lane 19.79/64'11", Samsam (Mor) 19.33/63'5" (rec); 4x220y: USC (Leon Brown 20.7, Edsel Garrison 20.4, Willie Deckard 20.3, Don Quarrie 19.7) 1:21.1 (best on record); women's 440: M. Ferguson 53.7, Hammond 54.1, Scott 54.4, Randerz (Swe) 54.6.

NETHERLANDS

19.2. Rotterdam. 800: Fromm (EG) 1:49.2, Reygaert (Bel) 1:49.6; 1500: Justus (EG) 3:43.4, Wasenaar 3:44.0, Mignon (Bel) 3:45.6; LJ: Beer (EG) 7.63/25'0". (Women: E. Germany beat Netherlands 59-25) 60m: Stecher (EG) 7.4; 400: Zehrt (EG) 53.6, Kuhne (EG) 54.5; 800: Burneleit (EG) 2:07.5, Politz (EG) 2:07.6; 60mH: Ehrhardt (EG) 8.1, Balzer (EG) 8.1; HJ: Schmidt (EG) 1.85/6'0", Kandziora (EG) 1.79/5'10"; LJ: Olfert (EG) 6.16/20'2"; SP: Adam (EG) 18.30/60'0"; 4x180m: EG (Zehrt, Stecher, Vogt, Kuhne) 1:23.1.

BULGARIA

19/20.2. Sofia. 400: Susanj (Yug) 47.7; 3000: Scholz (EG) 7:56.8; HJ: Junge (EG) 2.17/7'1", Tihanyi (Hun) 2.14/7'0"; Moravec (Cz) 2.14; LJ: Rak (Yug) 7.82/25'8"; TJ: Artyemov (USSR) 16.14/52'11", Drehmel (EG) 15.91/52'2"; women's 400: Kasling (EG) 54.5, Zlateva 55.1; 800: Amzina 2:06.0; SP: Chewinska (Pol) 16.49/54'11".

SPAIN

12.2. Madrid. 60m: Carballo 6.6 . . . 5, Nowosz (Pol) 6.9 (6.6 ht); 6, ALAN PASCOE 7.0 (6.8 ht; he and Nowosz left in final); 400: Badenski (Pol) 47.9; 60mH: PASCOE 7.7 (UK best; 7.8 ht), Schumann (WG) 7.7; PV: MIKE BULL 5.05/16'6" (UK best), Ziegler (WG) 4.80/15'9", Consegal 4.80; women's 400: Sykora (Austria) 57.2. **23.2. Sabadell.** HJ: Perarnau (16) 2.05/6'8"; women's 400: Besson (Fra) 54.5, Telliez (Fra) 55.5.

English Schoolgirls CC Championships**At Sandown, March 4th****EASY — AFTER HIGH WYCOMBE!**

THE course at the English Schools Cross-Country Championships for girls held at Sandown, Isle of Wight, on March 4th must have been fairly easy for those runners who competed in the National Championships the previous week at High Wycombe. The going, apart from a few patches of mud, was more or less flat, the only real difficulty being the very cold and strong winds. Considering the venue, a reasonable number of spectators turned out and no doubt the ferry service operating from Portsmouth to Ryde hadn't had such an influx of tourists in early March for quite some time!

In the Senior 4000m race Liz Connors (Lancs), runner-up in this race last year, took an early lead, closely followed by Jill Poyner of Cheshire. Throughout the race these two positions remained the same, with Liz increasing her lead at the end and winning by 14 seconds. Sandra Marquis (Herts), whom some rated as favourite for this race, managed to grab third place, overtaking Christine Helsby (Lancs) approximately 300m from home.

The Intermediate 2800m race was a shorter version of the senior course with the inclusion of a short hill about two-thirds of the way round. At the start D. Brown of Yorkshire set

the early pace, but the lead changed several times. At the bottom of the hill Shiree Hines from Essex was up at the front, followed by Pam Davis (Staffs), Lesley Kiernan (Essex) and Jean Haigh (Yorks). At this point these four runners had broken away from the rest of the field and the final result remained the same, except for Kiernan snatching second place from Davis.

At the start of the Junior 2400m race the runners remained bunched for quite some time, and at one stage it really could have been anyone's race. Helen Hill (Staffs) was second in this leading group and eventually broke away from the rest of the field, finishing strongly with a commanding lead of about 200m, leaving the rest of the field, who were still well bunched, to fight over second and third places.

Warwickshire showed themselves to be a strong county, the final team position giving them second place in the junior and Senior races, and third place in the Intermediate race. Afterwards, there was a formal presentation back at the school where Brenda Bedford presented some of the awards.

Teresa Hollingsworth**Seniors**

1. E. Connors (Lancashire) 14.21
2. J. Poyner (Cheshire) 14.35
3. S. Marquis (Hertfordshire) 14.44
4. C. Helsby (Lancs) 14.51; 5. M. Cope (Staffs) 15.04; 6. S. Clarke (Lincs) 15.08; 7. G. Adams (Kent) 15.20; 8. J. Down (Dev) 15.21; 9. G. Blythe (Wks) 15.31; 10. P. Fowler (Sx) 15.33; 11. G. Foster (Lancs) 15.35; 12. J. Honick (Wks) 15.37; 13. J. Clarke (Staffs) 15.38; 14. A. Roberts (Sy) 15.41; 15. C. Henderson (Cumb) 15.42; 16. T. O'Brien (Sx) 15.43; 17. A. Jones (Sx) 15.44; 18. A. Clarke (Yks) 15.45; 19. R. Savage (Som) 15.46; 20. R. Bailey (Som) 15.47; 21. H. Campbell (Wks) 15.51; 22. C. Hever (Bucks) 15.56; 23. T. Keegan (Yks) 16.00; 24. J. Church (Ex) 16.01; 25. E. King (Sy) 16.03; 26. G. Haydon (Som) 16.04; 27. G. Berry (Yks) 16.09; 28. J. Rowley (Lon) 16.10; 29. L. Degg (Staffs) 16.11; 30. E. Ranson (Dur) 16.12; 31. Angela Salmon (Hants) 16.14; 32. S. Henderson (Dur) 16.14; 33. K. Bullock (Wks) 16.15; 34. P. Dennis (Lon) 16.16; 35. M. Borlase (Beds) 16.17; 36. A. Rumbold (Hants) 16.18; 37. G. Baldwin (Lancs) 16.22; 38. H. Grier (Mx) 16.23; 39. V. Brown (Lon) 16.25; 40. J. Lile (Som) 16.30; 41. K. Pursey (Sy) 16.31; 42. S. Webb (Ex) 16.32; 43. M. Gage (Sx) 16.37; 44. J. Rice (Dev) 16.38; 45. L. Holden (Lancs) 16.38; 46. A. Sivell (Glos) 16.39; 47. K. Tabor (Hants) 16.40; 48. M. Addison (Dur) 16.42; 49. P. Simpson (Hants) 16.44; 50. R. Smith (Here) 16.45.

Teams: 1, Lancs 53; 2, Warwicks 75; 3, Sussex 86; 4, Somerset 105; 5, Staffs 113; 6, Yorks 136; 7, Surrey 138; 8, Hants 163; 9, Devon 163; 10,

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Major counties aggregate trophy: 1, Warwicks 227; 2, Lancs 231; 3, Staffs 246; 4, Yorks 319; 5, Essex 428; 6, Middx 475; 7, Cheshire 524; 8, Hants 592; 9, London 603; 10, Sussex 642.

Minor counties aggregate: 1, Cumberland 970; 2, Beds 974; 3, Somerset 1099; 4, Suffolk 1125; 5, Worcs 1126; 6, Wilts 1507.

Intermediates

1. S. Hines (Essex) 12.13
2. L. Kiernan (Essex) 12.21
3. P. Davis (Staffordshire) 12.23
4. J. Haigh (Yks) 12.25; 5. J. Horan (Lancs) 12.35;
6. J. Blain (Cumb) 12.36; 7. L. Abraham (Bucks)
12.40; 8. T. Wild (Ches) 12.41; 9. C. Pannell (Bed)
12.48; 10. B. Schofield (Ches) 12.50; 11. S. Pearce
(Sy) 12.53; 12. E. Foster (Lancs) 12.54; 13. A.
James (Norf) 12.55; 14. K. Kosbab (Mx) 12.56;
15. S. Smart (Lancs) 12.57; 16. J. Meeson (Mx)
12.58; 17. L. Smith (Ex) 13.03; 18. J. van Cuylen-
burg (Kt) 13.04; 19. C. Smith (Wks) 13.05; 20. M.
Morgan (Wks) 13.06; 21. S. Lines (Wks) 13.07; 22.
E. Fairman (Lon) 13.08; 23. L. Hughes (Lancs)
13.09; 24. A. Pursglove (Glos) 13.12; 25. A.
Romanovicz (Yks) 13.13; 26. L. Harvey (Mx)
13.13; 27. A. Davis (Staffs) 13.14; 28. G. Lovell
(Wks) 13.15; 29. C. White (Staffs) 13.16; 30. D.
Brown (Yks) 13.17; 31. G. Garbutt (Yks) 13.18;
32. J. Durrans (Wks) 13.19; 33. R. Joyce (Sx)
13.19; 34. S. Brown (Staffs) 13.20; 35. W. Izzard
(Herts) 13.21; 36. R. Chettleburgh (Ex) 13.22; 37.
S. Smith (Glos) 13.23; 38. C. Hanson (Dby) 13.24;
39. J. Spiers (Wks) 13.25; 40. S. Taylor (Berks)
13.26; 41. F. Wishart (N'land) 13.27; 42. J. May
(Lancs) 13.28; 43. C. Brinkhurst (P'boro & Hunt)
13.29; 44. J. Bennett (Croy) 13.30; 45. M. Seaton
(Yks) 13.31; 46. V. Rowe (Mx) 13.32; 47. A.
Vaughan (Lon) 13.33; 48. J. Went (Sx) 13.34; 49.
D. Price (Mx) 13.35; 50. K. Beaton (Lincs) 13.36.

Teams: 1, Lancs 55; 2, Essex 56; 3, Warwicks
88; 4, Yorks 90; 5, Staffs 93; 6, Middx 102; 7,
Cheshire 154; 8, London 175; 9, Surrey 180; 10,
Glos 213; 11, Kent 260; 12, Bucks 270; 13, Cum-
berland 275; 14, Herts 277; 15, Sussex 286; 16,
Lincs 312; 17, Derbyshire 313; 18, Hants 333; 19,
Berks 357; 20, Northumberland 360; 21, Leics 397;
22, Suffolk 412; 23, Hunts 415; 24, Worcs 422; 25,
Beds 424; 26, Durham 427; 27, Devon 442; 28,
Somerset 445; 29, Salop 460; 30, Norfolk 533; 31,
Oxon 589; 32, Herefordshire 613; 33, Wilts 655;
34, Westmorland 660.

Juniors

1. H. Hill (Staffordshire) 11.37
2. J. Lawrence (Lancashire) 12.03
3. V. Priest (Buckinghamshire) 12.05
4. L. Ward (Wks) 12.06; 5. A-M. Robinson (Ches)
12.07; 6. M. Joyce (Sx) 12.12; 7. J. Williamson
(Ches) 12.13; 8. J. Crook (Mx) 12.14; 9. M. Worth
(Yks) 12.16; 10. L. Fletcher (Worcs) 12.18; 11. J.
Berry (Bucks) 12.19; 12. H. McKinnon (Staffs)

12.20; 13. A. Howells (Staffs) 12.21; 14. A. Tunni-
cliffe (Staffs) 12.22; 15. J. Barrass (Hants) 12.23;
16. R. Taylor (Wks) 12.24; 17. N. Silburn (Kt)
12.25; 18. J. Rout (Mx) 12.25; 19. S. Holdsworth
(Yks) 12.28; 20. M. Lea (Hants) 12.29; 21. L.
Falconer (Wks) 12.31; 22. P. Kemp (Staffs) 12.32;
23. C. Petitjean (Wks) 12.33; 24. P. Gorman (Wks)
12.34; 25. S. Campbell (Lon) 12.35; 26. K. Fielon
(Hants) 12.36; 27. P. Burns (Lancs) 12.37; 28. K.
Pilling (Lancs) 12.38; 29. L. Wood (Yks) 12.39;
30. M. Stewart (Ex) 12.40; 31. S. Holland (Ches)
12.41; 32. H. Grogan (Wks) 12.42; 33. K. Rice
(Dev) 12.43; 34. S. Harvey (Mx) 12.44; 35. H.
Fielon (Hants) 12.45; 36. J. Wrag (Yks) 12.45; 37.
L. Martin (Ex) 12.46; 38. J. May (Bucks) 12.47;
39. J. Brinkhurst (P'boro & Hunt) 12.49; 41. J.
Barnett (Hants) 12.50; 42. K. Wragg (Mx) 12.51;
43. A. Lewins (Dur) 12.52; 44. J. Ryan (Glos)
12.53; 45. S. Williamson (Ches) 12.54; 46. S.
Turner (Glos) 12.55; 47. M. Sadler (Ex) 12.56;
48. J. Fould (Yks) 12.57; 49. P. Robertson (Sx)
12.58; 50. G. Dobson (Dur) 12.59.

Teams: 1, Staffs 40; 2, Warwicks 64; 3, Cheshire
88; 4, Yorks 93; 5, Hants 96; 6, Middx 102; 7,
Bucks 106; 8, Lancs 123; 9, Essex 174; 10, Durham
242; 11, London 257; 12, Worcs 259; 13, Sussex
270; 14, Glos 306; 15, Devon 308; 16, Beds 313;
17, Hunts 328; 18, Herts 343; 19, Suffolk 356; 20,
Kent 396; 21, Lincs 404; 22, Northumberland 411;
23, Berks 427; 24, Leics 428; 25, Salop 437; 26,
Wilts 446; 27, Westmorland 448; 28, Surrey 451;
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FINE ENTRY FOR FLOODLIT MEET

Several of Britain's leading athletes, eager for an early taste of good competition, have accepted invitations to compete in Newham AC's "Golden Wonder Invitation Meeting" at Terence McMullan Stadium, Plaistow, on April 26th (6.45 p.m.). Acceptances to date include—100m: Barrie Kelly, Ian Matthews; 600m: Chris Carter, Martin Winbolt Lewis, Andy Todd; 1500m: Jim Douglas; 3000m: Ron McAndrew, Ernie Pomfret; SP: Geoff Capes, Bill Fuller, John Watts; 3000m Walk: Paul Nihill, Ray Middleton, Phil Embleton, John Webb; women's 100m/300m: Madeleine Cobb, Maureen Tranter, Verona Bernard, Judy Vernon, Sonia Lannaman, Andrea Lynch, Janet Stroud; 600m: Margaret Beacham, Thelwyn Bateman, Janet Simpson (making a serious comeback this year); 100mH: Ann Wilson, Judy Vernon, Janet Honour, Sue Reeve, Sheila Garnett; HJ: Ann Wilson, Sue Wright, Teresa Dainton, Rosaline Few, Gwenda Hurst, Janet Honour; LJ: Maureen Chitty, Ruth Martin-Jones, Ann Wilson, Judy Vernon.

NEW COLOURS FOR CAMBRIDGE GIRLS

As from April 1st the Women's section of Cambridge Harriers will wear light blue vests and shorts with black trimmings. There will be a transition period of one season to allow the younger members to change from the old colours to the new ones.

The Luton United AC winter meeting, due to have been held last Sunday, is now being held this Sunday, March 19th. Same programme, same times.

Javelin throwers in the South West needing help should contact Peter Jojiment, 77 Rectory Place, Burnham-on-Sea, Somerset.

Mrs. Margaret Whitbread, the new National Event Coach for the Javelin, has throwing weights available to all athletes. Phone Tilbury 3186 for orders. Mrs. Whitbread will be holding a competition during the Essex Federation of Coaches course on March 25th/26th, and plans several competitions at the Thurrock H. track at King George V Ground this year. Athletes should contact her with their requirements and suggestions.

Morton Evans, National Event Coach for Pole Vault, would like to disclaim the rumour that has been circulating recently concerning sponsorship for the BAAB Pole Vault squad. The squad have not received £3,000 worth of sponsorship, as has been stated. "If I had this money from the firm concerned, I would have immediately utilised it by buying poles for all our top vaulters," says Mr. Evans.

The statement in last week's issue that Bob Lunnion is shortly to join Cambridge & Coleridge AC is incorrect.

MIKE SLEEMAN

Twenty-one-year-old Mike Sleeman, a distance runner with Gloucester AC, was killed in a car accident on February 19th after competing in the Birmingham League (Div. 2) race at Bromsgrove that day.

He was a loyal member of Gloucester AC's successful youth and junior teams of 1968-70, his best performance being 39th in the National Schools Championships in 1968. He is particularly remembered by Gloucestershire runners for encouraging them to support the Mitcheldean 14 miles road race held in July each year. He will leave a sad gap in Gloucester AC distance teams.

T.H.

WELSH FIXTURES

Today (March 18th) the Swansea Schools' CC League meeting for boys is at Penlan and for girls at Mynydd Bach, Swansea. The Women's road relays organised by Swansea Harriers start at 2.45 p.m. from Bishop Gore School, Sketty, Swansea. Tomorrow the Welsh Boys' Clubs' CC Champs start from Troedryhiw Boys' Club at 3 p.m.



Patriotically-shorted Neil Saunders wins the National Youths title by one second from Paul Bannon. Eric North

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IRELAND

SPLENDID VICTORY FOR JOHN BUCKLEY

February 27th

THE National Senior BLE Championship staged over a very muddy course at Proudstown Park Racecourse resulted in a splendid win for John Buckley. Athletes had to endure 5 laps of a course which in places was a quagmire and also had the added imposition of a strong wind and heavy rain. The opening lap saw Tom O'Riordan lead from Buckley and pre-race favourite Pat Gilsenan with holder Paddy Coyle in fourth spot. As O'Riordan still led after two laps many thought he would dominate proceedings in his usual fashion. However this was not to be, as going through the ploughed section Buckley took over the running and O'Riordan was overtaken by Coyle with Gilsenan in fourth spot. A great battle was in progress for the next positions with the 38-year-old Sean O'Sullivan leading the former Junior champion Padraig Keane with John Phelan in close attendance.

Once the long striding Buckley had taken the lead he moved with purpose and stretched his lead and despite a fall in the last lap and a good effort by Coyle at closing the gap the 25-year-old Corkman held on to record his first win in a BLE Championship. Coyle held on for second and Tom O'Riordan held off the disappointing Gilsenan who never looked happy in the soft going. O'Sullivan, who races very little every year, had

this usual good National and held off Keane, who had lost his junior title the previous Sunday.

The Irish team for the International at Cambridge is a good blend of experience and youth and will be led by 1964 Olympian Tom O'Riordan and one hopes a good improvement on the team front will take place. Des McGann, who finished 9th, finds himself among the reserves as the selectors have included Niall Cusack, who is travelling from the US for the race. The team event was the closest for a long time with Donore closing their scorers in the first twelve, international secretary Eddie Spillane being last scorer to retain the title from Clonliffe by ten points.

Nick Davis

1, J. Buckley (St. Finbarrs) 41.00; 2, P. Coyle (Lourdes) 41.05; 3, T. O'Riordan (Donore) 41.15; 4, P. Gilsenan (Met) 41.30; 5, S. O'Sullivan (Croom) 42.00; 6, P. Keane (Clonliffe) 42.10; 7, F. Greally (Donore) 42.16; 8, J. Phelan (Donore) 42.26; 9, D. McGann (Civil Service) 42.45; 10, D. McDaid (Clonliffe) 42.53; 11, B. Mooney (Clonliffe) 42.59; 12, E. Spillane (Donore) 43.01; 13, G. McIntyre (Clonliffe) 43.10; 14, P. Brennan (Kilkenny) 43.14; 15, P. Murphy (Kildare) 43.15. Teams: 1, Donore 26; 2, Clonliffe 36; 3, Croom 62; 4, Civil Service 101; 5, UCG 103; 6, Clonliffe 'B' 145; 7, Leevale 158; 8, Metropolitan 190; 9, Kildare 192; 10, St. Finbarrs 196.

Scottish Results

EDINBURGH UNIVERSITY '10'

March 4th

Andy McKean completed his competitive preparations for Cambridge by repeating his win of last year in Edinburgh University's 10M Road Race. The weather could hardly have been worse, and the morning snowstorms no doubt were responsible for the poor entry. McKean showed he was a class apart by breaking clear of the bunch on a steep hill after 2 miles, and moved steadily away to win by over two minutes from former Edinburgh University captain, Martin Craven.

J. Dingwall

1, A. McKean (Edinburgh Univ H&H) 49.55; 2, M. Craven (Edinburgh SH) 52.12; 3, A. Matheson (Edinburgh AC) 52.27; 4, C. Lennox (Glasgow Un) 52.57; 5, R. Dunn (Morpeth) 53.08; 6, J. Dingwall (Edin. Univ) 53.15; 7, P. Hay (St. Andrews Un) 53.47; 8, B. McDonald (VPAAC) 54.24; 9, J. Milne (EAC) 55.05; 10, I. Malcolm (Edin. U) 55.16; 11, J. Gunstone (Glasgow U) 55.32; 12, R. Stevenson (M'hill) 55.43; 13, B. Murray (ESH) 56.02; 14, R. Sutherland (Heriot Watt Un) 56.16; 15, R. Robertson (Dundee Hawk) 56.32. Teams: 1, Edinburgh Univ. H&H 17; 2, Edinburgh SH 31; 3, Edinburgh AC 32; 4, Edinburgh SH 'B' 66; 5, Lochaber 80.

CARNETHY HILL RACE

At Penicuik, February 26th

1, D. Cannon (Kendal) 53.28
2, R. Belk (Airedale & SV) 54.29
3, A. McKean (Edinburgh Un.) 55.10
4, B. Finlayson (Lochaber) 55.46; 5, P. Duffy (A'deen) 55.54; 6, T. Proctor (Rochdale) 56.27; 7, J. Jardine (Penicuik) 57.20; 8, W. Gauld (Edin. Orint) 57.48; 9, I. Malcolm (Edin. U) 57.52; 10, G. Meikle (Teviotdale) 58.04; 11, A. Samuel (Teviot) 58.19; 12, M. Davies (Reading) 58.38; 13, D. Taylor (EAC) 59.04; 14, J. Smith (Bury & R) 59.12; 15, J. Norman (Alt) 60.14; 16, J. Checher (ESH) 60.27; 17, J. Edwards (Airedale) 60.38; 18, R. Cunningham (ESH) 60.45; 19, M. Nicholson (Kendal) 61.04; 20, R. Sutherland (Heriot Watt Un) 61.05; 21, D. Pyatt (Edin. Orint) 61.38; 22, J. Milne (EAC) 62.36; 23, W. Russell (Monkland) 62.37; 24, W. Lindsay (Teviotdale) 62.46; 25, B. Summerfield (EAC) 63.03. Teams: 1, Teviotdale 45; 2, Kendal 49; 3, Edinburgh AC 60; 4, Edin. Univ. Hares & H. 62; 5, Rochdale 65; 6, Edinburgh SH 70; 7, Edin. S. Orienteering Club 70; 8, Penicuik 95.

SCAAA ROAD RELAY

Entries for the Southern 12-Stage Road Relay on April 8th officially closed on March 11th, but teams wishing to enter can still do so. Contact Gordon Biscoe at 34 Pams Way, Ewell, Epsom, Surrey (01-393-4433).

Walking News

Southern RWA Open Meeting at Battersea Park. Jacky Lord (17) was the sensation of the Open '6' when he moved through with international Carl Lawton to challenge the leader Allen Callow after 2M, passed in 14.27 with Alan Buchanan 4th in 14.34. Lawton proved too strong in the second half of the race but could not catch Manxman Callow, who walked one of his best ever races. Jacky Lord's performance must rate him as one of our finest ever young prospects and his excellent style is an object lesson to other budding young walkers. He won the medal as the first junior, while second place went to Nick Groom, who at last maintained his early speed through a race to slash 2min. from his previous best time. Two other top juniors, Richard Emsley and Paul Ryan, were surprisingly disqualified. Kevin Sturdy was a good winner of the youths race and Steyning look to have another fine youngster in their stable in Chris Morris an easy winner in the boys event.

1, A. Callow (Bel) 43.52; 2, C. Lawton (Bel) 44.26; 3, J. Lord (H'gate-J) 44.59; 4, A. Buchanan (B&H) 46.00; 5, B. Armstrong (Ilf) 46.15; 6, B. Ingarfield (Bel) 46.21; 7, N. Groom (Sy. WC-J) 46.22; 8, L. Duquemin (Bel) 46.25; 9, A. Ardley (S'end) 46.31; 10, P. Maidment (Lon. Vid) 46.44; 11, J. Moullin (Bel) 46.54; 12, M. Fullager (Sy. WC) 47.03; 13, I. Richards (Met) 47.27; 14, P. Hodgkinson (Met) 47.33; 15, J. Kellie (Camb) 47.50; 16, R. Blount (Enf) 47.55; 17, M. Mason (B&H) 48.07; 18, A. Tanner (Sy. WC) 48.11; 19, P. Crane (Sy. WC) 48.19; 20, D. Hopkins (Medway) 48.24. 90 started. (Youths) 1, K. Sturdy (Broms) 23.42; 2, J. Mills (Bas) 23.50; 3, D. Rowlands (Steyn) 23.52; 4, R. Ramsey (New) 24.32; 5, P. Burt (Med) 24.38; 6, K. Tonkin (Sy. WC) 25.30. (Boys) 1, C. Morris (Steyn) 17.09; 2, C. Philips (Stey) 18.09; 3, A. Martin (Bas) 18.44;

4, L. Boddy (Bas) 18.50; 5, M. Sturdy (Broms) 18.51; 6, R. Matthews (Stey) 18.52. **A.B.**

Worcestershire '10', February 26th. 1, R. Court (Nomads) 72.26; 2, R. Smallwood (Hales) 72.48; 3, R. Care (Hales) 78.58; 4, F. Blake (Nomads) 79.37; 5, A. Batstone (Nomads) 81.59; 6, D. Mews (Nom) 84.32. (Youths 5000m) 1, K. Sturdy (Broms) 23.09; 2, R. Chaplain (Nom) 23.58; 3, P. Simmons (Nom) 24.57; 4, P. Rodgers (Nom) 26.12; 5, S. Robinson (Broms) 26.12; 6, D. Schroder (Nom) 27.01. (Boys 3000m) 1, P. Beard (Worcs) 16.02; 2, M. Kearly (Worcs) 16.18; 3, P. Walder (Dud & St) 16.19; 4, J. Rogers (Harborne) 16.29; 5, N. Oldall (Broms) 16.34; 6, K. Green (Nomads) 16.42. Teams: 1, Worcs. 12; 2, Bromsgrove & Redditch 23; 3, Nomads 24. (Girls 2,500m) 1, P. Branson (Harborne) 12.40; 2, E. Smith (War) 13.12; 3, S. Saunders (Nom) 13.31; 4, S. Brown (War) 14.20; 5, K. Morrow (Nomads) 14.29; 6, A. O'Connor (Har) 14.29. Teams: 1, Harborne 14; 2, Nomads 16; 3, Warley 16.

Tom Casey sets record in Thurles 21M, February 20th. 1, T. Casey (Sligo) 3:04.15; 2, F. Walsh (Waterford) 3:08.00; 3, J. McGowan (Calry) 3:09.08; 4, J. Mackey (St. Josephs) 3:17.00.

George Chaplin dominates Warwickshire '10', at Coventry, February 26th. Leading throughout, evergreen George Chaplin had half a mile to spare from his nearest pursuer. After a hard duel Terry Morris outlasted Bill Wright for second spot. Bob Turney, before he emigrated to Australia, enabled Coventry to retain the team title for the fifth year, when he pulled up three places in the closing stages. 1, G. Chaplin (Cov. G) 79.40; 2, T. Morris (Grey) 84.06; 3, W. Wright (Cov. G) 84.41; 4, D. Lee (Cov. G) 85.14; 5, J. Duckett (Grey) 87.05; 6, J. Rushforth (Grey) 87.14. Teams: 1, Coventry G. 2; Greyfriars; 3, Birmingham WC.

Enfield fixtures. There is considerable activity taking place from the Carterhatch Lane track

Richard Emsley (Steyning) No. 99, the winner, and Medway's Steve Holliday, who finished second, lead the field soon after the start of last month's 'Garnet' 10 miles walk at Steyning.



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headquarters during the coming months:—April 8th—North Home Counties 20km (road); April 12th—Middlesex 10km (track); April 22nd—Middx, Herts, Beds, 20M (road); May 17th—Inter club 1500m (track); May 23rd—Inter club 3000m (track); June 7th—Inter club 10km; June 28th—Inter club 10km; July 1st—Inter club 3000m (all track); July 8th—Inter club 10km (road); August 12th—Inter club 10km (road); August 26th—Invitation 20km, and Open 5M (road).

Bob Turney leaves for Australia. Nearly twenty years ago I saw a tall, stylish Junior from Coventry Godiva win the St. Dunstan's 1 mile Junior in a fast time. That same man completed his racing here on February 26th when he helped his club win the Warwickshire team title. Bob Turney has had a long and varied career, first as a successful Junior walker and then as a county standard cross-country runner and a 2:26 marathon runner, before returning to walking where again he made an impact over a full range of distances. The Coventry club has certainly lost a long serving stalwart and I know everyone in the Race Walking fraternity will wish Bob good fortune 'Down Under'. Bon voyage, Bob.

Surrey WC 12 Hours track race. The event has been confirmed and will be held at Walton at 10 p.m. on Friday, October 13th. After the finish the BRC are holding a 2 Hours running race. A field of 15 is envisaged and it is earnestly hoped by the promoters that some sponsor can be found so that a "common market" representation can be reached, and a prize list obtained that is suitable for such an auspicious occasion.

Derek Hill. The tragic death of Derek Hill whilst out training with John Simpson at Brighton was a great shock to all his many friends. A charming and cheerful man at all times, Derek always had a word of encouragement to both fast and slow men. I first got to know him during the Hopton four day 100 miles held in 1955 and it was just a couple of weeks ago that I was calling out some words of encouragement to him during the GLC '10'. What a double blow the sport has suffered lately with the passing of Edgar Lloyd, and now Derek, from our ranks.

Colin Young

Southern League 10 Miles, at Southampton, March 11th. 1, R. Emsley (Steyn) 81.44; 2, D. Stevens (Steyn) 82.09; 3, D. Levy (B'stoke) 82.29; 4, J. Nicholls (Steyn) 83.07; 5, F. Wrey (B'stoke) 83.48; 6, R. Eade (B'stoke) 83.50. Teams: 1, Steyn-ing 42; 2, Basingstoke 30; 3, Trowbridge 14; 4, Southampton & E. 5.

ANOTHER RECORD FOR NIHILL

Omitted from our report on Paul Nihill's great 20km walk in last week's issue was the fact that his time at 15km of 64:20 was three seconds faster than the world's best road time set by Vladimir Golubnichiy (USSR) in Leningrad in 1968.

NEW 'TARTAN' TRACK FOR THE MIDLANDS

At last the Midlands are to have their first Tartan track. The 3M Company, manufacturers of this synthetic surface, has signed a contract with the County Borough of Warley, Worcestershire, for installation of a 400 metres track.

The track will be six lanes wide, with seven lanes being devoted to the 100 metres sprint straight. Also included in the complex will be run-ups for the full range of field events in the same material. These will be installed shortly at the athletics stadium area known as Hadley Playing Fields, Smethwick, Warley, currently the site of an ash running track. The stadium itself provides seating for 700 people, with further space for 10,000 spectators in the adjacent terraces. Full changing room facilities for 400 athletes and refreshment facilities are also available in the current stadium complex.

The introduction of a new long lasting Tartan all-weather surfacing track for this vital sports area will enhance the importance of Warley's Hadley Playing Fields and give it wider usage by athletes from a large catchment area. Most important is its present easy accessibility by motorway from Gloucestershire in the south, to Lancashire in the north—an added advantage that can help turn this into an even greater meeting place for Midland and international athletes vying for top honours.

Commenting on the installation of the new track, Ron Joyner, General Manager of the Parks and Cemeteries Department for the County Borough of Warley recently said: "Warley has struck a major victory for athletes by aiming to get a quality all-weather track down in time for Olympic 'hopefuls' to train and prepare for Munich selection. Hadley Playing Fields has always attracted athletes of all standards, and now we're putting it right on the map for those who want consistent, all-year round training facilities as well as to produce top championship performances compatible with the best in the UK."

Warley's new Tartan track will be the third of its kind provided in the United Kingdom. The first was at the National Sports and Recreation Centre, Crystal Palace, and the second, provided specially for the memorable 1970 British Commonwealth Games, is at the Meadowbank Stadium, Edinburgh.

Technical Director at the Essex Federation of Coaches Course on March 25th/26th is Tom McNab, Administrative Director is David McJannet.

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Correct junior team race result in the Bradford & District Champs was: 1, Holmfirth H.; 2, Bradford Univ.

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Personal Best By Tancred

Competing at Loughborough on February 26th, Bill Tancred (Loughborough Univ.) put the shot 18.72/61'5" to rank 3rd on the UK indoor all-time list behind Geoff Capes and Arthur Rowe. His previous best (outdoors) was 17.88/58'8" in 1969. His series: —, 18.28/59'11½", 18.44/60'6", 18.72/61'5", 18.59/61'0", 18.39/60'4". Colin Culley (Lough. C) was 2nd with a personal best of 14.71/48'3½".

WAAA BIRD'S EYE COURSE

Athletes invited to attend the WAAA Bird's Eye Coaching Course at Crystal Palace from March 26th to March 31st are: (Hurdles) Helen Key, Shauna Kyle, Ruth Martin-Jones, Felicity Strong, Blondelle Thompson, Diana Toon; (Long Jump) Geraldine Bruce, Julie Jay, Susan King, Susan Mapstone, Janice Murray, Jennifer Scriven; (High Jump) Denise Brown, Kathryn Davenport, Penny Dimmock, Susan Hutchinson, Ann Wetherall; (Shot) Gwen Bird, Janet Beese, Judith Potts, Vanessa Redford; (Javelin) Sharon Corbett, Ann Goodlad, Carol Johnson, Lesley Rice, Theresa Sanderson. The coaches are Fred Housden, Mike Campbell, Joe Goscomb, Ken Woolcott and Miss Phyl Edwards; and there will be several visiting speakers.

CORRECTIONS TO 'NATIONAL' RESULTS

Bracknell AC, incorrectly placed 26th in the senior race with 1386 points, in fact totalled 3386 points and drop to 72nd. D. Baker finished 595th, not 727th as printed . . . Walthamstow AC's total was 3486, with C. Ridley placing 550th and not 497th . . . For Thames Hare & Hounds, the 36th finisher was H. Starkey, not D. Gillanders . . . Longwood H. did not finish a team; R. Mathieson (credited with 823rd place in our results) did not run.

The new secretary of Manchester YMCA Harriers is T. Cocking, 73 Byron Road, Houghton Green, Denton, Manchester.

The Hornsey* and Camden* clubs are amalgamating, with effect from April 1st, to form North London Athletic Club. The Hornsey Road Relay scheduled for April 8th will not now be held; a similar promotion will be staged later in the year.

Ilford AC are staging an open 100m hurdles for women at their Perkins Trophy meeting on April 22nd and are willing to give medals to the first three if there are enough entries. These should be sent (no fee) by April 1st to Mrs. Lynne Ilott, 12 Woodfield Drive, Gidea Park, Romford, Essex.

The Kent AC winter track meeting, scheduled for April 8th, has been cancelled due to the changing rooms, which were burned down, awaiting repair.

LETTERS

"ATHLETICS TRUTH"

Dear Sir,

I am greatly disturbed to find that more and more people are assuming that I am one of the driving powers behind the illegal, libellous and anonymous news-sheet called "Athletics Truth". Others who have been accused of being concerned with this pamphlet now reach a score or more.

I have a copy of a letter sent to Arthur Gold in late December, 1971; this letter reads . . . "I have been approached by three international athletes, two men and a woman. They stated their intention of starting an underground paper in athletics. They have asked me to join them as their editor. I have refused because I cannot get involved in anything which may jeopardise my impending legal action . . ." I did not get a reply to this letter.

The facts are that I know who the three are and I gave them my pledge as to their identity. Other than that, I wish to make it quite clear that I am far too busy issuing the "BMC News", the SCAA Staff Coach Newsletter in middle-distance running and attending five committee meetings a month to engage in what virtually is an exercise in poison-pen writing.

Frank Horwill

THANK YOU FROM THE ATHLETES

Dear Sir,

I would like through your columns to thank those responsible at Gola for providing at the firm's expense an excellent few days coaching and training course at Crystal Palace last month. For those of us not privileged to train regularly on the Tartan surface it gave added impetus to the long, hard winter's work. Perhaps other firms might give some thought to this valuable sort of sponsorship of athletics.

Angela King,

Sheffield Univ./Small Heath H.

Dear Sir,

We would like to take the opportunity, through "AW", of thanking Peter Gabbett and his many helpers for a memorable day at the Crystal Palace on the Decathlon Course. If such enthusiasm as was evident among the thirty or so athletes who attended is an example of things to come then the decathlon will no longer be the forgotten event of British Athletics.

The inspiration of Otto Feldmanis in the throws, and the drive of Peter Gabbett in the pole vault were enough to induce us to make our joints creak in a manner not thought possible just to please our mentors. In spite of our agony we are looking forward to the next opportunity to rub shoulders with other decathletes at a similar course.

Michael Knowles & Melvyn Such,
Huntingdon AC

SOUTHERN COUNTIES A.A.A. OPEN MEETING

WEDNESDAY, 29th MARCH, 1972

at CRYSTAL PALACE

TIMETABLE INDOORS

5.30 p.m. Pole Vault (Youths and Boys)

TIMETABLE OUTDOORS

7.15 p.m. 800 Metres (Seniors, Juniors, Youths and Boys)

7.40 p.m. 3,000 Metres (Seniors and Juniors)

8.00 p.m. 5,000 Metres Walk

8.30 p.m. B.M.C. Ladies Invitation 1,000 Metres (Olympic Build Up Race No. 2)

8.35 p.m. B.M.C. Men's Invitation 1,000 Metres (Olympic Build Up Race No. 1)

8.40 p.m. 200 Metres (Seniors, Juniors, Youths and Boys)

ENTRY FEE: 20p Seniors, 15p Juniors, Youths and Boys.

NO PHONE ENTRIES WILL BE
ACCEPTED

NO ENTRIES ON THE DAY

Closing date for entries

FRIDAY, 24th MARCH, 1972

Please enclose S.A.E. if acknowledgment is required.

Apply to:

Southern Counties A.A.A.,
26 Park Crescent, London, W1N 4BQ.

This meeting is being staged in lieu of the meeting which was scheduled to be held on 15.3.72. Athletes who entered for the meeting which was cancelled on 16.2.72 and who were informed that their entry would be transferred to the 15.3.72 will find their name on the programme for this meeting.

To the Hon Secretary, Southern Counties AAA, 26 Park Crescent, London, W1N 4BQ.

Please enter me for the following on
March 29th, 1972

EVENT

AGE GROUP

NAME

ADDRESS

CLUB/SCHOOL

BEST PERFORMANCES

Dear Sir,

I feel I must write and congratulate the Southern Counties AAA through "AW". I had the pleasure to attend the course organised by them at Crystal Palace, and the opportunity to train with other decathletes under the supervision of Britain's No 1 Peter Gabbett was much appreciated. An excellent turn-out of budding decathletes made the occasion a memorable one and the experience was well worth me travelling over a hundred miles to take part.

The only criticism I can make was the shortage of time. Eight hours on a Saturday is not really enough time to learn very much; a residential weekend would have been far more beneficial to the many juniors who attended. However, a big thank you is due to the Southern Counties for taking this first big step in the encouragement of decathlon in Britain.

Trevor Straker,
NSP & St. Paul's College

CAMBRIDGE HARRIERS OVERLOOKED

Dear Sir,

After reading Cliff Temple's report on the Women's National CC Championship, I feel bound to ask just what exactly Cambridge Harriers would need to achieve in order to obtain a credit comment?

Mention is made of Sale Harriers positively romping away with the Junior race and also convincingly taking the Intermediate race, and it is also stated that Pitreavie AAC would have won the Minors team event "if there had been one". Not a word, however, on the fact that Cambridge Harriers won the Senior Championship, except in the detailed results, although surely the Senior Championship is the primary event of the day.

Moreover Cambridge Harriers' winning margin of 59 points was the greatest margin in the history of the Women's National Championship,

the nearest approach being the 44 points margin of Maryhill in 1966, while the nearest by an English club was the 40 points margin of London Olympiades in 1961. But Cambridge Harriers have won the National Senior title three times in the last five years, so that perhaps they no longer represent "news" value!

H. C. Rogers,
Hon. General Secretary,
Cambridge Harriers

CO-OPERATION WAS APPRECIATED

Dear Sir,

I would like to express my thanks to all the people who helped to make the National Women's CC Championships at High Wycombe a success. Special thanks to Terry Clarke of Uxbridge Ladies, Dave Davies of Cambridge Harriers, Stan Belton, and Ernie Davis, the Southern Counties CC Secretary whose help in these Championships was invaluable. The local police were superb in directing traffic to their various parking places; my thanks to them. Also congratulations to all girls and officials of all the clubs who attended, as their behaviour was exemplary. Thank you everyone for your co-operation and understanding; it was greatly appreciated.

Eric Abraham,
Clerk of the Course and Local
Organiser, NWCC Championships

THE "NATIONAL"

Dear Sir,

May I offer my sincere thanks to John Burney and Bill Haynes of Notts AC for virtually carrying me almost a mile after I had torn my Achilles tendon during the "National". Their action almost certainly prevented a bad case of exposure. Also, let's all give a special thank you to the St. John Ambulance Brigade and doctors who did such a good job on a terrible afternoon.

Peter Wilkinson,
Derby & County AC

A moment of triumph for Cambridge Harriers: the Mayor of High Wycombe presents the National CC team Shield to Margaret Coomber. The other girls are (from left) Lesley Taylor, Joan Allison and Glynis Goodburn.



J. R. Coomber

Dear Sir,

While it is too easy to criticise the facilities at the "National" in the light of the drastic change in weather midway through the afternoon I would like to say something about the runners in the senior race. I have rarely seen such a tremendous show of guts in what amounted to Arctic weather conditions. I witnessed athletes crying with helplessness, shaking violently and collapsing with the cold. Unfortunately the change in conditions kept many of the spectators from aiding the distressed runners at the finish but somehow they seemed to cope although I dread to think what would have happened to those poor dripping adventurers who had to make their own way back to the changing rooms on foot.

I cannot express my admiration enough to all the lads who took part in that abominable snow storm and my only wish is that you all have successful track and road seasons this year as a reward for your efforts. What a pity only a few received medals.

David Evans,

Liverpool

Dear Sir,

After the race the grumbles, the thanks, etc. This is the latter—it's thanks to the ladies in the refreshment tent. Several runners, including myself, landed in their tent in a state of collapse. They not only fed us with tea and stronger beverage but gave us their coats. God bless them, the ambulance men and police.

Maurice Jackson,

Club captain, Rotherham H.

Dear Sir,

After having endured what I consider to be the most traumatic experience of my life (42 years so far) might I suggest that even to have finished the senior course at the English CC Championships this year deserved a medal. In fact, without appearing to be facetious, something akin to a "campaign ribbon"—SUTTON COLDFIELD 72—could well be designed, possibly to raise funds for the ECCU.

D. Granger,

Southgate Harriers

Dear Sir,

I would like to suggest that to commemorate the English Championships this year the ECCU arrange to have a medal struck bearing the words "For valour, Sutton Park, March 4th, 1972", to be awarded of course to competitors, officials and spectators alike!

Colin Simpson,

Small Heath H.

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Peter Driver Memorial Road Races

(Under A.A.A. Laws)

SATURDAY, 17th JUNE, 1972

Senior Men 4 Miles, at 3 p.m.

Boys 2 Miles, at 2.30 p.m.

Awards: Trophies to first teams (4 run, 3 score); ind. prizes dependent on entries.

Entries: 20p per ind. (no team fee). S.A.E. for acknowledgement and result sheet. Sec.: P. J. Hynard, 93 Tavistock Rd., Fleet, Hants. (Fleet 3069). **Entries close Sat., 10th June.**

Dear Sir,

I am writing to congratulate everyone concerned in producing such a complete result of this year's 'National'. Considering the appalling conditions you all had to contend with it was a great surprise to me and, judging by the dozens of competitors' numbers scattered around the course, it is a wonder there was any result at all. I myself lost both numbers during the race and was only just able first to remember it and then put it into coherent words. It was a pity we had to stand for some minutes waiting for discs, unable to reach our tracksuits. This did not help matters and I personally suffered a delayed reaction, being taken ill Sunday evening.

I do not think the race should have been cancelled because it was during the race that the conditions deteriorated, but perhaps it may be worth considering altering the present timetable and holding the senior race first in future. This

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Entries to Mr. K. Lowe, 47 Regents Court, Pownall Road, London, E.5.

CLOSING DATE 24th MARCH, 1972

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(Under A.A.A. Laws)

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ON FRIDAY, 28th APRIL, 1972

& SATURDAY, 29th APRIL, 1972

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would have reduced both the numbers and the distance when conditions were at their worst.

May I close by saying to all runners and officials alike: congratulations for sticking to your tasks in spite of the conditions and also a word of praise to the St. John Ambulance personnel and their various helpers in the large tent at the finish. I hope I am never part of or witness to such frightening scenes again.

R.F. Garner,
Maidenhead AC

P.S. Thank you for the great 'National Special' "AW".

Dear Sir,

On behalf of our members and I expect quite a few more who competed in the "National", I would like to thank the local St. John Ambulance Brigade members for the wonderful job they did caring for the runners who were in a pretty bad physical state at the completion of their respective races.

I have either competed in or spectated at National CC Championships for the past 25 years and I have never seen conditions which were anything like what we experienced at Sutton Coldfield. I am sure that if the St. John Ambulance members had not been there to do their duties so efficiently I feel that we would have had a very serious situation.

G. H. Doggett,
Hon. Secretary, Salford H

Other letters on the subject of the 'National' will appear next week—Ed.

NIHILL FAVOURITE TODAY

Seven-plus laps of the Crystal Palace motor circuit for today's National 10M Walk Championship should certainly sort out the men from the boys. After his fantastic Isle of Man 20km, Paul Nihill must be favoured to win back his title so decisively taken from him by Phil Embleton last year. The Essex boy is in fine form, too, while the fight for placings in the top ten should be interesting with the likes of Sutherland, Wallwork, Lightman, Lawton, Paddick, E. Taylor, Thorpe, Warhurst, Toone, Smallwood, Callow, Webb, Mills and Seddon involved. In the team race much depends on Ian Brooks, a non-finisher last year. If he places high then Surrey WC could well beat holders Belgrave. Others with medal interests will be Sheffield, Leicester, Lancashire and Southend. Inter-County team holders Essex are likely to place their eight in the first 30 but based on the scoring four, Surrey, Middlesex, Yorkshire, Lancashire and Leicestershire should all be close up.

C.Y.

Cambridge H. Ladies Section officers: Chairman, H. Rainbird; hon. sec., W. T. Meyer, 77 Kellaway Road, London, S.E.3 8PN (01-856-4152); CC sec., P. Davies, 150 Bexley Road, London, S.E.9 (01-850-5521); promotions sec., M. Walkingshaw; fixtures sec., Mrs. D. Green; team manager (track), Mrs. S. Odell; (CC) L. Mutton; track captain, Miss Teresa Moore; CC captain, Miss Glynis Goodburn; membership sec., D. Davies.

RYDE HARRIERS

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(Under A.A.A. Laws)

SATURDAY, APRIL 8th, 1972, 3.30 p.m.

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SUNDAY, APRIL 9th, 1972, 2 p.m.

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Entries to Mr. C. J. Dorow, The Flat, Ryde Harriers HQ, High St., Oakfield, Ryde, I. of W.

**CLOSING DATE BOTH EVENTS
MARCH 27th**

Urgently required: film of this year's National Women's CC. Please contact Eric Abraham, 58 Booker Hill Road, High Wycombe, Bucks (H. Wycombe 23469 after 6 p.m.).

The MCAAA 10,000m track walk championship will now be held at Leicester Sports Centre on April 1st (3.15 p.m.). Entries to W. Bell, 7 Guthridge Crescent, Leicester by March 25th.

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WARRINGTON A.C. 1972 RELAYS

Easter Monday, 3rd April SENIOR ROAD RELAY (4x3½ MILES). Over £70 Prize Value. **Sunday, 9th April, Colts, Boys and Youths PARKLAND RELAYS.**

For full details see "A.W." March 4th, or write to N. Jones, 75 West Avenue, Orford, Warrington, WA2 8BE.

POLYTECHNIC HARRIERS

SCHOOLS MEET 1972

SATURDAY, APRIL 22nd under AAA Laws Youths & Boys: 100, 400, 1500, LJ, Shot. Trophies & Awards. 15p per event. Entry forms with s.a.e. to Bob Frith, 104 Heath Road, Twickenham, Mx. by 15.4.72.

HARLOW ATHLETIC CLUB TRACK MEETING

(Under A.A.A. & W.A.A.A. Laws)

SUNDAY, APRIL 9th, 10.30 a.m.—1.30 p.m. AT HARLOW SPORTCENTRE

60m Hds.—Seniors, Youths, Inter. Ladies.
100m—Senior, Youth, Boy, all Ladies groups.
300m—Senior, Youth, Boy, all Ladies groups.
600m—Senior, Youth, Boy, all Ladies groups.
1000m — Senior, Junior, Youth, all Ladies groups.

1000m S'chase—Youths. **2000m S'chase**—Juns. **3000m**—Open

Fee: 4p per event to A. Lowers, 15 Cock Green, Harlow, Essex. **Enquiries**—tel: Harlow 29313, Mr. D. Noble, s.a.e. if you want a reply. No prizes. No entries on the day. **Closing date April 4th.**

TOM SCOTT MEMORIAL

11th Annual

10 MILES ROAD RACE (Over 20)
at 15.00 Hours from

LAW TO MOTHERWELL

Also Fourth Annual

5 MILES ROAD RACE (17 to 20)
at 14.30 Hours from

WISHAW TO MOTHERWELL
(Under S.A.A.A. Rules)

ON SATURDAY, 8th APRIL

Entry Fees: Ind. 10p, Team 20p

Entries to B. McRoberts, 3 Hawthorn Grove, Law, Carlisle, Lanarkshire.

ANDOVER & DISTRICT A.C.
7th YOUNG ATHLETES MEETING
Some senr. events. Under AAA & WAAA Laws
SATURDAY, 6th MAY, 1972

TEST TRACK, REDBRIDGE, SOUTH'PTON
First Event: Track 11 a.m., Field 1.45 p.m.
Details from R. P. Jeffery, 15 Weyhill Road, Andover, Hants. **Entries close April 20th.**

CAMBRIDGE & COLERIDGE A.C.
CAMBS. (OPEN) 10M. ROAD RACE
incorporating the

Cambridgeshire County Championship
SATURDAY, APRIL 8th, 1972, at 3 p.m.

from Hockey Ground, corner of Barton Road
GOOD VALUE PRIZES

Entry Fees: Ind. 20p, Teams 50p.
Entries to R. O. Honneybell, Meadow Cottage, Lotfield Street, Orwell, Royston, Herts.
ENTRIES CLOSE SATURDAY, 25th MARCH

OXTED & DISTRICT A.C.
CLIVE C. WATERS MEMORIAL TROPHY
5th Annual
6 MILES ROAD RACE

(Under A.A.A. Laws)
SATURDAY, 29th APRIL, at 2.45 p.m.
FROM BUSHY CROFT RECREATION GROUND

Near Old Bell Inn, Oxted, Surrey
Medals first 3 teams (4 run, 3 score) and prizes first three individuals.

Entry Fees: 50p team, 15p individuals.
Entries close April 17th, to A. Reed, Quarter Acre, Ice House Wood, Oxted, Surrey.

HILLINGDON ATHLETIC CLUB

ONE HOUR RACE

SUNDAY, 26th MARCH, at 11.30 a.m.

At Uxbridge Track, Park Road,
Uxbridge, Middlesex.

Prizes first three individuals, first Veteran, first team of three with highest aggregate distance.

Entries (25p individual, teams made up on day) to Mr. D. G. Taylor, 42 Drayton Gardens, West Drayton, Middx. **by Tuesday, 21st March.**

HAVERING ATHLETIC CLUB
Inaugural Road and Cross-Country Combined

MINOR BOYS (U/12) 4 x 1¼M. RELAY
COLTS (U/14) 4 x 1¼M. RELAY
BOYS (U/16) 4 x 1¼M. RELAY
(Under A.A.A. Laws)

Friday, 31st March, 1972, 2 p.m.
At Hornchurch Stadium, Upminster Bridge
Trophy 1st Team each age group: Medals first 3 teams and fastest laps. **Fee:** 40p per team.
Enquiries and entries to D. H. Bland, 29 Warley Mount, Brentwood, Essex.

ENTRIES CLOSE MARCH 22nd