

# **EASTERN DISTRICT 10 MILES C.C. RELAY CHAMPIONSHIP**

**Dundee, 1st Nov., 1952.**

At the finish of the first lap G. Reid (E.S.H.) handed over a lead of 30 yards from R. Baird (D.H.H.) with I. Gourley (E.S.H.) B. team a couple of yards behind. Edinburgh University, the holders, finished at this stage in 12th position. At the finish of the second lap H. S. Millar for Southern had increased the lead by 14 secs. from D. Dunn (Braidburn A.C.) who had brought his team through from seventh position. However, the best performance of this lap came from K. Coutts of the Varsity who took his team from 12th to 3rd and thus gave them a chance to keep a grip of the Mackenzie Trophy.

Still Southern led at the end of the third lap, when J. Paterson handed over a lead of 21 secs. from J. Rollo (E.E.H.) who had moved up 5 places. Dundee Hawkhill at this stage were fourth, 40 secs. behind Southern. With A. Black running the last lap the Dundee supporters were excited and Southern's anxious as this runner had been unbeaten this season in Scotland. However, R. Mitchell was never headed until the last quarter of a mile when Black passed him to run the fastest lap by almost half a minute. Thus Dundee Hawkhill became the winners and holders of the Mackenzie Trophy with a win over the favourites, Southern, by nine secs. Eastern Harriers were third, 22 secs. behind Southern.

## **DETAILS:**

- DUNDEE HAWKHILL HARRIERS—**  
R. A. Baird, 15.21; J. F. Macpherson, 15.47; G. Gow, 15.34; A. C. Black, 14.21. 61 mins. 03 secs.
- EDINBURGH SOUTHERN HARRIERS—**  
G. Reid, 15.24; H. S. Millar, 15.20; J. V. Paterson, 15.31; R. Mitchell, 15.09. 61 mins. 14 secs.
- EDINBURGH EASTERN HARRIERS—**  
J. Hamilton, 15.34; H. Phillip, 15.23; J. Rollo, 15.15; I. Thomson, 15.10. 61 mins. 36 secs.
- BRAIDBURN A.A.C.—**  
N. Donachie, 15.32; D. Dunn, 15.23; D. Nisbet, 15.58; I. Morrison, 14.50. 61 mins. 43 secs.
- EDINBURGH UNIV. H. & H.—**  
C. Barrett, 16.02; K. Coutts, 15.02; J. Crawford, 15.43; J. W. Brydie, 15.03. 61 mins. 50 secs.

- DUNDEE THISTLE HARRIERS—**  
H. Irvine, 16.08; C. D. Robertson, 15.11; I. Watson, 15.14; R. Spalding, 15.48. 62 mins. 21 secs.
- EDINBURGH HARRIERS—**  
T. Stanton, 15.28; R. Gardiner, 16.28; J. Hermiston, 15.29; R. Stewart, 15.04. 62 mins. 29 secs.
- STRATHYAY HARRIERS—**  
P. Boyle, 15.43; R. Holmes, 16.04; C. Boyle, 15.35; F. W. Sime, 15.28. 62 mins. 52 secs.
- EDINBURGH SOUTHERN H. (B.)—**  
I. Gourlay, 15.22; J. Smart, 15.47; J. Robertson, 15.51; W. A. Robertson, 16.02. 63 mins. 03 secs.
- FALKIRK VICTORIA HARRIERS—**  
T. D. Todd, 16.27; G. W. Jackson, 15.14; W. Paxton, 15.59; R. A. Sinclair, 15.27. 63 mins. 07 secs.
- FALKIRK VICTORIA H. (B.)—**  
A. Cook, 16.06; T. Dobbie, 15.30; P. Rae, 15.57; D. Nicoll, 16.18. 63 mins. 51 secs.
- KIRKCALDY Y.M.C.A. HARRIERS—**  
P. Husband, 15.29; W. E. Duncan, 16.14; J. Kay, 16.39; C. R. Mortimer, 15.37. 63 mins. 59 secs.
- H.M.S. CALEDONIA—**  
D. Brown, 15.56; H. Ruler, 16.22; C. Rush, 16.05; P. Burren, 15.57. 64 mins. 10 secs.
- EDINBURGH UNIV. H. & H. (B.)—**  
J. Barr, 16.17; M. Robinson, 15.55; O. D. George, 16.12; A. Cleary, 15.56. 64 mins. 20 secs.
- GALA HARRIERS—**  
W. Thomson, 15.27; J. Wintrup, 15.38; G. O'Hara, 17.28; A. Henry, 15.55. 64 mins. 28 secs.
- EDINBURGH SOUTHERN H. (C.)—**  
W. A. Sanderson, 16.20; H. Robb, 16.07; T. Logan, 15.49; W. Gembles, 16.30. 64 mins. 46 secs.
- DUNDEE THISTLE H. (B.)—**  
D. Miller, 16.12; R. R. Johnston, 16.38; A. McIntosh, 16.05; S. Cunningham, 16.06. 65 mins. 01 secs.
- H.M.S. CALEDONIA (B.)—**  
E. Smith, 15.42; P. Briers, 16.38; D. Simon, 16.03; A. Day, 17.13. 65 mins. 01 secs.
- DUNDEE HAWKHILL H. (B.)—**  
J. S. McKenzie, 16.28; A. Coogan, 17.24; J. Laird, 16.17; W. Adamson, 16.08. 66 mins. 17 secs.
- EDINBURGH UNIV. H. & H. (C.)—**  
K. McAlinsh, 17.23; T. G. G. Griffiths, 16.20; A. Smith, 16.40; A. Wilkie, 15.47. 66 mins. 20 secs.
- STRATHYAY HARRIERS (B.)—**  
J. Dick, 17.12; J. Smillie, 16.40; J. Jensen, 18.03; H. Ryan, 17.20. 69 mins. 15 secs.

## **FASTEST TIMES:**

1. A. C. Black (Dundee H.H.), 14.21; 2. I. B. Morrison (Braidburn A.C.), 14.50; 3. K. Coutts (Edinburgh Univ.), 15.02; 4. J. W. Brydie (Edinburgh Univ.), 15.03; 5. R. Stewart (Edin. H.), 15.04; 6. R. Mitchell (Edinburgh S.H.), 15.09; 7. I. Thomson (Edinburgh E.H.), 15.10; 8. C. D. Robertson (Dundee T.H.), 15.11.

# Hawks win a 22-team race



Ales Black, surrounded by his teammates, is congratulated by veteran Hawkhill Harrier George Neill after the Hawkhill four had won the East of Scotland 10-mile cross-country relay championship. The other runners are (left to right)—Jim McPherson, Chick Gow, and Bob Baird.

Hawkhill Harriers, No. 13 in an entry of 22 teams, carried off the McKennie Trophy for the East of Scotland 10-mile cross-country relay championship at Dundee on Saturday.

Course was over 2½ miles of grass, stubble and path in the Menzies Hill area, west of Anstruther Road.

The Dundee team met with stiff opposition from the much-fancied Edinburgh Southern Harriers, who led the field until the closing stages of the run.

Bob Baird held second place for the Dundee team at the end of the first lap, but at the half-way stage Hawks' second man, J. F. McPherson, was lying fifth.

## Fastest lap

Seventeen-year-old Charlie Gow pulled them back to fourth place for crack runner Ales Black to take over for the final lap.

Black clocked in the fastest individual lap time of 14 minutes 21 seconds to give his team victory with an aggregate of 61 minutes 3 seconds.

Edinburgh Southern finished second in 61-14, with Edinburgh Eastern third (61-36) and Braidburn fourth (61-43).

Second fastest individual time was by I. B. Morrison, Braidburn, (14-50). Ken Coutts, Scottish mile champion, and J. W. Brydie, Scottish two-mile steeplechase champion, classmates of Edinburgh University, the previous holders, were third and fourth in 15-2 and 15-3 respectively.

Dundee Thistle Harriers, only other local representatives, finished sixth, after lying third at the start of the final lap.

Prizes were presented in Loches Baths by Mr Dickson Hogg, district officer of the Scottish Amateur Athletic Association.

Officials were:—Starter, Mr Dickson Hogg; referee, Mr J. T. Mitchell, Braidburn A.C.; judges—Messrs J. Gairn, Gairn, D. B. Henderson, Edinburgh Southern; timekeepers—Messrs W. Dempsey, Edinburgh Southern, and W. Milne, Dundee; clerk of course, Mr J. V. Lyons, Dundee Thistle; secretary, Mr I. Ross, Edinburgh Southern.