

CROSS-COUNTRY

MIDLAND DISTRICT RELAY CHAMPIONSHIP

The fourth annual relay championship of the Midland District of the National Cross-Country Union of Scotland was decided at Hamilton Racecourse on Saturday afternoon. The conditions were disagreeable, there being a strong wind and heavy rain, and the going was heavy. Shettleston Harriers recorded their first win in the event, with a youthful team, and it was J. H. Flockhart, who is still in his teens, that laid the foundation of their victory by his magnificent running over the second section. When he took over his team occupied 54th place, but he brought them into the lead, and A. S. Stevenson and W. Sutherland, his clubmates, maintained the advantage to the top, the winning margin being almost 200 yards. Results:—

1. Shettleston Harriers (J. C. Ross 14-13 J. Flockhart 14-3, A. S. Stevenson 14-21, W. Sutherland 14-15), 56 mins. 32 secs.

2. Plebeian Harriers (W. J. Gunn 14-5, T. Armstrong 14-49, S. K. Tombs 13-49, O. McGhee 14-47), 57 mins. 30 secs.

3. Garscube Harriers (W. Regan 14-30 T. Davoy 14-36, J. Gervan 14-36, D. H. Brooks 14-36), 57 mins. 58 secs.

4. St Peter's A.A.C., 58 mins. 31 secs.; 5. Maryhill Harriers, 58 mins. 26 secs.; 6. Monkland Harriers, 58 mins. 44 secs.; 7. Shawfield Harriers, 59 mins. 19 secs.; 8. Motherwell Y.M.C.A. Harriers, 59 mins. 29 secs.; 9. Ballahouston Harriers "B" team, 59 mins. 41 secs.; 10. Springburn Harriers, 60 mins. 3 secs.; 11. Garscube Harriers, 60 mins. 8 secs.; 12. Victoria Park A.A.C., 60 mins. 9 secs.; 13. Plebeian Harriers "B" team, 60 mins. 26 secs.; 14. West of Scotland Harriers, 60 mins. 34 secs.; 15. Shettleston Harriers "B," 60 mins. 35 secs.; 16. Hamilton Harriers, 60 mins. 47 secs.; 17. Garscube Harriers "C," 60 mins. 56 secs.; 18. Ballahouston Harriers "A," 61 mins. 26 secs.; 19. Glasgow Y.M.C.A. A.C., 61 mins. 37 secs.; 20. Motherwell Y.M.C.A. Harriers "B," 62 mins. 5 secs.; 21. Olympic Harriers, 62 mins. 23 secs.; 22. Monkland Harriers "B," 63 mins. 10 secs.

Fastest Lap Times—1. S. K. Tombs, Plebeian Harriers, 13 mins. 49 secs.; 2. J. J. McDonnell, St Peter's A.A.C., 14 mins.; 3. J. Flockhart, Shettleston Harriers, 14 mins. 3 secs.; 4. W. J. Gunn, Plebeian Harriers, 14 mins. 5 secs.

MIDLAND RELAY WINNERS

Shettleston Take Championship Title From Plebeian At Hamilton.

By "GGROE."

HATS off to Shettleston Harriers! The East End Club easily defeated the holders, Plebeian Harriers, for the title of Midland District ten miles relay champions at Hamilton Park Racecourse. The advantage at the tape in favour of the winners was 200 yards, while Plebeian were 120 yards in front of Garscube.

When the race had been a mile in progress, J. Gifford, Victoria Park, and R. Simpson, Motherwell Y.M.C.A., were in the lead, running shoulder to shoulder twenty yards ahead of J. C. Ross, Shettleston, with J. J. McDonald, St. Peter's, W. J. Gunn, Plebeian, and J. Gillies, Shawfield, close behind.

On completing the big loop of the course, J. J. McDonald got in front, and he ran on to give clubmate T. McGuinness 25 yards over T. Armstrong for Plebeian. J. Somerville, Motherwell, took over from R. Simpson, who was practically racing neck-and-neck with Gunn.

J. FLOCKHART'S FEAT.

It was during the next lap that the destination of the title and the new trophy was really decided. J. Flockhart, Shettleston, who was 15 seconds behind the leader at the change-over, wiped out this deficit, and actually gave a lead of 13 seconds to colleague A. S. Stevenson. The only challenge issued was by S. K. Tombe for Plebeian. He ran determinedly, and reduced the gap by approximately 160 yards.

This was not sufficient to enable O. M'Ghee to make any impression on W. Sutherland, Shettleston. On the contrary, Sutherland went on to increase Shettleston's advantage to 260 yards at the finish.

S. K. Tombe was easily the fastest runner on view. By running the 2½ miles course of rough and heavy land in 13 mins. 49 secs. he was actually 11 seconds in front of his nearest rival.

TEAM PLACINGS.

- 1-Shettleston (J. C. Ross, 14.13; J. Flockhart, 14.5; A. S. Stevenson, 14.21; W. Sutherland, 14.15-55 mins. 52 secs.
- 2-Plebeian (W. J. Gunn, 14.5; J. Armstrong, 14.49; S. K. Tombe, 13.49; O. M'Ghee, 14.47, 57 mins. 30 secs.
- 3-Garscube (W. Regan, 14.20; T. Dailly, 14.56; J. Giffin, 14.26; W. B. Brooke, 14.36-57 mins. 58 secs.
- 4-St. Peter's A.A.C. (J. J. McDonald, 14.00; T. McGuinness, 14.39; J. F. Walker, 15.5; W. M'Daid, 14.47)-58 mins. 21 secs.
- 5-Marshall (D. T. Muir, 14.37; T. Blakely, 14.20; W. Nelson, 14.35; A. H. Blair, 14.53)-58 mins. 26 secs.
- 6-Monkland (W. Scott, 14.31; G. M'Pherson, 14.36; A. Deas, 14.43; T. L. Stevenson, 14.54-58 mins. 44 secs.
- 7-Shawfield (J. Gillies, 14.11; A. Austin, 14.44; W. Platt, 15.20; W. Speirs, 15.4)-59 mins. 19 secs.
- 8-Motherwell Y.M.C.A. (R. Simpson, 14.51; J. Somerville, 15.15; J. Archibald, 15.21; J. Fleming, 14.45)-59 mins. 29 secs.
- 9-Bellahouston "B" Team (W. B. McCall, 15.5; W. Cumming, 15.19; M. Campbell, 15.3; J. Campbell, 14.14)-59 mins. 4 secs.
- 10-Springburn (P. M. Nab, 14.24; R. M'Bride, 15.51; R. Allison, 14.39; A. C. Montgomery, 15.9)-60 mins. 3 secs.
- 11-Garscube "B" Team (L. Forrester, 14.44; R. W. Phoenix, 15.15; J. Benner, 14.52; J. Thomson, 15.11)-60 mins. 8 secs.
- 12-Victoria Park A.A.C. (J. Gifford, 14.14; A. H. Horn, 15.18; J. S. Oswald, 15.9; K. A. Smith, 15.18)-60 mins. 9 secs.
- 13-Plebeian "B" Team (G. Andrews, 14.56; W. Currie, 15.4; C. Clunie, 15.5; A. Armstrong, 15.27)-60 mins. 26 secs.
- 14-West of Scotland (T. Creeden, 14.53; A. Spencer, 15.12; C. S. Clark, 15.21; A. L. Spencer, 15.8)-60 mins. 34 secs.
- 15-Shettleston "B" (J. Littlejohn, 15.22; H. A. McQuibbin, 14.5; R. G. S. Young, 15.9; P. Dalziel, 15.19)-60 mins. 35 secs.
- 16-Hamilton (J. Winnie, 14.52; T. Thomson, 15.9; J. Freeland, 15.20; J. Hall, 15.20)-60 mins. 47 secs.
- 17-Garscube "C" (L. Lindsay, 14.49; T. Simms, 15.8; G. C. Muir, 15.13; W. M'Gookin, 15.41)-60 mins. 56 secs.
- 18-Bellahouston A. (J. M. Lindsay, 15.7; J. Strang, 15.45; J. R. Gibson, 15.30; J. Gardner, 15.31)-61 mins. 26 secs.
- 19-Glasgow Y.M.C.A. (D. M'Intyre, 15.6; T. Strachan, 15.33; R. Wood, 15.16; T. Watson, 15.52)-61 mins. 37 secs.
- 20-Motherwell "B" (H. Maitland, 15.24; R. Craigen, 15.18; J. McDonald, 15.35; W. G. Kerr, 15.49)-62 mins. 5 secs.
- 21-Olympic (R. Hutchison, 14.54; A. Scott, 15.23; R. Blackstock, 15.43; J. C. Wilson, 15.18)-62 mins. 23 secs.
- 22-Monkland "B" (W. G. Platt, 15.10; R. Elliot, 16.18; J. Deas, 15.27; A. Craig, 16.15)-63 mins. 10 secs.
- 23-Glasgow (W. G. Skene, 14.56; D. M'Alpine, 16.9; W. Trotter, 16.37)-did not finish complete team.

FASTEST LAPS.

- 1-S. K. Toome, Plebeian, 15 mins. 49 secs.
- 2-J. J. McDonald, St. Peter's A.A.C., 14 mins.
- 3-J. Flockhart, Shettleston, 14 mins. 3 secs.
- 4-W. J. Gunn, Plebeian, 14 mins. 5 secs.
- 5-R. Simpson, Motherwell, 14 mins. 51 secs.
- 6-J. Gilles, Shawfield, 14 mins. 113 secs.
- 7-J. C. Ross, Shettleston, 14 mins. 13 secs.
- 8-(equal) J. Gifford, Victoria Park, and J. Campbell, Bellahouston "B" Team, 14 mins. 14 secs.
- 10-W. Sutherland, Shettleston, 14 mins. 15 secs.

Brock Baths, Dumbarton:-1. D. Thomson, 33 mins. 50 secs.; 2. R. M'Intyre, 35 mins. 51 secs.; 3. H. Currie, 35 mins. 10 secs. (all cyclists); 4. G. Sinclair, 35 mins. 13 secs.; 5. A. Forrest, 35 mins. 50 secs.; 6. J. M'Gouldrick, 36 mins. 1 sec. (all harriers).

GREENOCK GLENPARK - 2½ miles ballot team race from Orangefield:-1. J. Addison, 13 mins 45 secs.; 2. D. Turner, 13 mins. 46 secs.; 3. R. Easton, 13 mins. 49 secs.; 4. A. Pettigrew, 14 mins. Winning team-D. Turner, R. B. McIntosh, W. Ross, D. Lockerby-26 points.

GLASGOW UNIVERSITY AND DUBLIN UNIVERSITY - Six miles inter-dash "Varsity" race at Westerlands:-1. J. Raney (G.), 39 mins. 40 secs.; 2. A. French (D.), 39 mins. 45 secs.; 3. D. M. Brander (G.), 39 mins. 55 secs. Glasgow University, 30 points; Dublin 51 points.

IRVINE Y.M.C.A. - Six miles scratch and team race from headquarters:-1. A. S. Aldie, 38 mins. 8 secs.; 2. G. S. Pringle, 38 mins. 56 secs.; 3. D. Duncan, 40 mins. 9 secs. Team race:-1. A. S. Aldie 1 J. Pringle 6 W. Templeton 7-14 points; 2. G. S. Pringle 2 W. Hamilton 5, J. Gibson 8-15 points.

GREENOCK WELLPARK - 2½ miles scratch and team race from Gateside, Greenock:-1. R. Whitson, 16 mins. 40 secs.; 2. T. M'Laren, 17 mins. 2 secs.; 3. N. C. Fletcher, 17 mins. 8 secs.; 4. J. Taylor, 17 mins. 19 secs. Winning team -T. M'Laren 2 J. M'Kay 6, J. Sinclair 7, R. Dalrymple 9-24 points.

MAUCHLINE - 2½ miles trial race from Burngrange. The following teams were selected to represent the club in Ayrshire relay next week:-"A" team-W. Douglas, F. Lamberton, A. Wilson and D. Barnes. "B" team-J. Young, G. Hayter, R. Wilson, G. Wallace.

INTER-CLUB.

KILMARNOCK, EGLINTON and AYR A.A.C. - Two packs covered 5 miles from Rosbank Pavilion, Riccarton. Paces and whips. Slows-W. Alan (K) and T. Collins (A); mediums-B. Wells (K), W. C. Beary (A). A special fast pack; pace, E. Thursty (K); who R. Reid (F) covered the Ayrshire relay. No finishes.

PAISLEY - PAISLEY Y.M.C.A. and S.C.W.S. - Three packs covered 5 miles from Moss-side, Paisley. Paces and whips. Juniors, W. Jafferty (P); whip, J. Lawrie (P). Slows, J. Stewart (P) and Burness (YM). Mediums, W. Stewart (P) and A. Murdoch (YM). Arrivals: Slows-1. J. Johnson (YM); 2. J. Culloch (P); 3. J. Campbell (P). Mediums-1. E. Thumath (P); 2. C. Anderson (P); 3. J. M. Graham (P).

ORDINARY RUNS.

CATRINE A.A.C. - One pack covered 3 miles from Quarryknowe, Catrine. Pace, J. Nicol; whip, R. Boyle. 1. J. Orr; 2. W. E. M'Adam; 3. H. M'Gregor.

DOON - One pack covered 5 miles from Benwhit. Pace, A. M'Hattie, C. Murphy.

KIRKCALDY BOYS' CLUB - One pack covered 5½ miles from Rose Street headquarters. Pace, G. Bell; whip, J. Bell.

SOUTH GLASGOW - Three packs covered 5 miles from Lower Kennels, Kingspark. Paces and whips. Slows-J. V. Lyons and J. Thompson. Mediums-F. Lannagan and V. Stroubridge. Fasts-J. D. Nicoll and E. M'Nally.

CLYDESDALE LADIES - One large pack covered 2½ miles from Whitecrook Tennis Pavilion. Pace, N. Stephenson; whip, G. Thursty.

GREENOCK WELLPARK LADIES - One pack covered 2½ miles from headquarters. Pace, C. M'Millan; whip, K. Moodie.

ASHFIELD'S BEST.

FINE GLASGOW CUP VICTORY OVER BRIDGETON WAVERLEY.

By "Marmion."

ASHFIELD (h) 6
BRIDGETON WAVERLEY 1

Bridgeton Waverley's Glasgow Cup aspirations received a rude shock at Saracen Park, where they suffered their heaviest defeat of the season by 6-1 in the second round of the competition.

At the commencement the Bridgeton team looked like making a game of it for they took the lead in seven minutes and were the superior lot. This period of supremacy, however, did not last long. Graham, who had been their most useful forward, received a leg injury and had to hobble out the game on the right touch line to eventually retire fifteen minutes from the end.

Graham until he was injured was the only Bridgeton forward with a constructive idea. O'Hara, Waddell and Logan, with such an inept quintette in front were, in consequence, overburdened with work, but stuck manfully to their task. Lewis was the better back and Lindsay performed creditably despite the loss of six goals.

CORRECT TACTICS.

Ashfield adopted the correct tactics considering the state of the ground. They made the ball do the work and