

Was a victory at Calsiebank on Saturday, Dundee Thistle Harriers, the holders, performed the unique feat of winning the East of Scotland Junior Cross-Country Championship in two successive years.

Hitherto, only one club in Scotland has won a double, and that was in 1926-27, namely Motherwell Y.M.C.A. Harriers, and the Western District Harriers in 1927-28.

The difficulty lies in the fact that a new team has to be built up by the holders as the members of the previous team are seniors by their victory, and, therefore, are debared from taking further part in the competition.

Dundee Thistle won with a total of 65 points, Edinburgh Harriers being

second with 146, and Edinburgh Southern

Harriers third with 145, a point better than

Edinburgh Third with 144.

COURSE DIFFICULTIES

The race was a double triumph for Dundee Thistle, for Charles Smith, the Scottish novice champion and brother of the noted international athlete, J. Sutton Smith, was first man home, 38 seconds in front of the more fancied A. H. Carfrae, Edinburgh Northern Harriers, third, 20 seconds behind Charles.

Carfrae, with his recent victories over 'the international' and 'the amateur' in the Scottish and British, was considered to have an outstanding chance, but he was well beaten, and his defeat, which was due to a lack of pace, contributed to his defeat is an interesting subject for spectators.

Smith, however, was taking in a number of fields that presented difficulties to a long-distance runner, such as stones and formidable grass tufts, which were responsible for not a few falls, and he was particularly successful in the way with a painlessly-chopped stride that contrasted markedly with the long, loping, bounding gait of Sutton Smith, who, incidentally, is under five feet in height.

Over the first lap of 3½ miles Smith grew away from his competitors, and at about 70 yards at the half-way stage, at this stage the race was between Sutton Smith, D. B. Dewar (Eastbank), W. H. Whalley (University), D. B. MacKenzie (Glasgow), and John (Glasgow) and J. Sutton Smith (University), J. A. Brown (Glasgow), and I. H. Macdonald (University).

THISTLE'S GOOD PACKING

The placings at this point foreshadowed their team victory, their first two men were inside the first 25, and second, when the race was over, inside 25.

Over the second lap, Smith continued to draw away from Carfrae, who in turn was maintaining his lead over Ferguson. Even though the race was over, the race was not over, as final circuit, while D. Dewar, Eastbank, second last year, was first this year, and at half-distance to seventh place at the finish.

Dundee Thistle finished their six counting men with a total of 65 points, the Edinburgh Cup and Fraser Trophy by 64 points from their local rivals, Hawick Harriers, Edinburgh University, and Edinburgh University had a close fight for the honour of being the third team, but Edinburgh University beat the students by one point for third place. Edinburgh University had the best three consecutive times, any one of which finished too far in the rear for full advantage to be taken of it, and the team was D. H. Whalley (6th), G. A. Smith (6th), and I. H. Macdonald (11th).

Details:-

INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIP		Nett. Score
1. C. Smith, Hawkhill	.....	35 22
2. D. H. Whalley, Edinburgh University	.....	42 20
3. D. B. MacKenzie, Glasgow	.....	45 18
4. J. Sutton Smith, University	.....	45 16
5. D. B. Dewar, Eastbank	.....	45 12
6. A. H. Carfrae	.....	45 11
7. J. A. Brown, Glasgow	.....	45 11
8. I. H. Macdonald, University	.....	45 10
9. J. Sutton Smith, University	.....	45 9
10. D. B. MacKenzie, Edinburgh University	.....	45 8
11. J. H. Macdonald, Edinburgh University	.....	45 7

TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP

1. Dundee Thistle Harriers	15	30	4. A. Nairn
2. Hawkhill Harriers	14	30	5. J. Sutton Smith
3. Edinburgh University	13	29	6. D. H. Whalley
4. Edinburgh Southern Harriers	12	28	7. D. B. MacKenzie
5. Edinburgh University Harriers	12	27	8. D. B. MacKenzie
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AUCHMOUNTAIN'S DUAL SUCCESS AT BEITH

Auchmountain Harriers scored a double victory in the South-Western District Championship decider at Beith on Saturday afternoon. Although dry during the progress of the race, the runners had to battle with a strong breeze and heavy going. A. McDonald, winner of the individual championship, ran a well-judged race. He was content to lie third until the last mile, when he went in front to win by about 80 yards. Details:—

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1.	Auchmountain Harriers (A. McDonald 1, D. M'Ewan 8, A. McPhail 17, H. C. Gray 27, R. Bottomley 28, J. McCalvay 41).....	122
2.	Beith Harriers (P. Alwill 2, G. Murdoch 7, W. Murdoch 22, J. Quinn 30, T. J. McAllister 46, A. Barrett 50).....	147
3.	Kilmarnock Harriers (J. McDade 11, T. Baillie 14, H. Price 15, J. Murray 31, W. Learmonth 46, N. Abbott 76).....	150
4.	Greenock Clempark Harriers, 192 pts.; 5. Eglington Harriers, 210; 6. Kilmarnock A.A.C., 225; 7. Greenock Wellpark Harriers, 225; 8. Irvine Y.M.C.A. Harriers, 236; 9. Paisley Y.M.C.A. Harriers, 241; 10. Paisley Harriers, 282; 11. Torpedo Factory Harriers, 425. 12-13 Harriers did not finish as a team.	

Individual Placing—1. A. McDonald, Auchmountain Harriers, 40 mins. 25 secs.; 2. P. Alwill, Beith Harriers, 40 mins. 41 secs.; 3. T. McLean, Greenock Wellpark Harriers, 40 mins. 56 secs.; 4. H. Brown, Doon Harriers, 41 mins. 7 secs.; 5. J. Wallace, Kilmarnock Harriers, 41 mins. 24 secs.; 6. W. Kennedy, Kilmarnock A.A.C., 41 mins. 26 secs.