

Teviotdale Finish Second in Championship

Teviotdale Harriers made a bold bid to win the Eastern District Championship at Hawick on Saturday. Over a course of seven miles nine teams and several contenders for the individual championship ran a gruelling race in wind and rain. The course was heavy and the times were correspondingly high.

Teviotdale did well to finish second with 104 points to Edinburgh University (85 points). W. L. Smith ran into fifth place, and his brother did well to gain ninth position.

The following were the placings:—

INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIP.

1. G. M. Carsairs, Edinburgh University (41.47); 2. J. S. D. Nisbet, Gala Harriers (42.7); 3. G. L. Rennie, Dundee Hawkhill (42.9); 4. G. Milne, Aberdeen Y.M.C.A. (42.19); 5. W. L. Smith, Teviotdale (42.44); 6. G. Strachan, Rover Scouts (43.27); 7. A. Milne, Aberdeen Y.M.C.A. Harriers (43.43); 8. W. Blair, Rover Scouts (43.46); 9. B. Smith, Teviotdale (43.48); 10. A. C. Nicol, Edinburgh University (43.49); 11. I. H. Stokoe, Edinburgh University (43.50); 12. G. W. Dobbie, Edinburgh Southern (43.53).

TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP.

1. Edinburgh University (C. M. Carsairs 1, A. C. Nicol 8, I. H. Stokoe 9, O. U. Urquhart 10, H. S. Goodwin 22, M. S. Fraser 26), 85 points.

2. Teviotdale Harriers (W. L. Smith 4, B. Smith 7, P. Armstrong 16, G. Easton 17, D. Spalding 29, W. Knox 31), 104 points.

3. Dundee Hawkhill (G. Rennie 3, N. Scott 11, G. Brand 21, J. Kane 22, G. Haskett 32, A. Macleod 45), 134 points.

4. Rover Scouts (G. Strachan 5, W. Blair 6, J. G. Gray 20, J. T. Mitchell 33, G. Mochrie 36, F. C. Yeaman 42), 142 points.

5. Edinburgh Southern (G. W. Dobbie 10, T. G. Logan 13, W. J. Marshall 24, J. Forbes 25, J. Johnston 39, A. Hunter 40), 151 points.

6 (equal), Dundee Thistle (G. C. Fuskens 14, W. W. House 15, W. Byrne 30, T. Brunton 48, M. Smith 59, J. Cobb 65) and Edinburgh Harriers (J. Wood 19, J. Allison 27, A. Dippie 38, J. Archibald 43, D. Smith 48, A. Ritchie 49), 224 points.

7. Gala Harriers (J. S. D. Nisbet 2, Jack Dodds 34, Joe Dodds 35, H. Neilson 46, C. Small 56, G. Halliday 58), 231 points.

Edinburgh Northern started six men, but only five finished as follows:—T. B. Ainslie 12, J. Wells 28, R. J. McLean 62, T. G. W. Shredder 68.

THE WINNERS.

Edinburgh University Hares and Hounds won the Eastern Cross-Country Team Championship last year for the first time since the inception of the race in 1899. On Saturday they won again, to equal the performance of Dundee Thistle Harriers in accomplishing successive wins.

To understand the merit of winning in successive years it must be realized that the winning team of six are not eligible to compete again in the event, and generally when they are defending the title, the champion team, owing to the necessity of holding an entirely new set of runners, finish among the "also-rans."

Not only did the students retain the team title, but also through G. M. Carsairs they snatched the individual title. Carsairs is the present S.A.A.A. three miles track champion. Carsairs' success suggests that he will be a strong candidate for premier honours in the Scottish championship to be held on March 4.

He should also prove a decided acquisition to the Scottish team for the international to be run in Wales on April 1. The Scottish team ran so poorly at Belfast last year that the infusion of new "blood" was sorely needed to endeavour to raise the team to a more prominent place in the race, and it is quite possible that one or even two members of the Teviotdale Club will be selected.

CROSS-COUNTRY

EASTERN DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIP

EDINBURGH UNIVERSITY'S SUCCESS

The Eastern District Championship was held at Hawick on Saturday in unfavourable conditions, when Edinburgh University were first with 85 points. Competitors had to make two circuits of a 3½ miles course, the outward half of which was run in the face of a gale of wind and rain.

The individual championship was won by G. M. Carstairs, Edinburgh University, the Scottish three miles track champion, completing the course in 41 minutes 47 seconds. He was followed home by J. S. D. Nisbet, Gala Harriers, the Border marathon champion, in 42 mins 7 secs. G. Rennie, Dundee Hawkhill, was third in 42 mins 9 secs, and G. Milne, who made the long journey from Aberdeen, fourth in 42 mins 19 secs.

The team placings were:—1. Edinburgh University (85 points); 2. Teviotdale Harriers, Hawick (104 points); 3. Dundee Hawkhill (134 points); 4. Edinburgh Rover Scouts (142 points); 5. Edinburgh Southern (151 points); 6. Dundee Thistle (214 points); 7. Edinburgh Harriers (224 points); 8. Gala Harriers (231 points).

The winning 'Varsity' team was G. M. Carstairs, A. C. Nicholl, I. H. Stockoe, O. W. Uren, H. S. Godwin, and M. S. Fraser.