

# SOUTH-WESTERN CHAMPIONSHIP

The annual cross country championship of the South-Western District was held at Inchinnan, on Saturday afternoon. The weather conditions were good, but the going was very soft. As anticipated, Beith Harriers won the team event with ease, but there was a big surprise in the individual championship, W. Kennedy, of Kilbarchan, upsetting more fancied candidates. It was a good win, as he was in front most of the time and in the run-in beat P. Alwell, of Beith, by about 50 yards.

Results:—

## TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP

1. Beith Harriers (P. J. Alwell 2, W. C. Murdoch 3, M. Barr 7, G. Murdoch 10, G. Fulton 24, J. McConnell 26), 72 points.

2. Irvine Y.M.C.A. Harriers (J. B. Ferguson 6, D. W. Ablett 9, G. G. Pringle 17, W. H. McCalloch 17, M. Ferguson 27, W. Bell 47), 118 points.

3. Kilbarchan A.A.C. (W. Kennedy 1, R. Kerr 15, G. Little 18, X. Hayes 23, A. Deans 29, J. Harrison 35), 119 points.

## INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIP

1. W. Kennedy, Kilbarchan A.C., 37 mins. 34 secs.
2. P. Alwell, Beith Harriers, 37 mins. 42 secs.
3. W. Murdoch, Beith Harriers, 38 mins. 17 secs.
4. W. Fulton, Eglington Harriers, 38 mins. 34 secs.

BOTIF	the Eastern and the South-Western seven-miles junior cross-country championships produced keen racing on Saturday, with quite a few surprises in each event.
At Redford Barracks, Edinburgh	Southern ran up to form in winning the Eastern team title—but, although they had twenty points in hand at half-distance, they just managed to resist a strong challenge by the University team, in the second stage of the journey, to win by one point. The Varsity, indeed, finished their last counting man five places in front of Southern's last man.
	<b>Kennedy's Victory</b>
Beith	won the South-Western title at Inchinnan in much easier fashion than was anticipated. Their winning margin of 46 points over Irvine Y.M.C.A. indicates how much the Beith men had in hand. Kilbarchan did extremely well to finish third, only a point behind Irvine.
	The big surprise of this race was the excellent running of W. Kennedy, Kilbarchan, who won the individual title by 45 yards from P. J. Alwell, Beith. This is Alwell's second experience of finishing runner-up in this race. W. C. Murdoch, the Beith champion and favourite, was suffering from a sprained muscle, and was far removed from his best, finishing only third. Kennedy's strength was the telling factor, and he finished quite fresh—an unexpected, but thoroughly popular victor.
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5.	H. M. Clymont, Ayr, 38 mins. 53 secs.
6.	J. B. Ferguson, Irvine, 39 mins.
7.	M. Barr, Beith, 39 mins. 6 secs.
8.	J. Rowan, Glenpark, 39 mins. 10 secs.
9.	D. W. Algie, Irvine, 39 mins. 15 secs.
10.	G. Murdoch, Beith, 39 mins. 18 secs.
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4.	EGLINTON HARRIERS (W. Fulton, 4, R. Kerr, 17, J. Wallace, 20, D. Mulholland, 28, A. McDonald, 39, W. Martindale, 45), 149 points.
5.	GLENPARK HARRIERS (J. Rowan, 8, P. McLean, 21, T. Mearns, 25, M. Ryan, 31, R. Delussey, 34, D. Brown, 38), 157 points.
6.	PAISLEY HARRIERS (A. Muir, 14, C. Anderson, 19, H. Cassidy, 30, J. M. Graham, 35, N. McLean, 37, C. Mack, 42, 89 points).
7.	WEIL PARK HARRIERS (J. G. Taylor, 11, R. Whitson, 33, J. Ritchie, 41, J. McMillan, 45, A. Taylor, 55, T. Harrower, 58), 240 points.
8.	PAISLEY Y.M.C.A. (J. M. Sellar, 22, J. G. Paton, 32, W. McConnell, 34, F. Johnstone, 37, Stevenson, 59, A. McFarlane, 62), 254 points.
9.	AYR H. M. CLYMONTE (W. Logan, 15, W. Berry, 55, F. Adams, 65), did not finish complete team.
	Individual entrants (excluded from team totals): A. Livingstone, Kilmarnock, 20; J. Kyne, Auchmountain, 28; R. Price, Kilmarnock, 41; J. Dalrymple, Auchmountain, 50; J. Price, Kilmarnock, 44.
	<b>Other Races</b>