

Scottish News

From Colin Shields

Laurie Spence holds off reinstated Terry Mitchell

ON A DAY WHEN cross country running was virtually the only outdoor sport to survive in a snow-blanketed Scotland, runners found that speed was not the only essential needed to win the race in the Quadrangular International at Stirling University on December 12th. Agility, balance and a good skating action were also important, and Laurie Spence proved he had them all when he won from Terry Mitchell, a reinstated professional from Fife, whose application for full international clearance was being considered by the IAAF at their Rome conference that weekend. Mitchell has had outstanding success since being reinstated for domestic competition, winning many events on road, track and country and has been undefeated this winter in the East of Scotland till meeting Spence.

After a fast start Spence broke clear with only Mitchell for company. His experience told and Mitchell, though finishing strongly in the final half mile, had to be content with runner-up position.

Northern Ireland, despite finishing three in the first seven, failed to finish a complete team due to travelling difficulties from Belfast. With only five athletes available, manager, Jim Hayes, a noted hill runner, stripped to make up the team of six but, to his chagrin, after finishing 15th he found that one of his team had dropped out and they were still short of the counting six.

In the Young Athletes Inter-District races, Western District once again swept the board in all the team races, but their run of individual successes was broken when Colin Donald of Elgin gave the Northern District a surprise win in the Junior Boys race.

1, L. Spence (SCCU)..... 32:44
2, T. Mitchell (SCCU) 32:51
3, J. McGarva (SCCU) 33:25
4, C. Spence (NI) 33:39; 5, T. Fieldsend (CS) 33:46; 6, R. Stone (NI) 33:48; 7, R. Curran (NI) 34:01; 8, P. Dolan (SB) 34:10; 9, C. Leck (SCCU) 34:14; 10, E. Stewart (SCCU) 34:17; 11, A. Girling (SU) 34:26; 12, G. Matheson (SB) 34:29; 13, G. McMillan (SCCU) 34:40; 14, P. Sigmundsson (SU) 34:47; 15, A. Mackay (SCCU) 34:51; 16, J. Hayes (NI) 34:58; 17, A. Daly (CS) 35:09; 18, A. Robertson (CS) 35:10; 19, R. Arbuckle (SCCU) 35:12; 20, P. McCaffrey (NI) 35:20. **Teams:** 1, SCCU 38; 2, Scottish Univs. 116; Scottish Banks, Civil Service & N. Ireland failed to close in.

Inter-District Races

(Youths): 1, D. Russell (W) 25:00; 2, I. Matheson (E) 25:23; 3, A. Currie (W) 25:37; 4, J. McNeil (W) 25:37; 5, D. Marr (E) 25:40; 6, S.

Reid (W) 25:55; 7, F. Boyne (E) 26:00; 8, K. Maxwell (E) 26:08; 9, R. McKirdy (W) 26:12; 10, T. Ritchie (E) 26:12; 11, S. Kenny (W) 26:42; 12, C. Thomson (W) 26:58. **Teams:** 1, West 34; 2, East 45; 3, North 115. (**Snr. Boys:**) 1, R. Skilling (W) 15:04; 2, P. Morris (W) 15:07; 3, G. Phillip (E) 15:10; 4, G. Walker (W) 15:14; 5, T. Hanlon (E) 15:15; 6, G. Mason (E) 15:19; 7, S. Holden (E) 15:19; 8, P. Burns (W) 15:29; 9, P. Henderson (E) 15:33; 10, K. Smith (E) 15:34. **Teams:** 1, West 39; 2, East 40; 3, North 122. (**Jnr. Boys:**) 1, C. Donald (N) 12:03; 2, A. Russell (W) 12:05; 3, R. Donnelly (W) 12:22; 4, I. Ritchie (E) 12:40; 5, B. Tyrie (W) 12:55; 6, V. Hughes (E) 12:58; 7, K. Idessane (E) 13:03; 8, J. Cavanagh (W) 13:07; 9, G. McCallum (W) 13:18; 10, S. Wallace (W) 13:28. **Teams:** 1, West 37; 2, East 57; 3, North 94.

SWCCU East v West Match, at Rosyth (December 13th). 1, E. Lynch (E) 23:38; 2, K. Mearns (E) 23:49; 3, V. Blair (E) 23:54; 4, A. Everett (W) 24:07; 5, J. Lordon (E) 24:25; 6, M. Gray (E) 24:27. **Teams:** 1, East 26; 2, West 52. (**Inters:**) 1, Y. Murray (E) 17:40; 2, L. MacDougall (W) 17:44; 3, A. Ridley (W) 18:25. **Teams:** 1, East 35; 2, West 43. (**Juniors:**) 1, L. Docherty (W) 13:03; 2, J. Stewart (W) 13:04; 3, M. Sprang (W) 13:08. **Teams:** 1, West 26; 2, East 61. (**Girls:**) 1, L. Rankin (W) 10:00; 2, C. Barclay (W) 10:16; 3, G. Doig (E) 10:23. **Teams:** 1, West 25; 2, East 57. (**U/11:**) 1, P. McDaid (W) 7:36; 2, J. Barclay (W) 7:51; 3, C. Bowie (W) 7:52. **Teams:** 1, West 27; 2, East 57. **Total points:** 1, West 173; 2, East 236.

Inter-County Champs, at Houston (December 19th). 1, C. Leck (Ren) 26:42; 2, E. Stewart (Lan) 26:50; 3, C. Donnelly (Lan) 27:41; 4, A. Daley (Ren) 27:48; 5, S. Miller (Lan) 27:49; 6, D. McFadyen (Ren) 27:52. **Teams:** 1, Renfrewshire 38; 2, Lanarkshire 40. (**Youths:**) 1, J. McNeil (Lan) 18:24; 2, S. Kenny (Lan) 18:29; 3, S. Reid (Dumb) 18:36; 4, A. Currie (Dumb) 18:44; 5, S. Marshall (Lan) 18:48; 6, P. McManus (Lan) 18:53. **Teams:** 1, Lanarkshire 32; 2, Dumbartonshire 67. (**Snr. Boys:**) 1, B. Hawkins (Ren) 13:25; 2, B. Scally (Lan) 13:27; 3, S. Begen (Lan) 13:41; 4, P. Morris (Lan) 13:56; 5, R. McColl (Lan) 14:01. **Teams:** 1, Lanarkshire 7; 2, Dumbartonshire 95. (**Jnr. Boys:**) 1, A. Russell (Lan) 9:42; 2, S. Wallace (Lan) 10:05; 3, A. Ramage (Lan) 10:22; 4, A. Walsh (Ren) 10:25. **Teams:** 1, Lanarkshire 29; 2, Renfrewshire 73.

Forres Handicap CC Races, at Forres (December 19th). Fastest: G. Milne (A'deen) 27:26; D. Lang (Elg) 27:44; I. Moncur (Forr) 28:10. Team: Elgin.

SCOTTISH UNIVERSITIES SPORTS FEDERATION

CROSS COUNTRY

STIRLING UNIVERSITY - 12TH DECEMBER 1981

PSN.	NAME	DISTRICT	TIME MIN. SEC.	PSN.	NAME	DISTRICT	TIME MIN. SEC.
1	R.L. Spence	S.C.C.U.	32.44	36	G. Haddow	S.U.	36.32
2	T. Mitchell	S.C.C.U.	51	37	J. Maitland	S.U.	44
3	J. McGarva	S.C.C.U.	33.25	38	R. Cameron	S.C.C.U.	37.00
4	C. Spence	N.I.	39	39	P. O'Kane	S.U.	25
5	T. Fieldsend	C.S.	46	40	S. Brownlie	S.B.	
6	R. Stone	N.I.	48	41			
7	R. Curran	N.I.	34.01	42			
8	P. Dolan	S.B.	10	43			
9	C. Leck	S.C.C.U.	14	44			
10	A. Stuart	S.C.C.U.	17	45			
11	A. Girling	S.U.	26	46			
12	G. Matheson	S.B.	29	47			
13	G. McMillan	S.C.C.U.	40	48			
14	P. Sigmundssen	S.U.	47	49			
15	A. Mackie	S.C.C.U.	51	50			
16	J. Hayes	N.I.	58	51			
17	A. Daly	C.S.	35.09	52			
18	A. Robertson	C.S.	10				
19	R. Arbuckle	S.C.C.U.	12				
20	P. McCaffrey	N.I.	20				
21	G. Payne	C.S.	22				
22	W. Dickson	S.B.	24				
23	J.L. Stewart	S.C.C.U.	26				
24	R. Barrie	S.U.	26				
25	G. Mitchell	S.C.C.U.	29				
26	L. Robertson	S.C.C.U.	32				
27	D. Ellis	S.U.	41				
28	C. Cotten	S.U.	45				
29	E. Cameron	S.C.C.U.	54				
30	J. Blair	S.C.C.U.	36.01				
31	R. Morris	S.B.	03				
32	H. Mackay	S.U.	03				
33	G. Small	S.U.	14				
34	P. Graves	S.U.	20				
35	D. Ferrie	S.U.	22				

TEAM RESULTS

1ST S.C.C.U.

1, 2, 3, 9, 10, 13 38 points

2ND S.U.

11, 14, 24, 27, 28, 32 116 points

SCOTTISH BANKS, CIVIL SERVICE AND N.I.

DID NOT CLOSE IN.

YOUTHS

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SN.	NAME	DISTRICT	TIME MIN.SEC.	PSN.	NAME	DISTRICT	TIME MIN.SEC.
1	D. Russell	West	25.00	21	S. Martin	North	29.37
2	I. Matheson	East	23	22	J. Ivers	North	30.53
3	A. Currie	West	37	23	S. Robb	North	31.46
4	J. McNeil	West	37	24			
5	D. Marr	East	40	25			
6	S. Reid	West	55				
7	F. Boyne	East	26.00				
8	K. Maxwell	East	08				
9	R. McKirdy	West	12				
10	T. Ritchie	East	12				
11	S. Kenny	West	42				
12	C. Thomson	West	53				
13	S. Slorah	East	27.10				
14	N. Martin	North	22				
15	M. Turner	North	28				
16	I. Morrison	East	39				
17	S. Marshall	West	41				
18	S. Muir	East	44				
19	D. Walls	East	53				
20	A. Moffat	North	28.23				

TEAM RESULTS

1ST WEST

1, 3, 4, 6, 9, 11 34 points

2ND * EAST

2, 5, 7, 8, 10, 13 45 points

3RD NORTH

14, 15, 20, 21, 22, 23 115 points

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1	R. Skilling	West	15.04	21	N. Provan	North	16.32
2	P. Morris	West	07	22	S. Willox	North	38
3	G. Phillip	East	10	23	M. Osborne	North	44
4	G. Walker	West	14	24	I. Stewart	North	53
5	T. Hanlon	East	15	25	G. MacKenzie	North	17.13
6	G. Mason	East	19	26			
7	S. Holden	East	19				
8	P. Burns	West	29				
9	P. Henderson	East	33				
10	K. Smith	East	34				
11	G. Shearer	West	34				
12	G. MacLennan	North	37				
13	S. Began	West	37				
14	M. Kerr	West	39				
15	M. Bingham	East	45				
16	J. Casey	West	57				
17	B. Scally	West	16.00				
18	K. Byrne	East	00				
19	S. Campbell	East	17				
20	J. Ponte	North	21				

TEAM RESULTS

1ST WEST

1, 2, 4, 8, 11, 13 39 points

2ND EAST

3, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10 40 points

3RD NORTH

12, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24 122 points

JUNIOR BOYS

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PSN.	NAME	DISTRICT	TIME MIN.SEC.	PSN.	NAME	DISTRICT	TIME MIN.SEC.
1	C. Donald	North	12.03	21	I. Mackenzie	North	14.21
2	A. Russell	West	12.05	22	A. Mackenzie	North	14.26
3	R. Donnelly	West	12.22	23	A. McNab	East	14.28
4	I. Ritchie	East	12.40	24	N. Mackland	East	14.29
5	B. Tyrie	West	12.55	25	A. Bone	North	14.44
6	V. Hughes	East	12.58	26	C. Morrison	North	15.00
7	K. Idessane	East	13.03	<u>TEAM RESULTS</u> <u>LST</u> <u>POINTS</u> WEST : 3, 3, 5, 8, 9, 10 37 <u>2ND</u> EAST : 4, 6, 7, 12, 13, 15 57 <u>3RD</u> NORTH : 1, 14, 16, 20, 21, 22 94			
8	J. Cavanagh	West	13.07				
9	G. McCallum	West	13.18				
10	S. Wallace	West	13.28				
11	G. Higgins	West	13.30				
12	P. Brown	East	13.36				
13	J. Green	East	13.49				
14	R. Osborne	North	13.53				
15	E. Cameron	East	14.02				
16	S. Webster	North	14.11				
17	C. Baird	West	14.11				
18	A. Cochrane	East	14.13				
19	J. Boyle	West	14.14				
20	S. Fraser	North	14.18				