

SCOTTISH VETS CC CHAMPIONSHIPS

At Dalkeith, March 2nd 1975

The Scottish Veterans Cross-Country Championships, held at Eskbank College, Dalkeith, on March 2nd, attracted a large entry of 90 runners. Although the 8000m course was extremely heavy due to overnight rain and showers during the meeting, some exceptional running was seen by a large number of spectators. The most outstanding individual performances were by the winners of the over 40 men's 8000m and the veteran women's 5000m.

Charlie McAlinden led from the start of the O/40 race and increased his lead after the half-

way stage to retain his title convincingly. McAlinden was Scottish marathon champion in 1966, and Irish 880y champion in 1956.

The inaugural Women Veteran Runners Association championship which was organised by that well known marathon and cross-country runner, Dale Greig, was won by Norma Campbell of Blaydon Harriers. Norma took the lead from the start and ran brilliantly in the heavy conditions to win by 300m. Mother of three sons, the oldest being 21, Norma is aged 46 and competed the previous week in the National Women's Championship at Parliament Hill, finishing 108th. Second place went to Noreen O'Boyle, mother of Scottish international Moira O'Boyle, with Dale Greig third.

David Campbell

(O/40): 1, C. McAlinden (Pais) 28:52; 2, G. Eadie (Camb) 29:41; 3, J. Irvine (Bell) 29:42. **(O/50):** 1, T. Harrison (Mary) 33:47; 2, R. Wallace (Shett) 34:22. **(O/60):** G. Porteous (Mary) 35:14. **Teams:** 1, Springburn 18; 2, Paisley 38; 3, Stirling 59. **(Women O/35):** 1, N. Campbell (Blay) 22:12; 2, N. O'Boyle (Vic P) 23:21; 3, D. Greig (Pais) 25:51; 4, A. Lusk (West) 27:06; 5, M. Steel (Pais) 27:45; 6, R. Docherty (Greenock RP) 28:39. **(O/45):** Campbell:

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8,000 METRES

1.	C. McAlinden	28.52
2.	G. Eadie	29.41
3.	J. Irvine	29.42
4.	J. Milne	29.58
5.	T. O'Reilly	30.09
6.	W. Ramage	30.14
7.	A. White	30.19
8.	C. Meldrum	30.23
9.	W. Russell	30.38
10.	C. O'Boyle	30.45
11.	W. Lyall	30.57
12.	H. Mitchell	31.03
13.	C. Wright	31.24
14.	H. Scott	31.31
15.	A. Galbraith	31.36
16.	A. Peden	31.41
17.	W. Marshall	31.45
18.	W. Lindsay	31.53
19.	B. Fickling	32.08
20.	J. Black	32.10
21.	M. Rafferty	32.10
22.	J. Moore	32.12
23.	B. Bickerton	32.18
24.	A. McManus	32.21
25.	G. Dickson	32.39
26.	R. Kane	32.55
27.	J. McLean	33.03
28.	J. Henry	33.12
29.	H. Ewing	33.18
30.	J. Barrowman	33.23
31.	H. Docherty	33.31
32.	J. Clifton	33.34
33.	T. Harrison	33.47
34.	J. Gray	34.05
35.	H. Millar	34.17
36.	W. Scott	34.20
37.	C. Wallace	34.22
38.	C. Forbes	34.38
39.	J. Lowrie	34.39
40.	W. Ross	34.51
41.	P. Livingston	34.52
42.	D. McKirdy	34.53
43.	E. Campbell	34.54
44.	M. Stocks	35.10
45.	G. Porteous	35.14
46.	F. Bias	35.25
47.	W. Kelly	35.48
48.	J. McNeil	35.52
49.	L. Howitt	35.58
50.	J. Crawford	36.05
51.	R. Pickard	36.16
52.	D. Clelland	36.23
53.	J. Hanton	36.45
54.	J. Petty	36.46
55.	A. Oliver	36.51
56.	R. McDonald	37.37
57.	G. Bell	37.50
58.	P. Minchin	37.51
59.	T. Monaghan	37.56
60.	A. Cook	37.58
61.	J. Brownlie	38.39
62.	T. Fletcher	38.40
63.	J. Clark	38.54
64.	J. Geddes	39.30
65.	T. Docherty	40.36
66.	R. McIntyre	40.48
67.	J. Cascarina	40.53
68.	J. Kiernan	41.48
69.	D. Cavson	41.52
70.	N. Ross	42.09
71.	R. Donald	42.35
72.	I. Buchan	44.55
73.	T. Weatherhead	46.45
74.	R. Devon	48.32