

HARRIERS.

UNION JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP.

A SUCCESSFUL MEETING.

GREAT RACING.

COATBRIDGE HAS NARROW WIN FROM C.H.

"WEST" A GOOD THIRD.

THE M'CAFFERTYS IN EVIDENCE.

SUTTIE A GOOD "PLACE."

(SPECIAL BY "PAGE")

This event, technically known as the junior championship, is second only, apparently, in importance to the senior ten miles race. The Ochilview Park, Stenhousemuir, was the scene of the race, and the route laid out by the Stirlingshire Central Harriers and other clubs under the control of Messrs Peddie and Inches was by way of the Old Falkirk Trust Road, past the farm, round by the back of the Asylum, through Kinnaird Estate, past the tenantry, and into the ground, once round the track, and over the same route again.

Very complete arrangements had been made, but even with all the forethought shown by the committee and office-bearers, we would submit that no separate leader from one another by a distance of three-quarters of a mile or so does not lead to ease of limbs by those whose duties involve visits to the clubs and towns, and add considerably to the duties and anxieties of the officials. Notwithstanding all this, however, everything worked as well, and just eighteen minutes after the advertised time the ten clubs were lined up for the word to go in front of the grand (?) stand.

Mr A. M. Bryson sent all on their journey to the clear, ringing word, and wasn't there a bit bustling in the first turn of the track.

The leading element was somewhat oblique at the instant, and the great body of visitors from the surrounding country crowded round the bookies with open mouths and staring, questioning eyes, and endeavoring to evolve a meaning from the *vis a vis* quotations of 4 to 1 bar one, 5 to 1 bar a couple, 6 to 1 bar three, which ultimately veered round to the odds on P. M'Caferly.

The first to break away from the main pack at the start were the favourites, with the Celtic man in the place of honour, Connor, of Motherwell, in close pursuit, and Mathieson, of Dennistoun, running rather close up. The leader maintained his place, and the contest was a splendid one. It was now apparent that a certain club, which shall at the present juncture be nameless, had instituted a course of procedure very much akin to coaching, and the members of which were stationed at intervals all over the route to encourage and by other means help on their men. After being out nearly twenty minutes the contestants ran on to the Bend, and at this half-distance the leaders were—P. M'Caferly, J. J. M'Caferly, J. Bathgate, A. Binnie, R. E. W. R. Moffat, R. Brown, D. Binnie, A. B. Brown, A. Forrester, J. W. Mathieson, A. A. M'Caferly, J. D. Cunningham, D. Kirkpatrick, T. Strath, W. H. Whigham, W. A. Ferguson, J. Greene, P. D. Reynolds, A. P. White, J. T. M'Arthur, G. M. Shaw, F. Mathieson, G. Tocher, W. H. S. Alexander, W. Henderson, Allan Walker, T. Jamieson, W. Simpson, W. Liam Lang, W. Scott—all in the order as given.

The race in the second half was much of a repetition, although there was a greater falling off. The biggest was now even M'Caferly, with few takers, and there was now much adding up to see how the teams stood. Ultimately the stewards ranged themselves round the winning mark, and President Bryson marked the winners as they finished. The first man won by quite 12 yards.

Complete list of arrivals and places:—1. J. J. M'Caferly (W.S.H.); 2. P. M'Caferly (Celtic Harriers), individual; 3. A. Suttie (Dundee Thistle Harriers), individual; 4. R. Free (Clydesdale); 5. J. Bathgate (Edinburgh Northern); 6. J. Binnie (Coatbridge); 7. R. Brown (Motherwell); 8. R. Moffat (Clydesdale); 9. D. Binnie (Waverley); 10. A. Forrester (Coatbridge); 11. J. W. Mathieson (Dennistoun); 12. J. D. Cunningham (Clydesdale); 13. A. B. Brown (Edinburgh Northern); 14. N. M'Arthur (Marshall); 15. W. H. Whigham (Coatbridge); 16. J. Greene (Edinburgh University); 17. D. Kirkpatrick (W.S.H.); 18. P. D. Reynolds (Edinburgh Harriers); 19. T. Strath (Dennistoun); 20. T. Jamieson (Motherwell); 21. L. French (Motherwell); 22. R. Evans (Motherwell); 23. M. Shaw (W.S.H.); 24. J. Forrester (Coatbridge); 25. T. Thomson (Waverley); 26. A. P. White (Edinburgh Harriers); 27. C. F. Mathieson (Edinburgh Harriers); 28. W. H. S. Alexander (Edinburgh Harriers); 29. W. A. Ferguson (C.H.); 30. D. Whistler (Waverley); 31. R. Wallace (Waverley); 32. P. Vaughan (Edinburgh University); 33. J. T. M'Arthur (Dennistoun); 34. W. Henderson (Marshall); 35. W. Scott (Motherwell); 36. Allan Walker (Coatbridge); 37. T. M'Arthur (C.H.); 38. W. Liam Lang (Coatbridge); 39. G. Connor (Motherwell); 40. S. Craig (E.H.); 41. C. D. Fraser (W.S.H.); 42. M. Dickson (C.H.); 43. James Wylie (W.S.H.); 44. Guthrie (Waverley); 45. G. Tocher (E.N.H.); 46. Cunningham (W.S.H.); 47. R. Smith (E.N.H.); 48. Martin (E.N.H.); 49. J. Blair (C.H.); 50. C. Evans (Motherwell); 51. H. Stevenson (Waverley); 52. C. M'Caferly (E.H.); 53. A. R. Brown (E.N.H.); 54. H. Brown (Marshall); 55. A. Oates (Coatbridge); 56. G. Brown (Dennistoun); 57. D. Ritchie (E.H.); 58. J. M'Arthur (E.H.); 59. John Bell (C.H.); 60. J. G. Glen (E.U.); 61. J. Stevenson (Marshall); 62. A. Black (Waverley); 63. Irvine (E.N.H.); 64. A. P. White (E.H.); 65. R. Robertson, jun. (Dennistoun); 66. A. Miller (E.N.H.); 67. J. Linn (Dennistoun); 68. G. Doogan (Marshall); 69. A. Gibb Smart (Clydesdale); 70. Wm. Strath (C.H.); 71. A. E. L. Jones (E.U.); 72. W. Simpson (Marshall); 73. A. M'Kay (Marshall); 74. A. M. Philip (E.H.); 75. W. Jackson (E.N.H.); 76. H. Anderson (E.N.H.); 77. R. C. Strath (Dennistoun); 78. J. M'Arthur (Motherwell); 79. T. Muirhead (Marshall); 80. J. M'Kay (Dennistoun); 81. R. L. Weir (W.S.H.); 82. C. T. Black (W.S.H.); 83. N. Stewart (Dennistoun); 84. D. H. MacArthur (E.U.); 85. A. B. Hall (E.U.); 86. Brotherton (Motherwell); 87. W. Anderson (Marshall); 88. H. Pitt (Motherwell); 89. R. Dobson (Marshall).

Full team placings, &c.:—

1. Coatbridge Harriers (champions)—1. J. Reston, 6; 2. Alexander Forrester, 8; 3. W. N. Whigham, 13; 4. James Forrester, 22; 5. Allan Walker, 34; 6. William Lang, 36. Total points, 117.

2. Clydesdale Harriers—1. Robert Free, 2; 2. Archibald Moffat, 4; 3. J. D. Kinnaird, 10; 4. W. A. Ferguson, 27; 5. Thomas Macmillan, 28; 6. M. F. Doonan, 37. Total, 120.

3. West of Scotland Harriers—1. J. J. M'Caferly, 1; 2. David Binnie, 7; 3. D. Kirkpatrick, 18; 4. G. Shaw, 21; 5. C. D. Fraser, 38; 6. James Wylie 41. Total, 121.

4. Motherwell Harriers—1. R. Brown, 5; 2. T. Jamieson, 18; 3. L. L. French, 18; 4. R. Evans, 20; 5. Scott, 23; 6. George Connor, 37. Total, 121.

5. Edinburgh Harriers—1. P. D. Reynolds, 16; 2. P. White, 34; 3. C. F. Mathieson, 28; 4. W. H. S. Alexander, 26; 5. J. S. Craig, 38; 6. D. Ritchie, 44. Total, 174.

6. Dennistoun Harriers—1. J. W. Mathieson, 2; 2. Thomas Strath, 17; 3. J. T. M'Arthur, 31; 4. J. M'Arthur, 51; 5. G. Browning, 34; 6. R. F. Robertson, 100. Total, 225.

7. Edinburgh Northern Harriers—1. J. Bathgate, 5; 2. A. R. Brown, 11; 3. G. Tocher, 43; 4. A. Martin, 54; 5. B. Irvine, 54; 6. Archibald Mitchell, 64. Total, 227.

8. Waverley Harriers—1. C. T. Thomson, 28; 2. R. Wallace, 28; 3. R. Wallace, 28; 4. G. Guthrie, 42; 5. Henderson, 49; 6. James Wylie, 41. Total, 216.

9. Marshall Harriers—1. Norman Macmillan, 12; 2. W. Henderson, 32; 3. H. Brown, 52; 4. J. Stevenson, 59; 5. G. Doogan, 68; 6. W. Simpson, 70. Total, 225.

10. Edinburgh University Hare and Hounds—1. Greave, 14; 2. P. Vaughan, 20; 3. R. Smiles, 45; 4. G. Glen, 58; 5. A. E. L. Jones, 59; 6. D. H. MacArthur, 62. Total, 258.

Each team that started finished with full list of local six men.

RESULTS OF PREVIOUS CHAMPIONSHIPS

1893—Individual, W. J. Lawson (Dundee Harriers); team, Edinburgh Harriers. Won by 4 points.

1897—Individual, P. T. Lewis (Clydesdale Harriers); team, Edinburgh Northern H. Won by 32 points.

1898—Individual, S. Duffus (Aberdeen Harriers); team, Edinburgh Northern Harriers. Won by 41 points.

1899—Individual, W. Robertson (Clydesdale Harriers); team, Clydesdale Harriers. Won by 20 points.

1899—Individual, F. W. Bruce (E.U.H. and H.); team, Watsonians C.C.C. Won by 48 points.

1899—Individual, C. McCracken (Garrick Harriers); team, Clydesdale Harriers, after a tie with Motherwell Harriers. Won by 3 points.

1899—Individual, J. Paterson (W.C.C.C.); team, Watsonians C.C.C. Won by 18 points.

1899—Individual, A. Pitt (Motherwell Harriers); team, Motherwell Harriers. Won by 21 points.

1899—Individual, W. T. Marshall (West of Scotland Harriers); team, Marshall Harriers. Won by 11 points.

1899—Individual, Andrew Forrester (Coatbridge Harriers); team, Clydesdale Harriers. Won by 12 points.