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CROSS-COUNTRY HONOURS

SUTTIE SMITH AT THE PEAK.

COMFORTABLE WINNER IN SCOTTISH CROSS-COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIP—MARYHILL KEEP TEAM HONOURS.

By "GGROE."

SUTTIE SMITH (Dundee Thistle) once more demonstrated what a grand distance runner he is by winning as he liked the 39th annual 10 miles' Scottish Cross-country Championship at Hamilton. His only dangerous rival was F. L. Stevenson (Monkland), but in the second of the four laps the Coatbridge boy reluctantly gave up after a nasty fall on the frost-bound surface.

The Dundonian was therefore left with a commanding lead from a group including W. J. Gunn (Plebeian), R. Allison (Springburn), Tom Whitton (Dundee), J. Gardiner (Motherwell), Dunky Wright, the Marathon runner, attached to Maryhill Harriers, was not far away.

LEAD INCREASED.

On the completion of the second lap (time, 24 minutes 28.45 seconds) Suttie Smith and increased his advantage from this group, and, except for accident, the race was all over bar the shouting. Running confidently and comfortably, the Dundonian covered the third lap, giving the impression that he had nothing to do to win—time, 41 minutes 13.25 seconds.

Tom Whitton, also of Dundee, got clear of the others, and, while running well enough—better than ever he did—could make no inroads on his colleague's lead, and so Suttie Smith, still going cleanly and strongly, raced home a champion of champions in the good time of 58 minutes 10.25 seconds.

W. J. Gunn (Plebeian) and D. T. Muir (Maryhill) ran superbly, to finish third and fourth in such good company as was represented in a field of 260 picked runners. Muir just succeeded in defeating R. Allison (Springburn) for the Junior Championship of Scotland.

MARYHILL AGAIN.

The team contest provided another fine victory for the holders, Maryhill Harriers. For some time Dundee threatened to oust the champions, but the experienced long-distance runners of the winning team made an excellent recovery, to win by a greater margin than anyone anticipated.

INDIVIDUAL RESULTS.

	Mins.	Secs.
1. J. Suttie Smith, Dundee Thistle.....	58	10
2. T. Whitton, Dundee Thistle	59	16
3. W. J. Gunn, Plebeian	59	21
4. D. T. Muir, Maryhill	59	32
5. R. Allison, Springburn	59	33
6. D. Wright, Maryhill	59	43
7. J. Gardiner, Motherwell Y.M.C.A.	59	46
8. J. Campbell, Bellahouston	59	55
9. B. Henderson, Glasgow Harriers	59	59
10. D. Scott, Monkland Harriers	60	17
11. A. Pettigrew, Greenock Glenpark H.	60	24
12. W. H. Calderwood, Maryhill H.	60	26

TEAM PLACINGS.

1. **MARYHILL**—D. T. Muir (4), D. M. Wright (6), W. H. Calderwood (11), A. W. Adams (18), A. Kellas (25), D. N. Robertson (26)—90 points.

2. **DUNDEE**—J. S. Smith (1), T. Whitton (2), J. M. Petrie (27), W. Sudders (32), P. Howring (43), F. Murray (45)—150.

3. **PLEBEIAN**—W. J. Gunn (3), P. J. Connolly (20), E. James (23), N. M'Callum (33), R. M'Knight (39), J. Lamont (49)—167.

4. **GARSCUBE**—J. Givan (14), R. Roxburgh (15), A. S. Brooke (17), J. Dobbie (45), D. Brooke (73), J. M'Farlane (98)—268.

5. **SHETTLESTON**—H. Hussian (24), J. Whittier (38), T. Littlejohn (42), R. Hill (44), J. Quian (53), M. E. Anderson (71)—272.

6. **MONKLAND**—D. Scott (10), J. Tennant (31), W. C. Plant (46), V. Smith (57), J. Sneedon (61), J. M'Ilmoyle (68)—275.

7. **BELLAHouston**—J. Campbell (8), M. Campbell (22), J. Purcell (30), A. Forester (47), G. Brown (92), J. Japp (104)—303.

8. **HAMILTON**—P. Peattie (13), J. Winnis (40), A. Wardlaw (53), G. Craig (64), J. Robinson (79), R. Devine (83)—340.

9. **EDINBURGH NORTHERN**—A. G. Burns (55), M. Stewart (50), A. T. Armstrong (58), P. Addison (59), W. M. Morrison (72), W. Morris (78)—352.

10. (A Tie) **EDINBURGH SOUTHERN**—A. N. Creebie (16), J. D. Wilson (56), A. A. Bowman (66), J. Hunter (82), W. D. Patterson (91), L. M. Miller (112)—433, and

CAMERON HIGHLANDERS—Sergt. M'Beth (34), Corp. Cameron (41), L. Corp. Fernie (75), L. Corp. Pett (90), Corp. M'Gregor (94), L. Corp. Ruthven (99)—433.

12. **GLASGOW**—R. Henderson (9), D. Hay (52), A. Donnelly (69), S. Bryans (79), E. K. Knox (120), J. M'Kellar (124)—453.

13. **WEST OF SCOTLAND**—W. H. Bremner (19), A. Spencer (60), W. Carson (67), W. Patterson (88), J. Stewart (111), J. Kerr (123)—468.

14. **MOTHERWELL**—J. Gardiner (7), H. Maitland (37), S. Archibald (62), D. Shaw (84), A. McGuire (131), J. Humphries (159)—480.

15. **CLYDEDALE**—H. Noble (29), W. Scott (48), G. M'Quattie (86), J. Gray (109), Q. Meddler (110), M. Logie (115)—497.

16. **GLASGOW Y.M.C.A.**—D. E. Thomson (12), E. Atkins (65), W. M'Arthur (102), T. Strachan (112), H. Campbell (127), R. Brown (129)—547.

17. **GREENOCK WELLPARK**—A. Malcolm (54), D. M'Sween (87), A. M'Graw (97), N. C. Fletcher (117), R. M'Laren (147), N. M'Kinnon (151)—653.

18. **EDINBURGH HARRIERS**—E. Stenhouse (21), H. R. Noltie (107), D. D. Smith (114), C. W. Manson (130), J. T. Suttie (139), T. R. Wilson (165)—676.

19. **ST. PETER'S**—P. Murty (93), P. Gaffney (100), J. Smith (116), A. Brady (140), P. M'Crory (157), P. Sheerin (162)—768.

20. **OLYMPIC**—W. Stewart (70), R. Hutchison (126), D. M'Farlane (137), G. Hunter (143), R. Carruth (152), J. C. Wilson (155)—783.

CLUB EVENTS.

HAWKTHILL (DUNDEE)—Championship over 5 miles of road resulted in a win for G. Simpkin, the holder, in 27 minutes 18 seconds. T. Barron was second and A. Christie, a boy of 15 years, finished third, 41 seconds behind the winner.

KIRKCALDY Y.M.C.A.—New Members' Ex-Members Race (7 miles). Result—W. Gibb (new member) was first, time 42 minutes 20 seconds; J. Grant, ex-club champion, was third in 43 minutes 6 seconds. A 5-miles sealed handicap for the special prize presented by the hon. president, Mr. George Sandilands, will be decided on Saturday.