

CROSS-COUNTRY RACE AT KIRKCALDY

SUTTIE SMITH FINISHES FOURTH.

The first of the Edinburgh and District Cross Country League races was run at Kirkcaldy on Saturday afternoon.

The course was over about four miles of roads and fields. Incessant rain during the night and morning made conditions miserable, and heavy going was experienced. One hundred and fifty runners, representing 11 teams, took part. Five Scottish internationals were present—J. Suttie Smith, J. Laidlaw, and W. Hinde, all of Edinburgh Northern; J. Wilson, Edinburgh Southern; and Alec Don, Kirkcaldy Y.M.C.A.

Mr W. Dempsey, president of the league, set the runners off, and Mackenzie, of Heriot's C.C.C., and Wilson, of Southern, made the early running. About a mile from the start Alec Don went ahead and increased his lead, to finish 400 yards ahead of the next man. The referee was Mr H. J. Scott, president of the N.C.C.U.

The results were:—

1 A. Don, Kirkcaldy Y.M.C.A.; time, 28 min. 43 sec.; 2 A. W. Cairns, Edinburgh Harriers, 29 min. 18 sec.; 3 J. P. Laidlaw, Edinburgh Northern; 4 J. Suttie Smith, Edinburgh Northern; 5 J. Wilson, Edinburgh Southern; 6 W. Hinde, Edinburgh Northern.

The team results were:—1 Edinburgh Northern, 66 points; 2 Kirkcaldy Y.M.C.A., 116; 3 Edinburgh Southern, 127; 4 Edinburgh Harriers, 160; 5 Eastbank, 162; 6 Heriot's C.C.C., 213; 7 Penicuik Harriers, 224; 8 Kirkcaldy Boys' Club, 235; 9 Kirkcaldy Old Boys, 263; 10 Edinburgh Rover Scouts, 302; 11 Edinburgh Eastern, 343.