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EDITORIAL

The first post-war Winter season was a memorable one for the Belgrave Harriers. Our cross-country runners won every open championship. In November we had the first two teams home in the South of the Thames "Junior," and the first three individuals. This in itself was a remarkable feat as all of our pre-war "cracks" cannot run in this race owing to the barring clauses. In the New Year we won the Surrey County Title, whilst our Middlesex members, running for Cadogan A.C., took the Middlesex title. This was not regarded as very extraordinary as it had been done on various occasions before the war. The South of the Thames "Senior" Race resulted in another win for us. Here again, a large number of our best men are "barred." The Southern Counties' Cross-Country Championship, 7½ miles instead of the usual 10, was held from Belgrave Hall. Our Captain, Tom Carter, gained a well-earned and popular victory. With David Main third and four others in the first 20 positions, we gained a 99 points' margin over the second team. In fact, our team of 12 was home before any other team had finished its six scoring men! Then to the much-awaited English Championship, of which we were the proud holders. On March 9th our lads travelled to Leamington Spa and had another battle royal with our famous Midland rivals, Birchfield Harriers. Our team finished in the first 24 positions, and after a breath-taking adding up of the scores we were acclaimed winners with a ten-points' margin. We are indeed truly the Champion Club.

Of individuals, Tom Carter deserves our thanks and praise for the successful training and nursing of his team, also, of course, for his own brilliant running. It was a cause for general regret that Tom did not get another International vest. Tom had had a cold the week before the race, which no doubt left its effect. Len Herbert, by finishing seventh, was awarded an England vest, and we congratulate Len on adding his name to the distinguished company of Belgravians so honoured in the past. It is of interest to recall them: A. Allum, H. E. Footer (3), A. W. Penny (3), C. T. Carter, J. Ginty and E. S. Stimpson. Pat Parker qualified for an England vest, but chose to run for Ireland. David Main has also entered the ranks of the Internationals, as he ran for Ireland. David Main and Geoff. Pearson scored in all of our winning teams, whilst Tommy Clinton and Dick Tobin graduated from the "B" team in the South of the Thames "Junior" to the winning team in the National.

The Juniors have also done very well. Derrick Burfitt has again been in a class of his own, winning all of his races with the grand ease of a champion. The best team effort was undoubtedly the gaining of third place in the English Youth's event, held at Leamington Spa on the same day as the "National." Our lads have done well in the various Junior and Youth events, and it is pleasing to know that we have such good material for future Senior teams. Alf. Taylor sportingly took charge of them as A. W. Jannaway has been indisposed. Alf. has taken out packs of Juniors regularly, and their success is no doubt due to his training.

The walkers too have had a very good record for the season, Jack Rutland, after his transfer to town and subsequent demobilisation, has

been in the front rank, winning most of the Open walks, including our own promotion. To defeat regularly the best walkers in the South is worthy of high commendation, and we look forward to Jack adding to his own and to the Club's laurels. Harry Churcher has forced his way to the fore, and we hope to see him resist all challengers for his A.A.A. titles. Our popular captain, Charlie Churcher, has also been finding some of his pre-war form. With those returned from war service and those who kept things going during the war, we should be able to field strong teams at all distances. We lost our R.W.A. "Junior" title, which was not unexpected, as we had to build up a new team, having won this race on the last two occasions and many others.

A large number of our members are now back in civilian life, and many others are expected home shortly. The Juniors are still being called-up when their time comes, and others who were deferred during the war have also been re-directed into the Services. We are glad to say that many of them will be able to turn out for us, duties permitting. One case in point is our Track Captain, Jack Frost, now with the R.A.F. Jack is stationed near London, and hopes to turn up regularly.

We are greatly indebted to Ernie Duffett for the Notes on the various championships, an inclusion which we hope will interest both old and new members.

Tom Carter, Joe Coleman and Dick Savage are on the Committee of the Surrey County A.A.A. Frank Webb is on the Middlesex County A.A.A. Committee representing Cadogan A.C., Alf Harley as a Past President, is also on this Committee, and is also Chairman R.W.A. Southern Committee, Syd. Roberts is Vice-Chairman of this Committee.

Eddie Jury has been elected a Vice-President of the Hampshire County A.A. Eddie has also been active in Road Walking events down Portsmouth way, and has several creditable performances to his name.

Charlie Jones and Harry Shields are on the Committee of the S.A.A.L. Ernie Duffett is Hon. Sec. of the S.W. section of the S.A.A.L.

Frank Thomson has resigned from the Southern Committee of the A.A.A., where he had represented the Belgrave Harriers for a good many years. Frank has been a devoted worker to the cause of athletics, and he was untiring in his efforts for the welfare of the Belgrave Harriers and athletics in general. It can be truly said of Frank that his interests in athletics were complete. Not only was he a worker for Track and Cross-Country running, but he was a zealous worker in connection with the S.A.A.L. Field Events contests, and was their first Vice-President. He achieved the honour of President of the R.W.A. Frank has also been a very wise counsellor to the Club, and still is, and was our President during the early war years. We extend to Frank our warmest thanks for his great services, and trust that he will enjoy the best of health for many years to come.

Our President, Dick Savage, has had his name added to the R.W.A. Judge's panel. We are sorry to learn that Dick had a bad attack of influenza, we hope that the rest at a convalescent home has brought him a complete recovery.

We were pleased to see two old friends of the Club at the recent Club Championships. Albert Macher started the runners in the race for the "Macher" Shield, and Dick Murphy started the walkers in the "Murphy" Shield race. Both were very pleased to see the lads in action again.

It is not generally understood how important is the rôle of the pointsmen in a cross-country race. They do not get any medals or congratulations, and, according to one Club official who had walked out to Kingsmere and back and returned with wet feet and tongue hanging out, the cups of tea are usually all gone by the time that they get back. The success of the Southern Counties' Championship was largely due to the band of enthusiastic clubmen who turned out and shivered

at their points of duty. We must not overlook them, the Club values their services and keenness greatly. Amongst those who have given valuable assistance at Wimbledon are Frank Webb, Norman Dewberry, Bill Merryman, George Clay, Dicky Dumbrell, Charlie Jones and George Chantler.

A new monthly periodical is now issued entitled "Athletics." This is being sponsored by our old R.A.F. friend, Jimmy Green, of Gillingham fame. Subscription is 7/- per annum direct from P. W. Green, Little Grigsby, High Dewar Road, Rainham, Kent, or it can be got from your newsagent. There has been a great need for a journal of this sort, and "Athletics" admirably fills it. We hope that it has come to stay, and we wish Jimmy the Best of Luck for the continued success of his venture.

Our old friend Wally Jewell has been elected a Vice-President of the Southern Committee of the A.A.A.

Surrey W.C. announce that the first post-war London to Brighton walk will take place on September 14th.

Belgrave Hall is open every Saturday afternoon during the summer. Training nights are Tuesday and Thursday at Tooting Bec Track, also Sunday mornings. The University of London Track at Motspur Park is open for training on weekdays until 9 p.m., and Sundays 9 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., 6d. per day, 10/6 per season. Which brings us to the question of club trainers. The Club invites volunteers for this job, and it is hoped that some of the older members will be able to help. George Clay is again carrying on with this work at Malden, and will be pleased to hear from members who find it more convenient to use Motspur Park. His address is 5 Windsor Avenue, New Malden, Surrey. Our parachuting friend, Dicky Dumbrell, who has also been with the A.P.T.C., has volunteered to lend a hand with the sprinters at Tooting. Charlie Cook and Bob Jessop will, no doubt, be helping again. More are needed, if the Club is to maintain its place in the athletic world we must have keen and competent coaches. There is no doubt that training in packs or schools brings out the best in everybody, as witnessed by the performances of our cross-country runners and road walkers. The Hon. Secretary will be most pleased to hear from any member willing to offer his services.

Congratulations to our Hon. Walking Secretary upon the success of the Club Open Walk. This was well supported, and thanks to the generosity of those members who donated to the prize fund, Syd Roberts was able to report a small profit on the event. Those who gave to the fund were: A. C. Beales, J. B. Belchamber, F. H. Elson, H. Evans, A. Harley (senior), Mrs. A. Harley, A. A. Harley, C. E. Churcher, R. Taylor, and Mrs. Churcher, who presented here usual novice prize.

In the International Cross-Country Race at Ayr on March 23rd, Len Herbert ran well to finish 21st, and was fifth man home for England. Congratulations Len, also to David Main, who ran for Ireland, and to our Poly. member, Ron. Hughes, who also scored in the England team.

We are pleased to acknowledge congratulations on our "National" win from: Birchfield H., Polytechnic H., South London H., Mitcham A.C., Walton A.C., Dartford H., W. J. Western, Charlie Hill, Joe Turner, J. Brown, J. Harding and Norman Graves. L. N. Richardson, Hon. Secretary of the E.C.C.U., in a letter to Ernie Duffett, writes: "It was a great day for everyone, and one never to be forgotten for the Belgrave Harriers."

The Club has been most pleased to accept a cup for the walkers from Tommy Green, and a trophy for the Field Events' Section from George Powell.

The Supporters' Club has again been well supported, and once again we have to record our great thanks and appreciation to Les. Cohen for the work he does in connection with the scheme.

Members will read elsewhere that Percy Wright has gone to college for a year on a teaching course. This has meant that he has been unable to produce the B.N.L. Fortunately Alf. Harley has stepped into the breach, and with the assistance of Harry Rouse and Charlie Churcher, the B.N.L. still appears every month.

I understand that Derrick Burfitt has been seen on the films in N.S.W. I wonder if our old member, B. C. Button, who was the N.S.W. Sports Commentator, had anything to do with this.

America has heard of Derrick Burfitt and it is quite certain that they are destined to hear much more yet of this most promising junior of ours. Maybe one day they'll have the opportunity of seeing him in action in another "Mile of the Century"—with the four-minute mile achieved! We quote from "The Amateur Athlete," the official publication of the A.A.U. of the United States:—

"A promising British miler is Derrick Burfitt, a 17½-year-old youngster, who recently ran a 4m. 26.2s. mile. This time was three seconds faster than Wooderson's schoolboy record, and compares favourably with the schoolboy times of American stars, such as Cunningham's 4m. 24.7s., MacMitchell's 4m. 21.1s., Dodds' 4m. 28.4s., Lash's 4m. 30.5s., and Zamperini's 4m. 21.2s.

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Tommy Morrell, Ernie Duffett and George Clay are once again thanked for their journalistic efforts in the local papers.

Alf. Harley, having returned to "civvy street," is also now helping with the more serious side with the dailies and other national press.

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NEW MEMBERS

We welcome the following New Members, and wish them every success with the Club. D. A. Arnold (Greenford), P. J. Briggs (Mitcham), G. J. Barker (S.W.19), E. M. Bishop (Croydon), L. C. Bishop (Croydon), V. S. Blowfield (Perivale), G. E. Becke (W.12), L. E. Cotterell (S.W.6), D. Cook (Carshalton), J. E. Deakin (S.W.16), A. E. Frost (Watford), D. W. Giles (St. Pauls Cray), J. E. Harris (Teddington), M. E. Hall (Mitcham), F. S. Herring (Newbury), R. W. Howell (S.W.20), R. V. Hughes (Twickenham), R. T. Jackson (N.W.3), E. G. Jones (W.C.2), M. M. Kennedy (S.W.4), G. F. Lucas (Northfleet), M. F. Lyons (S.W.16), J. McBride (S.W.3), R. R. Minahan (Kingston), D. F. Platt (Teddington), A. C. Player (Mitcham), C. W. Reynolds (S.W.9), R. F. Rhodes (S.W.6), A. Snelgrave (S.W.2), E. A. Short (Thornton Heath), M. D. Taylor (Isleworth), R. G. Taylor (Epsom), A. J. Stirling Wakeley (Worcester Park), J. H. Wood (S.E.1), R. Wright (S.W.18), J. T. Willett (Staines), A. P. Whitehead (S.W.19).

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We learn with deep regret from Mr. Beer that his son, Jim Beer, died from gangrenous appendicitis at Chittagong (India). It was a sad blow as Jim was due for an early leave. Jim was a keen cross-country and long-distance runner. We extend our sympathies to Mr. Beer, who was a keen follower of his son's activities, and known to many members.

We are also deeply sorry to learn from Brian Driscoll that his brother Pat was missing in Normandy in June, 1944, and is now presumed killed.

NEWS OF MEMBERS

Dick Michael is now a Lt.-Commander on H.M.S. "Myrmidon," where he is the Commanding Officer. Heartiest Congratulations, Mike. He has a had a busy time on convoy duties, but hopes that he may be able to visit us when on leave. He may be staying on in the Navy for a few years. Sends the Club "Best Wishes" for the coming season.

Len Rollins has also been promoted to Lt.-Commander, and has been in command of a camp of 700 at Ceylon.

Bill Sutton is now a Corporal. Congratulations, Bill. We hope to be seeing you back in England this Summer, showing us that the Mediterranean hasn't affected your throwing.

Frank Abberton writes to us from Sydney, Australia, where he has been enjoying some surf-riding.

Jack Shotter is now at Singapore, having come from Ceylon. He is pleased to read of the Club's successes and sends his best wishes to all. He keeps fit by playing hockey, and against the A.T.S., too! The most dangerous game he has ever played. He also does some swimming, and writes in admiration of the sea views.

Norman Graves has been running with the French club *A. S. Aulnay*, who presented him with a medal for his services to the club. He ran in the French Athletic Federation Invitation Race in the Bois de Boulogne. He was the only "foreigner" in the race and got a tremendous reception from the thousands of spectators. The race was won by Raphael Pujazon, the first post-war International C.-C. Champion. At this meeting there were five races, all run off in three hours, they were for Ladies, Youths, Juniors, Seniors, and Champions, Norman competing in the last category.

Dicky Dumbrill turned up at Belgrave Hall for the opening race of the cross-country season complete with medal ribbons of the Croix de Guerre emblazoned with star and oak leaves. He volunteered as an "umbrella man," and was with the S.A.S. He had dropped behind enemy lines in France and worked with the Maquis. He had also been dropped in Holland during enemy occupation, and had been behind enemy lines in other theatres of the war.

Bill Hewitt, serving with the R.A.M.C. in Italy, recently won a 5,000 metres race for the Army at Udine. The R.A.F. and New Zealand Forces were also taking part. Bill's time was 16.34.

Dick Towndrow was second to the International runner, R. V. Draper, in the B.A.O.R. C.-C. Championship. Another Belgravian, who is also an International, Ted Stimpson, was third.

Bill Nankeville met with a lorry accident in Germany and broke a few ribs, so he was brought back to England for a short while.

Reg. Billett, one of our new members, has been called up, and is serving with the Royal Signals.

Dave Bayley has returned from Ireland and is now with the A.P.T.C. at Oswestry, Shropshire.

Sergeant Bolton won a Battalion five miles' C.-C. race; he is with the East Surreys.

Alan Bishop is now with the R.A.F. at Lossiemouth, whilst his brother, E. M., is with the Fleet Air Arm.

Peter Vine, we hear, is in Palestine for a few months on business. He is a Post Office Engineer.

Joe Scammell (Junior) is now in the Army.

Percy Wright has come out of the Army, after six years of it, and has gone to a Teachers' Training College. His course is to last for a year, during which time Percy will get little time for participation in walking events, but we all know that if an opportunity presents itself, he will soon get his shoes out. Meanwhile he has our Best Wishes for Success in his new venture, and we look forward to his return to full participation, both as a competitor and as a worker behind the scenes.

Fred Rickards has been invalided from the Police and is now living and working at Slough. We are all sorry indeed to learn that Fred has left the Police and we trust that his new job and surroundings will benefit him. We hope that he will be able to visit us occasionally, and we look forward to seeing his genial person.

Syd. Warboys writes from Wallasey, Cheshire, and keeps fit by evening walks by the sea and week-ends in North Wales.

Alby Bird, who has been out of touch for a while, writes from Bolton, where he is now living, having been de-mobbed. He hopes to resume his running. He is married and has a baby boy, who already shows signs of some of his father's speed. Alby, or the "Pidge," was a very good middle-distance man, having won the Club Half-Mile Championship, and at his best could beat two minutes.

Arthur Cook is now de-mobbed and hopes to be busy with the megaphone at the forthcoming track meetings.

Harry Thaxter is not so busy in his pub. at Diss, Norfolk, now that the Americans have left, and hopes to pay us a visit. We are pleased to say that Harry is feeling much better. How many remember Harry's great effort in the last R.W.A. 20 Miles before the war, when he came through over the last two miles to be our fourth scoring man and gain a winning team medal?

Arthur Beaumont has been doing all sorts of things in Italy. He has been on bricklaying courses and gunnery, and on the lighter side has done some ski-ing. Hopes to be out by June. It is now confirmed that he is married. Congratulations and Best Wishes to you both.

Charlie Redgrave was suddenly whisked off to Ceylon. We hope that he didn't forget to take his banjo. Expects to be de-mobbed shortly.

Ted Elliott, who will be remembered as one of our most promising Junior walkers before the war, writes from the C.M.F. to say that he is doing daily strolls in preparation for his return home. Here is a walker to watch once he finds his feet. When he joined us in his 'teens he developed a fine style, with added years and fitness from life in the Services, he should soon be shaking them up.

Tony Whincup is on an office job in India, and keeps fit by running back to camp (about two miles) instead of riding in a lorry. How many other Belgravians have saved the Army's petrol at the expense of their leather!

Jim Heathfield, with the B.A.O.R., met Sid. Jones in Germany, and they had a long chat together. No two guesses as to what they talked about!

Len Camin is with S.E.A.C. and is now a Lance-Corporal, congratulations. Went to a sports meeting at Rangoon, and arrived just too late to run in the Mile. Len, by the way, is a quarter-miler. The meeting took place in sweltering heat, and the Three Miles was won by an Indian in 15.55.8, which in view of the conditions must be considered good going.

Stan Botwright expects to be de-mobbed in May. It will be interesting to see how Stan fares with our new sprinters, and we all wish him the best of Luck in defending his three Club Championship Titles (100, 220 and 440 yards).

Jack Frost is now in the R.A.F. and has been stationed in Norfolk, but hopes to turn out for us during the coming Track Season. If Jack can reach the form which he showed when he won the Club 300 yards' Handicap from scratch last September in 33.8 secs., he will take some beating.

Jack Brown is to be congratulated on gaining a stripe. He is at Catterick with the Royal Signals, and hopes to compete in the Army Track Championships this year.

Allan Dunn is with Combined Operations at Troon, and hopes to have a few runs on the beach to keep fit.

Don. Adie is with the Royal Engineers at Aldershot.

Albert Boddy has finished his initial training and has been moved up to Derby.

Bill Jones hopes to be de-mobbed in June.

David Main was called up early in the year and is now serving with the Navy.

Basil Walden has been called up and kept fit during the earlier part of the season with Streatham Rugby Club. He writes in great praise of the help given him by Syd. Jarlett.

Alfred Hanson is another who keeps fit during the Winter by playing football. He plays soccer with Merton F.C.

David Renel has been on the injured list with a broken arm.

George Chantler, who will be remembered as one of our Junior Champions of nine or ten years ago, has resumed running again. George has been in and out of hospital during the war years, having had operations and many months in bed. He has followed the Club's fortunes and is happy to be out with us again. We congratulate George on his courage and cheerfulness during his long periods of illness, and trust that his recovery is complete, and that he will enjoy many more runs with the lads.

Peter Harding, our Walton A.C. friend, is now out of hospital, and getting about with the aid of sticks. Peter thanks his many friends in Belgrave for their good wishes and sympathies. We trust that he will continue to progress and that we shall soon be seeing him walking without sticks.

Oscar Horwood's many friends send him their deepest sympathies on the recent death of Mrs. Horwood.

Harry Hare, one of our bygone stalwarts, has been very ill in hospital for some considerable time. His condition is still causing some anxiety, but, we sincerely hope that Harry's health will improve and that a speedy return to normal will follow. It is interesting to recall that Harry has been President, Hon. Secretary, Hon. Treasurer, Hon. Editor and Hon. Handicapper. He has figured in three R.W.A. winning teams: "Junior" 1922, and "Senior" 1924-5, and has held the Club 20 miles title.

Laurie Jackson has recently become a proud father, and we have great pleasure in announcing the election to the Club of Master Roger Jackson.

Bob Boyden, who has been absent for some time, has recently had an addition to his family, another boy.

Johnny Johnson, our "guest" member from Sheffield, was another who turned up on October 6th. It speaks well for his enthusiasm, as apparently he only docked at Tilbury early in the morning, and had come practically straight along to Belgrave Hall to give us his greetings personally.

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CLUB 3 MILES ROAD RACE, WIMBLEDON OCTOBER 6th

POSITION	NAME	HANDICAP		ACTUAL TIME
		TIME	ALLOWANCE	
1	Weames	14.33	2. 0	16.33
2	Clinton	14.37	2.15	16.52
3	Mitchell	14.40	1.45	16.25
4	Morrell	14.55	1.40	16.35
5	Lucas, W. E.	14.56	1. 0	15.56
6	Burfitt	15. 2	.45	15.47
7	Frost, T. J.	15. 5	2.30	17.35
8	Boyden	15. 6	1.50	16.56
9	Bishop, A. H.	15.10	2. 0	17.10
10	White, F. G.	15.20	1.45	17. 5
11	Carter	15.24	.15	15.39
12	Bishop, E. M.	15.26	2.15	17.41
13	Tobin	15.28	1.30	16.58
14	Walker, F.	15.40	1.50	17.30
15	Still	15.49	5.45	21.34
16	Collis	15.56	3.30	19.26
17	Shaw	16. 0	1.40	17.40
18	Webb, W. G.	16. 1	3.30	19.31
19	Doubleday	16. 2	1.40	17.42
20	Rowell	16. 8	2.45	18.53
21	Lucas, G. F.	16. 8	.20	16.28
22	Jarlett	16.12	1.50	18. 2
23	Danielson	16.39	3. 0	19.39
24	Parker, M.	17.20	2. 0	19.20
25	Webb, F. R.	17.53	2. 0	19.53

SOUTHERN COUNTIES 5 MILES, DARTFORD

OCTOBER 20th

1 Hoath, 26.37; 3 Towndrow, 27.6; 5 Carter, 27.18; 9 Lucas, G., 27.38; 10 Stimpson, 27.41; 14 Pearson, 28.5; 15 Burfitt, 28.22; 21 Walker, N., 28.44; 22 Eeles, 28.48; 24 Pascoe, 28.54; 25 Clinton, 28.55; 28 Morrell, 29.7; 31 Tobin, 29.25; 40 Shields, 29.50; 41 Boyden, 29.56; 46 Jarlett, 30.17; 47 White, F., 30.18; 49 Walker, F., 30.24; 50 Bishop, 30.34; 74 Stimpson, Jr., 33.2; 77 Rowell, 34.17.

"A" Team 2nd, 25 points; "B" Team 8th, 127 points.

NORTHAMPTON REGIMENT, FINCHLEY HARRIERS and THAMES VALLEY HARRIERS

BELGRAVE HALL OCTOBER 27th

1 Carter, 30.16; 5 Pearson, 30.29; 6 Eeles, 30.40; 7 Morrell, 30.41; 10 Clinton, 30.41; 12 Mitchell, 30.59; 15 Tobin, 31.18; 19 Brown, 31.28; 22 N. Walker, 31.46; 25 Boyden, 32.3; 26 F. Walker, 32.3; 32 Bishop, 32.26; 37 Jarlett, 33.5; 53 Lomas, 34.59; 55 F. Webb, 35.45; 56 Rowell, 36.1.

Sixty-one finished; 8-a-side scoring.

Belgrave 75 points, T.V.H. 122 points, Finchley 139 points, Northampton Regiment 192 points.

MATCH AT BEXLEY HEATH

NOVEMBER 3rd

1 B. Collins (Met. Police), 34.18; 4 S. Eeles, 34.27; 6 A. F. Mitchell, 34.36; 8 H. W. Shields, 34.52; 15 A. R. Shaw, 35.54; 24 R. Boyden, 36.54; 26 F. Rowell, 37.10.

Teams: 1 M.P.A.A., 29 points.; 2 Belgrave H., 32 points; 3 Cambridge H., 37 points; 4 Gravesend and District H., 57 points; 5 Royal Berks Regt., 64 points; 6 Royal Artillery, 81 points.

MATCH v. WALTON A.C. and BOROUGH ROAD TRAINING COLLEGE, ESHER

NOVEMBER 3rd

1 R. Ruddick (Walton), 2 G. M. Pearson, 3 R. W. Tobin, 5 T. F. Morrell, 6 T. Clinton, 9 H. A. Bishop, 10 G. S. Doubleday, 11 J. Brown, 12 S. Jarlett.

Teams (7-a-side): 1 Belgrave H., 46 points; 2 Walton A.C., 75 points; 3 Borough Road T.C., 127 points.

SOUTH OF THAMES "JUNIOR"

The South of Thames C.C.A. held their annual District team race over a 5 miles' course at Wimbledon on November 10th. This race is better known as the "Junior," owing to the many barring clauses that apply. We were first placed in this race in the 1913-14 season and scored our first win in 1925. Our team was H. E. Footer 2, A. D. Pyer 6, H. W. Bruce 7, and K. B. O'Kell 9. Harry Bruce's son is now a prominent member of our successful junior team. We also scored a win in 1928, when the individual winner was our old friend Les Cohen, then running for Ashcombe A.C., and we had the next three men home in W. S. Mitchell 2, A. W. Penny 3, and A. Allum 4. Our fourth scoring man was the late Bill Rice, who was 13th. This year we had four teams entered, as it is always the club policy to give as many members as possible a chance of representing the Club, and our lads scored an overwhelming triumph. Derrick Burfitt, our junior champion, was an easy winner of the individual race, and he was followed home by two more club members, in Dave Main 2, and Geoff. Pearson 3. With S. R. Eeles in 13th place, our "A" team were easy winners of the team race. Owing to the forward running of Dick Tobin 5, and Tom Clinton 7, our "B" team gained second awards, and

our congratulations go to Charlie Smart and John Weames, who completed the "B" team.

Tom Morrell and Fred Clay also ran well, as did Bert Mitchell, N. P. Walker and Syd. Jarlett.

This is the first time that a club has taken first and second places in a race of this description, and speaks well for the present strength of the club.

Full list of placings and times is given below :—

SOUTH OF THAMES JUNIOR TEAM RACE
5 MILES BELGRAVE HALL

NOVEMBER 10th

1 Burfitt (A), 29.13; 2 Main (A), 29.25; 3 Pearson (A), 29.42; 5 Tobin (B), 30.8; 7 Clinton (B), 30.14; 13 Eeles (A), 30.13; 15 Morrell (A), 30.33; 17 Smart (B), 30.47; 18 Clay (A), 30.52; 19 Mitchell (A), 30.54; 20 Weames (B), 30.59; 25 N. Walker (B), 31.26; 26 Jarlett (B), 31.27; 32 Bishop (B), 32.5; 49 Adams (D), 33.50; 60 Rowell (C), 34.48; 63 M. Parker (C), 35.4; 66 Cuff (C), 35.25; 77 finished.

1st (A), 19 points; 2nd (B), 49 points; 3rd Cambridge, 65 points.

5 MILES' HANDICAP AND MATCH FROM BELGRAVE HALL

NOVEMBER 17th

POSITION	NAME	TIME	START	Hcp. TIME	POSITION
1	Gosney (Eastleigh)	29.49			
	Carter	30. 8	0.30	29.38	23+
2	Main	30. 8	1.15	28.53	15
	Pearson	30. 8	1.40	28.28	8
6	Lucas, G. F.	30.25	1. 0	29.25	19
8	Morrell	30.27	2.35	27.52	3
9	Mitchell	30.32	2.45	27.47	2
11	Burfitt	30.45	1. 0	29.45	26
13	Tobin	30.52	2.15	28.37	11
15	Eales	31.10	2.30	28.40	12
16	Lucas, W. E.	31.23	1.45	29.38	23+
18	Smart	31.24	1.45	29.39	25
19	Walker, F.	31.36	3. 0	28.36	10
20	Jarlett	31.50	3.15	28.35	9
22	Clinton	31.57	2.20	29.37	22
23	Boyden	32.11	3. 0	29.11	18
24	Bishop	32.21	4. 0	28.21	6
25	Doubleday	32.28	3. 0	29.28	20
30	Lomas	33.25	5. 0	28.25	7
31	Footer	33.32	2. 0	31.32	28
32	Adams	33.32	5.15	28.17	4+
33	Dewberry	33.35	6. 0	27.35	1
38	Stimpson, K.	34.15	5.30	28.45	13
39	Taylor	34.20	4.45	29.35	21
40	Jones, T. C.	34.37	5.45	28.52	14
41	Cuff	35.10	4.45	30.25	27
42	Danielson	35.17	7. 0	28.17	4+
43	Rowell	35.28	6.30	28.58	16
45	Wilson	36.30	7.30	29. 0	17
74	Parker	37.45	5.45	32. 0	30
51	May	38.50	7. 0	31.50	29
52	Machell	38.58	6.30	32.28	31
56	Flower, T. J.	39.10	4.30	34.40	33
57	Watson, C.	40. 0	6.30	33.30	32

Teams: 1 Belgrave H., 32 points; 2 Eastleigh A.C., 83 points; 3 Walton A.C., 167 points; 4 Guards' Depot, 192 points.

MATCH v. DARTFORD H., DARTFORD

NOVEMBER 24th

1 C. T. Carter, 28.28; 3 G. F. Lucas, 28.35; 6 A. F. Mitchell, 28.56; 9 T. F. Morrell, 29.11; 11 H. W. Shields, 29.41; 14 R. Boyden, 30.08; 16 A. R. Shaw, 31.23; 17 A. E. Taylor, 31.50; 19 F. Rowell 32.48.

Match result (9 a side): Dartford H., 71 points; Belgrave H., 80 points.

RESULT JUNIOR MATCH v.

SUTTON and CHEAM HARRIERS, CHEAM

DECEMBER 1st

OVER ABOUT 3 MILES

1 Weames, 17.30; 2 Bruce, 17.40; 5 Adams, 18.22; 6 M. Parker, 19.26; 7 Mowatt, 19.26; 8 Danielson, 19.36; 9 Dufett, 19.38.

SOUTHERN COUNTIES' 5 MILES, HAYES

DECEMBER 8th

1 Gosney (Eastleigh), 25.48; 3 Carter, 26.17; 9 Pearson, 26.58; 17 Main, 27.25; 20 Clinton, 27.30; 35 Morrell, 28.2; 39 Tobin, 28.8; 41 Mitchell, 28.10; 50 Eeles, 28.25; 62 Jarlett, 28.49; 93 W. Spencer, 29.59; 99 Peck, 30.16; 109 Taylor, 30.50; 111 L. White, 30.57; 127 Rowell, 32.25; 138 finished.

1 Surrey, 2-13-14-15 = 44; 2 Belgrave, 3-9-17-20 = 49; 3 Poly = 68.

"BLACKSTAFFE SHIELD" RACE

DECEMBER 22nd, 1945

This fine trophy was once again competed for, the first time since War broke out, the last holder being C. T. Carter, who won the trophy in 1938. There was a surprisingly small field, which may have been due to the nearness of the Christmas holidays, but nevertheless it was a good race and Tom Carter demonstrated his fitness by retaining possession of the shield after a lapse of seven years. His nearest rival was Len Herbert, who managed to get leave to compete, and C. T. Clinton is to be complimented on securing a place in a club championship at his first attempt.

The sealed handicap held in conjunction was deservedly won by Clinton, while Dick Tobin secured second place with Stan Eeles and Harry Shields dead-heating for third prize. Harry very sportingly stood down in favour of his younger opponent and his action was much appreciated.

Postn.	Name	RESULT		Hcp. Time	Postn. in Hcp.
		Act. Time	Start		
1.	Carter, C. T.	39.39	0.30	39. 9	6
2.	Herbert, L. W.	41. 4	1. 0	40. 4	9
3.	Clinton, T. G.	41. 7	3.30	37.37	1
4.	Tobin, R. W.	41.12	3.15	37.57	2
5.	Morrell, T. F.	41.58	3.15	38.43	5
6.	Eeles, S. R.	42. 7	3.30	38.37	3*
7.	Mitchell, A. F.	42.34	3. 0	39.34	8
8.	Shields, H. W.	43. 7	4.30	38.37	3*
9.	Jarlett, S.	44.28	5.15	39.13	7

"SAVAGE SHIELD" RACE

DECEMBER 22nd, 1945

The "Savage" Shield race for juniors under 21 was held for the first time since 1939, although we have held a substitute junior championship for the past few seasons. Derrick Burfitt, our "National" youth champion, once again proved his outstanding ability by running away from his field, and he clocked 30 mins. for our usual 5 miles course, which is very good running. The rest of the field wisely kept together and then had a "dust-up" down the finishing straight. A. H. Bruce, son of our old-time member, Harry Bruce, ran well to finish second in his first club championship. L. Adams, perhaps better known as a sprinter, also did well to gain third position, and young Ron Danielson and L. Bishop are also to be congratulated on their good performances. These latter two also gained first and second places in the club sealed handicap held in conjunction.

RESULT

Postn.	Name	Act. Time	Start	Hcp. Time	Postn. in Hcp.
1.	Burfitt, D. R.	30.00	Scr.	30.00	3
2.	Bruce, A. H.	34.46	4.30	30.16	5
3.	Adams, L.	34.47	4.45	30. 2	4
4.	Bishop, L.	34.49	5. 0	29.49	2
5.	Danielson, R.	34.50	5.30	29.20	1
6.	Bishop, H. A.	35.24	4.30	30.54	6

BOXING DAY MEETING

The Club's annual Boxing Day track meeting, which in the past was always a high-light of our Winter programme, was this year held at Tooting Bec track, and quite a large crowd was present to witness the events. These followed the usual lines, sprint, distance run and walk, all on handicap lines. There were two heats in the 100 yards sprint, and we were especially pleased to see Dumbrell and Nankeville competing. With the first three in each heat qualifying for the final, it was a closely contested race, and M. A. Parker beat our veteran member, E. R. Jessop, for premier honours. There was a large field for the 2 miles run and our "youngster," George Still, who is 68 years of age, was on the limit mark. Tom Carter was on the virtual scratch mark and he ran in really excellent style to work his way through the field to win a finely judged race. His time on a very heavy track was also quite good, and a word of praise should go to young L. Bishop, who on his second appearance in club colours, ran a very plucky race.

The field for the 3 miles walk was small, but Jack Rutland walked in fine style to overtake all those in front of him, and won easing up in the last lap. Charlie Speechley was a gallant second, with W. Young third. Jack very sportingly waived his right to a prize in order that the second and third men should be rewarded for their efforts.

RESULTS

100 Yards—Heat 1—1. Jessop (20); 2. Jarlett (8); 3. Adams (5).
 Heat 2—1. Parker (9); 2. Dumbrell (2); 3. Jones (8).
 Final—1. M. A. Parker; 2. E. R. Jessop; 3. R. Dumbrell,
 Time: 10.4 secs.

2 Miles Run—1. C. T. Carter (25); 2. S. R. Eeles (150); 3. L. Bishop (350). Time: 10 mins.

THE COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIPS

This year the Surrey County Championship was held at Epsom, over a heavy 7½ miles course. Tom Carter ran well to finish 2nd, and George

Hoath was 3rd. With Len Herbert 6th and Tom Morrell 8th we scored an easy win in the team championship, an honour which we have secured in 1925, 1926, 1929, 1930, 1931, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936 and 1937.

Placings and times of our men are appended below :—

2 Carter, 42.34; 3 Hoath, 43.2; 5 Herbert, L., 46.42; 6 Morrell, 47.35; 12 Jarlett, 48.48; 17 Walker, F., 49.33; 20 Doubleday, 50.42; 26 Bolton, 51.47; 27 Rowland, 52.26; 32 White, F., 54.3

1st "A" Team, 16 points; 5th "B" Team, 76 points (4 aside scoring).

The Middlesex County Championship was held at Ruislip over a 7½ miles course, and our Middlesex members, running for Cadogan A.C., once again won the team championship. They had previously secured this honour in 1938 and 1939, and it is interesting to note that three members of those winning teams again scored in this year's race. They were Dan Patience, Dick Tobin and Harry Shields, which after a lapse of six years speaks well for their stamina and fitness. Geoff Pearson and Dave Main ran well to come in together for 3rd place in the individual race, and Dick Tobin was 6th.

Derrick Burfitt retained his Middlesex Junior Title. In the Kent Race G. Lucas was 5th, and in the Sussex Race Pat Parker was 2nd.

SURREY COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIPS, 12th January, 1946

JUNIOR (AGE 18-21) 5 MILES

5 Brown, J; 4 Bates.

YOUTHS (AGE 16-18) 3 MILES

4 Bruce, H., 20.22; 5 Bishop, L., 20.23; 8 Adams, 20.46; 14 Mowatt, 21.18. 1st Team S.L.H., 1.3.6, 10 points; 2nd Belgrave, 4.5.8, 17 points, 38 finished.

SOUTH OF THAMES SENIOR

The South of Thames C.C.A. Championship took place at Dartford on February 9th. It was a good testing course of 7½ miles, and once again our boys rose to the occasion in fine style. As a matter of interest, we were first placed in this championship in 1904, and secured our first victory in 1929. Our team was: W. S. Mitchell 4, A. W. Penny 7, A. Allum 13, W. G. Webb 16, P. N. Khlopin 23, A. Robertshaw 26. Then in 1930 Bert Footer secured our only individual win in this race, but we again won the team championship in 1936 with E. S. Stimpson 6, A. Patience 10, F. A. Walker 19, S. T. Ring 22, E. G. Saunders 28, F. R. Webb 32. It must be remembered that the winning team each year is barred from again competing and so the necessity of finding new blood is apparent.

In this, the first post-war championship to be held, the field was led almost from the start by R. G. Gosney, the brilliant Eastleigh runner, but Dave Main dogged his footsteps in splendid fashion although never able to get on actual fighting terms. Len Herbert also ran well in 4th place, and then our two newcomers, Geoff. Pearson and Tom Clinton, came along together and the team race was assured. Bert Mitchell and Tom Morrell completed our scoring six and we once again became the proud holders of the "Dewar" Shield, which is awarded to the winning club. Les. Cohen, Bill Lucas and Syd Jarlett also packed splendidly and once again demonstrated the great strength at present in our ranks.

Full list of placings and times is given below :—

2 D. J. Main, 47.27; 4 L. W. Herbert, 48.45; 6 G. M. Pearson, 49.30; 7 T. Clinton, 49.30; 16 A. F. Mitchell, 50.48; 17 T. F. Morrell, 50.51; 22 L. J. Cohen, 51.43; 23 W. E. Lucas, 51.47; 24 S. Jarlett, 51.48.

Teams: 1 Belgrave H., 52 points; 2 Cambridge H., 142 points; 3 Eastleigh A.C., 149 points. Ten teams closed in.

RESULT OF THE CLUB 10 MILES C.C. CHAMPIONSHIP
FOR THE "MACHER" SHIELD, HELD AT WIMBLEDON
ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 26th, 1946

Postn.	Name	Act. Time	Start	Hcp. Time	Postn. in Hcp.
1	C. T. Carter	59.13	Scr.	59.13	4
2	D. J. Main	59.21	2.15	57. 6	1
3	T. G. Clinton	60.32	3. 0	57.32	2
4*	R. V. Hughes	61. 5	0.45	60.20	9
5	G. M. Pearson	61.13	2.45	58.28	3
6	L. W. Herbert	61.30	1.30	60. 0	6
7	J. P. Parker	62.48	1.45	61. 3	12
8	D. Patience	63. 0	2.30	60.30	10
9	A. F. Mitchell	63.42	4. 0	59.42	5
10	T. F. Morrell	64.12	3.30	60.42	11
11	H. W. Shields	64.47	4.45	60. 2	7
12	G. S. Doubleday	66.20	6.15	60. 5	8
13	A. E. Taylor	70.25	7.30	62.55	13

* not in Championship

SOUTHERN JUNIOR FIVE MILES, CHEAM
MARCH 2nd

1 D. R. Burfitt, 26.47; 13 E. A. Short, 28.30; 21 H. A. Bishop, 29.21;
25 L. A. Adams, 29.27; 62 D. F. Platt, 33.10; 70 E. M. Bishop, 35.27.

Teams: 1 T.V.H., 34 points; 2 Finchley H., 38 points; 3 S.L.H., 52
points; 5 Belgrave H., 60 points. Twelve teams closed in.

SOUTHERN COUNTIES RACE

The Southern Counties C.C.A. 52nd annual Cross-Country Championship was this year held from Belgrave Hall, which is indeed a compliment to our club and its officials.

The course was of 7½ miles across Wimbledon Common, and our thanks go to those club members who did such a good job of pointing the course and so making the race such a success.

There was an entry of 22 clubs, which although not so good as in pre-war years, was very encouraging and which indicates that the sport will soon recover from the effects of the war years. Our past performances in this race were not noticeable until 1930, when we secured our first placing, our team being third and the scoring men were: S. H. Warboys 13; H. E. Footer 21; A. Allum 31; E. A. Duffett 37; J. E. Flower 38; W. S. Mitchell 49. Then in 1934 we made club history by winning the championship, our team being: A. W. Penny 2; A. Allum 8; H. E. Footer 13; J. E. Flower 15; C. T. Carter 16; A. E. Taylor 27. In 1935 we were beaten for premier honours by 1 point, and this was again our fate in 1938, also by the narrow margin of 1 point.

Individually, our members have done well with, 1931, A. Allum 2nd; 1932, H. E. Footer 3rd; 1933, H. E. Footer 1st and A. W. Penny 3rd; 1934, A. W. Penny 2nd.

This year we again triumphed in the individual race when Tom Carter scored a smashing win over a good field of runners. Dave Main continued his run of successes by securing third place, while Len Herbert ran well to be sixth.

The team championship resulted in an easy win for the "Bels," and we also secured the "Oddling-Smee" Cup, which is awarded to the first Surrey club finishing its complete team of 12 men. Actually our 12 runners finished in the first 41 places, which Joe Binks describes as "record team work."

Full list of members' placings and times is given below:—

1 C. T. Carter, 47.14; 3 D. J. Main, 47.56; 6 L. W. Herbert, 48.12; 10 G. M. Pearson, 48.46; 12 T. G. Clinton, 48.51; 20 R. W. Tobin, 49.19; 25 T. F. Morrell, 50.06; 26 L. J. Cohen, 50.09; 32 A. E. Frost, 50.25; 33 A. F. Mitchell, 50.26; 37 W. E. Lucas, 50.42; 41 S. Jarlett, 51.04.

Teams: 1 Belgrave H., 52 points; 2 Polytechnic H., 151 points; 3 Surrey A.C., 172 points. 19 teams closed in.

THE "NATIONAL"

The English Cross Country Union held their first post-war championship this season. As holders of the title, which we gained when the race was last held in 1939, it was extremely gratifying to again win the championship in 1946.

As a matter of interest to some of our newer members, a review of our past performances in this race is given below.

In 1926 we find the club represented by two individual entries, Bert Footer, who finished 42nd, and Jimmy Flatt, who was 136th.

Bert Footer was a lone individual in 1927, and did well to finish in the 56th position.

Then in 1928 we had a team entered and they finished in 17th place, the scoring men being: W. G. Webb 63, H. E. Footer 79, A. D. Pyer 95, W. L. Bayliss 141, A. E. Smith 149, A. G. Jones 184. Also finished was F. G. Ford 250.

In 1929, although we entered a team, only four men completed the course, their positions being: W. G. Webb 87, A. W. Penny 120, W. L. Bayliss 122, F. G. Ford 197.

Then in 1930 the club made a definite step forward by being placed 6th in the championship and in being the second Southern club to finish. Bert Footer finished 20th and Syd Warboys 42nd, other members of the team were: A. Allum 47, W. G. Webb 65, F. R. Webb 74, E. A. Duffett 81.

In 1931 the club, although not doing so well as in the previous year, had a decided triumph in providing a member of the English team for the International race. This was Arthur Allum, who ran splendidly to finish 5th in the actual race, while the team finished in 9th position. Our team and their scoring positions was: A. Allum 4, S. H. Warboys 36, A. W. Penny 46, H. E. Footer 67, W. G. Webb 83, J. E. Flower 93. Also finished, E. A. Duffett 113, C. T. Carter 165.

The 1932 race also found the club finishing too far back, their position being 10th. Jack Flower and Bert Footer both ran well and our scoring six were: J. E. Flower 21, H. E. Footer 22, S. H. Warboys 87, C. T. Carter 91, E. A. Duffett 97, W. G. Webb 115.

In 1933 we at last reproduced some of our real form in this race, and our team finished 3rd to Birchfield and Salford Harriers. Bert Footer and Arthur Penny, the Belgrave twins, as they have been called, ran magnificently to finish 4th and 5th, and by so doing both gained their International vests. A. Allum 34, C. Mains 48, J. E. Flower 62 and A. R. Shaw 80, completed our scoring team, the first ever to be placed in the "National" race.

So to 1934, when we again occupied 3rd position in the championship, but this time we were only beaten for second place by 1 point. Arthur Penny and Bert Footer again ran in excellent style and once again gained their places in the English team for the International race, in which they finished 3rd and 4th, so justifying their title of the Belgrave "twins." Our scoring team in the 1934 race were: A. W. Penny 4, H. E. Footer 9, A. E. Taylor 16, A. Allum 20, J. E. Flower 28, H. W. Shields 36.

Then 1935 at Beaconsfield, when the club set the "seal" on their name as a cross-country club, by winning the "National" championship for the first time in the history of the club. Our lads all ran the race of their

lives, and our scoring team of six runners all finished in the first twenty positions. Here are the placings of our winning team: H. E. Footer 11, D. Patience 14, J. Ginty 15, A. E. Taylor 18, C. T. Carter 19, H. W. Shields 20. This was real team work and splendid packing and was mainly inspired by Bert Footer as cross-country captain.

1936, and we slipped back one place, the Birchfield lads doing the trick, but in being placed second with 112 points, our lads had put up a very fine performance. Tom Carter ran finely to finish 12th and we thus provided yet another Belgrave representative for the English team. Our scoring team, and it must be borne in mind that individual entrants are deleted when making up the team placings, was: C. T. Carter 6, A. W. Penny 10, H. E. Footer 11, J. Ginty 15, A. Allum 32, S. T. Ring 38.

In 1937 we again finished second to Birchfield, but gave them a shock by scoring 94 to their winning total of 90. Our score would have been good enough to have won the championship on many occasions, but the better packing of Birchfield just swung the race in their favour. Jim Ginty, by finishing 3rd, a position he repeated in the International race, became the first Belgrave man ever to be placed in the championship. Pat Parker, who finished 4th, also ran finely over a very hard course. Our scoring men, deleting individuals, were: J. Ginty 1, J. P. Parker 2, D. Patience 11, H. E. Footer 13, L. J. Cohen 26, C. T. Carter 41.

Then to 1938, when the Welsh lads, running for Mitcham A.C., came to the front with a bang, and captured the "National" title. Birchfield again beat us and so we had to be content with 3rd place. Pat Parker again ran well and our scoring team was: J. P. Parker 7, A. W. Penny 13, C. T. Carter 18, S. T. Ring 50, H. W. Shields 52, D. Patience 59.

1939, and we win the championship once again. Ted Stimpson ran splendidly to finish 4th with Arthur Penny 8th: they were both selected to represent England in the International race. Our winning score was slightly higher than usual, but the race was run in terrible weather and this affected all the runners. It was a real tribute to our lads that they came out on top in such conditions, and their team positions were: E. S. Stimpson 3, A. W. Penny 5, C. T. Carter 17, H. E. Footer 28, H. W. Shields 34, D. Patience 35.

It will be seen that from 1933 when we were first placed in the Championship we have never been outside the first three placings. This is a record we must strive to maintain down the years.

ENGLISH C.C. CHAMPIONSHIP

The English Cross Country Union held their 59th annual championship at Leamington Spa on March 9th. This race is more popularly known as the "National," and is the "blue riband" event of the cross-country world. Many famous clubs have won this championship with our Midland friends, the Birchfield Harriers predominating. They had an unbroken run of success from 1928 to 1934 which we broke by winning in 1935, and although they regained the title in 1936 and 1937, since that date it has been in the keeping of the South, represented by Mitcham A.C., and ourselves, a state of affairs which we hope will continue for many years to come.

This year's race had attracted an entry of 26 clubs, together with the usual host of individual entries which are allowed, and the competitors came from the North, South and Midlands. It was a three-lap course, on the heavy side, and first time round there was a small bunch of runners leading the field, and then came Len Herbert just behind them. We were wondering what had happened to Tom Carter, but he soon came along and although not running in his usual form, he was quite well up considering the class of the field. Dave Main was with Tom and Geoff. Pearson, Tom Clinton and Dick Tobin were all going strong. Dan Patience was our seventh man and it was obvious that his spell as a

prisoner of war had taken toll of his running strength. Round they came for the second time with Bobby Reid of Birchfield hanging on to Jack Holden's shoulder, and Len Herbert had kept his position and looked a certainty for International honours. The first nine Englishmen home in this race are automatically selected to represent England, a method of selection with which some people disagree. Tom Carter and Dave Main were running stride for stride and then came three Birchfield men and on totting up the points with a lap to go we found that we led Birchfield by 106 to 107. On the last lap, however, our lads came through in fine style and with Len Herbert finishing in 7th position, although for team purposes he scored 5, then Dave Main with Tom Carter just behind, and Geoff. Pearson and Tom Clinton, our new Belgrave "twins," in 21 and 22 scoring positions, our hopes were running high. Yes, it was Dick Tobin, and with No. 24 disc, a quick tally, and our total was 96. We asked the Birchfield scorer his score and the answer was 106, whoopee, we had won the title once again. All our nine runners are to be congratulated on their fine show, and although commiserating with Tom Carter over missing his colours, it was particularly pleasing to have Len Herbert gain his place in the English team.

Positions and times are given below :—

NATIONAL PLACINGS, ETC. SENIOR TEN MILES

ACT	TEAM	NAME	TIME
7	5	L. W. Herbert	58.30
14	11	D. J. Main	59.44
16	13	C. T. Carter	59.52
25	21	G. M. Pearson	60.28
	22	T. G. Clinton	
	24	R. W. Tobin	
	38	D. Patience	
	58	T. F. Morrell	
	73	A. F. Mitchell	

Teams : 1 Belgrave H., 96 points; 2 Birchfield H., 106 points; 3 Tipton H., 156 points.

YOUTHS' THREE MILES

ACT	TEAM	NAME	TIME
6	6	E. A. Short	19.13
15	15	J. R. Weames	19.40
19	19	A. H. Bruce	19.46
	34	L. A. Adams	
	96	L. C. Bishop	
	105	R. Danielson	
	135	C. N. Collis	

Teams : 1 Harehill Lib. Club, 65 points; 2 T.V.H., 72 points; 3 Belgrave H., 74 points.

SUTTON AND CHEAM H. INVITATION YOUTHS' RACE (3 miles) MARCH 23rd, CHEAM

1 D. R. Burfitt, 20.0; 2 A. H. Bruce, 20.14; 3 J. R. Weames, 20.21; 7 L. Adams; 11 E. Bishop. We were also represented by L. Bishop, R. Danielson and A. Snelgrove, who finished in the order named.

Teams : 1 Belgrave H., 6 points; 2 Sutton and Cheam, 22 points; 3 S.L.H., 29 points.

We supported a similar fixture at Epsom with a team of novices. Our lads were well back and we were the last team to close in. Our representatives were M. Hall, a promising youngster of sixteen, D. Renel, and a sprinter, R. Rhodes. E. Bishop also started but dropped out.

T.V.H. ROAD RELAY

The Thames Valley Harriers held their second annual road relay at Cranford on April 6th, and received an entry of 28 teams, which indicates how popular these events are with the clubs. Birchfield Harriers had sent down a very useful team and their first runner gave them the lead over the initial relay. Tom Clinton ran very well to hand over in second place and George Hoath, running for our "B" team, was in third place. Both our "C" and "D" teams were also well up and we were the only club to field and, what is more important, close in four complete teams. On the second leg we had a stroke of bad luck as Tom Carter in his efforts to overtake the leading runner, pulled a muscle in his thigh and although in much pain he pluckily struggled on to hand over to our next man. He had dropped to 5th place and our "B" team were now one place in front of the "A." Bill Lucas overhauled our "B" team runner and our placings were now the same with the "A" team in front of "B." On the last leg Len Herbert ran a smashing stage to catch Ron Hughes, running for the Polytechnic, and his time of 24min. 3sec. was just 1 second short of the fastest lap time, put up by Maurice Bingham of Finchley.

Birchfield had still maintained their lead and it is interesting to note that their winning time of 98min. 40sec., was half-a-minute short of the time put up by four of our runners whose aggregate time totalled 98.10, but, alas, two were in the "A" team and two in "B."

However, bearing in mind the absence of Dave Main and Geoff. Pearson, and the mishap to Tom Carter, we can be quite satisfied with our lads' performances.

Individual times and placings were:—

"A" TEAM		"B" TEAM		
2	T. G. Clinton	24.23	3 G. B. Hoath	24.37
5	C. T. Carter	26.32	4 A. E. Frost	25.57
4	W. E. Lucas	25.24	5 A. F. Mitchell	26.15
3	L. W. Herbert	24. 3	7 E. S. Stimpson	25. 7
"C" TEAM		"D" TEAM		
9	D. Patience	25.48	11 T. F. Morrell	26. 8
10	L. M. Marchant	26. 2	13 H. W. Shields	27. 0
9	S. R. Eeles	26.35	15 A. R. Shaw	28.25
10	S. A. Jarlett	27.12	14 E. H. Herbert	27.41

WALTON A.C. TEN MILES OPEN ROAD RACE

APRIL 13th, WALTON-ON-THAMES

1 R. V. Hughes (Poly H.), 53.03; 3 R. Towndrow (Poly H.), 53.21; 12 G. M. Pearson, 56.24; 16 A. F. Mitchell, 58.18; 17 G. S. Doubleday, 58.21; 22 G. Hoath, 59.38.

Teams: 1 Poly H., 9 points; 2 Surrey A.C., 19 points; 3 Woodford Green A.C., 37 points; 4 Belgrave H., 45 points.

BEXLEY ROAD RELAY

The Cambridge Harriers held an invitation road relay on April 13th, which was in six stages over a 3½ miles' course. Owing to various reasons we had a much-weakened team representing the club, and they can be said to have done well in finishing third to Finchley and Blackheath.

Tom Clinton ran the first stage and handed over in 2nd position, then Tom Morrell took us into the lead, but Harry Shields was unable to hold this, and our other runners could not regain the lost ground. Len Herbert, taking the final leg, again put up a very fine performance and did second-fastest lap time and also took our team into 3rd place.

Times and position are given below:—

2 T. G. Clinton, 17.20; 1 T. F. Morrell, 18.19; 4 H. W. Shields, 18.50; 4 F. R. Webb, 19.42; 4 A. E. Frost, 18.30; 3 L. W. Herbert, 17.1.

WITH THE JUNIORS

The cross-country season just ended, has from the point of view of our Junior Section, been one of the most successful in the history of the club. Thanks are due to Alf Taylor for taking over the coaching of the juniors, seeing that Bert Jannaway was indisposed. Under Alf's guidance the juniors rapidly became a fighting force in team events and led by Derrick Burfitt, who has rightly been described as the best junior runner in the country, they did very well in open events.

In December we had an Inter-Club match with the Sutton and Cheam Harriers, in which John Weames was first man home, followed by A. H. Bruce.

The Club Junior Championship was won by Derrick Burfitt, but the rest of the field, although a long way behind, had a battle royal of their own, and so made the race interesting.

In the County Junior races, the Middlesex event was won by Derrick Burfitt, and in the Surrey races, our single individual runner in the under 21 event, John Brown, finished 5th. Our team for the under 18 race did well to finish second, and A. H. Bruce was 4th, Len Bishop 5th and L. A. Adams 8th.

Then came the Southern Junior at Cheam on March 2nd, and Derrick Burfitt once again demonstrated his worth by beating a good-class field of youngsters. Incidentally, Derrick has an unbeaten record in junior events throughout the season, and it will certainly be interesting to see what success he has when he decides to tackle the senior races. Our second man home, was a newcomer to the club, E. A. Short. Eddie ran a fine race to finish 13th in his first open race, and Bishop and Adams also ran well. Our team was placed 5th, which was quite creditable seeing that we were without the help of John Weames and J. W. Brown and that A. H. Bruce had to retire early in the race with a sprained ankle.

The E.C.C.U. promoted a 3 miles Youths' Championship, which was held at Leamington Spa, and was over one lap of the senior course. There was an entry of 28 teams, representing clubs from all over the country, and a large field faced the starter. When they came in sight of the finish, a youngster from Derby was well in front and won in impressive style. Then four more runners and a Belgrave vest, it was Eddie Short, who had run a most brilliant race to finish 6th. John Weames came along in 15th position and then A. H. Bruce in 19th place, and our team was completed by L. A. Adams 34th. We did not know how our total of 74 points compared with the other clubs but on enquiry found that we were third, only 9 points behind the winners and 2 short of second position. Considering the class of the field and that clubs like South London, Birchfield, R.A.F. Halton, had finished behind us, we were indeed more than pleased with our lads' efforts.

On March 23rd we entered a team in an open race promoted by the Sutton and Cheam Harriers, and Derrick Burfitt led the field home, followed by A. H. Bruce with John Weames third, and so won the team race with the lowest possible score of 6 points.

It is truly said that the juniors of to-day are the seniors of to-morrow, and with the present talent in our ranks, I am confident that they will keep the club well to the fore for many seasons to come.

WITH THE WALKERS

Having come to the end of our first post-war season, the club can congratulate itself on having done much towards a return to its pre-war strength and successes.

Starting the season considerably under strength, the club supported every open walk with the exception of the Surrey W.C. Croydon to Godstone, which was held the same day as our Club 20 Miles' Championship, resulting in the following score in scratch team events: Won 5,

2nd 4, 3rd 1. This in itself is evidence of the rapidly returning strength of our teams. Our star performer for the season has undoubtedly been Jack Rutland who, after starting the season with 4th place in the Highgate Open, rapidly improved and subsequently took individual honours in seven consecutive opens. Although it is quite evident we have sufficient talent in the club to be able to win opens, we are at the moment relying on about six walkers capable of scoring in a scratch team. All of these except Bob McMullen were with us before the war and obviously won't last indefinitely, so that if we are to maintain the successes we have had during the past road season, fresh talent must be forthcoming. We trust therefore that all members will keep a keen look-out for the youngsters we require. We can assure all who join the ranks of the walkers a cordial welcome and a guaranteed measure of success if they are prepared to persevere. We already have quite a few new members, including J. Willett, R. Taylor and J. McBride, who have not yet had time to show what they can really do, but under the tuition of Charlie Churcher and Joe Coleman, we can be sure that no effort will be spared to bring them along. Perhaps the most promising of our new members is Jack Willett, who has a style very similar to that of Jack Rutland, when he started. Still under twenty, we hope to see him on the track this season and with proper training, develop him into a future champion.

Our open, held this year for the last time in March, proved not only a grand re-union, but a great success for the club. The entry of 137 was the largest of the season up to that time and the race resulted in a double scratch and handicap win, Syd Spencer gaining a well-deserved success in the individual handicap. In addition to this, Bob Readman was second in the handicap and F. Herring (2nd claim) 3rd. John Willett took the novices' prize, presented by Mrs. Churcher. Harry Churcher unfortunately met with the disapproval of the judges, but Bob Readman, walking an excellent race, provided the necessary support to Jack Rutland and Bob McMullen. Our thanks are due to the very generous donors to the prize fund, which enabled the race to be run at a small profit.

It has been possible once again to introduce our Club Championships. All the races were well supported and resulted in the titles being evenly distributed. Bob McMullen retained his Junior title, this being the only Club Championship held during the war, Jack Rutland annexed the ten miles' title after a battle with Harry Churcher, and Colin Sutton regained his twenty miles' title, which he last held in 1938.

The National Junior did not provide us with very great success, the weather being partly responsible for the finishing position, which was 6th. Bob McMullen walked well to finish 4th. Harry Rouse and Joe Wilson, badly affected by the blizzard-like weather, dropped well back, making Sid Spencer, 34th, our second man home. By this time next year, however, we hope to have a much stronger junior team with which we shall no doubt make our presence felt.

In the County races we scored an easy win in the Surrey event. Len Fletcher's welcome return to the road after a long lapse, resulted in him winning a County medal, our other three scoring members filling the first three individual placings. In the Middlesex event (Cadogan A.C.), Jack Rutland had rather a bad time and finished second to the Police Champion, C. Morris. Frank Elson offended when the Club were in a good position and with his exit from the race we did not get placed.

The coming summer months provide plenty of long-distance racing, in which we hope to make a good show. If the Regent's Park 15 may be taken as an omen, our prospects appear quite good with Jack Rutland, Charlie Churcher, Colin Sutton and Bob Readman, backed up by Bert Clayton, Sid Spencer and Joe Wilson and we look forward to the possibility of the Club being represented in the European Games 50 Kilometres.

Tommy Green is promoting the Eastleigh Victory 50 Kilos again this year and we hope to send a much stronger team than last year. The Club is indebted to Tommy Green for yet another trophy which has not yet been allocated to an event.

A very busy season is now ahead of us, including a re-introduction of the Inter-Club competition on the track over 1, 2, 3 and 4 miles.

It is proposed to start next year on the road by entering separate teams in all opens and in order to do this, it will be necessary for all members to send their entries to the Hon. Sec. so as to reach him not later than the Saturday before the race.

As a final note, the Hon. Secretary, Track and Road Captains are anxious to do all in their power to assist newcomers to the Club and put them on their way to success. All enquiries and entries should be addressed to S. C. Roberts, 35 Perrymead Street, Fulham, S.W.6 (Tel. Renown 4738).

SURREY W.C. OPEN FIVE MILES, S. CROYDON

SEPTEMBER 29th, 1945

1 C. Megnin (Highgate H.), 38.40; 6 A. Readman, 40.51; 10 H. J. Rouse, 41.28; 15 J. G. Scamell, 42.19; 19 W. M. Young, 43.03; 30 J. H. A. Robins, 44.26; 32 J. Wilson, 44.32; 33 E. A. Jackman, 44.42; 37 S. G. Spencer, 45.21; 38 A. O. Tookey, 45.32; 45 W. Ives, 46.40; 48 P. J. Reading, 48.02; 51 W. F. Brunning, 48.32.

Handicap Team Race: 3 Belgrave H., "B" Team (Robins, Spencer and Brunning).

1st Police in Handicap, W. M. Young.

HIGHGATE H. OPEN "ST. DUNSTAN'S" ONE HOUR

OCTOBER 6th, PARLIAMENT HILL

Section "A": 1 C. Megnin (Highgate H.), 7 miles 1,005 yards; 6 J. E. Rutland, 7.653; 9 D. McMullen, 7.432; 15 A. Readman, 7.49; 16 H. J. Rouse, 7.39; 21 J. G. Scamell, 6.1665.

Section "B": 1 J. E. Grice (Surrey A.C.), 6.1358; 2 W. M. Young, 6.1335; 6 E. A. Jackman, 6.1070; 7 A. O. Tookey, 6.991; 11 J. Wilson, 6.912; 15 S. G. Spencer, 6.849; 18 J. H. Scamell, 6.826; 23 C. H. Speechley, 6.669; 30 J. Tilling, 6.476; 45 W. Ives, 6.262; 49 W. F. Brunning, 5.1725.

Scratch Team Race (4 to score): 1 Highgate H., 30 points; 2 Belgrave H., 37 points. 9 teams closed in.

HIGHGATE H. OPEN SEVEN MILES, PARLIAMENT HILL

OCTOBER 20th

1 C. Megnin (Highgate H.), 55.17; 4 J. E. Rutland, 56.15; 7 D. McMullen, 57.26; 13 A. Readman, 58.46; 20 H. J. Rouse, 60.12; 29 W. M. Young, 60.46; 30 J. G. Scamell, 60.52; 43 P. J. Reading, 62.55; 45 J. H. A. Robins, 63.05; 46 S. G. Spencer, 63.35; 47 J. Wilson, 63.37; 51 J. H. Scamell, 64.32; 58 E. A. Jackman, 65.32; 71 J. Tilling, 66.46; 73 W. Ives, 67.20; 82 S. C. Roberts, 68.35; 83 W. F. Brunning, 68.40; 88 J. Wakefield, 70.24.

Scratch Team Race (3 to score): 1 Highgate H., 12 points; 2 Belgrave H., 24 points. 10 teams closed in.

Handicap Team Race: 3rd Belgrave H. (Spencer, Robins and McMullen).

Individual Handicap: 2nd W. M. Young.

ENFIELD A.C. OPEN SEVEN MILES, ENFIELD
NOVEMBER 3rd

1 C. J. Morris (Surrey A.C.), 54.17; 3 J. E. Rutland, 55.57; 9 D. McMullen, 57.32; 11 A. Readman, 57.53; 19 H. J. Rouse, 60.03; 27 W. M. Young, 61.16; 35 P. J. Reading, 62.15; 39 S. C. Roberts, 62.45; 40 C. E. Churcher, 62.46; 44 J. H. A. Robins, 63.20; 45 J. Wilson, 63.23; 46 S. G. Spencer, 63.25; 53 J. G. Coleman, 64.50; 59 C. H. Speechley, 65.26; 66 E. A. Jackman, 66.33; 68 F. S. Herring, 66.50; 70 J. Tilling, 67.01.

Scratch Team Race: 1 Highgate H., 17 points; 2 Belgrave H., 23 points. 11 team closed in.

Handicap Team Race: 2 Belgrave H. "A" (Spencer, Readman and Robins).

MATCH v. HIGHGATE H. (5½ Miles), PARLIAMENT HILL
NOVEMBER 10th

1 E. A. Staker (Highgate H.), 42.35; 3 D. McMullen, 43.34; 4 H. G. Churcher, 44.10; 7 A. Readman, 44.43; 8 H. J. Rouse, 45.07; 17 J. G. Coleman, 47.36; 19 S. C. Roberts, 48.05; 21 J. Wilson, 48.14; 22 C. H. Speechley, 48.18; 24 S. G. Spencer, 48.54; 25 J. Tilling, 49.44; 26 S. L. King, 50.01; 27 C. E. Churcher, 50.02; 29 J. H. A. Robins, 51.20.

Result (13 a side): Highgate H., 146 points; Belgrave H., 205 points (9 a side); Met Police, 68 points; Belgrave H., 103 points.

MATCH v. SURREY W.C. (7 Miles), WIMBLEDON
NOVEMBER 24th

1 C. J. Morris (M.P.), 57.15; 3 D. McMullen, 58.03; 6 C. E. Churcher, 59.52; 8 H. J. Rouse, 60.30; 9 A. Readman, 61.09; 11 W. M. Young, 62.28; 13 J. Wilson, 63.08; 14 G. S. Doubleday, 63.15; 15 P. J. Reading, 63.48; 17 S. L. King, 65.09; 18 C. H. Speechley, 65.21; 21 J. H. A. Robins, 68.15; 22 J. Tilling, 68.15; 24 A. H. East, 69.09; 25 W. Ives, 70.30; 26 P. Wilson, 73.07; 27 J. Wakefield, 73.30; 28 J. Willett, 74.07; 29 A. A. Harley, 74.08.

Result (5 a side): Belgrave H., 25 points; Surrey W.C., 30 points.

Club Handicap: 1 McMullen (1.30); 2 J. Wilson (6.30), 3 H. J. Rouse (3.40).

LYONS' CLUB SEVEN MILES OPEN, SUDBURY HILL
DECEMBER 8th

1 J. E. Rutland, 52.38; 6 D. McMullen, 54.34; 15 C. E. Churcher, 57.53; 22 J. G. Scamell, 59.05; 23 W. M. Young, 59.14; 25 P. J. Reading, 59.56; 32 J. Wilson, 60.45; 34 S. G. Spencer, 61.34; 38 J. H. A. Robins, 62.10; 40 C. H. Speechley, 62.16; 42 C. F. Sutton, 62.22; 50 F. S. Herring, 63.39; 63 W. Ives, 65.50; 68 A. A. Harley, 68.07.

Scratch Team Race: 1 Highgate H., 14 points; 2 Belgrave H., 21 points. Nine teams closed in.

Handicap Team Race: 2 Belgrave H. "A" (Rutland, McMullen and Spencer).

MATCH v. METROPOLITAN POLICE (6½ Miles), WIMBLEDON
DECEMBER 22nd

1 J. E. Rutland, 52.33; 3 D. McMullen, 54.36; 4 C. E. Churcher, 56.28; 6 W. M. Young (P), 56.57; 7 H. J. Rouse (P), 57.10; 8 C. Sutton, 57.31; 9 C. Speechley, 57.49; 10 J. Wilson, 58.00; 11 S. G. Spencer, 58.22; 12 S. L. King, 60.31; 13 F. S. Herring, 65.45; 14 J. Wakefield, 66.10.

Match Result (6 a side): Belgrave H., 38 points; Metropolitan Police, 43 points.

BOXING DAY HANDICAP (3 Miles). TOOTING BEC

1 J. E. Rutland (Scr.), Nett, 23.19; 2 W. M. Young (1.50), 23.32; 3 C. H. Speechley (2.20), 23.33; 4 A. H. East (3.50), 23.59; 5 S. L. King (2.30), 24.15; 6 J. Wilson (2.10), 24.24.

SURREY W.C. FIVE MILES OPEN HANDICAP (Off Marks)
DECEMBER 26th, WIMBLEDON

1 C. T. Shaw (Highgate H.) (allowance 4.10), Hcp. Time 38.42; 2 J. E. Rutland (1.05), 39.06; 8 D. McMullen (2.10), 39.40; 11 J. H. Scamell (6.45), 40.19; 12 J. G. Scamell (4.55), 40.22; 16 H. J. Rouse (4.10), 40.34; 18 F. S. Herring (8.35), 40.38; 22 C. H. Speechley (5.54), 41.24; 28 J. Wilson (5.15), 42.19; 35 C. Sutton (2.00), 44.17.

Handicap Team Race: 2 Belgrave H. (Rutland, McMullen and Scamell, J. H.).

Scratch Team Race: 1 Belgrave H. (Rutland, McMullen and Rouse).

Fastest Actual Time: J. E. Rutland, 40.11.

The performances of the Scamells show a remarkable comparison with those of last year's race. J. H. returned the same handicap time, 40.19, whilst J. G. returned 40.23 last year and 40.22 this year. In both races they finished in consecutive positions.

CAMBRIDGE H. OPEN SEVEN MILES, OLD BEXLEY
JANUARY 5th, 1946

1 J. E. Rutland, 54.49; 4 H. G. Churcher, 56.17; 7 D. McMullen, 56.32; 14 C. E. Churcher, 59.37; 20 J. G. Scamell, 60.33; 24 C. F. Sutton, 61.04; 28 W. M. Young, 61.47; 29 J. Wilson, 61.49; 37 P. J. Reading, 62.45; 42 H. G. Clayton, 63.23; 46 S. G. Spencer, 63.51; 47 J. H. A. Robins, 63.53; 59 S. F. Herring, 65.42; 61 P. G. Wright, 66.11; 80 W. Ives, 69.01.

Scratch Team Race: 1 Belgrave H. (Rutland, H. G. Churcher and D. McMullen). Thirteen teams closed in.

MATCH v. METROPOLITAN POLICE A.A. (6½ Miles)
JANUARY 12th, WIMBLEDON

1 J. E. Rutland, 51.12; 2 H. G. Churcher, 52.14; 3 D. McMullen, 52.14; 6 W. M. Young (P), 56.31; 7 C. E. Churcher, 57.48; 8 A. Readman (P), 58.09; 10 C. H. Speechley, 59.06; 11 S. G. King, 59.27; 12 F. H. Elson, 60.17; 13 S. G. Spencer (P), 60.29; 14 A. H. East, 62.20; 16 A. Dyne (P), 63.55; 17 D. Heath, 64.44; 18 J. Tilling, 65.17.

Match Result: Belgrave H., 27 points; Metropolitan Police, 51 points.

METROPOLITAN POLICE A.A. SEVEN MILES OPEN
JANUARY 26th, IMBER COURT

1 J. E. Rutland, 52.19; 8 D. McMullen, 53.58; 23 A. Readman, 57.57; 27 J. G. Scamell, 58.32; 31 P. J. Reading, 59.04; 32 W. M. Young, 59.05; 34 J. Wilson, 59.34; 35 F. H. Elson, 59.38; 40 S. L. King, 59.55; 47 S. G. Spencer, 60.29; 59 C. H. Speechley, 61.46; 68 A. Dyne, 62.48; 70 J. H. A. Robins, 62.54; 75 A. H. East, 64.04; 78 J. Tilling, 64.48; 81 D. Heath, 64.57; 87 W. Ives, 65.36; 93 G. Becke, 67.11; 97 W. F. Brunning, 67.35.

Scratch Team Race: 1 Highgate H., 14 points; 3 Belgrave H., 32 points. Twelve teams closed in.

TEN MILES CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP for the MURPHY SHIELD
FEBRUARY 2nd, WIMBLEDON

1 J. E. Rutland, 78.24; 2 H. G. Churcher, 78.45; 3 D. McMullen, 82.10; 4 C. E. Churcher, 83.55; 5 A. Readman, 86.01; 6 C. F. D. Sutton, 87.46; 7 F. H. Elson, 88.20; 8 S. G. Spencer, 91.25; 9 S. L. King, 91.54; 10 J. Wilson, 92.21; 11 J. Tilling, 92.47; 12 J. H. A. Robins, 94.47; 13 A. H. East, 96.02; 14 G. E. Becke, 100.13; 15 W. F. Brunning, 100.45; 18 started.

Sealed Handicap: 1 Tilling (16.50); 2 Elson (10.40); 3 Rutland (scr.).

MATCH v. COMBINED SURREY W.C. AND LONDON
VIDARIANS W.C. (7½ Miles), WIMBLEDON
FEBRUARY 9th

1 J. E. Rutland, 57.55; 2 H. G. Churcher, 58.12; 5 A. G. H. Pope, 60.52; 7 C. E. Churcher, 63.08; 8 C. F. D. Sutton, 63.22; 9 S. L. King, 63.42; 10 A. L. Fletcher, 64.55; 12 J. Wilson, 65.50; 14 J. H. A. Robins, 66.45; 15 F. S. Herring (S.W.C.), 67.10; 17 A. H. East, 69.18; 20 D. J. Heath, 70.55; 21 W. G. True, 70.59; 25 J. Taylor, 75.22; 26 R. F. Elson, 75.45.

Match Result (10 a side): Belgrave H., 85 points; Combined Clubs, 127 points.

METROPOLITAN POLICE "ARCHER" CUP SEVEN MILES
FEBRUARY 9th, HAYES

1 C. J. Morris (Surrey A.C.), 58.38; 4 A. Readman, 58.55; 7 H. J. Rouse, 60.36; 8 W. M. Young, 62.40; 10 S. G. Spencer, 63.22; 14 N. Dyne, 66.03; 19 J. C. Bidgood, 67.48.

HORWOOD CUP RACE, WIMBLEDON
(Confined to those with an R.W.A. "Junior" qualification)
FEBRUARY 16th

1 R. D. McMullen, 59.31; 2 H. J. Rouse, 62.13; 3 * W. M. Young, 62.34; 4 J. Wilson, 63.16; 5 S. G. Spencer, 64.02; 6 J. H. A. Robins, 64.22; 7 J. Tilling, 66.19; 8 A. H. East, 66.56; 9 W. G. True, 67.20; 10 D. J. Heath, 67.37; 11 * W. Ives, 70.06; 12 W. F. Brunning, 70.36; 13 R. Taylor, 71.23; 14 J. Willett, 79.57.

* Second-claim member, not eligible for cup.

Sealed Handicap: 1 Robins (8.10); 2 Spencer (7.25); 3 Heath (10.40).

WOODFORD GREEN A.C. OPEN SEVEN MILES, WOODFORD
FEBRUARY 23rd

1 J. E. Rutland, 53.52; 3 H. G. Churcher, 54.46; 10 A. Readman, 56.56; 27 F. H. Elson, 59.30; 29 C. F. D. Sutton, 59.58; 31 W. M. Young, 60.00; 38 J. G. Scamell, 60.55; 43 P. J. Reading, 61.55; 50 N. Dyne, 62.49; 66 S. C. Roberts, 64.58.

Scratch Team Race: 1 Belgrave H. (Rutland, Churcher and Readman).

R.W.A. NATIONAL "JUNIOR" TEN MILES CHAMPIONSHIP
MARCH 2nd, SUDBURY HILL

1 C. Megnin (Highgate H.), 80.24; 4 R. D. McMullen, 83.59; 10 E. A. Jury (Portsmouth A.C.), 85.42; 34 S. G. Spencer, 91.32; 37 J. H. A. Robins, 91.44; 47 J. H. Scamell, 92.55; 59 F. S. Herring (Surrey W.C.), 95.34; 60 H. J. Rouse, 95.54; 63 J. Tilling, 96.05; 64 A. H. East ("B"), 96.06; 65 W. G. True ("B"), 96.21; 72 D. Heath ("B"), 97.13; 81 J. Wilson, 99.17; 102 W. Ives (L.T. & T.), 103.55; 105 P. Wilson ("B"), 108.32.

Team Race: 1 Highgate "A," 20 points; 2 Godiva H. "A," 53 points; 3 Sheffield U.H., 74 points; 4 Enfield "A," 90 points; 5 Leicester W.C., 102 points; 6 Belgrave "A," 109 points; 16 Belgrave "B," 274 points. Sixteen teams closed in.

METROPOLITAN POLICE A.A. TEN MILES CHAMPIONSHIP
MARCH 9th, IMBER COURT

1 C. J. Morris, 79.19; 2 A. Readman, 81.57; 7 W. M. Young, 89.56; 8 S. G. Spencer, 90.40; 10 H. J. Rouse, 92.42.

BELGRAVE HARRIERS OPEN SEVEN MILES, WIMBLEDON
MARCH 16th

1 J. E. Rutland, 55.30; 5 R. D. McMullen, 56.33; 9 A. Readman, 58.02; 12 C. E. Churcher, 58.49; 16 F. H. Elson, 59.32; 18 C. F. Sutton, 59.53; 24 H. J. Rouse, 61.21; 25 W. M. Young, 61.36; 29 J. G. Scamell, 61.46; 36 J. Wilson, 62.35; 40 S. G. Spencer, 63.09; 50 J. H. A. Robins, 64.23; 54 H. G. Clayton, 64.37; 62 F. S. Herring, 65.48; 69 W. G. True, 66.40; 70 D. Heath, 66.40; 78 W. Ives, 67.35; 74 A. H. East, 67.40; 76 J. Tilling, 68.29; 86 G. Becke, 69.45; 87 J. Willetts, 69.48; 88 W. F. Brunning, 69.55; 91 P. Wilson, 70.00; 93 A. A. Harley, 70.24; 97 R. G. Taylor, 72.12; 100 R. F. Elson, 72.35.

137 entered, 113 started, 103 finished.

Handicap Team Race: 1 Belgrave H. "A" (Spencer, Readman and Robins).

Individual Handicap: 1 S. G. Spencer (9.50); 2 A. Readman (4.15); 3 F. S. Herring (12.00).

Scratch Team Race: 1 Belgrave H. (Rutland, McMullen and Readman).
1st Belgrave H. unplaced in Handicap—F. H. Elson, 1st Novice J. Willetts.

SURREY COUNTY A.A.A. TEN MILES CHAMPIONSHIP
MARCH 23rd, IMBER COURT

1 H. G. Churcher, 84.10; 2 C. E. Churcher, 84.12; 3 R. D. McMullen, 84.51; 6 A. L. Fletcher, 86.58; 11 J. Wilson, 91.15; 19 D. Heath, 94.27; 20 A. H. East, 96.51; 21 N. Dyne, 97.43; 23 W. F. Brunning, 102.50.

Team Race: 1 Belgrave H., 12 points; 2 Surrey A.C., 39 points; 3 Surrey W.C., 44 points; 4 London Vidarians W.C., 47 points.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY A.A.A. TEN MILES CHAMPIONSHIP
MARCH 23rd, ENFIELD

1 C. J. Morris (Polytechnic H.), 79.16; 2 J. E. Rutland, 80.08; 6 A. Readman, 84.07; 13 C. F. D. Sutton, 85.49; 19 W. M. Young, 88.12; 22 P. J. Reading, 89.20; 29 J. H. Scamell, 90.49; 33 S. G. Spencer, 91.45; 43 J. Tilling, 97.18; 47 A. A. Harley, 101.19; 50 C. H. Speechley, 103.02.

Team Race: 1 Highgate H., 30 points; 2 Enfield A.C., 37 points; 3 Metropolitan W.C., 48 points; 4 Cadogan A.C., 50 points. Six teams closed in.

In the Kent County A.A.A. Ten Miles Race J. H. A. Robins was fifth.

BRITISH WORKER'S S.A. TEN MILES OPEN, CHEAM
MARCH 30th

1 J. E. Rutland, 78.43; 4 R. D. McMullen, 81.15; 13 H. J. Rouse, 86.50; 16 W. M. Young, 87.55; 18 J. Wilson, 88.30; 21 P. J. Reading, 89.15; 22 S. G. Spencer, 89.25; 28 D. Heath, 91.28; 34 F. S. Herring, 93.56; 35 J. Tilling, 94.04; 38 A. H. East, 95.05; 40 W. Ives, 95.56; 44 A. A. Harley, 97.37; 46 W. F. Brunning, 98.09; 47 G. Becke, 100.16; 49 R. G. Taylor, 101.18.

Individual Handicap: 2nd, W F. Brunning (21.40).

Handicap Team Race (4 to score): 1 Belgrave H. "A" (Bunning, McMullen, Wilson and Rouse).

Scratch Team Race (4 to score): 1 Highgate H., 22 points; 2 Belgrave H., 32 points. Five teams closed in.

B.W.S.A. Championship: 1 J. E. Rutland; 4 R. D. McMullen.

THE TRACK SEASON

In this, the first post-war track season, we are looking forward to the return to competition of many old friends of the pre-war era. It is to be hoped that the many old-time "open" meetings will once again be held, and your Committee have applied to the L.C.C. for permission to hold several club meetings at the Tooting Common track.

The Southern Amateur Athletic League is running in four sections, with meetings for the South-West area, in which we are competing, being held at Tooting. This time, in addition to the senior events, there are a few races open to Juniors who are under 19 on May 1st, 1946.

The club are holding the usual club championships, and as in pre-war years, we have fixed Saturday, August 3rd for club championship day. In addition to the placed awards, standards will be given in each event, and it is to be hoped that as many members as possible will enter to try to qualify for one of these. The Three Miles Run will be held at an evening meeting earlier in the season and here again standard awards will be made.

Two of the club meetings have been given over to the holding of handicap races, open to all members, and I trust there will be good entries for all the events. Those wishing to enter should send in their name, together with the entry fee (1/- each event) at least 7 days before the date of the meeting, to the Section Hon. Secretary.

The usual Inter-Club matches will also be held, and any member who wishes to bring his togs along to the meeting, whether at home or away, will be welcomed. This especially applies to any of our Service members who may happen to be home on leave at the date of the meeting.

Evening meetings usually start at 7 p.m., and Saturday afternoon about 3 p.m. Club training nights at Tooting are on Tuesday and Thursday, and the track is also open on Sunday mornings.

We shall again be competing in the Kinnaird Trophy, also the Waddilove Trophy meeting at Perry Barr, and have been invited to Southampton to compete for the Reynolds Garrett Trophy. It is doubtful whether the Doris Shield and the Inter-Club Relay Shield will be competed for this season, as some of the competing clubs are still very much under strength to make such a competition possible.

The usual County, Southern and A.A.A. Championships are being held and entry should be made at least 14 days before the date of meetings to the respective Secretaries on the form provided by these associations.

It will be seen that there is plenty of competition for all members, whether senior or junior, and anyone requiring further information, I shall be only too pleased to assist them.

Entries and enquiries to be sent to :—

E. A. DUFFETT, Running Hon. Sec.,
57 Harcourt Road, Thornton Heath, Surrey.

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“TRAINING SCHEDULE” SPRINTERS

$\frac{1}{4}$ hour Warming up. Rest.

10 minutes Exercise (Trunk, Abdominal, Deep Breathing and Leg Stretching). Rest.

One 100 yards $\frac{1}{2}$ speed stride. Rest.

One 100 yards $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$ speed stride. Rest.

One 100 yards $\frac{3}{4}$ speed stride. Rest.

Three Slow Starts.

Six Fast Starts. Rest.

Two 50 yards out of holes. Rest.

Two 50 yards bursts from a line. Rest.

One $\frac{3}{4}$ speed stride for 280 yards. Rest.

Two Slow Laps to Finish in Plimsolls.

Before training runs it is advisable to drink half ($\frac{1}{2}$) a cup of water.
But NOT before Racing.

QUARTER MILE SCHEDULE

$\frac{1}{4}$ hour Warming up. Rest.

10 minutes Exercise (Trunk, Abdominal, Deep Breathing and Leg Stretching). Rest.

One 100 yards $\frac{1}{2}$ speed Stride. Rest.

One 100 yards $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$ speed Stride. Rest.

One Slow Laps and 300 yards $\frac{1}{2}$ speed Stride to finish 2nd Laps. Rest.

One Slow Laps and a 300 yards $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$ speed stride to finish 2nd laps.
Rest.

Half Laps slow and 600 yards $\frac{1}{2}$ speed stride to finish. Rest.

One 300 yards $\frac{3}{4}$ speed stride. Rest.

Two Slow Laps in plimsolls and finish.

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SUMMER FIXTURES, 1946

Apr. 27	(Sat.)	Tooting	S.A.A.L. 1 Mile Junior Team
May 8	(Wed.)	Tooting	S.A.A.L. Senior and Junior events
11	(Sat.)	Charlton Pk.	Senior & Junior match v. Cambridge H.
15	(Wed.)	Tooting	S.A.A.L. 4 x 880 yards
18	(Sat.)	Tooting	Senior match v. Polytechnic H., Thames Valley H., Cambridge H. and Dorking St. Paul's
			Junior match v. Cambridge H. and Sutton and Cheam H.
			2 Miles Club Walk Handicap
18	(Sat.)	Mitcham	Surrey County 20 Miles Road Race
22	(Wed.)	Tooting	S.A.A.L. Senior events
23	(Thur)	Croydon	Junior match v. Whitgift Middle School
29	(Wed.)	Tooting	Inter-Club Walking Competition
			High Jump and Discus Club Handicaps
June 3	(Mon.)	Tooting	S.A.A.L. Senior Relay
5	(Wed.)	Tooting	Club Handicap Meeting—100 yards, 220 yards, 880 yards, 1 mile, 2 miles walk, Shot Putt, Javelin, S.A.A.L. Junior Relay, Schools' Invitation Relay, Veterans' A.C.
8	(Sat.)	Southampton	Match v. Eastleigh A.C.
10	(Mon.)	White City	British Games
		Bradford	R.W.A. 50 Kilos. Championship
15	(Sat.)	Chiswick	Kinnaird Trophy Meeting
		Wood Lane	Junior match v. Latymer Upper School
		White City	24 Hours Walk (Fri-Sat.)
19	(Wed.)	Tooting	Members' Meeting. North v. South, 3 Miles Club Championship, Hop, Step and Jump Championship, Junior match v. Whitgift Middle School, 1 Mile Novices' Walk
22	(Sat.)	Byfleet	Surrey County Championships
26	(Wed.)	D. of Yorks.	Junior match v. County of London Cadets
26	(Wed.)	Tooting	Surrey County 6 Miles Track Champs.
29	(Sat.)	Chiswick	Southern Junior Championships
July 3	(Wed.)	Tooting	Match v. Metropolitan Police. Club Handicaps, 220 yards and 880 yards (under 19), Club 2 miles Walk Handicap
6	(Sat.)	White City	Southern Senior Championships
10	(Wed.)	Chiswick	Match v. Polytechnic H. & London A.C.
13	(Sat.)	Birmingham	A.A.A. Junior Championships
		Gillingham	Match v. Gillingham and District
		Croydon	Acc. & Tab. Open Meeting
		Eastleigh	Eastleigh A.C. 50 Kilos Open Walk

SUMMER FIXTURES, 1946 (continued)

	17 (Wed.)	Tooting	Junior match v. Herne Hill H.
	20 (Sat.)	White City	A.A.A. Championships (Fri-Sat.)
	23 (Tues)	Alperton	Match v. Thames Valley H.
	27 (Sat.)	Birmingham	Waddilove Trophy Meeting
Aug.	3 (Sat.)	Tooting	Club Championships (Standard awards all events)
	17 (Sat.)	Imber Court	Match v. Metropolitan Police A.C.
	21 (Wed.)	Tooting	Match v. Herne Hill H.
	24 (Sat.)	Mitcham	Surrey County 1 Mile Medley Relay
	31 (Sat.)	Dartford	Senior and Junior match v. Dartford H.
Sept.	7 (Sat.)	Tooting	Club Handicaps—100 yards, 300 yards, 880 yards, 2 miles Run, 2 miles Walk, Long Jump, Shot Putt, Javelin, 1 mile Novices' Run, Veterans' A.C.
	14 (Sat.)	Westminster	London-Brighton Walk

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17 (Vol.)	Footings	Performance of Harlan Hill H.
38 (Sat.)	White City	A.A.A. Championships (Fri-Sat)
39 (Tues)	Albany	Mitch v Thomas Valley H.
32 (Sat.)	Lincolnton	Waddell v Taylor Meeting
Aug. 3 (Sat.)	Footings	Club Championships (Special awards all events)
17 (Sat.)	Indian Court	Match v. Performance of John A.C.
21 (Wed.)	Footings	Match v. Harlan Hill H.
22 (Sat.)	Lincolnton	Swain v. Court v. Mills Meeting
21 (Sat.)	Carroll	Swain and Justice v. Harlan Hill H.
22 (Sat.)	Footings	Club Handicap—100 yards 100 yards 200 yards 2 miles Run 2 miles Wells Long Jump Shot Put Tennis 1 mile Novices Run A.C.
14 (Sat.)	Wilmington	Match between Harlan and Wells