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FRONTISPIECE: Members of Belgrave's victorious National R.V.A. '20' team display the Championship shield and the Higgins shield.

BACK: R. Coates, D. DeBordi, W. Mesch, P. Duncan, R. Middleton, L. Dugan, J. Koullin. The absentee is R. Farley. Our walkers now hold three of the four National Championships.

FRONT COVER: (Photo by Ron Linstead). Britain's fastest junior sprinter of 1969, Belgravian Steve White, wins the Southern 200 metres in 21.8. He later recorded the same time in the A.A.A. Junior final to finish second. He has a season's best of 21.7.



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EDITORIAL

The Government-sponsored Sports Council recently sent to all sports governing bodies a memorandum regarding the anomalies surrounding amateurism. There were four main recommendations.

1. Organisations should move towards the progressive elimination of the terms amateur and professional but not by creating an intermediate category of player.
2. Professionals in one game should not be barred from playing in another as an amateur.
3. Administrative positions should be open to those individuals whose experience and personal qualities fit them for such work, regardless of their status as amateur or professional.
4. Amateurs and professionals should not be prevented from training or playing together except in specific segregated competitions.

The Sports Council does not represent any particular organised sport nor is it a body with any powers; but because of its unusual and unbiased position its recommendations deserve careful consideration.

Item two concerns a rule that was introduced originally to prevent the unfair advantage of the professionals' superior skill or physique being used against the spare time amateur. In this present age of dedicated specialisation any such threat is laughable.

The Minister of Sport hit the nail on the head when he said "We all know how many professionals there were knocking about in Mexico. These rules were right and valid 20-30 years ago, but the integrity of British sporting bodies is being steadily undermined as a result of these anomalies".

It is unfortunate that the Marquess of Exeter's reaction to the recommendations should have been spoken from deep beneath the sand. In saying "Professionals are, after all, entertainers, while amateurs are sportsmen who compete in their spare time. It is the latter category for whom the Olympics are organised", he illustrated quite clearly why the Sports Council consider it necessary to give a lead to amateur organisations.

The Administrators of athletics in this country should take cognisance of the fact that there is virtually no support amongst the athletes themselves for legislation against sportsmen who have professional connections in any form. No form of professionalism in this country can produce anyone more non-Amateur than the state or college sponsored athlete overseas. The time has come to be realistic and whilst we do not underate the difficulties via a vis the International bodies, this country would be thanked ultimately if it were to take a courageous lead and implement the Sports Council's recommendations over a period of time.

How does all this affect Belgrave Harriers? Well, oddly enough, hardly at all. If the amateur/professional distinction was removed overnight it is difficult to see how our fixture lists or training and racing programmes could be affected. Our top athletes might find themselves gaining a few "perks" through odd sponsors or equipment manufacturers, which would put them almost on a par with amateur golfers, but there would be nothing dramatic.

No, the more pertinent question to ask the defenders of the present rules is "What disasters confront the world of athletics if these rules are removed?"

BELGRAVE OPEN YOUTHS ROAD RELAY

The Belgrave Open Youths Road Relay will be held from Belgrave Hall on October 18th. All members are invited to support this important Club promotion by donations, physical assistance or vocal support. Remember this is one of the races where internationals Taylor, Rushmer and Stewart first made their mark. Who will it be this year? Come along and find out for yourselves.

HON. SECRETARY'S NOTES

On another page is given the official notice of the Annual General Meeting to be held on Thursday, September 18th., when all members who can do so should attend and play their part in the constitutional working of the Club.

We must record our sincere congratulations to our Walking Hon. Secretary and Road Captain and all concerned on the Club's splendid run of success during this season. Three R. W. A. Championship wins have been recorded and one second place in the four senior championships; the Invitation Track Walks convincingly won; the London-Brighton Team Walk early in the year a Belgrave triumph, and many other team events wins recorded.

In addition, as evidence of team support in depth, we have won the NIJMEGEN Shield for the first Club finishing a complete team of eight in the 20 miles Championship, and the MILAN Trophy for similar success in the 50 kilometer Championship.

For good measure, our boys and youths are winning Surrey Championships and providing evidence of further successes to come in the fulness of time.

His many friends will wish JOE COLEMAN a quick return to normal health after yet another leg operation. Another who has been under the weather is JACK BIDGOOD, and our good wishes go to him also.

In September, 1959, CLIVE SHIPPEN accepted a large measure of responsibility for "The Belgravian" and for ten years he has delighted us with the high standard of our Club Journal and brought us considerable enjoyment both at the time of publication and in retrospect. His efforts have eclipsed those of his predecessors as Hon. Editor and he has produced a journal consistently worthy of the Club and, may it be said, the envy of many outside.

We do thank Clive most sincerely for this solid and lasting Club work - no 'flash in the pan' effort here! - and trust we may enjoy the benefit of his talents and the impress of his personality in our Club activities for a long while to come.

Much annoyance has been occasioned this Track Season at the closing of the Car Park adjacent to Battersea Park Track. It seems absurd that a perfectly good area prepared for the convenience of users of the Track should be denied to the very people for whom it was originally intended.

Representation to the G. L. C. has not helped very much, except that they are willing to go to some trouble to give special facilities to handicapped people who might otherwise be prevented from attending our meetings. The reason given by the Council for this deprivation of a facility previously enjoyed is "reduction in traffic hazards" but one feels that the proximity of the Festival Gardens and the car parking facilities associated with it is possibly a more potent reason.

And so a perfectly good car parking area lays idle - and users of the athletic track and other adjacent sports areas are seriously inconvenienced!

It is to be hoped that reconsideration of these arrangements will take place before the 1970 track season comes along.

In recent issues we have heard from members in various parts of the World and it is always a pleasure to have news of them. Equally, we should like to hear from those who were such great figures in the Club years ago and now perhaps live away from our immediate area.

How is BERT FOOTER; now, and for many years, at Ramsgate - and FRED RICKARDS and RODNEY STONE at nearby Broadstairs? And ALBERT WATTAM in Lincolnshire, TOMMY GREEN (our 1932 Olympic Champion) in Hampshire, STAN VICKERS, the CHURCHERS, DON BROWN at Richmond, JOE FLOWER and BERT MITCHELL in Kent? - And the many others who have added something to the Belgrave story in the years that are passed?

Our wide activities and costly facilities need far more money than subscriptions alone can yield, added to which we should always have in mind the Belgrave Hall of the future, and the funds necessary to build and equip something better than we have known as yet.

We do ask your support of the AAA Draw, books of tickets of which have been circulated.

(Continued opposite)

Notice of A.G.M.

7 Brickwall Lane,
Ruislip,
Middlesex.

September, 1st, 1969.

Dear Belgravian,

In accordance with Rule 9, the Annual General Meeting will be held on Thursday, 18th. September, 1969 at 6.30 p.m. at BELGRAVE HALL, DENMARK ROAD, S.W.19, when your attendance is requested. No other notice of this Meeting will be circulated.

There will be no training from Headquarters on this evening.

Yours faithfully,
A. A. HARLEY
(General Hon. Secretary)

AGENDA

1. To read the Notice convening the Meeting
2. To read and confirm the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 18th. September, 1968.
3. To note apologies for non-attendance
4. To receive the Hon. Secretary's report.
5. To receive the Hon. Treasurer's report.
6. To consider a recommendation from the Committee, under Law 11(g), that the following should be elected to Life Membership :-
 - (a) RAY C. HALL
 - (b) CLIVE SHIPPEN
7. To present Honours Badges.
8. To elect Officers and Committee for 1969/1970
9. Other matters (if any).

Our Club will share in the benefits by way of a proportion of the monies subscribed by our own members, and in this help given to the sport generally.

We also ask continued support of our own Football Scheme, which has done great things for us over the years. We could do with many more subscribers at a shilling a week; and we should be delighted to know of members prepared to act as agents for bulk sale of tickets. The competition prizes are mathematically excellent; the organisation as carried through by Les Cohen, top class; the financial help given, and continuing, to the Club, very necessary to help us to pay our way, and to renew our planning ahead for better things.

Further information from LES COHEN and JACK GOSWELL; and don't forget to return sold and unsold AAA tickets to FRANK WEBB in advance of the indicated date.

This year's dinner/dance will be held at the Wimbledon Hill Hotel on Saturday, November 15th. Remember, tickets are limited and they were all sold well in advance last time. The price is unchanged at 35/- and applications should be sent in good time to:

A PRESIDENT'S Adieu

Dear Belgravians,

As you read this you will realise that another President has served his year of office, and that his successor is due for election.

My thanks to you all in your efforts to make my year a successful one. There were some disappointments, but all in all a very good year, which shows the all round strength of the Club. What more could a President ask ?

My thanks go to the Committee for their support and help (no Club could run without one), and to the ladies who gave up their time to assist in the activities of the Club. A sincere thank-you to you all.

May I remind you of the importance of the A. G. M. where your attendance would be appreciated. This is where you can say your piece and air grievances; also to elect your new President and officers for the coming year.

Wishing you all the best of success during this coming year.

Yours sincerely,

Frank Simmons

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## Welcome

The Club extends a hearty welcome to the following members who have joined us since March this year. If any assistance or advice is required please contact any official who will put you in touch with the person best able to help. If you have any views to express the Editor will also be pleased to hear from you.

The County, or Country, in brackets indicates the place of birth.

|                                |                                    |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| S. BARRETT.....(Surrey)        | Michael J. MARSHALL.....(Barbados) |
| M.V. BEAN.....( )              | Peter MORRIS.....(Lancs)           |
| Alan P. BLAIR.....(Surrey)     | Michael P. NORFOLK.....(Surrey)    |
| E. BLEKE.....( )               | L. NELSON.....( )                  |
| Anthony F. BOYS.....( )        | David P. OFFER.....(Surrey)        |
| John BOARDMAN.....(Lancs)      | J. PHILLIPS.....( )                |
| Jonathon BROWNLEE.....(Surrey) | P. RANDALL.....( )                 |
| Stanley COOMBS.....(Lancs)     | T. Glyn RATCLIFFE.....( )          |
| John J. DIGGINS.....(Surrey)   | Andrew SANDERSON.....(Hants)       |
| Paul K. DIGGINS.....( )        | K. SCHOFIELD.....( )               |
| John E. DUNN.....( )           | Geoffrey M. SELIGMANN.....(Surrey) |
| Melvyn FORD.....(derbys)       | David R. SCOTT.....(Lincs)         |
| Flavie GIUST.....(Middx)       | Edward SOLAN.....(Surrey)          |
| Leonard HOBBS.....(Middx)      | Jose TALHADAS.....( )              |
| Simon C. HOLMES.....(Surrey)   | John M. TUMBY.....(Surrey)         |
| David T. HARVEY.....(Surrey)   | James A. WELCH.....(Surrey)        |
| Barry INGARFIELD.....(Middx)   | Henry C. WOODS.....(Middx)         |

2nd Claim: Michael H. THOMAS and Steven INMAN

Honorary Members: Leonard Adams and Francis CARLETON

Guest Members: Thomas DOOLEY (U.S.A) and Goetz H. KHOPFER (U.S.A.)

Uitslagen International 10 Miles--Holland--26th July

50. G. Piddington 1:04:23 78. J. Walker 1:12:46  
(103 finished.)

S.C.A.A.A. OPEN MEETING--CRYSTAL PALACE--July 23rd — 400: 2. C. Gillett 49.8

# WALKING

1969 will surely turn out to be one of the finest ever vintages for the walkers of Belgrave. Three National Championships out of four, the Milan Trophy, the Nijmegen Shield and numerous other open victories culminating in a new record in the Leicester Relay and four men in the first five team positions at Hastings. Another event which gave considerable pleasure to both walkers and runners, indeed all his many friends, was the return of the irrepressible Harry Shields. Harry turned out to put a critical eye over the last 3,000 metres of the season (won by Wil Wesch in the fastest time by a Belgravian this year - 12.50.6) and then pushed the boys along the Hastings-Brighton road. It was as well his efforts were rewarded, for presenting the prizes was none other than the greatest Belgrave distance walker of them all, Tommy Green, who struck gold in the Los Angeles Olympics in 1932. Nor have we been without successes over the short distances. Carl Lawton and Bob Coates have done particularly well behind an ever improving Wil Wesch. Two temporary visitors to Belgrave, American Olympic athletes Goertz Klopfer and Tom Dooley, have made many friends as well as producing some really great performances - its as well for the other clubs that they are not staying longer! Dave DeBondi from Australia has been another credit to our trade account and adding to our reputation as "The International All Stars". On the home front Paul Duckett and Andy Hinchcliff have both produced some good races in preparation for the winter with Paul's 24.50 for fourth place in the English Schools 5,000 Metres being a particularly creditable performance. To come in the Brighton, where John Moullin will be out for a good one with Goertz Klopfer a strong contender for the individual honours. Dave King and Pat Duncan can be expected to resist strongly any attempts to break their recent monopoly of the Belgrave Cup so this should prove to be quite a race.

## July 2nd - Belgrave Harriers Annual Inter-Club Track Walks - Battersea

A very strong turnout from Belgrave gave the other clubs little chance. The best performances coming in the opening 10,000 Metres where our boys took three out of the first four places.

| Result: |            | <u>3,000 Metres</u> |       | <u>5,000 Metres</u> |                       |       |
|---------|------------|---------------------|-------|---------------------|-----------------------|-------|
| 1.      | P.Marlow   | Southend            | 12.12 | 1.                  | P.Embleton Met WC     | 22.18 |
| 2.      | L.Duquemin | Belgrave            | 13.27 | 2.                  | W.Sutherland Highgate | 22.45 |
| 3.      | K.Easlea   | Enfield             | 13.50 | 3.                  | J.Moullin Belgrave    | 23.19 |
| 6.      | P.Duncan   | Belgrave            | 14.35 | 5.                  | C.Lawton " "          | 24.16 |
| 9.      | P.Duckett  | " "                 | 15.14 | 11.                 | D.De Bondi " "        | 25.37 |

### 10,000 Metres

|    |             |          |       |    |          |          |       |
|----|-------------|----------|-------|----|----------|----------|-------|
| 1. | W.Wesch     | Belgrave | 47.06 | 2. | C.Young  | Essex    | 47.25 |
| 3. | R.Middleton | " "      | 47.49 | 4. | R.Coates | Belgrave | 48.33 |

| <u>Team:</u> | <u>3,000</u> | <u>5,000</u> | <u>10,000</u> | <u>Total</u> |     |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|-----|
| 1.           | Belgrave     | 76           | 74            | 85           | 235 |
| 2.           | Enfield      | 67           | 59            | 58           | 184 |
| 3.           | Surrey WC    | 64           | 48            | 51           | 163 |
| 4.           | Highgate     | 29           | 63            | 50           | 142 |
| 5.           | Southend     | 49           | 37            | 41           | 127 |
| 6.           | Met WC       | -            | 69            | 21           | 90  |

## July 29th - 6 Mile Race versus Surrey Walking Club - Tooting

In pouring rain three Belgravians disputed the lead for the first lap. In the second lap Nihill and Sutherland pulled away leaving Tom Dooley USA and Belgrave some thirty seconds down in third place. Carl Lawton has really shaken off his recent lack of form and he finished fifth close on Wil Wesch's heels. Scoring five a side Belgrave had little trouble in defeating Surrey with evergreen Percy Wilson making a rare first team appearance.

### Result :

|    |              |          |       |     |          |          |       |
|----|--------------|----------|-------|-----|----------|----------|-------|
| 1. | P.Nihill     | Surrey   | 42.44 | 5.  | C.Lawton | Belgrave | 45.42 |
| 2. | W.Sutherland | Highgate | 43.22 | 9.  | P.Duncan | " "      | 48.25 |
| 3. | T. Dooley    | Belgrave | 43.50 | 20. | P.Wilson | " "      | 62. - |
| 4. | W.wesch      | " "      | 45.00 |     |          |          |       |

# Bels Retain National 50k

July 19th - 34th National 50 Kilometres Championship - Redditch

Our walkers have a proud tradition to uphold in the longest Race Walking Association National Championship. Since its inception in 1932 Belgrave teams have finished first no less than 16 times and on only five occasions have they finished outside the first three. This year was to prove, yet again, the strength and depth of the men in claret and gold who not only won the title for the fourth successive year by an incredible 34 points but also took the Milan Trophy for the first team of eight. To crown it all Ray Middleton placed third Britain home which should mean selection for his third European games.

The race was held over the same three lap course that was used in 1967, tough but popular with competitors. The secretary had the usual problems and the usual lack of success in predicting the first scoring eight although we must be one of the few clubs who can afford to use walkers of the calibre and reliability of John Keown and Morris in a non-scoring capacity to round up the stragglers! Ray Middleton stuck with the leading bunch early on, relaxed over the second lap, only to power past a struggling warhorse to close on Shuan Lightman. In the closing stages Goertz Klopfer USA and Belgrave overtook Ray just failing to catch Lightman in the last 200 yards. Len Duquemin and John Moullin walked steady, well-judged races, gaining valuable places as the race went on. Dave King pulled well clear from an unhappy Pat Duncan to complete the scoring four. Bob Coates was another to have a disappointing race but the real disaster fell on Dave De Bondi who never got near his usual form and only managed to finish after a heroic struggle. George Beecham also suffered a bit but those two stalwarts Johnny Morris and John Keown kept us in the reckoning by helping the others through - truly great team men.

## Result :

|                |          |         |                 |                         |           |
|----------------|----------|---------|-----------------|-------------------------|-----------|
| 1. B.Eley      | Bristol  | 4.19.13 | 26. R.Coates    | Belgrave                | 5.05.12   |
| 2. S.Lightman  | Met WC   | 4.24.58 | 58. G.Beecham   | " "                     | 5.31.53   |
| 3. G.Klopfer   | U.S.A.   | 4.25.04 | 59. J.Keown     | " "                     | 5.31.53   |
| 4. R.Middleton | Belgrave | 4.25.46 | 65. D. De Bondi | " "                     | 5.37.26   |
| 12. J.Moullin  | " "      | 4.45.43 | 66. J.Morris    | " "                     | 5.37.29   |
| 13. L.Duquemin | " "      | 4.45.43 |                 |                         |           |
| 18. D.King     | " "      | 4.52.59 | <b>TEAM</b>     | 1. Belgrave Harriers    | 29 Points |
| 23. P.Duncan   | " "      | 5.02.24 |                 | 2. Wakefield Harriers   | 63 " "    |
|                |          |         |                 | 3. Bristol Walking Club | 68 " "    |

## RECORD RELAY TIME

August 2nd - Northampton to Leicester Relay

On paper there was not much to choose between ourselves and the promoting club Leicester although the heat and hills could be expected to help Belgrave. Our regular A squad were out with Carl Lawton replacing Len Duquemin. The B squad were led by Goertz Klopfer and it was he who won the first stage with Stapleford of Leicester hanging on grimly to lead John Moullin by some 85 second. Stage 2 saw Wil Wesch put Leicester back behind Belgrave A with a determined display of fast walking. Dave Dorey of Sarnia made a guest appearance for the B team bringing them in third 1½ minutes up on Southend. Over the third leg Ray Middleton stretched the lead over Lee of Leicester to nearly 5 minutes with Pat Duncan coming in some 12 minutes in arrears in fifth team spot. On the final leg we were worried lest the local speed merchant Geoff Toone should prove too fast for Carl's 5 minute advantage. In fact it was the Belgravian who proved too strong, really pulverising the Leicester man and his supporters with a devastating walk which took a further 4 minutes off the shattered Toone and greatly contributed to a new record for the course. For the B team Bob Coates walked steadily to overtake Bromsgrove.

**STAGE 1 Northampton - Spratton 8½**

|                 |             |       |
|-----------------|-------------|-------|
| 1. G.Klopfer    | Belgrave B  | 66.54 |
| 2. P.Stapleford | Leicester A | 67.37 |
| 3. E.Taylor     | Hinkley     | 68.02 |
| 4. J.Moullin    | Belgrave A  | 69.02 |

**STAGE 2 Spratton - Welford 7½**

|              |             |       |
|--------------|-------------|-------|
| 1. W.Wesch   | Belgrave A  | 60.52 |
| 2. P.Markham | Leicester A | 63.27 |
| 3. D.Togwell | Southend    | 64.01 |
| 4. D.Dorey   | Belgrave B  | 68.31 |

**STAGE 3 Welford - Arnesby 8½**

|                |            |       |
|----------------|------------|-------|
| 1. R.Middleton | Belgrave A | 69.43 |
| 2. R.Lodge     | Bromsgrove | 70.27 |
| 3. A.Banyard   | Southend   | 72.59 |
| 4. P.Duncan    | Belgrave B | 77.19 |

**STAGE 4 Arnesby - Leicester 7½**

|              |             |       |
|--------------|-------------|-------|
| 1. C.Lawton  | Belgrave A  | 57.23 |
| 2. G.Toone   | Leicester A | 61.47 |
| 3. E.Ardeley | Southend    | 62.18 |
| 4. R.Coates  | Belgrave B  | 62.26 |

|                 |                |         |            |               |         |
|-----------------|----------------|---------|------------|---------------|---------|
| <b>Result :</b> | 1. Belgrave A  | 4.17.00 | New Record | 3. Southend   | 4.32.04 |
|                 | 2. Leicester A | 4.25.45 |            | 4. Belgrave B | 4.35.10 |

# HASTINGS-BRIGHTON WINNERS

August 9th - Hastings to Brighton - 38 Miles

In what can only be described as killing conditions Belgrave placed four men in the first six to retain the team title they won last year. Ray Middleton suffered badly in the middle stages but recovered enough to hold off John Moullin who walked a real stormer. With only three to score those two great rivals of the road Duncan and King staged another cliff-hanging episode with Pat revenging his 50 Kilo defeat by pulling six minutes clear over the punishing hills of Lewes and Palmer. John Morris failed to beat second class standard by just 29 seconds. The hot sun took its toll leading to Tom Cook's retirement at 19 miles.

**Result :**

|                |            |         |             |          |         |
|----------------|------------|---------|-------------|----------|---------|
| 1. S.Lightman  | Met WC     | 5.47.01 | 5. P.Duncan | Belgrave | 6.12.03 |
| 2. P.Thorn     | Trowbridge | 5.55.48 | 6. D.King   | " "      | 6.18.16 |
| 3. R.Middleton | Belgrave   | 5.59.36 | J.Morris    | " "      | 7.15.29 |
| 4. J.Moullin   | " "        | 6.03.43 |             |          |         |

|               |              |          |                               |
|---------------|--------------|----------|-------------------------------|
| <b>Team :</b> | 1. Belgrave  | 9 Points | 1st Sussex Man - P.L. Duncan. |
|               | 2. Brighton  | 25 " "   |                               |
|               | 3. Surrey WC | 29 " "   |                               |

## Miscellaneous

CRYSTAL PALACE---June 22nd

3000mW: 1. P. Nihill (SWC) 12:22.0, 5. W. Wesch (Bols) 13:00.8

John Moullin finished equal 4th with Steadman of Canada in this year's Wiltshire '20'. His time was 2:57:16 against the winner's 2:43:49 (S. Lightman).

BRIGHTON---June 21st

3,000mW: 1. R. Coates 13:16.4, 4. L. Duquemin 13:27.4

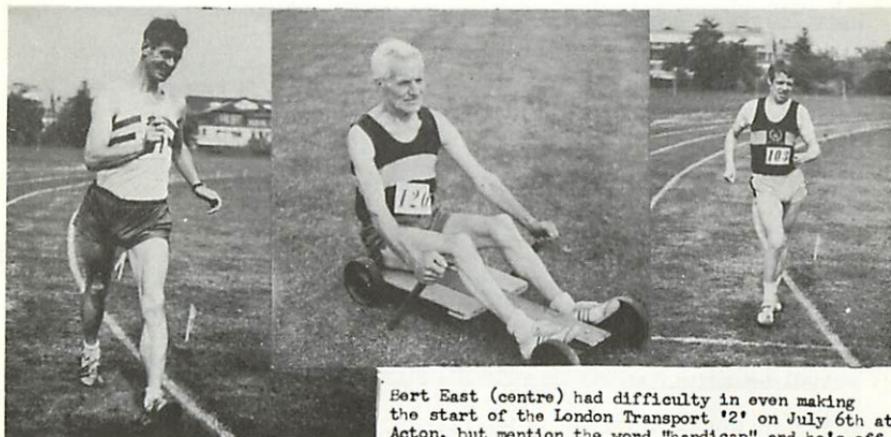
CRYSTAL PALACE---June 29th

5 miles W: 1. P. Nihill (SWC) 36:11.2, 4. W. WESCH 37:18.6

MANCHESTER--BLACKPOOL---June 28th

Pat Duncan, winner for the past two years, had a rough time and Barras and Goodair of Wakefield got well away. Still suffering, Pat had to give way to Pook of Hinckley in the latter stages.

1. G. Barras (Wakefield) 8:13:35, 4. P. Duncan 8:37:51



Bert East (centre) had difficulty in even making the start of the London Transport '2' on July 6th at Acton, but mention the word "handicap" and he's off like a shot! Ray Middleton thinks it's a laugh beating

the 2 miles record of a No.11 bus, while Wil Wesch gets on with winning at well over speed-limit

# YOUTHS & BOYS

## Reg. Hopkins reports

Two Juniors, five youths and one boys honours badges won in a season! This must be without doubt a Club record. What a great season it has been for us. I am more than delighted with all of our lads for hardly a week went by without someone getting a personal best. What was also most encouraging to see was the large turnouts, both at meetings and in training, and the determination to succeed shown by all. If I may, I would like to high light some of the moments that gave me great pleasure. There was Martin Eloice winning the Surrey Youths 400 metres Championship in such a delightful copybook manner; Richard Langley's start in the London Schools---if anyone ever put everything they had into a race, he did in that one---even though he failed to win he deserved every bit of praise for such a distinguished effort. Steve White's seemingly effortless fastest junior 200 metres of the year---what a superb advertisement he is for our sport and Club.

I also admired Peter Carton's modesty after several outstandingly good runs; John Stow's dedication and persistence rewarded by some excellent times; the Hamilton twins' Club loyalty---particularly in some relay races, running as if their very lives depended on the result; Eddy McNally doing five separate events at the same time in an inter Club match so as to gain as many points as possible for Belgrave.

All these and many more illustrate how we have built up such a fine junior section with a future. Another thing which gave me extreme pleasure was to see Bill Curtin return to form and take two county titles. Bill, for a long time was not only the spearhead of our team but virtually had to go it alone, now however we have a group of youths well able to give him the backing he deserves. I can see this being a terrific winter season for us. All we need to do is set our targets high and train regularly together. Every Tuesday evening throughout the winter we will be training from Belgrave Hall, also Saturday afternoons; except of course when we are racing elsewhere. So lets see all you Boys, Youths and Juniors attending our sessions and encouraging one another.

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Battersea Park---Sunday 8th June  
Youths and Boys Road Races (1.8 miles)

YOUTHS

|                |       |
|----------------|-------|
| 1. J. Stow     | 8:39  |
| 2. P. Carton   | 8:46  |
| 3. R. Langley  | 8:57  |
| 4. V. Butcher  | 9:03  |
| 5. P. Breslin  | 9:22  |
| 6. M. Bumstead | 9:30  |
| 7. M. Eloice   | 9:49  |
| 8. E. McNally  | 9:55  |
| 9. J. Iouannou | 11:19 |

BOYS

|                |       |
|----------------|-------|
| 1. S. Holmes   | 9:44  |
| 2. R. Hopkins  | 9:49  |
| 3. D. Harvey   | 10:09 |
| 4. S. Crosbie  | 11:30 |
| 5. G. Saunders | 12:20 |
| 6. R. Butt     | 12:30 |

Handicaps:

Youths: J. Stow      Boys: S. Holmes.

BOYS CLUBS CHAMPIONSHIPS

London Federation Championships--East London Stadium, June 21st.

Seniors:

|                               |                                                   |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| 100yds: 1. L. Sullivan 10.9   | 220yds: 1. L. Sullivan 23.4                       |
| 880yds: 1. R. Hamilton 2:06.0 | 1 mile: 1. P. Carton 4:39.1, 3. V. Eutcher 5:01.8 |
| 2miles: 2. V. Butcher 10:37.3 | Long Jump: 1. L. Sullivan 20'-8"                  |

Juniors:

|                                |                                |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 100yds: 1. M. Marshall 10.9    | 2. J. Smith 11.0               |
| 220yds: 1. M. Eloice 24.6      | 440yds: 1. M. Eloice 53.9 rec. |
| 880yds: 1. R. Langley 2:05.5   | 1 mile: 1. P. Carton 4:41.2    |
| High Jump: 2. E. McNally 5'-2" | Long Jump: 1. J. Smith 19'-1"  |
| Javelin: 3. E. McNally 111'-0" | Shot: 2. E. McNally 34'-5"     |

Colts:

|                                      |                              |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 220yds: 1. M. Waight 26.5            | 880yds: 3. R. Hopkins 2:20.9 |
| 440yds: 1. M. Waight 60.6            | 2. R. Hopkins 60.8           |
| High Jump: 1. R. Hopkins 4'-11" rec. |                              |

National Federation Championships--Solithull, Birmingham, July 26th

Juniors:

|                                   |                                   |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 100 metres: 6. L. Sullivan        | 880 metres: 4. R. Hamilton 2:03.4 |
| Long Jump: 4. L. Sullivan 20'-4½" |                                   |

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# MEDAL COMPETITION

## FINAL TABLE

**BOYS:**

|               |        |
|---------------|--------|
| 1. R. Hopkins | 95 pts |
| 2. M. Weight  | 93 ..  |
| 3. S. Holmes  | 88 ..  |
| 4. S. Crosbie | 85 ..  |
| 5. R. Butt    | 56 ..  |
| 6. S. McFall  | 48½..  |

**YOUTHS:**

|               |         |
|---------------|---------|
| 1. E. McNally | 96½ pts |
| 2. P. Carton  | 95 ..   |
| 3. J. Stowe   | 92 ..   |
| 4. R. Langley | 90½ ..  |
| 5. M. Eloice  | 89 ..   |
| 6. P. Breslin | 78½ ..  |

(37 Boys took part)

(17 Youths took part)

### BOYS 100 METRES

|               |      |                  |      |                |      |
|---------------|------|------------------|------|----------------|------|
| 1. M. Weight  | 13.4 | 8. G. Saunders   | 14.8 | 15. R. Jenkins | 15.8 |
| 2. S. Crosbie | 14.0 | 9. S. Holmes     | 14.9 | 16. J. Diggins | 15.9 |
| 3. L. Smith   | 14.1 | 10. S. Suttie    | 15.2 | 17. R. Cook    | 16.3 |
| 4. S. McFall  | 14.2 | 11. M. Cottorell | 15.3 | 18. K. Fabian  | 16.6 |
| 5. R. Hopkins | 14.3 | 12. G. Suttie    | 15.4 | 19. D. Offer   | 17.1 |
| 6. R. Butt    | 14.6 | 13. F. Preston   | 15.6 | 20. P. Diggins | 17.1 |
| 7. D. Harvey  | 14.8 | 14. T. Stoyles   | 15.8 |                |      |

### BOYS 200 METRES

|               |      |                  |      |               |      |
|---------------|------|------------------|------|---------------|------|
| 1. M. Weight  | 26.5 | 3. Jose Talhades | 31.0 | 4. Alan Elair | 32.8 |
| 2. R. Hopkins | 27.3 |                  |      |               |      |

### BOYS 800 METRES

|               |        |                 |        |                 |        |
|---------------|--------|-----------------|--------|-----------------|--------|
| 1. R. Hopkins | 2:28.3 | 5. I. Gillings  | 2:38.0 | 8. M. Cottorell | 2:45.0 |
| 2. S. Holmes  | 2:31.1 | 6. R. McCrossen | 2:40.0 | 9. C. Croft     | 2:47.0 |
| 3. S. Crosbie | 2:35.0 | 7. P. Sullivan  | 2:44.0 | 10. R. Seagar   | 2:48.0 |
| 4. G. Moat    | 2:37.0 |                 |        |                 |        |

### BOYS 1500 METRES

|               |        |                |        |                 |        |
|---------------|--------|----------------|--------|-----------------|--------|
| 1. R. Hopkins | 4:52.0 | 5. M. Weight   | 5:02.0 | 8. J. Cambridge | 5:49.0 |
| 2. J. McCaffe | 4:55.0 | 6. S. Crosbie  | 5:24.0 | 9. R. Butt      | 5:51.0 |
| 3. S. Holmes  | 5:00.0 | 7. I. Gillings | 5:26.0 | 10. J. Leach    | 5:54.0 |
| 4. D. Harvey  | 5:01.0 |                |        |                 |        |

### BOYS HIGH JUMP

|               |        |                |       |                 |        |
|---------------|--------|----------------|-------|-----------------|--------|
| 1. R. Hopkins | 4'-10" | 4. G. Saunders | 4'-3" | 6. R. McCrossen | 4'-1"  |
| 2. L. Hobbs   | 4'-7"  | 5. S. McFall   | 4'-3" | 7. J. Talhades  | 3'-11" |
| 3. N. Lockyer | 4'-5"  |                |       |                 |        |

### BOYS SHOT PUT

|              |         |               |         |             |   |
|--------------|---------|---------------|---------|-------------|---|
| 1. M. Weight | 30'-2½" | 2. R. Hopkins | 26'-3½" | 3. A. Elair | - |
|--------------|---------|---------------|---------|-------------|---|

### BOYS JAVELIN

|                |         |                 |         |              |        |
|----------------|---------|-----------------|---------|--------------|--------|
| 1. S. Crosbie  | 79'-2½" | 4. G. Moat      | 65'-0"  | 7. R. Seagar | 50'-½" |
| 2. P. Sullivan | 72'-3½" | 5. R. McCrossen | 62'-7½" | 8. C. Croft  | 41'-4" |
| 3. R. Hopkins  | 68'-11" | 6. S. Holmes    | 61'-¼"  |              |        |

### BOYS LONG JUMP

|               |         |                  |         |                |        |
|---------------|---------|------------------|---------|----------------|--------|
| 1. S. Crosbie | 16'-0"  | 8. S. Holmes     | 14'-5"  | 15. S. McFall  | 12'-4" |
| 2. D. Harvey  | 15'-10" | 9. S. Suttie     | 13'-9½" | 16. R. Cook    | 11'-6" |
| 3. R. Butt    | 15'-4"  | 10. G. Suttie    | 13'-9"  | 17. P. Diggins | 11'-6" |
| 4. L. Smith   | 15'-3"  | 11. M. Cottorell | 13'-1"  | 18. K. Fabian  | 10'-2" |
| 5. F. Preston | 15'-1"  | 12. J. Diggins   | 13'-0"  | 19. D. Offer   | 10'-2" |
| 6. M. Weight  | 14'-9"  | 13. G. Saunders  | 12'-10" | 20. R. Jenkins | 9'-5"  |
| 7. R. Hopkins | 14'-6"  | 14. T. Stoyles   | 12'-7"  |                |        |

### YOUTHS 100 METRES

|               |      |               |      |                  |      |
|---------------|------|---------------|------|------------------|------|
| 1. J. Smith   | 12.5 | 5. P. Carton  | 12.9 | 9. E. McNally    | 14.3 |
| 2. A. Mills   | 12.7 | 6. J. Ionnou  | 13.0 | 10. A. England   | 14.3 |
| 3. M. Eloice  | 12.7 | 7. P. Breslin | 13.3 | 11. J. Paraskeva | 15.1 |
| 4. R. Langley | 12.9 | 8. J. Stow    | 13.5 |                  |      |

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#### YOUTH:

100 metres: 4. M. Marshall 12.0

800 metres: 4. R. Langley 2:04.9

Long Jump: 5. J. Smith 19'-3".

High Jump: 6. E. McNally 5'-1"

1500 metres: 4. P. Carton 4:07.5

YOUTHS 200 METRES

|                |      |               |      |               |      |
|----------------|------|---------------|------|---------------|------|
| 1. P. Carton   | 24.5 | 3. R. Langley | 25.5 | 5. G. Jessop  | 27.9 |
| 2. M. Marshall | 24.6 | 4. J. Stow    | 26.4 | 6. E. McNally | 27.9 |

YOUTHS 800 METRES

|               |        |              |        |               |        |
|---------------|--------|--------------|--------|---------------|--------|
| 1. R. Langley | 2:03.7 | 3. P. Carton | 2:05.0 | 5. P. Breslin | 2:11.0 |
| 2. J. Stow    | 2:04.2 | 4. M. Eloice | 2:10.0 | 6. E. McNally | 2:19.0 |

YOUTHS 1500 METRES

|               |      |               |      |                 |      |
|---------------|------|---------------|------|-----------------|------|
| 1. P. Carton  | 4:15 | 4. P. Breslin | 4:38 | 7. E. McNally   | 4:43 |
| 2. J. Stow    | 4:18 | 5. L. Harris  | 4:39 | 8. A. England   | 5:29 |
| 3. R. Langley | 4:24 | 6. M. Eloice  | 4:43 | 9. J. Paraskeva | 6:08 |

YOUTHS HIGH JUMP

|               |       |              |       |            |        |
|---------------|-------|--------------|-------|------------|--------|
| 1. E. McNally | 5'-1" | 3. P. Carton | 4'-2" | 4. J. Stow | 3'-10" |
| 2. M. Eloice  | 4'-5" |              |       |            |        |

YOUTHS SHOT PUT

|                |        |               |                       |            |        |
|----------------|--------|---------------|-----------------------|------------|--------|
| 1. E. McNally  | 33'-5" | 3. R. Langley | 28'-3 $\frac{1}{2}$ " | 5. J. Stow | 23'-8" |
| 2. M. Marshall | 32'-7" | 4. P. Carton  | 27'-5 $\frac{1}{2}$ " |            |        |

YOUTHS JAVELIN

|               |                        |               |                       |                |        |
|---------------|------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|----------------|--------|
| 1. E. McNally | 107'-5 $\frac{1}{2}$ " | 3. P. Breslin | 70'-7 $\frac{1}{2}$ " | 5. R. Langley  | 60'-2" |
| 2. P. Carton  | 80'-2 $\frac{1}{4}$ "  | 4. M. Eloice  | 63'-0"                | 6. M. Marshall | 56'-7" |
|               |                        |               |                       | 7. J. Stow     | 54'-2" |

YOUTHS LONG JUMP

|               |                       |               |                       |                  |        |
|---------------|-----------------------|---------------|-----------------------|------------------|--------|
| 1. J. Smith   | 18'-1"                | 5. P. Carton  | 16'-9 $\frac{1}{2}$ " | 9. J. Hickey     | 15'-6" |
| 2. A. Mills   | 17'-3 $\frac{1}{2}$ " | 6. R. Langley | 16'-9"                | 10. J. Stow      | 15'-0" |
| 3. M. Eloice  | 16'-10"               | 7. J. Ionnou  | 15'-10"               | 11. A. England   | 14'-5" |
| 4. E. McNally | 16'-10"               | 8. P. Breslin | 15'-6"                | 12. J. Paraskeva | 14'-4" |



Belgrave's winning 4x110yds Youth team in the JIM PETERS TROPHY  
Martin Eloice, Barry Quirk, Peter Carton, Richard Langley.

## SCHOOLS ROUND - UP

**SHEEN GRAMMAR**---Nigel Duckett clocked a record 28.5 in winning the 220 yards event against Garth on June 12th. He also has a 12.1 hundred and a 65.0 quarter to his credit. In the Garth match he was a  $\frac{1}{4}$ " under 26'-0" with the 8lbs-13oz shot. Nigel's brother Paul has already made a name for himself by winning the Surrey Co. Junior Walk. Alan and David Rees have also been prominent--the latter with metric times of 11.7/23.4/51.9.

**LONDON ORATORY**---New member Len Hobbs finished 3rd in the School Championships at both 440yds and 100 metres hurdles, recording 63.1 and 19.1 respectively. Third was also the order of the day in the Chelsea district meeting where Len cleared 33'-0" in the triple jump.

**WALWORTH COMPREHENSIVE**---Reg Hopkins was a double winner in the school championships, scoring a personal best and school record of 5'-0" in the high jump and also taking the 880 yards title. Gary Saunders is another of our members at this school.

**RAINES FOUNDATION GRAMMAR**---Richard Langley continues his reign as the school's outstanding athlete. At the school championships he won the 440 (55.0), the 880 (2:07.7) and the mile (4:56.0). However, his greatest success was when he won the Milocarian Trophy with a 3-event performance of 880 yards (2:05), mile (4:47) and long jump (15'-7")--and he dropped the trophy when receiving it from Harold Abrahams! Barry Quirk has not done a great deal this season but still holds great promise.

**SALESIAN COLLEGE**---Peter Carton has improved beyond all measure this season and is yet another to score a double victory in his school championships. Fast times of 2:04 (880yds) and 4:11 (1500m) were too much for the opposition. He was later rewarded with a representative vest for London Schools versus Surrey and Essex, where he finished 3rd in the 1500 metres with 4:11.8. One of Peter's schoolmates is Stephen Corrigan, of whom little has been heard since his 33'-7 $\frac{1}{2}$ " in the Club Championships.

**ST. JOSEPH'S ACADEMY**---Eddie McNally achieved a personal best high jump recently when he cleared 5'-3" in bare feet. His prowess as a field events all-rounder was illustrated when two other personal bests came along--a 17'-3" long jump and a 115'-0" javelin throw; the latter placing him second in the school championships.

**BEAUFOY**---Les Harris won the school mile in 5:04.2 but has a superior 1500 metres clocking of 4:29.7 to his credit. He was also this year's winner of the A.T.C. mile (4:56).

**RICHARD CHALLENGER**---John Stow and Paddy Breslin are fine prospects who have fared particularly well this season. Paddy won the school 440 in a modest 60.5, but in finishing second in the 880 he recorded a personal best 2:09 repeating John Stow's position of last year. John went for the 1500 metres this time and was a comfortable winner in 4:35. He cut this time to 4:13.9 though when finishing 3rd in the Surrey Schools Championships. Paddy was 4th at the same meeting in the 1000m s/chase (3:07.7) but was selected for Surrey versus London and Essex where he was also 4th but in an improved 3:05.3.

**SPENCER PARK**---Mick Marshall scored a useful double when he took the School 100yds and long-jump titles with 10.7 and 18'-0" respectively. He also took the short sprint in the Wandsworth District Championships. Despite an excellent 20'-11 $\frac{1}{2}$ " leap he could only finish second in the



A.T.C. event. Ray Moriah is another at this school quietly making his mark; winning the high jump title with 5'-1" and being runner-up in the 100 metres hurdles (18.4). He followed this up with a 5'-3" high jump in the Wandsworth Schools event. Andrew England is another to attend this school; but star of both school and club is undoubtedly Martin Bloice whose exploits over 400 metres are covered elsewhere---what can one say about 51.9 by an intermediate boy?

**PARAGON**---Yet another member to pull off a school double, Jim McAfee won the 880yds (2:22) and the mile (5:12). He is only a junior boy at present so there is much improvement ahead.

**ST. GERARDS**---This school has a fine record, athletically, and was the nursery of Bill Curtin and Arnold Bentt. Present members continuing the tradition are John Ioannou, Stephen McFall, Mark Waight, Alan Carey and John Hickey. Alan won the School 220 title from Mark and also took the short sprint. However, Mark won the 440 (60.0), finished second in the javelin (96'-0") and won the Pentathlon with 104 pts. John Hickey cleared 4'-11" in the high jump to gain second place.

**TULSE HILL**---Star of the London Schools Championships was Steve White who, on the fast Crystal Palace track, set a remarkable 21.7 to head the 1969 National Junior rankings. Unfortunately, it was not Steve's day at the English Schools meeting where he was unlucky enough to be eliminated in the semis with 22.3---just a tenth slower than the final winner T. Rodwell. Nevertheless he has had a great season.

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# SCHOOLS CHAMPIONSHIPS

## THREE FIRSTS AND TWO SECONDS

Fine Record in London Schools Champs.---Crystal Palace, June 14th

Title holders Steve White (21.7) and Lee Sullivan (21'-9½") had no difficulty in holding on to their number one positions in the Senior ranks, but Arnold Bent relinquished his high jump title to rival Alexander who won on the count back---both clearing 5'-9½". This was disappointing for Arnold who jumped a record breaking 6'-3" at this meeting last year.

The sensation of the meeting was Steve White, whose 5 yards win over Gostellow gave him the fastest time by a Junior in this country this year.

In the Intermediate section Peter Carton showed us the shape of things to come with a clear 1500 metres win in 4:11.5. But Richard Langley and Martin Bloice seemed to have it tougher than anyone. Richard's 2:03 could only get him 5th place, with the first three breaking 2 minutes, and Martin's personal best of 51.9 was piped by a fifth of a second by the winner, Johnson.

Mick Marshall clocked 11.5 in his heat of the 100 metres and Pat Ereslin and Eddie McNally recorded 3:11 and 3:20 in the 1,000 metres s'chase.

English Schools Championships---Motspur Park, July 11/12.

Not quite the occasion we had hoped for---and only four Belgravians were on view. Steve White was very disappointing for, although he had the fastest time of them all this season, he failed to reach the final. His 22.3 time was no disgrace of course and was only a tenth slower than the final winner, but Steve must have felt very miserable about the result. Fortunately, he realises that these things happen to the international stars as well, and it simply prompts them to bounce back with a vengeance.

Peter Carton drew the toughest heat in the Intermediate 1500 metres and was just edged out of a final place in 4:08---but he should be there next year.

Arnold Bent also had things against him in the high jump where he cleared the same height as the second man (5'-10") but was placed 6th on a count back with the other jumpers. Next season should see Arnold surging ahead again with his best of 6'-3" being regularly achieved.

Our best performer of the day was undoubtedly Paul Duckett who finished 4th in the 5,000 metres walk with the good time of 24:50.

## WHITE WINS SOUTHERN

Southern Junior and Youth Champs.---Crystal Palace June 28/July 5.

Steve White confirmed his liking for the tartan surfacing by sweeping to another 200 metres victory in 21.8 seconds, just a tenth outside his previous best but a tenth better than the previous A.A.A. Junior record set in 1964 by Norwegian international Richard Simonsen. A fall in training just two days before the second part of the Championships had it's effect on the day and Steve had to be content with an 11.2 100 metres (4th) and a 22'-3½" long jump (5th). However, he gained a medal in helping his school team to win the 4 x 100 relay.

Lee Sullivan added six inches to his previous best in taking third place in the long jump with 22'-5½".

A below par Bill Curtin was drawn in the same heat of the 1500 metres as John Stowe but neither made the final---Bill being 4th (4:09.4) and John 5th (4:11.2).

Richard Langley was another unable to make a final, despite recording 2:02.5 in a Youths 800 metres heat.

Representing London versus Essex and Surrey at East London Stadium, Martin Bloice finished 3rd in the 400 metres with 52.5 seconds.

At the S.C.A.A.A. Open Meeting at Crystal Palace on July 23rd, Peter Carton and John Stow took first two places in the 1500 (Youths) event with 4:08.1 and 4:11.1

Detailed Junior, Youths and Boys results of inter-club matches can be found with the Senior match results in the Track and Field section.

Lee Sullivan represented the London Boroughs versus Israel, France and Germany on July 24th in Germany, winning the long jump with 22'-2½" and finishing second in the 100 metres with 11.3

# ROAD RUNNING

## GORDON BISCOE WRITES:

Although only a fairly short time has elapsed since the last edition we have in that time been able to continue our season's winning streak, or at least being placed in open races. Our latest tally is: 1st Belgrave Open 20, 3rd Cheltenham '7 $\frac{1}{2}$ ' and 3rd Shaftesbury '10'.

There are still quite a few events to go, including some over the shorter distance, so I hope everyone will keep up a maximum effort and really make it a great season.

## 18 th. ANNUAL

# 20 MILES OPEN ROAD RACE

Wimbledon---5th July

To avoid a clash with the RRC and AAA marathon our open 20 this year was held some 2 weeks earlier than usual. With a larger entry than last year several traffic problems were envisaged when it was realised that the race fell on Wimbledon Tennis finals day, but luckily these did not materialise. The tennis was able to proceed without being cancelled, everything went smoothly, and the course for the first time in 4 years was clear of major road works!

As with several races this summer the main problem for the runners was going to be the heat and humidity and a large drop-out rate was anticipated.

At the stroke of 3pm having been assembled and briefed by referee Bill Lucas, 98 runners were sent on their way by President Frank Simmons. Once the field had sorted itself out it appeared to the onlooker that the leading bunch were treating the heat with contempt; four of them, including Bill Dance, passing through 5 miles in 25m 24s! At a more respectful pace came Lionel Mann (26m24s) and Charlie Dabbs and Pat O'Connor (27m26s).

However, on hearing his time Bill, as he himself put it, "had a bit of a fright" put the brakes on slightly and hence maintained a steady even-paced run moving from 4th at 10 and 15 miles to take a final 3rd place and with it the Belgrave championship. Having once again travelled down from Huddersfield especially for the race it was a well deserved victory and we hope it fully atones for a few years back when he was disqualified in this race for unwittingly joining in just after the start. Having turned in so many fine runs so consistently, it is hard to find anything more to say about Lionel's running except that it's a great boost to the club to have such a character around. 'Captain' Dabbs once again reappeared (from wherever it is Charlie goes!) and established himself on the long overdue come-back trail. Ill-fated by injuries during his career we hope this is a new lease of life and here to stay. Pat O'Connor still plagued with a groin injury of some weeks managed to hold off 'new boy' Clive Shippen, who proved that his Poly run was no five-minute wonder.

One cannot elaborate on every performance but suffice to say that although a large number dropped out as expected, (only 63 finished) we still managed to complete 3 teams with 13 runners completing the course---surely proof that we have a fairly tough lot.

Once again we have to thank Arthur Whitehead for the use of his premises and the Wimbledon Division of the Red Cross for helping to make this another successful promotion and help clear the 'casualties' in these far from ideal conditions.

Ed's Note: Tribute should also be paid to Gordon Biscoe, who penned the above words, for yet again organising our Open '20' in such a successful way.

### RESULT

|                 |                 |         |                                   |        |         |
|-----------------|-----------------|---------|-----------------------------------|--------|---------|
| 1. J. Orton     | (Birchfield H.) | 1:45:45 | 43. J. Dooley                     | (BELS) | 2:15:34 |
| 2. C. Wade      | (Ranelagh H.)   | 1:46:03 | 46. D. Trow                       | "      | 2:16:28 |
| 3. G. Dance     | (BELGRAVE H.)   | 1:46:35 | 47. G. Pearson                    | "      | 2:16:34 |
| 6. L. Mann      | "               | 1:52:37 | 56. R. Beaumont                   | "      | 2:27:15 |
| 10. C. Dabbs    | "               | 1:54:35 | 57. C. Henn                       | "      | 2:28:18 |
| 17. P. O'Connor | "               | 1:57:20 | 61. G. Piddington                 | "      | 2:41:48 |
| 18. C. Shippen  | "               | 1:58:47 | 63. P. Fringle                    | "      | 2:46:20 |
| 40. K. Stimpson | "               | 2:11:33 | (98 runners started, 63 finished) |        |         |

### TEAMS

|                 |           |           |
|-----------------|-----------|-----------|
| 1. BELGRAVE 'A' | (3,5,7)   | 15 points |
| 2. Ranelagh H.  | (2,4,9)   | 15 points |
| 3. T.V.H.       | (8,14,16) | 38 points |

Cont'd from opposite page

### TEAMS

|               |        |                  |          |
|---------------|--------|------------------|----------|
| 1. Bristol AC | 28 pts | 3. BELGRAVE 'A'  | 38 pts   |
| 2. Cardiff AC | 37 pts | 15. BELGRAVE 'B' | 172 pts. |



INTERNATIONAL

# maxol marathon

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Manchester---20th JulyINCORPORATING THE A.A.A. AND R.R.C. CHAMPIONSHIPS

A FIRST HAND ACCOUNT FROM DON BONSER:-

Not having previously had the "pleasure" of visiting Manchester, the above-mentioned race provided an opportunity to do so.

Trevor Hart, John Hall, myself and about 160 other worthy souls were sent off from the Town Hall by Sir Matt. Busby. Words of encouragement were forthcoming from Bill Dance and family. An air temperature of 72°F was accompanied by a warm west wind. Fortunately at this stage there was cloud cover, but the humidity was high.

The course was flat and "fast". The first 5 took us directly out of the city centre and into "suburbia". After performing two laps of a loop we made our way through a jungle of cars, buses and fumes to Old Trafford. During the later stages of the race the sun came out to add to the already trying and humid conditions. The most shattering part was having to go past the actual finish, at Manchester United F.C. Ground and negotiate a final 2 mile section out and back through an area of old factories, railway lines and junk yards. The finish consisted of running through the player's tunnel (distinction??) and a final "stagger" round the perimeter track of the football pitch. Final obituaries were performed in front of the director's seats.

During the race, we were most impressed by the enthusiasm of the many spectators lining the route. On several occasions, even a "scrubber" such as myself well down the field received generous applause and encouragement. Such a change from the lack of interest and cynical comment prevalent in the south.

N.B. Considerable mystery and rumour exists concerning two Belgravians who travelled to Manchester on the Sunday morning and missed the start by 5 minutes!?!.

RESULT

|               |           |         |                |        |         |
|---------------|-----------|---------|----------------|--------|---------|
| 1. R. Hill    | Bolton    | 2:13.42 | 23. T. Hart    | (BELS) | 2:10.13 |
| 2. D. Clayton | Australia | 2:15.40 | 93. J. Hall    | "      | 3:02.23 |
| 3. J. Alder   | Morpeth   | 2:18.18 | 107. D. Bonsor | "      | 3:16.27 |

Teams

1. Coventry 53 pts, 2. R.N.A.C. 107 pts, 3. Notts. A.C. 117 pts.

## The Cheltenham 7½

12th July

For several years now the small team of runners who regularly make the long trip to this popular race, held in conjunction with the Cheltenham Festival, have eyed the £250 trophy and resolved that 'next year' Bristol AC, Coventry Godiva and the like would have to be relieved of their valuable acquisition, as it was time it travelled our way.

This year it appeared that our time had come. With four teams comprising some 22 runners our challenge looked formidable, to the extent that Lionel Mann was not joking when a week before the race he wondered if he would make the 'A' team. However, in that week things happened fast, and for various reasons (ranging from cracked ribs to pregnancy!!) only 9 runners assembled for the journey. All was not lost though, and with our team being led by Peter Morris, not so overawed by the 'terrors' of road running as some of our track men, we still had a chance.

In spite of the 6 pm start, when the 130 starters set off on the first of the three laps it was obvious that the number-one enemy was going to be the conditions, which were very hot, humid and with little or no shade. With the overall fast pace for a race of this distance, our first victim to fall was Bernard Merry at 2 miles (even with his own supporter's club present!). He was soon followed by Howard Satchell who had added to his troubles by having 'trained' earlier that morning!. At 4 miles Peter Morris was forced to quit with blisters and difficulty in breathing!. Hence our scoring team became the 'old firm' of Lionel Mann and Pat O'Connor, showing a return to form, with another track man John Woodcock having only his 2nd road outing completing the trio with a truly fine run. Meanwhile, back down the field, Gordon Biscoe was doing a great imitation of Gordon Biscoe at 18m in the Finchley 20' whilst iron men of the road George Fiddington and John Baker stuck it out to complete the 'B' team.

So in spite of all the problems we were able to continue our trend of being placed third and to resolve again that next year we'd have another go!.

RESULT

|                 |             |       |                   |            |       |
|-----------------|-------------|-------|-------------------|------------|-------|
| 1. E. Austin    | (Worcester) | 36:22 | 75. G. Biscoe     | (BELS 'B') | 47:17 |
| 7. L. Mann      | (BELS 'A')  | 37:50 | 78. G. Fiddington | " "        | 48:45 |
| 11. P. O'Connor | " "         | 38:47 | 85. J. V. Baker   | " "        | 53:10 |
| 32. J. Woodcock | " "         | 41:12 |                   |            |       |

(86 finished)

← Team Result opposite

# SWITCHED ON!

**1.30 GRANDSTAND** - Athletics from the White City.

- 1.32 Davis Cup from Wimbledon.  
 3.30 Athletics from the White City  
 3.31 Cricket  
 4.10 Athletics from the White City  
 4.11 Motor Racing from Le Mans  
 11.50 Epilogue

**6.55 SONGS OF PRAISE** from the Chapel on the Hill.

- Soloist ... Bob Glover  
 Organist ... Eric Penny  
 Conductor ... Bob Taylor  
 Hymns introduced by Rev. John Martin
- Take Time to be Holy ..... North  
 Oh God Our Help in Ages Past .. Traditional  
 Arr. Belgrave  
 I Wonder as I Wander ..... Glimpy  
 The Summer Days are come again. E. Stimpson

Make your own cast list!

## THE UNTOUCHABLES

.....  
 .....  
 .....

**2.0 JOHNNIE WALKER**  
 The Saturday afternoon  
 listening revolution

**Never Mind  
 the Quality,  
 Feel the Width**

starring  
 the  
 incomparable  
 Dick Tobin

**COUNTRY BOY**



**7.30 THE DALES** ... I'm worried about Jim - Rimmer that is - Three false starts in a non-scoring 800 m at Battersea and he claimed Tony Brooks pushed him ... then the pistol failed to fire. - As Bill (MAN IN A SUITCASE) Kerr said, "the start was better than the race".

- 2.00 **PARTY POLITICAL BROADCAST** given on behalf of the Sinn Fein Party by Pat O'Connor
- 2.15 **AN APPEAL** on behalf of Destitute Treasurers by D. Martin Shepherd, currently appearing in The Dave Cash Radio Programme.
- 2.30 **THE NAVY LARK** ... Starring Jean Manning, who was cashiered from the WRENS after mistaking the Commander's order to "Get out his pinnace".
- 3.30 **THE NEWCOMERS or DON'T ASK US WE'RE NEW HERE** with Mell Ford, Glyn Ratcliffe and Steve Inman
- 4.30 **HISTORIC PERFORMANCES ON RECORD** ... Charlie Walker
- 11.00 **LATE NIGHT LINE UP** ... in which Ken Stimpson and Geoffrey Pearson reviewed the Maxel Marathon



with  
 Howard  
 Satchell

**8.15 MIDWEEK THEATRE**  
 Daddy Was Wonderful by Sally Lucas

**2.0 ALL OUR YESTERDAYS**  
 Tom Carter  
 Edward Stimpson  
 Tom Morell  
 Ernie Duffett  
 George Chantler

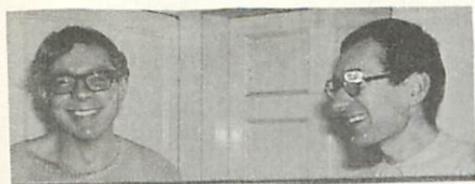
**7.45 TOP TEAM** Macdonald, Baker, Piddington Plummer.

**10.0 LATE NIGHT EXTRA OR NIGHT RIDE**  
 with Peter Hillier & Company

**7.30 TOP OF THE POPS**  
 Bill Dance & Bill Laws

**2.0 WOMAN'S HOUR**  
 All girls should learn how to do housework, some of them may never have a husband.

NORMAL SERVICE WILL BE RESUMED  
 AS SOON AS POSSIBLE



## Appointment with Beer

Introduced by  
Cliff (Snowy) Brooks  
as the

"MAN IN BLACK"

with pink piping and sequined revers, in  
the tale of:

"THE ROTTING HALL"

adapted for Radio by Wyre Less.

The action of the play takes place in the environs of fog shrouded S.W. London on a damp Autumn evening. A gas lamp feebly illuminates the faded peeling paintwork. Dampness is ousing out of the cracked brickwork. A small sidedoor opens and casts a yellow wedge of light onto the stiff form of a glossy black figure ... a voice calls from within ..... "Hallo Mac ....."

## You Write...

.... rather provocative when you consider the non contributors to this Magazine.

WILL THE REAL ARIS SAOUNTZOGLOU PLEASE  
STAND UP?

8.30 SATURDAY-NIGHT  
THEATRE

### RUN FOR YOUR MONEY

a new comedy by

A.A. Asocasion

When Albert Footer mounted the victor's rostrum to the cheers of a winning National team he raised his hand in acknowledgement - a gasp ran through the officials who thought it was a new salute to herald a fresh wave of unrest. In this they were right, for although it wasn't a clenched fist in a glove, it anticipated a wartime Premier's gesture by some half dozen years. Its vulgar connotations were well known and it aptly broke the stranglehold of the Upper Class monopoly on athletics. From now on it was for the Common Man - Albert's sign was in fact to Birchfield, Tipton and Salford.... Achilles, Thames Hare and Hounds and the Milocarians had been levelled to their rightful place. Tonight's play is not concerned with the balmy years that followed - but now - when a new threat to the freedom fun and pleasure of the Sport is threatened by officialdom - clashing fixtures - registration - vetting all characters who grimace as they compete in case they are advertising Wrigley's Spearmint ...

### "FOR WHOM THE BELLS TOLL"

Why has the London to Brighton Road been stolen? - Is there a connection between the Numbers 1 - 12 and the sinister Selection Committee no one ever sees? - What is the significance of Cork Running Grips? - Who is the ghostly figure running past the Black Swan in long shorts? Can Neddy solve these and many other mysteries in time for the infamous relay?

Cast in Order of Disappearance:-

|                        |        |                  |
|------------------------|--------|------------------|
| Neddy Seagoon          | ..     | Jon Burr         |
| Major Dennis Bloodnok  | ..     | Dennis Brickwood |
| Commander Kringingnut  |        |                  |
|                        | O.B.E  | .. William Lucas |
| Count Moriarty         | ..     | Charles Smart    |
| Brigadier Grittpipe    |        |                  |
|                        | Thynne | .. Eddie Short   |
| Capability Brown       | ..     | Jack Brown       |
| Windemore Ropesock Q.C | ..     | Charles Dabbs    |
| Bluebottle             | ..     | Archie Bedford   |
| Eccles                 | ..     | Jumbo Masters.   |
| Henry Crun             | ..     | James Heathfield |
| Miss Minnie Bannister  | ..     | Win Penny        |
| 1st Singer             | ..     | Robert Taylor    |
| 2nd Singer             | ..     | Don McLean       |
| 1st, 2nd & 3rd Reserve | ..     | Gordon Biscoe    |
| Gravelly Headstone     | ..     | Frank Simmons    |

The action takes place in a crumbling ruin in S.W.19. - Behind some bushes at Fair Green, Mitcham, - On the back seat of a supporters coach near Haywards Heath - At a sauna bath in Brighton - And inside a Claret & Gold Running Vest.

Bob Taylor and Don McLean appear by kind permission of the Sussex Police.

Script by Clive Shippen and Alf Harley  
Music by Mass Bands of the S.C.A.A.,  
Director Les Cohen.

This Programme was first broadcast on  
1st April 1957.

# Join the Professionals

Dennis Howell on Olympics.

### 4.55 LAUREL AND HARDY

Alf Harley & Harry Shields

Two of the world's greatest laughter-makers  
in a selection of their famous shorts:

#### HEDDIIW

YN Y GENEDLAETHOL

John Hall

yn cyflwyno adroddiad o'r Brifwyl  
yn y Ffiliat

and to

Ranjit Bhatia APNA HI GHAR SAMAJHIYE

### 4.20 OH BROTHER!

Another visit to  
Mountacres Priory  
starring

|             |    |                 |
|-------------|----|-----------------|
| REG HOPKINS | as | BROTHER DOMINIC |
| ERIC        | as | 1st BISHOP      |
| LEN         | as | 2nd BISHOP      |
| ALAN        | as | 3rd BISHOP      |

# THE BOSTON MARATHON

With marathon running becoming an increasingly popular event, and the number of Belgrave performers growing steadily in number, CHRIS STEER writes of the famous Boston Marathon in which he competed this year. Since going to Canada and turning to distance running he has enjoyed much success and we look forward to his return with renewed rivalries at Wimbledon.

In the first Boston Marathon in 1897 there were fifteen starters. In 1969 for the 73rd. running of the race, eleven hundred and fifty two faced the starter. I was there .....

The Boston Marathon is held every year on April 19th, Patriots' Day, a public holiday in Massachusetts. This date commemorates the battles of Lexington and Concord during the American War of Independence. It is an occasion for New Englanders to indulge in a little light-hearted anti-British sentiment and to hold parades in honour of Paul Revere. This might be a reason why no Englishman has ever been successful in the race, the highest placing being second by Jim Peters in 1954, beaten by Finland's Veikko Karvonen.

This annual event was initiated in 1897, a year after the first modern Olympics were held in Athens. Members of the Boston A.A. who witnessed the victory of the Greek shepherd, Spiridon Loues, were so impressed by the drama of the marathon that they decided to hold their own event. In fact, this was only the second marathon to be held on American soil, the Bostonians being forestalled by a few months by a group of New Yorkers who staged a race from Stamford, Connecticut to Columbus Circle, New York. The Boston event, however, proved to have more endurance and has been run every year since, with the exception of 1918 when World War I intervened. The race has been run over several different courses and it was not until 1924 that the distance was brought up to the full 26 miles 385 yards which had been set as the official distance in the London Olympics of 1908, for reasons we are all familiar with. Nowadays, the race starts at the small town of Hopkinton, Massachusetts and finishes at the Prudential Centre in the heart of downtown Boston. The 'Big Pru' is the largest building in Boston and can be seen for several miles. To the exhausted marathon runner it seems like a modern-day Shangri-La, forever receding into the distance the further he progresses.

The first race was won by a New Yorker, John McDermott, who covered the 24½ miles in 2:55:10 and for several years thereafter the race was won either by Americans or Canadians, one of the most celebrated being the Canadian Indian, Tom Longboat, who won the 1907 race at the age of 19 with a new record of 2:24:24. Longboat's record stood until 1911 when a printer from Melrose, Clarence de Mar won in 2:21:39. De Mar had been advised by a doctor not to run because of a heart murmur. He accepted this advice after the race and did not compete again for six years. He then returned to prove the medics wrong by winning the Boston six times between 1922 and 1930, which is still the record number of individual wins.

The race increased in popularity every year, but it was not until after World War II that athletes from outside North America began to make an impression on the results, but when they did it was with a vengeance! Since 1945 the race has been won by an American on only three occasions, the most recent being in 1968 when Ambrose Burfoot, a psychology student from Connecticut was the victor. The most successful nations have been Finland with six victories including three by Eino Oksanen and of course the ubiquitous Japanese also with six, including this year's winner, Yoshiaki Unetani with a brilliant new record of 2:13:49. In recent years only two runners have successfully defended their titles, Oksanen who won in 1961 and 1962, and Belgian Aurele Vandendriessche in 1963 and 1964.

One curiosity concerning the Boston race is that no-one won both it and the Olympic title. Eight gold medallists have entered and all have failed. Probably the most famous casualty was Abebe Bikila who came to the 1963 event as Olympic Champion and world "record" holder. After setting a sizzling early pace, he cracked on the rugged hills which start at 17 miles and could only finish fifth, beaten by Vandendriessche, American John Kelley, Brian Kilby and Oksanen. Other gold-medallists to fall under the jinx include Johnny Hayes, winner of the 1908 'Dorando' marathon, Kolehmainen 1920 champion, Keiti Son 1936 winner and Delfors Cabrera who won the 1948 event in London.

Just what is it that makes this Patriots' Day classic so popular, probably the largest running race in the World (yes, even bigger than the 'National')? I quote from an article in 'Distance Running News' by sports writer Hal Higdon, himself a one time 2:21 performer:-

"Then why was I in Boston? Not for glory certainly, because I anticipated finishing far back. .... Not for love, because how can you love something that abuses you so? Not for money since the only reward most participants get at Boston, unless you consider

blisters and aching muscles a reward, is a plate of Irish stew after the race. Then what? Runners flock to the marathon each Patriots' Day in Boston because it is the World Series, the Super Bowl, the Kentucky Derby of their sport. No serious baseball fan or sandlot player can conceive of hitting in the lineup with Joe DiMaggio or Lou Brock, but any long distance runner, no matter of how meagre talents, can stand at the starting line of the Boston Marathon and brush with the best in the World."

To his evaluation, I would add a reason of my own. The Marathon is a race of drama - everyone knows of Dorando in the 1908 Olympics and remembers the tragic Jim Peters in Vancouver in 1954 - but the Boston has an atmosphere all its own. The moment one arrives in Hopkinton one can feel the tension in the air. There is a brass band in full regalia 'oom-pah pah-ing' on the village green; the road is packed with spectators; a helicopter hovers overhead, full of cameramen. The whole scene is like something out of a Hollywood epic. Then, of course, there is the huge mass of runners. After all, this is their day.

#### Post-script

I had hoped to conclude this piece by reporting 'a scintillating run by Belgravian Chris Steer' (well, I can dream can't I?). It was not to be. After running in the 30s for 15 miles I began to suffer from blisters and sore legs and by the time I hit the hills at 17 miles I was down to a shambling trot. I managed to make it to the finish where I was promptly carted off in a wheel chair - talk about adding insult to injury! I was 133rd, in my slowest ever time of 2:56:33, the only consolation was that I was one place ahead of one of the Japanese, Ueoka, who is a 2:14 performer!

#### BOSTON MARATHON RESULT 1969

|                    |         |                                         |         |
|--------------------|---------|-----------------------------------------|---------|
| 1. Unetani (Jap)   | 2:13:49 | 5. Bob Moore (Toronto OC & Longwood H)  | 2:21:28 |
| 2. Garrida (Mex)   | 2:17:30 | 30. Mick Goerke (Toronto OC & Ranelagh) | 2:34:04 |
| 3. Penalzoza (Mex) | 2:19:56 | 40. Chris Henty (Toronto OC & Ranelagh) | 2:38:05 |

#### EDITOR'S NOTE

Happily, Chris atoned for his disappointing run at Boston by running in the Canadian Marathon Championship at Brantford, Ontario on 19th. May and winning by over 3 minutes from Canadian Olympian Ron Wallingford. The Canadian was a minute ahead at six miles but at twelve Chris had caught and passed him and pulled away comfortably.

- |                                     |         |                               |         |
|-------------------------------------|---------|-------------------------------|---------|
| 1. Chris Steer (Toronto & Belgrave) | 2:31:44 | 2. Ron Wallingford (Hamilton) | 2:35:25 |
| 3. Ray Will (Halifax)               | 2:37:10 |                               |         |

## Miscellaneous

#### Reading Police 10 Miles---2nd August.

Who dares say that Belgrave's road team is not becoming well known?!----after working on his car, Ray Beaumont left rather hurriedly for this race with his number plates still on the back seat. Subsequently stopped by the police he explained he was in a great hurry and when asked where it was he was so anxious to get to, he replied "The Police Carnival and Sports; I'm in the road race". The reply:-"Oh that's alright then Sir, I did'nt realise, I won't keep you, you don't want to be late"; and off went Ray!

#### RESULT.

|                          |       |                                |       |
|--------------------------|-------|--------------------------------|-------|
| 1. M. Edwards (T.V.H.)   | 49:58 | 100. R. Beaumont (BELGRAVE H.) | 65:07 |
| 8. L. Mann (BELGRAVE H.) | 51:27 | 108. P. Pringle "              | 67:33 |
| 95. G. Piddington " "    | 63:40 | (157 starters)                 |       |

#### Shaftesbury--August 9th

In a good class field, headed by Adcocks and Bedford, our trio of Mann, Dabbs and North secured third team medals.

As usual this summer, the weather was hot and several found it hard going. Lionel was fast away, while Gerry took it much steadier after his recent injury and Charlie started slower still.

Dabbs gradually closed on North and the two of them ran together through the field to finish 70 yards behind Lionel Mann.

#### RESULT

|                             |       |                 |       |
|-----------------------------|-------|-----------------|-------|
| 1. W. Adcocks (Coventry G.) | 48:18 | 17. L. Mann     | 53:37 |
| 2. D. Bedford (Shaftes. H.) | 48:54 | 18. C. Dabbs    | 53:47 |
| 3. D. Horsup (Thurrock H.)  | 50:33 | 19. Gerry North | 53:47 |

#### Teams:

- |                    |                  |                |
|--------------------|------------------|----------------|
| 1. Shaftesbury H., | 2. Cambridge H., | 3. BELGRAVE H. |
|--------------------|------------------|----------------|

# TRACK AND FIELD

## SWARD

Sward Trophy at Crystal Palace, Sunday 22nd, June, 1969

- 3000 Team Race: 1. Belgrave H. (3. J. Bicourt 8:16.6 5. P. Morris 8:18.8 11. L. O'Hara A. Major) 19 pts.  
2. T. V. H. 22 pts. 3. Hercules/Wimbledon 30 pts. 4. Coventry Godiva 37 pts. 5. Manchester 44 pts. 6. Poly H. 54 pts.



SWARD TEAM RACE WINNERS

(Photo by W. Ashford)

Adrian Major, Laurie O'Hara, John Bicourt, Peter Morris

Match v Poly H.---Chiswick Wed. 18th June.

- 100m: 2. A. Brooks 11.4. 3. P. Gee 11.8 4. P. Smith 11.8  
200m: 2. J. Hamilton 25.2. 3. R. Hamilton 25.8.  
400m: 1. P. Gee 52s. 2. P. Smith 52.9. 3. J. Hamilton 53.4.  
800m: 1. L. Mann 2:12.6. 2. J. Rimmer 2:13.2. 3. R. Hamilton 2:14.1. 4. J. Dear 2:15.2.  
7. R. Glover 2:17.0. 8. B. Merry 2:18.0.  
1500m: 1. A. Major 4:16.4. 2. P. Hilliar 4:14.0. 3. McNair 4:16.7. L. Mann 4:17.7.  
J. Dear 4:18.4. C. Pearson 4:20.0. B. Gorman 4:23. R. Mainstone 4:29.0.  
3000m: 1. L. Mann 9:21.6. 5. J. Blair-fish 10:02.0. 8. J. Martin 10:33.8.  
Discus: 2. W. Couzens 97'-0" 4. J. Martin 91'-9".  
Long Jump: 1. J. Martin 19'-0" 4. J. Hamilton 16'-5".  
RESULT 1. BELGRAVE H 54 pts. 2. Poly H 39 pts.

## BOROUGH OF ENFIELD TROPHY

Bannister Stadium, Saturday 21st, June 1969

- 100 m. (Heats) 5. A. Brooks 12.1 200 m. 2. J. Mitchell 22.3, 6. A. Sapountzoulu 23.2 (Final)  
400 m. (Final) 5. P. Gee 52.9 (52.1 in Heats) (Heats) 5. M. Ford 51.6  
800 m. (Final) 6. D. Jardine 1:58.2 P. Hilliar 2:00.4  
1500 m. 5. J. Dear 4:15.4 3000 m. S/C 2. A. Black 9:39.0  
5000 m. 3. L. Mann 14:57.6  
4 x 100 m. 1. Belgrave H. 44.0 (A. Brooks, A. Sapountzoulu, M. Ford, J. Mitchell)  
High Jump 2. A. Bent 5'-6" Long Jump 6. A. Brooks 19'-0 $\frac{1}{4}$ "  
Javelin 4. B. King 167'-0" Shot 6. J. Martin 37'-3 $\frac{1}{2}$ "

- Result 1. Reading A. C. 90 pts. 2. T. V. H. 55 pts. 3. Belgrave H. & Hillingdon 36 pts.  
5. Blackheath H. & Borough of Enfield 35 pts. 7. S. L. H. 10 pts.

Match v. Mitcham A. C., Battersea Park, Wednesday 25th, JuneSENIOR

|             |                         |                         |                     |                       |
|-------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| 100 m.      | 1. A. Brooks 11.8       | 2. A. Sapointozlou 12.0 | 3. M. Ford 12.1     | 4. P. Gee 12.1        |
| 200 m.      | 1. A. Sapointozlou 23.1 | 2. M. Ford 23.7         |                     |                       |
| 400 m.      | 2. A. Brooks 51.3       | 3. P. Gee 51.7          |                     |                       |
| 800 m.      | 3. J. Kelly 1:58.0      | 4. L. Mann 1:50.0       | 5. A. Major 2:00.0  | 6. J. Woodcock 2:00.0 |
|             | 7. J. Rimmer 2:02.0     | 8. C. Pearson 2:03.0    | 9. A. Black 2:04.0  |                       |
| 1500 m.     | 2. W. Kerr 4:06.0       | 3. L. Mann 4:11.0       | 4. M. McNair 4:12.0 | 5. A. Black 4:14.0    |
| 3000 m.     | 2. A. Black 9:11.4      | 4. L. Mann 9:14.0       | 6. B. Gorman 9:24.0 | 7. C. Keavey 9:41.0   |
| Discus      | 1. A. Kerr 144'-5"      | 2. F. Glass 127'-9½"    |                     |                       |
| High Jump   | 1. B. King 5'-2"        | 2. P. Hilliar 5'-1"     | 3. J. Martin 5'-0"  |                       |
| Triple Jump | 2. J. Martin 36'-11½"   | 3. B. King 35'-3"       |                     |                       |
| Shot        | 1. A. Kerr 48'-5"       | 2. J. Martin 36'-0"     |                     |                       |

Result 1. Belgrave H. 62 Pts. 2. Mitcham A. C. 36 Pts.

JUNIOR

|        |                     |         |                      |                  |
|--------|---------------------|---------|----------------------|------------------|
| 100 m. | 2. M. Marshall 12.1 | 200 m.  | 2. M. Marshall 24.4  | 4. K. Jones 25.4 |
| 400 m. | 1. D. Rees 51.9     | 1500 m. | 2. V. Butcher 4:30.0 |                  |

Result 1. Mitcham A. C. 54 Pts. 2. Belgrave H. 16 Pts.

**CECIL FRY TROPHY**Ilford---Saturday 28th June

Once again, a disappointing turn out for which we were rewarded with 11th position out of 12 clubs. Admittedly, we refused to run our two steeplechasers as the conditions were sufficiently poor to endanger life or limb--the water jump had to be seen to be believed! Our best performances came from Charles Gillett, who really fought in the 400 metres hurdles and Adrian Major, 4th in his fastest mile so far this season.

880 yds: 7. J. Boardman 1:58.4 'B' Race 2. P. Hilliar 2:00.5  
 3 Miles: 6. W Kerr 14:42.0 1 Mile 4. A. Major 4:17.6  
 440 yds H. 2. C. Gillett 55.6 Pole Vault 5. A. Brooks 9'-  
RESULT: 1. Woodford 50pts. 2. Blackheath 48pts. 3. Ilford 48 pts.

**ROTARY TROPHY**Ruislip---Wednesday 2nd July

We were never in the running for this trophy, which is a pleasant little evening meeting. Our best performances on the track came from Charles Gillett in the 220, Dave Rees in the 440 and Adrian Major in the mile, while Mark McNair ran a very promising first three miles. In the field, only Brian King performed to any great effect. However, our best moment came in the medley relay, where we led all the way until the last 50 yards, where John Boardman was overhauled by Barrington of Poly, despite having run his leg in under 1:58.0.

|               |                                                                        |                           |                        |                       |                 |
|---------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| 100 yds       | 6. P. Gee 11.1                                                         | 220 yds                   | 4. C. Gillett 23.0     | 440 yds               | 2. D. Rees 51.7 |
| 880 yds       | 4. J. Kelly 2:00                                                       | 1 mile                    | 2. A. Major 4:22.6     |                       |                 |
| 3 miles       | Team Race (5. L. O'Hara 14:26.0                                        | 7. M. McNair 15:4.6       | 10. B. Gorman 15:35.0  |                       |                 |
|               | 12. C. Keavey 16:19.6)                                                 | Team 1. Hillingdon 11 pts | 2. Belgrave 22 pts     | 3. Poly 33 pts        |                 |
| High Jump     | 6. B. King 5'-0"                                                       | Long Jump                 | 6. P. Hilliar 16'-9½"  |                       |                 |
| Discus        | 4. F. Glass 118'-1"                                                    | Shot                      | 4. W. Couzens 35'-6"   |                       |                 |
| Javelin       | 2. B. King 168'-10"                                                    |                           |                        |                       |                 |
| 4 x 110 yds   | 5. Belgrave H. (P. Gee, P. Hilliar, D. Rees, C. Gillett)               | 45.9                      |                        |                       |                 |
| 1 mile        | Medley Relay (220 C. Gillett 220 D. Rees, 440 P. Gee, 880 J. Boardman) | 3:36.8                    |                        |                       |                 |
| <u>Result</u> | 1. Hillingdon 59 pts                                                   | 2. Poly H. 54 pts         | 3. Windsor/Eton 35 pts | 4. Belgrave H. 34 pts |                 |
|               | 5. T. V. H. 29 pts                                                     | 6. U.S.S.A.F. 23 pts      |                        |                       |                 |

Adrian Major finished second in the 2 miles event at the Surrey v Borough Rd. College v Essex match at Isleworth on June 9th. His time of 9:17.6 was 5.2 seconds down on Mike Davis (TV). Alan Lorrill scored a LJ/TV double with 21'-9" and 46'-6½".

# LOST! ONE RYDER TROPHY

Southampton—Saturday 5th July

This meeting is always a favourite with our track and field boys and, sure enough, we had a full coach load departing from Clapham's Granada cinema in the wee small hours (or so they seemed!) of an overcast morning. A little sunshine was added at the Toby Jug where we picked up John Thresher plus 2 glamorous escorts. Once at Southampton, we organised our resources and off we went. It seemed that John Mitchell was never off the track—he competed in the two sprints, two relays and the triple jump to some considerable effect. John Thresher ran his usual sound 1500, but was not to know that one of his conquerors (Douglas) would shortly annex the Southern 1500 mile title and then do 3:58.5 for a mile. However, we were picking up points steadily in both track and field, until we were in the lead with two events to go. However, we lost both to the Navy who shaded us home by 8 points. Incidentally, Snowy Brooks got 15 of their points, as if to rub it in! All in all, it could be said that this was the first occasion on which we had performed to anything like our true potential.

|                                    |                                                            |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|
| 100m (A) 2. J. Mitchell 10.9       | (B) 5. A. Sapountzoglou 11.4                               |
| 200m (A) 2. J. Mitchell 22.4       | (B) 3. A. Sapountzoglou 23.0                               |
| 400m (A) 4. M. Ford 51.1           | (B) 3. D. Rees 51.6                                        |
| 800m (A) 7. D. Jardine 1:58.4      | (B) 7. J. Woodcock 2:00.1                                  |
| 1500m (A) 3. J. Thresher 3:51.0    | (B) 5. P. Hilliar 4:10.3                                   |
| 5000m (A) 3. A. Major 15:02.2      | (B) 1. W. Kerr 15:13.4                                     |
| 3000m S/C (A) 5. J. Dear 9:45.0    | (B) 2. P. Hilliar 10:24.0                                  |
| 4 x 100m 3. Belgrave H. 44.0       | (A. Brooks, D. Rees, A. Sapountzoglou, J. Mitchell)        |
| 1600m Relay 5. Belgrave H. 3:35.2  | (200 J. Mitchell, 200 M. Ford, 400 P. Gee, 800 D. Jardine) |
| Pole Vault (A) 3. S. Inman 10'-3"  | (B) 3. A. Kossi 9'-0"                                      |
| Shot (A) 4. T. Ratcliffe 44'-1½"   | (B) 3. N. Head 38'-6"                                      |
| High Jump (A) 4. A. Bentt 5'-8"    | (B) 8. S. Inman 5'-2"                                      |
| Discus (A) 2. T. Ratcliffe 136'-8" | (B) F. Glass 101'-6"                                       |
| Long Jump (A) 8. A. Kossi 19'-1¼"  | (B) 1. A. Bentt 21'-0¾"                                    |
| Javelin (A) 3. N. Head 197'-9"     | (B) 1. B. King 184'-6"                                     |

|                                             |                        |                        |
|---------------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| <u>Result</u> 1. Royal Navy (South) 143 pts | 2. Belgrave H. 135 pts | 3. Southampton 131 pts |
| 4. Blackheath 122 pts                       | 5. H. H. H. 116 pts    | 6. Portsmouth 83 pts   |
| 7. Milocarian 75 pts                        | 8. Walton A. C. 74 pts | 9. Met. Police 69 pts  |

Tooting Bec. on Wednesday, 9th, July 1969

## Senior

|                                                 |                                   |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 100 yds 2. A. Brooks 10.7 Non/Scoring           | 3. P. Smith 11.3                  |
| 220 yds 4. A. Brooks 23.5 Non/Scoring           | 3. P. Smith 24.7                  |
| 440 yds 5. M. Bloice 54.5 Non/Scoring           | 3. J. Kelly 55.7                  |
| 880 yds 2. P. Hilliar 1:59.8                    | 3. D. Jardine 2:00.4              |
| 4. J. Boardman 2:1.5                            | 6. C. Pearson 2:03.0              |
| 11. R. Glover 2:15.0                            | 12. C. Manning 2:26.0             |
| 1 Mile 1. W. Kerr 4:21.2                        | 2. L. O'Hara 4:23.6               |
| 3. L. Mann 4:24.4                               | 6. J. Kelly 4:33.0                |
| 7. M. McNair 4:33.0                             | 8. H. Satchell 4:33.0             |
| 12. R. Mainstone 4:42.0                         | 13. J. Rimmer 4:43.0              |
| 2 Miles 1. R. Smith 9:23.8                      | 3. L. Mann 9:36.8                 |
| 4. A. Black 9:39.0                              | 5. D. Brew 9:55.4                 |
| 7. B. Gorman 10:11.0                            | 11. V. Butcher 10:24.0            |
| 13. C. Keavey 10:29.0                           | 4 x 220 yds 4. Belgrave H. 1:37.0 |
| (A. Brooks, J. Hamilton, R. Hamilton, P. Smith) | Discus 2. F. Glass 120'-3"        |
| 5. W. Couzens 98'-10"                           | 6. J. Martin 88'-0"               |
| Shot 3. W. Couzens 35'-7"                       | 4. F. Glass 34'-4"                |
| Long Jump 6. J. Martin 18'-3½"                  |                                   |

|                                     |                        |                          |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|
| <u>Result</u> 1. Belgrave H. 44 pts | 2. Sutton/Cheam 42 pts | 3. Surrey Beagles 39 pts |
| 4. Surrey A. C. 36 pts              | 5. S. L. H. 36 pts     | 6. Q. P. H. 31 pts       |

## Youth/Junior

|                                           |                                     |
|-------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 100 yds (Y) 1. M. Marshall 11.2           | 100 yds (J) 4. R. Hamilton 11.4     |
| 220 yds (Y) 1. M. Bloice 24.5 Non/Scoring | 1. R. Langley 25.7                  |
| 2. J. Ioanno 26.6                         | 3. M. Waight 27.3                   |
| 4. A. England 27.9                        | 880 yds (Y) 1. J. Stow 2:08.5       |
| 4. P. Breslin 2:10.6                      | 6. L. Harris 2:15.0                 |
| 9. J. McAfee 2:20.0                       | 880 yds (J) 2. J. Hamilton 2:05.7   |
| Shot (Y) 1. E. McNally 32'-3½"            | 8. A. England 21'-8½"               |
| Shot (J) 4. Moriah 28'-2½"                | Long Jump (Y) 2. M. Marshall 17'-9" |
| 9. E. McNally 15'-1¾"                     | Long Jump (J) 5. Moriah 15'-8½"     |
| 220 yds (J) 3. R. Wood 24.7               | 4. M. Marshall 24.7                 |
| 6. R. Hamilton 25.3                       |                                     |

|                                     |                        |                        |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| <u>Result</u> 1. Belgrave H. 48 pts | 2. Surrey A. C. 44 pts | 3. Sutton/Cheam 40 pts |
| 4. Surrey Beagles & S. L. H. 25 pts | 6. Q. P. H. 16 pts     |                        |

# MORRIS WINS GRIFFEN CUP

Club 5000 metre championship---Battersea Park---16th July

A pleasant Wednesday evening saw the usual large and enthusiastic field line up to face Arthur Penny's starting pistol this year (no-not literally!). After very few of the 12  $\frac{1}{2}$  laps had gone by, the field had split up and the leaders moved steadily away, with Peter Morris leading the procession. Before the end of a mile, Peter had opened up a small gap from Tony Fairclough and then four runners, Lionel Mann, John Dear, Dick Piotrowski and Laurie O'Hara followed. This order remained unchanged, except for Dick dropping out with a badly blistered foot, until the last lap, where Lionel and Laurie got right up on their toes to leave a very surprised John Dear yards behind. Lionel won the duel and his last 220 must have been under 26 secs. Despite this final flurry, Peter Morris still won very easily in a fast time for a dusty track and Tony Fairclough as usual, gave his all to finish second. Of the others, John Dear ran very creditably and seems to be coming on nicely after his tendon trouble earlier in the year. Gerry North gave his injury a good try-out, although he still surprised some of the middle of the field by finishing faster than he started. Note should also be made of youths, Peter Carton and John Stowe who both finished in very good times and look to have bright futures.

## RESULTS

|                  |         |                  |                |
|------------------|---------|------------------|----------------|
| 1. P. Morris     | 14:44.6 | 11. J. Woodcock  | 16:19          |
| 2. A. Fairclough | 14:51.8 | 12. Gerry North  | 16:27          |
| 3. L. Mann       | 14:59   | 13. V. Butcher   | 16:52          |
| 4. L. O'Hara     | 15:00   | 14. R. Glover    | 17:23          |
| 5. J. Dear       | 15:05   | 15. J. Dooley    | 17:25          |
| 6. R. Smith      | 15:30   | 16. S. McMeekin  | 18:17          |
| 7. M. McNair     | 16:09   | 17. C. Fairfield | 18:28          |
| 8. B. Gorman     | 16:11   | 18. C. Henn      | 18:36          |
| 9. H. Satchell   | 16:16   | 19. K. Stimpson  | 18:47          |
| 10. P. Carton    | 16:19   |                  | ( 25 started ) |

## Schools Relay

|                       |
|-----------------------|
| (880,220,220,440)     |
| 1. Tulse Hill 3:55.5  |
| 2. Spencer Park 4:1.8 |
| 3. Beverley 4:10.1    |

## 300m (Handicap)

|                   |              |
|-------------------|--------------|
| 1. P. Smith 7yds  | 35.3         |
| 2. D. Scott 15yds | 35.3         |
| 3. A. Brooks Ser  | 35.5         |
|                   | (16 started) |

## 110m Hurdles Championship

|                  |       |
|------------------|-------|
| 1. A. Benth      | 18s   |
| 2. R. Couillault | 23.1s |

# BELS WIN 'JIM PETERS' TROPHY

Barking---Saturday 19th July

Our first win of the season, but as we were allowed to score in all age groups, we had little cause to fear otherwise, with our immense turn out from Reg Hopkins' contingent. For a change, we supplied a few winners namely Glyn Ratcliffe in the Senior shot, Steve Inman in the junior javelin, Martin Eloice and Richard Langley in the youth's quarter and half respectively, as well as the 2 mile team, the senior and youths relay teams. Otherwise, we managed to fill every event and thereby pick up points.

## Senior

|                                                                          |                                     |                                             |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| 100yds 5. C.Martin 10.4                                                  | 220yds 4. A.Sapountzoglou 23.4      | 440yds 5.A.Brooks 51.5                      |
| 880yds 4.D.Jardine 2:2.8                                                 | 1 Mile 2.A.Major 4:24.3             | 2 Miles Team 1. BELGRAVE H. (3.R.Smith 9:24 |
| 4. L. O'Hara 9:29.8                                                      | 6. J. Woodcock 9:55.2)              |                                             |
| 4 x 440yds 1. BELGRAVE H. 3:29.7 (M.Ford, P.Hilliar, C.Brooks, A.Brooks) | Javelin 2.B.King 190'-8"            |                                             |
| Pole Vault 2. S.Inman 11'-0"                                             | Triple Jump 4. R. Couillault 43'-4" | High Jump 5.C.Brooks 5'-4"                  |
| Shot 1. T.Ratcliffe 43'-5".                                              |                                     |                                             |

## Junior

|                                                 |                                |                                  |
|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 100yds (heats) 4.S.Barlow 10.9                  | 220yds 4.R.Hamilton 24.5       | 440yds 4.J.Hamilton 54.5         |
| 880yds 5. R.Hamilton 2:6.8                      | 1 Mile 2.W.Curtin 4:44.4       | 4 x 110yds 3. BELGRAVE H. 49.1 ( |
| R.Hamilton, J.Stow, S.Barlow, J.Hamilton)       | Javelin 1. S.Inman 168'-0"     | Triple Jump                      |
| Triple Jump 4. J.Hamilton 35'-4 $\frac{1}{2}$ " | 200m S/C 4. V. Butcher 6:51.8. |                                  |

## Youths

|                               |                              |                                          |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| 100yds (heats) 4.B.Quirk 12s  | 220yds 2.R.Langley 24.8      | 440yds 1.M.Eloice 54.5                   |
| 880yds 1. R.Langley 2.4.      | 1 Mile 1. P.Carton 4:44.1    | 4 x 110yds 1. BELGRAVE H. 49s (P.Carton, |
| R.Langley, B.Quirk, M.Eloice) | High Jump 2. E.McNally 5'-3" | Shot 2. E.McNally 36'-2"                 |

## BOYS

|                             |                                                |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| 880yds 4. R. Hopkins 2:22.6 | Long Jump 5. S. Crosbie 15'-5 $\frac{1}{2}$ ". |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------------------------|

## RESULT

|                       |                       |                             |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. BELGRAVE H 127 pts | 2. Woodford Gn 104pts | 3. Coventry Godiva 102 pts. |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|

## THE MEN BEHIND THE TROPHIES

Belgrave Harriers stage over 40 Club Championships each year and, including meritorious and special awards, present no less than 46 trophies, shields, bowls and cups to the title holders. Many of the awards are truly handsome and a complete list, with present holders, can be found on pages 16 and 17 of the Club Handbook.

The premier award is the "Tommy Green" Cup, given for the year's most meritorious performance and we shortly hope to feature a "Spotlight" on the legendary figure whose name it carries.

One of our most popular track-run championships is the 3 miles---now 5,000 metres---and many a famous Belgravian has received the "Griffen" cup over the last 40-odd years. But who was Bill Griffen? Well, he was the licensee of "The Rising Sun", Ebury Bridge Rd, S.W.1, which was our mid-week quarters from the early 20's to the late 30's, and he followed our activities with great interest. Our photograph shows him giving encouragement to E.A. Wall of Belgrave during the London-Brighton Walk of 1923. The walker following Wall is his club-mate and rival, J. Rathbone. Bill Griffen presented his trophy in 1928 and the result of the first race was 1. Jack Flower. 2. Ernie Duffett. 3. Mick Pyer.



HILL GRIFFIN (wearing cap) encouraging E. A. Wall  
in "Brighton" of 1923.

Our second picture features the man whose name is well known in the field event section---Charlie Cook. Each year the winner of our Triple Jump Championship is awarded the "Charlie Cook Memorial Cup", a trophy which remembers a unique Belgravian. Charlie was so active and competed for so long that few would remember him as anything but a veteran. He is seen here finishing second in a handicap race at the White City in 1938---at 75 years of age! As a newspaper columnist of the day wrote "He tells me that this event was his last in open competition. He is now in his 76th year and intends to confine his attention to club races only in future. He has been a member of Belgrave Harriers since the club was started over 50 years ago. In these days when physical fitness is a general topic, it is interesting to hear of the manifold activities which have kept Cook so fit. For 60 years Cook has been actively interested in all forms of sport, particularly athletics, football, cricket, swimming, boxing and rowing, and during that time he has been successful in winning prizes at most of them. Even now, whilst still in business, he walks about 15 miles a day, as well as training in the evenings at Battersea Park Track.

In 12 years he has won the veterans race three times and been placed once, a performance which no other veteran runner has equalled". Our triple jump winners have good cause to be proud of their trophy.



CHARLIE COOK (18) at finish of Vets 100 at Police Sports

WHITE CITY, August 1938

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# No 'Brockman' Win

HAT-TRICK THWARTED BY SURREY A.C.

Crystal Palace---Saturday 26th July

A very close-fought contest resulted in a win for Surrey AC who finished four points ahead of us. But make no mistake about it, this was a performance of which the club can be proud, as our boys ran, jumped or threw their hearts out. A summary of events is called for I feel, as it would be invidious to single any one out ahead of a fellow competitor. P.H.

100m: Jim Vivian recently recovered from injury, was just edged out by Knowles (Brighton) in a tight finish.

200m: John Mitchell ran a fine race, although the class of internationals Reynolds (TVH) and Knowles told at the end.

400m: Mel Ford beat 50 seconds twice in heat and final, eventually finishing a close-up third. He improved 1.1 seconds on his previous best.

800m: John Boardman beat his best by nearly 2 seconds, but could only finish 9th, such was the standard.

1500m: John Thresher did a 56 second last lap, but so unfortunately did the winner Thomas (HHH), who was 10 yards up at the bell.

5000m: Laurie O'Hara has been suffering from a nasty illness lately, but always runs if asked. He was dropped fairly early and has still to regain his early-season snap.

10,000m: A plucky run from Adrian Major---another willing to run whenever he is asked. However the conditions and pace of the race worked against him.

3000m S/c: Alan Black was somewhat below his form of the Southern, but still managed third place.



(Photo by Ron Linstead)

Alan Black leads Fearon (H/W) over the water jump

110m H: An unexpectedly good run from Bob Coullault just back from holiday.

400m H: But for hitting the last hurdle, Charles Gillett must have beaten his best. Again the finish was close and standard high.

Discus: Our only win for Glyn Ratcliffe, who beat his personal best in every round to finish just short of 150 feet.

Shot: Glyn Ratcliffe was a close second here to complete a really good day.

Javelin: A fine performance for Erian King, once again above 190 feet.

Long Jump: Snowy Brooks managed 3rd place,  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch ahead of Howell (HHH), thanks he says to some fast talking!

**Triple Jump:** A sound competition from Bob Couillault, who is getting full fitness back rapidly.

**High Jump:** Arnold Bent must have a magic way with bars—he did everything bar knock it down on his way to 6 feet, but this is the height he achieved.

**Hammer:** Bill Couzens performed ably in this most punishing field event.

**Pole Vault:** Unfortunately Steve Immen was unavailable and the ever-willing Tony Brooks filled in. His pole-assisted Fosbury Flop found the bar an unsurmountable object today and he failed the opening 8'-6".

**Medley Relay:** The last event of the day, where we had to beat Surrey by 4 places to win. Unfortunately this proved above our team, as Surrey beat us by one place, despite a fine anchor by Tony Brooks.

**RESULT:**

100m: 2. J. Vivian 11.0      200m: 3. J. Mitchell 22.3      400m: 3. M. Ford 49.3 (PB)  
 800m: 9. J. Boardman 1:55.9 (PB)      1500m: J. Thresher 3:50.1  
 5000m: 8. L. O'Hara 10.000m: 6. A. Major 32:4.2      3000mS/cr3. A. Black 9:30.2  
 110m Hurdles: 4. R. Couillault 16.6      400m Hurdles: 4. C. Gillett 54.5  
 Hammer 6. W. Couzens 113'-9"      Discus 1. T. Ratcliffe 148'-6" (PB) Long Jump 3. C. Brooks 22'-  
 Javelin 3. B. King 190'-4"      Triple Jump 4. R. Couillault 44'-4"  
 High Jump 4. A. Bent 6'-      Shot 2. T. Ratcliffe 44'-4"  
 Continental Relay 4. BELGRAVE 2:00:13 (100m J. Vivian, 200m C. Brooks, 300m D. Rees, 400m A. Brooks)

|                |       |                     |       |                      |       |
|----------------|-------|---------------------|-------|----------------------|-------|
| 1. Surrey A.C. | 60pts | 5. Blackheath H.    | 41pts | 9. Cambridge H.      | 15pts |
| 2. BELGRAVE H. | 56 "  | 6. Brighton & Hove  | 40 "  | 10. S.L.H.           | 12 "  |
| = 3. H.H.H.    | 53 "  | 7. Hercules/Wimb'n. | 32 "  | = 11. Polytechnic H. | 6 "   |
| = 3. T.V.H.    | 53 "  | 8. Croydon H.       | 25 "  | = 11. Walton A.C.    | 6 "   |

## S O U T H E R N      C H A M P S .

**Southern Counties at Crystal Palace 11/12th July.**

200m (Semi Final) 7. C. Gillett (22.7 in heat)      1500m (Heats) 8. A. Major 3:58.2  
 3000m 7. L. O'Hara 8:32      9. T. Hart 8:37  
 5000m 2. Geoff North 13:44.4      11. J. Thresher 14:26  
 5000m (Standards Race) 5. A. Fairclough 14:46.4  
 3000m S/c 2. J. Bicourt 9:38      4. R. Piotrowski 9:17      8. A. Black 9:20.4      11. J. Dear 9:36.2  
 100m (Final) 6. J. Vivian 10.8 (Semi-Final 10.7).      Semi-Final 5. J. Mitchell 10.8  
 400m Hurdles (Final) 7. C. Gillett 55.4      Long Jump 4. J. Mitchell 23'-6½"

**Wimbledon Park—23rd July**

**Senior**

100m: 2. C. Brooks 11.7      4. A. Brooks 11.9      200m: 1. S. White 22.5      2. A. Brooks 23.4  
 400m: 2. A. Sapountzoglou 52s      3. P. Smith 53.3  
 800m: J. Thresher 1:56.4      3. D. Fernee 1:58.3      4. J. Kelly 1:59.7      5. J. Hamilton 2:00.8  
 1500m: 1. D. Fernee 3:59.5      3. R. Smith 4:03.6      7. J. Dear 4:13      10. D. Brew 4:17      12. J. Kelly 4:18  
 13. H. Satchell 4:24      14. B. Gorman 4:26      15. C. Keavey 4:26  
 3000m S/c: 1. M. McNeil 10:31      4x100m: 1. BELGRAVE 45.2 (A. Brooks, P. Smith, A. Sapountzoglou, C. Brooks). Shot: 1. A. Kerr 46'-5"      3. W. Couzens 33'-8"      Javelin: 3. B. King 180'-10"      4. F. Glass 157'-6"  
 Discus: 1. A. Kerr 143'-10"      4. F. Glass 122'-11"      Long Jump: 2. C. Brooks 20'-½"      3. J. Welch 19'-8½"

**RESULT**

1. BELGRAVE H 99pts      2. Hercules/Wimbledon 58pts      3. London A.C. 51pts.

**Junior/Youths**

100m (Youths) 1. M. Marshall 12.2      4. G. Saunders N/T  
 200m (Juniors) 1. A. Bent 24.2      2. S. Barlow 25s  
 200m (Youths) 1. R. Hopkins 27s      2. G. Jessop 28.1  
 400m (Junior) 2. D. Rees 52.4 (Youths) 1. M. Marshall 58.3      3. E. McNally 60.1  
 800m (Junior) 2. J. Blair-Fish N/T.      1500m (Youths) 3. E. McNally 5:11.6      4. G. Jessop 5:18.8  
 4x100m (Junior) 1. BELGRAVE 45.7 (D. Rees, S. Barlow, A. Bent, S. White)  
 4x100m (Youths) 1. BELGRAVE 53.5 (M. Marshall, E. McNally, G. Jessop, R. Hopkins)  
 Shot (Youths) 3. H. Marshall 30'-11½"      5. E. McNally 29'-6½"  
 Javelin (Junior) 1. A. Bent 136'-11"      3. E. McNally 109'-.      Discus (Youths) 4. E. McNally 101'5"  
 Long Jump: 2. M. Marshall 19'-1"      4. E. McNally 17'-1½"  
**RESULT:** 1. Belgrave H. 103 pts      2. Hercules/Wimbledon 84 pts      3. London A.C. 21 pts.

M. Ford broke his own Club 400m hurdles record (55.4) when he ran 55.3 at Portsmouth on July 16th, in finishing second for the Army in the inter-services championships. He has since lost his record to Charles Gillett, who has clocked 54.5.

In the Army A.A. Championships at Aldershot on June 26/27 M. Ford finished 2nd in the 440 yds hurdles with 56.0 and Glyn Ratcliffe was 4th in the shot with a putt of 43'-2½".

# SMITH WINS TOM CARTER CUP

Club 10,000 metres Championship Battersea Park—August 6th

After eight months in the wilderness, Bob Smith came back with a bang on a sultry August evening to collect his first Club Championship trophy (Tom Carter Cup) and really shake Pete Morris and Tony Fairclough. Peter, our 5,000m champion, was prompted to say "where did he come from? He was just an also-ran in the Griffen Cup and I was expecting him to drop back on every lap!". Bob's only comment was "Now for Kelly Diprose!".

Nineteen runners toed the line and many prominent names were missing. After only 800 metres a group of six had broken clear, with Tony Fairclough pushing the pace from Morris, O'Hara, Smith, Dear and Mann. And so they remained, until 3,000 metres when Lionel Mann dropped off the back, followed two laps later by Laurie O'Hara and John Dear. The medal winners had thus emerged and Morris looked by far the most comfortable.

Smith had surprised many by remaining in contact for so long but he really rubbed it in when he got to 5,000 metres by leaping into the lead. Fairclough was forced to tail off and then gradually Bob stretched his lead, 6 metres, 10 metres, 15 metres, until at the three-quarter distance he was ten seconds clear. It was now a procession. Peter was resigned to second place but Fairclough had to work for his medal as a scorching last lap from his old rival O'Hara pushed him into a desperate finish.

John Dear ran very well, covering all but the last lap in the close company of Laurie O'Hara. Mann ran most of the race solo and Major tested out an injured achilles tendon with a steady run in 'flats'.

The first seven achieved first class Club standard (33:15) and Brian Gorman gained the second class award (34:30).

## RESULTS

|                  |         |                 |       |
|------------------|---------|-----------------|-------|
| 1. M.R. Smith    | 30:31.2 | 10. J. Dooley   | 35:31 |
| 2. P. Morris     | 31:00   | 11. C. Pearson  | 35:56 |
| 3. A. Fairclough | 31:10   | 12. C. Walker   | 36:24 |
| 4. L. O'Hara     | 31:11   | 13. K. Stimpson | 37:18 |
| 5. J. Dear       | 31:17   | 14. P. Sutton   | 37:23 |
| 6. L. Mann       | 32:10   | 15. D. Hurd     | 37:54 |
| 7. A. Major      | 32:46   | 16. C. Henn     | 38:56 |
| 8. B. Gorman     | 33:48   | 17. P. Pringle  | 38:56 |
| 9. V. Butcher    | 34:56   |                 |       |

## Battersea Park—30th July

### Senior

|                               |                                                 |                              |                     |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|
| 100m: 2.C. Brooks 11.7        | 4.P. Smith 11.8                                 | 200m: 2.C. Brooks 23.1       | 3.R. Wood 24.4      |
| 400m: 1.P. Smith 52.4         | 2.D. Rees 52.4                                  | 800m: 1.K. May 1:57.4        | 3.L. Mann 1:59.6    |
| 1500m: 1.R. Smith 4:2.7       | 2.J. Kelly 4:4.9                                | 3.D. Jardine 4:16            | 4. A. Major 4:16.2  |
| 3000m: 1.L. O'Hara 8:13.4     | 2.Gerry North 8:13.9                            | 3.J. Dear 8:14.4             | 4.W. Kerr 8:15.2    |
| 5.D. Brew 8:15.8              | 6.P. Carton 9:07                                | 7. M. McNair 9:08            | 8.J. Stow 9:09      |
| 4x110yds: 1. BELGRAVE H. 47.6 | (P. Smith, P. Hilliar, D. MacMillan, C. Brooks) |                              |                     |
| Shot: 1.W. Couzens 36'-5"     | 3.C. Brooks 31'-5½"                             | High Jump: 1.C. Brooks 5'-2" | 3.P. Hilliar 4'-10" |
| Long Jump: 1.C. Brooks 19-9½" | Javelin: 1.B. King 181'-9"                      | 2.W. Couzens 158'-6"         | 4.C. Brooks 94'-6"  |

### RESULT

|                         |                      |                  |
|-------------------------|----------------------|------------------|
| 1. BELGRAVE H. 110½ pts | 2. Surrey AC 47½ pts | 3. H.H.H. 45 pts |
|-------------------------|----------------------|------------------|

### Junior

|                                 |                                             |                          |                          |                  |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------------|
| 200m: 1.A. Bentt 23.5           | 4.R. Hamilton 25.5                          | 6.D. Rees 26.2           | 400m: 3.R. Hamilton 54.8 | 4.S. Barlow 55.1 |
| 800m: 1.J. Hamilton 2:12.5      | 2. R. Hamilton 2:16.7                       |                          |                          |                  |
| 4x110yds: 2. BELGRAVE H. 47.8   | (D. Rees, J. Hamilton, A. Bentt, S. Barlow) |                          |                          |                  |
| High Jump: 1. E. McNally 4'-10" | 2.R. Moriah 4'-10"                          | Shot: 1.A. Bentt 36'-6½" | 2. E. McNally 28'-10"    |                  |
| Long Jump: 1.A. Bentt 20'-2½"   | 2.M. Marshall 19'-6"                        |                          |                          |                  |
| Javelin: 2. A. Bentt 103'-9"    | 3. R. Moriah 100'-6"                        | 4. E. McNally 98'-7"     |                          |                  |

### RESULT

|                        |                   |                        |
|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| 1. BELGRAVE H. 77 pts, | 2. H.H.H. 65 pts, | 3. Surrey A.C. 10 pts. |
|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|

## DANCE WINS ROUNDWOOD GALA '54

Bill Dance continues to wave the claret and gold vest in Yorkshire, and on July 26th he scored a fine win at Wakefield from a good field. The crowds on the Gala Field caused much confusion at the finish and the course was shortened from the planned 5 miles—but it was too hot for anyone to complain.

### RESULT

|                |          |       |              |         |       |
|----------------|----------|-------|--------------|---------|-------|
| 1. G.W. Dance  | (BELS)   | 22:30 | 4. B. Stacey | (Holm)  | 23:49 |
| 2. P. Rawnsley | (Sky)    | 22:43 | 5. D. Smith  | (Sky)   | 23:55 |
| 3. J. Newsome  | (Wake'd) | 23:37 | 6. R. Norton | (Long.) | 23:56 |

## A. A. A. CHAMPS

### White City--August 2nd

Except for John Mitchell's excellent 5th place in the Long Jump Final there was not a lot to enthuse about in Belgrave eyes at this year's Championships. John jumped very well into the notorious White City pit and failed to obtain a bronze medal by a mere  $\frac{1}{2}$ ".

Perhaps we expect too much of Derek Boosey---after all, third place in a A.A.A. final is hardly failure!---but we do know he could be Britain's top triple jumper if only he could keep free from injury. His 50'-3 $\frac{1}{2}$ " was considerably below his best.

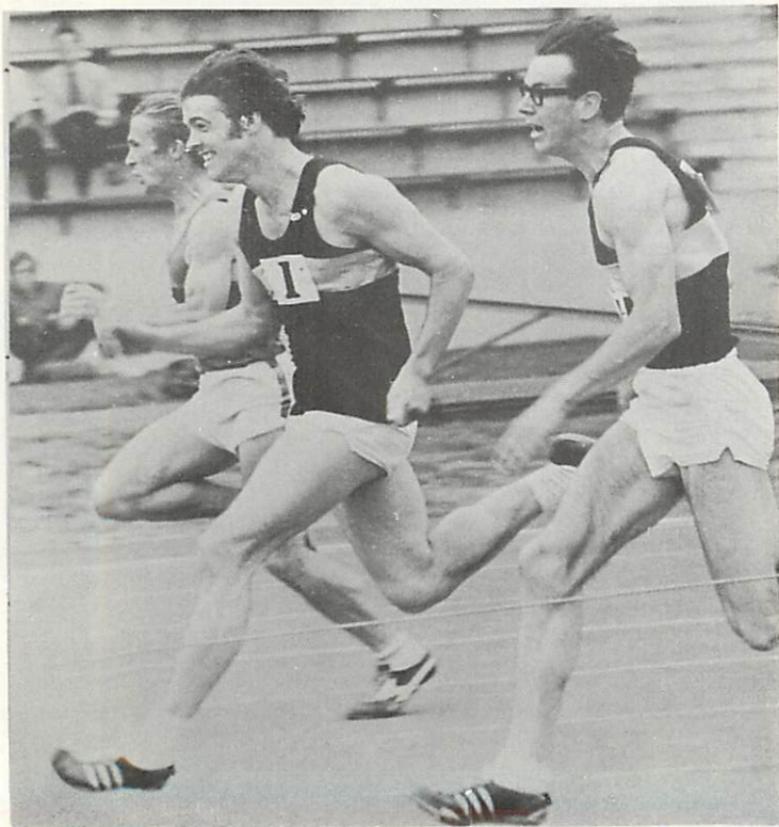
Jim Vivian, not fully back to form yet after injury, was eliminated in the 100 metres heats with 11.2.

Geoff North and John Thresher were most unhappy in the 5,000 metres. Geoff was well placed for a mile but then faded and struggled on gallantly to finish nearly a minute outside his best. John was never in the hunt and was obliged to drop out.

Our strongest representation was in the 3,000 metres steeplechase where we had John Bicourt Peter Morris and Dick Piotrowski. The latter two just failed to qualify for the final (Peter by the proverbial whisker) and clocked 8:59.0 and 9:03.8 respectively. John's 8:55.2 got him through to the final but he had nothing left and finished 8th in 9:00.2.

Charles Gillett was another to be eliminated in his heat, but his performances over the intermediate hurdles this year suggests he has the ability to reach a future final in this, Britain's strongest event. Charles's time of 55.4 was 0.9 seconds outside his recent Club record.

In the Junior 4x100metres relay we were without the services of Steve White who was assisting his school, Tulse Hill. We were last in our heat with a poor 45.1 seconds.



(Photo: Ron Linstead)

Just back from injury, JIM VIVIAN splits Knowles (Brighton & H.) and Reynolds (TV) in the Frockman 100. But he was unable to recover his old dash in time for the A.A.A. Championships where he was eliminated in 11.2.

# Autumn Relay Prospects

## Clive Shippen reviews the forthcoming road season

Although there has been very little publicity about it, the A.A.A. are staging a National 6 stage relay on October 25th at Leicester. To help congest the year's calendar even further, a Southern qualifying race will be incorporated in the Maidenhead AC Relay on September 27th. So the Autumn fixture list sees the addition of two more events when it can barely find room for the existing ones.

At the time of writing, the Maidenhead qualifying race will be held on September 27th the day before the Johnstone Relay. The latter race has been in danger of discontinuing for some time and the Maidenhead race could well be it's death knell---which would be a pity as the "Johnstone" is the only relay, other than the National, that brings the leading English clubs together on the road.

The National six-stage Relay clashes with the first North Surrey League fixture at Wimbledon (which also incorporates our opening run) and will therefore affect that competition in no small way. As it happens, Belgrave will stand to lose least by the clash because of our depth, but some of our rivals are unlikely to recover from the affect of losing their best six men and a reserve in the first of only four matches.

The September-October programme is as follows:-

|               |   |                                                 |
|---------------|---|-------------------------------------------------|
| September 6th | - | Surrey Co. Road Relays (S & Y)---Woking Lido.   |
| " 20th        | - | Belgrave 5½ miles handicap (non-championship).  |
| " "           | - | Blackheath H. Road Relay.                       |
| " 27th        | - | Maidenhead AC and Southern 6 stage Road Relay.  |
| " 28th        | - | (Sunday) "Johnstone" Road Relay---Hornchurch.   |
| October 4th   | - | Walton AC Road Relay.                           |
| " 11th        | - | Belgrave 3 miles Yacht Handicap.                |
| " 18th        | - | Belgrave Open Youths Road Relay.                |
| " "           | - | Dudley to Eridgenorth and Back Road Relay.      |
| " 25th        | - | North Surrey League and Opening Run---Belgrave. |
| " "           | - | A.A.A. National 6 stage road relay.             |

The Surrey Relay at Woking on September 6th is well worth turning out for and our runners are reminded that only the 'A' team has to be Surrey qualified. So there is a run for all who desire it; and in a very pleasant park setting with an opportunity for a swim in the Lido afterwards. Unfortunately, the G.L.C. track and field championships and the popular Southall '10' road race clash with this fixture---and with holidays also taking their toll we usually have difficulty fielding truly representative teams. So, whatever your standard, why not make an effort to get to Woking Lido on September 6th?



(Photo: C.Shippen)

Fairclough, O'Hara and Piotrowski are all set for some fast road times

There is no relay fixture on September 13th as this is the date of the season's final track and field National League match, but the following week sees the appearance of our Autumnal '5 $\frac{1}{2}$ ' which can always be relied upon to throw up something interesting in the form book. This year should be no exception as there are signs already of useful men running into form.

Our new 10,000 metres champion, Bob Smith, is now back to his form of 10 months ago and there is every prospect of his turning in some fast times. When he finished the 10,000 he commented "Now for that devil Diprose!". Kelly arrived home from an extended Continental holiday that very week and got straight back into training. The Smith-Diprose duel should prove most interesting this winter. Peter Morris, with Bob and Kelly, makes up a trio that were not on call last Autumn and this should produce a terrific battle for selection when the National six-stage relay is due. Peter is our 5,000 metres champion and his steeplechasing prowess brings one to those other two top form 'chasers John Bicourt and Dick Piotrowski who have both had their best ever summer seasons.

Our top trio of Gerry North, Geoff North and John Thresher should be harder pushed than ever before, because the aforementioned names are barely a third of our potential. There is Bill Dance showing some of his best ever form up North; the ever improving Adrian Major; Tony Fairclough who always makes our top six; our leading road runner Trevor Hart; that diminutive jet Laurie O'Hara; and the 'new' Chris Steer---due home this Autumn; the road 'twins' Pat O'Connor and Lionel Mann; Charlie Dabbs and Alan Black both showing new leases of life that shouldn't be underrated; John Dear, whose current form will beat more than one of those already mentioned and, finally, Bob Cross whom we look forward to seeing again after his summer season in Achilles colours.

All this goes to show that we have the greatest depth of quality in the land. But will it throw up the cracking sextet that is needed to win the inaugural six-stage relay or, indeed, the top prize of all---THE NATIONAL CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIP?

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FROM THE BELGRAVIAN

25 years ago ●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●

OCTOBER 1944----"This edition might well be called the "Flying Bomb Number", as much of what is recorded took place whilst Southern England, and particularly London, was under attack by these missiles. In conjunction with Polytechnic Harriers, a full and ambitious programme had been arranged. A number of fixtures had to be cancelled, whilst the remainder were contested by scratch teams from either side. This was not surprising as Police and Civil Defence were fully occupied. A number of members were able to find or make the time to turn out for the Club and we are all grateful to those who helped to keep Belgrave to the fore during most trying times".

"A glance at the Club address book shows that we have many members living in some of the most heavily damaged areas. No serious injuries to members have been reported, but many of our members' homes have been damaged, some completely destroyed. To all who have suffered, the Club offers their deepest sympathy, and we hope that lost and damaged homes will be quickly restored. We also extend condolences to those who have lost relations and friends".

●●●●●●●●●●●●●● and 40 years ago

SEPTEMBER 1929----"This year the Annual General Meeting was held at St. Gabriel's Hall, Lupus Street (near the foot of Vauxhall Bridge) and was fairly well attended".

"The Honorary Secretary commenced his report by giving some details of the Club membership. He announced that 138 new members had joined during the past year, against 23 resignations, and said that the Club membership now stood at 508. In the matter of performances, the Club had just completed it's best season yet, forty two years after the formation of the Club. The walkers had opened the year by winning the R.W.A. scratch team cup and had finished by annexing the Brighton Walk Team Shield. In between these two races, the National Championship had again been won (for the fourth time in five years) and second place gained in the Junior Championship held at Birmingham. The runners also had their share of wins. Both the Junior and Senior Championships of the South of the Thames Association had been won and also the Surrey Championship, by a very large margin. The Club's showing in the Southern and National Championships was disappointing after the early season wins, but amends were made in the London to Brighton Relay. In this race the Bels finished seventh, gaining the special medals and completing the course in time which a few years ago would have beaten the record".

"There had been two outstanding individuals during the past year, G. R. Dunkley and T.W. Green. George Dunkley had represented England v Germany in two races and had shown some remarkably running. He had been timed to do his stage of the 4x400 yards relay in 48.3 seconds---a wonderful performance".

"Tommy Green had shown notably consistent distance walking and the Club were justified in regarding him as the fastest man at the longer distances in the Country, and possibly the World. His last performance, that of winning the Brighton walk in the second fastest time ever recorded, came as a fine finish to the year's efforts".

BEST PERFORMANCES 1969

FIRST CLAIM MEMBERS ONLY

(As at August 9th)

<p><u>100 metres</u></p> <p>10.7 J. Mitchell 10.7 J. Vivian 11.0 S. White (J) 11.2 C. Martin 11.3 C. Eooks 11.3 A. Sapountzoglou</p> <p><u>800 metres</u></p> <p>1:55.9 J. Boardman 1:56.2 J. Thresher 1:58.0 J. Kelly 1:58.0 P. Hilliar 1:58.1 L. Mann 1:58.2 D. Jardine</p> <p><u>5,000 metres</u></p> <p>13:44.4 Geoff North 13:56.0 J. Thresher 14:29.0 P. Morris 14:38.0 T. Hart 14:42.2 A. Major 14:46.4 A. Fairclough 14:51.0 L. O'Hara 14:57.6 L. Mann</p> <p><u>High Jump</u></p> <p>6'-0" A. Bentt (J) 5'-8" R. Couillault 5'-6" S. Ipaye</p> <p><u>Weight</u></p> <p>44'-1½" T.G. Ratcliffe 39'-6" N. Head 39'-1½" J. Martin 38'-1½" W. Couzens</p> <p><u>Discus</u></p> <p>148'-6" T.G. Ratcliffe 128'-9" F. Glass 121'-7½" N. Head</p>	<p><u>200 metres</u></p> <p>21.7 S. White (J) 21.9 J. Mitchell 22.7 C. Gillett 22.9 J. Vivian 22.9 C. Martin 23.0 A. Sapountzoglou</p> <p><u>1500 metres</u></p> <p>3:50.1 J. Thresher 3:56.8 Geoff North 3:58.2 A. Major 3:58.4 R. Piotrowski 4:02.7 M.R. Smith 4:03.2 W. Kerr</p> <p><u>10,000 metres</u></p> <p>30:19.6 T. Hart 30:31.0 M.R. Smith 30:38.0 A. Fairclough 31:00.0 P. Morris 31:11.0 L. O'Hara 31:17.0 J. Dear</p> <p><u>110m H</u></p> <p>16.6 R. Couillault 18.0 A. Bentt (J)</p> <p><u>Long Jump</u></p> <p>24'-0½" J. Mitchell 22'-3½" S. White (J) 22'-2½" L. Sullivan (J) 22'-0" C. Eooks 21'-8" R. Couillault 21'-2½" J. Bentt (J) 21'-0" D. Glendinning</p> <p><u>Javelin</u></p> <p>197'-9" N. Head 190'-3" E. King 166'-5" K. Schofield 163'-5" F. Glass</p>	<p><u>400 metres</u></p> <p>49.3 M. Ford 49.8 C. Gillett 51.0 D. Rees (J) 51.3 A. Eooks 51.3 P. Gee 51.9 M. Eloice (Y)</p> <p><u>3000 metres</u></p> <p>8:03.6 J. Thresher 8:16.4 Geoff North 8:16.6 J. Eicourt 8:18.8 P. Morris 8:32.0 L. O'Hara 8:37.0 T. Hart</p> <p><u>3,000m. S/chase</u></p> <p>8:50.2 J. Eicourt 8:55.0 P. Morris 9:00.6 R. Piotrowski 9:20.4 A. Elack 9:36.2 J. Dear</p> <p><u>400m H</u></p> <p>54.5 C. Gillett 55.3 M. Ford 59.1 A. Eooks</p> <p><u>Triple Jump</u></p> <p>52'-0½" D. Boosey 47'-3" D. Glendinning 45'-7½" R. Couillault 42'-7½" A. Bentt (J) 40'-5½" C. Eooks</p> <p><u>Pole Vault</u></p> <p>9'-0" A. Kossi 9'-0" A. Eooks</p> <p><u>Hammer</u></p> <p>140'-9" M. Robertson 117'-5" W. Couzens</p>
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**MAKE A SPECIAL NOTE TO
SUPPORT THESE STAR FIXTURES**SEPTEMBER 13th ----- Final National League Meeting - Woodford BridgeSEPTEMBER 18th ----- Annual General MeetingOCTOBER 18th ----- Belgrave Open Youths Road RelayNOVEMBER 15th ----- Annual Club Dinner and Dance

South Shields '10'---June 21st

1. D. Quinlan (Longwood) 48:32

3. G.W. Dance (BELGRAVE)

49:47

In the T.V.H. Police '10' at Reading on August 2nd Lionel Mann finished 8th in 51:27.
Winner was M. Edwards (TVH) in 49:58.

A.A.A. JUNIOR ~ STEVE SECOND

Crystal Palace--August 8th/9th

Producing his usual blazing burst round the turn, Steve White led the finalists into the straight and looked set to win his first AAA Championship, but he faded badly down the straight and Griffith swept past to take the title by a tenth in 21.7.

Our only other finalist was Paul Duckett who finished 6th in the 3,000 metres walk with a time of 14:52.2, but there were no qualifying races for this event.

Of the remainder, Peter Carton and John Stow set or equalled personal bests but Martin Eloice and Bill Curtin were below their bests, particularly Bill who was last in his heat and seemed very jaded. Mick Marshall produced a very useful long jump but found that another 5" was necessary to make the first six in the Youth event.

JUNIORS

200m (Final): 2. S White 21.8 3,000m (Final): 6. P. Duckett 14:52.2

YOUTHS

400m (Heat): 5. M. Eloice 52.6 Long Jump (Qualifying): M. Marshall 19'-3"
1500m (Heats) P. Carton 4:05. J. Stow 4:09. W. Curtin N.T.

Imber Court--3rd August

100m (A) 1. A. Sapountzoglou 11.3	100m (B) 1. A. Brooks 11.7
200m (A) 1. C. Brooks 23.1	200m (B) 1. A. Sapountzoglou 23.4
400m (A) 2. P. Gee 53.6	400m (B) P. Smith 54s
800m (A) 4. P. Hilliar 1:58.0	800m (B) 5. C. Manning 2:12.4
1500m (A) 1. A. Major 4:56.6	1500m (B) 4. R. Glover 4:42
3000m 2. A. Major 8:53.6	6. P. Hilliar 9:25.1
16. D. MacMillan 11:18	17. D. Maclean 11:45

4x110m 1. BELGRAVE H. 46.9 (A. Sapountzoglou, A. Brooks, A. Bentt, C. Brooks).	
4x440m 1. BELGRAVE H. 3:28.7 (D. Rees, P. Smith, C. Brooks, A. Brooks)	
Javelin (A) 3. B. King 177'-3"	Javelin (B) 2. W. Couzens 132'-1"
Hammer (A) 3. W. Couzens 111'-2"	Hammer (B) 1. A. Kerr 97'-3 1/2"
High Jump (A) 1. A. Bentt 5'-6"	High Jump (B) 1. C. Brooks 5'-4"
Long Jump (A) 2. A. Bentt 20'-5 1/2"	Long Jump (B) 2. C. Brooks 19'-8 3/4"
Discus (A) 1. A. Kerr 148'-10"	Discus (B) 3. B. King 95'-1 1/2"
Triple Jump (A) 3. A. Bentt 42'-7 3/4"	Triple Jump (B) 3. C. Brooks 39'-5"
Shot (A) 1. A. Kerr 48'-2"	Shot (B) 4. W. Couzens 34'-2 1/2"

RESULT

1. BELGRAVE H. 263 pts 2. Mt. Police 251 pts 3. Wycombe Phoenix 192 pts 4. Eton Manor 90pts
5. London A.C. 86 pts 6. Queens park H. 44 pts.

FOUR EVENT HANDICAP--Battersea Park, August 6th

100m=1. A. Bentt (5yds) 11.3	800m: 1. D. McMillan (11Cyds) 1:54.2
=1. M. Ford (3yds) 11.3	2. J. Plummer (12Cyds) 1:56.3
=3. R. Wood (7yds) 11.4	3. C. Manning (14Cyds) 1:57.4
=3. D. Jardine (8yds) 11.4	4. M. Ford (Scr) 1:58.2

LJ: 1. S. Barlow (7'-0") 25'-4 1/2"	Shot: 1. A. Bentt (13'-6") 46'-9"
2. C. Brooks (3'-3") 24'-4 1/2"	2. E. McNally (20'-9") 46'-0 1/2"
3. R. Hamilton (7'-6") 24'-1 1/4"	3. J. Woodcock (19'-0") 45'-10"
4. J. Plummer (8'-3") 24'-0 3/4"	= 4. R. Hamilton (23'-6") 45'-2"
	= 4. D. Seott (14'-6") 45'-2"

RESULT:

1. R. Hamilton 82 pts	4. A. Bentt 70 1/2 pts
2. J. Plummer 72 1/2 pts	5. M. Ford 66 1/2 pts (25 members took part)
3. D. McMillan 72pts	6. N. Bacon 64 pts

BLACKHEATH CENTENARY MEETING--Crystal Palace, August 3rd

3,000m S/chase: 1. J. Bicourt 8:59.2, 2. R. Piotrowski 9:00.6, 7. A. Black 9:30.6
2,000metres: 14. P. Morris 8:25.0. TJ: 3. D. Boosey 50'-7 1/4"

BACK COVER: Boys Medal Competition winner, Reg Hopkins, and Surrey County Youths 400 metres champion, Martin Eloice.

