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BY OUR PRESIDENT.

I welcome this opportunity afforded me by "The Belgravian" to express to all members my thanks and appreciation for the honour conferred on me by my election as President of the Belgrave Harriers

It is now my greatest hope that I may be enabled to justify the confidence placed in me, and that my period of office shall be one of great progress in the welfare of the Club

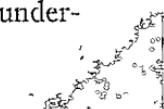
I must confess that I have at times hoped that I might in some distant year be considered worthy of election to this office, but any happy thought on the early attainment of an ideal is now saddened by the circumstances that hastened the achievement. The wonderful personality of our late President will, however, set an example to me, and all those that knew him, and memory of his staunch and whole-hearted efforts for the Club, will supply all the inspiration needed to carry on his good work.

This is a duty that we may all endeavour to carry out.

It is apparent at the present time, that a spirit of goodwill, hope, and confidence in the future, is amongst all our members, which is to me most encouraging and satisfactory

Doubtless team work of the Executive and team work in competition is the secret of success, and if this is maintained, I have little doubt that we shall continue to prosper in every way.

If I may express a few words on this occasion to any member that may not share the views of the Committee, I would say, "Take an active interest in the activities of the Club, not however as a destructive critic; pass your ideas in the right way to the right quarter (the Hon Secretary likes a big post); consider the other man's point of view as well as your own, be assured that the Committee desire the good of the greater number, and have patience with a genuine error or misunderstanding."



To all I would say "Remember that the Club is, and is judged, as you make it and by your example let the Belgrave Harriers be 'Second to none.'"

This is my greatest wish and with your help and co-operation I look forward with every confidence to the future for the fruition of our great hopes and ambitions.

W. H. HARE.

CLUB NOTES.

A recent letter from our old friend "Ken" O'Kell shows him doing his best to keep fit. Although not with us personally, he is with us in spirit. He says he has had an occasional spin with the North Staffordshire Harriers, but is unable to train seriously owing to having to work Saturday afternoons and Sunday mornings. He sends his Xmas Greetings in advance and hopes to dispense them himself in the Park on Boxing Day. Apparently he is making headway in his new sphere, and I am sure you will all wish him success.

George Powell, the Club's strong man in field events, is to be congratulated on his marriage, and we wish him happiness. Members requiring information on the subject (field events, not marriage) will do well to receive the advice he is glad to give.

At the Annual Dinner of the Centurions held on November 25th, the Belgraves were well represented. Three of their badged and certified insanes, J. B. Belchamber, J. K. Chalk and J. N. Thomas were present, whilst the 4th, G. Tompkins, sent a letter excusing his absence.

Will Brown, the record-holder and a brother of one of our former Presidents, was present; and from him it was learned that Harry, who has been in Australia for the past six years, has had the misfortune to lose a daughter—quite a child—by meningitis. Our old members all know what a good friend of the Club Harry was. They remember him affectionately, and when sympathising with him in his bereavement they will deeply regret that they were unable, through distance and lack of knowledge, to express by some token that the old bonds still hold.

The following have lately joined us; may this be not the last time they will come into the limelight.

L. J. Mann, F. Forster, A. E. Betts, J. C. McLean, A. J. Lander, A. Robertshaw, J. T. Fletcher, R. G. Hillier, W. W. S. Mitchell, S. Tranmer and J. A. Hill.

R.W.A. ANNUAL OPEN 7 MILES WALK.

Our numerous supporters on October 29th, saw a fast race in which we provided the largest club entry (15). Fourteen of our men finished.

Pope led the way for the first few miles but later Presland

and Hyde fought the race out in very determined fashion. H. F. King and T. W. Green were always well up, but they will do even better in a few weeks' time. R. D. McMullen promises to show his best form after an unfortunate past season. F. Elson's success was remarkable as this was his first "open" and he is a newcomer to walking.

Many would like to have A. Martin's record for his three last races—2nd in an open 8½ miles; 1st in the Club "5," and now 1st in this walk. This is not merely luck, but is the outcome of consistent training through the summer. His example may well be followed. When training keep the "Junior" and "Senior" well in mind.

Result:

TEAM PLACINGS.

							Pts.
1	Surrey A.C.	...	...	3	5	6	23
2	Herne Hill H.	...	...	1	4	8	43
3	Woodford Green A.C.	...		2	26	27	88
4	Belgrave H.	...	...	7	18	41	108

TEAM HANDICAP.

1	Belgrave H. "B"—(Martin, 51.46; Elson, 52.7;	M. S.
	Saunders, 53.18; Field, 54.32)	211.43

INDIVIDUAL RACE.

			Start.	Net.	H'cap.
			M S.	M S.	M S.
1	E F. N. Presland (Herne Hill H.)	...	0.50	53 35	52 45
2	C W. Hyde (Enfield A.C.)	...	1.10	53 36	52 26
3	A H. G. Pope (Woodford Green A.C.)	...	0.10	54 2	53 52
8	H. F. King ("A")	...	0.30	55 29	54 59
10	T W. Green (Ind.)	...	0.20	55 53	55 33
21	R. D. McMullen ("A")	...	1. 0	57 8	56. 8
29	F. Elson ("B")	...	6 0	58 7	52 7
47	S. L. King ("A")	...	4 30	59 4	54 34
48	V. J. Peacock ("A")	...	6. 0	59 12	53 12
50	J. Rathbone ("A")	...	3 0	59 22	56 22
51	J. D. Field ("B")	...	4.50	59 22	54.32
56	F. Rickards ("A")	...	1 10	59 43	58 33
52	E. Saunders ("B")	...	6 50	60 7	53 17
56	O. Horwood ("B")	...	5. 0	61. 4	56. 4
58	W. J. Fish ("A")	...	6 30	61 39	55. 9
08	A. Martin ("B")	...	11. 0	62.46	51.46
24	J. N. Thomas ("B")	...	7.10	63.32	56 22

E.G.C.

WALK WITH METROPOLITAN POLICE A.A.

On 12th November, for the second year in succession, this friendly team contest was held over our seven-mile course at Wimbledon. So strong were both teams that all concerned must have been sensible of the compliment paid to their respective clubs by the furnishing of so thoroughly representative an opposition. (And here a word of praise may well be given to our new Walking Secretary. His duties as party whip are being carried out in a most efficient manner, and rarely have our walkers answered parade call so abundantly and consistently as they are doing this season. Like Father O'Flynn in the ballad he has evidently "a wonderful way wid him").

A keen and enjoyable race for both individual placings and team honours was the natural outcome. The field of 33 went away very fast led during the first mile by H. F. King. Hereabouts he was joined by Tommy Green, S. A. Holland, A. L. Fletcher and W. Batson. At four miles the five were still together, with the Belgravians just leading on points in the team race.

In the last lap A. L. Fletcher, who had only just resumed training after a well-deserved rest, dropped back early on, but the four others held together for the greater part of the lap; S. A. Holland eventually winning by three yards from T. W. Green. Only about 100 yards separated the 1st and 4th men at the finish.

The team race was decided on the University system of scoring, ten a side counting, and was won by our boys with 96 points against 114.

Details :

					M.	S.
1.	S. A. Holland	...	...	P.	56	19
2.	T. W. Green	...	...	B.	56	21
3.	W. Batson	...	...	P.	56	27
4.	H. F. King	...	...	B.	56	48
5.	A. L. Fletcher	...	...	B.	57	41
6.	J. G. Scamell	...	...	B.	58	7
7.	R. Nicolls	...	...	P.	58	30
8.	R. D. McMullen	...	...	B.	59	2
9.	F. Rickards	...	...	P.	59	32
10.	J. B. Carne	...	...	B.	59	43
11.	E. D. Cullen	...	...	P.	59	44
12.	J. Rathbone	...	...	P.	60	10
13.	B. J. Knifton	...	...	B.	60	21
14.	J. Caffrey	...	...	P.	60	39

15.	F. Elson	...	...	...	B.	60	42
16	S L. King	...	...	...	B.	60	43
17	V. J. Peacock	...	...	...	B	60	49
18	E. Saunders	...	...	...	B.	60	50
19	E. Hughes	...	...	...	P.	61	10
20	E. Toogood	...	...	...	P.	61	26
21.	E. Stringer	...	...	...	B.	62	19
22.	A. G. Tilly	...	...	...	B.	62	50
23.	E. G. Cooper	...	...	...	B.	62	56
24	E. S. Phipps	...	...	...	P.	63	11
25	W. J. Hawker	...	...	...	B.	63	24
26	O. Horwood	...	...	...	B.	63	38
27.	W. H. Hare	...	...	...	B.	63	38
28.	J. Towers	...	...	...	P.	64	27
29.	W. J. Fish	...	...	...	B.	64	38
30	J. N. Thomas	...	...	...	B.	65	53
31.	W. G. Dodkin	...	...	...	B.	65	58
32.	F. J. Hill	...	...	...	B.	67	00

Bel.: 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, 13, 15, 16, 17—96.

M.P : 1, 3, 7, 9, 11, 12, 14, 18, 19, 20—114.

J.B.

INTER CLUB CONTEST

Against Thames Valley Harriers and Ashcombe Athletic Club
It was under wretched weather conditions that on November 12th, we turned out for our usual popular fixture over the Ashcombe's course at Roehampton.

Nevertheless a very good muster started and no less than 62 finished the course, which was a circular one of 5 miles, the going on the whole being fairly arduous.

Owing to the now very dangerous crossing into Richmond Park at the Robin Hood gate, our hosts had very wisely altered their course. Instead of turning right when reaching the "Beverley," the field turned left, and went over the famous "Toast Rack" and "Dismal Swamp" area.

At the start Belgrave were well to the fore, Duffett taking the lead, followed by Footer, Pyer and Tame. Soon after came Khlopin, Smith, Rice and Pritchard. These positions were maintained practically throughout the race, and excellent packing enabled us to win quite comfortably.

Webb put up a very creditable performance, but could not quite get up to the leaders. W. Pritchard is to be congratulated on his excellent running and one of our new men, Robertshaw, showed up very promisingly.

Final Scores and Placing.

- 1 Belgrave : 1, 3, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 15—69
- 2 T V H. 2, 6, 12, 14, 24, 27, 28, 29, 31—173
- 3 Ashcombe : 4, 13, 16, 18, 20, 23, 30, 32, 41—197.

Individual positions as follows:—

1	E A Duffett	...	...	...	28	54
2.	A J Nuti (T V H.)	..	..	..	28	54 1-5
3	H. E Footer	..	..	..	29	2
5	P Khlopin	..	..	..	29	37
7	A E Smith	..	..	..	29	49
8	W. Rice	..	..	..	29	49
9.	W. D Pritchard	..	..	..	29	55
10	W. L. Bayliss	..	..	..	29	56
11.	A D Pyer	..	..	..	29	58
15.	W G Webb	..	..	..	30	30
17	W. Williams	..	..	..	30	48
19	W Mitchell	..	..	..	30	55
21.	W Robertshaw	..	..	..	31	6
22.	T. Pritchard	..	..	..	31	7
25.	B C Button	..	..	..	31	38
26.	C Davis	..	..	..	31	51
33	G. Still	..	..	..	32	16
36.	A. Traquair	..	..	..	32	41
37.	A. J. Butt	..	..	..	32	43
39.	H. L. Rollins	..	..	..	32	54
42.	S. Drake	..	..	..	33	1
46	F. Ford	..	..	..	33	8
47.	A Harley	..	..	..	33	8
48.	S. Chorley	..	..	..	33	18
50.	A J. Jannaway	..	..	..	33	27
55	L. E. Fletcher	..	..	..	34	52
56	R. J Savage	..	..	..	35	13
58	C J Phillips	..	..	..	36	1
59	A H East	..	..	..	36	11
61	G Tyrer	..	..	..	42	15
62.	D. Mann	..	..	..	42	25

W.L.B.

SOUTH OF THAMES "JUNIOR" C.C. RACE.

This race was held at Tolworth, on Saturday, 19th November, from The United Services Club, the headquarters of the Surrey A C. The weather conditions were not of the best, rain falling throughout the afternoon, while the course was on the heavy side 107 runners, representing 14 teams, faced the starter who got them away very poorly, resulting in our "A" team getting "left at the post." They soon began, how-

ever, to work their way to the front, and coming out of the starting field Khlopin was lying 7th, with several other members of the team in close attendance.

After the first circuit of the country, the above-named was still first of our men, with Robertshaw just behind. As the latter was in the "B" team this was not too promising, for St. George's and Surrey were packing fairly well. Out into the country again the field streamed, by this time well strung out, and with several looking the worse for wear. When they came into sight once more, Khlopin was 5th, and although making a fine effort to overhaul the men in front was unable to improve on his position at the finish. Our next man was Wally Bayliss, who had run a splendid race, then came Rice (a disappointment this, as he was expected to do much better), Buckingham completed our scoring four, who are to be congratulated on finishing 3rd in the team race, a fair performance. Our runners, we feel sure, will do much better in the later races of the season.

Among the individuals, Robertshaw was the outstanding man, as he could have finished very close to the leaders, but sacrificed his place in order to help the "A" team men along. W. D. Pritchard unfortunately fell when near home, and sustaining an injury to his ankle, had to hobble in. This accounted for his lowly position.

A word of praise to the officials of the Club, and also some of the senior members who went out into the rain and slush to do their best to assist the team, by instructions as to how they were placed, etc., a procedure which is very helpful and which has assisted the Club to win races in the past. One other pleasing feature was the fact that of the 25 Belgrave runners in the race, all completed the course, and some of the novices are to be commended for the pluck they showed in sticking it, especially as they have not so much depending on them as the "A" team men. They showed the fine spirit which is constantly being revealed in cross-country running.

Result:—

Position.	Name	Team	Time.	
			M.	S.
1.	A. W. V. Tebbutt (St. George's Services S.C.)		32	11
2	C. King (Surrey A.C.)	...	32	34
5	P. Khlopin	...	33	4
9	W. L. Bayliss	...	33	34
16	W. Rice	...	33	56
22	F. L. Buckingham	...	34	18
23	A. Robertshaw	...	34	19

27	B L Button	...	...	A	34	31
44.	W H. Williams	...	..	A	35	21
57	T Pritchard	.	...	B	36	3
62	S Drake	..	..	B	36	15
67.	H L Rollins	...	.	B	36	35
75	A A Harley	..	...	B	37	3
76	S R Chorley	..	..	C	37	6
78.	A. Traquair	...	...	B	37	28
80.	R J Savage	..	...	C	37	25
82	A H Field	.	..	B	37	40
87	C J. Davis	.	...	B	38	17
88.	J. Harris	...	...	A	38	33
90.	F. G. Ford	.	...	C	38	50
92	A. W Jannaway	...	..	C	38	56
94.	W E Callow	.	...	C	39	22
95	C. Boud	..	...	C	39	22
97	W. D Pritchard	...	...	A	39	45
98	L E Fletcher	...	.	C	40	4
99	W G Hedger	...	.	C	40	16
103	C H Phillips	...	..	C	42	14
1	St. George's Services S.C	,	1, 7, 10, 12	—30		
3	Belgrave "A,"	5, 9, 16, 22	—52			
9	" "B"	23, 57, 62, 67	—209			
13.	" "C"	76, 80, 90, 92	—338.			

E.A.D

CLUB OPEN WALK.

Such a fine race as it was the lot of our Club to promote is seldom seen. Yet again T W Green, "our star artist of fair walking" (F G T) wore down his opponents and accomplished a performance second only to that of Goodwin who in 1924 won in 54m 9s

At a mile the field of 154, including 21 teams, was stretched out over nearly 300 yards, and a round dozen were spread over the width of the road disputing the lead. McMullen, Hyde, Pope, Scammel, Green, Fletcher and Holland, were the most prominent. The race proceeded with the first position undecided and not until two miles from home could Green, Pope and Hyde shake off the others. We congratulate Pope and Hyde on their very fine walking

Our "A" team packed in fine fashion to win the scratch team race. The "B" team were well up and in addition got home in the handicap. This team work was one of the finest features of the race. The style of our men was good and they walked well within themselves.

Saunders was nearest in the handicap (5th) and his steady progress will soon bring additional honours to the Club.

Although McMullen finished 13th, this was not good enough to score for the "A" team. However, when he received his award as first Belgrave man home not to take another prize, a hearty round of applause, unmistakable in its sincerity, must have compensated him. A. E. Winter of the Polytechnic H won the handicap with 5 minutes start.

Results:—

1	T. W. Green (Ind)	0 20	55 11	54 51
5.	A. L. Fletcher ("A")	0 20	55 58	55.38
8.	H. F. King ("A")	0 30	56 21	55 51
9	J. G. Scammell ("A")	2 0	56 28	54 28
11.	F. Rickard ("A")	1 20	57. 6	55 46
13	R. D. McMullen ("A")	1 15	57 28	56 13
20.	B. J. Knifton ("B")	3.45	58.42	54 57
29.	F. Elson ("B")	4.45	59.47	58 2
33.	V. J. Peacock ("B")	6. 0	60.33	54.33
39	E. Saunders ("B")	6.40	60 42	54 2
41	J. Rathbone ("A")	3. 0	60 49	57.49
57.	A. G. Tilley ("B")	6 30	62.17	55 47
62.	J. Field ("C")	4.40	62.21	57.41
63	J. B. Carne ("B")	2 50	62 26	59.36
75	W. J. Hawker ("C")	3. 0	63.23	60 23
95	W. J. Fish ("B")	6.45	64.44	57.59
100.	A. Martin ("B")	9.20	65.20	56
108	J. N. Thomas ("C")	7 15	66.28	59 13

TEAM PLACINGS.

				Pts.
1	Belgrave H., 3, 6, 7, 9	..	...	25
6.	Belgrave H., "B" 18, 27, 31, 33	..	...	109

TEAM HANDICAP

				m.	s.
1	Belgrave H., "B"—(Saunders 54-2, Peacock 54-23, Knifton 54-57, Elson 55-2)	..	...	218	34
4.	Belgrave H.	...	...	221	43
19.	Belgrave H., "C"	..	..	239	3

H. E.

SURREY YOUTH'S RACE.

I hope that our Juniors who went to Rose Hill for the County Juniors race will not be too disappointed at their failure—if it was a failure. For after all was it their fault? The "Senior Juniors" also failed to live up to expectations in the South of Thames race, and for the same reason. The training our runners get is not severe enough for cross-country purposes. The course selected by the Mitcham A.C. was certainly severe for runners under 18 years of age to race over, particularly for those who have not trained over the heavy stuff—so I think they are to be commiserated with.

Our two members who did finish ran very well indeed. At the end of the first circuit Coleman was 20th, and Clapham 37th but both improved on the second lap and Coleman finished 16th and Clapham 35th.

Both are to be congratulated as I believe it is their first race over country. And I hope our other two members who started will not be discouraged.

The father of one was telling me he was a member of the now defunct Battersea Harriers, and was an original member of the "Bels." So let us hope he will give his son some good advice and carry on the good work.

Oscar Horwood had a very painful experience in our "open," but he has fully recovered now. When crossing the golf-links on the last lap he was struck amid-ships by a golf-ball. We feel very indignant about the matter but it must be passed over as an unfortunate accident.

H P.

THE NEW TERROR.

"Go!" he said, "Write a few notes for the Mag. Anything will do." The command left me dumbfounded. I wondered what crime I had committed that demanded such severe punishment and decided to appeal against the sentence.

"I can't—I don't," I stammered wretchedly, biting my lips and forcing my nails into the palms of my hands—but all in vain. The Tyrant fixed me with his eye, his face assumed a greenish, unearthly tinge, his teeth were clenched, his jaw set as if he had walked out of the pages of an Ethel M. Dell novel.

"Anything will do," he repeated slowly, softly, relentlessly,

and then turned to walk away. I nervously touched him on the shoulder. "But—" I began "And let me have it next Tuesday evening without fail," he said sternly. My heart quavered, a lump formed in my throat, tears came before my eyes and my six-feet-three seemed to shrink to three-feet-six. I sat down mournfully to consider the monstrous injustice of it all, this appalling sorrow that had come into my blameless life.

As I tried to write something that would be emotional, poignant, inspiring, tragic, entertaining, elevating, humorous, fresh, vigorous, mirth-provoking, sentimental, apt, topical and original, I thought of our Editor as the reincarnation of an old-time Inquisitor gloating over the discomfiture of his victims

Then came the business of choosing a subject I thought of writing on "Handicapping," but decided not to trespass on the field of Edgar Wallace and A Conan Doyle, our foremost mystery writers

I then thought of compiling a series of questions after the style of the daily newspapers but could only get as far as No 1. Who was it went past his station on the return from Epsom, and why?

A dozen themes suggested themselves only to be rejected one by one until, finally, I decided to write on the delights of Sunday strolling.

Firstly, comes the triumph of Mind over Matter—the early rising whilst others still sleep. Then a hearty breakfast and off to the meeting place, arriving punctually at 10 o'clock. The President arrives, a start is made and tongues begin to wag. Mental recreation as well as physical is afforded on these strolls.

Subjects of conversation are infinite in their variety and have included, *inter alia*, an infallible method of backing greyhounds, numerous war experiences, how the totalisator is operated, etc., etc. Perhaps one day we may even learn how a handicap is prepared! Who knows? Less likely things have been known to happen. Did not a certain member win two prizes at one of the evening meetings during the summer?

We should like to see more members on the Sunday morning walks. Their company and conversation will be most heartily welcomed. Give these strolls a trial. It will cost you nothing and if you are dissatisfied your money will be refunded. I am afraid that this is beginning to read like a patent medicine ad-

vertisement, but the fact remains that ALL are welcome, walkers, runners, and those hovering between the two. If necessary, I am sure the Committee will arrange for the strollers to leave in packs of fifty at intervals.

You will be there next Sunday? Good

It is with considerable satisfaction that I find I have written a few notes ("Anything will do"—the voice haunts me still), and so put an end to my trials and troubles

Away! sleepless nights and dismal days, for my period of pen nibbling and inspiration-seeking is ended. Despair is banished and Rejoicing enthroned in its stead. The task is finished

But (pessimistic thought) there is one cloud on the horizon. After a short while another issue of "The Belgravian" will become due, fresh notes will be required

Who will be the next unfortunate compelled by a heartless Editor, to submit "a few notes" Who? You?

A. A. H.

SOCIAL.

Our first Dance takes place on Wednesday, 11th January, at Battersea Town Hall (Grand Hall).

Members are earnestly requested to give their support on this occasion by bringing their friends, and so help to make the evening a financial as well as a social success.

Tickets 1/6 each, may be had on application to Hon. Social Secretary.

A few Social evenings have been arranged, to be held on Saturdays, at St. John's Hall, and you are advised to book the following dates for these affairs:—

28th January.

18th February.

It is very pleasing to see how well our "away" fixtures are being supported. But even now, looking down the list of members, one finds several names of "distance" men who should be with us on Saturday afternoons, and I feel that these members would find the benefit of a winter training, when racing on the track in the summer

On the 29th October, 25 strong, we journeyed to Epsom for a social spin with our old friends in Mitcham, Croydon and

Epsom. Epsom as hosts, gave us a run over about 5 miles of good country where plenty of mud and water were found. This was quite a new experience to some of our members, but they must remember that it is good training. Far heavier country is often found in big events. We seem to have wandered from Epsom; but to continue. After the run we hied ourselves to the "King's Head" where our Epsom friends had provided a repast. Although a large crowd did not stay to the sing-song afterwards, I think I am safe in saying that those who did, enjoyed themselves. And those who stayed to the end and heard Jannaway and Bond in their rendering of one or two very old-fashioned songs, and the whistling turn provided by one of our friends from Epsom, will not forget them in a hurry. The following week we were the guests of Highgate H., at Edgware, where again "good country" was run over, and after a good tea a social evening was enjoyed by quite a number who stayed.

On January 7th, we shall have better acquaintance with that formidable strength, the St. George's Services A.C., at Wimbledon on a social run.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

"Walker" (Battersea).—Yes, there are several good ways of increasing speed that we can recommend. For instance, by joining the running section, or by borrowing a motor-bike. The most effective method, is undoubtedly by taking longer strides (these should not, however, exceed three yards), and by covering the ground more quickly.

"X Y Z." (Chelsea).—See answer to "Felix" below.

"Novice" (Liverpool).—If you want to get fat, the best way is to buy it from your butcher like a decent Belgravian.

"Ratherboney" (Spain).—The embrocation to which you refer is excellent. It is also good as hair-oil and is useful for polishing boots. Moreover, it makes a refreshing drink, but we wish it would lose its odour. Phew!!

"Felix" (Brixton).—See reply to "X Y.Z." above.

"Enquirer (S W 14)" —Yes, she swam the Channel without a costume. Whilst agreeing that this would similarly make for greater freedom of action for cross-country work, we are afraid that objection might possibly be raised in certain quarters.

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“Alpha” (Hammersmith).—We can trace nothing in the A.A.A. Rules to prevent the use of an umbrella and goloshes for cross-country running during the wet weather.

WALKING.

A pleasing feature of all races this season, is the number of club walkers competing; 15 turning out in the RWA Open, 25 in the Inter-Club, and 27 in our own Open. I hope all walkers will try to improve still more on these numbers, by turning out on all possible occasions.

Several of our members have been successful in races outside the Club, E. L. Reeve having won off scratch in a handicap promoted by the Southend and County H, while T. W. Green secured fastest loser's prize in the Southern Railway Worthing to Brighton handicap. F. Rickard was placed 7th in the All England Police 10 mile championship, and was in the winning team.

The Club “Junior” Championship (7 miles) for the O. Horwood Cup, is to be decided on 17th December, and all those eligible to compete are asked to support this race.

We look forward to startling performances from our Godstone enthusiasts who are training with plenty of “pep.” While the “men” support the Surrey W.C. walk, the “boys” must flock to Battersea Park for our annual 3 miles tussle.

Dagenham H. are a club of some two years' standing, and it behoves us to enter strong teams in their 7 miles' open handicap venture, on January 7th. It must not be said that we could not stay out the season in the style we began. Send your entries in at an early date to the Walkers' Secretary,

S. L. KING,
3 Artillery Row Buildings, S.W.1.

RUNNING.

It is hoped that all members will make an effort to turn up to the match at Feltham on the 17th, versus Thames Valley H and Ashcombe A.C. We were 30 starters, not counting three late arrivals at Roehampton in our last match.

Cheap tickets can be had at the Booking Offices (1/2 Clapham Junction; 9d. Barnes).

Will Andrews and Jimmy Flat come along and help to swell

the party? Or perhaps Jimmy doesn't like leaving the fireside now that he is a benedict! At any rate the life seems to suit him for he is looking remarkably well. But for the sake of the team I hope it won't slow him up.

Efforts are being made to find a new course at Wimbledon for our 7 mi'es C.C. Championship on December 31st. Our recent trouble in the South of Thames, is one that will recur unless we find more mud and slush for training purposes (Do not let this discourage the faint-hearted. He should know that hot baths are provided afterwards, but even so, beauty specialists advocate mud-baths)

Full strength must be whipped up for the Surrey County C.C. Championship at Tolworth on January 14th. Let us hope that the S. of T. experience together with the yet undiscovered bogs and swamps of Wimbledon, will provide us the means to win.

Enquiries to H. PARKER, 3, Artillery Row Blgs., S.W.1.

NOTE.—Financial and literary contributions to the Gazette should be sent to the Editor. It is suggested that each member forwards a quarterly subscription of 1/- This will enable more time to be spent on the Gazette and less on collecting the money, result—Better Gazette.

There are handicaps at 120 yards and 2 miles for Boxing Day. The meeting is very popular and we ought to have a record entry this year. Roll up!

SPECIAL!!

BOXING DAY MORNING

BATTERSEA PARK

AT 10.30.

120 yds. 2 miles and 3 miles walk, handicaps.

You'll be in the way at home. Come to the Park!

