

CROSS COUNTRY

North of Scotland Championships at Inverness

Over 140 competitors took part in the annual North of Scotland Cross-Country championships at Inverness on Saturday. Weather conditions were ideal, and each event was very keenly contested. The principal winner of the afternoon was Calum Laing, of Inverness Harriers, who won the senior event from Forbes Mackenzie (Forbes Harriers) and Eddie Campbell (Lochaber Athletic). Another Inverness Harrier, Rod-erick McFarquhar, who finished 10th in the Scottish Youths' Cross-Country championships earlier this year, won the youths' event.

The championship trophy, which is awarded to the winning team in the senior event, was presented at the close to R.N.A.S. Lossiemouth by Mrs Gow, of Elgin. Results were as follows:—

Seniors (over 21)—Individual—1 C. Laing (Inverness Harriers), 2 F. Mackenzie (Forbes Harriers), 3 E. Campbell (Lochaber Athletic); Team—1 R.N.A.S. Lossiemouth, 2 Lochaber Athletic, 3 Forbes Harriers.

Juniors (18 to 20) — Individual — 1 H. Tawse (Forbes Harriers), 2 R. Porter (Forbes Harriers), 3 F. Macpherson (Victoria Park A.A.C., Glasgow); Team—1 Forbes Harriers, 2 Elgin Academy.

Youths (15 to 17)—Individual—1 R. McFarquhar (Inverness Harriers), 2 M. Esson (Elgin Academy), 3 R. G. Duncan (Gordonstoun); Team—1 (eq.) Elgin Academy "A" and Gordonstoun "A," 3 Gordonstoun "B."

Boys (13 and 14)—Individual—1 M. Bevey (Fochabers), 2 J. Lightowler (Gordonstoun), 3 H. Mackenzie (Inverness High School); Team—1 Gordonstoun "A," 2 Elgin Academy "A," 3 Inverness High School "A."

On behalf of the North of Scotland Amateur Athletic Association, the event was organised by Inverness Harriers, and the courses started and ended at the Northern Meeting Park.