

CROSS-COUNTRY

SOUTH-WESTERN CHAMPIONSHIP

As expected, Greenock Glenpark Harriers scored a victory in the South-Western District Championship, held at Irvine on Saturday. In the individual event, J. Millar, of Beith, a former National Novice Champion, scored a good win from J. B. Ferguson, of Ayr, the latter being one of the "surprise packets" of the race. Results:—

1, Greenock Glenpark Harriers (R. Holmes 2, R. B. M'Intosh 6, D. Turner 18, D. Cumming 24, A. M'Lean 26, E. Lough 27)—103 pts.

2, Greenock Wellpark Harriers (T. M'Laren 4, J. Taylor 13, R. Whitson 17, J. M'Kay 20, A. Reid 33, N. C. Fletcher 42)—129 pts.

3, Eglinton Harriers (holders) (R. Reid 3, J. Wilson 15, W. Fulton 21, G. Evans 38, J. Wallace 39, J. M'Kenzie 48)—164 pts.

4, Doon Harriers, 171 pts.; 5, Kilmarnock Harriers, 205 pts.; 6, Kilbarchan A.A.C., 229 pts.; 7, Beith Harriers, 268 pts.; 8, Irvine Y.M.C.A. Harriers, 298 pts.; 9, Paisley Harriers, 334 pts.; 10, Paisley Y.M.C.A. Harriers, 335 pts.; 11, Lochwinnoch Harriers, 347 pts.; 12, Auchmountain Harriers, 375 points.

INDIVIDUAL PLACINGS

1, J. Millar, Beith Harriers, 40 mins. 20 secs.; 2, J. B. Ferguson, Ayr A.A.C., 40 mins. 34 secs.; 3, R. Holmes, Glenpark Harriers, 40 mins. 47 secs.; 4, R. Reid, Eglinton Harriers, 40 mins. 59 secs.; 5, T. M'Laren, Wellpark Harriers, 41 mins. 4 secs.; 6, W. Kennedy, Kilbarchan A.A.C., 41 mins. 6 secs.; 7, R. B. M'Intosh, Glenpark Harriers, 41 mins. 9 secs.; 8, H. Brown, Doon Harriers, 41 mins. 11 secs.; 9, A. M'Donald, Auchmountain Harriers, 41 mins. 13 secs.; 10, J. M'Cartney, Doon Harriers, 41 mins. 17 secs.; 11, D. Aldie, Irvine Y.M.C.A. Harriers, 41 mins. 22 secs.; 12, J. Aderson, Lochwinnoch Harriers, 41 mins. 30 secs.

J. MILLAR'S MERITORIOUS VICTORY.



Jack Amar was running well. At the end of the first circuit J. B. Ferguson was still in the lead, R. Holmes being second and Jack having moved up from eleventh to third. This order was maintained for a further mile and a half, when Jack began to move up. He caught up with the leader a mile and a quarter from the finish. The two proceeded to draw away from the rest of the field. With about 400 yards to go Jack literally left his rival standing with a burst of speed reminiscent of his finish when he won his Scottish National Novice Championship in 1929, and romped home an excellent winner by about 30 yards.

To Jack fell the honour of securing for Beith their first individual National Novice Championship, and to him also falls the honour of recording the first individual District Championship. He has certainly proved the things said about him when he won his Scottish title, as it was predicted then that he would become one of the best cross-country runners in Scotland.

Of the rest of the team only M. Barr displayed anything like his real form, who ran a well-judged race to finish second man for the team. T. F. Hector also did well for a novice, finishing sixth man for the team. The team contest

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Individual Entrants.

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South-Western District Championship.

BEITH HARRIERS' FIRST DISTRICT CHAMPION.

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[by courtesy of "The Bulletin."

Jack Millar being congratulated at the close of the race by Mr John Gibson, the Beith Harriers' trainer.

Last Saturday the South-Western District of the Scottish National Cross-Country Union held their annual seven miles championship at Eglinton Policies, Irvine. There was an entry of twelve teams, comprising twelve runners each,—six to count—and six individuals. Beith Harriers figured prominently in the race, the club providing the individual winner in Jack Millar. The runners were set off on their double circuit of $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles each by Councillor Sloan, Irvine, who acted as starter.

J. B. Ferguson (Ayr A.A.C.) immediately took the lead, followed by J. McCartney (Doon H.), W. Kennedy (Kilbarchan H.), and R. Holmes (Greenock Glenpark H.). After two miles had been covered J. B. Ferguson was still leading next in order being W. Kennedy, R. Reid (Eglinton) and R. Holmes. At this stage Jack Millar was running 11th and moving well. At the end of the first circuit J. B. Ferguson was still in the lead, R. Holmes being second and Jack having moved up from eleventh to third. This order was maintained for a further mile and a half, when Jack began to move up. He caught up with the leader a mile and a quarter from the finish. The two proceeded to draw away from the rest of the field. With about 400 yards to go Jack literally left his rival standing with a burst of speed reminiscent of his finish when he won his Scottish National Service Championship in 1929, and romped home an excellent winner by about 30 yards.

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proved a well-fought race between the two Greenock clubs, Glenpark eventually proving the victor, Eglinton H. being third.

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