

## SOUTH-WEST CHAMPIONSHIPS

At Greenock, January 24th

Scottish marathon Champion, Bill Stoddart, continued his remarkable cross-country season by winning this title easily. Bill, now nudging 40, appears to be a proof of the L.S.D. theory as his best-ever cross-country season was preceded by his marathon victory and a late-season super marathon from Edinburgh to Glasgow. Some runners were of the opinion that the course was nearer seven miles than six.

1, W. Stoddart (Greenock Wellpark) 38.54; 2, J. Ferguson (Ayr Seaforth) 39.16; 3, R. Morrison (Irvine YMCA) 41.19. **Teams:** 1, Greenock W'pk. 73; 2, Greenock G'pk. 118; 3, Irvine YMCA 134.

**(Youths 3M)** 1, L. Spence (Greenock Glen) 20.18; 2, T. Craney (Kilmarnock) 21.10; 3, J. Trainor (Babcock & Wilcox) 21.13. **Teams:** 1, Babcock & Wilcox 20; 2, Eastwood HS 25.

**(Boys 1½M)** 1, J. Donnelly (Ayr Seaforth) 10.42; 2, G. Collie (Paisley) 11.04; 3, C. Thompson (Eastwood HS) 11.08. **Teams:** 1, Eastwood HS 24; 2, Paisley 28.

**(Colts 1½M)** 1, I. Kerr (Kilmarnock) 9.08; 2, W. Millar (Johnstone HS) 9.24; 3, P. Devanney

(Paisley) 9.32. Teams: 1. Paisley 12: 2. Wellpark

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