

Cross Country

Cross Country Championships – The Men's Champion used to hold the W P Baines Memorial Cup

Date	Venue	Men	Dept	Cat	Time	Team	Women	Dept	Cat	Time	Team
11/10/23	Parliament Hill	J Millar	SPARTA	М	27.30	DEFRA	I Lake	DEFRA	F	32.27	DEFRA
12/10/22	Parliament Hill	R Stewart	OFQUAL	М	36.25	MINERVA	I Lake	DEFRA	F	27.39	HMRC
2021	Cancelled										
2020	Covid										
09/10/19	Parliament Hill	T Adams	DEFRA	M35	33.20	DWP	R Edgar	DfE	F35	27.17	DEFRA
10/10/18 90 th Race Men	Parliament Hill	G Dollner	DWP	М	36.14	DWP	N Sheel	MINERVA	F	29.35	MINERVA
11/10/17	Parliament Hill	T Adams	DEFRA	M35	33.36	DEFRA	J Meek	MOD	F40	26.54	MINERVA
12/10/16	Parliament Hill	P Vis	HMRC	М	34.24	HMRC	J Meek	MOD	F35	24:39	MOD
14/10/15	Parliament Hill	T Frith	MOD	М	34.50	MOD	E Antcliffe	HASSRA	F35	27.15	MINERVA
15/10/14	Parliament Hill	M Cummings	HMRC	М	34.55	HMRC	V Carter	MINERVA	F40	27.27	HMRC
06/11/13	Parliament Hill	C Smith	Cab Off	M35	32.59	HMRC	K Beecher	MOD	F	26.50	HMRC
31/10/12	Parliament Hill	O Edwards	FCO	M35	34.34	MOD	K Blake	HMRC	F35	26.05	HMRC
09/11/11	Parliament Hill	M Cummings	HMRC	М	34.25	HMRC	K Beecher	MOD	F	26.23	MOD
10/11/10	Perry Park	L Hobbs/M Hobbs	SPARTA	М	31.43	HMRC	S Stephen (nee Rutherford)	DEFRA	F	24.11	HASSRA
04/11/09	Parliament Hill	G Pennington	HMRC	M35	34.39	HMRC	K Blake	HMRC	F	25.27	HASSRA
05/11/08 80 th Men	Richmond Park	L Hobbs/M Hobbs	SPARTA	М	34.24	HMRC	D Kennedy	MINERVA	F	29.27	HASSRA
14/11/07	Solihull	J Bradley	GCHQ	М	29.50	GCHQ	L Such	HASSRA	F	23.14	HASSRA
08/11/06	Richmond Park	M Hobbs	SPARTA	М	33.15	HMRC	A Allen	HASSRA	F35	28.10	HASSRA
30/11/05	Solihull	M Hobbs	SPARTA	М	31.22	MOD	E Adams	MOD	F	23.23	HASSRA
10/11/04	Solihull	M Hobbs	SPARTA	М	34.17	IR	N White	IR	F	27.29	IR
12/11/03	Richmond Park	S Snow	SPARTA	М	33.50	MOD	S Robson	DFES	F	26.58	IR
13/11/02	Solihull	M Brown	C&E	М	31.12	HASSRA	D Lee	DEFRA	F	23.13	DEFRA
14/11/01	Richmond Park	A Bird	MOD	М	34.22	MOD	A Allen/R Jones	HASSRA	F	27.50	MOD
14/02/01	Cheltenham	S Robinson	GCHQ	M40	32.26	MOD	S Harrison	Royal Mail	F	26.21	RM
10/11/99	Richmond Park	J Estall	MAFF	M45	33.15	HASSRA	A Allen	HASSRA	F	27.30	IR
11/11/98 70 th Men	Solihull	R Hollingsworth	C&E	М	31.57	MOD	R Jones	HASSRA	F	25.22	HASSRA

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10/11/07	Dieleure eurol Deule	C Diver			22.55		N. Duraum			27.50	
19/11/97	Richmond Park	C Dixon	MOD	M	32.55	HASSRA	N Brown	HASSRA	F	27.50	HO/PSAA
13/11/96	Richmond Park	B Glenton	C&E	M	31.18	MOD	C Horne	HASSRA	F40	26.33	MOD
08/11/95	Richmond Park	S Snow	DOET	M	31.54	MOD	E Evans	DOET	F	27.05	IR
09/11/94	Richmond Park	S Snow	DOET	M	33.46	DHSS	C Horne	DHSS	F35	20.50	IR
10/11/93	Elmdon Solihull	W Coyle	MOD	М	33.49	HASSRA	K Osment	НО	F	26.52	DHSS
11/11/92	Richmond Park	P Freary	DoEMP	М	32.57	MOD	C Horne	DHSS	F35	20.49	IR
13/11/91	Elmdon Solihull	J Parker	DHSS	M	30.35	DHSS	C Horne	DHSS	F35	25.19	DHSS
14/11/90	Richmond Park	P Freary	DoEMP	М	31.45	DoEMP	C Horne	DHSS	F	21.07	DHSS
09/11/89	Bath	M Roscoe	MAFF	М	34.46	DoET	N Salisbury	MoD	F	20.09	DHSS
09/11/88 ^{60th Men}	Richmond Park	P Cuskin	DoEMP	М	31.39	IR	D Scott	GCHQ	F	21.42	DHSS
11/11/87	Sheffield	P Stenning	DoEMP	М	31.02	DoEMP	K Hutcheson	DoEMP	F	18.29	DHSS
12/11/86	Richmond Park	P Cuskin	DoEMP	М	31.07	DoEMP	S James	DHSS	F	20.08	DHSS
13/11/85	Cheltenham	P Cuskin	DoEMP	М	31.08	IR	C Horne	DHSS	F	17.37	DHSS
14/11/84	Richmond Park	P Cuskin	DoEMP	М	30.17	DHSS	C Strickland	DHSS	F	19.01	DHSS
09/11/83	Wolverhampton	G Payne	C&E	М	35.28	DoEMP	C Horne	DHSS	F	20.38	DHSS
10/11/82	Crowthorne	N Lees	DoEMP	М	28.36	DHSS	C Horne	DHSS	F	16.39	DHSS
10/11/81	Timperley	N Lees	DoE	М	25.46	DHSS	B Smith	DoEMP	F	10.14	IR
12/11/80	Basingstoke	S Irvine	DoEMP	М	33.08	DHSS	A James	DoEMP	F	21.46	IR
14/11/79	South Shields	S Cahill	C&E	М	30.25	IR	S Davies	MoD (PE)	F	19/18	MoD (PE)
15/11/78 ^{50th Men}	Wimbledon	B Ford	IR	М	30.17	IR	B Coomber	Post Office	F	18.58	NA
16/11/77	Birmingham	N Lees	IR	М	26.34	DHSS	A Burke	DHSS	F	28.17	
24/11/76	Bristol										
03/12/75	Stockport	R Lunnon	DHSS	М	27.50	DHSS					
14/12/74	High Wycombe						P Yule	DHSS	F	15.23	
07/12/74	Wimbledon	B Baggalley	DHSS	М	27.43	Post Office (Scot)					
23/02/74	Glasgow - Bishopbriggs	D Gibson	DoEMP	М	30.12	DHSS					
16/12/72	Epsom	B Baggalley	DHSS	М	25.18	DoEMP					
11/12/71	Epsom	J Cain	DHSS	М	24.51	Environment					

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27/11/71	Uxbridge						C Roy	Land Registry	F	16.57	
20/02/71	Ewell						B Cushen	COI	F	15.25	
05/12/70	Richmond Park	B Ford	IR	М	26.00	IR					
07/03/70	Ewell						B Cushen	COI	F	14.39	DHSS
06/12/69	Petersham	J Snowden	New Scotland Yard	М	25.50	Army Dept					
01/03/69	Ewell Court Surrey						S Carey	D of Emp & Prod	F	15.27	DHSS
07/12/68	Coulsdon	C Robinson	GPO NW	Μ	25.40	Army					
16/03/68 40th Men 09/12/67 Postponed	Epsom Downs	G North	CS	М	25.20	MoD?					
10/02/68	Camberley						J Hale		F	13.38	
10/12/66	Woodford Green Men Cheam Women	R Holt	Reg of Friendly Soc	Μ	22.52	Min of Defence - Army	S Williams (nee Dayer)	GPO	F	14.33	Min of Social Security
11/12/65	Coulsdon Men Coulsdon Women	M Price	Post Office Engineers	М	25.48	MoD Army	R Gorton	Min of P & NI	F	20.32	Min of Aviation
12/12/64	Richmond Park	G Entwistle	HMSO	М	25.19	Inland Revenue					
1964							S Williams	GPO			
04/12/63	Wimbledon					Inland Revenue					
08/12/62	Richmond Park	M Price	GPO Engineers	М	26.59	GPO Engineers					
02/12/61 34 th Annual Race	Ruislip	J Snowden	New Scotland Yard	М	32.08	Admiralty					
10/12/60	Wimbledon										

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05/12/59	Coulsdon	E Earl	London	М					
			Telecomms						
13/12/58	Parliament Hill	B Lillicrap	Admiralty	Μ	27.58	Admiralty			
07/12/57 30 th Men	Epsom	E Earl	London Telecomms	М	25.15	Admiralty			
15/12/56	Woodford Green	J Brown	Army Pensions Office	М					
10/12/55	Epsom	P Driver	Post Office	М	26.03	Air Ministry			
11/12/54	Cranford	R Stonehouse	Royal Aircraft Est	М	29.59	IR			
05/12/53	Wimbledon	L Eyre	Post Office	Μ		London Telecoms			
13/12/52	Hayes	L Eyre	Post Office	Μ	24.52	London Telecoms			
15/12/51	Ruislip	L Eyre	Post Office	Μ	30.52	London Telecoms			
09/12/50	Woodford Green	L Eyre	Post Office	М	31.28	London Telecoms			
03/12/49	Addington	L Eyre	Post Office	М	36.20	London Telecoms			
22/01/49	Addington	L Eyre	Post Office	Μ					
10/01/48	Bexley	R Gosney	OS	М	30.29	Royal Arsenal Woolwich			
15/03/47	Wimbledon	J H Barry	C & E	М	26.30	Royal Arsenal Woolwich			
10/12/38 18 th Men	Chingford	A Frost	IR	М	32.01	Air Ministry			
11/12/37	Petersham	D Edgar	Liverpool PO	Μ	27.12	Inland Revenue			

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12/12/36	New Barnet	H B Young	Woolwich Arsenal	Μ	26.42	Inland Revenue					
14/12/35	Coulsdon?	D Pell	Scotland Yard	Μ	33.24	GPO Stores					
05/01/35 6 th Event	Wimbledon						M Lush	Min of Labour	F	18.24	Min of Labour
08/12/34	Putney	D Pell	New Scotland Yard	Μ	29.15	GPO Stores					
13/01/34 5 th Event	Selsdon						M Lush	Min of Labour	F		Min of Health
09/12/33	Wimbledon	H G Verney	GPD Birmingham	Μ	27.30	GPO Stores					
07/01/33 4th Event							M Rossi	Post Office Coventry	F	16.45	Min of Health
10/12/32	Southgate	H Thomas	Post Office Stores	Μ	32.44	PO Stores (Holloway)					
23/01/32 3rd Event	Wimbledon						M Lush	Min of Health	F	18.44	Min of Health
12/12/31	East Molesey	A Norris	Post Office Savings	Μ	29.26	GPO Stores					
17/01/31 2nd Event	Wimbledon						B Giffen	Min of Labour	F		Min of Labour
13/12/30 10 th	New Barnet	B C V Oddie	Air Ministry	Μ	28.57	Air Ministry & PO Telephones Tied					
11/01/30 1 st Event	Perrivale						B Giffen	Min of Labour	F	17.05	Min of Labour
14/12/29	Surbiton	B C V Oddie	Air Ministry	Μ	28.22	PO Telephones					

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08/12/28	Chigwell	B C V Oddie	Air Ministry	М	29.02	Customs &			
						Excise			
10/12/27	Hayes	R J Barrett	Air Ministry	М	30.09	Air Ministry			
11/12/26	Coulsdon	B C V Oddie	Air Ministry	М	32.23	Air Ministry			
12/12/25	Wimbledon	Н Туе	SW District Post Office	Μ	30.08	Air Ministry			
15/11/24	Chingford	P A Selman	SW District	М	31.15	South			
			Post Office			Western			
						District Post			
						Office			
17/11/23	West Wickham	A E Elliott	Office of	М	31.47	Central			
			Works			Telegraph			
						Office			
25/11/22	Coulsdon	P A Selman	Post Office	М	27.58	Central			
						Telegraph			
						Office			
10/12/21	Putney Heath	G W R Robinson	Post Office	М	25.48	Central			
			Savings Bank			Telegraph			
						Office			

1924 Apparently South Western District Post Office were presented with a Challenge Trophy by Sir Aubrey Symonds, the first time it has been awarded.

1930 1st Women's XC but on a different day to the Men

1932 The Chidley Cup awarded to the Winning Ladies Team for the First time

1934 Newspaper Reference to the W P Baines Memorial Cup awarded to the Men's Cross Country Champion

No Women's XC Records in The Joe Binks Collection after 1935 so have to assume no races were held until possibly the early 1960s (unless results can be unearthed)

When did Women & Men run on same day as 1966 report states Women ran within Surrey Champs

In 2023 the Men and Women competed on a new course of 5 miles and both ran the same distance whereas previously the Men had run 3 laps and the Women 2

Sunday Mirror - Sunday 26 November 1922



Daily Mirror - Monday 27 November 1922



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The Sportsman - Saturday 17 November 1923

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CIVIL SERVICE CHAMPIONSHIP.

With regard to the Civil Service cross muntry championship to be held at West Wickham this afternoon. Sixteen teams have entered and four individuals. Four of the teams are composed entirely of novices. A large number of novices are also included in the other teams. A medal will be given for the first novice unplaced and for the first team of novices, in addition to the sets of medals for the first three teams. Among the entries are P A Selman, E H Kleinschroth, C S Price, A Elliott, G W Robinson, E D Mountain, A Beckess, W J Lunnon, B Coulthard, W L Brock, B Garnham, L F Northam, W F Chambers, and J McNulty, and, given fine weather, the meeting promises to be a great success.



CIVIL SERVICE CROSS-COUNTRY: A. ELLIOTT, GOLD MEDAL WINNER.

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CIVIL SERVICE FIVE MILES CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPION-SHIP.

By G. C. SMALLWOOD, O.B.E.

The Third Annual Five Miles Cross Country Chasmpionship of the C.S. was held at West Wickham, near Croydon, on Satur-day, November 17th, 1923. It was gratifying to the Athletic Association to obtain the large entry of 16 teams and four individuals, and further to find that of the ray starters no less than ray finished the course. The CTO are to be course that

no less than 121 finished the course. The C.T.O. are to be congratulated on performing the bat trick by winning the team championship for the third year in succession. The individual championship has changed hands each year; the winner in 1921, G.W.R. Robinson (P.O.S.B.) being second this year, and last year's winner, P. A. Selman (Post Office) being fourth. The winner this year, A. Elliott (H.M.O.W.), who was second in 1921, is to be heartily congratulated, for the field was real class. The course was not eavy comprising

The course was not easy, comprising eight stiles, three kissing gates, a narrow wooden bridge, and about a mile of plough, so that the winner's time is very creditable indeed. The last man's time was good and faster than most civil servants could have shown even with the help of a bicycle.

The meeting was successfully carried out, thanks to the help of the Blackheath Harriers and to the assistance as judges, etc., of a

number of distinguished Cross Country officials.

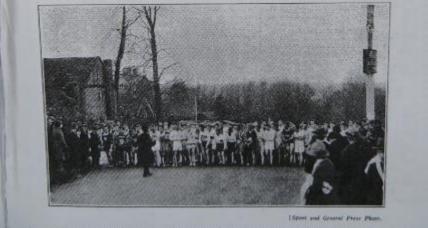
Sir Aubrey Symonds, K.C.B., Chairman of the Sports Council, acted as referee and starter for the second time since the inaugura-tion of this event, and the way in which he mixed with and talked to the runners illustrated the "Fraternity of Sportsmen."

illustrated the Fraternity of sportanea. Sir Aubrey has gone still further, he has offered to present a challenge cup to the Athletic Association to be held by the successful team in this event, an offer which the Athletic Association will grate-fully accept. C.T.O., here is your chance; win it pext year.

win it best year. The event itself was fairly representative, but there is still room for more offices to enter teams. Why not enter more novice teams? We had only four this year. Until the novices have been given a run neither they nor their offices know what they can do.

they can do. The next team and individual event to be promoted by the Athletic Association will be the ten miles Road walk Championship, won the last two years by W.D.O. Cannot some other office put up a team to lower their colours and prevent another last trick ? Hat tricles are becoming too frequent; the Ministry of Labour are also offenders, having won the one mile Relay Champion-ship on the track for four years in succession. Other offices must really wake up; these team events must not be farmed out like like

START OF THE RACE NEAR THE RAILWAY HOTEL, WEST WICKHAM.



STARTER ON BANE-LEFT. HOS. SEC. GIVING INSTRUCTIONS TO THE COMPETITORS.

CSAA CHAMPIONSHIP WINNERS Cross Country Daily Herald - Friday 14 November 1924



the first to have their name engraved on the trophy promises to be unusually teen.

Most of the big Government Offices will be represented, there being an entry of 13 teams. There are also seven individual entrants, and in all about 100 runners, including many well-known athletes who are engaged in the Service, will take part. In each of the three previous contests the Central Telegraph Office contingent of the five men, known as the Centels A.C., have proved the winners. They are again hopeful of carrying off the honours, but both the Post Office Savings Bank and the Inland Revenue, between which teams a close struggle took place last year for second position, should press them all the way.

Arthur Elliott, the ex-Letsh Guardaman and Surrey A.C. runner, who competes on behalf of the Office of Works, is the holder of the individual title, and is fancied by many to score again. Elliott, however, is nearing ', veteran stage, and, although he retains his form remarkably well, as he showed on one or two occasions during the past summer season, he will, I fancy, find the pace of the Polytechnic marathon runner, P. A. Selman (Post Office), a little too hot to withstand.

That Selman, who was first man home in 1922, is in good form was seen last Saturday week, when, in the Polytechnic Harriers' 54 miles handicap at Perivale, he gained second place from scratch in a field of 45, failing to win outright by only three or four yards.

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Athletic News - Monday 14 December 1925

NEV	V CIVIL SERVICE CHAMPIONS.
The	re were surprises in the result of the
Civil	Service A.A. five miles cross-country
cham	pionship at Wimbledon, and of the 17
eam	for the first time, which goes to show
part	for the first time, which goes to show
what	great strides the sport is making in
even	the Government offices.
The	holder, Phil Selman, though expected
o de	fend his title, had been ill. This time
lis f	ellow Polytechnic H. and Territorial
cham	pion, H. Tye Post Office (S.W.D.O.)
ran a	brainy race, and in 30min. 8sec. beat
his 1	runner-up, R. C. Coulthard (S.I.H.),
Custo	oms and Excise, by fifty yards. After
nim e	came the 1921 winner, G. W. R. Robin-
son	(Ranelagh H.), Savings Bank Depart-
	, third, and H. Still, Air Ministry,
fourt	II.
In	e Air Ministry, well led by H. Still
and	T. E. Parry, won the collective title
for t	he first time in the history of the race,
and	their success was as easily gained as
IL WE	as surprising.
101 1	am result :- Air Ministry (31, 5, 7, 8, 9), points, 1; Customs and Excise (2, 15.
16 0	5, 26), 84 points, 2; C.T.O. Post Office
117 1	18, 20, 23, 27), 101 points, 3.
113. 1	C.T.O. won in three of the four pre-
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e w	years, and both they and the D.O. Golders' have at last had to
	e their colours to the encoming other
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Sunday Mirror - Sunday 13 December 1925

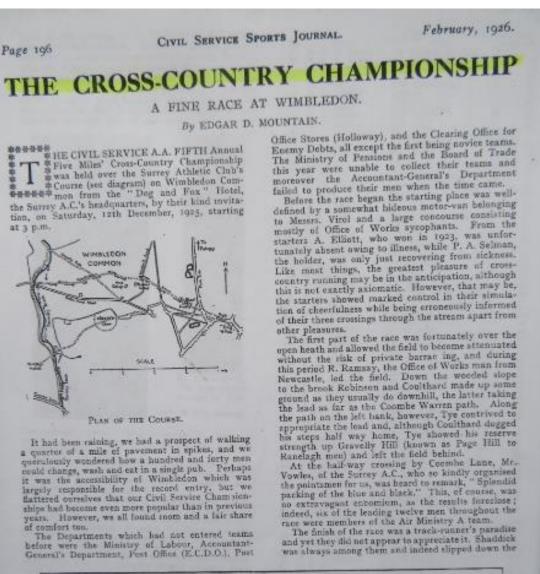


CIVIL SERVICE cross-country runners enjoyed glasses of milk after their championship race, which was run at Wimbledon.



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The Departments which had not entered teams before were the Ministry of Labour, Accountant-General's Department, Post Office (E.C.D.O.), Post

bank at the crossing on to M Glennum and spiked him, but he had no finish. Robinson had the greatest difficulty to avoid being beaten by a novice, H. Still, who ran a magnificent rate and might have beaten him if the forms had been more obtuse and dogs had been prohibited. Ramsay suffered grievous dis-orders of his internal communy soon after the half-way peint, but made a plucky finish and even them someone objected that he was encouraged by non-



competitors. I should think he needed it. We were sorry that two men who lost their way had a railer

competitions. Therefore think is the intervent is the second source that two mess when Soit their way had a realised implementation of the winning team and the reacting of H. Still, a notice and member of that team, who finished third. We welcomed a free cup of Virol, and after a bath and a change we felt ready for two and the actual of the second second second second to the performed the duties of section who finished third. Second second

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CIVIL SERVICE SPORTS JOURNAL.

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CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIP. AIR MINISTRY SUCCESSFUL FOR THIRD TIME.

***** HE SEVENTH ANNUAL Cross Country Championship of the Civil Service was held on December 10th, 1927, at Hayes, Kent, from the Blackheath Harriers' Head-quarters. The entry was up to standard, 香香西西



L. J. Sowden (118) C.T.O. (a), R. J. Barrett (12) Air Ministry, the first man home, and A. E. Moon (40) Inland Revenue—the first three competitors to finish.

14 teams being entered, although only 12, including two novice teams, materialised at the post. The race itself was a fast run and commenced with two laps of an open space on Hayes Common (nearly half-amile) before the runners were sent off into the country. This was done in order to spread the runners before they entered the narrow gorse bordered footpaths of the common. The experiment was apparently a success as no accidents were reported.

The Air Ministry succeeded in winning the team championship for the third consecutive year, despite the absence, through illness, of B. C. V. Oddie, last year's winner. This Department also provided the individual winner in that much improved runner,

individual winner in that much improved runner, R. J. Barrett. The race was remarkable for its close finish, about 150 yards covering the first six men home, there being only about five yards between first and second. Barrett led from the start and it was evident from the close timing that the race was a "dogfight" from beginning to end. Sir Russell Scott, K.C.B., officiated as Referee and Starter and presented the Cup and Medals at the conclusion, whilst Lady Scott was an interested spec-tator. The Departmental Chiefs of the Air Ministry were in strong force but other Departments did not appear to be well represented. A new point was raised by the Referee and Starter.

A new point was raised by the Referee and Starter. He claimed that although he had not paid an entrance fee, he was entitled to start, in view of the fact that his name was printed as "Starter" on the Programme. He was allowed to start but could not be persuaded to finish the course. We then saw an interesting sight : our Controller of Establishments, sprinting round the common in mufti behind or youngsters in running attire. He managed to do about 400 yards and it was obvious that in his earlier days he must have known how to "pick'em up." Out of 92 starters 90 were timed in at the finish. Abbreviated results are appended :--

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	Name.			Office.	Min,	Sec.
	R. J. Barrett	114	1000	Air Min. (A)	30	0
- 5				C.T.O. (A)	10	10
	L. J. Sowden	444		LR.	30	13
3	A. E. Moon	444	-434		30	58
14	W. C. Colegate			Ç. & E.	30	
	H. Still	100		Air Min. (A)	- 39	27
56	R. Ramsay		100	H.M.O.W.	- 50	38



Photos by Mu, G. C. Smallwood (Hon. Sec. C.S.A.A.) Addressing the Runners fride to the Start.

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8th ANNUAL CIVIL SERVICE FIVE MILES CROSS-COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIP.

Held at Chigwell Row (Ilford A.C. Headquarters).

T HE Eighth Annual Civil Service Five Miles Cross-Country Championship was held on Saturday, December 8th, at Chigwell Row, Essex, from the headquarters of the Ilford A.C.

The course consisted of about $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles of forest glade and back to the starting point, then up the glade again and out into the country, round the lake and golf links in Hainault Forest, returning home down the same glade—just over five miles in all.

Spectators were particularly lucky on this course, as they were able to see the progress of the race at different stages, having a view of about three miles out of the nve.

The course itself was very hilly, but, luckily for the competitors, the frost had made the surface nice and dry. If the weather had been wet they would have had about 500 yds. of marsh and swamp to get through, and the result of the team race might have been different.

Sir Francis Floud, Chairman of the Board of Customs and Excise, got the 110 runners away to a perfect start, and it was seen that Oddie at once took the lead.

The runners were in full view for the first half mile, and a pretty sight it was with all the various club colours showing up in a beautifully clear light against the green of the grass glade. When, they appeared again Oddie was still in the lead, which he, kept till the end, winning comfortably by about 150 yards. At the end of the first mile and a half Moon was second, with several others close on his heels, but numerous changes in order took place in the sol

was second, with several others close on his heels, but numerous changes in order took place in the $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles of country.

Oddie won easily, but there were many exciting races in the last 200 yards, and it was not till the judges had completed their arithmetical calculations that we were able to say in what order the teams had finished.

Customs are to be congratulated on their win, and we all appreciated the sporting remarks of Mr. McAnnally, of the Air Ministry, who congratulated the winners.

After the race all adjourned to Bakers Tea Rooms, where Sir Francis Floud presented the Cup and medals to the winners. He seemed particularly to enjoy giving the Cup to his own Office, more especially as this was the first occasion on which he had been able to attend our C.C. Championship.

As a race the event was excellent, and we owe considerable gratitude to llford A.C. for the fact that there was no mishap whatever, not a single competitor being lost, as sometimes happens in a race of this kind.

At the conclusion, the Hon. Secretary announced that he hoped to be able to arrange a C.C. match

against the R.A.F. and Middlesex County in February next, but arrangements were not yet completed. Hearty votes of thanks were given to Sir Francis Floud, who gave a cheery response, and to Ilford A.C., for whom Mr. Deer, their President, replied expressing their pleasure in being privileged to act as our hosts. Mr. McAnnally, on behalf of the holders of the Trophy, then heartily congratulated the winners on beating his Department, to which Mr. Wessell replied on behalf of the winners.

There were several surprises in the result, not the least remarkable being the performance of G.P.O. London Telephone Engineers, who were able to muster only six men and yet finished fourth in the race. Much credit is due to Mr. C. E. Green, who organised the team.

Another agreeable surprise was the entry of four novice teams, a member of one of which managed to finish eleventh in the race; he should develop into a fine runner with more experience.

The Hon. Secretary will be pleased to receive suggestions for next year's venue, preferably South of the Thames.

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The full results are appended :

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1	B. C. V. Oddie (Air Ministry)			20			
2	E. Thomas (P.O. Stores)	8.4.4		29		45	
3	C. C. Noaks (Fuel Res. Board)	· · · ·		20		48	
4	W. G. Webb (C. & E.)	***	464	-		54	
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	G. Tolley (P.O. Telephones)		***	30		9	
7	R. A. E. Galley (Fuel Res. Bo	ard)	iii.	-		12	
8	A. E. Moon (Inland Revenue)			-		14	
9	A. J. Norris (P.O.S.B.)					16	
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13	A. C. Tyrrell (C.T.O. (A))			**		4	
14	G. Wilson (P.O. Telephones)			**		5	
35	H. Parkinson (C.T.O. (A))				100	5	9
16	E. T. Wessell (C. & E.)	***		**	31		4
	I. F. Shepherd (S.W.D.O.)			••	-	1	
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21	S. A. W. Evans (Air Ministr					12	7
22	*W. A. O. Herniman (Inland		mel		-	3	1
23	J. Hollingshead (Air Ministry		1.00	10	-	3.	5.
24	*A. S. Butcher (G.P.O. (I.S.)				-	34	8
25	R. Coulthard (C. & E.)	8.6.6			-	40	0
26	C. H. Beer (P.O.S.B.)	A	1.0		-	40	9 H H
27	F. Routley (Air Ministry (A)	1	1.16	96	-	31	133
28	H. C. Watson (Air Ministry)	4.4.9		60	-	54	631
	"W. F. Waters (Government)		- 44	ĥŧ.	-	55	5
29	W. K. D. Atkins (Inland Re	venue)	1.00		-	50	5
30	R. J. Green (P.O. Telephone	5)		-	-	52	5
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32	W. H. Smith (C.T.O. (A))		- 583		-	- 3	E
	C. R. Woodyard (India Office			411	32	- 14	88.
33	J. S. Hales (Fuel Res. Board			6	32		
34	J. F. McGlennon (Air Ministr	ry (A))		-	14	
35	S. L. King (Air Ministry (A)	1			-	16	5
36	*G. Harrup (C.T.O. (A))				-	17	
32	A. J. Brassington (C.T.O. (A)	1			-	00	
38	*A. A. Cutler (G.P.O. (I.S.))			. ·	-	21	
39	C. S. Powell (S.W.D.O.)	+++	- 144		-	55	
40	*A. H. Smith (E.C.D.O.)	44.8			-	37	

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West London Observer - Friday 03 January 1930 – First Women's XC

p.m. Members will come down by the 5.55 p.m. train from Westbourne Park Saturday the 11th, the first Civil Service womens' more country championship will take place at 3.30 p.m. from our headquarters at The Bungalow. All members are requested to come along and act as pioneers, stewards, etc; also to help with tea, and so make this a suc-

Daily Herald 13th January 1930

Considering the conditions prevailing at Perivale it was surprising that as many as 23 of the 46 entrants for the first Civil Service women's cross-country mampionship took part in the 24 miles race over a waterlogged course, but Miss B. Giffen (Ministrv of Labour) ran solendidly to win in 17min. Seec., and with another of their members finishing second the Ministry of Labour team gained a comfortable victory.

Cross Country

Sunday Mirror - Sunday 18 January 1931

2nd Women's Cross Country Championship 17th January 1931 at Wimbledon



Illustrated Sporting and Dramatic News - Saturday 19 December 1931



THE CIVIL SERVICE CROSS-COUNTRY FIVE-MILES CHAMPIONSHIP AT EAST MOLESEY: HEAVY GOING AT THE GATE ON THE FIEST ROUND.

Coventry Evening Telegraph - Monday 09 January 1933



Miss M. Rossi, of the Coventry Post Office, who is captain of the Women's Section of the Godiva Harriers, won the women's cross-country championship of the Civil Service A.A. at Wimbledon on Saturday. Twenty-

eight runners, re-

presenting five

cluding five indi-

took part. The course over rough

country measured 21 miles, and there was a keen race between Miss

Rossi and Miss M.

Lush (Ministry of Health), the holder, before the Coventry girl won

by 50 yards in the

entrants,

The

vidual



MISS ROSSI

record time of 16 mins. 45secs. Miss Rossi finished quite fresh. The previous best time for the race was 18mins. 43secs., which was set up by last year's winner.

Miss Rossi's time was 45 3-5secs. better than the winner's time in the Surrey women's Cross-Country Championship race, run over 21 miles at Epsom on Saturday

The Ministry of Health, who, ignoring individual entrants, filled the first three positions, retained team honours with a total of six points.

PROMINENT ACROSS COUNTRY AND ON THE FLAT

It was a brilliant performance on the part of Miss Rossi, who has run very prominently across the country and on the flat for the past three sessons.

In the Women's National Cross-Country Championship at Coventry last year she finished sixth, and was chosen for international honours, while she is the holder of the Civil Service half-time flat championship.

THE PLACINGS

The individual placings in Saturday's Civil Service A.A. race were:

1 *Miss M. Rossi, Coventry P.O.... 16 45 2 Miss M. Lush, Ministry of Health (holder) 16 57

Miss G. Grayling, Ministry of Labour, 1848; 12, Miss M. F. Kirk, P.O.S.B., 191. "Individual entrants.

TEAM PLACINGS

1 Ministry of Health (holders) (123) 6

CSAA CHAMPIONSHIP WINNERS Cross Country Daily Mirror - Monday 15 January 1934



Daily Herald 7th January 1935 Report of Miss M Lush



MISS M LUSH (Ministry of Labour) retained her Civil Service women's cross-country championship title at Wimbledon on Saturday. while Ministry of Labour again scored team honours. Miss Lush has now won the individual title on three occasions.

Miss E B. Forster (Board of Trade) was second in 18min. 43sec and Miss D Osborne Ministry of Labour) third in 18min. 55sec.

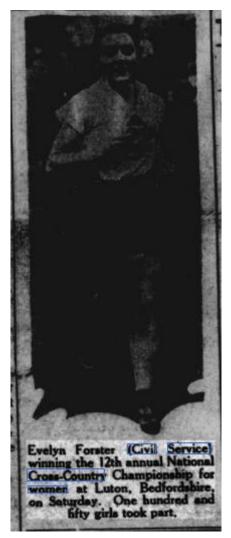
CSAA CHAMPIONSHIP WINNERS Cross Country Daily Herald - Monday 21 January 1935

Miss E Forster - National Junior Cross Country Champion



CHAIRING THE WINNER.-Miss E. Forster. of the Civil Service A.C., being chaired after her fine victory in the women's junior cross-country championship run over the Derby course at Epsom.

CSAA CHAMPIONSHIP WINNERS Cross Country Bradford Observer - Monday 28 February 1938



Daily Mirror - Monday 28 February 1938



CSAA CHAMPIONSHIP WINNERS Cross Country Athletics Review January 1952

NATIONAL CIVIL SERVICE Finchley. Dec. 15th, 1951

1, Len Eyre (Leeds Harehills), 30 mins. 52 secs.; 2, J. Stone (Dorking), 30:55; 3, R. Gosney (Southampton A.C.), 31:05; 4, J. Green (Reading), 31:30; 5, J. Pennington (Wadham H.), 31:53; 6, K. Weston (Reading 31:57; 7, M. Blyth (St. Albans A.C.), 31:58; 8, J. Brown (Belgrave H.), 32:57; 9, R. Taylor (Belgrave H.), 32:57; 10, A. Mackay (Shaftesbury H.), 33:18; 11, R. Whitlock (Reading), 33:22; 12, A. Newson (H.H.H.), 33:28; 13, R. Church (Essex "B"), 33:36; 14, W. Hicks (Hampstead H.), 33:45. *Teams*: 1. London Tel. Coms., 53 pts.; 2, Admiralty, 105 pts.; 3, Savings Bank, 106 pts.

Athletic Review January 1953: A Report and Pictures of the 1st 3 Runners in the 1952 Cross Country Championships and the Winning Team



The first three in the Civil Service C.C.-I. to r.: J. Gamblin 2nd, L. Eyre 1st. M. Blythe 3rd.



The winning team : London Telecoms (Top, Ross, Whitlock, Pennington, Lacey. Bottom, Spencer, Mackay and Manley.

This race was run over a fast 5-mile lap comprising 24 miles of gravel paths and 24 miles of grass with one short hill. A Ingles of Thames Valley H. (North of Thames Junior winner) was strongly fancied to give Len Eyre a hard race. However, Len, who obviously knew the course, ran out in front from the start and was 30 yards up on Ingles at 1 mile and 50 yards at 3 miles. Ingles faded towards the end and Len went on to a very comfortable win by 100 yards from J. Gamblin of Westbury H. Result : 1, L. Eyre (Harehills Lib, A.C.) 24 : 52. 2, J. Gamblin (Westbury H.) 25 : 08. 3, M. Blyth (St. Albans A.C.) 25 : 10. 4, A. Ingles (T.V.H.) 25 : 16. 5, H. Wooland (Ealing H.) 25 : 32. 6, K. Weston (Reading A.C.) 25 : 35. 7, J. Pennington (Wadham H.) 26 : 02. 8, E. Herbert (Belgrave H.) 26 : 05. 9, E. Manley (T.V.H.) 26 : 08. 10, D. Clark (S.L.H.) 26 : 20. 12, J. Crumples (Savings Bank) 26 : 21, 13, G. Ash (Southgate H.) 26 : 3, 4. A. Kerawley (Air Min.) 26 : 31. 15, A. Newson (H.H.H.) 26 : 42. 17. W,

Fisher (Inland Rev.) 26:45. 18, B. Hallowell (Air Min.) 26:47. 19, A. Humber (Housing Min.) 26:47. 19, A. Humber (Housing Min.) 26:49, 20, J. Chegwidden (Mitcham A.C.). 21, B. Yealsley (Hampstead H.) 26:54. 22, W. Werry (Admiralty) 26:59, 23, B. Macdonald (S.L.H.) 27:07. 24, A. Ross (Blackheath H.) 27:15. 25, J. Dogget (Walton A.C.) 27:17. Teams: 1, London Telecoms, (J. Pennington, E. Manley, R. Whitlock, A. Mackay, A. Ross) 36 pts.; 2, Ordnance Survey, 96 pts.; 3, Ministry of Housing, 107 pts.

A Report of the 1954 Cross Country Championships:

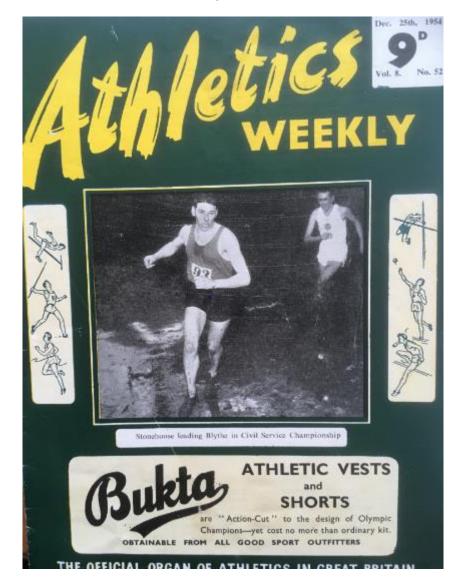
THE CIVIL SERVICE	Gamlin, Westbury H., 30: 59. 6, J. Stone,
5-MILE C.C. CHAMPIONSHIP	Dorking St. P., 31: 03. 7, D. Baulch
Held over the T.V.H. course at Cran-	Belgrave H., 31: 15. 8, M. Garrod,,
ford, Middlesex, in the vicinity of London	Cambridge H., 31: 21. 9, G. Fisher,
Airport. The course was waterlogged but	Herne Hill H., 31: 24. 10, G. Milne,
flat as a pancake.	T.V.H., 31: 35. 11, L. Sykes, Longwood
Ron Farnham (South of Thames junior	H., 31: 41. 12, B. Hallowell, Hercules
winner) led out for first 880 yards, when	A.C., 31: 45. 13, D. Clark, S.L.H.,
Len Eyre took over in an attempt to	31: 53. 14, C. Rowdon, Reading, 32: 01.
dictate the pace.	15, E. Dunster, Victoria Pk., 32: 03. 16,
Surprise packet was Mike Blyth who	J. Davis, Bristol A.C., 32: 04. 17, A.
outstayed Len Eyre (still troubled with his	Newson, Herne Hill H., 32: 16. 18, B.
foot) ; another outstanding performer was	Yeabsley, Hampstead H., 32: 19. 19, J.
C. Roffey who ran in clear of Gamlin and	Pennington, North Lnd. H., 32: 21. 20,
Stone.	A. Wood, Cambridge H., 32: 28. 21, P.
I, R. Stonehouse, Farnham A.C., 29: 59-	May, Reading A.C., 32: 34. 23, J. Green,
I. Blyth St. Albans A.C., 30: 06. 3:	Grayson, Herne H., 32: 34. 23, J. Green,

2, M. Blyth, St. Albans A.C., 30:06. 3, L. Eyre, Leeds Harehills H., 30:39. 4, C. Roffey, Belgrave H., 30:49. 5, J.

Reading A.C., 32:48. Polytechnic H., 32:51. 24,

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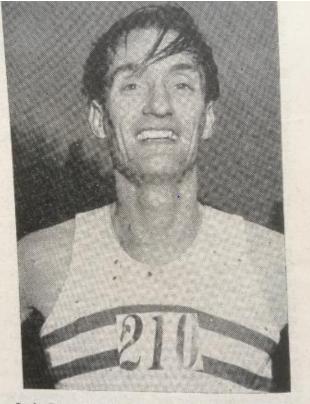
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CSAA CHAMPIONSHIP WINNERS Cross Country AW 12th January 1957 - J Brown 1956 Cross Country Champion



Jack Brown (Belgrave H.) after winning the Civil Service Cross Country Championship at Woodford in the colours of Army Pensions Office, H. W. Necle

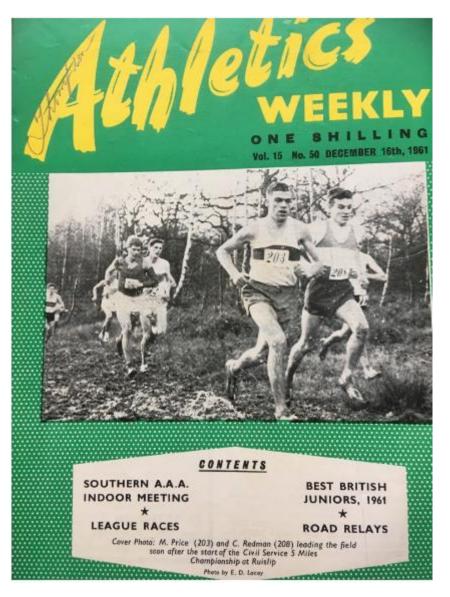
Athletics Weekly 19th December 1959



M. J. Price (G.P.O. Gloucester & Bristol A.C.) who was second, leading E. A. Earl (London Telecoms & Hercules A.C.), the winner after one mile of the Civil Service Championship at Coulsdon. E. D. Lacey

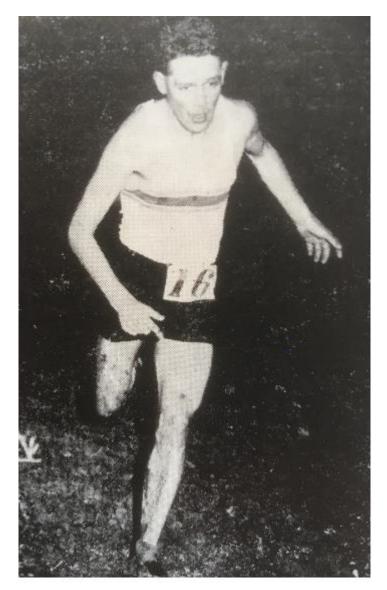
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AW 16th December 1961 – The Civil Service Cross Country Championship makes the Front Page



CSAA CHAMPIONSHIP WINNERS Cross Country AW 16th December 1961

John Snowden the CSAA XC Champion



AW 26th December 1964

Championships

December 12th

N INETY-FOUR civil servants from all parts of the country faced the starter, G. W. Robinson, President of Ranelagh Harriers and winner of the Championship in 1921, to cover five miles in two laps of a hilly Richmond Park course.

The steep hill, rising 100 feet in a quarter of a mile soon after the start, separated the men from the boys and towards the end of the first lap a bunch of six had detached itself. This squad comprising the Lancs representa-tives, Geoff Entwistle and Wade Cooper, the two Holt brothers, Les Presland and Geoff North, started the sharp climb together on the second circuit. However, when the runners re-appeared after climbing the hill Entwistle had opened up a five vard gap from Presland, who appeared after climbing the hin Entwistle had opened up a five yard gap from Presland, who was just ahead of the remaining quartet. The Lancashire lad increased this lead over the remainder of the course but the Holt brothers struck back and at the finish only three seconds separated second, third and fourth. The Inland Revenue team packed in well to retain the team championship.

Teams:

Pts.

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 1. Inland Revenue
 (4, 5, 9,14,17)
 49

 2. M. of Defence (Army)
 (2, 8,11,13,29)
 63

 3. M. of Aviation
 (1,19,24,25,27)
 96

 4 M. of Defence 129; 5, M. of Ag. Fish & Food
 138; 6, London Tele. Reg. 164; 7, Nat. History

 Mus. 211; 8, M. of Pensions & N.I. 221; 9,
 GPO Research 242; 10, M. of Defence (Air)

 243; 11, M. of Transport 292.

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FICK FRICE FIRST HUME IN CIVIL SERVICES CHAMPIONSHIP ICK PRICE of the Post Office Engineers won the Civil Service Championship at Coulsdon over a hilly five mile course on December 11th. Price, who made the pace all the way, was strongly challenged in the closing stages by Geoff Entwistle, last year's winner, but he held on to win by 5 yards. 1. M. Price (POED Gloucester) 25.48 28.22; 16, P. Robinson (GPO Chichester) 28.28; 28.22; 16, F. Robinson (GFO Chichester) 26.26,
17, D. Case (MOD Army) 28.34; 18, D. Amey (Min of Avia) 28.49; 19, R. Jeans (Mod Army) 28.50; 20, J. Brown (Mod Army) 28.59; 21, K. McBrearty (Min of PNI) 29.08; 22, R. Steele (MOD Navy) 29.10; 23, C. O'Brien (MOD Navy) 29.27; 24, D. Burch (MOD Navy) 29.34;
25, P. Cloud, (Min of Avia) 29.35; 26, D. 25, R. Cloud (Min of Avia) 29.35; 26, D. Huffer (IR) 29.48; 27. P. Street (Min of Lab) 29.50; 28, B. Peto (GPOHL) 29.52; 29, D. Brown (IR) 29.55; 30, P. Driver (Min of Av) 30.07. 77 finished. Teams: Pts. Min. of Defence, Army (1, 7, 8, 9,11) 36 1.
 2. Inland Revenue
 (4, 5,18,20,22)
 69

 3. Ministry of Aviation
 (2,10,17,21,23)
 73
 4, Min. of Def., Navy 87; 5, Min. of PNI 134; 6, L.T.R. 209; 7, Min. of Def., Air Force 215;

8, Min. of Labour 223; 9, Min. of Transport 235; 10, E. & C. Office 250.

CSAA CHAMPIONSHIP WINNERS Cross Country AW 24th December 1966

Bob Holt Wins Civil Service Title

At Woodford Green, December 10th

After a close race on a muddy course 22year-old Bob Holt broke away from his twin brother Dave with two miles remaining and gained a twenty yard lead which he retained to the finish. Third was Geoff Entwistle, winner of this event two years previously.

1. R. Holt (Reg. of Friendly Soc.) ... 22.52 2. D. Holt (Min. of H. & LG) 22.56 3. G. Entwistle (H.M.S.O.) 22.57 4, C. Moxsom (LTR) 23.15; 5, J. Stirling (MOD-A) 23.23; 6, L. Presland (Avia) 23.30; 7, Geoff North (MOD-A) 23.44; 8, R. Simnett (MOP) 23.47; 9, W. Cooper (GPO-NWR 23.54; 10, D. Moore (MOSS) 24.08; 11, K McBrearty (MOSS) 24.22; 12, C. Amey (Avia) 24.23; 13, D. Editorial Content of the second seco 24.23; 13, D. Fossati (GPO-NWR) 24.32; 14, G. Pymm (IR) 24.34; 15, J. Cliff (MOT) 24.43; 16, J. Offley (MOD-A) 24.46; 17, A. Butcher (IR) 24.51; 18, A. Patten (LTR) 24.53; 19, B. Steele (MOD N) 24.46; 7, A. Butcher (Avia))t Steele (MOD-N) 24.54; 20, E. Williams (Avia) 4, 24.58. Teams: Pts. 1. Min. of Defence-Army (2, 4,11,18,21) 56 11 2. Min. of Defence-Army (2, 4,11,19,24) 73 3. Inland Revenue (10,12,20,22,27) 91 4. GPO-NW Region 95; 5. Min. of Aviation 98; 6. London Tel. ff re ilt 98; 6, London Telecommunication Region 103: 7, Min of Telecommunication Region British ed 7. Min. of Defence-Navy 186; 8. British Museum-Natural History 250. d-J. n)

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AW 31st December 1966

Colin Moxsom, top-ranking UK junior last season in the 6 miles and 2000 metres steeplechase, is seen here running third in the Civil Service cross-country championship at Woodford. He finished 4th. Others, left to right, are G. Entwisle (3rd), R. Holt (1st) and D. Holt (2nd).

Roy Morris



Note that the Women's Championship was held at a different venue to the Men's Race.

CIVIL SERVICE CHAMPIONSHIPS At Cheam, December 10th Rain had been falling steadily for 12 hours before the race and consequently the 21 mile Nonsuch Park course was very heavy and muddy. The winner, Slough counter clerk Shirley Williams, who had won the title two years previously, was "hardly recognisable" as she crossed the finish line. 1. S. Williams (G.P.O.) 14.33 2. S. Taylor (Min. of Labour) 14.41 3. J. Jones (Min. of Aviation) 15.37 4, R. Gorton (MSS) 15.38; 5, L. Mulley (M. of Agric. F. & F.) 16.23; 6, E. Sissons (Army Dept) 16.32; 7, E. Fisher (MSS) 17.16; 8, M. Armstrong (MSS) 17.19; 9, M. Roy (MSS) 19.10; 10, A. Coward (Min. of Trans) 19.21. Teams: 1, Min. of Social Security 6; 2, Min. of Transport 15.