

# Blackheath & Bromley Courier

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Work commenced on the Community Sports and Recreation Centre at Norman Park on the 11<sup>th</sup> of October. A hundred years ago, Blackheath began their first Winter of basing all Saturday activities at The Railway Hotel, West Wickham rather than The Green Man Hotel, Blackheath Hill. Wednesday Night runs still went from Blackheath but, within a year midweek runs had moved to Tuesday and Thursdays from the Private Banks Headquarters at Catford Bridge.

Seventy five years ago Club subscriptions were raised for the first time in over half a Century doubling to a guinea. Fifty years ago the first 200 Club draw, organised by Chris Haines and John Baldwin, took place. Graham Botley was the first winner of the £25 prize and Chris picked up the £10 second prize. Twenty five years ago work began on improving the womens changing and shower facilities, thanks to the "Buy the Ladies a Loofah" appeal.

Fifteen years ago at the National Cross Country relays in Mansfield the Under 15 boys team finished 36<sup>th</sup> and the B team were 57<sup>th</sup>. In October's London Marathon one of that A team from 2006 was the fastest Briton timing 2.12.58. One of that B team finished in 2.19.33. Congratulations Phil Sesemann and Ross Braden!

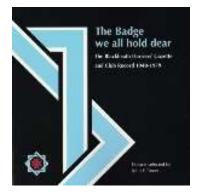




#### **Wednesday Night Training**

Wednesday Night training, eating and drinking is at Beccehamian Rugby Football Club, Corkscrew Hill, West Wickham BR4 9BB. Open from 6.30. Please communicate Food orders to <a href="mailto:dmlawrie162@googlemail.com">dmlawrie162@googlemail.com</a> before 6pm on Tuesdays.

Mike Davies has received a UK Athletics Long Service Award in recognition of his 40 years of service to officiating. Mike is no stranger to receiving such Awards. He picked up an England Athletics Service to Athletics Trophy in 2016. He actually received his first AAA coaching qualification in 1959, though his earliest coaching success came in 1956 or 1957, (he can't remember which), when one of his sisters won the Sussex County discus title. Congratulations Mike and thanks Brenda for letting him do all the work he does!



**John Turner** has produced a follow up to his book "Hurrah for the Squares Entwined" a collection of extracts from the Club Gazette form 1898 to 1948. The second volume is "The Badge We All Hold Dear" and covers the years 1948 to 1979. Signed copies cost £10 with all profits to the Club.

# **Forthcoming Social Events**

**12/11/21.** Club Dinner. Beccehamian Rugby Football Club, Corkscrew Hill, West Wickham BR4 9BB. Special guest is now Phil Sesemann, first Briton home at this years London Marathon. 8pm. Bar open from 7pm. Last orders 10.50, bar shuts 11pm. Premises to be cleared by midnight. Sold out. Contact Dick Griffin to go on reserve list.

**22/12/21. Wednesday Nighters Christmas Supper**. Beccehamian Rugby Football Club, Corkscrew Hill, West Wickham BR4 9BB. £20. 7.30 for 8. Christmas tie and jeans. Tickets from Gerry Alger.



#### Forthcoming Fixtures.

#### November

6/11/21 - National Cross Country Relays, Mansfield

13/11/21 – Kent League (all age groups except Senior Men), Danson Park.

14/11/21 – Orion Mob Match (including Club 7.5 mile championship), The Warren, Hayes. (11.00)

20/11/21 – London Cross Country Championships, Parliament Hill.

20/11/21 – South Of The Thames Junior, Morden Park

27/11/21 – Kent League (all age groups except Senior Women), Foots Cray Meadows.

28/11/21 - Club 10 Mile Cross Country Championships, Croydon RFC Clubhouse, 135 Addington Road. (10.30).

#### December

4/12/21 – Kent Masters Cross Country Championships, Dartford

11/12/21 - SE Inter Counties, Oxford

11/12/21 – SE Masters and Inter Counties Championships, Oxford

18/12/21 – South Of The Thames Senior, Beckenham Place Park.

19/12/21 – Christmas Yacht Handicap (10.30), Croydon RFC Clubhouse, 35 Addington Road.

26/12/21 – Boxing Day Paperchase, Beccehamian Rugby Football Club, Corkscrew Hill, West Wickham BR4 9BB.

#### Results.

Highlight of the month has to be Phil Sesemann being first Briton at the London Marathon. There were plenty of other good results across the age groups. While the SLH 150 Mass Mob Match was a great event, we did lose the Nicholls Cup to our hosts. It means we have lost our last 18 mob matches against Orion, Ranelagh and SLH, our last victory being against Orion in November 2014. That is our only victory since October 2012, one out of 24. So from Fayetteville to Farthing Down; from Leeds to Lanhydrock; from Bognor to Bexley, from...

#### 2/10/21

Chile Pepper Festival, Fayetteville, AR, USA. Men. 77. Lewis Mills 25.30. Women. 2. Katy Ann McDonald 16.51. RunThrough Victoria Park Half Marathon. 16. Darren Corneille 88.16.

Cecil Gittins Memorial Walks (inc Enfield Race Walking League). 5km. 2. David Hoben 37.59.

Parkruns. Bromley. 3. Ian Firla 18.09, 6. David Adams 19.01, 27. Jason Meers 20.42, 30. Jennie Butler 20.48, 51. Andy Tucker 22.15, 67. Stuart Cullum 23.15, 79. Tim Ayres 23.31, 80. Gareth Evans 23.33, 106. Holly Kibblewhite 24.23, 196. Paul Byfield 26:53, 205. Graham Coates 27.07, 240. Bernard Wilson 28.20. Beckenham Place park. 4. Clayton Aves 19.32, 35. Jason Short 23.39, 54. Iain Swatton 24.32, 75. David Beadle 25.19, 84. Nigel Wood 25.36. Bournemouth. 92. Peter Hamilton 24.45. Hoblingwell. 4. Austin Adams 20.58. Orpington. 121. Karen Desborough 32.41. Southwark. 90. James Morris 22.18. Queen Elizabeth. 55. Sally Smith 39.11. Dartford. 41. John Turner 25.06, 146. Maz Turner 35.01. Lullingstone. 39. David Appleton 35.20, 42. Anthony Pontifex 36.36. Exmouth. 28. Bob Minting 24.21. Foots Cray Meadows. 21. Andrew Kingsmell 29.04. Bethlem Royal Hospital. 26. Rod Harrington 24.59, 31. Mike Simms 25.57. Land's End. 9. Genny Allan 24.13 (First woman), 14. Andrew Riches 28.21. Charlton. 70. Adrian Perry 22.05, 104. Robert Perry 24.11, 215. Mick Keene 29.14. 3/10/21

London Marathon. Mens Elite. 7. Phil Sesemann\* 2.12.58. Womens Elite. 15. Rose Harvey\* 2.29.45. Main Race. 3. Ross Braden 2.19.33, 236. Roger Vilardell 2.36.55, 647. Luca Ercolani 2.45.11, 758. Micah Evans 2.46.41, 2109. Alex Gibbins 2.59.57, 3271. Steve Evenden 3.11.26, 6133. Paul Sharpe 3.31.11, 6510. Iain Swatton 3.30.04, 10288. Nick Barber 3.51.39, 20933. Gerry Alger 4.37.32, 28175, Celeste Kriel 4.44.41, 24664. Zoe Kingsmell 4.54.54, 34636. Stan Ridgewell 6.36.27. London Mini Marathon, Borough Championships (plus British Athletics Road Championships). Under 17 Boys. 13. (57). Thomas Sugden 8.10, 15. (62). George Shaw 8.13, 17. (65). Miles Brown 8.15, 21. (72). Alessio Tutt 8.21, 37. (96). Matthew Smith 8.40, 45. (104). Ted Marston 8.47. Teams. 1. Bromley. Under 17 Girls. 1. (3). Fleur Todd Warmoth 8.23, 6. (36).

Amarisa Sibley 8.57, 7. (41). Hannah Clark 9.06, 9. (47) Lara Mannes 9.11 19. (70). Olivia Magee Brown 9.32, 20. (71). Gabriella Martin 9.32, 26. (79). Kate Price 9.38. 32. (88). Liberty Whyte 9.53, 40. (100). Lara Tunali Flynn 10.07, 45. (106). Cameron Kelly Gordon 10.12. Teams. 1. Bromley. **Under 15 Boys**. 18. (65). Alexander Middleton 8.43, 20. (67). Josh Healey 8.45, 29. (84). Jasper Brooks 8.57, 48. (107). Franco Hillier 9.14. Teams. 3. Bromley. **Under 15 Girls**. 8. (36). Megan Slattery 9.15, 11. (56). Megan Barlow 9.33, 14. (63). Lydia Witcombe 9.35, 25. (82). Maria Salamanca 9.52, 33. (93). Isla Spink 9.57, 35. (95). Cristina Gilodi Johnson 9.57, 60. (121). Tallulah Ndikanwu 10.22, 103. (160). Hissah Al Faisal 12.17. Teams. 1. Bromley. **Under 13 Boys**. 1. (3). Joseph Scanes 8.15, 10. (36). Alfie Whitlock 9.16, 34. (83). Matias Caceres 9.46, 57. (114). Joseph Hill 10.08, 69. (126). Benjamin O'Grady 10.20, 95. (152). James Shaw 10.59. Teams. 3. Bromley. **Under 13 Girls**. 6. (36). Luciana Smith 9.37, 10. (46). Niamh Stanley 9.48, 18. (65). Charlotte Bloodworth 10.11, 22. (70). Sophie Fleming 10.16, 38. (92). Elizabeth Regan 10.34, 54. (110). Sophie Tran 11.00. Teams. 1. Bromley.

Berkeley 10km. 3. Jonathan Vintner 35.12 (35.10)

**Chester Half Marathon**. 655. Mark Ellison 3.59.29 (3.58.58). **9/10/21** 

National Road Relays, Sutton Park. Senior Women. 24. B&B (Niamh Bridson Hubbard 14.18, Jess Keene 15.54, Naomi Toft 16.27, Leah Everson 17.41) 1.04.20. Under 17 Men. 19. B&B "A" (Alessio Tutt 12.53, Miles Brown 12.46, George Shaw 12.58) 38.37. Inc. B&B "B" (Ted Marston 13.30). Under 17 Women. 8. B&B "A" (Hannah Clark 14.02, Olivia Magee Brown 15.13, Amarisa Sibley 14.24) 43.39, 25. B&B "B" (Gabriella Martin 15.20, Lily Meers 15.35, Liberty Whyte 16.03) 46.58. Under 15 Boys. 19. B&B (Alex Middleton 13.06, Jasper Brooks 14.09, Harry Fage 14.49) 42.04. Under 15 Girls. 8. B&B (Megan Barlow 14.56, Lydia Whitcombe 14.52, Megan Slattery 14.27) 44.15, 22. B&B "B" (Maria Salamanca 15.34, Cristina Gilodi Johnson 15.29, Isla Spink 15.29) 46.32, 45. B&B "C" (Lara Tunali Flynn 16.08, Matilda Shilland 16.43, Molly Shaw 18.12) 51.03. Under 13 Boys. 27. B&B (Harry Collinssmith 15.10, James Shaw 14.59, Ben O' Grady 16.38) 46.47. Under 13 Girls. 4. B&B "A" (Niamh Stanley 15.28, Naimah Mossi 15.06, Luciana Smith 14.54) 45.28. Inc B&B "B" (Beth Regan 16.31). Parkruns. Bromley. 1. Tom Brash 16.42, 2. Thomas Sugden 17.31, 4. Arthur Starvis 17.57, 10. David Adams 19.17, 23. Steve Evenden 19.52, 34. Austin Adams 20.44, 51. Paul Kerekgyarto 21.48, 52. Andy Tucker 21.49, 55. Roger Vilardell 21.58, 75. Gareth Evans 22.41, 160. Alex Pope 25.16, 227. Bernard Wilson 27.45. Bexley. 4. Darren Corneille 19.21. Greenwich. 21. Nick Barber 22.04. Beckenham Place park. 4. Paul Sharpe 19.18, 5. Clayton Aves 19.25, 14. Tim Nash 20.50, 21. Steven Pairman 21.56, 65. Iain Swatton 24.44, 69. David Beadle 24.54, 145. Julia Pairman 29.57. Wolverhampton. 58. Mike Simms 24.57. Dulwich. 86. James Morris 21.53. Orpington. 11. Cameron Kelly-Gordon 21.54 (First woman), 70. Dave Leal 27.50, 116. Karen Desborough 33.08. Ormeau. 90. George Collins 25.53. Lanhydrock. 63. Rod Harrington 27.34. Dartford. 39. John Turner 24.50, 146. Maz Turner 34.48. Burnham and Highbridge. 28. Robert Perry 21.36, 32. Adrian Perry 21.49. Catford. 41. Barry Wetherilt 23.52. Bethlem Royal Hospital. 37. Zoe Kingsmell 28.52, 45. Andrew Kingsmell 30.58. Charlton. 94. Sally Smith 25.49, 191. Anthony Pontifex 32.15. Black Park. 2. Pippa Woolven\* 17.37 (First woman).

#### 10/10/21

Petts Wood 10KM. 2. Ross Braden 34.33, 4. Roger Vilardell (M40) 35.31, 9. Graeme Lugar 36.59, 10. Fintan Parkinson (M40) 37.21, 11. Luca Ercolani (M45) 37.41, 19. Carole Coulon (W45) 39.48 (First woman), 37. Steve Evenden (M40) 42.18, 102. Robert Whyte (M50) 46.26, 125. Austin Adams (M55) 47.51, 147. Luigi Acuri (M60) 48.54, 270. Chris Pike (M70) 53.55. Tonbridge Half Marathon. 13. Tony Crowder (M50) 1.25.11 (1.25.09), 423. John Turner (M70) 2.07.22 (2.06.07), 424. Dave Leal (M60) 2.07.23 (2.06.07).

# 16/10/21

Kent League, Swanley. Senior Men. 13. Dan Kennedy 29.18, 22. Micah Evans 29.44, 30. Alex Gibbins 30.27, 35. Fintan Parkinson 30.45, 41. Luca Ercolani 31.08, 52. Gregory Firth 31.42, 59. Ian Scott 32.22, 77. Roger Beswick 33.11, 87. Darren Corneille 33.50, 92. Paul Sharpe 33.59, 96. Chris Tuck 34.09, 116. Tim Ayres 35.13, 124. Steve Evenden 35.27, 153. Steve Pairman 36.36, 171. Richard Byford 37.14, 174. Steve Hough 37.22, 213. Andrew Tutt 39.59, 225. Luigi Arcuri 41.06, 231. Rod Harrington 41.25. Teams. (4 to score) 4. B&B 100. (12 to score). 4. B&B 720. Senior Women. 23. Ashley Pearson 36.36, 30. Amy Leach 37.17. M70. 1. Paul Ross Davies 24.38. Under 20 Men. 1. Tom Brash 16.47, 8. Callum Horton 18.58. Under 17 Men. 8. Miles Brown 17.33, 9. James Barnes 17.44, 11. Alessio Tutt 17.47, 15. Thomas Sugden 18.07, 21. Arthur Starvis 18.28, 24. Ted Marston 18.53. Teams. 2. B&B 28. Under 17 Women. 1. Hannah Clark 19.40, 6. Olivia Magee Brown 20.23, 12. Liberty Whyte 21.00, 14. Cameron Kelly Gordon 21.12, 18. Carys Firth 21.37, 23. Lily Meers 22.42, 32. Sophie Lee 26.11. Teams. 1. B&B 19. Under 15 Boys. 7. Alex Middleton 14.30, 9. Jasper Brooks 14.40, 10. Joshua Healey 14.46, 13. Harry Fage 15.15, 36. Tane Chambers 17.29, 37. Jed Starvis 17.30, 45. Ryan Tran 19.10. Teams. 2. B&B 26. Under 15 Girls. 2. Megan Barlow 15.46, 3. Lydia Witcombe 15.51, 13. Maria Salamanca 16.50, 14. Isla Spink 16.50, 21. Tallulah Ndikanwu 17.31, 27.

Matilda Shilland 17.59, 29. Francesca Middleton 18.07, 30. Eva Chambers 18.12, 34. Emily Deveney 18.47, 36. Amie Gould 18.48, 40. Kyla Dervish 19.03, 48. Moll Shaw 20.04, 51. Yasmeen Islam Medeaux 20.43, 52. Islay Pearson 20.49. **Under 13 Boys.** 1. Lucas Elmqvist 11.46, 11. Alfie Whitelock 12.42, 12. James Shaw 12.42, 14. Joseph Hill 12.49, 21. Benjamin O'Grady 13.02, 31. Samuel Barlow 13.44, 49. Isaac Evans 14.57. Teams. 1. B&B 24. **Under 13 Girls**. 3. Niamh Stanley 13.02, 8. Sophie Fleming 13.10, 9. Charlotte Bloodworth 13.10, 11. Naimah Mossi 13.43, 12. Beth Regan 13.44, 18. Lydia Marston 13.57, 24. Angelina Mernaka 14.30, 26. Mariana Caceres 14.52, 30. Francesca Newnan 15.17, 31. Sophie Tran 15.25, 34. Leah Kyriacou 15.34, 35. Lily Bridgeman 15.38, 36. Caitlin Hough 15.45, 39. Abbie Lee 16.12.

Start Fitness Metropolitan League, Claybury Park. 7. Carole Coulon 31.28.

Chiltern League, Shotover Hill. 1. Pippa Woolven\* 20.43.

Arturo Barrios Invitational, College Station, TX, USA. 61. Lewis Mills 24.48, 90. Declan Neary 25.11.

Enfield One Hour Walk. 8. Jonathan Ellerton 9113 metres, 14. David Hoben 7623m.

Parkruns. Bromley. 1. Roger Vilardell 16.44, 40. Ken Daniel 21.41, 68. Stuart Cullum 22.41, 107. Alex Pope 24.18, 178. James Unwin 26.46, 184. Helen Godsell 26.58. Bexley. 60. Chris Pike 25.24. Guildford. 141. James Cunningham 26.30. Beckenham Place park. 6. Clayton Aves 19.20, 90. David Beadle 25.07, 108. Jason Short 26.06, 198. Anthony Pontifex 33.40. Bournemouth. 89. Peter Hamilton 23.48. Cannon Hill, Birmingham. 23. Millie Smith 19.08 (First woman). Stonehaven. 33. Bernard Wilson 29.01. South Norwood. 17. James Morris 22.13. Orpington. 1. Graeme Lugar 18.46, 40. Gregory Firth 25.28, 43. Dave Leal 25.39, 109. Karen Desborough 32.59, 116. Mick Keene 34.03. Tonbridge. 83. Mark Ellison 23.20. Dartford. 28. John Turner 24.50, 121. Maz Turner 33.57. Fell Foot, Newby Bridge. 29. Nick Barber 22.01. Lullingstone. 1. Ben Cockburn 19.20. Exmouth. 86. Bob Minting 24.46. Great Yarmouth North Beach. 27. Zoe Kingsmell 34.14, 34. Andrew Kingsmell 41.59. Penryn Campus. 2. Robert Perry 18.51, 24. Adrian Perry 23.29. Sutcliffe park. 81. Barry Wetherilt 26.05. Evesham. 2. Rose Harvey\* 17.09 (First woman).

# 23/10/21

Kent League, Tonbridge. Senior Men. 3. Ross Braden 26.21, 21. Micah Evans 28.32, 26. Alex Gibbins 29.05, 31. Tom Desborough 29.26, 33. Jonathan Vintner 29.37, 42. Fintan Parkinson 30.19, 45. Luca Ercolani 30.22, 52. Gregory Firth 30.50, 85. Darren Corneille 32.34, 86. Simon Harris 32.38, 90. Roger Beswick 33.01, 101. Martin Pankhurst 33.29, 106. Paul Sharpe 33.39, 121. Chris Tuck 34.11, 128. Steve Evenden 34.33, 138. Jason Meers 34.59, 150. Steve Hough 35.32, 156. Steve Pairman 36.00, 172. Richard Byford 36.28, 195. Tim Ayres 38.29, 206. Andrew Tutt 39.26, 219. Rod Harrington 40.27, 226. Luigi Arcuri 41.12 Teams. (4 to score) 2. B&B 81. (12 to score). 3. B&B 615. Senior Women. 6. Jessica Keene 32.28, 17. Amy Leach 34.52, 25. Jennie Butler 35.41. Teams. 3. B&B 48. M70. 2. Paul Ross Davies 27.55. Under 20 Men. 5. Callum Horton 19.54. Under 20 Women. 1. Morgan Squibb 20.09, 2. Isabelle Stoneham 20.57, 4. Ailbhe Barnes 21.24, 6. Zoe White 21.56. Teams. 1. B&B 7. Under 17 Men. 7. George Shaw 18.16, 8. Miles Brown 18.20, 9. Alessio Tutt 18.25, 11. James Barnes 18.47, 13. Thomas Sugden 18.58, 14. Ted Marston 19.08. Teams. 2. B&B 24. Under 17 Women. 1. Lara Mannes 20.19, 2. Hannah Clark 20.44, 9. Cameron Kelly Gordon 22.00, 11. Liberty Whyte 22.09, 14. Carys Firth 22.29, 15. Lily Meers 22.51, 24. Cara Gould 24.55, 25. Amelie Willars 25.13. Teams. 1. B&B 12. Under 15 Boys. 6. Alexander Middleton 14.17, 7. Jasper Brooks 14.22, 10. Harry Fage 15.00, 29. Hendri Verster 16.41, 34. Tane Chambers 17.03. Teams. 2. B&B 23. Under 15 Girls. 3. Megan Slattery 15.37, 5. Lydia Witcombe 15.47, 12. Isla Spink 16.26, 18. Maria Salamanca 17.04, 22. Amie Gould 17.33, 23. Francesca Middleton 17.45, 25. Tallulah Ndikanwu 17.55, 27. Emily Deveney 18.02, 29. Eva Chambers 18.31, 30. Kyla Dervish 18.43, 34. Eliz Saoik 19.06, 38. Molly Shaw 20.17. Teams. 2. B&B 20. Under 13 Boys. 1. Luas Elmqvist 10.15, 2. Joseph Scanes 10.24, 11. James Shaw 11.19, 42. Liam Hough 13.06, 49. Isaac Evans 13.46. Teams. 1. B&B 14. Under 13 Girls. 6. Sophie Fleming 12.02, 7. Beth Regan 12.03, 18. Lydia Marston 12.56, 21. Angelina Mernaka 13.09, 22. Mariana Caceres 13.27, 24. Francesca Newman 13.38, 26. Leah Kyriacou 13.48, 29. Sophie Tran 13.59, 33. Caitlin Hough 14.13, 35. Abbie Lee 14.35, 37. Abigail Williams 14.49. Teams. 2. B&B 31.

British Grand Prix Of Race Walking, Leeds. 10k. 8. Abigail Smith 57.22.

**South Of England Cross Country Relays, Wormwood Scrubs. Senior Women**. 1. Wycombe Phoenix inc Pippa Woolven\* 10.14 (Fastest leg).

Parkruns. Woodhouse Moor. 14. Ellie Osmond 19.38. Bromley. 32. Adrian Perry 20.58, 49. Austin Adams 21.52, 57. Stuart Cullum 22.20, 93. Iain Swatton 23.25, 99. Alex Pope 23.37, 128. James Unwin 24.26, 224. Bernard Wilson 28.01. Bexley. 54. Chris Pike 25.17. Greenwich. 90. Julia Pairman 28.55, 91. Steven Pairman 28.56. Nonsuch. 461. Anthony Pontifex 32.33. Cannon Hill, Birmingham. 16. Millie Smith 18.52. Orpington. 16. Nick Barber 22.42, 45. Dave Leal 25.17, 121. Karen Desborough 33.16, 132. Mick Keene 36.21. Cross Flatts. 55. Sally Smith 28.49. Margate. 35. George Collins 24.41. Bognor Regis. 37. Mark Ellison 23.39, 84. Anne Cilia 27.16. Dartford. 20. John Turner 24.55. Tooting. 77. James Morris 22.07.

Exmouth. 74. Bob Minting 23.32. Catford. 171. Andrew Lawes 58.18. Woolacombe Dunes. 28. Barry Wetherilt 27.17. The Pastures. 31. Niamh Milmo 26.03. Bethlem Royal Hospital. 1. David Adams 19.28, 10. Mike Simms 24.20. Land's End. 3. Clayton Aves 20.19. Storeys Field. 66. Robert Perry 21.25. Sutcliffe park. 17. Adrian Stocks 21.00, 102. Zoe Kingsmell 27.50, 117. Andrew Kingsmell 28.55.

24/10/21

Cambridge Cuppers, Cambridge University. JT. 1. Angus Harrington 49.00.

29/10/21

Serpentine Last Friday Of The Month 5km, Hyde Park. 61. Adrian Perry 21.27.

SEC Championships, Columbia, MA, USA. 20. Katy Ann McDonald 20.57.

30/10/21

South London Harriers 150 Anniversary Mass Mob Match, Coulsdon. This was a 5 club fixture which included the annual SLH V Blackheath & Bromley Mob Match. Overall individual positions. 10. (8. SLH v B&B Mob Match) Alex Gibbins 48.49, 21. (13) Luca Ercolani 50.28, 27. (15). Callum Myatt 51.27, 29. (16). Fintan Parkinson 51.37, 34. (18). Gareth Evans 53.03, 42. (22). David Adams 54.26, 49. (25). Simon Harris 55.17, 56. (29). Paul Sharpe 56.41, 58. (30). Nick Kinsey 56.50, 66. (36). Steve Evenden 58.18, 67. (37). Chris Tuck 58.29, 71. (39). Jason Meers 58.53, 79. (43). Steve Pairman 59.52, 81. (44). Jennie Butler 60.12, 83. (46). Matt Bullen 60.21, 86. (47) Steve Hough 60.34, 87. (48). Matthew Maddocks 60.48, 100. (55). Tim Ayres 63.20, 101. (56). Richard Byford 63.53, 106. (60). Andy Tucker 64.35, 115. (64). Dave Beadle 65.45, 123. (69). Nick Barber 66.44, 132. (74). Luigi Arcuri 67.52, 140. (81). Mark Ellison 69.03, 144. (84). Barry Wetherilt 69.40, 149. (87). Adrian Stocks 71.57, 151. (89). Robert Whyte 72.06, 152. (90). Chris Pike 72.49, 158. (94). Dave Leal 74.14, 159. (95). John Turner 74.15, 167. (101). Jim Phelan 79.36, 169. (102). Richard Hall 80.09, 170. (103) Richard Daniels 80.21. Mob Match (Scoring 30 a side). 1. SLH 615. 2. B&B 1514. Mass Mob Match (6 a side unofficial). 1. SLH 27, 2. Ranelagh 108, 3. Orion 117, 4. B&B 163, 5. Thames Hare & Hounds 321. (25 a side unofficial). 1. SLH 758, 2. Orion 1513, 3. Ranelagh 1686, 4. B&B 1907. Bennett Handicap. 1. Luca Ercolani 48.28, 2. Simon Harris 48.47, 3. Alex Gibbins 48.49. After 3 events. 1=. Jason Meers and Steve Pairman 56, 3=. Andy Tucker and Chris Pike 54, 5=. Gareth Evans and Jennie Butler 51, 7. Barry Wetherilt 48, 8. Adrian Stocks 45, 9. Steve Evenden 38, 10. Luca Ercolani 36.

Veterans AC and Counties 10,000 walk championships, Coulsdon. 10. Roger Michell 66.44.4.

North London Championships, Uxbridge. 2. Carole Coulon 33.10

**CUH&H MegaCross Interclub Invitational, Coldhams Common. Men.** 19. Angus Harrington 32.07. **Women**. 1. Niamh Bridson Hubbard 18.53.

Manchester University Cross Country Relays. Men. 2. University of Birmingham inc Charlie Davis 9.26, 3. University of Birmingham inc Charlie Davis 9.18 and Josh Dowling 11.06, 24. University Of Birmingham inc Josh Dowling 11.16. Women. 8. University Of Birmingham inc Maddy Mastrolonardo 11.24. WAC Championships, Riverside, CA, USA. 40. Lewis Mills 25.18, 43. Declan Neary\* 25.21.

Parkruns. Bromley. 2. Thomas Sugden 17.34, 29. Nick Barber 20.55, 31. Adrian Perry 21.19, 54. Andre Verster 22.33, 57. Lydia Marston 22.38, 61. Stuart Cullum 22.51, 90. James Unwin 23.53, 167. Andy Tucker 27.27, 174. Bernard Wilson 27.53. Ashton Court. 1. Ross Braden 16.37. York. 1. Graham Rush\* 16.14, 110. Mike Simms 23.11. Beckenham Place park. 2. Clayton Aves 19.48. Bournemouth. 129. Peter Hamilton 26.27. Orpington. 26. Carys Firth 21.48, 321. Karen Desborough 34.35, 333. Anthony Pontifex 34.58. Homewood park. 35. Zoe Wood 26.43. Blickling. 46. James Morris 23.48. Peckham Rye. 155. Maz Turner 33.50. Malling. 76. Sally Smith 27.31. Exmouth. 56. Bob Minting 23.32. Clapham Common. 18. Jessica Keene 19.41 (First woman). Walmer and Deal Seafront. 67. George Collins 27.20, 79. Zoe Kingsmell 28.19, 97. Andrew Kingsmell 29.57. Sunny Hill. 8. James Perry 26.02. Sutcliffe. 107. Julia Pairman 28.45, 108. Steven Pairman 28.46. Swanley. 68. Mick Keene 31.52.

#### 100 years ago in October 1921

C. H. W. O'Brien wins the Club 5 in a time of 30.50 2/5ths, and H.B.S. Rhodes the Johnson Bowl Racing Walk over a seven and a half mile course in 65.16 2/5ths. Following the Club 5 the 53<sup>rd</sup> Annual General Meeting is held... "It was decided to increase the subscription for life membership to three guineas. Reverting to the pre-war custom of electing a new president each year, E. J. D. Ratcliff proposed the name of W. W. Davis, who joined the Club in 1875, and who was unanimously elected with great acclaim and enthusiasm, and was immediately installed in the chair and presented with the gold badge of office by the retiring president".

# Past Events.

October 1, 1921.

OPENING RUN.

"Among all living creatures, more or lesse, change still doth reign, and heep the greater sway."—Spenser.

King Soi, was out in all his glory to provide a fitting welcome to the Club at the new happy hunting ground, West Wickham; and a good muster of members arrived early on the scene to inaugurate this new epoch in B.H. history. The change, although not entirely without precedent, is, after 43 years of athletic fame in the Blackheath district, rightly regarded as a crucial test of all the Club's resources, and those members, therefore, who were perhaps slightly less optimistic as regards the move than were its strongest advocates had ample evidence to reassure them on the point on the great day. Everything went well from start to finish, and the additional information that it was contemplated transferring to the larger and more suitable room for future use as a Club-room was hailed as one of the details which would tend to improve conditions at the Railway Hotel, over which all members present were already enthusiastic.

As a preliminary to the opening of the season, the usual Club photograph was taken, and it is to be hoped this was successful, in spite of the difficulties to which the photographer gave voice in connection with the not too fragile form of our district pioneer, T. K. Grant.

The proud distinction of laying the first trail under new environment fell to T. K. Grant, T. M. Gale (who thus celebrated his fortieth year of running) and F. Denman—one almost added A. E. Culver, as a matter of course; regret was general that his illness prevented him from being with us. The trio were followed at a respectful distance by W. S. Smith, who was possibly not quite so sanguine as to the activities of irate farmers, if any, in the neighbourhood. The course consisted of about 4½ miles, crossing the nursery, and thence over the field at the top of Corkscrew Hill, skirting the woods to the Addington Pumping Station, following the track to the poultry farm, and turning left-handed across stubble and pasture-land, over Addington Road to Sparrow's Den Farm, and home through the cricket-field, to finish on 300 yards of gravel road.

FAST PACK.—A. C. Edwards, B. H. Lymbery, C. H. W. O'Brien, J. S. Linnell, C. A. Peachey, E. J. Castello, S. L. L. Russell, R. R. Roseveare, S. D. Taylor, and K. S. Chamberlain. A medium pack of a dozen was under the charge of L. A. Lidden; and S. J. Wickhain took out the same number in the slow pack, The novice's mile run in was won by C. E. Wallace.

C. E. Wallace,
Those present were: E. I. D. Ratcliff, H. R. Hopper, J. H. A. Reay, W. Rowland, C. A. Morgan, F. C. Warner, W. W. Davis, C. J. Watson, A. R. Pearson, F. L. Gilbert, J. F. Ponstord, H. D. Thomas, H. W. E. Sercombe, C. W. Davis, N. L. Davis, H. A. Walkinson, W. R. Moir, E. M. Mote, D. K. Saunders H. J. Dyball, W. S. A. Winter, W. D. Whiter, C. Whittington, C. Waller, C. H. Sercombe, F. N. Gooding, E. V. Hollinsworth, R. L. Harvey and H. B. S. Rhodes, of whom we caught a glimpse late in the evening. A number of other members omitted to sign the Club register, no doubt owing to the novelty of the surroundings, Ton Crafter was a notable absence, and it was regretted that he was prevented from attending. The visitors included R. Forsythe, W. B. Brand, R. Tonking, R. E. Hodge, E. E. Kahn and W. Greggs.

At 6 sharp the company sat down to dinner, which, though not elaborate, was of sufficiently good quality and quantity to reflect credit on mine host, who gives evidence of progressive ideas, and who, we prophesy, will quickly assimilate and adapt himself to all 'Heathen requirements for the future.

Afterwards our President, E. J. D. Ratcliff, rose to propose "Long life and prosperity to our Club in its new surroundings," introducing the Railway Hotel, and coupling the toast with the name of F. L. Gilbert, who, he added, was the most energetic and hardworking Club secretary that he knew of. We were embarking on a new lease of life, and our Hon. Secretary

had devoted every minute of his spare time to coellessuccessfully the hundred and one difficulties when encountered us in connection with the move, who was undoubtedly a great wrench to older members as our tradition and sentiment lay at Blackheath which, now that it was an accomplished fact, could be made a great success if all members would unite give it and their Hon. Secretary as unswerving strong support as possible. We were out to new Club history now, the accomplishment of which entirely depended upon the action of each individual member. The toast was drunk with musical hone and the Club-cry.

Gilbert, in response, dwelt briefly upon the points which had necessitated the drastic change, emphasised the importance of respecting crops private property during the future Saturday. There had never, in his experience, been any complete of this description in the past, and he was confident that our relations with the farmers in the new district would be as cordial as they had been at Blackhert. The railway service to West Wickham would improvement, and this and other means of convey which would facilitate quicker transit to the new had quarters on Saturdays were under consideration would be dealt with. The Open fixtures in our winds programme were also a new innovation, and he had that members would give their support in excapacity, by acting as pointsmen, etc. He had that every effort would be made, both as regards to introduction of new and suitable members and activity support generally, throughout the season.

The President later had a few words to say about worthy Treasurer, A. R. Pearson, "the Special Kop, whom we may have heard of before," who had pessimistic but thoroughly efficient way of carrying out his duties,

Musical honours and the Club-cry again followed and the Hon. Treasurer, responding, directed particular attention to the fact that the GAZETTE Fund statement of larger support, as many members to GAZETTES were sent had not forwarded donatous to year, and the cost of publishing, owing to increase and extra postage, was nearly treble what used to be. Members would hear more about finamenters generally at the Annual General Meeting

"Ratty" then read telegrams of good received from A. E. Culver and Clay-Thomas.

An excellent musical programme was forthitems being rendered by Roseveare, HolizPearson, Moir, Butler, C. W. Davis and J. H.
who was on top form with "Phil the Fluter
Roger Hodge's songs at the piano and London humour caused general mirth, our friend accompanying on the piano throughout the
Altogether a thoroughly successful day!

October 8, 1921.

NOVICES' FIVE MILES RACE, AND ORDINARY
RUN.

THE trail was laid by T. Gale, T. K. Grant, and E. Denman, over much the same ground as on the saturday, with an extra half-mile in the neighbor of the waterworks. Our new member, E. J. Casella to be congratulated on a very sound performining the race and being home a good mining the race and being home a good mining the second man, T. J. G. Haynes. Result.

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8, A. D. Theate, 453.

The fast p. a. pool of the second man, C. A. Pearley, and A. T. O. Tready, and D. T. C. W. E. D. Cast, C. R. Serven, M. C. S. S. G. See, R. L. Hayne, S. S. Wicker, S. J. Wicker, S.

# BLACKHEATH HARRIERS' NEW HEAD:

A REVIEW OF THE CLUB'S ACTIVITIES.

As already announced, the Blackheath Harriers will, on Saturday, Oct. 1, transfer their Saturday headquarters from the "Green Man," Blackheath, to the Railway Hotel, West Wickham. This decision, which was forced upon the Club by the increase of building over their country, involves a move which is being contemplated with keen regret by the older members and by the many hundreds of others interested in Blackheath's athletic associations, which are rightly regarded as historical. The oldest golf club, Rugby football club, and lacrosse club in England have their homes on Blackheath, and the Blackheath Hockey Club, which discontinued its activities last year, was the oldest in England. With the exception of the Thames Hare and Hounds, who made a start nine months before the Blackheath Harriers, that club is the oldest organisation of its kind in the Kingdom.

The move to West Wickham is naturally regarded as an important epoch in the history of the Harriers. and it is worth while reviewing the activities of the Club since it was started. The organisation was founded by Mr. Fred H. Reed, who was appointed secretary as long ago as 1869. On Oct. 23 of that year the first run was made, from the "King's Arms," Peckham Rye, and under the name of the Peckham Hare and Hounds. In 1870 the name was altered to the Peckham Amateur Athletic Club, and eight years later headquarters were moved to the historic "Green Man." The name was then altered to the Blackheath Harriers, and the "Green Man" has since that date been the home of the Club. It is worth noting that at the time of the move the landlady of the "Green Man" was Mrs. Orchard. From 1878 up to the present date, with the exception of the war period, Saturday and Wednesday runs have regularly been held. Of the original members who joined in 1869, two still remain, Mr. Walter Rowland and Mr. S. A. Bennett. Mr. Rowland still turns up at the Club's athletic and social meetings. Mr. John Metcalf, who joined the Club in 1872, is another regular attendant.

The world of athletics owes much to the Harriers, who during their existence have always aimed at fostering every form of sport among their own members and in the country generally. The Club's second rule is "That the object of the Club shall be the cultivation of athletic sports, especially cross-country running," and that rule has never been lost sight of. In furtherance of it, not only have athletics been encouraged among members, but the Club has also endeavoured to encourage cross-country running generally over the

whole of the Kingdom, and has specially aimed at being new clubs in their formation. Many members captured Amateur Athletic Championships, these being J. M. Cowie, who won the 100 tasks in 1883, 1884 and 1885; E. H. Pelling, who won in 1887; and J. W. Morton, who gained the same ampionship in 1904-7. The Club has also secured A.A.A. Quarter-mile Championship on several coasions: H. R. Ball, as assistant secretary, won it in 32, J. M. Cowie in 1883-84, C. G. Wood in 1886-87, McLachlan in 1903, C. M. Seedhouse in 1912 and 1914, and the present holder (1921) is yet another member, R. A. Lindsay. To extend this list of honours, the A.A. Half-mile was won by the famous W. G. George = 1882 and 1884, by W. Birkett in 1883, and by B. J. den in 1903 and 1905. George, regarded by many as the finest miler ever seen, won the A.A.A. Mile Complemship in 1879-1880, 1882 and 1884; Harold wade won the same Championship in 1892. The A.A. Four Miles was won by George in 1879-80, and 1884; by G. M. Nehan in 1881, and by H. A. tenro in 1895. In 1877 the 120 Yards Hurdles was by J. H. A. Reay, and in 1909 by A. H. Healey. A.A.A. Long Jump was won by E. Horwood in 1884. Members have also won Scottish and Irish Campionships at various distances, notable winners being Cowie, J. McLean, Lindsay, Harrison and others. Of course, many of the most prominent long-distance

Hammond, of the Stock Exchange, who is a first-claim member. Hammond has established many records, including that for Brighton and back and the "24 hours." He has also held the Club's "Johnson Bowl" trophy, which is competed for annually, the walk extending from Chislehurst to Blackheath. C. A. Schofield, another winner of the "Johnson Bowl," is the holder of the 25-mile walking record. Curiously enough, both these men were serving in Mesopotamia

at the same time.

Many members of the Harriers have also helped with the executive side of sport. The present secretary of the Amateur Athletic Association, Mr. Harry J. Barclay, is an old president and secretary. Mr. T. Crafter (of Bromley), who was the Club's president from 1914-20, is the chairman of the newly formed Kent Amateur Athletic Association, which has for the past two years carried through the Kent Championships most successfully. These had previously been carried through by the Club at their annual meeting, but it was the feeling of members that the championships would be much more interesting and would go far towards encouraging athletics within the county were they run by a body specially constituted for the purpose. The present president of the Club, Mr. E. J. D. Ratcliff, was for many years one of the most energetic secretaries such an organisation as the Harriers could wish to have. In fact, his services to athletics generally are beyond compare.

The Club was one of those founding the National Cross-Country Championship, and also of the Southern Counties Cross-Country Championship. It has competed in the latter each year since the inception of the championship and has twice been placed third. With a view to encouraging cross-country running, the Club has been in the habit of sending teams to many of the public schools, notably Shrewsbury, Felstead, Bedford and King's School, Canterbury. In the winter season inter-team races are held with Oxford, Cambridge, South London Harriers, Ranelagh Harriers and other

similar clubs.

Incidentally, from among the members, teams representing practically every branch of athletic sport have been put into the field and water. Many matches have been played at Rugby and Association football. Cricket matches have been played with those friendly rivals, the South London Harriers, and eights and fours have rowed against the same club in the annual

matches for the Mathews Cup.

The members have also included many first-class swimmers; in fact, in 1896 the water polo team, captained by Crafter, won the Kent Water Polo Championship. Several members have gained international caps for water polo, among these being S. T. Pugh, A. R. Ingersoll, Ralph Shove and J. W. Stafford, Most of these men derived great benefit from the Wednesday evening runs; experience has shown that such runs are a splendid form of exercise and a capital training for every form of athletics.

The Club has also had a strong lacrosse contingent, and many members have represented their respective counties in lacrosse matches; Kent, Surrey and Middlesex, more particularly, have included Blackheath Harriers among their lacrosse sides. A. J. Dodd received his international lacrosse cap upon several occasions. The Harriers have also (to use their own expression) descended and played matches at golf,

bowls, skittles, ping-pong in its era, etc., etc.!

Of course, when war broke out in 1914 the bulk of the members—some 250—joined up. Of these no fewer than 40 or 50 were killed in action. During the whole of the war period a trail was laid each Saturday by three veteran members, Tom Crafter, A. E. Culver and T. M. Gale, from the "Green Man," Blackheath, for the benefit of the serving members, and on every Saturday but three at least one member in uniform

turned up. This is regarded as one of the most interesting features of the history of the Club.

The Club GAZETTE was sent to each man at the Front month by month, and many a member has told how the treasured record has crumbled to pieces in his tunic pocket before he has disposed of it.

For the information of new members (and also some others who, like the "Special Kop," are possibly in need of new running apparel), Club-colours, including ties, badges, vests and shorts, can be obtained from Messrs. Stokes, athletic outfitters, of Cornhill, or from Lewin's, of King William Street. As regards ties, we believe the knitted variety are non est since the war, but it really isn't such a bad idea to emulate the cunning of the Captain and the Editor, and get a lady to knit one for you. But, anyhow, let us see the B.H. colours in evidence this season!

The brass tablet which has been placed in Ladywell Baths in memory of the members of the Lewisham Swimming Club who fell in the war was formally unveiled on Friday, Oct. 7, by T. K. Grant, who is president of the L.S.C., and dedicated by the Vicar of Lewisham, Canon Roseveare. A laurel wreath was afterwards placed on the tablet on behalf of our Club. If there were need of anything to tighten the fraternal bond between the L.S.C. and ourselves, it most assuredly lies in the fact that among the names inscribed on their memorial are the following, also of ours: J. Crafter, T. Crafter, Junr., S. G. Dadd, E. H. Dadd, H. Gifford, C. Gifford. Among those present at the ceremony were: F. L. Gilbert, W. S. Smith, E. M. Mote and H. K. Grant,

Letters recently received from Vice-Presidents F. C. Walter and C. G. Wood, at Brighton and East Dereham respectively, both contain best wishes for the success of the Club in its new surroundings and generous enclosures to Club funds. Wood also adds: "I am glad to see the move to West Wickham; it ought to have been done years ago." This support, coming from prominent members so intimately connected with

# 75 years ago in October 1946.

The Club AGM takes place... "It was decided, this year, to have supper before the meeting...it was a good idea worthy of repetition and everyone sat down in an amiable frame of mind to deal with the Club's business"

From the Hon Secretary's report "an event, believed to be unique in the annals of the Club, took place on September 28<sup>th</sup> 1946. At a Special General Meeting held at Hayes the subscription was raised from 10/6 (52.5p) (at which figure it has stood for over half a century) to £1 1s 0d (£1.05)". Club membership stands at 782.

Sydney Wooderson is introduced as the new President. He is just 32.

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

DEAR HEATHERS,

I welcome this opportunity to thank you for the honour you have accorded me in electing me your President for the coming year.

The doubts I first felt at assuming such a high office in the Club were soon dispelled when I found such leval co-operation and willingness to help among Officials, Committee-men and all other Members, and I feel that herein lies the true strength of the Club and the reason for its continuing success.

This year the emphasis is on the younger men taking their share of the responsibilities of office, and this I am sure is a good thing now that our aim must be to build up our strength to even greater heights than before. Nevertheless, we have to thank those members who have just relinquished office for their great service to the Club through most difficult and trying times; for without their unsparing efforts the Club would not be in such a strong position as it is at the present time.

We are finding it easier to hold our own over the country than on the track; and next summer we must certainly put our backs into it, for it will be some time before we even approach the great pre-war days when we had the A.A.A. Sprint Relay Championship team. So we must be continually on the lookout for fresh talent and be ready to coach and encourage the many useful young runners we now have. I hope that any such members will come along to me with any training problems, and with the experience I have gained over a long period I shall be only too willing to give guidance and advice at any time.

Yours 'Heathenly, Sydney Wooderson.

There are 66 finishers in the Club 5 which is won by Dick Choat

# 50 years ago in October 1971

At the Club AGM "George Brooks stood down from the presidency with his customary charm. He said that any professional football manager whose club had suffered relegation for two successive seasons would be sacked. So as Blackheath had dropped two divisions in the National League he also should be sacked. This sally was typical of George's wry humour but we all know that he has had a most difficult 18 month spell in office.... His successor, Peter Baigent, was loudly acclaimed" "The Treasurer's report was, for once, almost cheerful. A surplus was shown, offsetting earlier deficits, but it is sobering to realise that after 100 years existence the Club's accumulated fund totals all of £17!"

"It was perhaps ominous that there was not the usual competition for places on the committee....There were however more changes than usual in the list of officers, which may serve to inject greater energy and enthusiasm into the administration" Earlier in the day Bob Richardson, "who was making a come-back from a recent marriage" wins the Club 5 in 25.47. There are 47 finishers, "a sadly depleted field". "There were at least two heartening features of the race – the mixture of age right down to the end of the field, and the large number of supporters and friends, again of all ages, who watched the race and came to the Clubhouse afterwards".

Tony Weeks Pearson wins the veterans mob match against SLH, Ranelagh and Orion. Ranelagh's former Olympic gold medallist Chris Brasher is third.

Chris Haines 2.33.16 and John Baldwin 2.36.27 finish 8<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> respectively in the Harlow Marathon. The first 200 Club draw takes place and the winners are.... £25 Graham Botley, £10 Chris Haines, £5 S. Field, £2 A. Wooderson, W Boulton.

#### 25 ago in October 1996.

Mark Steinle wins the Club 5 in 27.15 from Roy Smith (28.22) and Mark Colpus (28.54). First woman is Gemma Viney in 31<sup>st</sup> in 34.32.

Michael Skinner wins the under 17 mens races at the Kent Young Athletes League at Sparrows Den and the Parkwood Cross Country League at Canterbury.

The Blackheath team of Phil Hogston, Roy Smith, Simon Baines, Dave Taylor, Mark Steinle and Spencer Newport finish 8<sup>th</sup> in the AAA 6 Stage Road Relay at Sutton Coldfield.

Bill Foster finishes 19<sup>th</sup> in the Beijing Marathon in 2.18.55.

Dave Taylor finishes 5<sup>th</sup> in the BAF 10km Championships in Solihull.

There are road race wins for Roy Smith in the Dulwich 10km and John Morland in the Forbanks 10km. Roy is also Barclays Bank Cross Country champion.

MATTERS ARISING - October Committee Business 1 Ladies Showers- Colin Poole reported that the work had been put out for tender, with a closing date to enable work to commence by the last week of October and for completion by the last week in November. It was hoped that Mary Peters could perform the official opening. Funding would be available from the Jack Sims Trust and the Club, but this would need to be supplemented, and a "Buy the Ladies a Loofah" appeal was being launched, together with an application to the London Marathon Charities Fund. 2 The George Brooks Memorial Fund stood at around £900 and in dition to the proposed YA photographic display board, a cup ... s being donated to the South of England for the U13 Boys cross-country championship and a wooden seat to be sited at Norman Park track was being investigated.

3 Active Athletics- As a result of difficulties in turning out suitably strong T&F teams in all three Southern League divisions, and associated problems of administration, it was decided that only two teams would be entered for 1997, Div 1 and probably Div 6. It was also agreed, subject to availability of team managers and costs within an acceptable budget, a second YA team would be formed for 1997. 4 A thread which has wound through recent Committee meetings was the serious lack of officers and administrators, some of which were key posts e.g. Club Secretary, Chairman of Athletics Group, Coaching Secretary and Press Officer. P/P Derek Gregory had stressed this subject at the Sept meeting, with the view that the Club might need to reduce its wide range of activities. If anyone reading this would be prepared to undertake any job, not necessarily one of the major roles mentioned above, please speak to the President, Chairman or any other Committee member. John Baldwin, Chairman (The building work to extend the Ladies changing and shower facilities, referred to in 1 above has started on time. Members should have received with their recent Gazette or otherwise an A. eal." A Loofah for the Ladies" and Sharon Cook will be pleased to hear from you.)

#### **Senior Rankings 2021**

#### Men

100. 4. Adam Gemili 10.14, 13. Jeriel Quainoo 10.26.

200. 4. Adam Gemili 20.41.

400. 18. Ethan Brown 46.62 (i), 25. Sam Reardon 46.97, 28. Dan Putnam 47.08.

800. 17. Alex Botterill\* 1.46.52, 43. Angus Harrington 1.48.90.

3000. 8. Phil Sesemann\* 7.51.27 (i)

5000. 47. Phil Sesemann\* 14.01.19.

110H. 25. Rico Cottell 14.87.

400H. 13. Bailey Stickings 51.89.

3000s/ch. 28. Lewis Mills 9.15.76, 31. Lewis Harknett\* 9.17.12

HJ. 11. Kelechi Aguocha 2.13

LJ. 29. Ben Sutton 7.13.

TJ. 5. Jonathan Ilori 15.94, 40. Toby Dronfield 14.20.

PV. 33. Barnaby Corry 4.40.

SP. 50. Luc Durant 13.61

DT. 21. Dele Aladese 48.85.

JT. 7. James Whiteaker 70.69

HT. 7. Joseph Ellis 69.98, 10. Tom Parker 67.68.

4x100. 9. B&B 42.32

4X400. 5. B&B 3.14.92.

#### Women.

- 100. 1. Dina Asher Smith 10.87, 8. Immanuela Aliu 11.41, 39. Amber Anning\* 11.78, 41. Faith Akinbileje 11.82.
- 200. 1. Dina Asher Smith 22.04, 12. Amber Anning\* 23.38, 13. Immanuela Aliu 23.44, 24. Cheriece Hylton 23.74, 43. Faith Akinbileje 24.11, 50. Louise Evans 24.18.

400. 7. Amber Anning\* 51.78, 45. Cheriece Hylton 55.43.

800. 12. Katy Ann McDonald 2.01.67.

1500. 24. Niamh Bridson Hubbard 4.15.41

3000. 23. Fleur Todd Warmoth 9.19.77, 50. Niamh Bridson Hubbard 9.29.08.

5000. 41. Jennifer Walsh\* 16.21.61.

100H. 10. Annie Davies 13.38, 12. Isabella Hilditch 13.56, 16. Mallory Cluley 13.70, 42. Shakanya Osahon 14.26.

400H. 21. Alex Hill 60.49.

2000s/ch. 4. Yasmin Austridge 6.45.81, 17. Morgan Squibb 7.01.14, 39. Ailbhe Barnes 7.39.20.

3000s/ch. 18. Yasmin Austridge 10.45.04.

HJ. 14. Rebecca Hawkins\* 1.76 (i), 18. Deborah Martin\* 1.75.

LJ. 6. Jahisha Thomas 6.57, 11. Funminiyi Olajide\* 6.28.

TJ. 3. Jahisha Thomas 13.11, 14. Zara Asante 12.42, 25. Sarah Abrams 12.06, 28. Mary Adeniji 11.97.

PV. 12. Sophie Dowson 3.80, 26. Lois Warden 3.55.

SP. 3. Divine Oladipo 17.20,7. Nana Gyedu 15.02.

DT. 3. Divine Oladipo 57.26, 10. Zara Obamakinwa 49.05, 20. Hannah McAulay 44.81.

JT. 2. Bekah Walton 54.27, 6. Lauren Farley 50.20, 41. Hollie Arnold 40.30.

HT. 35. Gemma Vickery\* 51.35, 47. Molly Walsh 48.72.

4x100. 5. B&B 47.48

4X400, 7, B&B 3,51,98,

More next month....