

HUTT VALLEY
HARRIER
AND A.A. CLUB



50th JUBILEE

1923 - 1973

JUBILEE PROGRAMME

Friday, June 1st 8 p. m.	Smoko at Manhattan Lounge (above Barker's Travel Agency, High Street).
Saturday, June 2nd 1 p. m.	Roll Call at Clubrooms, Naenae Olympic Pool Building.
2 p. m.	Social Run with Olympic Club (our 'Parent' Club).
8 p. m.	Social Evening at Epuni Community Hall (opposite Epuni Station).
Sunday, June 3rd 11 a. m.	Jubilee Church Service in the Waiwhetu Methodist Church (corner of Trafalgar and Grenville Streets). Preachers: Father John Goulter and Rev. Fred Waine.

HUTT VALLEY HARRIER
AND
AMATEUR ATHLETIC CLUB
(Incorporated)

50TH YEAR JUBILEE BOOKLET

RE-UNION COMMITTEE:

Noel Sutton (Convenor)
Mick Petersen
Clive Chandler

HISTORIAN:

Bob Mitchell

PATRON:

M.G.N. Gough

LIFE MEMBERS:

Mrs Dorne*
Mr G. Dorne*
" C.H. Goddard*
" A. Hadley
" H. Sanders*
" N.W. Craig*
" M.G.N. Gough
" E.A. Petersen
" T. Hurly
" R.W. Morris
" R.A. Hammington
" C. Chandler
" N. Sutton

* Deceased

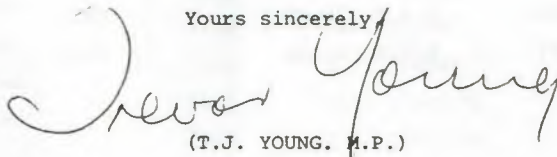
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JUBILEE

MESSAGE

" I extend to the Hutt Valley Harrier and Amateur Athletic Club my congratulations for a successful fifty years of existence. The Club carries the banner of the Hutt Valley very effectively in this sport and the opportunity it provides for the young and not so young to share in the challenge of the Harrier has been of great advantage to many. I trust that the next fifty years of the Club's existence will see as much advancement in the interest and fostering of this sport as has happened in the last fifty years. To all I hope that this special Golden Jubilee will kindle anew in the Club the fervour that existed when the Club was founded. "

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading 'Trevor Young'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name 'Trevor' written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name 'Young'.

(T.J. YOUNG. M.P.)

CLUB PRESIDENTS

1923	C.H. Goddard	1948	M.G.N. Gough
1924	H. Emmett	1949	M.G.N. Gough
1925	C.H. Goddard	1950	M.G.N. Gough
1926	H. Sanders	1951	R.W. Morris
1927	T. Stephens	1952	R.W. Morris
1928	A. Hadley	1953	R.W. Morris
1929	A. Hadley	1954	R.W. Morris
1930	A. Hadley	1955	R.W. Morris
1931	A. Hadley	1956	N.W. Craig
1932	N.W. Craig	1957	N.W. Craig
1933	C.H. Goddard	1958	J. Ogilvie
1934	T. Garratt	1959	R.W. Morris
1935	J. Goodhall	1960	R.W. Morris
1936	H. Walker	1961	R.A. Hammington
1937	H. Walker	1962	A.W. Mack
1938	H. Walker	1963	A.W. Mack
1939	M.G.N. Gough	1964	A.W. Mack
1940	M.G.N. Gough	1965	B.C. Appleton
1941	M.G.N. Gough	1966	R.W. Morris
1942	M.G.N. Gough	1967	R.W. Morris
1943	M.G.N. Gough	1968	R.W. Morris
1944	M.G.N. Gough	1969	J. Cunningham
1945	M.G.N. Gough	1970	E.A. Petersen
1946	M.G.N. Gough	1971	E.A. Petersen
1947	B.G.N. Gough	1972	E.A. Petersen

CLUB SECRETARIES

1923	M.G.N. Gough	1948	A.M. Chandler
1924	M.G.N. Gough	1949	A.M. Chandler/E.A.Petersen Acting
1925	M.G.N. Gough	1950	E.A. Petersen
1926	F. Sanders	1951	E.A. Petersen
1927	F. Sanders	1952	E.A. Petersen
1928	F. Sanders	1953	E.A. Petersen
1929	M.G.N. Gough	1954	E.A. Petersen
1930	D. Matson	1955	E.A. Petersen
1931	C. King	1956	B. Deveraux/F. Lister/ F. Morris
1932	C. King	1957	R. Mitchell
1933	C. King	1958	E. Davis
1934	C. King	1959	E. Davis
1935	C. King/D. McGrath/ M.G.N. Gough	1960	A.H. Eyre/E. Davis
1936	M.G.N. Gough	1961	G. Laurie/G. Ogilvie
1937	M.G.N. Gough	1962	C.H. Chandler
1938	M.G.N. Gough	1963	C.H. Chandler
1939	E.A. Petersen	1964	C.H. Chandler
1940	E.A. Petersen	1965	B.R. Goss
1941	E.A. Petersen	1966	T.G. Milroy
1942	E.A. Petersen	1967	T.G. Milroy
1943	E.A. Petersen	1968	B.C. Thomas
1944	E.A. Petersen	1969	B.C. Thomas
1945	E.A. Petersen	1970	B.C. Thomas
1946	E.A. Petersen	1971	C.H. Chandler
1947	E.A. Petersen	1972	C.H. Chandler

CLUB CAPTAINS

1923	N. Craig	1948	L. Brunetti
1924	N. Craig	1949	L. Brunetti
1925	N. Craig	1950	L. Brunetti
1926	N. Craig	1951	R. Hammington
1927	N. Craig	1952	R. Hammington
1928	V. Smith	1953	R. Hammington
1929	V. Smith	1954	R. Hammington
1930	V. Smith	1955	R. Hammington
1931	V. Smith	1956	R. Hammington
1932	V. Smith	1957	D. Melrose
1933	V. Smith	1958	D. Melrose
1934	R. Kent	1959	T. Havler
1935	T. Hurly	1960	B. Loader
1936	V. Smith	1961	R. Dowie
1937	V. Smith	1962	R. Dowie
1938	M. Patterson	1963	R. Dowie
1939	M. Patterson	1964	N. Sutton
1940	R. Goss	1965	N. Sutton
1941	T. Shaw	1966	N. Sutton
1942	L. Brunetti	1967	N. Sutton
1943	L. Brunetti	1968	N. Sutton
1944	L. Brunetti	1969	R. Stephens
1945	M. Patterson	1970	C. Drake
1946	R. Hammington	1971	C. Drake
1947	M. Smith	1972	C. Drake

WELLINGTON REPRESENTATIVES

CROSS COUNTRY SENIORS

R. Kent 1923-24-25-26-27 (N.Z. Rep.1925)	R. Hammington 1944
G. Dorne 1923-24-25 (N.Z. Rep.1923)	W. Smith 1945
J. McKee 1925	W. Jones 1946
G. Bayne 1928	N. Sutton 1947
S. Andrews 1927-28	A. McKnight 1948
V. Smith 1931	R. Whyte 1949
M. Smith 1946-47-48-49-50	R. Mitchell 1951
N. Taylor 1947-48-49-53 (1950 Empire Games)	B. Mollier 1953-54
J. Cook 1949-50	R. Ward 1955-56
R. Martin 1951	E. Davis 1957
R. Mitchell 1954-55-56-57-58-66	C. Chandler 1957
R. Hammington 1956	P. O'Connell 1958
J. Mahoney 1958	R. Stephens 1962
R. Ward 1958-63	R. Titcombe 1966
E. Davis 1960-62	M. McMahon 1966
R. Stephens 1969	K. McOnie 1966
U. Drake 1972	M. Cole 1967
	U. Drake 1968-69-70-71
	E. McLachlan 1970
	J. Houghton 1972

CROSS COUNTRY JUNIORS

CENTRE CHAMPIONS

1932	G. Bayne
1948	N. Taylor
1948	A. McKnight (Jnr.)
1949	N. Taylor
1951	R. Mitchell (Jnr.)
1956	R. Hammington
1957	E. Davis (Jnr.)
1958	R. Mitchell
1970	U. Drake (Jnr.)
1971	U. Drake (Jnr.)

CLUB TROPHIES

PRESIDENT'S RACE

1936	P. Taylor	1955	R. Mitchell
1937	N. Searle	1956	G. Hickling
1938	M. Patterson	1957	C. Edwards
1939	R. Goss	1958	B. Hawkings
1940	T. Shaw	1959	B. Loader
1941	L. Brunetti	1960	G. Ogilvie
1942	No Contest	1961	G. Ogilvie
1943	C. Newlands	1962	T. Mauler
1944	M. Patterson	1963	W. Smith
1945	W. Smith	1964	W. O'Riley
1946	J. Cook	1965	B. Newth
1947	R. Goss	1966	R. Hammington
1948	L. Brunetti	1967	J. Cunningham
1949	R. Whyte	1968	B. Newth
1950	W. O'Riley	1969	B. Newth
1951	L. Brown	1970	M. O'Callaghan
1952	R. Mitchell	1971	M. O'Callaghan
1953	R. Dowie	1972	M. Thomas
1954	R. Mitchell		

NOVICE RACE

1923	G. Dorne	1948	A. McKnight
1924	J. Hutton	1949	A. Middleton
1925	P. Craig	1950	R. Dowie
1926	E. Oliver	1951	R. Mitchell
1927	S. Jenner	1952	M. Chandler
1928	E. Lewis	1953	I. Lyons
1929		1954	R. Wilson
1930	T. Carmichael	1955	R. Ward
1931	W. Mack	1956	J. Linton
1932		1957	J. Mahoney
1933		1958	D. Kirkland
1934		1959	K. Davis
1935		1960	M. Stapleton
1936	W. O'Connor	1961	J. Lister
1937	R. Goss	1962	R. Lee
1938	F. Dumble	1963	S. Thurston
1939	R. Lewis	1964	K. Butler
1940	V. Lovatt	1965	P. Braddock
1941	N. Taylor	1966	M. Priest
1942	R. Hammington	1967	P. Maslett
1943	J. Neale	1968	D. Beck
1944	W. Smith	1969	E. McLachlan
1945	R. Furness/R. Blandford/	1970	K. Burns
1946	I. Burns A. Gough	1971	C. Brower
1947	N. Sutton	1972	M. Maher

CRAIG ROSE BOWL (Team Event)

1923	G. Dorne, A. Clark, D. Hope, E. Whittaker
1924	F. Sanders, A. Dorne, A. Jones, D. Hope
1925	J. Hitchcox, J. McKee, P. Craig, J. Dorne
1926	T. Hurly, J. Hutton, G. Pornton, G. Gilchrist
1927	G. Dorne, V. Smith, E. Hoskins, S. Andrews
1928	R. Kent, F. Sanders, A. Marshall, G. Gardiner
1929	D. Matson, R. Dudley, S. Patterson, E. Lewis
1930	L. Carmichael, N. Price, M. Patterson, W. Ross, ? Ineson
1931	M. Patterson, E. Lewis, N. Price, D. Auld, A. Mack, N. Craig
1932	M. Patterson, E. Lewis, L. Andrews, G. Stant
1933	L. Andrews, B. Walker, M. Walsh, A. Clark
1934	R. Kent, K. Robbie, M. Patterson, N. Scott
1935	M. Patterson, K. Robbie, D. McGrath, M. Walsh
1936	M. Patterson, K. Robbie, M. Walsh, F. Dumble
1937	M. Patterson, R. Goss, H. Walker, W. Looney
1938	M. Busby, M. Kent, W. Loughman, R. Taylor
1939	R. Goss, G. Turner, W. Loughman, E. Petersen
1940	T. Shaw, V. Lovatt, D. Tooley, C. Heald
1941	J. Crosbie, G. Reardon, J. Goss, N. Richards
1942	No Contest
1943	M. Smith, K. Lockett, C. Newlands, M. Massey
1944	R. Hammington, W. Smith, R. Johnson, I. Millward
1945	M. Patterson, R. Blandford, D. Dennison, W. Jones
1946	W. Smith, R. Carson, J. Crosbie, R. Johnson
1947	M. Smith, R. Blandford, N. Sutton, A. Chandler, R. Gough, W. Fleet

1948 J. Cook, R. Blandford, D. Melrose, D. Dennison, B. Thompson,
A. Gough

1949 J. Crosbie, G. Henderson, H. Robertson, L. Ingram, R. Aaltonen
C. Gough

1950 D. Melrose, M. Hall, F. Kiddle, L. Ingram, D. Wilson, R. Aaltonen

1951 M. Smith, R. Sutherland, F. Lister, G. Chandler, G. Lawless,
W. Scarfe

1952 J. Cook, B. Mollier, M. Smith, T. Havler, R. Furness, I. Lyon

1953 J. Cook, L. Ingram, R. Goss, C. Edwards, R. Wilson

1954 R. Mitchell, R. Wilson, I. Lyon, R. Furness, N. Canham

1955 R. Ward, R. Hammington, T. Havler, J. Tregurtha, J. Cunningham

1956 R. Mitchell, B. Loader, M. McKenzie, D. Ogilvie, H. Stapleton
R. Allen

1957 I. Lyon, E. Davis, P. O'Connell, H. Stapleton, R. Hall,

1958 C. Edwards, I. House, W. Merrick, E. Davis, R. Stewart

1959 R. Ward, R. Paul, K. Davis, K. Parsons

1960 E. Davis, T. Dennis, D. Bullen, B. Hawkings, G. Ogilvie

1961 R. Mitchell, D. Kirkland, G. Hickling, M. Smith, T. Havler

1962 W. Smith, W. Merrick, E. Linton, R. Hammington

1963 R. Ward, G. Ogilvie, E. Hanaray, C. O'Riley

1964 B. Newth, E. Linton, R. Hammington, R. Dowie

1965 E. Linton, R. Argue, P. Drumm, M. Stewart, C. O'Riley

1966 W. Merrick, R. Hammington

1967 R. Mitchell, C. Chandler, M. Priest, D. Cunningham, M. Smith

1968 B. Newth, M. Wilkins, M. Stewart, D. Brodie, M. Fenwick

1969 E. Davis, B. Thomas, B. McKeivitt, B. Redican, D. Shaw

1970 M. Thomas, E. Linton, J. Mahoney, E. Beattie

1971 B. House, M. Wilkins, J. McLauchlan, P. Drumm

1972 P. Harnett, M. Wilkins, J. Page, N. Sutton

PERSTON TROPHY for Individual winner of Craig Rose Bowl

1931	C. King	1952	R. Mitchell
1932	V. Smith	1953	M. McKenzie
1933	L. Andrews	1954	R. Mitchell
1934	B. Walker	1955	R. Mitchell
1935	V. Smith	1956	R. Mitchell
1936	M. Patterson	1957	R. Mitchell
1937	M. Patterson	1958	R. Mitchell
1938	M. Busby	1959	R. Ward
1939	R. Goss	1960	E. Davis
1940	E. McGrath	1961	R. Mitchell
1941	L. Brunetti	1962	R. Stephens
1942	No Contest	1963	R. Ward
1943	L. Brunetti	1964	R. Ward
1944	J. Crosbie	1965	R. Mitchell
1945	W. Smith	1966	R. Mitchell
1946	W. Smith	1967	R. Mitchell
1947	N. Taylor	1968	R. Stephens
1948	N. Taylor	1969	M. Thomas
1949	N. Taylor	1970	R. McGregor
1950	J. Cook	1971	R. McGregor
1951	R. Mitchell	1972	U. Drake

HUGGAN CUP (Women)

1967	Y. Hughes	1970	R. Smith
1968	M. Pearcey	1971	J. Clark
1969	A. Renshaw	1972	R. Smith

MURRAY SMITH ROSE BOWL (Women's Handicap)

1966	Y. Hughes	1970	A. Renshaw
1967	L. Croft	1971	J. Clark
1968	R. Smith	1972	R. Smith/B. Drake
1969	A. Renshaw		

VETERAN'S RACE

1970	E. Linton/C. Drake
1971	C. Brower
1972	C. Drake

SENIOR CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS (Lippett Cup)

1923	G. Dorne	1948	M. Smith
1924	R. Kent	1949	M. Smith
1925	R. Kent	1950	D. Melrose
1926	R. Kent	1951	J. Cook
1927	S. Andrews	1952	R. Hammington
1928	G. Bayne	1953	N. Taylor
1929	C. McCarthy	1954	R. Mitchell
1930	C. McCarthy	1955	R. Mitchell
1931	V. Smith	1956	R. Mitchell
1932	V. Smith	1957	R. Mitchell
1933	V. Smith	1958	R. Mitchell
1934	V. Smith	1959	R. Ward
1935	V. Smith	1960	E. Davis
1936	V. Smith	1961	R. Mitchell
1937	M. Busby	1962	E. Davis
1938	M. Patterson	1963	R. Ward
1939	M. Patterson	1964	R. Ward
1940	T. Shaw	1965	E. Davis
1941	L. Brunetti	1966	R. Mitchell
1942	L. Brunetti	1967	R. Stephens
1943	M. Smith	1968	R. Stephens
1944	J. Crosbie	1969	R- Stephens
1945	R. Hammington	1970	R. McGregor
1946	M. Smith	1971	E. McLachlan
1947	N. Taylor	1972	U. Drake

JUNIOR CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS (Goddard Cup)

1940	L. Brunetti	1957	E. Davis
1941	N. Taylor	1958	P. O'Connell
1942	R. Hammington	1959	J. Beveridge
1943	K. Lockett	1960	T. Dennis
1944	R. Hammington	1961	J. Lister
1945	W. Smith	1962	R. Stephens
1946	W. Jones	1963	R. Stephens
1947	N. Sutton	1964	B. Newth
1948	A. McKnight	1965	B. Newth
1949	R. Whyte	1966	R. Titcombe
1950	D. McNab	1967	D. Bamford
1951	R. Mitchell	1968	B. Kerse
1952	F. Lister	1969	R. Wylie
1953	B. Mollier	1970	U. Drake
1954	B. Mollier	1971	U. Drake
1955	R. Ward	1972	J. Houghton
1956	G. Hickling		

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

COLTS

1954	B. Tyler	1964	R. Appleton
1955	B. Goss	1965	K. McOnie
1956	L. Hurly	1966	D. Bamford
1957	G. Ogilvie	1967	P. Askwith
1958	R. Glassey	1968	U. Drake
1959	B. Robertson	1969	U. Drake
1960	G. McCormack	1970	E. Benton
1961	G. McCormack	1971	P. Harnett
1962	R. Appleton	1972	B. McKevitt
1963	R. Appleton		

MIDGETS R.J. Lee Cup

1964	J. Dellow
1965	N. Pullyn
1966	S. Beatson
1967	G. Smith
1968	K. Fleet
1969	G. Jenner
1970	M. Drake
1971	M. Drake
1972	W. Parkes

WOMEN

1965	J. Hammington
1966	J. Hammington
1967	L. Croft
1968	L. Croft
1969	A. Renshaw
1970	A. Renshaw
1971	A. Renshaw
1972	A. Renshaw

GIRLS

1965	A. Hughes
1966	V. Leith
1967	R. Smith
1968	R. Smith
1969	R. Smith
1970	R. Armstrong
1971	R. Armstrong
1972	A. Sully

ATHOL ROADLEY MEMORIAL Club Championship Sealed Handicap

1950	R. Morris	1962	G. Ogilvie
1951	T. Hurly	1963	C. Chandler
1952	R. Goss	1964	J. Page
1953	R. Goss/D. Melrose	1965	H. Robertson
1954	K. Ford	1966	M. Stewart
1955	R. Dowie	1967	N. Sutton
1956	D. Daily	1968	N. Sutton
1957	R. Hammington	1969	P. Coleman
1958	R. Hammington	1970	K. Burns
1959	P. O'Connell	1971	I. Scott
1960	M. Smith	1972	E. Beattie
1961	T. Broad		

GODDARD 6 MILE TIME TRIAL - sealed handicap

1960	F. Lister	1967	D. Cunningham
1961	M. Smith	1968	P. Askwith
1962	I. Heppleston	1969	M. Smith
1963	B. Jones	1970	D. Brodie
1964	B. Jones	1971	K. Burns
1965	B. Mollier	1972	B. Thomas
1966	R. Hammington		

SAUNDERS ROAD RACE - TEAMS EVENT

1940	E. McGrath, T. Shaw, L. Mallows
1941	N. Taylor, L. Mallows, V. Lovatt
1942	A. Roadley, R. Carson, H. Childs
1943	No Contest
1944	No Contest
1945	W. Smith, D. Dennison, R. Johnson
1946	J. Cook, J. Crosbie, F. Kiddle, R. Goss
1947	N. Taylor, J. Cook, L. Brown, R. Aaltonen
1948	N. Sutton, R. Blandford, D. Melrose, G. Campbell
1949	W. Smith, A. Miller, F. Kiddle, R. Furness
1950	R. Hammington, E. Linton, I. Kennedy, L. Ingram
1951	J. Cook, R. Hammington, H. Robertson, R. Flint
1952	R. Mitchell, R. Dowie, G. Cox, R. Aaltonen
1953	D. Melrose, R. Dowie, I. Lyons, H. Hunter
1954	D. Melrose, R. Dowie, R. Wilson, F. Lister
1955	I. Lyon, B. Loader, B. Deveraux, D. Ogilvie
1956	I. Lyon, D. Melrose, J. Trequertha, D. Ogilvie
1957	E. Davis, R. Wilson, R. Sutherland, R. Hammington
1958	E. Davis, R. Paul, B. Hawkings, T. Dennis, K. Parsons
1959	E. Davis, C. Edwards, R. Gasson
1960	E. Davis, C. Chandler, F. Lister, R. Gasson
1961	R. Mitchell, B. Loader, G. Hickling, R. Hammington
1962	R. Ward, E. Linton, J. Pearcey, R. Lee
1963	R. Ward, J. Cook, B. Goss, H. Stapleton
1964	E. Linton, J. Frandi, N. Sutton, M. Smith
1965	W. Merrick, C. Chandler, P. Drumm, H. Robertson
1966	E. Davis, K. McOnie, E. Linton, N. Sutton

1967 R. Titcombe, W. Merrick, J. Pearcey, G. Chandler, J. Cunningham
 1968 B. Newth, M. Stewart, B. Thomas, M. Fenwick, M. Smith
 1969 B. Kerse, R. Wylie, P. Travers, E. Linton, J. Cunningham
 1970 M. Thomas, B. Kerse, M. O'Callaghan, M. Fenwick
 1971 B. Jones, P. Travers, D. Brodie, P. Drumm
 1972 E. Davis, E. Linton, B. Kerse, N. Sutton

ADAM CLARK MEMORIAL CUP - COLT'S TEAM EVENT

1963 R. Appleton, P. Coleman, R. Green, G. Thomas
 1964 R. Appleton, P. Rogers, P. Coleman
 1965 J. Archbold, D. Bamford, R. Evans, P. Jennings
 1966 M. McMahon, M. Cole, G. Smith, R. Milroy
 1967 No Contest
 1968 P. Travers, M. Fink, A. Jenner, J. Hobson
 1969 U. Drake, M. Fink, R. Palmer, G. Armstrong, B. Redican
 1970 B. McKevitt, G. Armstrong, B. Parr, M. Drake
 1971 S. Clark, G. Armstrong, C. Belcher, C. Davis
 1972 B. McKevitt, N. Blayney, A. Beattie

HUMPHREY ROSE BOWL - COLTS POINTS EVENTS

1949	M. Chandler	1961	R. Appleton
1950	L. Cooper	1962	R. Appleton
1951	B. Mollier	1963	M. Woodward
1952	C. Chandler/G. Petersen	1964	J. Archbold
1953	C. Chandler	1965	M. Cole
1954	G. Turner	1966	D. Bamford
1955	B. Goss	1967	P. Askwith
1956	L. Hurly	1968	R. Palmer
1957	L. Hurly	1969	M. Fagan/G. Johansen
1958	C. Robbie	1970	C. Hivon
1959	B. Robertson	1971	B. McKevitt
1960	B. Jones	1972	B. McKevitt

MORRIS TROPHY - MIDGETS POINTS EVENTS

1962	R. Lee	1968	M. Drake
1963	R. Lee	1969	G. Belcher
1964	N. Pullyn	1970	M. Drake
1965	K. Hammington	1971	C. Belcher
1966	G. Smith	1972	W. Parkes
1967	S. O'Riley		

KENNEDY-GOOD SALVER - WOMEN'S POINTS EVENTS

1972 B. Drake

DRAKE CUP - GIRLS POINTS EVENTS

1972 A. Sully

CONSOLATION RACES

SENIOR AND JUNIOR (N. Taylor Pewter Cup)

1947	J. Twist	1960	K. Robbie
1948	R. Sutherland	1961	M. Larkin
1949	I. Kennedy	1962	B. Goss
1950	T. Havler	1963	R. Dowie
1951	R. Goss	1964	W. Smith
1952	C. Edwards	1965	P. Coleman
1953	T. Havler	1966	T. Milroy
1954	L. Ingram	1967	R. Evans
1955	G. Hickling	1968	P. Coleman
1956	R. Wilson	1969	P. Drumm
1957	B. Hawkins	1970	J. Goulter
1958	D. Ogilvie	1971	J. Page
1959	T. Havler	1972	M. O'Callaghan

COLTS (A. Chandler Pewter Cup)

1950	R. Hewitt	1962	P. Coleman
1951	C. Edwards	1963	B. Smith
1952	N. Griffin	1964	B. Smith
1953	B. Tyler	1965	T. Nicolle
1954	G. Petersen	1966	C. Gething
1955	L. Hurly	1967	No Race
1956	No Race	1968	G. Johansen
1957	K. Couper	1969	K. Fleet
1958	K. Robbie	1970	A. Wallis
1959	J. Winter	1971	D. Green
1960	I. Caddis	1972	P. Gough
1961	J. McCormack		

MIDGETS

1962	A. Ninness	1968	J. Cleland
1963	A. Ninness	1969	B. Parr
1964	B. Hargraves	1970	J. Cleland
1965	C. Pearcey	1971	S. Clark
1966	S. O'Riley	1972	A. Tepiki
1967	No Race		

WOMENS

1966	M. Pearcey	1970	No Race
1967	L. Hazeldine	1971	No Race
1968	B. Smith	1972	No Race
1969	M. Maher		

3 MILE TRACK CHAMPIONSHIP

1951	N. Dobbie	1962	J. Lucas
1952	N. Dobbie	1963	R. Ward
1953	M. Browne	1964	R. Stephens
1954	M. McKenzie	1965	R. House
1955	R. Mitchell	1966	R. Stephens
1956	A. McKnight	1967	R. Stephens
1957	A. McKnight	1968	R. Stephens
1958	R. Mitchell	1969	U. Drake
1960	R. Mitchell	1970	U. Drake
1961	J. Lucas	1971	B. Stephenson

CHANDLER TROPHY FOR TRAINING AND PERFORMANCE

1961	D. Melrose	1967	M. Cole
1962	R. Stephens	1968	U. Drake
1963	J. Pearcey	1969	U. Drake
1964	R. Woolhouse	1970	E. Benton
1965	E. Linton	1971	U. Drake
1966	D. Bamford	1972	J. Houghton

OGILVIE TROPHY FOR CLUB SPIRIT

1959	J. Mahoney/B. Robertson	1966	N. Sutton
1960	W. Merrick	1967	R. Appleton
1961	C. Chandler	1968	C. Chandler
1962	R. Dowie	1969	P. Drumm
1963	R. Morris	1970	C. Drake
1964	F. Lister	1971	S. Clark
1965	J. Cunningham	1972	N. Sutton/C. Drake

MARY BAKER MEMORIAL CUP FOR WOMEN'S CLUB SPIRIT

1970	Mrs. E. Morris	1972	Mrs. J. Drake
1971	Mrs. E. Drumm		

SANDERS CUP

All Hutt and Wairarapa Clubs

SENIORS

1924	Hutt Valley	1949	Hutt Valley
1925	Masterton	1950	Hutt Valley
1926	Hutt Valley	1951	Kiatere
1927	Masterton	1952	Hutt Valley
1928	Hutt Valley	1953	Kiatere
1929	Hutt Valley	1954	Masterton
1930	Masterton	1955	Hutt Valley
1931	Masterton	1956	Hutt Valley
1932	Hutt Valley	1957	Hutt Valley
1933	Masterton	1958	Masterton
1934	Masterton	1959	Masterton
1935	Masterton	1960	Masterton
1936	Hutt Valley	1961	Petone
1937	Hutt Valley	1962	Masterton
1938	Masterton	1963	Masterton
1939	Hutt Valley	1964	Petone
1940	Hutt Valley	1965	Petone
1941	No Contest	1966	Hutt Valley
1942	No Contest	1967	Hutt Valley
1943	No Contest	1968	Masterton
1944	No Contest	1969	Masterton
1945	No Contest	1970	Masterton
1946	No Contest	1971	Masterton
1947	No Contest	1972	United
1948	Hutt Valley		

GOUGH CUP

All Hutt and Wairarapa Clubs

JUNIORS

1948	Kiatere	1961	Petone
1949	Kiatere	1962	Masterton
1950	Hutt Valley	1963	Masterton
1951	Kiatere	1964	Petone
1952	Hutt Valley	1965	Petone
1953	Kiatere	1966	Hutt Valley
1954	Masterton	1967	Hutt Valley
1955	Hutt Valley	1968	Masterton
1956	Hutt Valley	1969	Masterton
1957	Hutt Valley	1970	Masterton
1958	Masterton	1971	Masterton
1959	Masterton	1972	United
1960	Masterton		

ROBBIE SHIELD

All Hutt and Wairarapa Clubs

COLTS

1965 Hutt Valley
1966 Masterton
1967 Masterton
1968 Masterton

1969 Hutt Valley
1970 United
1971 United
1972 United

CARR SHIELDWANGANUI verses HUTT VALLEY

1946 Wanganui
1947 Hutt Valley
1948 Wanganui
1949 Hutt Valley
1950 Hutt Valley
1951 Hutt Valley
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1965 Hutt Valley
1966 Wanganui
1967 Wanganui
1968 Wanganui
1969 Hutt Valley
1970 Wanganui
1971 Wanganui
1972 Wanganui

SENIOR SHAW BATON RELAY

1929	Brooklyn	1951	Scottish
1930	Brooklyn	1952	Scottish
1931	Scottish	1953	University
1932	Brooklyn	1954	University
1933	Olympic	1955	University
1934	Scottish	1956	Scottish
1935	Scottish	1957	Scottish
1936	Scottish	1958	Scottish
1937	Scottish	1959	Masterton
1938	Scottish	1960	Scottish
1939	Scottish	1961	Olympic
1940	Scottish	1962	Scottish
1941	Scottish	1963	Scottish
1942	Scottish	1964	Scottish
1943	Scottish	1965	Wellington
1944	Scottish	1966	Scottish
1945	Scottish	1967	Scottish
1946	Scottish	1968	Wanganui
1947	University	1969	Wanganui
1948	Hutt Valley	1970	Scottish
1949	Hutt Valley	1971	Wellington
1950	Scottish	1972	Wellington

JUNIOR SHAW BATON RELAY

1945	Scottish	1959	Scottish
1946	Presbyterian	1960	Masterton
1947	Presbyterian	1961	Masterton
1948	Scottish	1962	Masterton
1949	Scottish	1963	Masterton
1950	Presbyterian	1964	Masterton
1951	Scottish	1965	Wellington
1952	Scottish	1966	Wellington
1953	Scottish	1967	Wanganui
1954	Baptist	1968	Olympic
1955	Scottish	1969	Masterton
1956	Wellington	1970	Scottish
1957	Scottish	1971	Scottish
1958	Scottish	1972	Scottish

DORNE CUP INTER-CLUB

SENIORS

1925	Hutt Valley	1949	Hutt Valley
1926	Hutt Valley	1950	Hutt Valley
1927	Wellington	1951	Scottish
1928	Olympic	1952	Scottish
1929	Brooklyn	1953	University
1930	Brooklyn	1954	University
1931	Scottish	1955	Olympic
1932	Scottish	1956	Scottish
1933	Scottish	1957	Scottish
1934	Scottish	1958	Scottish
1935	Scottish	1959	Hutt Valley
1936	Scottish	1960	Scottish
1937	Scottish	1961	Hutt Valley
1938	Scottish	1962	Methodist
1939	Scottish	1963	Scottish
1940	Scottish	1964	Scottish
1941	Scottish	1965	Scottish
1942	No Contest	1966	Napier
1943	No Contest	1967	Wellington
1944	Scottish	1968	Wellington
1945	Scottish	1969	Wellington
1946	Hutt Valley	1970	Wellington
1947	Hutt Valley	1971	Wellington
1948	Hutt Valley	1972	Wellington

DORNE CUP INTER-CLUB

<u>JUNIORS</u>		<u>COLTS</u>	
1948	Presbyterian	1972	United
1949	Scottish		
1950	Presbyterian		<u>COLTS UNDER 14</u>
1951	Y.M.C.A. Palmerston North		
1952	Scottish	1968	Unofficial Event
1953	Scottish	1969	Unofficial Event
1954	Scottish	1970	Masterton
1955	Scottish	1971	Masterton
1956	Wellington	1972	Masterton
1957	Hutt Valley		
1958	Scottish		<u>WOMEN</u>
1959	Scottish		
1960	Otaki	1966	Wellington
1961	Petone	1967	Masterton
1962	Wellington	1968	Masterton
1963	Wellington	1969	Masterton
1964	Wellington	1970	Masterton
1965	Wellington	1971	Masterton
1966	Napier	1972	Palmerston North
1967	Hutt Valley		
1968	Masterton		<u>WOMEN UNDER 14</u>
1969	Masterton		
1970	Hutt Valley	1972	Masterton
1971	Scottish		
1972	Scottish		

VOSSSELOR SHIELDInter-ClubSENIORS

1923	Hutt Valley	1948	Hutt Valley
1924	Hutt Valley	1949	Hutt Valley
1925	Hutt Valley	1950	Hutt Valley
1926	Hutt Valley	1951	Wellington
1927	Wellington	1952	Y.M.C.A.
1928	Olympic	1953	University
1929	Brooklyn	1954	Y.M.C.A.
1930	Brooklyn	1955	University
1931	Scottish	1956	Wellington
1932	Scottish	1957	University
1933	Scottish	1958	No Contest
1934	Scottish	1959	Palmerston North
1935	Scottish	1960	Scottish
1936	Scottish	1961	Methodist
1937	Scottish	1962	Scottish
1938	Scottish	1963	Scottish
1939	Scottish	1964	Scottish
1940	Scottish	1965	Scottish
1941	Scottish	1966	Scottish
1942	No Contest	1967	Wellington
1943	Scottish	1968	Scottish
1944	Scottish	1969	Wellington
1945	Scottish	1970	Wellington
1946	Scottish	1971	Wellington
1947	Hutt Valley	1972	Wellington

JUNIOR VOSSSELOR SHIELD

1946	Presbyterian	1960	Petone
1947	Presbyterian	1961	Wellington
1948	Wellington	1962	Wellington
1949	Scottish	1963	Wellington
1950	Y.M.C.A. Palmerston North	1964	Petone
1951	Y.M.C.A. Palmerston North	1965	Wellington
1952	Scottish	1966	Wellington
1953	Scottish	1967	Hutt Valley
1954	Scottish	1968	Olympic
1955	Y.M.C.A. Palmerston North	1969	Olympic
1956	Wellington	1970	Scottish
1957	Wellington	1971	Scottish
1958	No Contest	1972	Olympic
1959	Scottish		

WHYTE MACKAY SHIELD

1923	Brooklyn
1924	Hutt Valley
1925	Masterton
1926	Masterton
1927	Wellington
1928	Brooklyn
1929	Wellington
1930	Brooklyn
1931	Scottish
1932	Brooklyn
1933	Brooklyn
1934	Scottish
1935	Scottish
1936	Scottish
1937	Scottish
1938	Scottish
1939	Scottish
1940	Scottish
1941	Scottish
1942	No Contest
1943	Scottish
1944	Scottish
1945	Scottish
1946	Brooklyn
1947	Hutt Valley

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CENTRE CHAMPIONSHIPS

1948	Hutt Valley
1949	Hutt Valley
1950	Scottish
1951	Wellington
1952	Scottish
1953	University
1954	Masterton
1955	University
1956	Scottish
1957	Scottish
1958	Hutt Valley
1959	Scottish
1960	Scottish
1961	Scottish
1962	Scottish
1963	Scottish
1964	Scottish
1965	Scottish
1966	Wellington
1967	Wellington
1968	Wellington
1969	Wellington
1970	Nelson
1971	Wellington
1972	Wellington

CENTRE CHAMPIONSHIPS

1939	Scottish
1940	Wellington
1941	Brooklyn
1942	No Contest
1943	Scottish
1944	Scottish
1945	Scottish
1946	Presbyterian
1947	Presbyterian
1948	Presbyterian
1949	Scottish
1950	Scottish
1951	Kiatare
1952	Scottish
1953	Scottish
1954	Baptist
1955	Baptist

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JUNIORS

1956	Wellington
1957	Hutt Valley
1958	Scottish
1959	Scottish
1960	Scottish
1961	Masterton
1962	Wellington
1963	Wellington
1964	Methodist
1965	Nelson
1966	Nelson
1967	Hutt Valley
1968	Olympic
1969	Masterton
1970	Scottish
1971	Scottish
1972	Scottish

THE CLUB'S FIRST RUN — APRIL 1923



From Left:

Wally Lindop, Alf Stapleton, Bill Haddie, Viv Hodgkinson, Don Hope, Jim Hobbs, Ernie Whittaker, Neil Craig, Tom Hurly, Chic Davis, Aussie Clarke, Frank Sanders, Jim Crooks.

WINNING TEAM 1924 WELLINGTON CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIP



From Left:

G. Dorne, R. Kent, N. Craig, J. McKee

HUTT VALLEY LADY HARRIERS

1931

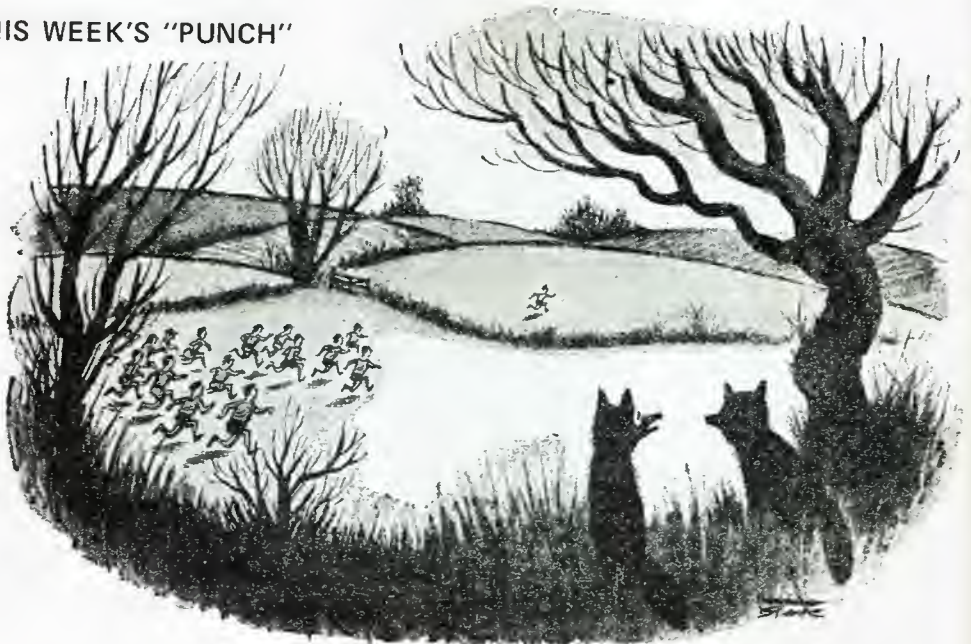


Back Row:— S. Trainor, K. O'Callaghan, I. Cottle, A. Price, G. Pilcher, D. Willis, D. Johnston.

Middle Row:— E. Hutton, E. Powell, Mrs S.J. Pilcher (President), M. Jones, H. Collins.

Front Row:— J. Pilcher, N. Campbell, D. Johnson.

THIS WEEK'S "PUNCH"



"Let's hope the poor devil makes it."

OPENING DAY 1944



OPENING DAY 1947



DORNE CUP TEAM – 1949



Left to Right:—

*R. Carson, R. Blanford, L. Brunetti, J. Cook, A. Miller,
W. Smith, M. Smith, N. Taylor, N. Sutton, D. Melrose.*

OPENING DAY 1960



WELLINGTON - MASTERTON ROAD RELAY

Air Force Trophy Winners

1946	Lynndale
1947	Lynndale
1948	Hutt Valley
1949	Lynndale
1950	Hutt Valley
1951	Moa
1952	Scottish
1953	Lynndale
1954	University
1955	University
1956	Scottish
1957	Lynndale
1958	Moa
1959	Lynndale
1960	Onehunga
1961	Owairaka
1962	Onehunga
1963	Onehunga
1964	Onehunga
1965	Scottish
1966	Auckland University
1967	Owairaka
1968	Owairaka
1969	Wellington
1970	Owairaka
1971	Wellington
1972	Wellington

Rimutaka Trophy Most Improved

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Kaitere
University
Wellington
Presbyterian
Brooklyn
Masterton
Methodist
Scottish
Wellington
Baptist
Hastings
Masterton
Methodist
Palmerston North
Wellington
Wanganui
Olympic B
Hastings
H.V. Presbyterian
Palmerston North
Olympic B
Kapiti
Masterton
United
University B

JUNIOR BAYS RELAY

1969	Scottish	1971	Hutt Valley
1970	Scottish	1972	Scottish

VALLEY RELAY

1971	Hutt Valley	1972	Hutt Valley
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BENNETT MEMORIAL - INTER-CLUB SENIORS

1923	Olympic	1948	Hutt Valley
1924	Olympic	1949	Hutt Valley
1925	Masterton	1950	Scottish
1926	Hutt Valley	1951	Scottish
1927	Wellington	1952	Scottish
1928	Wellington	1953	University
1929	Brooklyn	1954	University
1930	Brooklyn	1955	Scottish
1931	Scottish	1956	Scottish
1932	Brooklyn	1957	Scottish
1933	Scottish	1958	Scottish
1934	Brooklyn	1959	Scottish
1935	Scottish	1960	Scottish
1936	Brooklyn	1961	Scottish
1937	Scottish	1962	Methodist
1938	Scottish	1963	Scottish
1939	Scottish	1964	Scottish
1940	Scottish	1965	Wellington
1941	Scottish	1966	Wellington
1942	No Contest	1967	Wellington
1943	Scottish	1968	Wellington
1944	Scottish	1969	Wellington
1945	Hutt Valley	1970	Wellington
1946	Brooklyn	1971	Wellington
1947	Hutt Valley	1972	Wellington

CRAIG CUP - JUNIOR INTER-CLUB

1924	Olympic	1949	Scottish
1925	Hutt Valley	1950	Presbyterian
1926	Hutt Valley	1951	Scottish
1927	Wellington	1952	Scottish
1928	Olympic	1953	Scottish
1929	Brooklyn	1954	Baptist
1930	Brooklyn	1955	Baptist
1931	Scottish	1956	Wellington
1932	Scottish	1957	Hutt Valley
1933	Scottish	1958	Scottish
1934	Scottish	1959	Scottish
1935	Scottish	1960	Scottish
1936	Scottish	1961	Scottish
1937	Scottish	1962	Wellington
1938	Scottish	1963	Wellington
1939	Scottish	1964	Petone
1940	Wellington	1965	Wellington
1941	Brooklyn	1966	Olympic
1942	No Contest	1967	Olympic
1943	Brooklyn	1968	Masterton
1944	Scottish	1969	Hutt Valley
1945	Scottish	1970	Hutt Valley
1946	Presbyterian	1971	Scottish
1957	Presbyterian	1972	Scottish
1948	Wellington		

WHAT IS A HARRIER? *prepared by Len Francis
of Masterton Club*

The Concise Oxford dictionary describes a harrier as a hound used in hunting hares, or a kind of falcon. Common usage, however suggests the term describes a species of human, a truly remarkable type found in most countries. It is generally realised that all harriers suffer from an incurable form of disease not listed in medical journals.

Custom demands that harriers move in packs and yet, except at the start of a race, it is unusual ever to see harriers running together. Custom also demands that, whilst the disease occurs only during the winter months, the New Zealand species should wear clothing of a very summery type.

Harriers come in all shapes, sizes and colours and are usually male, although tiny groups of females in recent years have been seen gathering in the more southern and cooler parts of the country.

Wives suspect all harriers are crazy; mothers-in-law are definite on the point. Girlfriends only just tolerate their strange meanderings and pointless jargon while most parents dislike the sport (it restricts their son's gardening activities) except those mothers who attend runs and discuss loudly the handicapper's treatment of their fond hope

Each Saturday finds harriers assembling in some room, shed or hall, entirely unsuitable for use as a changing room. Here, they proceed to divest themselves of layers of thick, warm, woolly clothing, which is shiveringly replaced by a singlet, usually wrinkled and slightly torn from some previous conflict with barbed wire, the colour which cannot be accurately described but is never that listed for club colours. Shorts are always ill-fitting and are neither long shorts nor short longs.

Harriers may carry their running gear under their arm, but it usually arrives at the changing room in bag, case or satchel, which has been discarded as useless by a previous owner - a strong sense of pride attaches to the age of the bag which often indicates the length of time one has been afflicted with the malady. When emptied, a bag is likely to contain 7 sox (usually muddy and full of holes) a safety pin, chewing gum, one spike shoe, a set of tangerine and black ribbons, two embrocation bottles, both empty, sticking plaster, 4 broken laces, a towel marked Masonic Hotel, a bandage (used), a bottle containing dregs of some recommended pre-race formula, a squashed packet of Heards Barley Sugar and an out of date club programme.

A harrier's conversation before any race comprises snatches of nervous questions and answers about sore muscles, girls, other member's form, sore joints, remarks about handicappers antecedents, sore feet, past trips, sore chest, oh and possibly something about their week's training.

Harriers, despite their apparent hardiness, usually show marked reluctance to strip and go to the mark, and inevitably some delay is experienced, either due to one of the runners having difficulty in discarding a jersey or a watch, or a shoe requires tying or a hurried dash to the nearest facility is deemed necessary.

The sight of this strange procession of scantily clad humans through the streets, often causes pedestrians to stand and gape, cyclists wobble violently, whilst most motorists invariably sound their horn or make derisive comments. Those suffering badly with this seasonal disease seem compelled to seek a trail which leads through gorse, mud, ploughed paddocks, deep streams steep hills and gullies, slippery tracks, high barbed wire fences, down precipices and cover endless miles, regardless of rain, hail or even snow. Those not so deeply afflicted content themselves with shorter runs over gentle slopes and easy plats and, incidentally, usually arrive back first to indulge under hot showers, leaving only icy cold water for those who come later. All harriers turn out every Saturday whatever the weather and regardless of health of self or family, while flu, stitch, hives, fractured limbs, chilblains, toothache or athletes foot are disregarded in the time honoured pursuit of an attendance certificate, which, when presented on closing day, is carefully placed in the spare room or window seat, never to see light of day again.

Conversation after the race is the same as the previous week and the week before that. The number of first placings harriers have lost through some unfortunate happenings such as lost shoes, lost trail, lost breath or lost pants, is quite remarkable - even near world records have been similarly lost.

At afternoon tea, a harrier displays manners which vary with age. Young harriers hurl themselves at cream sponges, meringues and iced cakes, push through the queue for cups of tea, liberally laced with sugar and when little else is left on the tables, finish off on scones or sandwiches. Older harriers do the same except the order is changed to tea first, sandwiches then cakes (if any), leaving only sufficient room for the refreshments which need to be consumed at the regular Saturday 5 p.m. special meeting.

And, when the harrier, competing in his last race, jogs ever so slowly along the milky way trail to the heavenly gates and knocks on the door, St. Peter, on seeing a breathless, slightly rotund figure in singlet and shorts, will turn to the angel and say, *"It's only a harrier who's lost the trail again - let him in!"*

A HARRIER CLUB IS BORN

Fifty two years ago Neil Craig and Tom Hurly, of Koro Koro and Petone respectively were members of the Olympic Harrier Club, Wellington. It was Neil who introduced Tom to the sport but the former's experience and considerable collection of trophies made him a formidable opponent not only to the Olympic Club members but also to the other clubs.

In those early days the 40 hour week was non-existent and at knock-off time - 12.00 o'clock on Saturday, a deluge of sporting people would be seen swarming on to Wellingtons old tramway system bound for their respective bases of sport.

It was during one of these occasions that Neil Craig suggested that it might be a good idea to form a Harrier Club in the Hutt Valley and interest grew strongly. Much assistance was forthcoming from the Olympic Harrier Club officials who really went out of their way to assist Neil Craig in the formation of a new club and eventually there appeared the Hutt Valley Harrier & Amateur Athletic Club clad in a black uniform with a blue diamond insignia on the jersey. (years later to be changed to tangerine and black).

The Hutt Club soon made a name for itself and runners like Dodge Dorne, Ally Dorne, Jack Dorne, Paddy Patterson, Neil Craig, Vic Smith, Cecil McCartly, Snowy Taylor, Runt Lewis and many others made the "Blue and Blacks" a formidable bunch to reckon with.

On the administrative side, the Club was distinctively fortunate in having the services of Matt Gough as secretary and Matt steered the Club through many years of its early successes as well as being a competitor himself.

THE "BOG"

Where now stand the Oil Installations at Seaview they cover what was once described by Harriers as the "Infamous Bog". Major events always included this, stinking, slushy knee-deep and much reviled area which never dried out even in the summertime. Inter-club events staged from the Hutt Park invariably produced howls of protests when it was learned that the "Bog" was a part of the course and the subject of the "Bog" was even brought up for discussion among the committees of the various Wellington Clubs.

Hutt Valley boys replied that they were prepared to tackle it themselves and so the "Bog" remained - a silent evil, challenging mess that defied all efforts to effect anything approaching a decent crossing.

The "Bog" finally fell victim to progress when it was filled with tons upon tons of hillside rock, but during this many trucks became bogged down and it was an education to hear the comments of the various drivers.

CLUB "CHARACTERS"

In the early stages the Club possessed several "characters" or "hard heads". There was Rongo Furness, guaranteed to entertain with more yarns than any other known guy - and every yarn different; Paddy Patterson a sterling runner and as hard as nails, credited with exclaiming to a new member whom he was running alongside - "I hear we've got a bloody parson in the Club, "Yes" was the reply, "that's me"!

Musically the Club was pretty well equiped:

Frank Lister was no mean artist at the piano as was Neil Craig; Murray Smith was a wizard on the piano accordion; Bill Smith (his brother) knew all there was to know about the clarinette, while Rongo Furness handled the drums very well. This trio took their equipment with them on numerous bus trips and their entertainment was of very high standard. Then there was Ross Carson with his bag pipes; if you want to hear real music sit in a bus while they're played therein! And perhaps, worth a mention Tom Hurly with his chromatic mouth organ. Finally George Turner who gave the best imitation of Bing Crosby one could hear. A really great bunch of guys that inspired Tom Hurly to write the Harrier Song:

*"We are all harriers, proud of our name
We burn up miles for the love of the game
In defeat or victory, we're always happy & carefree
Over the fences through bog and scrub.
Shout as we go - we're the Hutt Valley Club
Through wind and rain our creed, our claim
Hutt Valley will play the game".*

THE EARLY YEARS *as reviewed by the Club's
Historian, Bob Mitchell*

The Club was formed in 1923 under the guidance of J.W. Scatchard Club Captain of the Olympic Club.

A meeting was held in the Oddfellows Hall, Petone, on 6th March, 1923. Mr. Scatchard took the chair and gave a few remarks upon the meaning of the word "Harrier", and the best way in which to run a club. He then called for an election of Officers which resulted as follows:

PRESIDENT: C.H. Goddard; VICE PRESIDENTS: F. Aitchison, A Cates, M. Spence
CAPTAIN: N.W. Craig; VICE CAPTAIN: C. Bowler; DELEGATE TO WELLINGTON
CENTRE: N.W. Craig; HANDICAPPERS: C.H. Goddard, N.W. Craig;
TRAINER AND STARTER: H. Sanders; AUDITOR: T. Aithchison; PRESS REPORTER:
D. Hope; SECRETARY: M.G.N. Gough; TREASURER: J. McCaskill; COMMITTEE:
C. Bowler, F. Davis, T. Hurly, H. Sanders.

The Club's first run was held at Hutt Park on 7th April, 1923. Thirteen runners, a President and Secretary, membership fifteen!!!!

George Dorne had the distinction of winning the Novice Trophy, Club Championship and being in the winning Craig Rose Bowl team in the first year of the Club's history. He also finished 6th in the Wellington championships. G. Dorne and R. Kent were the club's first Wellington representatives. G. Dorne was selected for the New Zealand team in the Australasian Championships.

The Club made an impact on the inter-club scene in its first year by winning the Vossellor Shield. The four man team comprised L. Payne, F. Sanders, F. Davis and A. Dorne. This win was repeated in 1924 with J. Cunningham, F. Sanders, J. Hitchcock and S. Sanders and in 1925 with R. Kent 2nd, G. Dorne 3rd, A. Newton 6th, J. Hutton 13th, N. Craig 18th, J. Dorne 23rd, D. Hope 25th, V. Smith 26th, J. Winnie 27th, L. Hitchcock 31st.

The Club also took the Whyte and McKay Shield in 1924 with G. Dorne, R. Kent, N. Craig and J. McKee. We were the first club in Wellington to win the two shields in the same season.

Late in 1923 it was decided to hold weekly athletic meetings over the summer months alternatively at Lower Hutt and Petone. The organisers of these meetings were Roy Kent, Waddington, Kennington and Dolph Kitto with Leadbetter as press reporter. Timber was bought and hurdles were made, and these proved very popular.

The year 1924 started out with a membership of twenty six and finished with 41. In May it was decided to buy some old car cases and iron to build a training shed on Hutt Park. A charge of threepence per night per member was charged to help defray expenses.

Dances were held at Petone at regular intervals, and these were very popular with members and those outside the club. It is interesting to note that a motion was passed that any member not attending the club dance without a good reason must bring a parcel for the club jumble sale.

In February, 1925 the club sent an official letter of protest to the Petone Borough Council on the removal of the cycle track at the Petone Recreation Ground. It was unanimously decided that a deputation from the club wait upon the council.

1925 was also the year in which the Dorne Cup was prestned to the Club for inter-club competition over five miles. Advantage was taken of the presence of the visiting Australian team to run a teams race in conjunction with the Dorne Cup. A Wellington team was selected to run against the visitors. The race was held over the Hutt Park course, and from the start the visitors threaded their way to the front. W. White (Victoria) won from R. Muir (Victoria), R. Whittle (Victoria), R. Swinburne (N.S.W.), M. McKenzie (N.S.W.), C. Weeks (N.S.W.) D. Todd (Wellington). The Wellington team was Todd 7th, Dorne 9th, Silver 10th, McKee 12th.

It was appropriate that we won the inaugural race for the Dorne Cup and that the three Dorne brothers were in the winning team. The team was, G. Dorne, J. McKee, J. Hutton, A. Dorne, J. Dorne, N. Craig, A. Eyre, V. Smith, T. Hurly, and D. Hope.

After the race the cup was presented by the donor Mr. G.W. Dorne, and the medals by Mr. C. Goddard. Mrs. G.W. Dorne presented to W. White the gold medal for being first runner home. The Victorian team were presented with greenstone tikis as a momento of their win in the special teams event.

Hutt Valley were second in the Wellington Championships, R. Kent 4th, J. McKee 5th, G. Dorne 9th, A. Dorne 19th. The club's "B" team dead heated with Olympic. Our team was T. Hurly 1st A. Eyre 2nd, V. Smith 6th, and J. Dorne 7th. The race was awarded to Hutt Valley as they had their team in first. Roy Kent was selected in the New Zealand team for the Australasian Championships. J. McKee and J. Hutton ran as individuals.

It was about this time that the club held a fancy dress ball, in the Heretaunga Hall, Petone. First price in the ladies section was won by Mrs. Dorne who was dressed as a golliwog. In fact it was a triumph for all the Dornes as Mr. Dorne won the men's section with J. Dorne runner-up.

The Bennett Memorial of 1926 was another triumph for the Club. Individual winner was Peter Wilson from our parent Club, Olympic. Roy Kent kept with Wilson most of the way and hung on for second placing. When half the distance had been covered these two were over half a mile ahead of the other 53 starters. In the "B" grade event for the Craig Cup our team came home easy winners. Winning "A" team was R. Kent, J. Mitchell, V. Smith, A. Dorne. "B" team, G. Gilchrist, F. Sanders, Barker, E. Oliver. The "B" team also had a great win scoring a possible 1, 2, 3, 4 with V. Smith, G. Gilchrist, R. Payne and A. Eyre. The "A" team finished third in their grade to Masterton and Olympic. Roy Kent 5th was our best placing.

The club purchased a billiard table for their clubrooms and a tournament for the Tarsonne Cup was held. These games were a great success and built up a wonderful club spirit amongst members. Table tennis was also played every night after training, and the club also had a well stocked library.

1926 was probably the club's best season so far, winning four of the five inter-club races. The list of successes included the Vosseler Shield, Dorne Cup, Sanders Cup, Bennett Memorial, Craig Cup and third in the Wellington Championships.

At the half yearly meeting in 1927, a deputation was received from the Petone A.A. Club, stating that there should be only two athletic clubs in the Valley and asking our club to amalgamate into their club. This request was denied after it was discussed by all members present.

The 1927 season was notable for one fact alone. This was the year of the "Grave Injustice", when the Hutt boys sat in their clubrooms waiting for a call before the start of the Wellington Championships. To get the full colour of the event here is an abridged version of a letter written to the paper by the club's publicity officer R.G. Freeman.

"Sir, It is my duty to make public the ignominious manner the members of my club were treated by the starter and officials at the Wellington Championships held at the Hutt Park last Saturday - i.e. by starting the race without the Hutt Valley teams knowing full well that they were ready and waiting for a call in the shed. We submit that the cause of our delay was the action of the officials themselves. At the request of an official, our Secretary, N.W. Craig, (a member of one of our teams) traversed a portion of the course to place two officials in their correct positions. This was four minutes before the scheduled starting time. In previous years our club has made a point of being at the start on time and never once has a race started on time. Last year at Masterton our teams had to wait thirty minutes for a prominent Wellington Club.

We had been informed that an official call steward would notify us when to proceed to the start. For fully fifteen minutes our teams were in their shed 100 yards from the start, stripped and ready for the call. Mr. J. Hunter, Manager of the Masterton club appealed to the starter, but was told to keep his counsel. The Hutt club had 24 runners waiting in their dressing shed for a promised signal from an official which did not come."

A more pleasant highlight of this season was the trip to Masterton to contest the Sanders Cup. Masterton finished up winners, but from reports written it was the social side that made the week-end. The new Masonic Hall proved inadequate to accommodate the large crowd. After supper, the Valley boys lined out in the middle of the hall and Mr. N. Craig on behalf of the club presented to Mrs. Shaw (Lady President of the Masterton Club) with the Sanders Cup. Mr. Kitchener of Masterton presented Vic Smith, the winner of the sealed handicap with a handsome medal.

Another race on the calendar was the Ladies Bracelet. Presented by the ladies of the Club it was awarded to the competitor gaining most points over three races of $\frac{1}{4}$ mile, 1 mile and 2 mile handicaps in one afternoon. Andrews won narrowly from Holland and Hurly.

In 1928 the club had a notable first in New Zealand Harrier History, for in June of that year a ladies pack was formed. Seven to ten lady members turned out regularly each week for a three to four mile run. Some of the early members of this pack were: Eva Row, Florrie Row, Edna Powell, Kath Boswell, Molly Hodgkinson and Marjory Jones.

During these early years the energetic committee raised funds with a series of concerts, usually held in the King George Theatre. These were well attended by the general public and many a time a "full house" sign was displayed outside. Music was usually supplied by the Petone Maori Variety Entertainers who were the most popular group at the time.

Gordon Bayne, one of the club's most distinguished runners won the 1929 Ewart Cup in atrocious conditions. Sealed handicap for the cup was won by Dudley, Cocker, Saggars and Cutbush. The weather did not deter the ladies from holding their run and they covered 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ miles in fine style. Misses Rowe, Pilcher, Hodgkinson and Price, and Mesdames Smith and Dorne all ran well.

The 1929 Novice Race had a field of 15 and scratch man D. Matson gave up to four minutes start to the limit men. First home was C. McCarthy from R. Dudley and C. King. Fastest time went to Matson.

Five teams entered the Craig Rose Bowl race and the captains, V. Smith, R. Kent, D. Matson, G. Bayne and R. Johnson handed to their runners coloured bands, an innovation successful in all aspects as it gave their teams a chance to keep together, the faster men helping all they could to bring up their slower runners. Mr. N. Craig sent the field away and the order along Naenae Lane was Kent, Marshall, King and Matson. Coming out of the paddocks Matson led Kent by 20 yards, McCarthy, Dudley, Smith and King following. The rest of the field had then started to string out, there being a break of $\frac{1}{4}$ mile between first and last. On the last stage Matson moved 50 yards ahead of Kent and finished comfortably with this advantage in the time of 19 mins. 7 secs. Kent's time was 19 mins. 16 secs. Bayne and McCarthy were some yards back. Mrs. Dorne and the lady supporters entertained runners to afternoon tea in the Epuni schoolroom. The ladies section had their run from the home of Miss E. Rowe.

The opening of the 1930 season from the home of Mrs. Dorne at Norton Park saw the largest muster ever. Sixty members turned out and ran in their various packs. At the conclusion of the run a huge spread was quickly devoured.

In one of the Saturday runs over the Belmont hills a new member in the name of Archie Mack showed considerable promise by leading the field home by half a yard from such accomplished runners as McCarthy and Richardson. The club sustained a great loss by the departure of McCarthy for Palmerston North later in the year. He had joined the Club two seasons back and had a record to be proud of. He had the honour in 1929 of being in the Wellington representative team that won the New Zealand Championships.

The ladies membership rose in 1931 to eighteen members. In their Novice race of that year held at Hutt Park over 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ miles eight runners faced the starter. G. Pilcher (Scr.) was first followed by E. Collins (30 sec) Mrs. D. Johnson (50 sec.) and N. Stack (60 sec.). In the evening the girls organised a dance in the Hutt Park Pavillion in aid of club funds.

In August 1931 Vick Smith won his first of six club championships from top favourite L. Carmichael and twenty three other starters.

On the interclub scene during these years dominance was held by the strong Brooklyn and Scottish clubs although we had our share of successes against Masterton in the Sanders Cup.

1935 - 1950

by E.A. Petersen

This period from 1935 to 1950 relates to the rise and fall of memberships and the performances of several members and how the Club fared in Inter-Club events. Although these are shown elsewhere this will serve to bring back memories of performances in that particular year.

In the period 1935 to 1940 members did not have the number of Trophies to compete for as they have to-day. The membership consisted of Seniors until 1940 when Juniors were admitted to the Club. Prior to this the small number of Juniors competed in Senior Events.

In 1935 the only recorded results were that the Club won the Robbie Shield and Vic Smith who had won the Club Championships on a number of Seasons won the Craig Rose Bowls and Club Champs.

In 1936 the Club again won the Robbie Shield and the Sanders Cup from the Masterton Club and Vic Smith won the Club Championship.

In 1937 Thirty one Senior members were recorded:

The Club again winning the Robbie Shield and Sanders Cup. Here Vic Smith started to show a decline in performances; 1st in President Handicap; 2nd in the Sanders Cup; 3rd in the Club Championships. M. (Paddy) Patterson won the Craig Rose Bowl Race and was 2nd to Merv Busby in the Club Championships.

In 1938 twenty nine members were registered with the Club. In the Novice race held this season nine members faced the starter, six runners were disqualified for cutting the course, and the eventual winner was Frank Dumble.

It was surprising that only five members started in the Club Champs; Paddy Patterson winning the Champs and President Handicap and being second to Merv Busby in the Craig Rose Bowl the only Club success was the Robbie Shield.

The season 1939 was Ron Goss's best when he won the Craig Rose Bowl Race, first in the Robbie Shield Race, third in the Sanders Cup against Masterton, and second in the Saunders Road Race.

The Club won the Sanders Cup from Masterton, and again won the Robbie Shield.

The 1940 Season had twenty four members on the books.

It is here that we record with regret one of our members who was killed in the early part of the war, Charlie Talbert. He joined the Club in 1937 and was killed after only being overseas about a fortnight.

This season saw the first Junior Club Championship Race, a trophy being presented by Mr. C. Goddard (Life Member). Lou Brunetti being the winner.

This was Tommy Shaws best season winning the President Handicap and Club Championship, then was second in the Craig Rose Bowl Race and third in the Sanders Cup Race. E. (Ted) McGrath also had a good season first in the Craig Rose Bowl, Robbie Shield and Saunders Road Race being second in the Novice Race and third in the Club Championships.

The Club still held the Robbie Shield, this being the last time it was contest due to the war.

The 1941 season started with 29 members, but due to the war the attendance of members at runs and races was small due to many working overtime for the war effort. No contest was held for the Dorne Cup, Robbie Shield or Sanders Cup.

Lou Brunetti winning the Presidents Cup, Craig Rose Bowl and Senior Club Championship. Noel Taylor a Junior had a good season winning the Novice Race, Junior Club Championships, and Saunders Road Race and being second in the Craig Rose Bowl.

Although the Club recorded 24 members for the 1942 season, the Club had to curtail many of its activities, only four Club races being held they were the Novice race, Senior and Junior Club Championships and the Consolation Race. There were no Inter Club races held including the Provincial Championships.

Due to the small number of members attending Club runs and races it is recorded that seven runs were held from Secretarys' residence (Mick Petersen) including the Novice Race and Senior and Junior Club Championships. The other race, the consolation being held from the Patrons Residence (E. Hartley) at Seaview. The race was won by Ken Lockett. Noel Taylor won the Senior Club Championship in which only four members started. Ron Hammington won both the Novice Race and the Junior Club Championships.

The Club recorded its lowest membership in 1943, eighteen being recorded in its register. Again no contest was held for Robbie Shield, Sanders Cup and Dorne Cup. Although the Club races attracted small fields some well known names are recorded in winning these races and went on to win other important races in other seasons.

Novice Races five starters: Jack Neale 1st; Jack Crosbie 2nd;
Murray Smith 3rd.

President Race three starters: Clive Newlands 1st; Lou Brunetti 2nd;
Ron Hammington 3rd.

In the Craig Rose Bowl, eight runners started with two teams of four,
Lou Brunetti was the winner with Murray Smith 2nd; Jack Crosbie 3rd.

The Senior Club Championships had five starters, only three finishing.
Murray Smith, Jack Crosbie and Spencer Lawrence.

In the Junior Club Championships there were only five starters in this
race, won by Ken Lockett, Ron Hammington and Clive Newlands.

The Provincial Championships Vossellor Shield and Bennett Memorial
races were again instituted this season; the Club entering teams in
all these events.

The 1944 Season saw a rise in membership, 35 members being recorded in
the register. This year two members performed with distinction they
were Ron Hammington and Jack Crosbie.

Ron's placings are 2nd President Race; 2nd Craig Rose Bowl;
4th in the Dorne Cup; Won the Junior Club Championships; 3rd in the
Wellington Provincial Championships; 5th in the Wellington - V -
Canterbury meeting; 7th in the New Zealand Cross Country Championships;
and won the Craig Cup; this event run in conjunction with the Bennett
Memorial, and the Cup being presented to the Harrier Sub Committee
by Neil Craig a Life Member of the Club at that time.

This was Jack Crosbie's best season he was 3rd in the Novice Race;
won the Craig Rose Bowl; Senior Club Championship and the Saunders
Road Race; His outstanding win was the Dorne Cup, this event started
at the Y.M.C.A. Waterloo, and the course followed the New Naenae area
which was then underdeveloped. Several prominent runners from other
Clubs going off the course, which the Club was in no way to blame.

The 1945 seasons membership was maintained at 32.

The first race of the season, the Novice Race, has it recorded that
nine runners were disqualified for taking the wrong course, and that by
resolution of the Committee placed Rongo Furness, Ron Blandford and
Alex Gough first equal.

In Inter-club events the Club was gathering strength being placed
2nd in the Vossellor Shield, then going on to win the Bennett Memorial
Road Race.

Frank Kiddle a member of the Wanganui Harrier Club, stationed at the Pattie Street Army Station, negotiated with the Wanganui Club to have a run with them.

This was Bill Smiths' best season when he represented Wellington in the New Zealand Junior Championships.

Bills' other performances were:

1st In the President Race; 1st in the Craige Rose Bowl Race;
4th in the Dorne Cup; 1st in the Club Junior Championships;
2nd in the Wellington Provincial Championships; 7th in the New Zealand Cross Country Championships; 1st in the Clubs 5 mile Road Race;
2nd in the Vossellor Shield; 2nd also in the Craig Cup Road Race.

The 1946 Season showed an increase in membership to 45 members.

After a years negotiation with the Wanganui Harrier Club 28 runners plus officials and supporters travelled to Wanganui to contest a Shield donated by W.J. (Jim) Carr. The home Club taking the Shield; and what a week-end it was.

The Club won the Dorne Cup, its first win since 1926. This is an extract from the Evening Post of Monday 1st July "True cross-country courses within close proximity to the main centres are becoming exceedingly hard to find and the Dorne Cup of five mile at Petone included a lot of road work, officials had not reckoned with the southerly and a big section of the beach stretch was awash. The most significant feature of the race was the convincing display by the young team representing the Hutt Valley Harrier Club."

The team consisted M. Smith (2) W. Smith (4) J. Crosbie (7) R. Hammington (8) R. Blandford (15) W. Jones (24) M. Patterson (27) J. Cook (31) A. Roadley (36) I. Burns (38) making a total 192 points.
Scottish Club 2nd with 306 points University 3rd 330 points.

Other placings by the Club were:

2nd Wellington-Masterton Relay (this was the first year that this race was contested for Airforce Trophy).
2nd Place in the Vossellor Shield Race and
2nd in the Wellington Provincial Championships.

This was Murray Smiths' best season his performances were:

1st in the Hutt-Kaitere friendly run;
2nd Vossellor Shield;
2nd Craige Rose Bowl;
1st Club Championships; and
5th in the Provincial Championship. This was good enough to earn him a place in the Wellington Centre team.

Bill Jones, a Junior who ran 24th in the Dorne Cup earned himself a place in the Wellington Centre team at the National Championships. It is worthy to note; the Sports Post of Saturday August 10th 1946 had this to say - "Last Saturday's Wellington Provincial Cross-Country certainly helped the local selector (Mr. M. Gough) to pick his team, but it did not serve to emphasise the quality available as might have been reasonably expected".

This Junior event through a misunderstanding caused the Junior race to develop into a fiasco, several runners taking the wrong course, some following the senior course and was re-run a week later.

The 1947 Season ended with a membership of 50 members.

This was Noel Suttons season, as a Junior he won the Novice Race; 1st in the Combined Hutt-Masterton-Kaitere run; Winner of Junior Club Championships; being 2nd in the Provincial Championships; 3rd in the Craig Rose Bowl; then being selected to represent Wellington in the National Junior Championships.

This was also Noel Taylors' best season, 2nd in the President Handicap; 2nd in the friendly run with Kaitere and Masterton Clubs; His first placings were in the Craig Rose Bowl; Carr Chield; Dorne Cup; Club Championships; Saunders Road Race and the Bennett Memorial also being placed 2nd in the Vossellor Shield and Provincial Championships. He was then selected to represent Wellington at the New Zealand Championships as was Murray Smith.

The Clubs successes were 2nd in the Wellington-Masterton Relay Race, then winning the Carr Shield, this was followed by winning all the major races as follows:

Dorne Cup: with the following Club Members - N. Taylor; M. Smith; R. Carson; J. Cook; R. Goss; R. Blandford; N. Sutton; W. Jones; J. Crosbie; W. Smith.

Vossellor Shield Team consisted: of N. Taylor; W. Smith; M. Smith; R. Goss; J. Cook; L. Brunetti; R. Blandford; F. Kiddle; A. Roadley; M. Patterson.

Provincial Championships: with N. Taylor; M. Smith; J. Cook; R. Goss; L. Brunetti; R. Carson.

Bennett Memorial: N. Taylor; W. Smith; M. Smith; L. Brunetti; J. Cook; R. Goss.

Ingram Cup this being the "B" grade team in the provincial championships W. Smith (1) J. Crosbie (2) R. Blandford (3) other members being F. Kiddle; A. Roadley; K. Staples.

It is especially worth mentioning that the Dorne Cup was the only Sporting Fixture held in Wellington on Saturday 29 June, 1948 all other sporting fixtures being cancelled. Some 200 runners in this Inter Club event held from Petone West School had to plough through nearly a mile of water on Randwick Road which was eighteen inches or more deep in places.

The year 1948 was probably the best year with a membership of 52.

Colts being introduced into the Club for the first time. This was another good year for Noel Taylor having fastest time in the President Handicap, then 2nd in the Club Championship to Murray Smith. He followed with a string of 1st places; Sanders Cup; Craig Rose Bowl; Carr Shield; Dorne Cup; Bennett Memorial; Vossellor Shield; Saunders Road Race; Provincial Championships; New Zealand Championships and 20 miles in record time of 2 hours 5 minutes 54 seconds.

Allan McKnight a Junior, had a good season, being 1st Novice Race; Junior Championship; Provincial Championship; 2nd in the Dorne Race; 2nd Vossellor Shield; 2nd Craig Cup.

Noel Taylor M. Smith and A. McKnight were selected to represent Wellington at the New Zealand Championships.

The Clubs placing in Inter Club events were winning the Sanders Cup; Gough Cup; Dorne Cup: the team being (N. Taylor; M. Smith; J. Cook; R. Hammington; L. Brunetti; J. Crosbie; R. Goss; N. Sutton; R. Blandford; W. Jones); Shaw Baton (J. Cook; R. Blandford; R. Goss; L. Brunetti; M. Smith; N. Taylor); Provincial Championship (N. Taylor; M. Smith; J. Cook; R. Hammington; L. Brunetti; R. Goss); Vossellor Shield: (N. Taylor; M. Smith; J. Cook; L. Brunetti, R. Goss; R. Blandford; M. Patterson, H. Robertson; L. Brown; A. Roadley); Bennett Memorial: (N. Taylor; M. Smith; N. Sutton; J. Cook; L. Brunetti; R. Goss); Masterton Relay: (M. Smith; J. Cook; N. Sutton; J. Crosbie; L. Brown R. Goss; M. Patterson; L. Brunetti; R. Blandford; N. Taylor); This was a great last lap by Noel Taylor having to make up 2 minutes at the change over then winning the race over 2 minutes. I. Kennedy won the first colts Championships.

1949 was even a better year the Membership rising to 76 members.

The Club winning the Sanders Cup; Dorne Cup; Shaw Baton; Provincial Championships with 16 points; Ingram Cup "B" grade; Carr Shield; Vossellor Sheild with N. Taylor 1st; M. Smith 2nd W. Smith 3rd in this event; Bennett Memorial; 20 Mile Gold Cup; the Napier to Hastings Road Race with M. Smith, W. Smith and L Brunetti recording fastest time for the race - and 2nd Wellington-Masterton Relay.

N. Taylor, M. Smith, J. Cook represented Wellington in the New Zealand Championship and R. Whyte was selected in the Junior team.

It is worth recording the following Club members being placed in Club and Inter-Club events R. Whyte 1st in the Presidents Handicap and Junior Club Championships; 2nd in Dorne Cup and 4th in the Junior Provincials. N. Taylor had fastest time in the Presidents Handicaps and 1st in Sanders Cup; Craig Rose Bowl; Dorne Cup; Provincial Championships and New Zealand Championship and 2nd in Club Championships. M. Smith 1st in Club Championships; Carr Shield; Saunders Road Race; Bennett Memorial; 2nd Vossellor Shield and Provincial Championships; 3rd in Craig Rose Bowl and 20 mile; 8th Dorne Cup; 16th in New Zealand Championships.

W. Smith also gaining these places - 2nd Sanders Cup; 3rd Carr Shield, and Vossellor Shield; 4th in the Club Championships and 20 Mile, 6th Craig Rose Bowl; 9th in the Dorne Cup and Bennett Memorial.

L. Brunetti also having a good season - 2nd in Sanders Cup and Bennett Memorial; 3rd in Club Championships and Saunders Road Race; 4th in the Craig Rose Bowl; Dorne Cup; Carr Shield; 5th in Vossellor Shield and 20 mile and 9th in Provincial Championships.

The members of the winning teams were: Dorne Cup (N. Taylor; L. Brunetti; J. Cook; M. Smith; W. Smith; D. Melrose; N. Sutton; A. Millar; R. Carson; R. Blandford.) Shaw Baton (J. Cook; W. Smith; A. Millar; M. Smith; L. Brunetti; N. Taylor.) Provincial Champs (N. Taylor; M. Smith; W. Smith; L. Brunetti; J. Cook; A. Millar). Ingram Cup (R. Blandford; D. Melrose; N. Sutton; R. Goss; H. Robertson; F. Kiddle.) Vossellor Shield (N. Taylor; M. Smith; W. Smith; J. Cook; L. Brunetti; R. Hammington; D. Melrose; N. Sutton; E. Linton; H. Robertson.) Bennett Memorial (M. Smith; W. Smith; L. Brunetti; A. Millar; J. Cook; D. Melrose.) 20 Miles (M. Smith; W. Smith; J. Cook; L. Brunetti; H. Robertson.

The 1950 season finished with 74 members the Club again having another good season in Inter-Club events. Winning the Sanders Cup; Gough Cup; Carr Shield; Wellington to Masterton Relay with (R. Hammington; A. Millar; R. Sutherland; N. Sutton, E. Linton; J. Cook; M. Hall; D. Melrose; W. Smith; M. Smith) Dorne Cup winning team (M. Smith; D. Melrose; J. Cook; W. Smith; R. Hammington; N. Sutton; E. Linton; A. Millar; R. Sutherland; L. Brunetti.) Ingram Cup (F. Kiddle; E. Linton; L. Brunetti; A. Millar; M. Hall; R. Sutherland.) Vossellor Shield (M. Smith; W. Smith; J. Cook; N. Sutton; R. Hammington; D. Melrose; E. Linton; W. Jones; L. Ingram; E. Garden.)

Being placed 2nd in the Provincials; 3rd Shaw Baton; Bennett Memorial; 20 Mile and Anderson Rally.

This was a good season for J. Cook 1st in Sanders Cup; Craig Rose Bowl; 2nd Carr Shield; Club Championships; 3rd Saunders Road Race; 5th Provincial and Vossellor Shield and 10th Dorne Cup.

Don Melrose won the Club Championship this year M. Smith and J. Cook represented Wellington at New Zealand Championships.

MURRAY SMITH REMEMBERS WHEN

September 11th 1948 the day we won the Masterton Relay just didn't finish at the end of the race. Masterton Club were terrific hosts and held their usual dance at night

Lou Brunetti, Snow Taylor and I decided to come home in Bruce Owen's 1926 Nash. There were many stops on the way while the old girl cooled and after much pushing and shoving which would have done the Petone Rugby Club scrum credit, we finally reached the top of the Rimutakas. She had by that time boiled up and we could not find any water in the dark. However by devious means, as only boys could, we soon filled the radiator. With Snow and I pushing from behind, she coasted downhill. We reckon we were doing better than even time and we both made a dive from each side, nearly knocked ourselves unconscious when we banged heads in the back seat.

At 4.45 a.m. we arrived home in Petone and after one more push set Bruce off on his own towards Moera. In those days the old Pipe Bridge crossed the Hutt River and we heard later that the old girl petered out on the bridge. A traffic officer came to his rescue and gave him a push to get going again. He must have very nice as we discovered later that the warrant of fitness had expired and Bruce had been doing plenty of praying.

I never did find out what happened to the old car but I'll bet she could tell some great stories.

and

On September 10th 1949, seven members journeyed to Hastings for the Napier-Hastings Road Race. This was the first occasion we had entered this race, the previous longest distance we had run being the 10 mile Vosseller Shield.

As we had no transport in those days, my brother Bill and I caught the Auckland Limited at 7 p.m. on the Friday as far as Palmerston North transferring to a Newmans bus and eventually arriving in Hastings about 1 a.m. By the time billets were sorted we eventually dozed off to sleep at 2 a.m.

Handicaps for the race were Snow Taylor off scratch, myself off 30 secs. Bill 1.45, Lou Brunetti (our wonderful Club Captain in those days) 2 min. 15, Jim Cook 4 min, Rongo Furness 14 mins. and Dick Morris 16 mins. It was some race as we were strong road runners. I remember being quite elated because I was taking time out of Snow but I could just see Bill in the distance at odd times and found I was making no impression on him. Nobody else noticed it but Bill that day was really flying and the hot weather suited his light frame. When it was all over we found we had won the War Memorial Cup for the four aggregate points by taking the first four fastest times.

1. Bill 71.51 2. Myself 72.36 3. Lou 72.51 4. Snow 73.11

and this was only a couple of weeks after Snow had won the National Championship.

Well like I've said before the excitement didn't finish there - Snow asked me if I would ride home with him on the back of his motor-bike so after seeing Bill off in the nice comfortable Newmans bus, we took off. After 3 punctures we thought everything would be alright, but then the throttle cable broke and I had to almost climb on Snow's back and hold the cable while he organised the clutch and brakes. It was quite hair raising, guess what time we arrived home ... 8 p.m but on the Monday night just 24 hours adrift.

BOB JOHNSON

Tells the story of the Saturday there was a breakdown job in the Railway workshop, and he was in charge of the machine work on a new axle. The boss gave order for everyone to work through until the job was finished.

"But" protested Bob, "I've got to run in the harrier race this afternoon".

By careful organisation, Bob had everyone working steadily on the job, and then stepped into his running gear, went off and ran in the race. Back on the job in less than an hour, he supervised the final stages, and no-one knew he had been away.

The next week there were some puzzled faces when his workmates read about his win in the race.

A NOSTALGIC LOOK AT THE CLUB - 1950 TO THE PRESENT DAY

R.W. Morris

Around the time that I joined the club, circa '48 Hutt Valley Runners seemed to have somewhat of the monotony of Mark Twain's boyhood diary... got up....washed my face....went to bed. The Hutt Valley Club appeared to go to the race venue, ran in the race, collected the trophy and went home, or so it seemed to the newcomer. Halcyon days indeed.

This, of course, does less than justice to the folk of those days, not only the runners, but the back room boys. The super efficiency of Mick Petersen ensured that no entry from Hutt Valley was even queried and that all formalities had been attended to. Len Price and Lou Brunetti had the runners fit for competition and there was intense rivalry for the last places in the team. The history section shows the statistics and memory is jogged for the incidents and characters.

Following that, was the chapter where the club was in the role of bridesmaid. Not a winner, but not far away. This was still a great era in the club saga, as it was a time when the social side came into its own. Hutt Valley club in the fifties was a friendly affair, the killer an instinct in races was temporarily shelved, the club provided many administrators in wider fields and best of all, from colts up was becoming the nucleus of good teams. Bob Mitchell was in the middle of a representative career with every date bar from '51 to '59 on his pocket. Good performances too including twice in succeeding years 3rd to Halberg and Scott in the mile and 3rd once in the 880 yds. N.Z. Championships. Norman Read had left the club and the district when he won his Olympic medal, but still qualifies for inclusion in our history. Ernie Davis, the long striding, youngster, was starting the career which gained him representative honours and two fifth placings in N.Z. Championships. His contribution in other fields has been considerable. Club Secretary, committeeman and newsletter editor - Ernie the reliable. The sixties with an upsurge in club strength, Ron Stephens to Ulric Drake. It is heartening for team members not to have to worry about the man in front, he is one of ours, and for the officials, well there is that feeling of pride. We saw Ron Appleton as the first winner of the Bill Owens trophy for colts at the Centre Championships and the winning team was Hutt Valley - Good years again.

Through the years like the pattern in the tapestry runs the Dorne Cup; By this time, the Dorne Cups and trophies for Senior, Junior, Women, Colts, Junior Colts, Junior Women - what good and popular races, even if the leading eighteen runners do run off and leave our own Don Melrose, Murray MacKenzie and Ron Hammington out in front, or Bill Gaudin and Arch Jelley dead heating at Silverstream. It was ten years before Bill received his medal - Dorne medals were treasured.

In another centre, there was an exhibition of medals won overseas by a local runner. This was publicity for the N.Z. Championships held there that week. Occupying pride of place in the centre of the display, we Hutt Valley members were most happy to see a Dorne Cup Medal.

Amongst the many champions in sport in recent years, we have had Ron Hammington, Wellington Champion in marathon and cross country, Warren Evans, table tennis; Don McNab, champion walker; Ted Benton, N.Z. Champ in junior 800 metres and Glen Smith, junior champ N.Z. in 400 metres and member of the Wellington team which broke the N.Z. 4 X 400 metre relay record and won the N.Z. Championship. Others to prove the value of a good harrier background have been the three Lee Brothers, all gymnastic champions and Ross and Robert being N.Z. representatives. Long time member Tom Hurly served a term as Mayor of Thorndon, doing a worthwhile performance and task for charity for a year. Dave Leech, with N.Z. hammer throwing titles to his credit and his discus throwing son Mathew, would testify to the merit of running in the Hutt Valley Club. When the first official women's harrier team attended the world champs. in San Sebastian, Spain in 1971 it was a Hutt Valley women's manager who was chosen and where better to go for a manager for the men than Hutt Valley Club - well done - Jim Cunningham and Ellen Morris.

We have not, as far as my records go, produced any astronauts, but went close on one occasion. In conjunction with the popular Napier Hastings Road Race, the Hastings club ran a teams race for the four fastest times from one club. In the initial contest, current N.Z. harrier champ, Snow Taylor, on an 80°F day, had to take fourth place to Bill Smith, fastest, Murray, second fastest, Lou Brunetti, 3rd and Show Fourth. A little celebration seemed in order and interested parties nipped themselves to the nearest hotelery. On foot, that is, except Cookie and Show Taylor, who went on Snow's motor bike. These two easyriders got as far as the first intersection where Snow made contact with a car and Jim Cook left Snow without even a word of farewell and landed on the car bonnet. Fortunately it was a sturdy make of car and came to very little harm, bonnet wise, that is. Murray was persuaded to make the return journey to the Hutt as a pillion passenger and after a hectic two days he was back home. Even now, and time must have erased some of the more painful details from memory, Murray shudders at the thought, but he does not wake up screaming quite as often. Murray, until Bob Michell took the title, had the greatest number of consecutive appearances for Wellington. However, Murray's daughters, not knowing him the days when he was able to dominate a field, saw him only as a member of the slow pack, albeit one who ran every time as hard as he could until condition ran out. One girl then saw him in the President's handicap when Murray was using his handicap to advantage, greatly excited, called to her mother to come and look "Quick mum, there is someone behind Dad". No event was ever quite like the 100 yards championship at the club picnic. The trophy might be a tiny brass cup, or a magnificent chocolate fish - engraveable, of course.

The lame, the halt and the blind, all entered. If you didn't think you could win, well, you challenged someone of about your own ability and had a race within a race. Picnics were always held in summer, not so much because of the weather, but because it took at least a week to get over one. In fact, Mick has not yet recovered from last year's one.

The social side was always well catered for. For a long time there was a regular round of parties where harriers could get into corners and talk running, where the ladies would produce marvellous suppers, where there might be up to a dozen youngsters parked on beds while their elders and betters bowled the odd flagon, ate the odd oyster and cut an occasional tie. There may have been places where the harriers were not asked back and there may have been one place where the long awaited party never materialised, but all in all, club spirit and fellowship would have reached its peak. There were several Ron's in the club, one of those was seen wearing a lamp shade like a halo. A pretty hot halo and it may be that he hopes that his next halo won't be quite so fragile. A word here on Matt, the virtual father of the club to all who have joined in the last few years. For many seasons, Matt represented the Club on the Harrier Trust Board, for much of that time as chairman. This was recognised, when he became unavailable for delegate, by the Trust Board electing him as a permanent member, the first to be so honoured in the 40 years of the Trust history. Jim Cunningham would have quick reflexes and he would not deny that this has been an advantage. Would he remember when they were not? Would he recall an occasion when it was necessary to foregather near the Owen Bridge to talk harriers. When Ron Ham arrived late ... unusual - did you say? and Ham pulled out his purse to pay... unusual - did you say? and something fell on the floor, James owned the large foot that crashed down on the object and James was the possessor of the voice that said, "Heads". Ham was the owner of the by now, tired looking partial plate in ruins. Not quite the face on the bar-room floor. Remember the rumblings in the club when Hammy was giving the relay team the works and runners were heard muttering that they had to go training so as to stand up to the training Ham was making them do. Talking about the relay, we have never won the Rimutaka trophy. Maybe because we have always tried hard all the way for the other.

Geo Russell and Ossie Melville of the Wellington Scottish Club, with the concurrence of the club, started an interchange of visits which promised much for the jogger, or super slow pack runner. These were encouraged to take bus fare as the route for the run took the unwary from Petone West School up the Mill Stream and back. The virtue of taking bus fare was, that by the time the runner had reached the Grand National Hotel on the way back, either he was convinced that he wasn't going to live anyway, or that he was fit enough to run back unaided. In either case, it seemed a good idea to spend the money where it would do most good, right there. While this proved a popular affair for the Mill Stream Meteors, the rest of the runners suffered a lack of communication and the project died quickly.

A pity, as the original idea was to break down the reserve that existed or appeared to exist between Scottish and all other clubs. However, now that they are not at the top of the tree, this seemed to have vanished. This would have been the first serious attempt to get the two clubs together since they had played rugby for the Ingram Cup pre-war.

The parent club, Olympic, has always maintained an interest in the club, and parental-wise, has not hesitated on occasion to administer a mild thrashing on race day. Our runs each year, when the symbolic gesture of the handing over of the Perston Trophy to the host club on the day, give a reminder to each Hutt Valley runner that we did not just grow like Topsy, but were started and our welcome is that of a family affair. No doubt, seeing that it was in the family, so to speak, that the Olympic club saw the funny side on the occasion after Bill Jones was hurt out back of Karori. He was carried to the road, taken to hospital by Jack Perston and with all the excitement, no supervision was made at the afternoon tea table. Too bad, Hutt Valley had taken two colts for the run that day and they had swept the table. The only smile was on the face of Rongo and that because he was to play Bill's drums in the Pitonian orchestra that night. Did he do the pocket knife story or the duck shoot mime for the crowd?

Contests with the Wairarapa clubs, Kiatere and Masterton and then Masterton only, after amalgamation, provided members with competition and more important, lasting friendships. Trips were not without incident, Ron Hammington was called back on the course, in an action typical of the sporting spirit existing. Typical, too, of the competition, Ham then beat his friendly opponent, Graham Holmes for first place. Trips over the hill were enlivened by the club song and when repetitions palled, any song, to the music of Murray and his accordion or Tom Hurley and the mouth organ. Coming home in the wee small hours seemed to require so many more comfort stops due to fatigue or other unspecified complaints. Individual travel in small car parties lost some of the camaraderie although making for more comfort and a more relaxed runner. It did do something for the old ulcer when the bus backed up on the hill and the runner sat on the edge of the seat worrying about every arriving, arriving too late for the start or too late to have a snack in ample time to give his digestion a chance. An what of the disappointment of the Hutt Valley fellow who went to the fish shop after the race, gave his order to the waitress on hearing the menu and looked in disgust at his fish. It was not the fault of the waitress that she had a cold and he was slightly deaf. He thought it was turkey on the menu and the waitress guessed he wanted the tarakihi which was a feature of the cuisine. George swallowed both his disappointment and the fish.

Any mention of the personalities who have enlivened our years in the club must include the name of Father John Goulter. A qualified coach, long time athletic official, jogger extraordinary, he became a familiar figure and a treasured friend. While he seemed to run more for the cup of tea at the end of the day, who could forget his epic struggles with his good friend, Ernie Beattie. It mattered not where the rest finished, these two enjoyed their competition. In addition to coaching, Ted Benton and Father Walls to championship standard, John made sure that any boy still around when he was setting out for the clubrooms, came along too, not for the ride but for the run. Every club member turned out to farewell him when he departed to St. John's in Hastings.

The quiet unassuming workers in the background deserve more than just a perfunctory mention in dispatches. Where would the club have been without Noel Sutton and Colin Drake, courses organised, things done, people transported and flags brought in. Someone does it, sure. Does it have to be the same folk all the time? Thank you, Noel and Colin. There will be others on that list but of shorter service of course.

Vice Presidents are normally on the official list for the donation but the Hutt Valley ones seem to be chosen for their interest in our sport. The Right Hon. the Prime Minister, Sir Walter Nash, was very keen on harriers and our club. On one occasion he left New York, flew straight to New Zealand, had a two hour caucus meeting and came on to our end of season function. He did not show his fatigue and we could only guess at it. He is well remembered. The Hon. Mr. Mick Moohan also attended regularly and was very keen on sport; as was Mr. Combs. Their worships, Percy Dowse of Lower Hutt and Joe and Annie Huggan of Petone have also been taken into our hearts. Mr. Dowse alone knew how much his authority helped in our leasing of the present clubrooms at a reasonable rental. Mr Huggan was a familiar figure at our banquets and there must be some harrier homes where his poetry is nestling in a scrap book. Those present would remember seeing him listening attentively to the previous speaker and then scribbling his poetry on a scrap of paper and the poetry would be amazingly apt. Mrs. Annie Huggan, we are very pleased to say, is still a frequent and well loved VIP and is also in the prize list as the donor of a trophy.

Like all histories, more has been left out than has been included. This is because of restriction of space, not because of other considerations. To list all the happenings, all the worthwhile people has not been possible, for, after all it took fifty years for this to come to pass and there just isn't room or time.

