

CLYDESDALE HARRIERS NOTES

Last Sunday the Young Athletes took part in the Scottish Young Athletes League Match in Wishaw in weather not at all suited to good times. The depleted team finished third of the eight clubs contesting the match but there were many good performances by the local youngsters. In the very first event of the day, David Brown was third in the steeplechase 5:43.2. Then in the Under 17 Men's 100 metres, Johnathan Farrell won comfortably in 11.5 second with Chris Hoy sixth in the B race in 14.2. In the Under 15 race, Cameron MacLeod was third in 12.9 with Sean Griffin first in the B string in 12.8 seconds and in the Under 13 races, Scott McDade was fifth in 15.5 with Greig Morrison third in 16.7. The next event on the track was the 800 metres and in the Under 17 Men's event, Ryan Nelson was sixth in 2:42.3 and in the Under 15 Boys race Craig Prior was first in 2:09.5. Allan Watson was third in the Under 17 Men;s sprint hurdles in 16.4 seconds.

Then it was up to the 200 metres series of races. Johnathan Farrell was again the top Under 17 man when he was second in the 200 metres in 23.7 with Chris Hoy sixth in the B race in 29.4. In the Under 15 races, Cameron MacLeod was third in 26.4 and Struan McInnes was fifth in 34.4 seconds. Scott McDade was top Under 13 runner in fourth in 33.2 seconds with Greig Morrison fifth in 34.4. Craig Prior won the Under 15 Boys 400 metres by four seconds with his time of 55.7 and in the Under 17 400, Allan Watson was fourth A string with 57.7 and Ryan Nelson was fourth B string in 70.4. In the relays at the close of the track events, the Under 17 Men's team of Johnathan Farrell, David Brown, Allan Watson and Chris Hoy as second.

Meanwhile a variety of field events was being hotly contested throughout he afternoon. In the Under 17 Men's Discus, David Brown was fourth A string with 20.76 metres and Ryan Nelson second B string with 8.33 metres. Sean Griffin had a good day in the discus where he had his second first place of the afternoon winning with 24.78 metres. In the Under 13 Boys Shot Putt Scott McDade was fifth with 4.66 metres in the A string and Greig Morrison was second in the B event with 4.33 metres. Johnathan Farrell was in action again in the Under 17 Men's shot putt finishing third with 8.76 metres and Allan Watson ably backed him up with 7.81 metres to win the second string. In the Under 15 Boys Long Jump Struan McInnes was third with 4.41 metres with Cameron Macleod winning he B event with 4.35 metres. Sean Griffin was again in action in the Under 15 Boys Shot Putt finishing in second place with 10.16 metres and Craig Prior was third B on 7.40 metres.

Some of the club's girls were taking part in a West Dunbartonshire team. In the Under 17 Women's race Natalie Quinn was second in 13.1 and in the Under 13 Girls race Alice Hannah was seventh in 13.5. In the Under Girls 75 metres hurdles Beth Atkinson ran well to be fifth in 18 seconds I quite dreadful weather and in the Under 17 Women's 80 metres hurdles Megan Reid was second in 14.3. In the Under 13 150 metres Chloe Wright was sixth in 25.1 and in the Under 17 Women's event, Sinead Griffin was fourth in 29.5 seconds. Natalie Quinn won the Under 17 Women's 300 metres in 44.3 seconds. In the Under 15 Girls hot Putt Rachel Hannah was third with 3.78 metres. In the Under 17 Women's High Jump, Natalie Quinn was second A string with a 1.40 metres clearance with Megan Reid winning the B competition with 1.35 metres. Megan was in action again in the discus where she was third in the A event with 15.80 metres to give her a first, a second and a third for the afternoon. In

the Under 13 Girls Long Jump, Alice Hannah was fifth with 5.60 metres. Sinead Griffen was third in the Under 17 Women's shot putt with a best of 6.72 metres.

It was a good day's competition but a genuine vote of thanks must go to officials Raymond Farrell, Brian McAusland and Ryan Savage and especially team manager Donald MacLeod for the work done over the seven hours of competition on a day of wet and squally showers.

Earlier in the week, Johnathan Farrell had set a personal best of 23.39 seconds for the 200 metres in Edinburgh at the Open Meeting in his first competition back after a lengthy injury lay off.