

Local Athletics Partnership Championships
Linwood, 8th September 2007

On a beautiful autumn afternoon at Linwood many of the Club's younger athletes took part in the Local Athletics Partnership Championships with many personal best times and performances. The only Under 11 girl competing was Rachel Busby who was first in the 600 metres in 2:08.6, second in the 75 metres in 12.3 seconds and third in the long jump with 3.02 metres. She also contested the shot putt where she managed 3.33 metres.

Beth Atkinson had a field day in the Under 13 girls' championship with first in the discus (12.02 metres), first in the javelin (12.87 metres) and second in the shot (5.19 metres). She also took part in the long jump with a best of 2.76 metres and the 100 metres with a time of 16.1 seconds.

Under 13 competitor, Chloe Wright was second in the discus with 6.00 metres, second in the 800 metres in 3:02.2 and third in the 200 in 34.8.

Two of the Under 13 Girls were competing in their first ever open meeting and did well. Sarah Horsfall had a super run in the 200 metres where she was second in 34.0 seconds. She had already taken part in the 100 metres where she was timed at 17.2. Emma Hendry also ran in the 100 and finished in 19.6. Emma also took part in the long jump and had a best of 1.97 metres and the shot putt where she was fifth of the ten competitors with 4.92 metres.

Under 15 girl Claudia Wasige was taking in her first open meeting and was third in the 800 metres in 3:14.0, third in the 200 in an excellent 31.9 seconds and fifth in the 100 metres in 15.1 seconds.

The only Under 17 competing was Natalie Quinn who did three events and won three gold medals and you can't get better than that. She won the 100 metres by over two seconds in 13.9 seconds, won the 200 metres in 28.1 by an astonishing eleven seconds and the High Jump with a 1.30 metre clearance.

The Under 13 boys all did well. Tony Dolan ran in two events: he won the 100 metres in 15.8 seconds from Keir Martin on 15.9 with Greig Morrison fifth in 16.6. Tony was also second in the 1500 but first Under 13 with his time of 5:22.1.

Scott McDade won the 200 metres in 31.5 with Greig Morrison second in 33.0.

Greig went on to be second in the 800 metres in 3:02.3 with Keir Martin fourth in 3:11.9. The same pairing were out in the discus but Keir won with 11.0 metres and Greg was second with 10.25.

In the long jump Greig was second with 3.84 metres with Scott McDade third on 3.58 and Keir sixth with a best of 3.16 metres. Scott was second in the Javelin with 10.98 before finishing second behind Greig in the high jump – Greig cleared 1.25 metres and Scott had 1.20 metres. Finally Scott won the shot put with 5.76 metres with Keir second on 4.69 metres. See photograph at end of Report.

In the Under 15 100 metres Cameron MacLeod had the first of three wins in a time of 13.0 seconds with Ryan Kenny third in 13.3 and Mark Busby fourth in 15.3. Cameron also won the 200 metres with a time of 25.8 and Ryan Kenny was again third in 27.6.

Ryan was also second in the Long Jump with a personal best of 4.69 metres. Cameron MacLeod's third victory was in the javelin where he threw 19.30 metres with Ryan Kenny second with 16.99 metres.

Brian Wasige was second in the Under 17 100 metres in 14.1 seconds with Ryan Nelson fifth in 14.4 seconds. Ryan also took part in the 200 metres where he was fifth in 26.9 and 800 metres where he was timed at 2:36.1.

David Brown was second in the same 800 metres in a personal best of 2:21.4 before winning the discus (18.07 metres) and coming third in the javelin (20.01).

Brian Wasige was second in the long jump with a best of 4.10 metres, second in the high jump with a 1.40 metres clearance and third in the shot with a putt of 7.26 metres.

Two senior men also competed. Ian Robertson won the 800 metres in 2:14.3 and the 3000 metres in 10:09.2 and Paul Carroll won his first ever 1500 in 5:03.2 and came second in the 3000 metres in 10:20.2.

It had been a good day for the Club with three first places for Natalie Quinn and Cameron MacLeod and a full set of gold, silver and bronze for Scott McDade along with many athletes gaining two, three or more medals. To top it all off, Ryan Nelson won the handsome trophy for the Athlete of the Meeting.

Whether they won anything or not all the athletes had a great time and enjoyed the day. The Club also owes a debt of thanks to team organisers Donald MacLeod, Phil Dolan and all the club officials and parents who helped on the day.



Scott McDade, Mark Busby and Greig Morrison
at Linwood