

It was also agreed that the three top teams in the Second division move into Division One and the two Bottom teams in Division One move into Division two. This would even up the Sections

venues and Venues were fixed as follows. Tipton and Bromsgrove Nov 6th 1948
Smethwick and Dudley Dec 11th 1948, Small Heath and Harborne Jan 15th 1949
Sparkhill and West Bromwich Feb 12th 1949.

Pro. D Marlow. See G Carr that two Sets of Medals be awarded to each division. Carr

It was agreed to grant the Secretary the usual £1-1-0 Honorarium

General Business:- It was proposed and Seconded that the promoting clubs make a special effort to raise funds either by a Ballot or Collection amongst the competitors (agreed)

It was agreed that Clubs pay 4/2 each for Numbers as per rule 8

Meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the chairman

B. Bashford
29 Sept 1949.

Minutes of the 24th Annual General Meeting held at the
White Horse Hotel, Congreve Street, Birmingham Sept 29th 1949.

The President, B. Bashford took the chair with an Attendance of
30 Delegates and Past Presidents. J. Peace and C. A. Wright

Apologies were announced for A. J. Marlow, F. E. Davies and
the Atlanta Delegates.

The Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held Sept 2nd 1948
were read passed and signed by the President

Secretary gave his report of the seasons activities stating how
keenly the First Division was contested Tipton were winners with
Small Heath runners up, Halesowen A.C. who fielded a weak team
for the last race were due for relegation with Sparkhill Hamiers
Ten Clubs contested the Second Division and all but Atlanta and
Walsall A.C. had completed a County team in each race. Bromsgrove
A.C. were winners with Lye Hamiers runners up. Tamworth A.C.
who were allowed to compete did well to finish in the 7th position

Arising from the report Mr G. Carr spoke about Halesowen A.C. action
re the last race, Mr B. Parsons gave an explanation for Halesowen
which was accepted by Mr Carr. Mr Arthur Wright spoke about the
good sport in the second division but he would like Club
Secretaries to see that runners were supplied with numbers and
finned securely on the vests as plenty were supplied, this was
supported by Mr B. Bashford. who at the same time congratulated
the winning teams

Balance Sheet was read by Secretary Treasurer and proposing its
adoption said Mr Bashford had given the postage for the
Shilling Fund. Mr Bashford had also handed in extra money for
the Shilling which would be carried to next seasons statements

of accounts. G. Carr seconded the adoption and this was carried.

Among. Mr E. Hurdley said he was disappointed with the special efforts and Shilling Fund it appeared that the smaller clubs apart from Tipton had done the best.

Mr A. Wright apologised for not making the special effort at the West Bromwich but he offered a frameless mirror to be raffled off for the League Funds, this was accepted with thanks. Mr H. W. Humphries said he would make a special effort on behalf of Sparkhill.

It was agreed to let the Shilling remain open for the first two races. Carried

Officials for 1949-50. President S. Chilton Tipton Harriers who took over the Chair thanking the delegates for his election said it was his first honour he had received in forty years with Athletics. Vice Presidents A. Dighton, W. J. Wheeler, G. Carr, G. Brittain, A. W. H. Stringer, W. Walker, A. Marlow, R. W. D. Hiers, H. Jones, W. Patrick, W. E. Harrison, with power to add.
Hon Sec and Treasurer. M. Weaver. Hon Assistant Sec. S. A. Wright
Hon Auditor. E. Lindsay Delegate to the M.C.A.C.C.A. B. Bashford

An emergency committee was suggested but it was agreed that the Secretary should call a meeting for all delegates if same was required.

Membership. Secretary stated he had received applications from Godiva Hrs (Cheltenham) St Gregorys Harriers, and Brierley Hill Harriers. Messrs Adkins, Cummings and Robinson spoke on behalf of the clubs concerned.

After much discussion it was agreed to vote individually for each club.

Pro. S. A. Wright } That Brierley Hill Harriers be accepted
Sec. L. Critchlow } Carried unanimously

Pro. R. Newey } That (Cheltenham) St Gregorys Harriers be accepted
Sec G. Law } Carried (12 votes to 7)

Pro. J. Jerome } That Godiva Harriers be accepted
Sec B. Parsons } Carried (12 votes to 7)

Pro. J. Peace } That Birchfield Harriers be invited to compete
Sec B. Bashford } Carried (12 votes to 11)

Pro. J. Law } That we form three divisions and start all over again
Sec F. Cull } with 6 clubs in Div 1, 7 clubs in Div 2. and 7 clubs in Div 3

An Amendment by A. Wright Sec. E. Lindsey 7 Clubs in Div 1, 7 Clubs in Div 2
and 6 in Div 3.

The proposition was carried

Teams to form divisions were agreed as follows

- 1st Division. Tipton, Godiva, Halesowen, Small Heath, Bromsgrove, Birchfield
2nd Division. Smethwick, Loxells, Wolverhampton, Dudley St Gregorys, Sparkhill, Starbridge
3rd Division. West Bromwich, Harborne, Brierley Hill, Tamworth, Atalanta, Oldbury and Walsall

Pro. B. Bashford } That if Birchfield do not accept our invitation, Wolverhampton
Sec A. Wright } move into Div 1. and West Bromwich move into Div 2.

Pro. J. Peace } That it be left to Sec to appoint an assistant Sec
Sec G. Law } for Div 3 or Div 2 as the case may be

Fixtures were arranged. ^{Div one} Nov 5th 1949. Tipton, ^{Div Two} Loxells, ^{Div Three} Walsall or Atalanta
Dec 5th 1949. Godiva, Wolverhampton or Dudley, West Bromwich or
Jan 14th 1950 Bromsgrove, Smethwick, Brierley Hill. ^{Tamworth}
Feb 11th 1950 Small Heath, Sparkhill, Harborne.

Awards. It was agreed to give two sets of medals to each division.

Firsts Silver Seconds Bronze.

S. D. C. Cullin
Sept 6/1950

Minutes of the 25th Annual General Meeting held at the White Horse Hotel, Birmingham on Wednesday September 6th 1950.

The President, S. Chilton (Tipton H.) took the chair with an attendance of 33 delegates and Past Presidents A. J. Cannon, C. K. Wright, A. H. Post and B. Bashford.

It was agreed that in the absence M. Weavers, Mr Carl Wright opens up the meeting.

Minutes

The Minutes of the A.S.M. held on September 29th, 1949 were read, confirmed, and signed.

Apologies

An apology was received from the Hon Sec. Matt Weavers, who thanked all, for the letters he had received, and it was agreed to send Matt the meetings best wishes for a speedy recovery.

Annual Report

The President (S. Chilton) thanked all delegates and all who had helped to make the League so successful, and said it was ~~at~~ with great pleasure that he presented the winning teams with their medals.

The Final League placings were

Div 1.	Div 2	Div 3
1. Birchfield H. 225	1. Smithwick H. 279	1. Oldbury H.C. 318
2. Small Heath H. 302	2. St. Gregory's H. 405	2. Jamyath 341
3. Godiva H. 398	3. Bromsgrove H. 437	3. Harborne H. 402
4. Tipton H. 587	4. Lozells H. 578	4. West Bromwich 514
5. Wolverhampton H. 930	5. Dudley H. 586	5. Walsall H.C. 738
6. Halesowen H.C. 1462	6. Stourbridge H. 752	6. Bham Halanta 794
	7. Sparkhill 849	

Statement of Accounts (1949-50)

Income	£	s	d	Expenditure	£	s	d
cash in hand				Medals	24	15	0
25-9-49.	10	12	6	Affiliation M.B. 11/11	1	1	0
Vice-Presidents Donations				Numbers Pens	3	7	6
R.W.D. Tier	1	1	0	Printing	1	7	6
A.H. Post		10	6	Stationery		2	0
b.H. Wright		10	6	Postage		17	7
J. Partridge		10	0	H. S. Hon.	1	1	0
G. St. bar		10	0	cash in Hand	9	8	3
W. Walker		5	0				
J. H. Jones		5	0				
Special Fund.							
Smethwick St.	2	2	0				
B. Bashford		10	0				
club Subscription							
20 at £ 1-5-2	25	3	4				
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The statement was accepted.

A proposal by G. St. bar (Hayborne St.) regarding any future effort on behalf of the League, was not accepted.

It was agreed to have a collection at League races, on behalf of League Funds

Election of Officials 1950-51.

Mr S. Whilton proposed from the Chair that Mr S. H. Wright, West Bromwich St. be elected President. Mr J. Peace, Hayborne St. seconded. this was carried.

Mr Wright thanked all delegates.

Vice-Presidents

Birchfield	b. S. Austin	St Gregory's	S. M. Sumner
Small Heath		Bromsgrove	
Godiva		Loyells	H. D. Dighton
Tipton	W. L. Patrick	Dudley	W. Walker
Wolverhampton		Stowbridge	A. Stickman
Halesowen	S. H. Jones	Sparkhill	
Smethwick	W. Wheeler	Harborne	
Walsall		Oldbury	
West Bromwich	W. S. Lawler	Jamworth	S. S. Brown
Bham	Atlanta		

Officials

Hon Sec.	M. Weaver	Prof. b. S. Wright
and Treasurer		Sec. J. Pease
Asst Hon Sec	S. H. Wright	
Hon Auditor	E. Lindsey	A vote of thanks recorded for services rendered.

Delegate to M. C. F. C. B. B. N. B. Bashford

Membership

Applications for membership from
Worcester & County F.
Bridgnorth R. F. C.
Wolverhampton & County F. C.

The meeting agreed to accept these applications
on the understanding that the club do not
get a home fixture this season.

Membership of the League was agreed as follows.

Dist 1.	Dist 2	Dist 3
Borchfield St.	Halesowen.	Sparkhill
Small Heath St	Bromsgrove.	Harborne
Godiva St.	Loyells.	West Bromwich
Tipton St	Dudley.	Walsall.
Smethwick St	Oldbury.	Atlanta
St Gregory's	Jameworth.	Worcester & Co.
Wolverhampton St	Stourbridge	Bridgnorth R.H. & Co.
		Cheltenham & Co.

Dates and Allocation of Races

	Dist 1	Dist 2	Dist 3
Nov. 4 th	Tipton	Loyells	Sparkhill
Dec 2	St Gregory's	Oldbury	Walsall & Atlanta
Jan 13	Godiva	Dudley or Halesowen.	West Bromwich
Feb 10	Wolverhampton	Stourbridge	Harborne St.

It was agreed that a list of club secretaries be posted to all clubs.

A complaint was received re accommodation at Walsall, also regarding distance of races, It was decided that all clubs should be advised eight days before races, as to Time of Event. Venue, and type of course. All courses should be marked, or stewarded to ensure that mistakes do not occur, and the correct distance should be covered.

Awards. Agreed as last year.

Divisional Secretaries on day of Races

Dist 1.	S. B. Chilton
• 2	W. H. Hayward
• 3	S. A. Wright

The offer of a Mirror from S. H. Wright to be
Raffled in aid of League Funds. was accepted

No ineligible runners be allowed to run with
League Races.

Emergency Committee.

All Past Presidents with President and
Hon Sec

The President in closing the meeting hoped
for a successful season.

S. H. Wright

minutes of the 26th Annual General Meeting held at the
Brown Inn, Broad Street, Birmingham, Sept 13th 1951.

The President. Mr S. A. Wright (West Bromwich Harriers) presided with
the following in attendance J. Peace, C. A. Wright. a. a. Post (past President)
F. Cell, C. Bonehill, J. J. Busby (Smethwick H.). B. Parsons, E. R. Grose (Halesowen a. c.)
W. Atkins, A. C. Hill, W. Sinter, (Sparkhill H.) J. Jerome, S. Boardman (Luzels H.)
E. W. Lindey, J. Lees, A. Hickman (Stoubridge and Wordley H.) W. S. Kay. (Tipton H.)
F. E. Hurdley, A. Jones, (Harborne H.) F. Foggatt, A. Wroe (Small Heath H.)
D. G. Evans (Wolverhampton H.) Cpl. Coates (R. A. F. Bridgnorth) R. Newey, Dudley H.
A. Blagden (Oldbury H.C.) and M. Weaver (Hon Sec) 27

Apologies were announced for B. Bashford, C. G. Austin, J. McKenna,
H. Wheeler, J. M. Kainsbury, A. D. Atkins, A. J. Gannon, Worcester & Bickfield H.C.

The minutes of the A. G. M held Sept 6th 1950 were read by the
President. these were confirmed and signed

The statement of a/c were presented by Mr. C. A. Wright
showed Cash in Hand £9-8-3.

Mr. S. A. Wright (acting Secretary) gave a report of the seasons activities
thanking all the clubs for their support and also mentioned the fine
running of C. M. Gray Small Heath H. and D. Pearsall Oldbury H.C.,
who had both brought honours to the League

Officials for 1951-52. President. S. A. Wright Ho. M. Weaver Sec. & A. Post.
T. H. Jones was also proposed but owing to his absence he was withdrawn.
Vice Presidents. C. G. Austin, W. E. Patrick, T. H. Jones, W. Walker, F. E. Hurdley
L. M. Cummins. A. a. Deighton Supt. Pendered. C. A. Fletcher,

Hon Secretary and Hon Treasurer.	M. Weaver	} Delegates to MCA CCA	
Assistant " " "	S. A. Wright		M. Weaver, A. Wroe
Hon Auditor	E. W. Lindey		and S. Boardman

Application for membership was read from Bilston Harriers
S.A. Wright proposed they be accepted and compete in Div 3
a.a Post Secunderd. It was agreed that they did not have a fixture
for this season. carried

Fixtures were arranged as follows.

Date.	Division 1	Division 2.	Division 3
Nov. 3 rd 1951.	Halesowen	Bromsgrove	Walsall
Dec 1 st 1951.	Birchfield	Bridgnorth (R.A.F)	Worcester
Jan 12 th 1952	Small Heath	Smethwick	West Bromwich
Feb 2 nd 1952	Stourbridge	St Gregorys	Lagells.

Acting League Secretaries on race days were elected

Division one S. B. Chilton

" two R.W.D. Hies

" Three S. A. Wright

League Official Recorders. Div 1. E. W. Lindsey and E. E. Farndon
Div 2. C. W. Hammond J. McKeown
Div 3 J. A. Peace. E. R. Ward.

(Pro. & Cull. See St Jones) that the Rules be brought up to
date and suggested a Committee of four members
Messrs M. Weaver C. A. Wright. S. A. Wright and J. Peace were elected

It was agreed that all Clubs should receive a copy of
Rules before the first League race, and a list of Hon
Secretaries' names and addresses.

Finance

It was agreed to raise funds as last year at League
races either by a collection or Ballot

Meeting Closed President thanking all for their attendance

S. A. Wright

Sep 23 1951

BIRMINGHAM & DISTRICT INVITATION CROSS-COUNTRY LEAGUE.
Affiliated to M.C.A.C.C.A.

Hon. Secretary: M. Weaver.
Hon. Asst. Secretary: S.A. Wright.

6, Hill Crest Avenue,
Lyde Green,
Cradley, Staffs.
15th October, 1951.

Dear Sir,

At the Annual General Meeting of the League held on 13th September last, the Divisions of the League, and the Fixtures for 1951-52, were agreed as follows:

<u>DIVISION 1.</u>	<u>DIVISION 2.</u>	<u>DIVISION 3.</u>
Birchfield H.	St. Gregory's A.C.	Lozells H.
Small Heath H.	Smethwick H.	Harborne H.
Godiva H.	Dudley H. & A.C.	West Bromwich H.
Tipton H.	Oldbury A. & C.C.	Birmingham Atalanta A.C.
Wolverhampton H.	Bridgnorth R.A.F.	Walsall A.C.
Halesowen A. & C.C.	Bromsgrove A. & C.C.	Worcester H.
Stourbridge & Wordsley H.	Sparkhill H.	Tamworth A.C.
		Bilston H.
		Nuneaton H.

DATES AND ALLOCATION OF RACES:

<u>DATE.</u>	<u>DIVISION 1.</u>	<u>DIVISION 2.</u>	<u>DIVISION 3.</u>
Nov. 3rd.	Halesowen A.C.	Bromsgrove A&CC.	Walsall H.
Dec. 1st.	Birchfield H.	Bridgnorth RAF.	Worcester H.
Jan. 12th.	Small Heath H.	Smethwick H.	West Bromwich H.
Feb. 2nd.	Stourbridge H.	St. Gregory's.	Lozells H.

The Hon. Secretary of the Club organising each race must advise all Clubs in his Division as to the VENUE, TYPE OF COURSE, and TIME OF STARTING, at least EIGHT DAYS before the date of the event.

All Races to be between Five and Seven Miles, and courses to be marked clearly, and where possible, Marshalls provided.

To increase the Finances of the League it was again agreed to arrange a Collection or Raffle at each event.

On the days of the races the following will act as Secretaries:

Division 1 S. B. Chilton.
Division 2 R. W. D. Hier.
Division 3 S. A. Wright.

Will those Clubs who have not yet nominated their Vice-President, with address, or sent in names and addresses of Delegates, please do so without delay.

Yours faithfully,
M. WEAVER,
Hon. Secretary.