



SURBITON TOWN SPORTS CLUB

24 HOURS TRACK WALKING RACE

(UNDER AAA LAWS)

MOTSPUR PARK ATHLETIC TRACK

SURREY

7 P.M. ON FRIDAY
13TH AUGUST 1948

7 P.M. ON SATURDAY
14TH AUGUST 1948



ADMISSION 1/-

PRICE 6^D

SOUVENIR PROGRAMME

STUDY THIS SCHEME CAREFULLY

SURBITON TOWN SPORTS CLUB

THE Village Green is the cradle of English Sports, and our Village Institutes have housed many world-famous sportsmen in bygone days. Our foreign friends have now seized upon this idea of centralising sports, with the success which is very patent to us when we meet them in open competition in fields of sport.

To-day our village greens still cater for the national games, but far greater efforts are required. Every town and city in this country should possess a suitable Sports Centre, so that youth may be properly coached and may enjoy the game or sport at which they wish to excel.

Surbiton Town Sports Club first endeavoured in 1917 to supply this need in Surbiton. Members ever since have worked towards providing a first-class Sports Club within the Borough to cater for the town's requirements. The Queen of London Suburbs, with a present-day population of over 60,000, must have such a Club.

What advantages will the establishment of the district centre give to Surbiton?

1. The talented sports-minded youth of the Borough will receive expert coaching and training in the various sports sections within easy reach of home.
2. Senior status in all sports sections of the Club is the paramount aim. Club supporters may then watch high standard games in their own district.
3. Assistance to any other local Club, schools and youth organisations will be cheerfully given: Surbiton Town Sports Club have one desire—the fostering of sports in the Borough.

Thirty years ago this Club was formed as the Surbiton Hill Old Boys. It achieved success and won many trophies and honours in local and county football. To-day, with its enlarged membership, the Club promotes football, cricket, boxing and athletics. Suitable private playing grounds, with Club House, are now being negotiated.

The programme which you now read, advertising the 24-hour Walking Race for Records, is proof of the advance of the Club since its formation.

It is the Club's desire to raise, as the result of the Race, a substantial sum to assist its future activities.

Local Residents; We enlist your support. Local Sportsmen; we solicit your help—Let us together build a Sports Centre and Club for youth which will be worthy of the Borough of Surbiton.

The Club already caters for football, cricket, boxing and athletics, with teams in competitions on Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays. We welcome to the Club new players (especially youths) boxing members, athletic members, Club members and supporters.

Full details or particulars from:

Club General Secretary,
G. E. MOORE, 31 VALLIS WAY, SURBITON.
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SURBITON TOWN SPORTS CLUB

affiliated to the A.A.A., R.W.A. and S.C.A.A.A.

24 HOURS TRACK WALKING RACE

commencing at 7 p.m. on Friday, 13th August, 1948

LIST OF OFFICIALS

President: THE MAYOR OF SURBITON (Alderman W. E. DOMMETT, J.P.)

Vice-Presidents:

THE DEPUTY MAYOR (ALDERMAN MRS. A. WOODGATE, J.P., C.C.), AND
ALDERMEN AND COUNCILLORS OF THE BOROUGH OF SURBITON
THE MAYOR OF MALDEN & COOMBE (Alderman EDWARD W. JONES, M.B.E., J.P.)

THE DEPUTY MAYOR (COUNCILLOR E. GORDON) AND
ALDERMEN AND COUNCILLORS OF THE BOROUGH OF MALDEN & COOMBE

MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CLUB

MEMBERS OF THE A.A.A. SOUTHERN COMMITTEE

R.W.A. COMMITTEES SURREY COUNTY A.A.A. COMMITTEE

CENTURIONS R.W.A. JUDGES

and other WALKING AND ATHLETIC ENTHUSIASTS (see separate list)

Starter: JOHN MARK

Referees and Chief Judges:

W. BATSON, R. C. MAWBAY and W. J. PALMER, GRAYSON STONE

Judges:

OFFICIAL JUDGES of the R.W.A. assisted by SUPPLEMENTARY JUDGES of the R.W.A.
(see list)

Time-Keepers:

J. TURNER (Chief), C. R. BUTCHER, C. F. HILL, E. NEVILLE, T. C. REYNOLDS,
R. T. SAVAGE, G. G. SWAN

Chief Recorders: ALAN KAY and T. C. REYNOLDS

Time Recorders, Lap Scorers and Stewards:
(see separate list)

Announcers: E. NEVILLE and J. G. COLEMAN

Competitors' Steward (Chief): C. E. POULTER

First Aid: ST. JOHN'S AMBULANCE BRIGADE

Hon. Secretary of Race:

ERNEST NEVILLE, 2 Stanton House, St. Mark's Hill, Surbiton, Surrey. ELM. 5168

Notes for Competitors, Officials & Attendants

The race will be **started** on the stroke of **7 p.m.**, Friday, 13th August, 1948.

Each competitor should have **two** attendants; one of whom should be available at the side of the track at all times after the first **10 miles**.

A pistol will be fired or a whistle will be blown at the expiration of each hour.

The Judges are empowered to disqualify without warning any competitor whom they consider to be jostling or interfering with any other competitor.

Definition of Walking

"WALKING IS PROGRESSION BY STEPS SO TAKEN THAT UNBROKEN CONTACT WITH THE GROUND IS MAINTAINED."

Disqualified competitors must immediately leave the track.

Awards

Winner: A fitted Dressing Case. Presented by the Chairman of the Boxing Section.
Second: A Leather Suit Case. Presented by the Club's President, Chairman and the Chairmen of the Cricket and Football Sections.
Third: A Leather Despatch Case.
Fourth: A Leather Despatch Case.

MEDALS

Mr. J. R. PATRICK, Mine Host at "The Castle" has presented a Gold Medal for the Winner, and Silver Medals for the next three competitors to finish. These medals have been specially struck.

CENTURION BADGE

The Centurions will present Silver Badges to all competitors, not already centurions, who walk 100 miles within the 24 hours.

HAMMOND MEMORIAL TROPHY

Centurions have subscribed for a handsome Silver three-handled Cup which will be presented to the competitor who first covers 100 miles and will be held by him until a similar performance is accomplished in a subsequent race.

A Gold Medal will be presented to the winner of the Trophy.

RECORDS

In the event of World and/or British Records being beaten a special commemorative Medal will be presented to each competitor who lowers a record or records.

APPRECIATION AND THANKS

The Surbiton Town Sports Club are grateful and thankful to all those good sportsmen who have assisted or are assisting in the organisation and carrying out of the Race either by personal service or by generous gifts to the Prize and General Fund.

WORLD WALKING RECORDS

1 mile	6 min. 18.6 sec.	A. Stubbs (Australia)	1943
2 miles	13 min. 45 sec.	V. Hardmo (Sweden)	1945
3 miles	20 min. 25.8 sec.	G. Larnar (England)	1905
4 miles	27 min. 14 sec.	G. Larnar (England)	1905
5 miles	35 min. 43.4 sec.	*H. G. Churcher (England)	1948
6 miles	43 min. / sec.	A. H. Pope (England)	1932
7 miles	48 min. 15.2 sec.	W. Hardmo (Sweden)	1945
8 miles	58 min. 4.6 sec.	A. H. Pope (England)	1932
9 miles	67 min. 1 sec.	F. J. Redman (England)	1934
10 miles	1 hr. 10 min. 55.8 sec.	J. Mikaelsson (Sweden)	1945
15 miles	1 hr. 56 min. 9.8 sec.	J. Dalinsh (Latvia)	1933
20 miles	2 hr. 41 min. 7 sec.	H. Olsson (Sweden)	1943
21 miles	2 hr. 55 min. 25 sec.	G. T. Galloway (England)	1934
25 miles	3 hr. 32 min. 26 sec.	J. Dalinsh (Latvia)	1932
30 miles	4 hr. 24 min. 54.2 sec.	F. Cornet (France)	1945
1 hour	8 m. 1025 yds.	J. Mikaelsson (Sweden)	1945
2 hours	15 m. 1521 yds.	O. Andersson (Sweden)	1945
3 hours	21 m. 868 yds.	G. T. Galloway (England)	1934

* To be confirmed.

ROAD WALKING RECORDS

LONDON-BRIGHTON (52 miles)	Harold Whitlock	7 hr. 53 min. 50 sec.	1935W.
LONDON-BRIGHTON AND BACK (104 miles)	F. Baker	18 hr. 5 min. 51 sec.	1926
50 KILOMETRES—OLYMPIC GAMES 1936	H. Whitlock (England)	4 hr. 30 min. 41 sec.	

TRACK WALKING RECORDS (BRITISH)

Mls.	h.	m.	s.	Name	Made at	Date
11	1	24	9 4/5	R. Bridge	Stamford Bridge	May 2, 1914
12	1	31	55 1/5	R. Bridge	Stamford Bridge	May 2, 1914
13	1	39	56	R. Bridge	Stamford Bridge	May 2, 1914
14	1	47	49 4/5	R. Bridge	Stamford Bridge	May 2, 1914
40	6	7	7	H. H. Whitlock	White City	Oct. 5, 1935
50	7	44	47 1/5	H. H. Whitlock	White City	Oct. 5, 1935
60	9	42	10	E. C. Horton	Stamford Bridge	May 2, 1913
70	11	27	24 3/5	E. C. Horton	Stamford Bridge	May 2, 1913
80	13	55	12	T. W. Richardson	Bradford	Sept. 18 & 19, 1936
90	15	40	48	T. W. Richardson	Bradford	Sept. 18 & 19, 1936
100	17	35	40	T. W. Richardson	Bradford	Sept. 18 & 19, 1936
110	19	57	16	P. J. Reading	White City, London	1946
120	21	52	58 1/5	T. E. Hammond	White City, London	Sept. 11 & 12, 1908
130	23	45	51	T. E. Hammond	White City, London	Sept. 11 & 12, 1908

TIME RECORDS

Hrs.	Mls.	Yds.	Name	Made at	Date
1	8	1025	J. Michaelson	Sweden	Sept. 1, 1945
2	15	1521	O. Andersson	Sweden	Sept. 9, 1945
3	21	868	G. T. Galloway	White City	May 26, 1934
4	26	1616	H. H. Whitlock	White City	Sept. 29, 1933
4	26	1616	H. H. Whitlock	White City	Oct. 5, 1935
5	33	236	H. H. Whitlock	White City	Oct. 5, 1935
6	39	473	H. H. Whitlock	White City	Oct. 5, 1935
7	45	803	H. H. Whitlock	White City	Oct. 5, 1935
8	51	1042	H. H. Whitlock	White City	Oct. 5, 1935
9	55	1737	E. C. Horton	Stamford Bridge	May 2, 1914
10	61	1233	E. C. Horton	Stamford Bridge	May 2, 1914
11	67	757	E. C. Horton	Stamford Bridge	May 2, 1914
12	73	145	E. C. Horton	Stamford Bridge	May 2, 1914
13	76	930	T. W. Richardson	Bradford	Sept. 18 & 19, 1936
14	80	950	T. W. Richardson	Bradford	Sept. 18 & 19, 1936
15	86	569	T. W. Richardson	Bradford	Sept. 18 & 19, 1936
16	91	524	T. W. Richardson	Bradford	Sept. 18 & 19, 1936
17	96	1152	T. W. Richardson	Bradford	Sept. 18 & 19, 1936
18	101	1569 1/2	T. W. Richardson	Bradford	Sept. 18 & 19, 1936
19	105	466	P. J. Reading	White City, London	June 14 & 16, 1946
20	110	410	P. J. Reading	White City, London	June 14 & 16, 1946
21	115	575	T. E. Hammond	White City, London	Sept. 11 & 12, 1908
22	120	1156	T. E. Hammond	White City, London	Sept. 11 & 12, 1908
23	125	1354	T. E. Hammond	White City, London	Sept. 11 & 12, 1908
24	131	580	T. E. Hammond	White City, London	Sept. 11 & 12, 1908

METRIC DISTANCES

3,000	11	51	4/5	W. Hardmo (Sweden)	Sweden	Sept. 1st, 1945
5,000	20	26	4/5	W. Hardmo (Sweden)	Sweden	July 31st, 1945
10,000	42	39	3/5	W. Hardmo (Sweden)	Sweden	Sept. 9th, 1945
15,000	1	10	23	G. Rasmussen (Denmark)	Denmark	May 9th, 1918
20,000	1	32	2/5	J. F. Mikaelsson (Sweden)	Sweden	July 12th, 1943
25,000	2	0	46	J. Dalinsh (Latvia)	Latvia	June 1st, 1933
30,000	2	28	5/2	H. Olsson (Sweden)	Sweden	Aug. 15th, 1943
50,000	4	34	3	P. Sievert (Germany)	Germany	Oct. 5th, 1924

NOTE.—The distances and time periods at which World's Records are recognised by the International Amateur Athletic Federation are as follows:—

Miles: 2, 5, 7, 10, 15, 20, 30.

Metres: 3,000, 5,000, 10,000, 15,000, 20,000, 25,000, 30,000, 1 Hour, 2 Hours.

COMPETITORS

No.	NAME	CLUB	BEST LONG DISTANCE PERFORMANCES
1	ANDREWS, R.	Woodford Green A.C., Stock Exchange A.C. and Centurions	Fourth, 24-Hours Race, 1946. 115 miles 1840 yards.
2	BARRACLOUGH, H.	Wibsey Park Harriers and Centurions	100 miles in 22 hours 46 mins. 22 secs. in 1936.
3	CHRISTIE MURRAY, D. H. A.	Surrey Walking Club	Winner of Croydon to Godstone and Back Open Walk (18 $\frac{3}{4}$ miles) in 1936, 1937 and 1940. Third in 50 Km. Championship, 1947, and Eighth in 1948.
4	FORBES, H. J.	Birmingham Walking Club	Winner Open London to Brighton Open Walk, 1946. Winner Croydon to Godstone and Back Race (18 $\frac{3}{4}$ miles) 1946, 1947 and 1948. 50 Km. Champion, 1947. Second European 50 Km. Championship, 1946. 20 Miles Champion, 1946 and 1947.
5	HENDERSON, J. F. L.	Sussex Walking & Athletic Club and Centurions	Winner London to Brighton and Back Open Walk (104 miles), 1937, in 18 hours, 37 mins. 40 secs. Walked 100 miles, 1946, in 18 hours 32 mins. 45 secs. Third London to Brighton Open Walk, 1935. Third 50 Km. Championship, 1939. Third 20 Miles Championship, 1947.
6	HORTON, S. E.	Surrey Walking Club and Centurions	Winner London to Brighton and Back Open Walk, 1947, in 18 hours 56 mins. 9 $\frac{2}{5}$ secs. Second London to Brighton Open Walk, 1933. Third 8-Hours Open Walk, 1934. Winner of "Dithy" Cup for first Surrey W.C. member to finish in London to Brighton Open Walks 1932-1938(8) and 1946.
7	HOPKINSON, N.	Sheffield United Harriers	Twenty-seventh in 50 Km. Championship, 1948.
8	JOHNSON, T. LLOYD	Leicester Walking Club	Third in Olympic 50 Km. Championships, 1948. 20-Miles Champion in 1927, 1931 and 1934. Second in 1925, 1928, 1930, 1935, 1948. Third in 1923, 1924, 1938, 1946. 50 Km. Champion 1931, 1934. Second in 1932 and 1948. Third in 1933, 1935, 1938.
9	LAMBERT, L. E.	Gosport Borough A.C. and Centurions	Walked 100 miles in 21 hours 4 mins. 18 secs. in 1946.
10	MANTOR, S. R.	Enfield A.C.	Fifth in 50 Km. Championship, 1948.
11	MARTINEAU, H. R.	Surrey Walking Club	Fifth in Olympic 50 Km. Championship, 1948. Third in 50 Km. Championship, 1948. Second in 20 Miles Championship, 1948. Third in London to Brighton Open Walk, 1947. Winner Lewis' Open Walk, 1948, new course record.
12	NEILSON, H. A.	Polytechnic Harriers	London to Brighton in 9 hours 1 min. 30 secs.
14	PANTLING, R. C.	London Vidarians Walking Club	Eleventh 50 Km. Championship, 1948.
15	RICHARDSON, T. W.	Woodford Green A.C. and Centurions	Holder of all British Amateur Walking Records 80 miles to 100 miles.
16	SMITH, N.	Yorkshire Walking Club and Centurions	Third 24-Hours Race, 1946 (Distance walked—118 miles 1723 yards).
17	STIRLING-WAKELEY, A. J.	Belgrave Harriers	Thirty-eighth in 50 Km. Championship, 1948.
18	TOUSSAINT, L. J.	Polytechnic Harriers	Walked 100 Miles in 22 hours. 31 mins. 43 secs in 1946.
19	WARWICK, E. C.	Lozells H. & W.C.	Twenty-third in 50 Km. Championship, 1948.
20	WEBSTER-SMITH, B.	Southgate & Wood Green A.C. and Centurions	Walked from London to Brighton and Back (104 miles) in 23 hours 3 mins. 8 secs. in 1926 and in 1930 100 miles in 21 hours 30 mins.
21	WHITLOCK, G. B. R.	Metropolitan Walking Club	Winner London to Brighton Walk, 1947, in 8 hours 21 mins. 51 secs. Second in 50 Km. Championship, 1947. 20-Miles Champion, 1948. 50 Km. Champion, 1948. Represented Great Britain in 50 Km. Olympic Walk, 1948.
22	WOODCOCK, L. W.	Surrey Walking Club	Second Junior Championship, 1935, and Member of Surrey Walking Club Winning 20-Miles Championship Teams, 1936 and 1937.

Competitors Nos. 3, 4, 8, 10 and 11 will especially attack the existing Records from 25 Miles to 50 Kilometres (31 miles 121 yards) and Competitor No. 21 the 12-Hours Record.

T. E. HAMMOND'S GREAT PERFORMANCE

In 24 hours he walked 131 miles 580 yards

September 11th and 12th, 1908

Within a few months of the opening of the now famous White City Stadium, Tommy created his 24 Hour World's Walking record which has remained unbeaten ever since.

With a field of 42 competitors, J. Butler started off at a great pace covering 6 miles 838 yards in the first hour, but at 11 miles he was caught by the dark horse of the race, J. Iles, of Treharris, who at two hours had walked 12 miles 1,025 yds. Shortly afterwards H. V. L. Ross appeared among the leaders, taking the lead at 16 miles and keeping it until the 28th mile when, being cold, he retired for a change of clothing, thus letting Iles into first position again. Hammond, however, walking in splendid style took the lead from Iles at five hours. In the meantime Butler, who was one of the public favourites for the race, had returned to the track, but he finally retired at 26 miles 2 laps. At this stage there was little between Hammond, Iles and Tommy Payne, but as time passed the leader gradually opened up the gap, and Payne retiring for attention in the 44th mile let F. R. Leatherby into third place, although he was two laps behind the little Welshman, Iles. At 40 miles, J. R. Barnes-Moss who had been expected to do well, went weak very suddenly and mysteriously, and retired.

Moving beautifully, Hammond covered his fiftieth mile in 8 hours 36 mins. 31 secs, and first beat previous bests when he improved on A. W. Sinclair's amateur record of 9 hrs. 47 min. 12 3/5 secs. for 51 miles which had stood for 27 years. Tommy's time was 8 hrs. 57 mins. 23 1/5 secs. The second and third men's time at this stage was also well within Sinclair's record. The professional record of 51 miles, 8 hrs. 4 mins. 14 secs. put up by Jack Hibberd in 1888 was still unapproached.

Through the dark hours Iles kept attempting to make ground on the Stock Exchange Champion, but failed to maintain any advantage he gained, although Hammond left the track once or twice for a rub down, thus stimulating Iles, who kept on the move, to further exertions. At twelve hours, though, the order was still Hammond, Iles and Leatherby.

It was surprising to see the way the rank and file pegged away, retirements being few. Among those who withdrew were A. E. M. Rowland (the New Zealander), F. J. Jacob, H. E. Lang and A. R. Edwards. H. L. V. Ross too, although coming out again after his first stop at 27 miles, retired apparently for good, a little later. To the general surprise he turned out after five hours rest and was walking in fine style at twelve hours. Not so Iles, he became weaker and weaker, and collapsed at 70 miles.

Leatherby was now in second place, and H. W. Horton (not, be it understood, of

the Edgar Horton breed) the ex-holder of the Brighton-and-back record, became third man. He was one of the few who had remained continuously on the track. About this period, Hammond was having a bad time and on several occasions had to receive attention. He was now, however, far ahead of Sinclair's records, and so were the next two men, who, notwithstanding Hammond's "offs" were losing ground on him. Leatherby indeed was worse than the leader, and his plucky attempt to keep on the track, compelled him to retire temporarily in the early part of the 17th hour. This let Horton up to second place, and the Surrey man had a little over a mile lead of Leatherby before the latter got moving again, which advantage he gradually improved upon. Iles was on the track again, by this time being 1 1/2 miles behind Leatherby with F. J. Wakefield, possibly the steadiest walker in the race, about a mile farther in the rear. A. Ormrod came next.

Tommy Payne, who had several times looked like dropping out altogether had now recovered somewhat, and was moving well, but perhaps the strongest men at this point, outside the leaders, were C. M. Sampson and F. Bland. The veteran, E. R. Gillespie, the Essex Enthusiast, aged 48 years, was one of the strongest men in the race, who earlier on had been in the rear, gradually improved his position as man after man retired. Never once did he leave the track.

As the morning progressed, Hammond, long since recovered from his bad time, kept reeling off the miles in fine style, and just prior to the 18 hours had beaten the previous world's best, which stood to the credit of Billy Howes. Hammond covered 99 miles in 17 hrs. 53 mins. 32 2/5 secs., as compared with 17 hrs. 54 mins. while at 18 hours he was 403 yards ahead of Howes' distance. From this point he was continually getting farther ahead of the old figures besides having a six miles lead over his nearest opponent. He was moving at a faster rate than during the night, encouraged by the plaudits of the ever increasing crowd.

Presently H. L. V. Ross who was thought to have retired, came out again, and taking a slight lead of Hammond, encouraged the record beater to a considerable degree. Next to Hammond, Wakefield was walking in the best form, with Leatherby getting weaker and weaker so that he lost the third position to Wakefield just prior to 22 hours.

Having once drawn into third place, Wakefield, distinctly the steadiest walker, as regards pace, in the race, never looked like losing it. As regards the leading positions the race was now as good as over for Horton was also plugging along with dogged persistence. Sampson covered

nearly six miles in the last hour. Another competitor who made a remarkable recovery and was going well at the finish was H. B. Warden, the vegetarian who gained four positions in the last hour, but failed to better seventh place.

It changed to minutes instead of hours and a continuous roar heralded the announcement the last five minutes had commenced. Even the weariest seemed to be infused with some of the enthusiasm of the 25,000 onlookers, and when, at last,

T. PAYNE'S NON-STOP 24 HOURS

Following Hammond's memorable performance the previous year, the Blackheath Harriers promotion did not catch the public eye quite so much, especially as Hammond himself was compelled to retire after a mere 39 miles.

Another disappointment in this race was H. L. V. Ross although his retirement at 24 1/2 miles was not surprising considering that he had only recently set up the London to Brighton record of 8 hrs. 11 mins. 14 secs., which stood unbeaten until Tommy Green reduced it, in 1930, to 8 hrs. 2 mins. 55 secs.

Tommy Payne walked through without

24 HOURS NON-STOP WALK P. J. Reading Beats Payne's Figures 14th—15th June, 1946

Following is the Sporting Life report of the 1946 race—to which it is necessary to add only that the prolonged contest was held in the worst weather which has ever aggravated so gruelling an event, torrential rain falling almost continually throughout:

Four only of the 25 starters on Friday evening in the Metropolitan Walking Club's open 24 hours race at the White City finished the course.

The race was held on the same site, but not the same track, as that on which the late T. E. Hammond made the record of 131 miles 580 yards, which still stands as the best performance in the time, although a few intermediate records were beaten.

Of the quartet who stayed the course, the winner, P. J. Reading, the Polytechnic Harrier, walked right through without a break to beat the unofficial but authenticated 24 hours non-stop record of 127 miles 542 yards made by T. Payne (Lancashire W.C.) at the same venue in 1909, a year after Hammond had accomplished his remarkable performance.

AN APPRECIATION

The Centurions are deeply appreciative of the Surbiton Town Sports Club's remarkable enterprise in staging this great event and thus materially helping to popularise the object they have so much at heart. They hope that even if new records are not set up—though with the exceptionally high-class entry, excellent track and the enthusiastic co-operation of so many experienced officials bad weather seems the only possible preventive of best figures being lowered after 19 years—the display of physical fitness and pluck engendered by distance walking may induce many spectators to "have a go" and try what they can do, not necessarily on the track or over long distances, in mankind's primal, most essential and most natural form of outdoor sport.

Mr. J. Daffern fired the pistol announcing the end, there was none of the pitiable breakdowns usually seen at the finish of Marathon Races in those days.

The first three at the finish were:

1. T. E. Hammond—Blackheath H.
131 miles 580 yards
2. H. W. Horton—Surrey W.C.
121 miles 1645 yards
3. F. J. Wakefield—Surrey W.C.
118 miles 501 yards

a stop thereby undoubtedly creating a non-stop record of which he is deservedly proud, although it was never regarded as official.

As many as fifty competitors lined up at start and seventeen kept going to the final gun and each walked over 100 miles.

The first three at the finish were:

1. T. Payne—Lancashire W.C.
127 miles 542 yards
2. W. Brown—Polytechnic H.
124 miles 1710 yards
3. E. F. Broad—Surrey W.C.
120 miles 1420 yards

Reading covered 129 miles 749 yards in the 24 hours, and he beat Hammond's record for 19 hours with a distance of 105 miles 456 yards, against Hammond's 105 miles 260 yards, while in 20 hours Reading walked 110 miles 410 yards against Hammond's 110 miles 200 yards.

Of the other starters, H. H. Whitlock, Olympic champion and holder of the 50 kilometres record, never appeared to be comfortable, and after leading for a time gave way to C. E. Churcher (Belgrave H.) who had started with the intention of attacking the 50 kilometres record.

Reading reached the 100 miles mark in 17 hrs. 58 mins. 44 secs. and continued to lead to the end, the four who finished, with their distances, being: P. J. Reading (Poly. H.) 129 miles 749 yards, 1: L. Barrett (Enfield A.C.) 119 miles 743 yds., 2: N. Smith (Yorkshire W.C.) 118 miles 1723 yards, 3: R. Andrews (Woodford Green A.C.) 115 miles 1480 yards, 4.

All the foregoing qualified for membership of the Centurions by walking at least 100 miles in 24 hours.

TRACK WALKING RECORDS

Miles	Time			Average per Mile		Average per Lap $\frac{1}{4}$ Mile		
	Hrs.	Min.	Secs.	Mins.	Secs.	Min.	Secs.	
1	—	6	18.6	6	18.6	1	34.65	W
2	—	12	45.0	6	22.5	1	35.625	W
3	—	20	25.8	6	48.1	1	42.150	W
4	—	27	14.0	6	48.5	1	42.125	W
5	—	35	43.4	7	8.7	1	47.170	W
6	—	43	7.0	7	11.2	1	47.8	W
7	—	48	15.2	6	53.6	1	43.4	W
8	—	58	4.6	7	15.6	1	48.9	W
9	1	7	1.0	7	26.8	1	51.7	W
10	1	10	55.8	7	05.6	1	46.4	W
11	1	24	9.8	7	39.1	1	54.775	BR
12	1	31	55.2	7	39.6	1	54.9	BR
13	1	39	56.0	7	41.2	1	55.3	BR
14	1	47	49.8	7	42.1	1	55.525	BR
15	1	56	9.8	7	44.7	1	56.175	W
20	2	41	7.0	8	03.2	2	00.8	W
21	2	55	25.0	8	21.2	2	05.3	W
25	3	32	26.0	8	29.84	2	07.460	W
30	4	24	54.2	8	49.8	2	12.45	W
40	6	7	7.0	9	10.7	2	17.675	BR
50	7	44	47.2	9	17.7	2	19.425	BR
60	9	42	10.0	9	42.2	2	25.55	BR
70	11	27	24.6	9	49.2	2	27.3	BR
80	13	55	12.0	10	26.4	2	36.6	BR
90	15	40	48.0	10	27.2	2	36.8	BR
100	17	35	40.0	10	33.4	2	38.35	BR
110	19	57	16.0	10	53.1	2	43.275	BR
120	21	52	58.2	10	56.5	2	44.125	BR
130	23	45	51.0	10	58.1	2	44.525	BR

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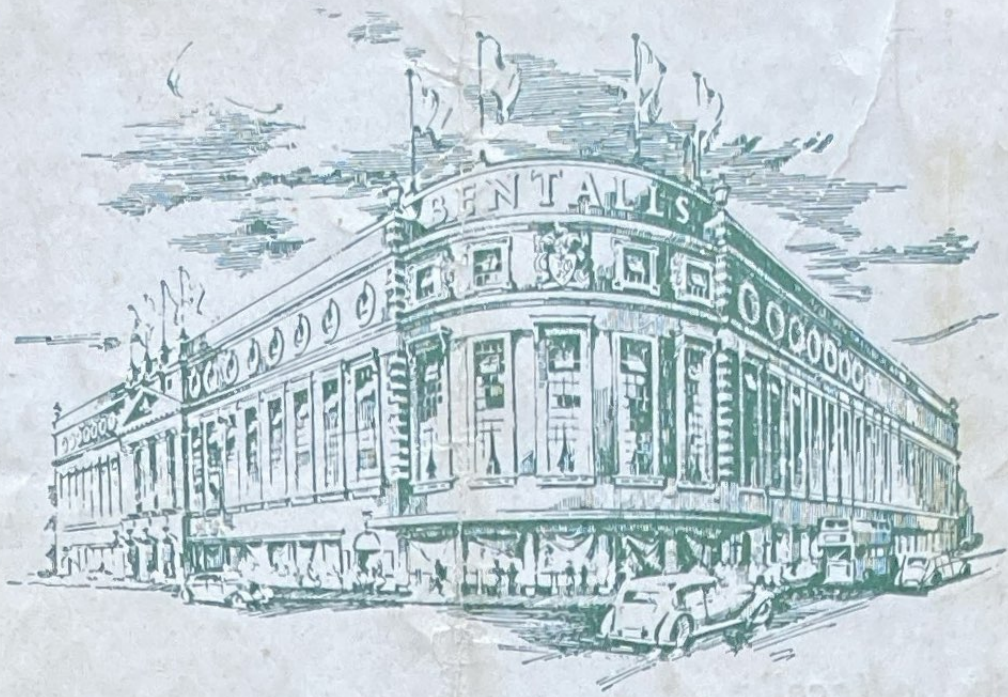
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