

SEMI-FINALS.

Noot ("St, Vincent") beat Anning ("Caledonia").

Jackson beat Appleyard ("Gamecock").

FINAL.

Noot beat Jackson. Noot is to be congratulated on boxing with a straight left against a strong aggressive fighter.

LIGHT HEAVY.

SEMI-FINALS.

Morgan ("St. Vincent") beat Cattello ("Fisguard").

Romans ("Caledonia") beat McMahon ("Ganges").

A scrap, pure and simple, from start to finish with very little between them.

FINAL.

Morgan beat Romans. Morgan proved the better boxer and had no difficulty in coping with a fighter and won easily.

I.S.B.A. BOYS' CHAMPIONSHIPS.

Upon the completion of the Boys' Navy Championships, the team to represent the Navy in the above Championships was selected, which resulted in Boys Wallace, Samyint and Bedall from "Ganges", Smith, Davies, Noot and Morgan from "St. Vincent." A.A.'s Palmer and Barnett from "Fisguard", and S/A.A. Brown from "Caledonia."

The team assembled at "St. Vincent" on Monday, the 18th February, when extensive team coaching and training was carried out daily until A.M. Thursday, 21st. It was with a feeling of confidence we took the journey to Arborfield, an Army boys training centre, situated near Reading.

On our arrival, everything was done for the comfort of the visitors, and within a short while had settled in to Army life.

Training continued on the evening of the 21st, followed by an unofficial weigh-in which resulted in an "All Clear" report.

The weigh-in and draw were carried out at 0900 on the morning of the 22nd, which resulted in the Royal Navy and Army having three byes each (6 points) and the R. A.F., four byes (8 points).

The Semi-Finals started precisely at 1030 with App. Palmer boxing A/T McCairn of the Army. This proved a close bout with the Army boxer assessed a points winner.

In the Fly. Weight, App. Barrett, displayed superior ability over B/E Kane of the R. A.F., winning comfortably.

Davies, the "St. Vincent" Boy, inspired by the previous win was an easy victor in the Feather Weight class over Lockett, Army.

Samyint, Light Weight, did not box up to his usual standard, failed to ride one or two hard blows from the R.A.F. Boy. Samyint was not the attacking boxer we had seen in his previous bouts and lost to B/E Kelly..

Wallace in the Welter Weight semi-final was uncomfortable against a hard hitting southpaw boxer in A/T Phayer of the Army. Wallace received a well timed blow to the mouth in the first round, which resulted in damaged teeth. Wallace was unable to continue.

In the Light Heavy Weight semi-final, Morgan easily outpointed Hedges of the R. A.F. This completed the semi-finals with the score board showing R.A.F., 19 points and 9 finalists.

Royal Navy, 16 points and 6 finalists.

Army, 15 points and 5 finalists.

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FINALS.

MOSQUITO. McCairn, Army, received a points win over Ingram, R.A.F.

FLY. Barnett, R.N., boxed a plucky bout against Reece, of the Army, who attacked and countered and was the better boxer.

BANTAM. Smith, R.N., boxed splendidly against Orchard, of the R.A.F. -one could say the bout was tame, but Smith was satisfied to use his left to an advantage, follow up and get away. Smith gained a points decision.

FEATHER. This was a hard fought bout by Davies, R.N. and Gwypher, of the R.A.F. Davies ~~fit~~ and hard hitting ~~forced~~ the pace throughout, winning by a K.O. in the third round. A good demonstration of giving and taking by both boxers.

LIGHT WELTER. Bedall, R.N. ~~boxing~~ to orders from his second ~~a~~ good clean puncher, fit, making good counter punches, always willing to attack with his favourite left hook, shook his opponent, St. John-Moss, time and time again. Bedall received a points decision verdict which was well received.

MIDDLE. Noot, R.N., was outclassed by Andrews, of the R.A.F., the bout being stopped in the first round.

LIGHT HEAVY. The last Navy boy was Morgan, of "St. Vincent," who proved too strong for Hedges, of the R.A.F. Morgan, who is a rugged two-handed boxer, went for his opponent from the start. Morgan won by a comfortable margin.

This completed the Boys I.S.B.A. Championships for 1952, with the following results.

R.A.F.	... 31 Points.		3 Winners.
ROYAL NAVY	... 26	..	4
ARMY 23		3 "

SUFFOLK COUNTY A.B.A. JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS.

The above Championships concluded "Ganges" Boxing for 1952, which were staged in No. 1 Gymnasium at H.M.S. "Ganges," on Saturday, 1st March.

These Championships are divided into two Classes, "A" Class, boys between 15 and 16 years of age, and "B" Class, between 16 and 17 years.

The following gives briefly the "Ganges" results.

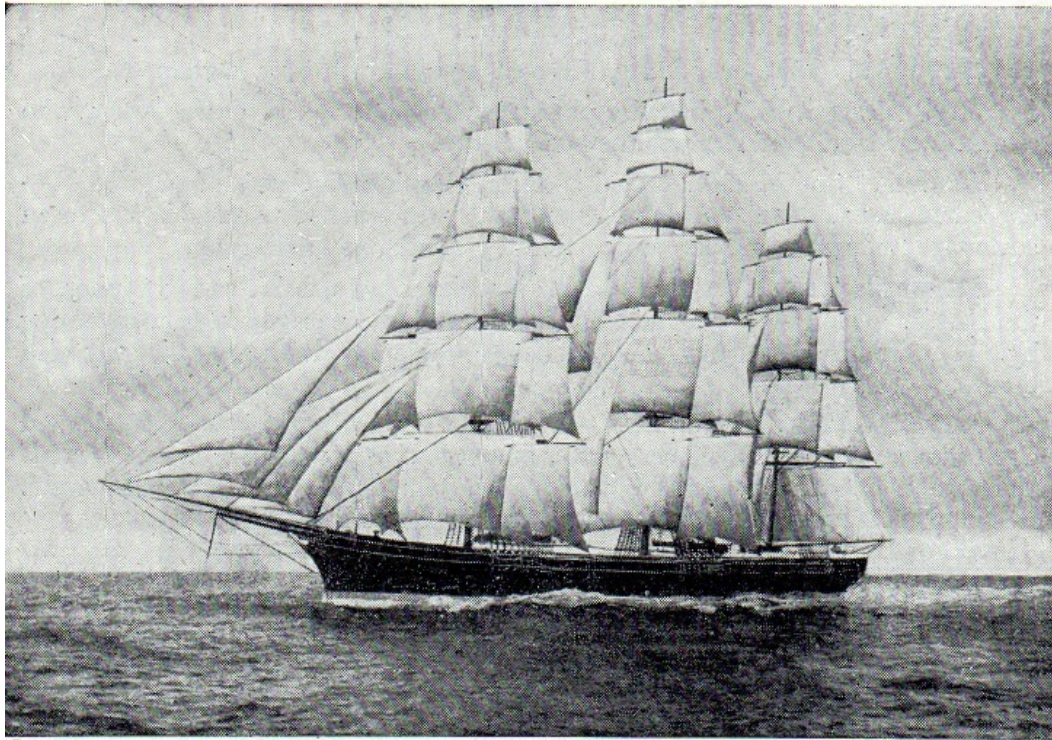
CLASS "A"	at 8 stone	7 lbs.	J. Cumberland	Winner
CLASS "B"	at 7	" 7	W. Lynn	Unopposed
	.. at 8	.. 0	P. Apthorpe	Winner
	" at 9	.. 0	A. Jackson	Winner
	" at 9	.. 7	D. Samyint	Winner
	.. at 10	.. 0	T. Bedall	Winner
	" at 11	" 7	J. Wilson	Unopposed

Prizes were presented by the President of the Suffolk A.B.A., H. J. Wright, who on conclusion thanked Captain J. Whitfeld, D.s.c., for allowing the Championships to be staged in H.M.S. "Ganges."

With the "Ganges" Boxing season at an end for 1952, my thanks and a "Well Done" are expressed to all the boys who have worked and trained hard for such a lengthy period. You know now what fitness means and your training has reaped its own individual awards whether in Divisional, County, Navy or I.S.B.A. standards.

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Cross-Country Notes



"Ganges" Cross-Country Team.

On returning from leave, Divisions plunged into training their Cross Country teams for the Senior and Junior Inter-Class and Inter-Divisional races that were run on 24th January. The Senior Inter-Class trophy went to 92/93 Blake and the Junior to 362/363 Collingwood Classes. Hawke Division won the Inter-Divisional trophy, having the best all-round average whilst, only after a recount, was it established that Collingwood had gained second place by 2.8 points!

A fortnight later we commenced the serious business of training our teams for the Eastern Counties, English National, Suffolk County and "Ganges"- "St. Vincent" races.

In the Eastern Counties races at Lincoln on 23rd February our boys (under 16) won their race whilst the Youths' team (16-18) came equal 3rd. In these races our boys suffered badly from lack of experience and were badly held up in the gaps. Cross Country is a cut-throat game and it is well to make sure that if anyone is to be held up, it is the other bloke. With this experience behind them our teams went to the National on March 8th, only to find no narrow gaps, but good going uphill and down dale all the way. The field numbered over 300 for the Youths' race with 53 teams entered, plus individuals, and the start was one big, ugly rush—the devil take the hindmost—and not devoid of casualties. One boy in the centre of the field missed his footing, brought down about 15 runners on top of him and was injured by a runner's spike in the back of his head. Two of our runners fell, but luckily were able to get up and run on without injury. The pace of the race was very fast and all our runners ran faster than they had thought possible. Our team finished 15th out of the 39 teams that completed the course.

The Suffolk County race, held at Shotley on 22nd March, was a relatively small affair in which our teams finished 1st, 3rd and 4th. P.O. Boy Adams ran very well to finish first after being bitten by a dog half way round. There was some argument as to whether he was speeded up or slowed down by this assault!

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The "Ganges"- "St. Vincent" Cross Country race was run on the morning of the 29th March despite bad weather conditions. There was a high wind and snow was still falling lightly when the runners set out. "Ganges" won the race by 79 points to 92. The first three runners home were Adams, Dack and Russel, all of "Ganges."

So has ended quite a successful season.

INTER-CLASS AND INTER-DIVISIONAL CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS.

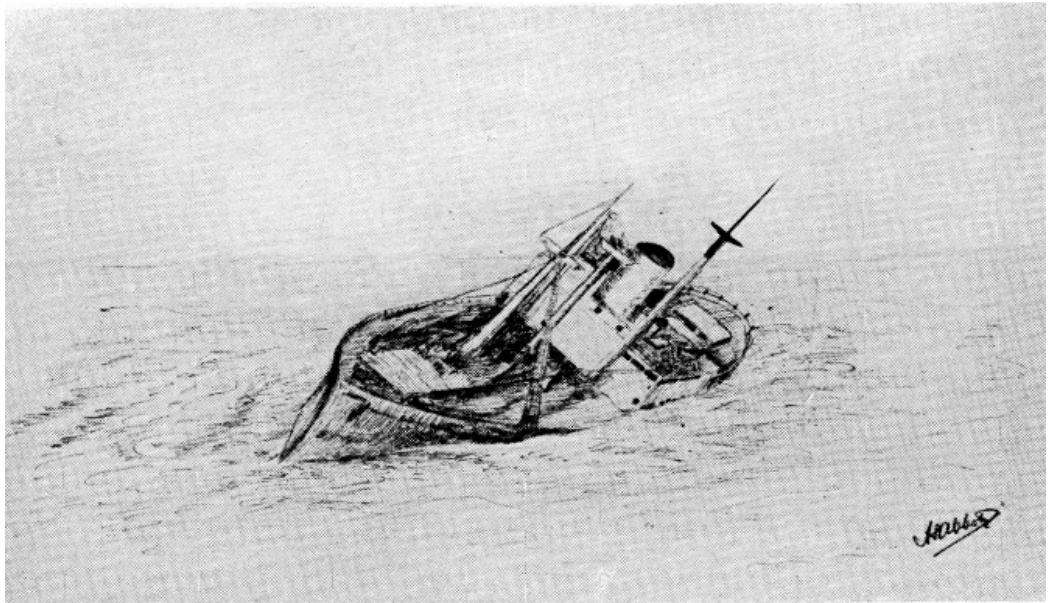
<i>Division.</i>		<i>Class Average.</i>	<i>Position.</i>
Hawke	794.75	1st
Collingwood	883.0	2nd
Grenville	885.8	3rd
Benbow	987.25	4th
Blake	1015.4	5th
Rodney	1025.6	6th
Drake	1038.0	7th
Anson	1136.75	8th

SENIOR CLASS RESULTS.

1st.	Dack (Bw.)	Time:	25 mins	5 secs.
2nd.	Heffer (C.)		25 "	14 "
3rd.	Attwood (G.)		" 25 "	21 "

JUNIOR CLASS RESULTS.

1st.	Carnegie (C.)	Time:	26 mins.	0 secs.
2nd.	Murdock (R.)		" 26 "	10 "
3rd.	Cowen (B.)		26 "	16 "



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Swimming and Water Polo Notes

The Swimming and Water Polo has been confined mainly to training and preparation for the coming season. We have had, however, two most enjoyable friendly contests with Ipswich S.C. this term. On January 29th, after leading them in the individual swimming events, they pulled up on the relays to tie with us at 29 points each. The Water Polo match afterwards proved very exciting. At the start it looked as if we would overwhelm Ipswich, but they settled down, and we finally beat them 4-2. A month later we entertained Ipswich again but this time we were unable to build up a sufficient lead in the individual events to make up for our losses in the relays. The final result was 21-20 to Ipswich. Again the Water Polo produced a close match, ending in a 9-7 win for "Ganges".

On Sunday, March 9th, Leading Boys Davies and Bedwell, Boys Stocks, Bradley and Wright were awarded their "Ganges" Swimming Colours.

An Inter-part Water Polo League has been going on during the latter part of this term and there have been some very interesting matches. The teams taking part are Ship's Company "A", Ship's Company "B", Instructors, and Boys. This League is providing valuable practice and experience for the Boys' team. We have the talent in the Boys' team but, as in every other sport, practice together against opposition is needed for them to produce their best.

The Inter-Divisional Swimming relays were held on March 4th. They produced a very exciting afternoon's racing with the final results in doubt until the end of the last race. Grenville and Benbow started off in the lead and they held it until the 6th race. Then Collingwood displaced them and Rodney started coming into the picture. The position before the start of the last race was that Collingwood led Benbow and Rodney. Collingwood took the lead and slowly Rodney chased them. For two or three lengths they raced neck and neck but, finally, Rodney drew away and so made certain of winning the competition. Once again there were many penalties due to competitors not obeying the rules. They are all explained by the starter and if only the competitors would take note they would save their teams many lost points. Altogether, 28 points were lost and one team was completely disqualified. Hawke was the only 'Division not to be penalised in any race. Final results—Rodney, 1st; Collingwood, 2nd; Grenville, 3rd.

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INTER-DIVISIONAL WATER POLO. RESULTS AND DIVISIONAL POINTS.

1st. VII' s.

<i>Division.</i>	<i>Played</i>	<i>Won</i>	<i>Drawn</i>	<i>Lost</i>	<i>For</i>	<i>Agst</i>	<i>Avg</i>	<i>Pts.</i>	<i>Div. Cup Pts.</i>
Collingwood	7	7	0	0	19	3	6.3	14	16
Drake	7	6	0	1	12	4	3	12	14
Hawke	7	5	0	2	16	7	2.2	10	12
Benbow	7	4	0	3	14	8	1.7	8	10
Anson	7	3	0	4	7	12	.5	6	8
Rodney	7	2	0	5	8	14	.5	4	6
Blake	7	1	0	6	4	18	.2	2	4
Grenville	7	0	0	7	4	17	.2	0	2

Collingwood—Trophy and Winners' Medals.

Drake—Runners Up Medals

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Rodney	7	5	2	0	9	3	3	12	8
Benbow	7	4	3	0	8	3	2.6	11	7
Blake	7	4	1	2	12	5	2.4	9	6
Collingwood	7	4	1	2	13	7	1.8	9	5
Hawke	7	2	2	3	7	8	.8	6	4
Grenville	7	1	2	4	3	7	.4	4	3
Anson	7	0	3	4	0	8	.0	3	2
Drake	7	1	0	6	2	13	.1	2	1

Rodney-Trophy and Winning Medals.

Benbow-Runners Up Medals.

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C. J. Dent ...	Drake ...	176 „

BRONZE MEDALLIONS.

P. L. Vanderson	Collingwood	172 Class
E. V. Martin	Collingwood	96
J. S. Allen ...	Rodney	9
G. E. Dennett	Blake ...	174
W. W. Jennings	Benbow	10
M. J. Littlewood	Anson ...	173
M. Jepsom	Collingwood	363
T. Clarke ...	Collingwood	363
D. Chapman	Benbow	10
B. Jarvis ...	Benbow	11
A. Buckingham	Blake	351
H. E. Temple	Blake	333 „
C. Pilmore ...	Grenville	6 „
M. J. Storey	Rodney ...	12 „
R. J. Rennie	Hawke ...	170 „
D. T. Slater	Hawke ...	13 „
D. F. Head	Collingwood	363
C. R. Hanley	Grenville	180 .



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