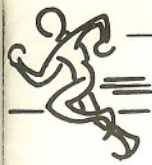


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BAYLEE REID '73 DASHES TO VICTORY IN THE 100

HARVARD-YALE VS. OXFORD-CAMBRIDGE

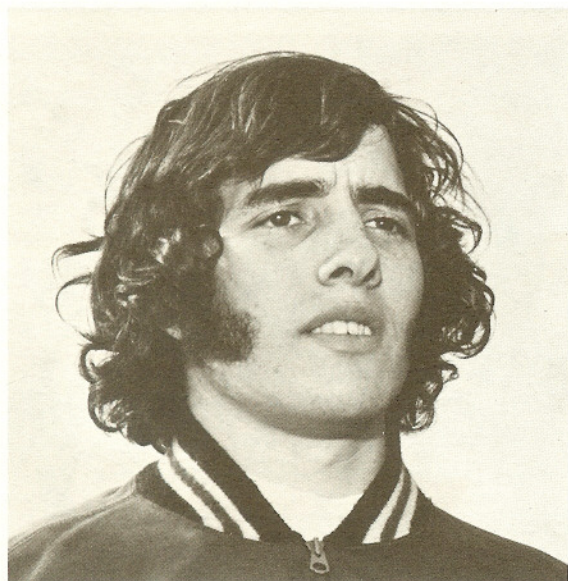
by

Edgar Stowell, *Associate Coach*

With Harvard and Vincent Vanderpool-Wallace in particular dominating the meet, Harvard and Yale won the 24th edition of the international meet by a score of 11-5 to increase their lead in the series to 13-10-1. An all day rain, which finally stopped approximately one half hour before the first event left most of the track under water. The English were fresh off a tie with a heavily favored Cornell-Penn team and judging by the conversation at the dinner the night before the meet and the reaction afterwards they expected to win.

The first event was the javelin and after a slow start due to a tender ankle, Harvard's Adrian Tew won easily with a 215' plus throw (the only Englishman

to win a field event). Bill Pade operating with a bad elbow came through on his last throw to take 2nd and we led 1-0. Over in the bubble (where all the jumping events were held) Vincent Vanderpool-Wallace exploded on his 2nd try with a 24' 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ " jump which accomplished a number of things: It was a personal best for Vince, it established a new bubble record, it enabled Vince to defeat a 24' jumper (Byers had won the Cornell-Penn meet) and it gave us a 2-0 lead. Within minutes after the long jump ended Blayne Heckel cleared 14' in the vault and Bill Bihrlle cleared 6' 2" in the high jump. Both jumps were good enough to win, however Jim Kleiger (15'6" — a new meet record) and Mel Embree (6' 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ ") went on to win their respective events. The score was now 4-0!

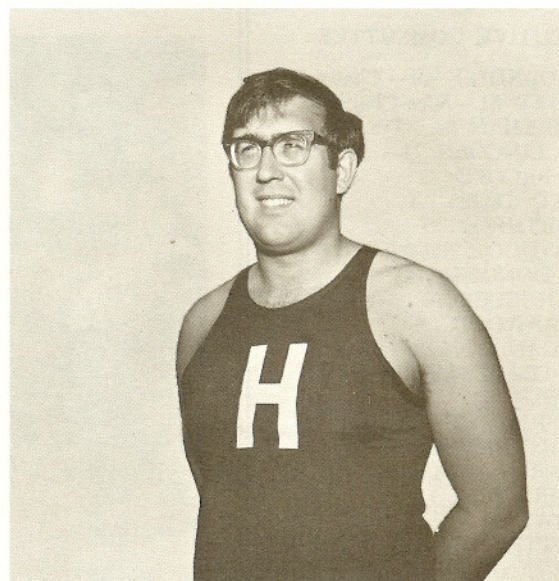


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Back on the track Dewey Hickman's balky leg held up and he slogged to victory in the high hurdles, but the English got on the score board by winning the 880 and the score was 5-1. Baylee Reid won a hotly contested 100 to defeat another Cornell-Penn winner and we appeared to be home free with a 6-1 lead. The English hadn't given up though. They came back to win the 3 mile (although Bill Durette gave it a pretty good shuffle for two and one half miles) and the intermediate hurdles on the strength of a fine effort by John Hemery, who edged Sam Butler and Randy Buckley. With the score now 6-3 the English had a pretty good shot at winning the meet, but Dick Gilbane made the score 7-3 by winning the discus.

Vanderpool-Wallace assured us of a tie by leading off the triple jump with 48'8 $\frac{3}{4}$ " and he increased this to 49'2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " on his second jump, which gave him

another career best and another upset win (Hull of Oxford had come into the meet with a best of 50' plus. Ahmed Kayali settled for 3rd place with a credible jump of 47'3 $\frac{1}{2}$ " , but he had two foul jumps around the 49' level (Vince said one of them was very close to his winning jump). Roberts of Cambridge crossed the line first in the 220, but he was disqualified and Mike Horton who had run a strong race to take 2nd was declared the winner. This made the score 9-3 and Harvard and Yale the winner! Jay Hughes and Kevin McCafferty went 1-2 in the shot, which gave us a 10-3 lead and Harvard an unprecedented 7-0 sweep of the field events! Goater of Oxford built up too much of a lead in the first $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile and managed to hold off a last quarter surge by John Quirk to win the mile.



JAY HUGHES '74

Nick Leone won the quarter but he too was disqualified and the English gained their final point to make the score 10-5. The 440 relay was the last event and it turned out to be a history making event! Costello of Yale and the O-C leadoff man staged a real battle, but just before the handoff the O-C runner pulled. Hickman running in place of Reid who had pulled in the 220, really took off but after approximately 90 yards he also pulled. He did manage to pass the baton to Vanderpool-Wallace, who realizing that the O-C team stopped running (The first pass was never legally completed) wisely jogged 110 yards and passed off to Mike Horton who jogged to victory to make the final score 11-5.

24th INTERNATIONAL TRACK AND FIELD MEET

HARVARD-YALE VS. OXFORD-CAMBRIDGE

H-Y	O-C	HARVARD STADIUM	JUNE 13, 1973	overcast	muddy track
1	0	LONG JUMP – Won by Vincent Vanderpool-Wallace (H) 24-1½; 2. Byers (O) 22-7; 3. Temporal (O) 18-½; 4. Wilson (Y) 13-6.			
1	0	JAVELIN THROW – Won by Adrian Tew (H) 215-5; 2. Pade (H) 181-4; 3. Shaw (C) 179-10.			
1	0	DISCUS THROW – Won by Dick Gilbane (H) 149-6; 2. Dubinetz (Y) 138-1; 3. Orchart (C) 130-10; 4. Lintott (C) 118-5.			
1	0	POLE VAULT – Won by Jim Kleiger (H) 15-6; 2. Heckel (H) 14-0. MEET RECORD			
1	0	HIGH JUMP – Won by Mel Embree (H) 6-8½; 2. Bihrlé (H) 6-2; 3. Dillon (C) 5-10.			
1	0	TRIPLE JUMP – Won by Vincent Vanderpool-Wallace (H) 49-2½; 2. Hull (O) 48-5½; 3. Kayali (H); 47-3½; 4. Paker (C) 42-9.			
1	0	SHOT PUT – Won by Jay Hughes (H) 50-5½; 2. McCafferty (H) 49-½; 3. Hughes (O) 41-2½; 4. Lintott (C) 39-4½.			
1	0	120 YARD HIGH HURDLES – Won by Dewey Hickman (H) 15.2; 2. Hemery (O) 3. Aylward (O); 4. MacDonald (Y).			
0	1	880 YARD RUN – Won by Phil Lewis (O) 1:57.8; 2. McLeod (Y) 1:58.7; 3. Crawshaw (O) 1:59.8; 4. Ashenfelter (Y) 2:02.8.			
1	0	100 YARD DASH – Won by Baylee Reid (H) 10.1; 2. Roberts (C); 3. Conteh (C); 4. Costello (Y).			
0	1	3 MILE RUN – Won by Anthony Moore (O) 14:12.0 MEET RECORD: 2. Ewers (O) 14:25.0; 3. Durette (H) 14:43.0; 4. Linsk (H) 15:32.3.			
0	1	440 YARD HURDLES – Won by John Hemery (O) 54.7; 2. Butler (H) 55.7; 3. Buckley (H) 57.1; 4. Tait (O) 57.5.			
1	0	220 YARD DASH – Won by Mike Horton (H) 23.3; 2. Martin (C) 24.0; Original winner Roberts (C) disqualified. Reid (H) DNF.			
0	1	MILE RUN – Won by Julian Goater (O) 4:13.0; 2. Quirk (H) 4:13.9; 3. Hexem (Y) 4:22.2; 4. Steele (O) 4:28.0.			
0	1	440 YARD RUN – Won by Phil Lewis (O) 50.5; 2. Nepola (Y) 52.1; 3. Williams (C) 56.4. Original winner Leone (H) 50.2 disqualified.			
1	0	440 YARD RELAY – Won by Harvard-Yale (Costello, Hickman, Vanderpool-Wallace, Horton) 55.0; Oxford-Cambridge DNF.			
11	5				

FINAL SCORE: Harvard-Yale 11 Oxford-Cambridge 5

FLASH**BUBBLE COLLAPSES**

December 21, 1973

On Friday, December 20, as the Newsletter was readied for mailing, the Edward L. Farrell Track Facility fell victim to high winds and heavy rain and collapsed, causing serious damage to the vinyl coated skin.

Arrangements have been made to use Briggs Cage to hold the balance of the indoor track season as scheduled.

The Friends will be in touch with readers of the Newsletter as soon as we have definite information on the extent of the damage and plans for repairing the facility.

JOHN L. THORNDIKE '49, *Chairman*
Friends of Harvard Track

1973-74 INDOOR TRACK

VARSITY SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
Dec. 4	BOSTON UNIVERSITY	5:30 PM
Dec. 8	ARMY	12:30 PM
Dec. 13	BOSTON COLLEGE	4:00 PM
Dec. 15	Princeton Relays	TBA
Jan. 8	at Northeastern	6:00 PM
Feb. 2	at Maine	1:00 PM
Feb. 8	GREATER BOSTON (Fri.)	5:00 PM
Feb. 9	CHAMP. AT HAR. (Sat.)	1:00 PM
Feb. 16	at Princeton, Yale	1:00 PM
Feb. 23	Heptagonal Championships at Ithaca	
Mar. 2-3	IC4A Championships at Princeton	TBA
Mar. 8-9	NCAA Championships at Detroit	TBA

Home Meets in CAPITAL Letters

JUNIOR VARSITY SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
Dec. 4	BOSTON UNIVERSITY	5:30 PM
Dec. 8	ARMY	12:30 PM
Dec. 13	BOSTON COLLEGE	4:00 PM
Jan. 8	at Northeastern	6:00 PM
Feb. 6	ANDOVER	3:00 PM
Feb. 8	GREATER BOSTON (Fri.)	5:00 PM
Feb. 9	CHAMP. AT HAR. (Sat.)	1:00 PM
Feb. 13	EXETER	3:00 PM
Feb. 16	at Princeton, Yale	1:00 PM

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1974 OUTDOOR TRACK

VARSITY SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
Apr. 3	at Baptist Coll. (So. Car.)	TBA
Apr. 19-20	at Boston College Relays	TBA
Apr. 20	at Princeton	2:00 PM
Apr. 23	YALE	12:30 PM
Apr. 26-27	Penn Relays at Philadelphia	TBA
Apr. 30	DARTMOUTH	12:30 PM
May 11	Heptagonal Championships at Penn	TBA
May 24-25	IC4A Championships at Pittsburgh	TBA
June 6-8	NCAA Championships at Austin	TBA
TBA:	ARMY	
	Greater Boston Championships	

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JUNIOR VARSITY SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
Apr. 21	at Princeton	2:00 PM
Apr. 23	YALE	12:30 PM
Apr. 27	at Andover	2:00 PM
Apr. 30	DARTMOUTH	12:30 PM
TBA:	ARMY	

Greater Boston Championships

Home Meets in CAPITAL Letters

REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN

by
John L. Thorndike '49

Other articles in this Newsletter will describe in considerable detail the performances of the track and cross country teams during the 1972-1973 season, so I will comment on what seems to me to be their highlights: the one-point cross country victory over Penn (27-28), snapping their streak of 30 dual meet victories; the recapturing of the GBC indoor championships with six new records set by Harvard Trackmen; the indoor Big Three victory by a surprisingly large score in view of a strong Princeton team (H 89, P 41, Y 18, only 1½ points short of last year's record); and the great Harvard-Yale team victory in a record-tying score of 11-5 over Oxford-Cambridge in the Stadium in June. Although we didn't win a Hep championship, since

Navy and Penn were so strong, all-in-all it was a good year for the Harvard cross country and track teams.

The Executive Committee held three meetings during the year to decide on the matters under our sponsorship in the overall track and cross country season. The Treasurer's Report in this issue explains the particulars, but the major items we paid for were the pre-season cross country camp, the spring trip to South Carolina, a new Universal Gym, and a part of the expenses for transporting and housing the Oxford-Cambridge team while in America. The latter proved to be higher than budget, since with the foul weather we had a much smaller attendance than anticipated.

It is gratifying that a larger number of former trackmen attended the home meets and the outdoor

Heptagonal meet at Brown than I've noticed in recent years. I hope more of you will examine the schedules printed in this Newsletter and mark your calendars to try to attend some of the meets during the coming track season.

As we look ahead, we must prepare for higher costs all along the line due to rapid inflation. Also, this will be the fifth winter for the Bubble, and the specifications called for a 7 to 10 year life. As you may know, the University has long-range plans for entirely new indoor facilities on Soldiers Field, as well as a major reconstruction of the Stadium and a new outdoor all-weather track outside of the Stadium. In view of the unfortunate cancellation of the Yale meet in 1972 and the wretched condition of the Stadium track during this year's O-C meet, the building of a new outdoor track is given high priority. Effort and concern over these matters, plus arranging for the continued financing of regular and special team trips, will occupy all of us in the foreseeable future.

Tom Spengler ably edited last years' Newsletter, but will be attending the University of Virginia Business School for the next two years; so Tom and Ed Lincoln have jointly put this issue together. We appreciate their efforts.

We are sorry to lose Jack Hawes, French Anderson, Jim Doty and Albie Gordon as Committee members, but we are appreciative of their very great contributions over many years. We welcome Gene Record, Charlie Woodard, Alan Howe, Jim Anthony, and Rennie Little as new members and look forward to their increased interest and help.

Contributions were larger than in previous years, which was partly due to a special and limited solicitation in May for our share of the Oxford-Cambridge meet expenses. We are very grateful for your increased financial support for the program and look forward to your continued interest in the coming year.

EDITOR'S JOGGINGS

Congratulations to the track stalwarts participating in last May's Boston Marathon. Kudo's to Marsh Jones who finished in 26th place with commendable time 2:36. Trackmen crossing the line included Erich Segal '59, John Heyburn '70, John Dugan '73, Dan Gordon '73, and James Fair.

As the Newsletter goes to press, the cross-country team has completed a 7-3 dual meet season. In the championships they won the Big-3 and the Greater

Bostons and placed third in the Heptagonals and ninth in the IC4A's.

At the cross country banquet Dirk Skinner '76 became the first recipient of the newly endowed Mikkola Cross-Country Award presented to an underclassman who had demonstrated determination in competition and significantly improved performance. The French Award went to Captain Rick Rojas '74, the recipient last year as well. Jim Keefe '75 was elected captain of next year's team.



DIRK SKINNER '76

My thanks to Rick Rojas, Tom Spengler, track manager Rafe James, and Sports Information Director Dave Matthews for their help in assembling and proof-reading the newsletter, and to everyone who contributed the articles you are reading.



LEFT: KARL TSIGDINOS '76
RIGHT: JIM KEEFE '75

GROTONWOOD '73
by
George Farrelly '75

From year to year Harvard Cross Country camps are not all exactly alike. The reason for the difference lies in the make-up of the group, that is to say, the individuals and their contribution to the life at camp. The 1973 camp was comprised of a variety of people, each zanier than the other.

When it was discovered that the camp was fifty percent Roman Catholic, Muller raised the possibility of conspiracy or foul play. When Rojas insisted that he never got sore, we decided he was abnormal. When Skinner beat most of us on the golf course, we decided he was cutting the corners. When Linsk told us he had run twelve miles of fartlek for a cabin run, we revised the definition of "mile" and "fartlek." When Brokaw said he was going to work on the leg machine, we knew he was pulling ours' (legs). When Peters, a quarter miler, ran thirteen minutes for a lap in the handicap race, we wondered. When McCurdy said he couldn't run

fast, our manager Noble believed him. That's why he beat us.

As far as the running is concerned, it was a good camp. In the mornings we rose between 5:30 and 6:10, depending on the individual. The only other living beings awake at that hour are goblins, gnomes, furry animals that go BOO in the dark, and commuters. At 6:30 the golf course was decidedly spooky, with mist covering the ground. The presence of the mist allowed questionable maneuvers. The grass was wet, leaving footprints which illustrated the questionable maneuvers. The hills were steep and numerous. The flats were few and far between.

The afternoon sessions were a trifle more civilized if not less confusing. We did the Titanic Twelve (everybody knows what that is); we hurdled (?); we race-walked (?); Pappy made movies (!). On alternate days we ran on the Ayer track (I use the pronoun loosely, as loosely as McCurdy would use the verb). The track workouts were not fun, probably because the track was long, over two feet long. Yes, we measured it.

And now a word on the activities which made this camp quite unique. Each person had his own means of passing the time and enriching his mind: Campbell ate cookies, even late at night; Skinner studied Physics and other strange things; Linsk read a book entitled: "How to get an 800 on your LSAT"; Hines did the daily crossword puzzle; Muller did his laundry and kept the heaters working at full power; Rojas ran, even on the day off; Peters cursed the day he decided to come to camp; Keefe slept and then slept some more; Hunt tried to teach McCurdy how to fish, unsuccessfully.

We had a number of field trips. Hines and Keefe traveled to Fort Devens to play in a Monday night bridge tournament; they were beaten by a more experienced team of weathered veterans. The following week, eight of us travelled to St. Anne's Catholic Church in Littleton to play BINGO. The gathered multitude was predominantly female, over thirty-five. Some wore visors, some played thirty-three cards, some won, all were professional and intense. We did not win, but we came close. These successive defeats depressed us only for a short time.

Was the whole thing worth it? Most certainly. There is really no experience like it. Running, hurting, gasping, and finishing with others is a most satisfying activity. Living as a team for three weeks builds morale, camaraderie, and tolerance. It fosters an athlete-coach relationship, it produces a bond between teammates which transcends the orthodox friendship. Yes, we are all pleased that we went.

We are grateful that the camp exists. We thank McCurdy and Hunt for coaching us. We thank the Friends for making it all possible.

CROSS COUNTRY 1972

by

William McCurdy, *Cross Country Coach*

Cross Country 1972

We did some things differently than in the past in that we operated on a "come on a trial basis" and adjusted the work load to lean heavily upon group activity in an attempt to create anew the Harvard hallmark of team unity and pride. Despite the fact that conflicts made it impossible for such key people as Rojas, Jones and Campbell to attend, the camp was successful and as the season progressed it was obvious that not only did we have a successful team but we had team unity and pride. Captain Quirk and his gang have to feel good about last fall.

The two high spots of the season were our early season upset of Penn and an equal upset when we tied for first in the Heps with Navy and won back our Ivy title. It's true we had some breaks in those meets, but breaks or not I don't think we'd have been close but for the drive for team success the group had. These are the sweet ones. It's nice to win when you are overpowering but there is always something special about coming through to do something that maybe you weren't supposed to be able to do.

We had a couple of low spots too just so we keep from going completely Crimson. These were when we were nosed out in the GBC and Big Three Meets. Both of these were examples of a team not being emotionally charged up since they bracketed the supercharged Hep meet.

Rojas emerged as number one right from the first day. He enjoyed his first healthy season, set our course record and either set a Harvard record or ran the second fastest Harvard time ever on New York's Van Courtland Park Course, our major championship course. He and the team qualified for the NC2A Championships. Rick was the only one to make the trip and had a bad day in the mud. He simply does not have the bull strength to be at his best in the conditions we had then.

After Rick, the top spots juggled up and down with considerable vitality. Campbell, Jones, Quirk, Durette all bounced around there and Keefe, Hughes and Linsk moved into the scoring five often enough to keep the pot boiling. The big wins found

some one of this bunch coming through at the right time.



JEFF BROKAW '74

For the record: Defeated Northeastern, U Mass., Providence, Dartmouth, Columbia, Brown, Penn, Yale, tied for first in the Heps, won the Ivy title, second in the GBC's, and fifth in the IC4A's.

Cross Country 1973

This coming season should be something. Virtually all our dual opponents appear to be improved. It is not difficult to conceive of seven of our dual opponents defeating us. On the other hand, it isn't impossible to figure that we can beat them. Both Hep and GBC competition should be stronger. It could be the most challenging dual and championship schedule we've had in some time. It ought to be interesting.

Most pre-season charts look to Rojas and Durette as being our top two. Give Rojas another healthy year

and Durette the experience gained from last year and the two can be formidable. However, an achilles injury to Durette this summer has virtually stopped his summer training and makes his participation this fall doubtful. Little Jimmy Keefe could upset the whole applecart if his knees hold up. He is an untapped talent. The unpredictable Fred Linsk could be important if things jell for him. Campbell and Tsigdinos both from Ann Arbor, and both tough runners can have major impact if they can adjust to fast pace. Brokaw is returning after a year's leave of absence. And how about Curtis, Alden, Springate, and Graham, Skinner, Farrelly and Hines?

Training Camp 1973

For my part I've found it a very enjoyable camp. A small group of only ten, but a group that meshes very well and came to work. Rojas has been outstanding and is a much stronger runner. Keefe looks very good. What a shame that Durette couldn't have been here. The mutual benefits of these three working together would have been considerable. High on my "this is the way to go about it" list is Dirk Skinner. Lawdy how this guy has worked. It's not fair to translate this into a predicted hot shot season but regardless I'd take a team of people like him any day and be happy for it. Otherwise, little has occurred in camp to change the pre-season thinking except that Tsigdinos, Okerman, and Curtis couldn't be at Camp, and we can't judge them. Senior Jeri Hines, though, showed unexpectedly and may help. Actually, the camp is senior dominated — Brokaw, Hines, Linsk, Rojas, and Campbell. All are eager and are eagerly accepting the responsibility of driving for a good team. This is a wonderful thing. Not often do you see this, for natural erosion usually limits the number of seniors. I wish all of our sophs could have been here to have experienced this sort of attitude.

THOUGHTS OF A CAPTAIN

by
Ricardo Rojas '74

The Friends of Harvard Track
% Ed Lincoln, Secretary

October 19, 1973

Coach McCurdy asked me to write an article for the Friends of Harvard Track *Newsletter*. However, since I feel that a general article would lose much of the personal flavor I wish to convey, I am addressing an open letter to the Friends.

Our record presently stands at four wins and two losses. We again destroyed Northeastern, the number one preseason pick in New England. We followed

with solid, if not impressive, wins over the University of Massachusetts and Providence College. The preseason publicity given to these three teams kept us honest, but also contributed to a solid strategy in approaching our meets with them. I, for one, rarely approach any meet overconfidently, a policy which I find maintains a competitive edge. Even after our early season win over Northeastern, they may well surprise us at the Greater Boston Championships, as was the case last fall.



CAPTAIN RICK ROJAS '74

Earlier this year, in one of my rare predictions, I picked the Crimson as an easy winner over Columbia in the Harvard-Pennsylvania-Columbia triangular. Sure, we expected Pennsylvania to field a strong team, even championship material, but Columbia, to my recollection, had never figured in the annual skirmish. After Penn captured the second through sixth places, I conceded them the meet, but not until minutes later did I realize Columbia had beaten us. This humbling experience illustrated to us the necessity of being ready for even our weakest opponents. I made no predictions before our dual meet with Brown, and we managed an easy 15-48 win over the Bruins.

Without making any specific predictions, I will say that the Heptagonals and Big Three meets are up for grabs, and the Greater Boston Championships should be a showdown between Harvard and Northeastern. We approach our remaining Ivy opponents with due respect.

With the exception of our triangular with Pennsylvania and Columbia, I feel the team has performed well this year. Training Camp went well —attitude was excellent and reflected in the quality of our work. Among other accomplishments, we posted the fastest average team time for the 7.5 mile training course at Groton. Keefe and Skinner reported especially well prepared, and held nothing back in training. For the most part, we have maintained the quality of effort throughout the season. Hines and Campbell are running solidly, and Brokaw is progressing well despite a slight injury. With the addition of Tsigdinos, and a couple of freshmen, the varsity squad is shaping up well for the upcoming championship competition.

As any Cross Country Captain, I have become more aware of the team concept, and what it means to maintain high morale within the group. When a team member misses a workout, for example, I notice an increased burden falls on those who are running. The difference of one man may cause a significant decrease in speed in each repetition of an interval workout. I might run repeat miles in 4:40 instead of 4:35 without Skinner or Keefe around to “push” me. The competitive interaction between a greater number of people, I believe, produces faster times in training and racing.

The same group participation principle holds true

in McCurdy’s Titanic Twelve which, done conscientiously, develops overall strength. I have experienced no stomach cramps or “dry heaves” since regularly completing the Titanic Twelve. Two years ago, I would have underrated the importance of an overall conditioning program. I now consider such a program an invaluable part of my training schedule.

Along with the team concept, I’ve come to appreciate the much taken for granted “power of example.” This summer I worked with a group of children whose behavior well exemplified the potential of this power of example. In coaching the group I found my own example to be the most influential factor in their attitudes toward running. The days I ran with them, they trained vigorously without so much as a word of protest. However, when I did not run with them I found their enthusiasm diminished, and their energy directed toward querying me as to why I was not running. The contact I had with these youngsters put my own role both as a team captain and as an adult in clearer perspective. Whether or not we are aware of it, we never really leave the sight of children who wish to emulate us. In the same light, I hope my example is of some inspiration to my team, for I value competition in Cross Country and Track & Field for myself, my teammates, and future generations. I feel that the last little anecdote reflects my feelings as Cross Country Captain.

I thank you for the opportunity to express my feelings in the *Newsletter*. My best to the Friends of Harvard Track.

Sincerely yours,
Ricardo F. Rojas '74

INDOOR AND OUTDOOR TRACK, 1973

by

William McCurdy, *Varsity Coach*

Winter Track 1972-73

Two early season meets helped us get off on the right track. Our first test was at Army and we had a team out there. Hughes upset the Army weight men in the opening event and we kept giving them surprises. This was the meet when we began to get an inkling of the potential impact of our frosh at the varsity level. Embree in the high jump, Peters in the 600 shook Army up. Actually a very big blow to the Cadets was the Leone-Peters 1-2 in the 600.

One of the nice things was to see the team gather in preparation for it.

Next big one was Northeastern. They had tipped us last year in the dual and in the GBC’s. Soon after vacation, but unlike a year ago we had a bunch of guys looking to this. Everything came up roses and the thing really was over when Clayton, Leone and Peters exploded for a 600 sweep.

After a non-pressure meet with Maine we zeroed in on the GBC’s. No one knew how ready we were. We simply erupted all over the place. It’s hard to visualize such a combination of team dominance and superb individual performance. Highlights were

Clayton's 1000 and Leone's 600, these performances went right to the top of national and international ratings for the year. Rojas under 8:50 for the two mile. Kleiger at pole vault record height. A simply brilliant afternoon.

Went from the GBC's to the Big Three and a threat from Princeton. But from the time Vincent Vanderpool-Wallace socked their top long jumper in the opener and Quirk and Rojas first and second in the mile, there was little trouble.

On to the Heps where we finished third behind Penn and Navy. It's where we were figured to be but we didn't like it. Leone's 600 was outstanding not only for the win and the time but because the guy had been running sick for most of the last three weeks. Kleiger was great again. Embree excellent. Heckel somewhat of a surprise scorer. We had to have experienced a let-down after the incredible GBC performance I suppose, and it was unfair to

expect a repeat of that but we hoped for more. It was the first time all year when I felt things went against us more than for us.

The same thing occurred in the IC4A's. It was sort of a disasterous ending to an excellent season. But there were some good parts. The frosh middle distance group of Curtis, Okerman, Springate and Butler surprised everyone by getting into the finals of the two mile relay and advancing in the 880. Embree did a great job in the high jump.

Outdoors

The heartening results and team attitude over the winter led us to consider a team approach to a Spring Trip. Pappy Hunt did a great job setting this up and we ended up planning a dual meet with Clemson and competition in the South Carolina Relays: Naturally it rained and they cancelled the Relays. We were all jazzed up by then for we had stomped Clemson in what was figured to be a close



NICK LEONE WINNING THE HEPS 600

BIG THREE INDOOR TRACK

HARVARD - YALE - PRINCETON

COXE CAGE, NEW HAVEN - SATURDAY, 17 FEBRUARY 1973

H	Y	P	FIELD EVENTS		
5	1	5	35-lb. weight -	(1) Greenwood (P), 62'5¼"*† (2) Jay Huges (H), 58'10"	(3) Steve Niemi (H), 51'2" (4) Dibnetz (Y), 47'3¾"
2	3	6	Shot put -	(1) Barisich (P), 53'5¾" (2) Palmer (Y), 50'8"	(3) Jay Hughes (H), 50'4" (4) Shannon (P), 48'6½"
8	-	3	Pole vault -	(1) Jim Kleiger (H), 16'¼"† (2) Blayne Heckel (H), 14'6"	(3) Waltz (P), 14' (4) Fullerton (P), 13'
5	5	1	High jump -	(1) Mel Embree (H), 6'4" (2) Meidell (Y), 6'4"	(3) Brubaker (Y), 6'2" (4) Fullerton (P), 6'2"
8	-	3	Long jump -	(1) V. Vanderpool-Wallace (H), 23'8" (2) E. Wilson (P), 22'3½"	(3) Leon Sharpe (H), 45'¼" (4) Ahmed Kayali (H), 21'3¾"
6	-	5	Triple jump	(1) Ahmed Kayali (H), 47'7"* (2) E. Wilson (P), 46'11"	(3) Langston (P), 45'4" (4) Leon Sharpe (H), 45'¼"

RUNNING EVENTS

8	2	1	Mile run -	(1) John Quirk (H), 4:08.8 (2) Ric Rojas (H), 4:09.0	(3) Hexem (Y), 4:10.7 (4) Elliot (P), 4:11.2	
8	2	1	600-yd run -	(1) Nick Leone (H), 1:12.3 (2) Joel Peters (H), 1:13.2	(3) MacLeod (Y), 1:13.5 (4) Russell (P), 1:13.6	
5	2	4	60-yd high hurdles -	(1) Dewey Hickman (H), 7.4 (2) Cargile (P), 7.5	(3) MacDonald (Y), 8.0 (4) Epstein (P), 8.1	
5	-	6	60-yd dash -	(1) Baylee Reid (H), 6.3 (2) Wilk (P), 6.5	(3) Pruden (P), 6.6 (4) Wilson (P), 6.6	
8	3	-	1000-yd run -	(1) Bob Clayton (H), 2:12.8 (2) Wayne Curtis (H), 2:13.4	(3) Ashenfelter (Y), 2:15.2 (4) Sheehan (Y), 2:15.4	
11	-	-	2-Mile Run -	(1) Ric Rojas (H), 9:00.2 (2) Bill Durette (H), 9:00.6	(3) Jim Keefe (H), 9:01.8 (4) John Quirk (H), 9:02.9	
5	-	3	Mile relay -	(1) Harvard (Randy Buckley, John Maggio, Joel Peters, Nick Leone) 3:21.4 (2) Princeton, 3:21.8 (3) Yale, 3:25.8		
5	-	3	Two-Mile relay -	(1) Harvard (Jim Springate, Sam Butler, Bill Okerman, Wayne Curtis) 7:49.8 (2) Princeton, 7:55.8 (3) Yale, 8:02.6		
89	18	41				

FINAL SCORE: HARVARD 89 - PRINCETON 41 - YALE 18

*-Cage record

†-Meet record

meet beforehand, and what was a complete surprise to the people of that area.

Back at school, we won the Boston College Relays title. Then handled Princeton with not too much trouble to reverse one from last year. Miserable time at the Penn Relays . . . weather and everything. Then we were brilliant at Dartmouth in a meet that was supposed to be a team challenge. Highlight here was Reid's upset of the Dartmouth sprinters. Then it was Army in the stadium in as exciting a meet as you'd ever want to see. You wouldn't want much closer than the 100, the 440 hurdles, the 880, the vault, and a lot of the second and third places. Anyhow, it finally boiled down to the two-mile. It's safe to say the place was tense for both teams knew this was really the decider. Quirk said afterward you didn't take a step without someone yelling either for or against you right in your ear. Anyhow, Durette broke out with a 660 to go and Quirk wound up with a Quirk kick and we went 1-2.

Down to Brown to the Heps full of fire. We started well but when Vanderpool-Wallace was injured in the long jump, add this to Clayton virtually incapacitated as well as Reid having leg trouble and Leone sub-par, that's too much trouble to have. Lot of points right there and although we again got the third we were supposed to get we were all disappointed for we felt we could have surprised. Highlights were Reid's win in the 100 and Jones' second in the steeple chase.

The Yale meet followed the Heps. We should have anticipated little trouble for Yale had had some bad breaks. We found ourselves with Clayton a shell of himself, Vanderpool-Wallace quite questionable, Quirk sick, Rojas sick and the fact that much thought was not of the team aspect of the meet but of qualification for the coming Oxford-Cambridge meet. I began to get a little worried. Anyhow it all sorted out although in an effort not to use questionable people we certainly didn't present a normal line-up.

The outdoor IC4A's saw Kleiger (record in the vault) and Quirk (second in the mile with a 4:04.4 personal best) as our standouts; Kleiger went on to the Nationals to place fifth in the vault and to finish out a brilliant season for himself.

The Oxford-Cambridge meet carries the same priorities as the Yale meet. The American team was heavily Harvard. The selection was arrived at by agreement between the two coaches prior to the Yale meet with those places not agreed upon settled on the meet results. The results will probably be reported elsewhere.

This was a fine year. True, we had our disappointments but the positive features so far outweigh them that a look back produces overall satisfaction. Why? One thing was leadership. Our two captains (Clayton and Quirk) did a fine job and they were helped strongly by others. Not to single them out but the perseverance and the team contribution by seniors Hickman and Reid is an example. And when flighty individualists like vaulters are obviously concerned with team contributions and then individual excellence, a team has a plus. Another thing was freshman performance. They not only plugged up important gaps and gave us effective depth but they had a refreshing attitude and an eagerness for competition that was stimulating. Another thing was a more reasonable run of luck. We were not completely hamstrung by injury, sickness, and factors of that nature.

And the coaches helped. I'm speaking particularly of Ed Stowell and Pappy Hunt. It's not enough to say that Reid and Hickman were better because of Pappy or that Jay Hughes and Jim Kleiger were helped by Ed. It's something far beyond that. I don't mean to leave out Don Barfield. He was a great help in the jumps and his enthusiasm and personality should be noted. He fitted into the Harvard concept like a glove.

The new trainer Henry Jennergren is a great addition. Henry is as rabidly loyal to and interested in the team as was the legendary Jimmy Fair.

In a slightly different vein I'll give you my own personal reactions to this year. There, of course, is all the pride and excitement in the team and individual accomplishments. But I must be honest, I did not completely enjoy this year in a coaching sense. In spite of the opinion others may have I do not like a dictatorial approach to coaching. I deliberately took this route this year because I felt it the best immediate answer to some of the problems we had last year. I feel there has to be a joyous feeling of expression in coaching. I didn't feel that enough this year.

One final note. After 22½ years I have been granted a "sabbatical" . . . a leave of absence for the later half of the year 1973-1974. A number of Friends and athletes have asked me why. I'll state part of my letter of request. "I desire a significant period away from Harvard and the pressures of my work. Recent distressing family losses are forces involved, but a most important factor is that having been enmeshed in a constant coaching effort with scant opportunity for thought for little more than the immediate practicalities of each season. I strongly feel the need for time for relaxed evaluation

of both professional effort and philosophy." In understanding this, one should realize that I was involved in a primary competitive season for each of the three seasons (fall, winter, spring) and that there was no "break" season devoted to less emotionally and energy-taxing duties.

Looking Ahead

For the '73-'74 season we have a Harvard first, tri-captains in Jay Hughes, Jim Kleiger, and Nick Leone – great leadership potential which will be needed in the coming season.

We graduated four key seniors: Reid (sprints), Hickman (high hurdles), Quirk and Clayton (distance and mid-distance). We also lost Corwin and Bihrlé who added depth in the three jumping events, and javelin man Bill Pade. All seven contributed greatly during the past three years, and will be missed. But, for each man who graduated at least one underclassman returns who is eager and ready to replace him.

We have: Vanderpool-Wallace, O'Connor, and Horton (sprints); Rojas, Durette, Keefe, Linsk, Tsigdinos, Jim Hughes, Skinner (distance, Tsigdinos and Skinner on the basis of surprisingly successful cross country seasons), Butler (hurdles and javelin). Some events lost no men – Kleiger, Heckel, and Berg all return in the vault; Jay Hughes, Niemi, and Shaw all return in the weight events, with McCafferty and Jiggetts prepping in the wings. In the discus Dick Gilbane, our mainstay for the past two years, returns, and Jiggetts, in time, could supplant him.

Jumping events have Vanderpool-Wallace, Sharpe and Kayali returning in the long and triple jumps, all three All-Ivy potential. In the high jump Embree is the only proven vet, but Cline, Barnes and Kulash could possibly improve.

In the javelin only Tew is back, but Butler could help out here.



SAM BUTLER '76

For the mid-distances we have almost unlimited potential; Leone is clearly the #1 440-600 man, but then we have Peters, Buckley, Butler, Maggio, with Okerman, Curtis, Springate for the 880-1000. Quirk and Clayton are gone, but with this group, plus the above mentioned distance men, it will be an extremely interesting winter, especially when considering relays.

1972-1973 HARVARD UNIVERSITY RECORDS INDOOR TRACK AND FIELD SEASON

POLE VAULT	James H. Kleiger '74	16'6"	February 10, 1973
600 YARD RUN	Nicholas D. Leone '74	1:09.9	February 10, 1973

OUTDOOR TRACK AND FIELD SEASON

POLE VAULT	James H. Kleiger '74	16'8"	May 5, 1973
100 YARD DASH	Baylee Reid '73	9.7	May 12, 1973
120 HIGH HURDLES	Dewey C. Hickman '73	14.0	June 10, 1973



Credit Peter Southwick

JOSEPH NAUGHTON '73

On Saturday June 9, 1973 Joe Naughton '73 passed away after a year-long battle with cancer. Ironically his death occurred on the last day of the NCAA Track meet and just before the Harvard-Yale vs. Oxford-Cambridge Meet. Joe probably would have been competing in both. Joe was an excellent shot putter who came to Harvard with a very fine interscholastic record. His best effort at Harvard was 57' plus during his sophomore year. Whether he would have challenged the school record if he had been able to compete his last year I don't know. I would like to believe he would.

Joe loved to compete and it showed. His attitude was great—he never worried about what had or had not been accomplished in practice. When the day of the meet came, he felt that he could beat everybody and most of the time he did. He was an enthusiastic person and this had a positive effect on others.

Joe was a very intense person and this was one of the reasons that he was so good—he was able to concentrate fully on the task at hand. Because of academic commitments his workouts were often limited, but I never ceased to be amazed how much he knew about his teammates and what was going on in the other areas of the team.

A short time before he died I talked with Joe and he said that he thought he could defeat the illness that had attacked him. I guess that characterized him best. At any rate that is the way I will remember him.

Edgar B. Stowell

1972-1973 AWARD WINNERS

HELMUS IMPROVEMENT AWARDS

Robert L. Clayton '73
John M. Hughes '74
Nicholas D. Leone '74

McLAUGHLIN MEMORIAL AWARD

William J. Okerman '76

NELSON UNSUNG HERO AWARD

William J. Pade '73

BINGHAM RELAY AWARDS

Wayne R. Curtis '76
William J. Okerman '76
Joel D. Peters '76
James E. Springate '76

TREASURER'S AWARD

Samuel C. Butler, Jr. '76

FRENCH CROSS COUNTRY AWARD

Ricardo F. Rojas '74

RAND HURDLE AWARD

Dewey C. Hickman '73

WILLCOX 440 AWARD

Nicholas D. Leone '74

SCHICK SPRINT AWARD

Baylee Reid '73

WATTERS MILE AWARD

John R. Quirk '73

LITTLE SHOT PUT AWARD

John M. Hughes '74

CARVER WEIGHT/HAMMER AWARD

John M. Hughes '74

HARWOOD POLE VAULT AWARD

James H. Kleiger '74

GOURDIN BROAD JUMP AWARD

Vincent S. Vanderpool-Wallace '75

SPECIAL PURPOSE FUND GIVING

by
Robert Rittenburg '55

Over the years there has been an annual solicitation for the Friends. Contributions have come in three forms: some people stepped forward to contribute trophies; some directed their contributions towards the permanent capital fund; most have given to the annual operating fund.

Starting this year we would like to introduce another alternative that may have new meaning for more people. That is to each year pick an appropriate special project which might not otherwise be accomplished. This would give everyone an opportunity to work together to accomplish the goal with many donations.

This year's special project will be the endowment of the Triple Jump Award in memory of Chris Ohiri '65.

Chris was a memorable and outstanding person for all Harvard men who knew him and a great competitor in the triple jump, where in the IC4A championship in his senior year he set what was then the IC4A record and what is still the Harvard record.

An award requires an endowment of \$1500-\$2000 to be self sustaining. Donations of \$10 to \$20 from 100 people would meet this goal. The special purpose box on the envelope is provided for those who will contribute to the Ohiri Award.



CHRIS OHIRI '65

TREASURER'S REPORT

by
Edward Meehan '64

Income from Friends of Harvard Track Endowment and gifts for current use enabled the Friends to continue sponsorship of many activities during the past year as well as to meet several extraordinary expenses.

In addition to the regular training trips, banquets, and awards provided by the Friends, a video-tape machine, a universal gym, and an electric timer were purchased as coaching and training aids. As mentioned by John Thorndike, the Oxford-Cambridge Meet resulted in a substantial deficit largely

as a result of the weather. This expense was met through a highly successful limited appeal by your Chairman.

Two awards have been endowed during the past year, namely the Bill Nelson Unsung Hero Award and the Jaakko Mikkola Cross-Country Award.

The overall financial picture for the past year is one of a relatively small deficit. Gifts, including a special gift for the purchase of a badly needed universal gym were up substantially from previous years. As costs continue to rise, the need for increased Friends support of Harvard Track becomes greater. If you are already giving to the Friends, your help is most appreciated. If you can give something now, it will be going to a good cause—Harvard Track.

THE ANNUAL FUND

by
James J. Doty '59

Our number of givers was 98 this year with a total of \$2,197 being returned in fund envelopes. However, many others gave in support of the Oxford-Cambridge track meet and in this regard I have no statistics at all.

The 1974 Annual Fund article and accompanying statistics will be taken by James P. Anthony '55 who is well known in the Boston area for his great curling ability. Any suggestions may be addressed to him at:

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I have enjoyed writing to thank many of you over the past years and to receiving your ideas and praises for the team.

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(September 1, 1972 – September 1, 1973)

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1917	Rolla Campbell		Hayden Channing	1960	David Donaldson
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1918	James Coggeshall, Jr.	1938			Henry O. Marcy, IV
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1920		1940	Eugene V. Clark		Stephen Cohen
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1925	Robert Hollowell		Max J. Pincus	1967	Wayne Anderson
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	Charles E. Mason, Jr.	1952	Alan Master	1971	Edmond L. Lincoln
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1932	J. Rawson Collins	1954			
	Eugene Record	1955	Charles Arena		
1933	Ellery H. Clark		Warren M. Little		
	N. P. Dodge	1956			<i>names with no class distinction</i>
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