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BRIAN MARSHALL TOP OF THE HILL

Brian Marshall HELP's Scottish Champion Hill runner was on the winning trail again last week when he won the relatively short but steep Chapelgill Hill Race in 20m18secs. Brian won by a clear 18 seconds from a field of 44 runners. A good start for his season but he knows the competition will get tougher as the season progresses.

Dunbar Grammar School proved to be the most successful School in the recent East Lothian Secondary Schools Cross Country Championships held at Hall Hill Dunbar. They had winners in three of the six events with runners up in two and a third place.

A very close finish in the first year boys event had Lee Edwardson (Musselburgh GS) just dipping ahead of Ryan Smith (Ross High) and Kieran Simants (Dunbar GS) third.

Andrea McPherson (DGS) was a clear winner of the first year girls ahead of Kerry Morris (MGS) and Fiona Matheson (RH).

Bruce Lindsay (DGS) showed a clear pair of heels to his opponents in the 2nd year boys' event from Dale McCullum (Preson Lodge) and Ryan Stevenson (RH).

Perhaps the most impressive winner of the afternoon was Emily Owens (DGS) whose time for the course not only equalled the boys but shows how much potential she has for the forth coming track season in her specialist event of 800mts.

Linzi Moffat (MGS) just beat off a challenge from Dunbar's Nicole Turner and Joanne Lindsay for the runners up spot.

Fiona Cleat (Knox Academy) comes from a family of young athletes and although primarily a sprinter, she recently took the silver medal for 60mts in the Schools indoor championships showed great versatility in winning the 3rd year girls event from Holly Duns and Miram Woolf both (North Berwick HS).

Ciaran Burgess (DGS) won the 3rd year boys event from Andrew Jones (NBHS) and Peter Loudon (PL),

Dunbar Grammar School Active Schools Co-ordinator Paul Huish was the event organiser but as the weather deteriorated and deferred the prize giving. Dunbar GS were winners from Preston Lodge and Musselburgh Grammar School.

Ross High Schools Ross Matheson was selected to compete for the Scotland East team at the UK World Cross Country trials in Nottingham last week-end.

Pacemaker
Henry Muchamore