

## EDINBURGH MARATHON

County running clubs were well represented at the recent Edinburgh Marathon when almost 2000 runners failed to start or complete the 26mile course because of the extraordinary hot conditions. Four thousand athletes did manage to struggle round and finish in Holyrood Park but in times significantly slower than expected. HELP runners Alan Proudfoot (3hours 01min), Sandy Wallace(3:11) and David Lott(3:14) were home in the first two hundred and well up in their individual age categories. Husband and wife couple from Dunbar RC, Stuart(3:21) and Anne Hay (3:51) in their second marathon of the year were down on predicted times but just glad to finish. Perhaps the best run of the day was from Dana Budinski (3:34) from Musselburgh Athletic Club placing her 25<sup>th</sup> in the senior ladies race. Further down club mate Richard Brown(3:54) finished just outside the first 1000.

Other HELP members who had started in Princes Street and ran around the Old Town then to Leith, Cramond and Portobello were Malcolm Quinn(4:35), Peter Lugton(4:38) and Eric Foster(4:46).