**ERRA Championship Secretary report April 2019.**

1. **Entries**

**12 & 6 Stage. All areas held their championships and the first 25 “ A “ teams, and any B teams included in those 25, were invited to the 12 stage championship.**

**In addition Welsh and Scottish teams were invited, with the entry form sent to the area offices.**

 **In 2018 there were 75 men’s teams and 62 women’s teams.**

**The 2019 event has 73 men’s teams and 67 women’s teams.**

**Young Athletes 5K for U15 & U17 age groups**

**Introduced last year these races for the Under 15 and U 17 athletes, provide tough competition over the undulating Sutton Park course.**

 **The year numbers are slightly down: 68 in 2019 v’s 78 in 2018.**

**U 15**

**Boys 21 athletes from 13 clubs Girls 19 athletes from 12 clubs.**

**U17**

**Men 28 athletes from 16 clubs Women 8 athletes from 5 clubs**

 **Medals were again provided for first 3 individuals in each of the races and for the first 3 teams, ( 3 per team )**

**The individual winners in each of the 2 areas, the South does not host a Y A 5K, were awarded a free entry to help promote the 5k event.**

**6, 4 & YA relays**

 **Entries 6 stage 4 stage U13 U15 U17**

**2017 90 123 86b 68g 107b 92g 85m 53w**

**2018 80 98 86b 59g 97b 88g 83m 62w**

1. **Aldridge R C have provided all the marshals.**
2. **Medals**

**12 & 6 stage**

**E A provided the 3 sets of championship medals, whilst ERRA provided the 3 sets of English medals, as well as fastest legs.**

1. **6 & 4 Stage.**

 **On SUNDAY 6th October this year, and will be a closed relay, only English clubs will compete**

1. **With the retirement of Bod as lead motor cycle, Alan Edwards goes with the leaders on his bicycle.**
2. **New Medals**

**The new design has been confirmed, and subject to approval an order for 1,000 will be placed with L J Millington, This number will last 5 years, at the present usage, and will be called off as needed. There will be just be one size of medal rather than the smaller Y.A. ones we also use now. Design D size 70 mm is the new medal, see attachment.**

1. **Big Screen Trial**

 **Not a 100% success at the Autumn relays.**

**Screen worked fine, but only cameras linked by cable worked.**

**Considering use of screen again to show updated individual leg results and leader board direct from Graham’s computer**

**Ken Smith 25 /04/2019**