

NORTH OF ENGLAND TRACK AND FIELD LEAGUE Boston and District A.C. firmly established a mid league position after the second North of England Track and Field League match at Derby on Saturday. Finishing in fourth position and just two points behind Barnsley the "Gold Tops" hold fourth place overall in Division 3 E.C.. The depleted Womens section was just three athletes below a quota that would almost certainly have seen B.A.D.A.C. finish up in second place. In five mens events the "Gold Tops" secured maximum points winning both the "A" and "B" competitions with the Jumps proving most productive. In High Jump, Long Jump and Triple Jump contests Boston and District athletes dominated and also made an impact in the Pole Vault. In his first outing of the season Jake Mason achieved victory in the High Jump with a 1.92m. clearance and in the "B" event Jake Brittain secured maximum points with a leap of 1.80m.. Mark Bridges scored an excellent double winning the Long Jump with a leap of 6.31m and the Triple Jump with a clearance of 12.39m. He had good support from Jake Mason in Long Jump who won the "B" event with 6.20m. and Jeremy Baily in the Triple Jump who recorded 11.68m to secure maximum points for a remarkable series of "Jumps" performances for B.A,D,A,C. The two Mens Hurdles contests also contributed the maximum possible sixteen points to the Boston and District total.

Chris. Cope led the way in the 400 metres Hurdles race winning the "A" event in a time of 62.6 secs. and Mark Bowler comfortably achieved victory in the "B" event in 63.1 secs.. In the demanding 110m. Sprint Hurdles Mark Bridges led from gun to tape recording 18.1 secs. at the finish line. Behind him Jake Brittain provided excellent support to win the "B" race in 20.7secs. for a "Gold Tops" whitewash. The Mens 4 X 100 metres Relay quartet won an exciting victory at the end of the five hour programme of track and field competition. A combination of Mark Bridges, Luke Chester, David Walker and Jake Mason produced a superb lap to come home with and finish with a comfortable one second advantage in 42.6 secs. In both Pole Vault and Hammer Throw Boston and District A.C. representatives claimed good second places. Haden Brittain threw a personal best 40.81m. in the "A" Hammer event and Stuart Smith recorded 32.78m. in runners up position in the "B" contest. Jake Brittain returned to form in the Pole Vault clearing 3.90m. and Phil Peatling added another second in the "B" event with a vault of 2.60m.. The two Discus throwers also made a good contribution with Marc Bradbury claiming second place with a throw measured at 34.67m. and Stuart Smith secured victory in the "B" contest with 33.93m. for a combined points value of fourteen.