

Regimental Sporting Notes By R.T.S.S.

During the recent rest, soccer enthusiasts had the good fortune to take part in or follow a number of inter-company games. Luckily the necessary footer togs arrived in time, and the fact that each team wore a distinctive shirt undoubtedly added to the interest taken in these events, which will be continued as soon as the weather clears up. We also fielded a battalion team against the 14th Battalion and after a most exciting game, on a very heavy field, succeeded in drawing with them. Score, 1-1. When opportunity occurs it is hoped to replay this game, the winners then to play the 13th—who beat the 15th by 4-0 for the Brigade Championship.

The 16th team lined up as follows: Gibson, Wearmouth, Sutherland, Atkinson, Reddibough and Warnock; Taylor, Sharrock, Dunn, McMurdy, Gemmel. Reserves, Ramshaw and Stokes.

BRIGADE SPORTS POSTPONED

Unfortunately, on account of inclement weather conditions, the proposed two days Brigade Sports to have opened February 18 had to be indefinitely postponed. A good programme of track and athletic events had been arranged by the committee of officers in charge and substantial prizes allotted. However, the season for training was a bit early, and the long turn the battalion have had in the trenches was certainly not conducive to any particular form being shown had the events been run off.

TRANSPORT GYMKHANA

The writer is not a horseman, a statement which will go uncontradicted. Indeed he feels somewhat timid at approaching this subject at all, yet the afternoon's entertainment provided by Capt. C. Marshall and his merry men on the 20th ult. was so unmistakably enjoyed by both competitors and spectators, that the results at least and our few words of appreciation will not come amiss.

The money lifters and events were as follows:

V.C. Race, bare-back (saddle ponies), 100 yards and return: 1st, Puddy; 2nd, Mulvin.

S.A.A. Loading Race, harness, hitch-up, trot 100 yards to ammunition pile, load and return: 1st, Gravlin's team—Archdale and Weatherstone assistants.

Mule Race, bare-back, 250 yards: 1st, Crafer; 2nd, Newlings.

Cigarette Race, 100 yards and return: 1st, Puddy; 2nd, Capt. Hall.

S.A.A. Mule Race, saddle, lead 100 yards to ammunition pile, load 2000 rounds and return: 1st, Glendinning, with Archdale assistant.

Potato Race, saddle ponies, 150 yds.: 1st, Puddy; 2nd, Walton.

Wrestling on Mules, bare-back, four men a side. Winning team: Scott, Langhorn, Thompson and Jessiman.

Bending Race, saddle ponies, 150 yards: 1st, McDonald; 2nd, Puddy.

Bending Race, team and limbers: 1st, Gravlin; 2nd, Langhorn.

REGIMENTAL SPORTS

Postponed for one day, on account of the weather, the Battalion Sports were held on the 17th ult. On account of the brigade football match being held the same afternoon the attendance was not as large as on former field days. Notwithstanding the lack of training by reason of our long sojourn in the trenches the fifteen events on the programme were well contested and some excellent sport was furnished the spectators. With four firsts and three seconds to his credit, Corpl. Burke of the Medical Section carried off the honours of the meet in handy style. The prize winners of the finals in the different events were as follows:

100 yards: First, Corpl. Little, No. 1 Co.; second, Corpl. Burke, Staff.

Half-mile: First, Pte. Stuart, No. 2 Co.; second, Pte. H. J. McDonald, No. 1 Co.

Putting 16-lb. Shot: First, Corpl. Burke, 34ft. 6ins., Staff; second, Sergt. McLennan, 33ft. 8ins., No. 4 Co.

Broad Jump: Corpl. Burke, 15ft. 10ins.; second, Pte. Weighton, 14ft. 11ins., No. 3.

Sack Race: First, Pte. Payne, Staff; second, Pte. Eildley, Staff.

Officers 100 yards: First, Lieut. Wallace; second, Capt. Fingland.

220 yards: First, Corpl. Burke, Staff; second, Pte. W. L. Thompson, Staff.

Three-legged Race: First, Ptes. Clark

and Dunn, Transport; second, Corpl. Burke and Pte. Barrie, Staff.

440 yards: First, Pte. Stuart, No. 2 Co.; second, Corpl. Burke, Staff.

Throwing Baseball: First, Pte. Gravlin, 310ft. 5ins., Transport; second, Pte. McLean, 270ft. 1in.

Tug-of-War: First, No. 3 Co.; second, No. 4 Co.

Relay Race: First, Staff; second, No. 4 Co.

Boxing, 140-lbs.: Draw between Lce.-Corpl. Minchin, Staff, and Corpl. Macdonald, No. 4 Co. Middle weight: First, Pte. Winney, No. 3 Co.; second, Pte. R. Strathan, No. 3 Co.

In the first try-out of the tug-of-war No. 3 Co. defeated No. 2 Co., and No. 4 Co. beat No. 1 Co., the finals resulted in No. 3 Co. winning from No. 4.

In the relay race Corpl. Burke, Ptes. Payne, Thompson and Barrie performed successfully for the Staff, and Corpl. Little, Corpl. Jones and Pte. Elliott represented No. 1 Co.

Referee: Lt.-Col. J. Edwards Leckie.

Judges: Major Peck, Capt. Kemp, Capt. Fingland.

Starters: Capt. Marshall, Lt. Strang.

Clerks of Course: Capt. Hall, Lieut. Tupper, Lieut. Forbes.

Recorder: Lieut. P. M. Wallis.

Boxing: Capt. Woods, Capt. Bell-Irving, Capt. Knight.

Sports Committee: Capt. Muirhead, Capt. Fingland, Lieut. Bell.

BETTER LUCK NEXT TIME

On the 14th inst. an interesting soccer game was pulled off between the regimental pipers and drummers, and the 15th Batt. pipers and drummers. The weather was ideal and after an evenly contested game the 15th musicians held the long end of a 3 to 1 score. As two of their goals were scored late in the game it would look as if our "pipes and drums" could give their opponents a close run for it with a little more practice. Bandy was certainly the envy of the younger bloods, and George showed a fine turn of speed throughout the game. The 15th music makers have a good team and the next match should prove even more interesting than the last.

We will be pleased to receive any sport items of interest to the battalion. Send them in to the Sport Editor, care of, Pte. Godenrath.

FOOTBALL LEAGUE TABLE

	Pld.	Won	Drawn	Lost	Goals		Points
					For	Against	
No. 3 Co. - - -	3	2	0	1	5	4	4
No. 4 Co. - - -	2	1	1	0	5	3	3
No. 1 Co. - - -	1	1	0	0	4	0	2
Grenadiers - -	2	1	0	1	5	2	2
Staff - - - - -	2	0	2	0	3	3	2
Machine Gun -	2	0	1	1	3	7	1
No. 2 Co. - - -	2	0	0	2	0	6	0

Two points for a win, one for a draw.