

won the trophy which was given for the best overall relay results. The greatest surprise came when it was announced that the Unit A team had just pipped Forest Hill V.S.U. to take the Athletics shield.

As a non runner within the Unit I know it came as a great surprise to them to win the shield. The most they had hoped for was 3rd place or perhaps with a little bit of luck, 2nd place. My hearty congratulations to the team for an excellent all round display.



ATHLETIC SHIELD

By Our Sport's Correspondent.

In the Beginning..

I left my troop, the 2nd Streatham Hill around Easter 1974, and was talked into joining the Streatham V.S.U.. My ex Scout leader told me the address of a one John Bowden. I walked round to his house not knowing what to expect. I was confronted by a bearded male of about 30. After giving me a brief run down on the Unit regarding what the 'chaps' were like and when and where the Unit met, I left rather looking forward to my first meeting.

When I went to the school in Stockport Road on Wednesday, I realised that this was a

typical boob by John, that all Unit members have to live with.

Next day, on Thursday, I went down to the school again and was introduced to the lads (and lasses). I met Jim Cranham for the first time who asked me if I liked canoeing, to which I answered "Yes". They're quick workers in the Unit you know, because next Sunday I was down at Marlow, with Jim giving me expert tuition in canoeing.

I have been in the Unit for 10 months now and have thoroughly enjoyed myself. Despite all the bad points, they're a great bunch!

Ron Woolard.

P.S. Liz and I aren't getting married, (yet!).