








### Victor and Victrix Ludorum

The winners of these awards were and are special people to me. They had that all-round ability in athletics which has to be admired. It's rather like the Decathletes or Heptathletes of modern day athletics. The HGS site shows who won the trophies for the 4 categories Senior and Junior, male and female going back as far as we have been able to trace. Every year has had its specially gifted athletes and these have been recorded.

1943	Leslie Tate		Valerie Davies		Archer J.		Mary Griffiths	
1944	Leslie Tate		Mary Griffiths		Derek Wilkinson		<u>Eunice Worrall</u>	
1945	Leslie Tate		Mary Griffiths		Derek Wilkinson		<u>Eunice Worrall</u>	
1946	Derek Wilkinson		Mary Griffiths		<u>Brockhurst D.A</u>		<u>Amy Hepton</u>	
1947	Derek Wilkinson		<u>Amy Hepton</u>		John Warden		Angela Lockwood	
1948	Derek Wilkinson		<u>Amy Hepton</u>		Frederick Hanley		Eileen Booth	

A unusual feature of HGS is that its last two P.E. teachers were former pupils and Head Boys of the school, Leslie Tate and Derek Wilkinson. Without knowing it at the time (the 1940s) they were setting a fine example for pupils who were to follow in the next two decades. I suspect Mr. Hamilton knew what he was observing. Between them they had a remarkable succession of victories in the Victor Ludorum. They had 8 successive wins in 6 golden years. Looking at the Victrix Ludorum, Mary Griffiths, Amy Hepton and Annie Brammer were the stars of their time in HGS. The 1950s were dominated by one athlete, Brian Moore, with his 5 successive wins. At the 440 yards Brian was the one to beat in Yorkshire, if you could.

***Every winner of the Victor and Victrix trophies on Sports Days will have felt very proud of their achievement.***

1954	Brian Moore		Margaret Butterfield		Roy Homer		Ann Ward	
1955	Brian Moore		Iris Turner		Colin Hellewell		Patricia Brooke	
1956	Brian Moore		Patricia Brooke		Colin Hellewell		Julia Street	
1957	Brian Moore		Julia Street		Sykes Beaumont		Brenda Nettleton	
1958	Brian Moore		Ellen Toulson		Ray Griffiths		Sheila Kelsall	
1959	Smith J.C.		Ellen Toulson		Albert Parkin		Sheila Kelsall	