



RH XMAS WALK

Five Churches Walk.
Approx 10 miles

Join Kerry Booth (01909 772337)
and Dave Haywood (07816615753)

taking in the route round South Anston,
Todwick, Wales, Harthill and Thorpe
Salvin.

Friday 28th December
Meeting at the Loyal Trooper, South
Anston at 9.30am

[what an excellent choice of venue! Ed]

AWARDS EVENING "Not The Xmas Party"!!

The club Christmas Party and Awards
Evening has become

The NEW YEAR AWARDS EVENING

Due primarily to flood damage we can-
not obtain a large enough premises to
hold our awards evening as planned
and it will therefore take place in the

NEWLY OPENED
TRADES CLUB (Confirmed)
on

Friday 11th January 2008
at 7.30

AWARDS BUFFET DISCO

Adult £5 U18/FTE £3

CROSS COUNTRY DATES

Yorkshire Championship

January 5th 2008 Storthes Hall,
Holmfirth

Yorkshire Vets

13th January, Cliffe Caastle, Keighley
contact Steve 01302 538408
cultural/social gathering afterwards

Northern

26th January 2008 Roundhay Park
Leeds

National

February 23rd Alton Towers

Santa's Special

First race of our KMR series with
Kimberworth and Maltby

Club members are invited to
give RH a good presence,
whatever your context, on

SUNDAY next, 18 December

from 10am at the Millmoor Juniors
ground Droppingwell (Round Rother-
ham 1st check point) off at 11am

4 miles woodland trail £3

ECCA Cross-country Relays

Fine Day at Berry Hill

Silver Highlight for U20s, high Praise for Supporters



Congratulations to Rosie Edwards ran in Tilburg, Belgium having been selected for the Northern Junior Cross Country Team for the Wanderloop International Cross Country.

S.Yorks XC

Codie & Co. Fly Home

Codie Marsh epitomised the spirit, determination and quality of the whole Rotherham contingent at Hayfield on Sunday. Leading from a very fast start, she was threatened in the closing stages but clearly knew what was going on and had far too much control for error. I had a brief word afterwards; all she wanted to observe was the "it was hard". Which just about says it all, I suppose. Running is a simple sport, why elaborate?

Almost the same pattern in the male U13 race where Quin Simms took the lead spot from go, was doggedly trailed and then passed with 400m to go but showed a distinct turn of speed when it mattered to get home by some 10 seconds.

The ladies' main race, incorporating U20 and U17, was a bit of a shambles to the onlookers who found it difficult to see who was in which race, with numbers if crossed as they should be only crossed lightly. Natalie Grant seemed to have a battle at the front of the race but then emerged hugely in front of the U20 field for an emphatic win.

Steph Burns ran so far ahead in her U17 section that she was forced into a debate of parliamentary proportions with the finish marshal as to whether she could indeed go up the finish straight. Eventually he relented and she was home by a big margin.

In the men's event Paul Humphries continued his top-rate showing for RH and Phil Hoole added to the interest by taking Andy Thake on, though eventually settling for the silver medal by a big margin from 3rd.

Natasha Hatswell placed second on the day and thereby sealed a fine series win as did Jemma Creaghan by placing 5th and Cian Scothern (4th on the day) and apart from those mentioned we were well represented throughout the series by Dave Storey, Howard Darwin, Kevin Thomas, Bob Tinting (who won both championship and series handsomely), David Booth, David Smith, Eleanor Thomas, Diane Spencer, Claire Lebond and glad to say a whole raft of under-11 boys, under-11 girls and under-13 girls. Well done to all concerned.



Codie Marsh flies home first in the SY U13 championship; in background Natalie Grant approves, having just done the same herself at U20 Left: Paul Humphries

You can't say Steve Gaines has been on a steep learning curve since taking on both cross-country and club general secretaryship- he knew at the time what it would be like! It would however surely have all been worthwhile to see the outcome at Berry Hill, where he managed to put 52 athletes into the field.

And to good effect into the bargain; none more so than the U20 silver medal performance of Klachen Cheshire, Rosie Edwards and Natalie Grant (pictured left). An outstanding effort too from the U17 ladies (7th) and indeed, as Steve says, from all the runners, coaches, parents and helpers. A fuller report is on page 6, selected from Steve's excellent website reporting- if you haven't been there give it a try, it's outstandingly good. Thanks for photos from Steve, Alison Fawcett and (elsewhere) Nigel Brookes.

December and 2008 Fixtures

Sat 15 Dec 07	Northern Athletics Indoor T&F	EIS	open	track&f	First Event 12:00. Closed
Sun 16 Dec 07	Travellers 6		open	road	Denby Dale, Wakefield
Sun 16 Dec 07	Santa's Special Kimberworth		open	trail/fell	event 1 K/M/R 11am start Droppingwell £3
Tue 25 Dec 07	Xmas Day Handicap	RH		road	closes week before
Wed 26 Dec 07	Ward Green 6		open	road	Worsbrough
Wed 26 Dec 07	Braithwell 5		open	trail/fell	KMR £3 11 am start Butchers Arms Braithwell
Sat 29 Dec 07	Ulley Time Trial 3		open	road	11 am provisional date
Sat 29 Dec 07	Sheffield Open XC ,		open	cross	Graves Park 1st event 10:30; U13 adv or on day
Sun 30 Dec 07	Ribble Valley 10k		open	road	11:00am start. £6, enries close 15th Dec
January 2008					
Tue 01 Jan 08	New Years Day 10		open	road	Cleethorpes
Sat 05 Jan 08	UK Cross Challenge 3		clubs	cross	Belfast
Sat 05 Jan 08	Yorkshire Championships		club teams	cross champ	Holmfirth
Sun 06 Jan 08	Pennine 10k		open	road	Brighthouse 01274814632
Sat 12 Jan 08	English Sen/U20 Combd Ev		open	t&f champ	Indoor EIS Sheffield also 13th
Sat 19 Jan 08	Ulley Time Trial 4		open	road	11 am provisional date
Sat 19 Jan 08	Northern Combined Ev		open	t&f champ	Indoor EIS Sheffield also 20th
Sun 20 Jan 08	Four Villages Half		open	road	Closed
Sun 20 Jan 08	Brass Monkey Half		open	road	York Race closed
Sat 26 Jan 08	Northern Championships		club teams	cross champ	Leeds
Sun 27 Jan 08	Ferriby 10		open	road	01482 353647
Sun 27 Jan 08	Northern U15/U17 Combd Ev		open	t&f champ	Indoor EIS Sheffield
Sun 27 Jan 08	Tigger Tor		open	trail/fell	Totley AC
Sun 27 Jan 08	Meltham 10k		open	road	nr Huddersfield
February 2008					
Sat 02 Feb 08	BUSA Championships		areas	cross champ	Wales
Sat 02 Feb 08	South Yorks Schools XC		areas	cross champ	
Sun 03 Feb 08	Alsager 5		open	road	
Sat 09 Feb 08	UKA Combined Ev		open	t&f champ	Indoor EIS Sheffield also 10th
Sat 16 Feb 08	Ulley Time Trial 5		RH, guests	road	11 am provisional date
Sun 17 Feb 08	Wombwell 5		open	road	01226 754865
Sat 23 Feb 08	National Championships		club teams	cross champ	Alton Towers
Sat 23 Feb 08	National U20/17/15 Indoor		open	t&f champ	NIA
Sun 24 Feb 08	Snake Lane 10		open	road	Race closed
March 2008					
Sun 02 Mar 08	Norton 9		open	road	Nr Askern 01302 701486
Sun 02 Mar 08	Dave Carwright Mem Race		open	trail/fell	Hartcliffe Hill Penistone
Sat 08 Mar 08	English Schools		areas	cross champ	Sefton Park
Sat 08 Mar 08	Nat/North Combined Ev		open	t&f champ	Sheffield EIS also 9th
Sun 09 Mar 08	Bassingthorpe Spring		open	trail/fell	6m Plough Roughwood Rd Wingfield 11am
Sat 15 Mar 08	UK Inter-counties /UKX fin		areas	cross champ	inc UK Cross final Nottingham
Sun 16 Mar 08	Doncaster Half		open	road	01302 733570 probable date
Sun 16 Mar 08	BUSA Indoor Champs		open	t&f champ	Sheffield EIS
Sun 16 Mar 08	Sport Relief 1 mile runs		open	road	Sheffield Rotherham Doncaster
Sun 16 Mar 08	Ackworth Half Marathon		open	road	
Sun 16 Mar 08	Spen 20		open	road	Spenborough
Sat 29 Mar 08	Ulley Time Trial 6		RH, guests	road	11 am provisional date Last
Sun 30 Mar 08	City of Lincoln 10k		open	road	
Sun 30 Mar 08	Easter Chucky 10k & Fun run		open	trail/fell	Wath Cricket Club, Revised course.
Sun 30 Mar 08	Wilmslow Half Marathon		open	road	
Mon 31 Mar 08	Trunce		open	trail/fell	Oxspring
April 2008					
Sat 05 Apr 08	Rother Valley 10k		open	road	City of Sheffield
Sat 05 Apr 08	Silkstone Shuffle		open	trail/fell	Barnsley AC
Sun 06 Apr 08	Northern 12 & 6 Stage Relay		club teams	road champ	tbc
Sun 06 Apr 08	Spring Open Meeting,		open	track&f	Herringthorpe All Age groups
Sun 06 Apr 08	Baildon Boundary Way		open	trail/fell	
Wed 09 Apr 08	South Yorks Road League		SY clubs	road	reserved date
Sun 13 Apr 08	London Marathon		open	road	
Sun 13 Apr 08	Open Track & Field		open	track&f	Doncaster
Wed 16 Apr 08	South Yorks Road League		SY clubs	road	reserved date
Sun 20 Apr 08	Rothwell 10k		open	road	Leeds
Wed 23 Apr 08	South Yorks Road League		SY clubs	road	reserved date
Thu 24 Apr 08	Hartcliffe Hill Race		open	trail/fell	Penistone
Sat 26 Apr 08	South Yorks T&F League		SY clubs	track&f	all ages t.b.c.
Sat 26 Apr 08	National 12 & 6 stage Relay		club teams	road champ	tbc
Sun 27 Apr 08	Sheffield Half Marathon		open	road	
Sun 27 Apr 08	National Junior League		club teams	track&f	match 1
Wed 30 Apr 08	South Yorks Road League		SY clubs	road	meeting 3 t.b.c.
May 2008					
Sat 03 May 08	Northern Athletics League		clubs	track&f	Match 1 Hull
Sat 03 May 08	BUSA Championship		open	t&f champ	also 4th and 5th
Sun 04 May 08	Treeton Torture		open	cross	
Sun 04 May 08	National YAL		club teams	young	match 1 N 1 E Doncaster
Wed 07 May 08	Tigger Todger		open	trail/fell	Totley AC
Sat 10 May 08	Yorkshire T & F Champs		open	t&f champ	Don Valley also 11th
Sun 11 May 08	Larwood Surgery 10k		open	road	Shireoaks, Worksop
Wed 14 May 08	South Yorks Road League		SY clubs	road	meeting 4 probably in Barnsley
Sat 17 May 08	South Yorks T&F League		SY clubs	track&f	8-15 years

Running Shorts

RHAC Members Event Log

This has been on the website for a while as "Trial Database" via the Quick Links on right of homepage. It is no longer 'trial' but fully in use and you should visit it from time to time to see what has been going on and to check the correctness of your own entry. After this publication it will become "Members Event Log"

Amongst other things, it will be used when subs are due in 2009!

Reminder: the user-name and password needed are — and — These are only trivial protection to keep it semi-private, and they will change from time to time, announced here (not in on-line newsletter— **members email editor**) The October 10th entry is not an event but a reference so everyone is listed. Any names not in the RH members database are kept reserved until they join.

The events logged so far (since the AGM) are below: if you competed (or helped in) an event not listed let me know about it please.

You may notice that "habitual organisers" like coaches may well not be logged.

10-Oct-2007	# ref only
20-Oct-2007	National Road relay 6/4
21-Oct-2007	National YA Relays
21-Oct-2007	SY Crosscountry Norfolk Pk
28-Oct-2007	Snowdonia Marathon
28-Oct-2007	Workshop Half
28-Oct-2007	Great South Run
1-Nov-2007	Round Lathkill Dale
4-Nov-2007	SY Crosscountry Penistone
3-Nov-2007	National XC Relays
4-Nov-2007	New York Marathon
10-Nov-2007	UK Cross Challenge Gateshead
11-Nov-2007	Scunthorpe Open XC
18-Nov-2007	Barnsley 10k
25-Nov-2007	SY Crosscountry Winterhill
25-Nov-2007	UK Cross Challenge Liverpool
25-Nov-2007	Leeds Abbey Dash 10k
2-Dec-2007	Percy Pud 10k
25-Nov-2007	Clowne Half Marathon
1-Dec-2007	Silkstone Shuffle
8-Dec-2007	Round Rotherham-assist
8-Dec-2007	Round Rotherham-run
8-Dec-2007	Round Rotherham-relay
9-Dec-2007	SY Crosscountry Hayfield

Race for Life

Advance notice from Sarah Madden (Area Events Manager) of the dates for Race for Life events organised for next summer - I know it's a little early but forewarned is fore-armed

Bakewell, The Showground - 18th May 08 (10:30 & 2:30pm)
Sheffield, Don Valley Stad - 15th June 08 (10:30 & 2:00pm)
Doncaster, Town Field - 22nd June 08 (10:30am & 2:30pm)
Roth'm, Herringthorpe Stad - 6th July 08 (10:30 & 2:30pm)
Newark, The Showground - 16th July 2008 (7:30pm)

RH General Sec to Yorkshire XC Entries Secretary:

Hi Jane (Gleadhill),

Thanks for the entry forms.

I have to express some concern at the increased entry fees this year, with both Junior and senior entries increasing by £1 per entrant. For our club this means an expected entry cost of £260 plus, compared with £201 last year.

The Yorkshire entry costs are now higher than the Northern costs (£5 vs £3.50 for seniors, £4 vs £3 for juniors). Being in SY some of our club athletes run in Derbyshire & Nottinghamshire events where the entry cost is £3 per athlete.

Yorkshire county entries are now disproportionately higher! I would be grateful if you would pass these concerns onto the committee.

Surely the aim ought to be to keep entry fees as low as possible to encourage more athletes to enter - either club or individuals. From memory it is not as though the association was losing money on Cross-Country activities, so why the increase?

regards, Steve Gaines, Secretary, RHAC

Running Shorts.....

Advertiser Correspondent

Nigel Brookes (nigel@nbrookes.wanadoo.co.uk Tel: 01909 568212) has taken on the job of correspondent to the Advertiser until Don Gill's return. As Don is in some doubt as to when (or indeed if) he may return, this could be for some time.

If you have reports/photos based on Rotherham Harriers could you please submit them via Nigel, or myself, or Steve Gaines to avoid duplication and confusion. Or if you submit things yourself (eg your own information or schools for example) do you think you could let us know?

Claire Lambert was back running with us this week four weeks after giving birth to twins Lara and Kayla. All are doing well, we send our congratulations.

Club Road Running Championship 2007.

Winners:- Ladies – Janet Hindley, Men – Drew Donaldson. Changes are to be made for next years series, see newsletter or flyers at the club.

Though the Advertiser did it's best to encourage us by highlighting how tight the overall club position was going in to Hayfield (Hallamshire 204, RHAC 201, Doncaster 197) I don't think we turned it over, though results are awaited.

Cold bugs or similar did not help us at all on the day and the venue suggests if anyone topped Hallamshire it might have been Doncaster.

Track & Field Dates 2008 Jim Brogan

Hi everyone, Please find attached a list of Track & Field fixtures for 2008 as I am currently aware of them. At the moment there are no venues for either Nat Junior League or NYAL fixtures. RHAC have indicated they would prefer not to host NYAL fixtures for the coming season. Also note that the venues for Northern League fixtures are still provisional, and of course, show RHAC still in division 2EC. This may possibly change.

However, as I know officials are very much in demand, particularly level 4's and 5's, could I ask that each of you at least makes a note in your diaries of these dates and confirms with me your availability as soon as you are able to? Note the date of the Sheffield Festival of Athletics on Saturday 19th April, where RHAC run the field events,

Obviously, only our home league fixtures are of relevance to Starters. (and of course the Sheffield Festival), and also we will be particularly looking for Track and Field Referees and

Date	Fixture	Host Club
Saturday 19th April	Sheffield Festival, Don Valley	RHAC
Sunday 27th April	National Junior League Round 1	
Saturday 3rd May	Northern League Round 1*	Kingston Upon Hull
Sunday 4th May	Young Athletes League Round 1	
Sunday 18th May	Young Athletes League Round 2	
Sunday 25th May	National Junior League Round 2	
Sunday 1st June	Young Athletes League Round 3	
Saturday 7th June	Northern League Round 2*	Hal lamshire
Sunday 22nd June	Young Athletes League Round 4	
Sunday 29th June	National Junior League Round 3	
Sunday 6th July	Northern League Round 3* ringthorpe (home fixture)	Her
Sunday 20th July	Young Athletes League Round 5	
Sunday 27th July	National Junior League Round 4	
Sunday 3rd August	Northern League Round 4*	Don caster

* this assumes Rotherham Harriers & A.C. remain in Division 2EC. As far as I know no final decision has yet been made re promotion to Division 1.

.....2008 Fixtures continued

Sat 17 May 08	Roth'm Hospice Run for All	open	road	Herringthorpe
Sun 18 May 08	National YAL	open	young	match 2 N Premier Sheffield
Sun 18 May 08	Eyam Half	open	road	
Tue 20 May 08	Totley Moor Fell Race	open	trail/fell	Totley AC
Wed 21 May 08	Askern 10k	open	road	Askern AC
Thu 22 May 08	South Yorks T&F League	SY clubs	track&f	seniors t.b.c.
Thu 22 May 08	Horwich Jubilee Races	open	road	start of a series
Sat 24 May 08	Northern T&F Champs	open	t&f champ	U15/17 also 25th
Sun 25 May 08	National Junior League	SY clubs	track&f	match 2
Sun 25 May 08	CAU Inter-counties T&F Ch	open	t&f champ	also 26th
Tue 27 May 08	Hallam Chase	open	trail/fell	Hallamshire H
Wed 28 May 08	Memorial Race Maltby	open	trail/fell	Wesley Centre KMR 6.45 prob E3
June 2008				
Sun 01 Jun 08	National YAL	club teams	young	match 3 N 1 E Doncaster
Wed 04 Jun 08	Ulley Res, Whiston CC	open	trail/fell	Peter Ruddleston memorial race KMR
Sat 07 Jun 08	Northern Athletics League	clubs	track&f	Match 2 Hallamshire
Sun 08 Jun 08	South Yorks T&F League	SY clubs	track&f	8-15 years t.b.c.
Tue 10 Jun 08	Kimy Kanter	open	trail/fell	Droppingwell KMR E3
Sun 22 Jun 08	National YAL provisional	club teams	young	mtg 4 Herringthorpe (W) Hallamshire(E)
Sun 22 Jun 08	3 Lakes Classic	open	road	Killamarsh Kestrels
Sun 22 Jun 08	BMAF 5k	open	road champ	Veteran only
Tue 24 Jun 08	South Yorks T&F League	SY clubs	track&f	seniors t.b.c.
Wed 25 Jun 08	Damflask Relays	club teams	road champ	Sheffield
Thu 26 Jun 08	Blackmoor Fell Race	open	trail/fell	Ttoley AC
Sun 29 Jun 08	National Junior League	SY clubs	track&f	match 3
July 2008				
Sat 05 Jul 08	Tickhill Gala Race	open	road	
Sun 06 Jul 08	Northern Athletics League	clubs	track&f	Match 3 Herringthorpe
Wed 16 Jul 08	Prince in the Park	open	road	5k private road KMR POW Greasbrough 7.15
Sat 19 Jul 08	South Yorks T&F League	SY clubs	track&f	all ages Includes Championship t.b.c
Sun 20 Jul 08	National YAL	club teams	young	meeting 5
Sun 27 Jul 08	National Junior League	SY clubs	track&f	match 4
Sun 27 Jul 08	Hatfield Sprint Triathlon	open	trail/fell	nr Doncaster
August 2008				
Sun 03 Aug 08	Northern Athletics League	clubs	track&f	Match 4 Doncaster
Sun 10 Aug 08	Askern 10	open	road	Askern AC
September 2008				
Sat 06 Sep 08	Yorkshire Road Relays	club teams	road champ	Don Valley Sheffield
Sat 13 Sep 08	Penistone Show 10k	open	road	
Sun 14 Sep 08	Bawtry Forest	open	trail/fell	Maltby RC
Sat 27 Sep 08	Northern 6 & 4 Stage Relay	club teams	road champ	tbc
Sat 27 Sep 08	Oxspring Trail Race	open		Penistone
Sun 28 Sep 08	Northern Young Ath Relay	club teams		tbc
October 2008				
Sun 05 Oct 08	Northern YA Road Relay	club teams		tbc
Sat 11 Oct 08	Rother Valley Trail Race	open		
Sun 12 Oct 08	South Yorks XC Relays	SY clubs		Graves Park
Sat 18 Oct 08	National 6 & 4 Stage Relays	club teams		tbc
Sun 19 Oct 08	National Young Ath Relays	club teams		tbc
Sun 26 Oct 08	South Yorks XC Series	SY clubs		meeting 1
November 2008				
Sun 09 Nov 08	South Yorks XC Series	SY clubs		meeting 2
Sun 16 Nov 08	Barnsley 10k	open		Royston
Sun 23 Nov 08	South Yorks XC Series	SY clubs		meeting 3
December 2008				
Sun 07 Dec 08	Percy Pud	open		
Sun 14 Dec 08	South Yorks XC Series	SY clubs		meeting 4 & Championship
Sun 21 Dec 08	Santa's Special	open		Kimberworth
Thu 25 Dec 08	Xmas Day Handicap	RH		RH members Oldest yearly race in Britain
Fri 26 Dec 08	Ward Green 6	open		

Secretary's Notes

Steve Gaines

New members agreed at the November exec meeting were: **George Havenhand** (10), **Olivia Whitehouse** (8) T&F XC proposed by Gayle Lebond, **Sapphire Wooton** (11) XC, **Chantelle Kelwick** (10) T&F XC proposed by Gayle Lebond, **Olivia Abel** (11) T&F XC proposed by Steve Gaines, **Paul Humphries** (32) Road & XC, proposed by Jim Brogan, **Emily Sanderson** (9)**

New Members December as follows: **James Turner** (11) proposed by Dave Johnson, **Jade Burge** (10) proposed by Gayle Lebond, XC, T&F, **Alex Campbell** (8) proposed by Gayle Lebond, **Kyle Hatfield** (11) proposed by Dave Johnson, **Claudia Longdon** (9) proposed by Gayle Lebond, **Daniel Procter**, (8) proposed by Dan Jones, **Helen Alexandrou** (18) , **Emily Fisher** (15) XC, Road, & T&F. Proposed by Steve Gaines, Emily has resigned from Chesterfield (accepted 31st Nov) and will join Dennis Russell's group. Emily is not eligible

to run the Yorks (She has entered the Derbyshire U15 champs) but as she is currently classed as U15 she can run in the Northern XC champs for us.

We also have 58 temporary members

Attending the **SY Sports awards presentation** evening on the 14th Nov. The U17 womens XC team were voted Best Junior Team, Dennis Russell was nominated in the Best Coach category, won by Rob Creasey. RH&AC were nominated in the Best Club category, won by Doncaster AC. As far as I am aware, the winning Junior team were then put forward into the Yorkshire event, however no details have been received. I understand that the Yorkshire event took place on the 2nd Dec and that St John Fisher RC school won best junior team.

Giles Stunner Just Adrift

Matt Giles of Stourbridge RC defied the rain, the cold, the mud and for that matter the logic by throwing in an absolutely stunning 50 miles on Saturday. The time you took to read that sentence is the time difference between Matt's run and Chris Parkes' record 6.17.50. Paul Hart of the Dumfries club who have given so much support to this event over the years, and Julian Brown of Macclesfield took 2nd and third place and Julian was joined by team-mates Mark Hartell and Paul Rushworth in the winning team. First lady, from Eryri, Sarah Ridge-way placed an impressive 15th overall.

Of course the route has changed in the meantime so that in a way comparison is pointless, but what a classic performance. The weather has been so pleasant for the past three or four years that we may have been lulled into thinking global warming is not so bad. The climate however let us have it with a vengeance on the day and persistent pouring rain and biting cold could have brought a disaster had it not been for the first-class advance planning of Brian Harney, Sharon Burton and colleagues and the equally first-class dedicated efforts of all the officials. They in reality deserve as much reward as the winners. But also it was very noticeable what a very sporting, very understanding and very co-operative field of competitors there was, in record numbers into the bargain.

Bill Watson again was RH number one with a fine run by Kerry Booth placing him 2nd RH. Phil Haigh, who is surely one of Rotherham's most consistent supporters, took the third spot in the bronze medal team.

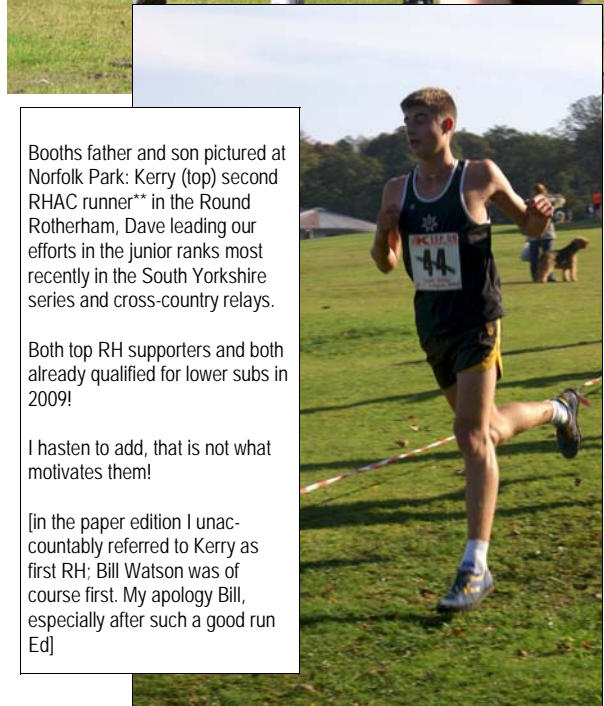
Lee Carratt is shaping well and was next home for us, followed by evergreen Henry Marston. Dave Burke and John Clarke clearly found it hard (who didn't?) but completed, and what a delight to see amongst them Roy Varo. Roy couldn't even walk 100 yards about a year ago after a hip injury and you could not conceive a more emphatic statement as to future fitness than this.

RH Sweep the Relays

After their experimental seven-stage relay last year RH men got back on track this time and came home 10 minutes ahead to win without too much fuss, though not without concern on occasions. Dropping the baton is not an option in this event but when Nigel Brookes ran into Firbeck to find a vacant space they must have begun to wonder. But all came good, and there must have been some sharp movement down the line. Relay analysis is not available yet, so further comment will have to wait.

RH Ladies slipped not hugely, but significantly ahead of Kimberworth yet again in their event and in passing I would like to recognise what an impressive support the Kimberworth club have given to this event, not only on Saturday but on previous occasions.

Our two mixed teams had mixed fortune— RH Turbosnails lost the plot a bit early on and never recovered but RH Supersnails, after four consecutive second places, finally came good to ensure a clean sweep of the glass-ware for home-based teams.



Booths father and son pictured at Norfolk Park: Kerry (top) second RHAC runner** in the Round Rotherham, Dave leading our efforts in the junior ranks most recently in the South Yorkshire series and cross-country relays.

Both top RH supporters and both already qualified for lower subs in 2009!

I hasten to add, that is not what motivates them!

[in the paper edition I unaccountably referred to Kerry as first RH; Bill Watson was of course first. My apology Bill, especially after such a good run Ed]

Men in Black(RHAC) Open

1. Phil Hoole
2. Dave Nuttall
3. Pete Mirrlees
4. Terry Eastwood
5. Nigel Brookes
6. Simon Mounsey
7. Paul Humphries
8. Pete Shaw

Women In Black Female

1. Gill Taylor
2. Joanna Walker
3. Sue Bellamy
4. Sharon Burton
5. Diane Spencer
6. Christine Mullarkey
7. Carrie Smeaton
8. Paula Fisher

RHAC Supersnails Mixed

1. John Spencer (M)
2. Kellie Dempsey (F)
3. Gary Ridgeway (M)
4. Peter Humphries (M)
5. Phillipa James (F)
6. Sharon Merrills (F)
7. Neil Shaw (M)
8. Luke Brady (M)

RHAC Turbosnails Mixed

1. Phil Widdowson (M)
2. John Kirk (M)
3. Jenny Horan (F)
4. Adele Morris (F)
5. Jim Gallagher (M)
6. Phil Roberts (M)
7. Jenny/Adele (F)
8. Mick Hill (M)

...full results continued

ROUND ROTHERHAM RUN 2007 - FULL RESULTS

Posn	Name	Club	Time	Clock	Start	m/f
1	Matt Giles	Stourbridge RC	06:17:54	13:17:54	07:00:00	m
2	Paul Hart	Dumfries RC	07:24:21	14:24:21	07:00:00	m
3	Julian Brown	Macclesfield Harriers	07:27:43	14:27:43	07:00:00	m
4	Jonathon Ferguson	Rossendale Harriers	07:31:25	14:31:25	07:00:00	m
5	Les Hill	Dumfries RC	07:35:35	14:35:35	07:00:00	m
6	Stephen Shanks	Holme Pierrepoint RC	07:42:15	14:42:15	07:00:00	m
7	Mark Hartell	Macclesfield Harriers	07:42:30	14:42:30	07:00:00	m
8	Paul Ward	Dewsbury R.R	07:46:20	14:46:20	07:00:00	m
9	Mark Braley	Serpentine	07:57:50	14:57:50	07:00:00	m
10	Ben Whitaker	Unattached	07:57:59	14:57:59	07:00:00	m
11	Martin Dietrich	N. York Moors AC	08:00:50	15:00:50	07:00:00	m
12	Bill Watson	Rotherham Harriers & A.C.	08:08:45	15:08:45	07:00:00	m
13	Colin Hutt	Team Krypton	08:08:45	15:08:45	07:00:00	m
14	Eoin Phelan	Unattached	08:22:20	15:22:20	07:00:00	m
15	Sarah Ridgeway	Eryri	08:22:20	15:22:20	07:00:00	f
16	Malcolm Coles	Skyrac	08:29:41	15:29:41	07:00:00	m
17	Richard Brown	Unattached	08:31:35	15:31:35	07:00:00	m
18	Robert Hall-McNair	Hinckley RC	08:31:35	15:31:35	07:00:00	m
19	Mark Leggett	Deeside	08:31:43	15:31:43	07:00:00	m
20	Eddie Winslow	Ilkley Harriers	08:34:35	15:34:35	07:00:00	m
21	Mathew Unwin	Unattached	08:36:55	15:36:55	07:00:00	m
22	Colm McCoy	Lincoln Wellington	08:38:10	15:38:10	07:00:00	m
23	Kerry Booth	Rotherham Harriers & A.C.	08:38:25	15:38:25	07:00:00	m
24	Gareth Peterson	Brandon Fern Hoppers	08:41:35	15:41:35	07:00:00	m

ROUND ROTHERHAM RELAY RACE RESULTS

Posn	Letter	Team	Category
1	X	Men in Black	05:38:53 Open
2	J	Breakers + Menders (RVS)	05:48:10 Open
3	T	Kimmy Kamikazi	05:49:04 Open
4	C	Fitness 63	06:32:05 Open
5	A1	Team Smurf Mark 2	06:36:10 Open
6	Q	Sheffield Running Club	06:45:00 Open
7	S	Kimmy Kingpins	06:59:32 Open
8	L	RHAC Supersnails	07:04:07 Mixed
9	N	Wild Hogs	07:13:58 Open
10	A2	Wesham RR	07:13:58 Open
11	A	Women in Black	07:14:00 Female
12	Z	Kimmy Krackers	07:18:35 Female
13	R	Doonhammer Dollies	07:21:52 Female
14	U	Squirrel Squad	07:35:15 Open
15	P	Access Warriors	07:39:50 Mixed
16	V	Totley AC	07:45:15 Female
17	K	Swallows	07:48:58 Mixed
18	M	RHAC Turbosnails	07:50:10 Mixed
19	F	Physiofit Rotherham	07:54:00 Mixed
20	Y	Kimmy Kittens	08:16:30 Female
21	I	Kestrel Plodders	08:28:30 Mixed
22	G	Killamarsh Kestrels 2	08:28:30 Mixed
23	H	Kestrels 1	08:28:30 Open
24	B	Kestrels	08:28:30 Mixed
25	D	Jessop Wing	08:47:56 Mixed
26	O	Ranby Runners	11:04:40 Mixed

ECCA Cross Country relays

3rd Nov 2007
Berry Hill, Mansfield

The highlight of the day was the excellent performance of the U20 ladies team, but there was much more to celebrate! We had entered teams in all categories except junior men, we finished 16 complete teams, we had 3 teams in the U13 boys & girls races, we had the best performance for some time from the senior men's team, the U17 ladies team - in their first year in the age category - finished 7th, the club support and atmosphere were tremendous, and the weather was sunny and dry. Getting 52 athletes to the start line at a national championships is not easy, but it is made much easier when you have club support such as was displayed on Saturday. Our athletes excelled, coaches were there in abundance, parents helped with travel and encouragement, and club officials (Pete Neal and Jim Brogan) were there to help with administration & prevent my bald patch getting disproportionately bigger on the day. Alison Fawcett helped by taking some excellent photos. A big thank-you to you all.

Judging by the smiles from the younger age group athletes as they passed by (to lots of vocal encouragement around the course) they enjoyed the day hugely, and isn't that what it should all be about?? Photos are on the Young athletes website section (U13 & U15) and others are on the Cross country section.

Results

U15 boys

Cian Scothern 7:17.85 (73)
Curtis Benton 8:55.55 (86)
Sam Howis 7:19.10 (74)

Aldershot Farnham & District 19:06.6
74 RHAC 23:32.5

U15 Girls

Natasha Hatswell 7:33.55 (21)
Rachel Hall 8:33.05 (49)
Olivia Neal 9:13.75 (51)

1 Aldershot Farnham & District 20:48.6
51 RHAC 25:20.35

U13 Girls

RHAC "A" team

Codie Marsh 7:42.95 (9)
Georgina Spencer 8:44.80 (28)
Jessica Mangham 8:40.15 (32)

RHAC "B" Team

Elsbeth Bovan 10:13.50 (75)
Rachel Owen 10:06.15 (73)
Emily Darwin 10:48.05 (67)

RHAC "C" team

Sophie Kirby 10:15.90 (76)
Hayley Flintham 10:32.00 (74)
Natalie Flintham 11:24.20 (68)

1 Aldershot Farnham & District 22:30.55
32 RHAC A 25:07.90
67 RHAC B 31:07.70
68 RHAC C 32:12.10

The girls, all running in their first national championships, and some in their first race, all performed well. In the "A" team Codie had a great run on leg 1, running the 16th fastest time of the day, and with great support from Georgina and Jessica finished in a creditable position against the standard of competition this event always produces. The other team members all showed determination and enjoyment. When I shouted out "Well done" to Rachel, she replied with a show of impeccable manners "Thank you very much", smiled and ran in to finish. I don't think I have ever seen anyone enjoy

a race as much as Natalie did. They were all a great credit to the club.

Under 13 boys

Good solid runs from all the A team members, Quin running our fastest time despite falling twice in the woods. A good run from Nicholas on the first leg for the B team, and good to see William back competing. Due to not having enough runners to fill 3 teams, I moved Andrew into the B team - since he is such a dependable club runner. Had I put Thomas in, who had a great run, the team would have gained 10 places. Ricky also ran well, and we hope to see him competing throughout the season

RHAC "A" team

Quin Simms 7:33.75 (34)
Christopher Page 8:01.70 (37)
Michael Page 7:49.00 (32)

RHAC "B" team

Nicholas Myers 7:53.40 (56)
William Johnson 8:20.40 (51)
Andrew Lidster 9:43.15 (54)

RHAC "C" team (incomplete)

Ricky Benton 8:35.4 (64)
Thomas Gibbons 8:09.10 (54)

1 Aldershot Farnham & District 20:52.95
32 RHAC A 23:24.45
54 RHAC B 25:56.95

Under 17 Women

Stef ran a blinding first leg, running the 12th fastest time of the day. Abbie ran well, but complained of suffering from stitch (Crumpets for breakfast!?) and Robyn anchored the team to an excellent result. Thanks to the B team members for supporting the club - particularly Claire for stepping in to cover Jemma Creaghan's absence. It can't be easy running a 2500m national cross country championship when you're a thrower, and it's much appreciated!

RHAC "A"

Stef Burns 8:53.15 (4)
Abbie Vernon 9:16.25 (4)
Robyn Lanceley 9:36.60 (7)

RHAC "B"

Laura Barnes 10:28.1 (53)
Rebecca Middleton 11:01.1 (51)
Claire Lebond 14:15.45 (53)

1 Aldershot Farnham & District 25:41.35
7 RHAC "A" 27:46.00
53 RHAC "B" 35:44.55

Under 17 men

We have struggled badly to turn teams out in this age group, and it looked like we would fail again, but thanks to David Booth for agreeing to run first leg before leaping into the family car to dash to Bramall Lane (I hope you made the kick off) and David Coupe (for stepping in at short notice) we had a team. David Booth ran a good first leg, Liam reported some problems with asthma on his leg (of the race, not the body), and David Coupe ensured we finished a team.

David Booth 10:34.90 (66)
Liam Thompson 12:04.25 (80)
David Coupe 13:55.25 (75)

1 Warrington 27:56.85
75 RHAC 36:34.40

Under 20 women

We had the strongest team out, and were hopeful of a good finishing position, but each of the runners ran so well that only Aldershot could beat them on the day. Rosie ran the first leg - as she regularly does - with confidence, bringing the team home in 2nd place and running the 7th fastest time of the day. Natalie went out on leg 2. She had been encouraged by her run 2 weeks ago at Sutton Park (following some time out with injury) and improved on that performance here, holding on to second place, and also

running the 13th fastest time.

Klachen has also been out for a couple of weeks due to injury, and we were unsure whether she could hold off the challenge from the Vale Royal runner, Stevie Stockton. The club supporters were distributed around the circuit, all shouting encouragement, and Klachen ran superbly to bring the team home for an excellent well deserved result. This was the 9th fastest time.

We also had a good standard B team out, Jess running well to finish just outside the top 20 on leg 1, Sarah as reliable as ever, holding that placing. Kim had been asked to run the 3rd leg on the Thursday before the event, and as dependably as always ran well to gain one place and bring the team home in 21st place.

RHAC "A" team

Rosie Edwards 8:30.00 2nd
Natalie Grant 8:43.15 2nd
Klachen Cheshire 8:31.25 2nd

RHAC "B" team

Jessica Fawcett 9:20.40 22nd
Sarah Barnes 10:08.75 22nd
Kim Bateman 11:06.75 21st

1 Aldershot Farnham & District 24:42.65
2 RHAC "A" 25:44.55
21 RHAC "B" 30:35.90

Senior Women

For the first time in many years (if not the first time ever?) we had two full teams. An A team of quality delivered a very impressive 26th placing, and the B team all running well finishing 61st.

Helen Walker ran the first leg for the A team, and - as anyone who has run one will tell you - it ain't easy. Helen ran well - considering this distance is somewhat further than the track distances she is used to - importantly keeping the team up, and Jenny on 2nd leg in contact with a long line of runners. This is just what the coach ordered, since Jenny is in the middle of a heavy training workload and came into the event tired from the many miles she is doing currently each week. Jenny looked to be flowing well and passed 26 runners on her leg. Joanna Walker went out on leg 3. Jo has not been able to get any consistent training in - due to a new job - and we were unsure how she would cope. Admirably seems to sum it up, since Jo gained another 10 places with a confidence boosting run.

Janet passed the final straight photographer not too far behind Helen on leg 1, but then was mis-directed, by marshalls, not once but twice. Her arrow straight finishing sprint resembled something from a Morris dance as she turned and returned twice to get the timing tag onto the mat. Philippa, having something of a dilemma with Janet passing and re-passing her twice, seemed unsure whether to run or rumba, but set off anyway. After this it just remained for Gill, who had a good run, to bring the team home.

RHAC "A"

Helen Walker 11:50.55 (62)
Jenny Blizard 10:08.75 (36)
Joanna Walker 11:13.45 (26)

RHAC "B"

Janet Hindley 12:21.10 (69)
Philippa James 13:10.60 (67)
Gill Taylor 13:05.60 (61)

1 Havering Mayesbrook AC 29:38.30
26 RHAC A 33:54.10
61 RHAC B 38:37.30

Senior men

For the first time ever, it looked as though we could field 3 teams. Unheard of! On the day the potential C team members had a team huddle to boost morale, and emerged with a clear decision not to run. Pete Neal and I were already waverer, but the combined motivation skills of 2 of the team members (level 3 endurance coaches both) caused what little commitment we had to evaporate. It's true that coaching is a real skill, known to only a select few. The other two teams, obviously concerned about being beaten by the old crocks in the team huddle, set off with

renewed intent.

The A team was close to the strongest we could possibly field, and since Jon "exocet" Thewlis was not running leg 1 was likely to move up the field. Phil ran first leg, and had a very good run. A measure of which was the fact that he was only 19 secs behind Nick Goodliffe of Holmfirth (Who ran the fastest time at the Yorks 6 stage road relays). Importantly he was in close contact to the main field when he handed over to Jon. Jon had a fabulous run, passing notables such as Chris Davies (Telford AC), to record the 16th fastest time of the day, and gaining 30 places. Richard and Darren both had good runs. Darren continues the improving trend and is getting closer to race fitness each time he turns out. His run on this occasion gaining 2 places to take the team into the top 25, with some very big clubs behind.

All the B team members recorded good solid runs, as you would expect of such good club supporters. Glen complaining that he was nowhere near fit enough for this standard of event, but running a good time nevertheless, and gaining 7 places. Thanks also to Howard who agreed to run, knowing that to do so would mean tired legs for the following day's SY league XC. (Where he convincingly beat your correspondent, who craftily thought he might be too tired).

RHAC "A"

- Phil Hoole 16:19.05 (56)
- Jon Thewlis 15:01.65 (26)
- Richard Harris 16:21.95 (27)
- Darren Cooney 16:30.15 (25)

RHAC "B"

- Simon Mounsey 17:43.95 (104)
- Dave Nuttall 18:18.30 (100)
- Howard Darwin 19:09.10 (99)
- Glen James 18:50.40 (92)

- 1 Belgrave 1:00:44.1
- 25 RHAC "A" 1:04:12.1
- 92 RHAC "B" 1:14:01.75

UK Cross Challenge 2

Sefton Park.

The series was originally created to provide top level domestic competition for UK athletes, and the second event of this season was also the European selection race. This ensured that the field, in all races, was of top quality. Credit is due to Dennis Russell and his squad for consistently entering and competing in this series. It is only by competing in events such as this, that athletes can test themselves over a short fast course, and truly judge how they are performing. On the strength of the performances recorded, the verdict has to be very well indeed.

Recent new member Codie Marsh, who has been dominant in the South Yorkshire XC series this season, ran her first Cross Challenge and finished a creditable 42nd in the U13 girls event. The U17 and U20 women run together, and both Rosie Edwards, Natalie Grant and Stef Burns had excellent runs, with good support from Abbie, Jess & Robyn. U17 & U20 women

9th	Rosie Edwards (6th U20)	15:44
26th	Natalie Grant (17th U20)	16:12
29th	Stef Burns (10th U17)	16:17
65th	Abbie Vernon	17:03
73rd	Jess Fawcett	17:12
103	Robyn Lanceley	17:51

Thewlis Outstanding

Jon Thewlis also competed here (He did compete at the first event at Gateshead, but our correspondent missed in the results, apologies) finishing an excellent 40th position.

In fact Jon has therefore run a first-rate 22nd at Gateshead in 29m26s and 40th at Liverpool with a time of 32.33. In such top national fields as these, outstanding performances. Complementing of course the blistering relay stages he has been throwing in for RH teams.



Right: Abbie Vernon takes it on in stage 2 at the cross-country relays.

Below: Curtis Benton keeps ahead of heavy traffic on stage 2 of the U15 boys- it looks not far into the stage and the crowd is clearly getting excited.

Far right top: Stef Burns and below her Rosie Edwards, Jess Fawcett and Natalie Grant pictured at the UK Cross series.

Thanks to Steve Gaines and Alison Fawcett for these and other photos in this edition.

Bottom right: Jon Thewlis pictured here launching the national 6-stage relay back in October where he brought us home third (having chucked Joe Gavalle in at position 1 in the northern in the qualifying event!). Stunning running.



Barnsley 10k 18/11

25	Paul Drury	Atlanta/RHAC	M40	00:37:23
35	Keith Williams	RHAC	M55	00:38:24
36	John Atkinson	RHAC	M50	00:38:25
51	Robert Tinting	RHAC	M60	00:39:15
67	Matthew Asbridge	RHAC	M	00:40:15
69	John Spencer	RHAC	M45	00:40:18
122	Richard Campbell	RHAC	M40	00:42:36
135	Kevin Thomas	RHAC	M55	00:43:08
137	Keely Atkinson	RHAC	F	00:43:14
141	Neil Shaw	RHAC	M	00:43:29
477	Diane Spencer	RHAC	F40	00:55:33

Percy Pud 2/12

1	00:31:29	Andrew Thake	M	Hallam
2	00:31:37	Philip Hoole	M	RHAC
3	00:32:23	Richard Harris	M	RHAC
24	00:36:01	David Nuttall	M 45	RHAC
25	00:36:06	Simon Mounsey	M	RHAC
41	00:37:34	Keith Williams	M 50	RHAC
50	00:37:55	David Booth	M	RHAC
53	00:37:58	Robert Tinting	M 60	RHAC
76	00:39:01	Matthew Asbridge	M	RHAC
112	00:40:34	Stuart Lake	M 50	RHAC
113	00:40:41	Nigel Cook	M 40	RHAC
124	00:41:10	Neil Shaw	M	RHAC
132	00:41:22	Richard Campbell	M 40	RHAC
185	00:43:06	Brian Harvey	M 60	RHAC
189	00:43:13	Kerry Booth	M 45	RHAC
218	00:43:49	Lee Carrett	M	RHAC
234	00:44:09	Ray Howarth	M 50	RHAC
652	00:52:30	Jim Gallagher	M 45	RHAC

Worksop Half 28/10

1	01:11:13	Williams, Nathaniel	NyMrs	Senior M
2	01:12:07	Deakin, Robert	Bchfd	M Vet 40-44
3	01:13:09	Keal, Robert	Redhill	Senior M
23	01:21:36	Mounsey, Simon	RHAC	Senior M
26	01:22:09	Donaldson, Drew	RHAC	M Vet 45-49
49	01:24:43	Marsters, Michael	RHAC	M Vet 55-59
136	01:31:47	Neal, Peter	RHAC	M Vet 50-54
188	01:34:23	Shaw, Neil	RHAC	Senior M
205	01:35:16	Campbell, Paul	RHAC	M Vet 40-44
413	01:43:39	Mcdermott, John	RHAC	M Vet 45-49
425	01:44:05	Haigh, Philip	RHAC	M Vet 50-54
556	01:47:45	Burke, David	RHAC	M Vet 45-49
1112	02:08:49	Gallacher, Jim	RHAC	M Vet 45-49

Clowne Half Marathon

1	01:11:06	Nataniel Williams	NyMrs	-
2	01:13:24	Dav Connor	Ripley	O/40
3	01:15:23	Andrzej Swatowski	Rugeley	
32	01:25:16	Terry Eastwood	RHAC	O/50
43	01:27:21	Matthew Asbridge	RHAC	-
66	01:30:57	John Mcdermott	RHAC	O/40
126	01:37:10	Philip Haigh	RHAC	O/50
155	01:40:19	Neil Shaw	RHAC	-
226	01:45:36	David Burke	RHAC	O/40
273	01:48:33	Jenny Horan	RHAC	L O/55
283	01:49:05	Roy Butterworth	RHAC	O/40
315	01:52:36	Adele Morris	RHAC	L O/35

November

Leg it Round Lathkill

7 miles hilly, off road race near Bakewell.
Kevin Thomas, Eleanor Thomas, Jenny Horan, Adele Morris
Jenny 1st O/60 ladies prize.

1/12/07

Silkstone 'Shuffle'

4.5 mile multi terrain (Barnsley Harriers) last of a series of 4
Kevin Thomas (26th overall), Eleanor Thomas (5th lady),
Sharon Burton (7th lady, 1st O40)

Quibell Park XC

Scunthorpe

1	J Riley	Skyrac	7.32
2	S Cherrie	Louth	7.39
3	J Lonsdale	Hull	7.39
9	M Bailey	RHAC	8.06
18	G Spencer	RHAC	8.33
28	H Flintham	RHAC	9.49
Under 17 men			
1	J Rowe	Beverley	25.39
2	D Booth	RHAC	26.09
3	M Cage	Hull	27.36

Senior Men

1	P.Bangani	Sen	Salford	36.10
2	J Maxfield	Sen	Scun	37.24
3	G Mann	Sen	Scun	37.26
11	G James	Sen	RHAC	40.47
14	J Spencer	Vet	RHAC	41.32
29	K Booth	Vet	RHAC	46.07

Senior Women

1	L Curtis	Sen	Scun	20
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VETERAN WOMEN

1st	J Clarke	Vet	Linc W	22.06
2nd	P James	Vet	RHAC	24.04
3rd	J Turner	Vet	Skyrac	26.05

S.Yorks Cross-country Winterhill XC 25/11

Men, Vet Men and U20 Men

1	SheffRC	John Heneghan	Man	00:35:09
13	RHAC	Paul Humphries	Man	00:39:31
27	RHAC	David Smith	U20 Man	00:42:03
33	RHAC	Robert Tinting	V 60	00:42:31
34	RHAC	Huward Darwin	V 40	00:42:33
40	RHAC	Dave Storey	Man	00:43:30
49	RHAC	John Spencer	V 40	00:44:36
57	RHAC	David Scholey	Man	00:45:57
63	RHAC	Steven Rossall	Man	00:46:40
70	RHAC	Steve Gorrill	V 40	00:47:15
83	RHAC	Kerry Booth	V 40	00:48:43
84	RHAC	Kevin Thomas	V 50	00:48:45

Ladies, Vet Ladies and U20 Ladies

1	RHAC	Rosie Edwards	U20 Lady	00:25:14
4	RHAC	Jade Allen	U20 Lady	00:27:31
16	RHAC	Sue Bellamy	LV 35	00:30:53
18	RHAC	Eleanor Thomas	Lady	00:31:55
20	RHAC	Sharon Burton	LV 35	00:32:13
33	RHAC	Charlotte Elliss	Lady	00:34:43
35	RHAC	Alex Palmer	U20 Lady	00:35:03
56	RHAC	Diane Spencer	LV 35	00:41:51

U17 Men

1	DoncAC	Jacob Clarke	U17 Man	00:23:31
6	RHAC	David Booth	U17 Man	00:26:07

U17 Ladies

1	Hallam	Nicola Birch	U17 Lady	00:17:36
3	RHAC	Jemma Creaghan	U17 Lady	00:18:59
6	RHAC	Claire Lebond	U17 Lady	00:25:20

U15 Boys

1	SheffAC	James Gray	U15 Boy	00:14:42
3	RHAC	Cian Scothern	U15 Boy	00:16:02

U15 Girls

1	RHAC	Natasha Hatswell	U15 Girl	00:13:12
4	RHAC	Drew Phillips	U15 Girl	00:13:38
9	RHAC	Rachel Hall	U15 Girl	00:14:58
10	RHAC	Georgina Arif	U15 Girl	00:15:02
14	RHAC	Melissa Hellewell	U15 Girl	00:16:21

U13 Boys

1	Donc	Nick Beastall	U13 Boy	00:13:41
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3	RHAC	Quin Simms	U13 Boy	00:13:50
5	RHAC	Nicholas Myers	U13 Boy	00:14:56
10	RHAC	Andrew Lidster	U13 Boy	00:18:19

U13 Girls

1	Hallam	Claire Wilsher	U13 Girl	00:13:01
2	RHAC	Codie Marsh	U13 Girl	00:13:07
9	RHAC	Megan Bailey	U13 Girl	00:14:11
10	RHAC	Georgina Spencer	U13 Girl	00:14:21
14	RHAC	Jessica Mangham	U13 Girl	00:14:58
21	RHAC	Olivia Abell	U13 Girl	00:15:32
25	RHAC	Rachel Owen	U13 Girl	00:16:16
30	RHAC	Sophie Kirby	U13 Girl	00:17:41

U11 Boys

1	DoncAC	Kye Stothard	U11 Boy	00:06:22
4	RHAC	Kane Smith	U11 Boy	00:06:36
5	RHAC	Jarrood Beedle	U11 Boy	00:06:56
10	RHAC	Jordan Small	U11 Boy	00:07:07
13	RHAC	Bradley Nelson	U11 Boy	00:07:16
15	RHAC	Jordan Hutchinson	U11 Boy	00:07:35
17	RHAC	Dominic Bird	U11 Boy	00:07:48
18	RHAC	Sam Jones	U11 Boy	00:07:55
19	RHAC	George Havenhand	U11 Boy	00:08:03
21	RHAC	Brandon Harris	U11 Boy	00:08:16
22	RHAC	Daniel Proctor	U11 Boy	00:08:20
23	RHAC	Kyle Hatfield	U11 Boy	00:08:29
24	RHAC	Alex Campbell	U11 Boy	00:08:32

U11 Girls

1	Hallam	Charlotte Slack	U11 Girl	00:06:41
10	RHAC	Emily Hutchinson	U11 Girl	00:07:17
13	RHAC	Kristie Edwards	U11 Girl	00:07:40
19	RHAC	Chantelle Kelwick	U11 Girl	00:08:07
22	RHAC	Emily Kay	U11 Girl	00:08:18
24	RHAC	Mollie Arif	U11 Girl	00:08:20
28	RHAC	Emily Miles	U11 Girl	00:08:33
29	RHAC	Holly Fenwick	U11 Girl	00:08:46
35	RHAC	Emily Sanderson	U11 Girl	00:09:11
37	RHAC	Claudia Longdon	U11 Girl	00:09:51
38	RHAC	Olivia Whitehouse	U11 Girl	00:09:58

AWARDS EVENING

Friday 11th January
7.30

Trades Club
Greasbrough Street
Rotherham

**BUFFET
DISCO
AWARDS**

Adult £5, Junior/full time
education £3

**Jack Phipps Award
Patricia Muller Award
Peter Elliott Award
Most Improved Athlete
Road, Track & Field and
Cross-country Awards**

SYCAA 'Keep on Running' Cross Country League 2007/8

Final League Fixture and Championships

Hayfield Lakes,

Doncaster, 9 December 2007

Senior / Junior / Vet men

1	Andy Thake	00:33:45	Hallam	Man
2	Phillip Hoole	00:34:41	RHAC	Man
22	Paul Humphries	00:38:45	RHAC	Man
36	Glenn James	00:40:30	RHAC	Man
37	Robert Tintinger	00:40:34	RHAC	1st V 60
39	Howard Darwin	00:40:49	RHAC	V 40
40	Dave Storey	00:41:10	RHAC	Man
42	Peter Neal	00:41:37	RHAC	V 50
58	David Scholey	00:43:51	RHAC	Man
59	David Smith	00:43:55	RHAC	U20 Man
66	Steve Gorrill	00:44:23	RHAC	V 40
78	Kevin Thomas	00:45:42	RHAC	V 50

Teams

- Hallamshire Harriers
- Sheffield Hallam University
- Doncaster AC

Under 17 Men

1	Joe Gratton	00:20:58	Hallam	U17 Man
6	David Booth	00:24:14	RHAC	U17 Man

Teams:

- Hallamshire Harriers

Senior / Junior / Vet Ladies

1	Julia Russell	00:21:55	Hallam	Lady
2	Natalie Grant	00:22:26	RHAC	1st U20 Lady
6	Jess Fawcett	00:24:20	RHAC	3rd U20 Lady
15	Sue Bellamy	00:27:16	RHAC	LV 35
17	Eleanor Thomas	00:27:41	RHAC	Lady
28	Kim Bateman	00:29:28	RHAC	U20 Lady
46	Diane Spencer	00:36:10	RHAC	LV 35

Teams

- Hallamshire Harriers
- Rotherham Harriers

Under 17 Ladies

1	Stef Burns	00:14:05	RHAC	U17 Lady
5	Jemma Creaghan	00:17:10	RHAC	U17 Lady
9	Claire Lebond	00:21:46	RHAC	U17 Lady

No team

Under 11 Girls

1	Ellie Stothard	00:06:45	Donc	U11 Girl
10	Emily Hutchinson	00:07:29	RHAC	U11 Girl
17	Kristie Edwards	00:07:54	RHAC	U11 Girl
20	Chantelle Kelwick	00:08:03	RHAC	U11 Girl
27	Emily Miles	00:08:28	RHAC	U11 Girl
32	Mollie Arif	00:08:49	RHAC	U11 Girl
33	Emily Kay	00:08:50	RHAC	U11 Girl
38	Claudia Longdon	00:09:18	RHAC	U11 Girl
41	Olivia Whitehouse	00:09:45	RHAC	U11 Girl

Team

- Doncaster AC

Under 11 Boys

1	Kye Stothard	00:06:27	Donc	U11 Boy
6	Jordan Small	00:07:04	RHAC	U11 Boy
8	Kane Smith	00:07:22	RHAC	U11 Boy
9	Bradley Nelson	00:07:23	RHAC	U11 Boy
11	Jordan Hutchinson	00:07:37	RHAC	U11 Boy
15	Sam Jones	00:08:22	RHAC	U11 Boy
16	Brandon Harris	00:08:33	RHAC	U11 Boy

Team

- Doncaster AC

Under 13 Girls

1	Codie Marsh	00:12:14	RHAC	U13 Girl
10	Megan Bailey	00:13:30	RHAC	U13 Girl
12	Georgina Spencer	00:13:54	RHAC	U13 Girl
14	Jessica Mangham	00:14:06	RHAC	U13 Girl
22	Olivia Abell	00:14:50	RHAC	U13 Girl
31	Elsbeth Bovan	00:17:02	RHAC	U13 Girl
32	Hayley Flintham	00:17:14	RHAC	U13 Girl

Team

- Hallamshire Harriers

Under 15 Girls

1	Calli Thackery	00:11:29	Hallam	U15 Girl
2	Natasha Hatswell	00:12:35	RHAC	U15 Girl
6	Drew Phillips	00:13:19	RHAC	U15 Girl
13	Rachel Hall	00:14:13	RHAC	U15 Girl
14	Olivia Neal	00:14:23	RHAC	U15 Girl
15	Georgina Arif	00:14:42	RHAC	U15 Girl
16	Melissa Hellewell	00:15:31	RHAC	U15 Girl

Team

- Hallamshire Harriers

Under 13 Boys

1	Quin Simms	00:13:09	RHAC	U13 Boy
5	Nicholas Myers	00:13:55	RHAC	U13 Boy
7	Christopher Page	00:14:11	RHAC	U13 Boy

Team

- Doncaster AC

Under 15 Boys

1	Daniel Jepson	00:13:38	Sheff AC	U15 Boy
4	Cian Scothern	00:15:45	RHAC	U15 Boy

No team

Series Results

SYCAA 'Keep on Running' Cross Country League 2007/8

Final League Positions

showing position, cumulative points (on place) and time

Men

1	17	02:16:52	Darran Newbold	Hallam
4	57	02:26:42	Paul Humphries	RHAC
10	134	02:41:40	Dave Storey	RHAC

V 40

1	5	02:15:08	Martin Broadhead	Hallam
8	49	02:37:07	Howard Darwin	RHAC

V 50

1	10	02:33:12	Mike Quinn	Sheffi RC
5	65	02:58:07	Kevin Thomas	RHAC

V 60

4		02:36:07	Robert Tintinger	RHAC
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U20 Man

1	4	02:14:44	Luke Stafford	Hallam
3	20	02:36:36	David Smith	RHAC

U17 Man

1	9	01:28:35	Alex Walker	SheffAC
5	23	01:33:40	David Booth	RHAC

Snr Lady

1	17	01:43:28	Jenny Horne	Sheff RC
6	44	01:56:37	Eleanor Thomas	RHAC

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1	7	01:40:42	Jane Ayres	Doncaster AC
7	62	02:29:12	Diane Spencer	RHAC

U17 Lady

1	11	01:09:16	Jemma Creaghan	RHAC
2	24	01:31:09	Claire Lebond	RHAC

U11 Boy

1	4	00:24:48	Kye Stothard	Donc
3	20	00:26:35	Kane Smith	RHAC
5	29	00:27:15	Jordan Small	RHAC
8	54	00:28:56	Bradley Nelson	RHAC
10	57	00:29:32	Jordan Hutchinson	RHAC
12	76	00:32:00	Sam Jones	RHAC
14	82	00:32:31	Brandon Harris	RHAC

U11 Girl

1	7	00:26:18	Ellie Stothard	Donc
7	33	00:28:26	Emily Hutchinson	RHAC
9	52	00:30:28	Kristie Edwards	RHAC

14	80	00:32:08	Chantelle Kelwick	RHAC
19	114	00:33:47	Emily Miles	RHAC

U13 Boy

1	6	00:53:46	Nick Beastall	Doncaster
AC				
2	7	00:54:06	Quin Simms	RHAC

U13 Girl

1	5	00:51:13	Codie Marsh	RHAC
7	33	00:54:52	Megan Bailey	RHAC
9	41	00:56:12	Georgina Spencer	RHAC
11	47	00:56:52	Jessica Mangham	RHAC
15	75	00:59:56	Olivia Abell	RHAC

U15 Boy

1	13	00:59:50	Cian Scothern	RHAC
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U15 Girl

1	5	00:51:25	Natasha Hatswell	RHAC
6	35	00:58:22	Rachel Hall	RHAC
8	53	01:04:28	Melissa Hellewell	RHAC



Rebecca Middleton (top) and Rachel Hall at the cross-country relays

From Ralph Rowbotham

Chicago, Chicago

Kim Scott (Rowbotham) recently achieved an ambition, and that was to break four hours for the Marathon, and what a break, more than 20 minutes inside the target. She attained this time in the Tucson Arizona marathon, no less! Weather conditions perfect, albeit with plenty of downhill, which is not always an advantage.

But a record for her was surely on when one considers that she missed the magic figure by 10 seconds in the "London" last year, but here she had brought a friend over from the U.S.A. and promised to run with her, but at 20 miles her companion was tiring fast, leaving Kim to forge ahead but not enough time to make the finish in less than four hours.

So her home town Chicago Marathon was the next chance, in October this year, and she even had Brian Harney as a pacemaker and Mum and Dad to cheer her on. But things looked ominous as the temperature crept up throughout the week to a forecast 86 deg. on the day. They were spot on!

The full team plus pacemakers and family and supporters arrived in town in style, by stretch limo, but the thermometer showed 73 deg. at 7.30 a.m. and not a track suit in sight. So the group set off, at 8.am, with the other 30,000 even though more than 2,000 had dipped out. As the race wore on, it got hotter and another 2,000 dropped out of the race. Word went round that there were casualties, and every one of the 300 ambulances was in use! But our pair were running cautiously and taking all the water they could. But by 12 noon, water stations had run out, mainly due to athletes pouring it over their heads, rather than drinking it, several athletes critical in hospital, and as mentioned no more ambulances,

The race was called off! How can they do it you might ask? The course was shortened drastically, by removing road barriers and allowing runners to move from 12 miles to 19 miles shortcutting the grid system, all runners were then requested to walk, but obviously our pair were within a couple of miles of the finish, and collected their medals at 4 hours 16 minutes.

So back to cowboy country, Arizona, two hours flight from Chicago. Only a thousand entries, Kim and her pal were bussed to the start, largely uphill but clear skies and views of the Santa Catalina mountains. A cool temperature of 40 deg. to start, and warming up nicely, what with the exercise, the drop in altitude and nearing mid-day, Kim was running so easily she was forecasting 3hrs 30 at the 23 miles mark, but tendon trouble put paid to that! Final result 308th overall, 71st out of 400 women and 16th in her age group.

So a new p.b. 3.39.14 for the marathon was well worth the journey.

From Road secretary Peter Neal

London Marathon Entries 2008

The Club has received four guaranteed entries for the London Marathon 2008. These entries will be distributed in a similar way as in previous years.

First claim will be given to those runners who have applied to enter the race in the normal manner but have been rejected through the lottery selection. Rejection slips will be drawn out of the hat and the first four will receive the entry forms. A further two names will then be drawn in case any of the original four decide that they do not wish to enter.

In the event of there been less than four rejection slips put forward for the draw then any surplus guaranteed entries will be made available for a secondary draw.

This draw will be made from a list of names of people who have filled in the appropriate form (see below) who wish to run the London Marathon 2008.

The draw/draws will take place during the Christmas Day Handicap Race presentation at the Park Hotel, Middle Lane.

Rejection slips and other application forms must be handed to either Jim Brogan or Peter Neal prior to the Christmas Handicap event.

Please note,

1. Entries will only be given to fully paid up members for the 2007 season
2. Members must be first claim Rotherham Harriers & AC
3. You still have to pay the appropriate entry fee

Application for London Marathon "guaranteed" entry form

Name

Address

Telephone Number

I wish to be include in the draw for any surplus entry forms for the London Marathon 2008

I am a fully paid up first claim member of Rotherham Harriers & AC

Signed

if you can't get to a form, make an application with these details

Date

Completed forms to be handed to Jim Brogan or Peter Neal before the Christmas Day Handicap.

Draw to take place (if necessary) during Handicap presentation 25.12.2007

Extending our series on rights of way, from Tony Sarjeant. "Trespassers Will Be Prosecuted"- or will they?



Trespass

75 years ago several ramblers were arrested and jailed for riotous assembly when they trespassed on Kinder Scout. However, this is now commemorated as a seminal event since it is considered to have led to legislation to establish the National Parks and to walkers' rights over open country and common land.

Trespassers cannot normally be prosecuted but they can be sued - trespass is a civil wrong and not a crime. The landholder may take action against trespasser in civil courts, where they can be awarded damages. However, this law is of little practical use - there is little chance of such a matter ever being so serious as to be worth suing over. It rarely happens and is not likely to happen in the case of harmless recreational use of land.

Prosecution can occur where entry has been made a criminal offence such as around railways, airports, ports and military land and for ignoring a foot-and-mouth restriction or carrying out unlawful assembly

Trespass is committed when a person enters land without lawful authority. Lawful authority includes the right to follow a public right of way to pass and re-pass 'and for purposes reasonably incidental thereto'. So trespass also includes where users exceed their entitlement such as cycling or pushing a cycle on a footpath. However, courts have deemed such things as sitting down for a rest, making a sketch, stopping to talk, taking a photo, having a picnic or taking a dog or pram with you are permissible.

If a person commits trespass and refuses to comply with a request to leave made by the landholder or his agent then reasonable force may be used to compel them to do so.

It has been ruled that if a right of way has been obstructed by the landholder then people are entitled to pass onto another line on land belonging to the same landholder. This includes where a ploughed field has not been re-instated within the prescribed time or where crops present a severe obstacle making it unreasonably inconvenient to use. In which case it should be alright to walk round the edge of the field but this doesn't apply where the obstruction is due to natural causes.

Track & Field

South Yorks Report (Les Outwin)

The Wilkinson Sword Trophy awarded to the top Track and Field Club in South Yorkshire has been won by Doncaster A.C. The full result, the aggregate of points scored in the Relay Championships, the Under 11 and Under 13 Combined Events and the Senior Championships was announced at the latest meeting of the County Committee.

1. Doncaster A.C	507 points	5. Hallamshire H.&A.C	134 points
2. Barnsley A.C	391 points	6. Wombwell S.A.C	94 points
3. Rotherham H.&A.C	297 points	7. Dearnside High A.C	61 points
4. City of Sheffield A.	209 points		

The meeting also heard a report from a group which reviewed our Track & Field competitions for last year. Full details of the changes for next year will be given nearer to the start of the season but the Under 11 and Under 13 competition will mainly be the same but there will be some changes to the Senior programme with Championship events incorporated into the League meetings.

Our Treasurer, Pauline Senior made a plea for prompt payment of League fees, as she is having to spend a considerable amount of time trying to contact Club Treasurers or the club officials who give out the numbers and collect the money. We try to keep a list of Treasurers and Team Managers for the clubs competing in our various leagues. Can you help us keep up to date with contact details and make Pauline's job a little easier?

Thanks to everyone who provided details of fixtures for 2008. Copies of the County Directory and Fixture List should be with Club Secretaries early in the New Year and will be available for everyone on the website.

A Good Deal: Why your club fees are going down!

There is still it seems some confusion about club subscriptions, so here goes to clarify (with particular reference to senior members).

Firstly, for existing members. In 2007, your subscription was £20 to the club, and you paid £3 to North of England for a registration number. The registration has been taken over by England Athletics, and we understand it will be more seriously applied- ie you will have to quote your number when entering a race rather than just leaving a gap, as most of us have done. They have raised to price to £5 (but say they will try to keep it there for some time).

The RH secretary has found it a recurrent problem that members don't understand why they have to "pay twice" so we have taken the step of including EA registration in the membership fee for 2008. So £5 will be passed on the EA from your subscription. Since you know the club membership is due 1st January it shouldn't be too hard to pay it before 1st March: that earns you a £5 reduction. So £30 for the year reduced by £5 for payment when due means you pay £25 (£20 to RHAC and £5 sent on to England Athletics). In other words, as far as RH is concerned, no change from 2007, the club takes £20.

Why "before 1st Match"? Well, because RHAC is obliged to report to EA a full list of registered club members before 1st April.

When we are coming up to year 2009, ie in a year's time, the fees for membership will be at first sight £35 for a senior member. But it should be considerably less. Here's why. First, the same considerations as for 2008, £5 goes to EA, and £5 is knocked off for paying not more than 2 months after due date. That means your subs have reduced to £30 of which RH sends £5 to EA. But in order to recognise the support of members in competition or organising, RH is willing to knock a further £10 off fees for supporters. So your fees may well reduce to £20 of which RH sends £5 to EA. In other words, your subs are only £15 to RH in 2009.

How do you qualify? Simple: during the time available (ie Nov/Dec 2007 and all 2008) represent RHAC in competition 6 times. That's all. The recent Round Rotherham could be one. Any open or team race you run, or event you compete in, (or help in) as an RHAC member is one eg London Marathon, big relays, Ulley Res, Open Track & Field, Triathlon, in fact anywhere where CLUBS are in competition and YOU are taking part. I keep a log of events; YOU correct me if I'm wrong.

You may be unable to compete: talk to the secretary. You have an option to help at events, or bring new members to the club. We are not trying to penalise people, quite the reverse. For example long-term injured athletes, pregnant ladies, older athletes, work relocations, etc etc should contact Steve. People who help consistently in RH's efforts, at all sorts of levels, are now being recognised and subs reduction may be a minor issue in their case.

Several members have **ALREADY QUALIFIED** for lower subscriptions in 2009. Dave Booth was the first. You can keep a check on the situation if you wish by looking at the club Events Log on the website, if you don't use the internet ask PH.

If it is the case that you no longer want to compete in athletics events, you have the option of not getting the £10 reduction, or of going for **Associate Membership** at £5 per year (without EA registration, which doesn't matter if you don't compete).

New Members will be charged £30 in 2008 and 2009. This fee covers payment to RH, £5 to EA, and provision of a club vest. (this measure was really aimed at juniors who did not turn out in RH colours). If applicants already have a vest (value about £10), as is possible in the case of returning members, talk to the secretary.

Family membership is enigmatic; it all depends on how many people are involved. We thought it best to say, talk to the secretary to find the most cost-effective solution. **Second claim membership** (£10 renewal £20 new) is available basically for people who are members of clubs who do not compete over as wide a range as we do. They bring better performance to our teams and are welcome, hence the low fee.

RHAC Fees are probably lower than most clubs, but we have to observe that facilities available to us at our base are not high-class. The organisers of RHAC that you have elected not only look after the club's assets but continuously strive to improve not only the club's performance and image, but also the environment in which we meet, train and work.

If you get no reduction except for paying in January or February, in 2009 it will be £25 to RHAC (plus £5 to EA passed on). That's less than 50p per week, which is the price of a quarter of a pint of beer, and I suggest that it is very good value for money. If like me you are proud to be part of a great club, it's a no-brainer. But even in strictly material terms it is good value: your newsletters alone are worth around £15 or more per year and you get them free! Even posted to you if you can't get to Herringthorpe. You have information flyers, coaching advice, reduced costs for physio and purchase for example, low-cost events organised, subsidised race entry and travel to team events and so on. But to my mind the best of all benefit is the social, and the mutual support and encouragement of fine athletes (of all levels of performance) for each other.

There are advertising and information flyers at the club if you still need details.

[I should explain that I was a prime mover in getting a review group finally accepted to advise the executive committee and members on subscription issues and pricing: Steve Gaines, Peter Neal, Steve Lebond, Kevin Thomas, Peter Humphries were the members. If you have views, pass them on. We are listening.]

Stop Press

As Rotherham Runner goes to press, I have been informed Rotherham MBC development plans for the Herringthorpe area are published.

You will probably find these first in the local newspaper; we will assess them from an athletics point of view next month.

Flyers now available at RHAC include:

Representing Your Club

details of all the competitive events you can find to turn out through the year (at various age groups)

Club Membership

details of payment of subscription and general club membership

KMR Series

details of the races included in the joint series with Kimberworth and Maltby

Road Series and Spring Fixtures

details of the races in the series 2008 with rules and historical note and a very full fixture list

more to come
get your copies

Quiz : last month

Last month's pictures had two with Don Creamer a major figure. The group of four was shot outside the sports hall of Wickersley Comprehensive School at the start of a YOT handicap event as part of a summer sports day. These events were very popular at the time, and involved running a course (in this case, the old cross-country course of Wickersley School, about 2.6 miles) and guessing your time. Nearest at the end of the event is the winner. You can see no-one is



duet picture, and I am aware that Ted gets a copy of RR courtesy of Martin Herrington's delivery service each month. Ted (who was a vet well before I was) rang me with info concerning these snaps and subsequently came over to Winterhill to watch the SY Cross-country event the following week.

Ted says the photos were taken during the first John o' Groats to Land's End run (1977). His partner is John Hall, and the shot is taken at Shap Fell not long after the border. He says they had no proper food until Preston Cricket Ground! I don't think there is any implication of a Scottish plot here, simply that the logistics of getting around in the north country made it difficult to maintain supplies and movement was considerably faster once in England.

The group picture shows on the left one of the drivers of the two vans (one on the road at any time) who were John Raynor and Bill Brown. The placed left to right are Roy Tinker, who still turns out sometimes with Kimberworth, Brian Whittaker (who I remember I think Ted said came from Derby), George Kay (ex Crewe, and a Barnsley member) and Bill Marshall- for many years a runner, then coach I think and certainly timekeeper at RH.



And on the right the legendary Billy Burns. Bill ran well into his eighties and was reliably to be found in all RH promoted events at the time, but this is one of very few pictures I have ever seen of him! He lived just across the road from the club at Durham Place during my early years at RH (1978-). He spent a number of years on Malta. I don't remember him as being very talkative, but I



trying it on by wearing a watch. Hundreds ran, and I recall in this particular event Phil Guerrier of Dark Peak was the winner.

The four shown are Don Creamer, myself (not looking as slim and fast as memory fancifully has me), Keith Rollinson and Ken Ridgeway. All TH members, Don of course not active these days, nor is Keith though I was pleased last winter to come across him at Rotherham Hospital and find he is in good general health though not able to run these days. Fine runners both in their day.

As was, and is Ken Ridgeway- ('posing for the camera' was the unkind comment of one of his friends- I won't say who but mine's a pint!) and Ken still turns out with the Wickersley contingent on Saturday mornings on numerous occasions, 8.30 am off at the recreation ground. I think the year was 1979 or thereabouts. Ken's younger son Gary is a good standard cyclist and runner; sometimes trains with Jenny Blizzard and has been a stalwart member of the RHAC 'Snails' series RRR relay teams which was finally successful in winning the mixed team relay last Sunday. He is seriously considering taking up running and could be a class performer I would say.

recall asking him what it was like. He replied that he had no idea, during the years he was there he spent every daylight hour hiding underground from the Luftwaffe.

These photos reaped quite a crop of comments, not only from Ted. Mary Chapman, who runs with Striders, was on the email within an hour of it going online but wrongly thought Don in the group picture was Keith Metcalfe, of Mexborough. That brought back some memories too- as Mary says, Keith was a fine distance runner. It is timely to remind ourselves that our website, and consequently our newsletter as well, are widely read by people outside RHAC- generally speaking, runners of course. We have heard on frequent occasions that the fixtures information particularly is regarded highly.

Then I had this from Joyce Turner, (which I think relates to the picture of Don grouped from the month before):-

Dear Peter, Just to say it was so nice to see Don Creamer's photo in the Oct 07 Rotherham Runner.

I was a member of the Harriers for about 10 years (at the time this photo was taken probably between 1974 and 1984, and yes I can remember the cinder track, I used to train with Kim, Ralph's daughter, and Julie Creamer Don's daughter, the Moxons and of course Peter Elliott). I can remember Don, Ralph, Brian Harney, Phil Allen, Quentin and it looks like Eddie Kirkup also on the photo? I noted the comment about whether it was Adrian Steventon or Ian Newsome behind Dave, and I'm pretty sure that it was Ian Newsome. His mum Sylvia used to act as a coach to some of the younger runners.

My son has recently been training with the Harriers on a Monday evening, and it has brought back so many happy memories for me.

Thank you, from Joyce Turner (nee Carter) And thank you in turn, Joyce, it's nice of you to write.

As a final comment: all of this comes from a couple of photos which, when offered for publication, came with the suggestion that they might not be of much interest! ALL of your old photos will be of interest to someone. Not necessarily old, for that matter. Keep them coming.

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Don again in the solo picture, same event, same course, different year. Later or earlier I couldn't say, but the shot is above Slack's Pond somewhere not far from Kingsforth Lane.

What a great pleasure it was to find that the other pictures, indistinct as they are, brought back memories for another RHAC stalwart. Ted Pickering features centrally in the