

Three Peaks Mountain Race

Sunday 20 April 2008

25th Three Peaks Race



26km Race (approximate distance)

Tom Hunt put in a huge effort to win the 2008 Three Peaks Mountain Race finishing first in the Open Men's grade. Second placed Axel Reiser (first MM35-49 in 2:06.04) and third placed Mike Wakelin (second MM35-49 in 2:06.36) were unable to close the gap he had built and Tom Hunt finished ahead of them in 2 hours 4 minutes 51 seconds. In fourth place was Leith's Andrew Lonie (third MM35-49) who was not far behind this bunch in 2:08.00. Fifth across the line was the second Open Men's runner Stewart Paul in 2:12.42 and sixth was the third Open Men's runner Dougal Allan in 2:16.14.

In 13th place overall was the first female to finish, Master's Women 35-49 runner Sue Cuthbert in 2:24.35. In 26th place overall and second woman across the line was the Master Women's second placed runner Sabine Schweitzer in 2:40.18. Just 40 seconds behind her was the first Open Women's runner and 27th overall and third woman to cross the finish line Louisa Andrew in 2:40.58. And 44th overall was Viv Eyers the first MW50+ runner in 2:53.59. Then in quick succession in overall 46th, 47th and 48th positions were 3rd MW35-49 runner Clare McDonald in 2:56.29, 3rd Open Woman runner Rebecca Wood in 2:56.45 and second MW50+ runner Jan Craig in 2:56.46. Third MW50+ runner Claire Giles finished in 3:02.36.

In 18th place overall was Dave McLean who was the first MM50+ runner in 2:30.56. Second MM50+ runner was James Park in 2:43.55 in 31st place overall. In 35th place overall was the third placed MM50+ runner Grant Koedyk in 2:46.46.

2-Person Teams Event over 26km (approximate distance)

*Woodhaugh Street, Flagstaff, Swampy (team change), Mt Cargill, Chingford Park
First leg 11km, Second leg 15km*

There was also some keen competition in the two-person teams race. The first team across the line was the Men's team of Geoff Williamson (0:59.21 from start to Swampy Summit) Bevan Stevens (1:00.27 from Swampy Summit to finish) for a combined time of 1:59.48. Second team across the line was the Leith Men's team of Peter Frew (1:14.26 from start to Swampy Summit) and John Bayne (1:08.46 from Swampy Summit to finish) for a combined time of 2:23.12. Third team to finish was the Men's team of Stu Crooks (1:08.07 from start to Swampy Summit) and Kyle Cameron (1:18.02 from Swampy Summit to finish) for a combined time of 2:26.09. The first mixed team to cross the line was the team of Daniel Peacocke (1:12.35 from start to Swampy Summit) and Alice Baker (1:28.23 from Swampy Summit to finish) for a combined time of 2:40.58. The first Women's team to finish was the Leith team of Alison Perry (1:35.54 from start to Swampy Summit) and Sonya Cameron (1:44.46 from Swampy Summit to finish) for a combined time of 3:20.30.

In Ending

There were 92 people who finished the main race and 26 people who took part and finished the teams event. Thanks to the organisers and everyone who made this a very successful and enjoyable event this year including the athletes and all those who helped in any way before, during and after the event. A special thanks to our sponsors.