

# The 35th Three Peaks Mountain Race

## Sunday, 15 April 2018

**Weather: Gusty almost gale force winds**

*Note: all distances are approximate*

Congratulations to all those who achieved their goals in this year's Three Peaks Mountain Race and to all those who assisted in making this year's race another memorable one. There were gale force winds out there, but the participants and helpers were not going to let the conditions deter them. Thanks also to our sponsors for supporting this great event.

### **26km Mountain Race**

*Woodhaugh St, Flagstaff, Swampy Summit, Mt Cargill, Chingford Park*

Open Men's runner Daniel Balchin won the Three Peaks Mountain race and despite the strong winds achieved a fast time of 2 hrs 9 mins 14 secs. He was also the winner of the Town Garage King of the Mountain for being the first male runner to the top of Swampy Summit (58 mins 8 secs) and to still finish the race. Second was Open Men's runner Jonah Smith in 2:15:27 and third was Open Men's runner Thomas Spencer in 2:20:29. Fifth across the line was the first MM35-49 runner Grant Guise in 2:25:35 followed by the second MM35-49 runner Romain Miroso in 2:27:02. In 14<sup>th</sup> individual place was the third MM35-49 runner Mark Howard in 2:41:34. First MM50+ runner and in 22<sup>nd</sup> individual place was Steve Tripp in 2:54:36.

Sarah Douglas (9<sup>th</sup> individual overall) was the first female runner home in 2 hrs 35 mins 14 secs and she also won the Town Garage Queen of the Mountain being the first female runner to Swampy Summit (1 hr 8 mins 21 secs) and to still finish the race. Second female and 12<sup>th</sup> individual overall was Open Women's runner Dani Nicholson in 2:36:58 and third female was the first MW35-49 runner Bethany Lewis in 16<sup>th</sup> individual place in 2:43:36. Fourth female home was the third Open Women's runner Sharon Lequeux in 2:58:06. The second MW35-49 runner Donna Young and 26<sup>th</sup> individual overall finished in 2:55:47 and third MW35-49 runner Jane Guise finished in 3:10:29. First MW50+ runner Toni Walker finished in 3:42:49.

### **Race the Summit 11km**

*Woodhaugh St, Flagstaff, Swampy Summit*

*Note: All were competing in the Open Grades, check results for specific grade designations*

First runner to finish the 11km Race the Summit run was Danny Baillie reaching Swampy Summit in 1 hr 3 mins 35 secs. Second was George Armstrong in 1:17:50 and third was Paul Bradshaw MM35 in 1:20:38. Sixth overall and first female was Ali Craigie in 1 hr 26 mins 26 secs. Second female and 8<sup>th</sup> overall was Sophie Russell in 1:29:49 and third female and 12<sup>th</sup> overall was Ann Bixley in 1:34:30.

### **Team's Event**

#### **26km**

*Woodhaugh St, Flagstaff, Swampy Summit (changeover), Mt Cargill, Chingford Park*

The team's event this year was all Open Grade. First team home open team's race was the team of Ben Rowley (1:09:56) & Leon Miyahara (1:25:16) for a combined time of 2 hrs 35 mins 12 secs. The second team home was the Halfway Bush Harriers team of Ollie Bixley (1:23:43) and Matt Bixley (1:24:08) for a combined time of 2:47:51. Third team was Tim Burke (1:10:41) and Megan Burke (1:55:35) for a combined time of 3:06:16.

### **Recreational Walk 11km**

*Woodhaugh St, Flagstaff, Swampy Summit*

Helen Pearce was the first walker to the top of Swampy Summit completing the distance in 1 hr 47 mins 42 secs. Second was Tom Cockerill in 2:10:47 and third was Jan Johnstone in 2:25:08.