

Club Competitions 2010/11 Monthly Update – July & August



Introduction

Welcome to the third monthly update on the 2010/11 Club Competitions. All calculations and commentary are drawn from information contained on the club website. So please ensure that Martin has all the correct details including whether you achieved a course or personal best. The rules and explanations for all three competitions along with a full archive of the last two years competitions are also shown on the website.

There were five nominated races in July and August and details of the scoring in each event are detailed below.

July's Races

Collingwood fielded three full teams in the Nonsuch Park Relay Race run by David Denton.

- > Keith, Andy, Richard and Steve finished 9th overall
- > Andrew, Bill, Doug and Martin were 20th
- > Nicola, Annette, Gill and Ruth finished 39th

(13) Nonsuch Park Relay Race (1.87 miles) - Thursday, 1 st July 2010							
			Championship	Handicap		Age-Graded	
Member	Time	Place	Points	Nett Time	Points	%	Points
Richard Fox	10.44	36	40	10.44	2	74.66	11
Keith Dunning	10.47	39	39	- 0.59	10	75.99	12
Andy Stalley	11.09	57	38	- 0.27	8	72.93	10
Steve Cooney	11.18	63	37	- 0.09	3	69.39	6
Bill Walsh	11.23	68	36	11.23	1	72.53	9
Martin Lloyd	11.41	75	35	- 0.15	6	72.34	8
Andrew Griffin	11.59	85	34	- 0.57	9	70.53	7
Nicola Stevenson	12.41	104	33	- 0.11	4	65.66	5
Doug White	13.58	141	32	- 1.04	11	65.38	4
Ruth Cottam	14.33	159	31	- 0.24	7	62.48	2
Annette Helliwell	14.56	168	30	- 0.13	5	64.22	3
Gill Stalley	15.40	179	29	- 1.24	12	59.04	1
196 finished							

Richard and Keith were separated by just three seconds and Richard banked his ninth 40 points in the Club Championship.

The Handicap Competition produced a stunning set of results, with two 'scratch' runners and ten members having a handicap time to beat, which all ten did! Gill's improvement over the last year meant that she took the top twelve points on offer. Spare a thought for Steve, who beats his handicap by nine seconds and still only comes tenth!

The Age-Graded Competition again produced another set of great results with six members over 70%, with Keith leading the way with an impressive 75.99%.

The 22nd Elmore 7 was run as part of the Chipstead Village Fair and Flower Show. Entry to the race also allows entry to the fair, which serves a very nice tea. This year the Elmore 7 was added to the Surrey Road League, so carried three bonus points for the Handicap and Age-Graded Competitions, as does the Elmbridge 10km. With seventeen members running, a huge 20 points were on offer at Elmore.

(14) Elmore 7 Mile Road Race - Saturday, 17 th July 2010								
			Championship	Handicap		Age-Graded		
Member	Time	Place	Points	Nett Time	Points	%	Points	
Andy Stalley	44.43	38	40	- 3.58	20	73.21	20	
Keith Dunning	46.18	58	39	2.10	11	71.25	19	
Richard Fox	46.57	65	38	46.57	10	68.71	16	
Martin Lloyd	48.04	82	37	48.04	9	70.78	18	
Bill Walsh	48.20	87	36	- 0.32	16	68.77	17	
Andy Southern	51.13	120	35	51.13	8	61.64	11	
Ray Sullivan	51.44	125	34	51.44	7	62.36	12	
Nicola Stevenson	52.02	132	33	1.06	13	65.18	14	
Ruth Cottam	59.42	217	32	- 1.22	17	61.21	10	
Annette Helliwell	61.09	235	31	- 2.28	18	63.01	13	
Chris Brooke	61.34	240	30	0.18	15	60.25	9	
Kate Langley	63.34	261	29	63.34	6	53.36	6	
Doug White	63.54	266	28	- 2.43	19	57.52	8	
Rob Wilson	65.50	286	27	1.42	12	67.91	15	
Rupert Quested	69.59	308	26	69.59	5	54.06	7	
Gill Stalley	78.51	344	25	78.51	4	47.15	5	
Kate Knight	92.23	360	24	0.56	14	41.71	4	
360 finished				-				

Andy had a strong run, taking top points in all three competitions. Doug produced another good score in the Handicap, taking nineteen points.

(15) Elmbridge 10km - Sunday, 25 th July 2010								
			Championship	Handicap		Age-Graded		
Member	Time	Place	Points	Nett Time	Points	%	Points	
Bill Walsh	41.38	144	40	0.10	7	70.48	10	
Martin Lloyd	42.51	178	39	- 0.08	8	70.10	9	
Ray Sullivan	44.03	209	38	- 0.25	9	64.65	7	
Nicola Stevenson	47.49	300	37	1.25	4	62.57	6	
Marc Wood	49.40	347	36	0.26	5	55.72	4	
Ruth Cottam	52.00	397	35	0.25	6	62.06	5	
Annette Helliwell	52.24	404	34	- 4.08	10	64.94	8	
588 finished								

Bill and Martin took the honours in both the Club Championships and Age-Graded Competition. However Annette stormed to maximum points in the Handicap Competition, beating her handicap time by a huge 4:08.

As there are three Near-as-damn-it races of which only the best time counts for the Club Championships, no points are awarded in that competition until after the July event. Each race however counts separately for the Handicap and Age-Graded Competitions, so points were again awarded for this month's race.

(5c) 3 rd Near-As-Damn-It 10km - Thursday, 29 th July 2010								
			Championship	Handicap		Age-Graded		
Member	Time	Place	Points	Nett Time	Points	%	Points	
Andy Stalley	41.15	15	n/a	- 0.06	3	70.06	6	
Bill Walsh	42.55	29	n/a	- 0.25	4	68.38	4	
Martin Lloyd	43.45	33	n/a	- 1.12	6	68.66	5	
Doug White	55.38	82	n/a	0.16	2	58.33	3	
Kate Langley	58.49	97	n/a	- 0.31	5	45.86	2	
Gill Stalley	66.44	107	n/a	3.16	1	43.64	1	
109 finished								

Andy managed to break the 70% barrier for this off-road course, which is unusual. Martin was faster than his recent off-road 10kms and therefore took the six points in the Handicap Competition.

For the second year running, 16 members ran at least one of the three races making the Championship points a keenly contested battle. Andy was the most consistent and pipped the forty points from Richard in the last event.

Near-as-damn-it 10km's Championship Points							
Member	1st	2nd	3rd	Championship Points			
Andy Stalley	41.29	41.30	41.15	40			
Richard Fox	41.25	42.29		39			
Keith Dunning	42.42			38			
Martin Lloyd	42.54		43.45	37			
Bill Walsh			42.55	36			
Steve Cooney		44.14		35			
Andy Southern	45.35			34			
Nicola Stevenson	48.34	50.47		33			
Ray Sullivan		48.47		32			
David Freeborn	50.01			31			
Ruth Cottam	55.13	57.05		30			
Doug White			55.38	29			
Annette Helliwell	56.06			28			
Kate Langley		59.20	58.49	27			
Rupert Quested	64.39	64.56		26			
Gill Stalley		67.18	66.44	25			

August's Race

The last Surrey Road League event was the only August race in the Club Championship, the Wimbledon 5km, which was previously called the Belgrave Bolt. Given that the event clashed with a popular marathon and is held in the holiday period, only three members ran.

(16) Wimbledon 5km - Sunday, 8 th August 2010								
			Championship	Handicap		Age-Graded		
Member	Time	Place	Points	Nett Time	Points	%	Points	
Martin Lloyd	97	21.02	40	- 0.09	6	69.06	6	
Marc Wood	149	23.47	39	23.47	4	56.28	4	
Ruth Cottam	168	25.25	38	0.17	5	61.49	5	
204 finished								

Martin took the honours in all three competitions.

Standings

These are the leading places in the three competitions at the end of August with some changes and close battles.

Club Championship	Men		Women		
1 st	Richard Fox	399	Nicola Stevenson	351	
2 nd	Andy Stalley	390	Ruth Cottam	337	
3 rd	Martin Lloyd	379	Annette Helliwell	320	

Three men have now achieved the four criteria to have a full Championship Score, with Richard's string of fast times putting him well into the lead and on course for the title for the first time. He has now matched Keith's winning score of 399 points, achieved in the last two years.

Andy and Martin closed the gap, but have a lot of ground to cover to catch Richard.

Four ladies have a Championship score, with Kate Langley slipping from first place down to fourth this month, on 316 points.

Nicola, Ruth and Annette all moved up one place, with Nicola on course to retain her title.

Club Handicap	Men		Women		
1 st	Andy Stalley	147	Nicola Stevenson	117	
2 nd	Richard Fox	111	Ruth Cottam	109	
3 rd	Martin Lloyd	109	Annette Helliwell	78	

Last year's winner Andy scored heavily to open a strong lead from Richard and Martin, who are separated by only two points.

Nicola stays in first place, from Ruth and Annette, with her lead reduced considerably.

Club Age-Graded	Men		Women		
1 st	Andy Stalley	150	Nicola Stevenson	96	
2 nd	Richard Fox	145	Ruth Cottam	73	
3 rd	Martin Lloyd	142	Annette Helliwell	63	

The Men's Age-Graded Competition was very tight in June, but it has closed up even more. Andy has overtaken Richard into first place and Martin has overtaken Keith to move into third place. There are only eight points between the top three.

The top three Ladies stay in the same order in that competition.

September and October Races

There are five nominated races in July and August, as follows:

17)	Any September Marathon	September		(road)
18)	Croydon Switchback 5	26 th September		(off-road)
19)	Gibb 5	October (Date to set)		(off-road)
20)	Surrey Cross-Country League	9 th October	(2 races)	(off-road)
21)	Croydon 10km	10 th October		(road)
22a)	Surrey Classic 10km (Oxshott)	31 st October		(road)

The next update will be published at the start of November.

Andy Stalley

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