

Comparison of Points Scored in all three Club Competitions

The following table demonstrates how points are scored in the three Club Competitions. The Dave Clark 5km Race held on Thursday, 3rd May 2007 is used as an example. Five club members competed in this race.

Members	Race Time	Club Championship	Handicap Competition	Age-Graded Competition
Andy Stalley	20.53	40	2	5
Chris Fitzgerald	23.44	39	3	2
Colin Wilkie	24.53	38	1	1
Ruth Cottam	25.07	37	5	3
John Allen	25.57	36	4	4

Andy was fastest in the race, so took maximum points in the Club Championship and also in the Age-Graded Competition, as his time was relatively good for his age. But, as a scratch runner the Handicap scoring worked against him.

John was the slowest in the race, but was second in both the Handicap and the Age-Graded Competitions. This was because his time was good for his age and because he had improved.

Ruth won the Handicap scoring as she had improved significantly, but as her time was not so good for her age, so she fared less well in the Age-Grading.

Both Colin and Chris had variable results under the three different systems.

The above illustration indicates that each competition achieves its intention by rewarding different aspects of performance. The outcomes of all three competitions should therefore be different.