

The 2nd Guisecliff Gallop Fell Races - Sun 3 July 2011

The 2nd Guisecliff Gallop Fell Races took place on Sunday 3rd July with the following race categories catered for: - under 9, under 12, under 14, under 17 and seniors. The races took place in the Pateley Bridge/ Bewerley Showground in glorious sunny conditions although a little too warm for the runners.

The races were organised by Nidderdale High School teacher Mick Hawkins a former international runner himself, to try and encourage as many local children as possible to give fell racing a go with the hope that some may continue in the sport. The under 9's and under 12's were well supported by some of our local primary schools.

Although overall the fields were relatively small all the competitors thoroughly enjoyed the courses which were very scenic and quite challenging in places. The events culminated in a 3 mile senior race run to twos Stoops and back. There was a field of 30 runners for this race which was won by ex Nidderdale student Jack Simpson in a new record of 23:08 which was exactly 2 minutes faster than his 6th place of last year. Jack is taking his running more seriously now and is looking to compete in some of the classic fell races during the summer months. Trish Wardell, from nearby Willsill also excelled in winning the ladies race in a new record time of 32:02. The Nidderdale High School cook is a relatively late starter to running but has made very good progress competing in a wide variety of events from marathons to short fell races.

As with most new races the Guisecliff Gallop has made a good start and hopefully over the coming years can become an event you must not miss. There were over £250 in prizes and trophies so those that did enter did very well for themselves.

A big thank-you must go to the event sponsors who were:

- under 9, 12 and 14: Stud Fold Adventure Lofthouse, Pateley Bridge; and
- Under 17 and Seniors: Up and Running (Leeds Central) and Gilmoor Fishing Lake.

The organisers would also like to thank the showground committee for the use of the showfield which is ideal for the event to take place. Finally a special mention must go to all the marshals and helpers who made the Guisecliff Gallop such a well-organised event.

POSITION	NAME	AGE CAT SENIORS	TIME
1	Jack Simpson		23.08 NEW REC
2	Shaun Chew		24.31
3	Dave Mann	40	25.06
4	Rob Furniss		26.02
5	Paul Crabtree	40	26.16
6	Richard Plummer		26.17
7	Graham Bird	40	27.24
8	Jonathan Gibson	40	28.26
9	Andrew Harris		28.34
10	Hugh Beaver	40	29.08
11	Stephen Chew	40	29.11
12	Norman Bush	70	30.44
13	Andy Holden	40	31.20
14	Mark David	40	31.23
15	Trish Wardell Female	40	32.02 NEW REC
16	Jim Towers	60	32.33
17	Lyn Whitaker Female	40	32.46
18	Phil Robinson	40	33.09
19	Robyn Mclean Female	40	33.46
20	Angela Donlan		34.07

	Female		
21	Paul Manning	40	34.08
22	Helen Gregory Female		35.24
23	Sue Morley Female	55	35.30
24	Andy Warmesley	50	36.22
25	Michael Thistlethwaite		36.41
26	Brian Sherwood	40	36.58
27	Tim Connors		37.05
28	Eric Morley	55	37.27
29	Lynn Eden	65	47.02
30	Amanda Brown	40	47.35

POSITION	NAME	AGE CAT UNDER 17	TIME
1	Harry Muir		16.50

POSITION	NAME	AGE CAT UNDER 14	TIME
1	Miles Blakey		10.55
2	Edward Burgess		11.03
3	Dom Ashfield		11.11
4	Tom Mann		11.32
5	Ellamae Gibson Girl		11.36

POSITION	NAME	AGE CAT UNDER 12	TIME
1	James Lund		6.08
2	Ben Speak		6.56
3	Toby Antcliff		7.03
4	Adam Gibson		7.10
5	Robert Davies		7.18
6	Shona Hasting Girl		7.31
7	Jack Whitaker		7.40
8	William Issit		8.07
9	Fiona Bolton Girl		8.17
10	Alice Mann Girl		8.19
11	Rowan Dunford		8.35
12	Poppy Leeming Sykes Girl		9.11
13	Callum Brown		9.31
14	Francis Fry Girl		10.16
15	Harry Yates		11.00

POSITION	NAME	AGE CAT UNDER 9	TIME
1	Jack Muir		2.03
2	Antony Brockway		2.11
3	Herbert Antcliff		2.15
4	Matthew Speak		2.19
5	Joshua Roy		2.26
6	Alex Brockway		2.29
7	Inca Rawlings Girl		2.31
8	Dexter Leeming Sykes		2.32
9	Isaac Hastings		2.39

10	Anna Rawlings	Girl	2.50
11	Sophie Gallagher	Girl	2.52
12	Isobel Hardcastle	Girl	2.54
13	Molly Howard	Girl	2.56
14	Olivia Yates	Girl	3.03
15	Rebecca Kerman	Girl	3.14
16	Maria Brown	Girl	3.16
17	Emily Clark	Girl	3.17
18	Jessica Kerman	Girl	3.18
19	Morgan Leeming Sykes	Girl	3.19
20	Jess Roy		3.24
21	Emily Yates	Girl	4.30