June 2012 News

Round the ressers

27th June 2012



Simon Grundy and Joe Steward

A warm sticky evening and a record number of entrants saw the annual round the ressers in Tintwistle. Once again the club provided a large contingent with some excellent performances and some debutants.

A strong contingent of Sale Harriers dominated the race but excellent performances from Gary Matthews 3rd and Simon Grundy 4th. Joe Steward came off the track for his debut and took 1st male U17.

In the ladies section Janine Ridgard was first ECH followed by Angela Oldham and a mention for debut runner and new member Sharon Collins.

>Full Results<

Junior honours

26th June 2012

Congratulations to 4 of our athletes that have been selected to represent Greater Manchester at the English Schools in Gateshead. Lauren Alford has been selected for the inter girls triple jump, Vanessa Giblin for the inter girls 100m and Jack Barton and Jack Mirfin for the inter boys hammer. We wish them the best of luck.

Also 3 athletes will represent Greater Manchester at the Northern inter-counties this weekend. Vanessa in the U17 100m, Rebecca Kennedy in the U15 100 and 200m and Courtney Donald in the U17 javelin.

Olympic Torch Relay 2012

25th June 2012

One of the worst kept secrets around the club over the last few months was that John Dunne and Muriel Brown had been chosen to take part in the Olympic Torch Relay. Another pleasant surprise was finding out Victoria Hartshorne and Megan Cordwell had also been chosen.

All four were chosen out of thousands because of what they put back into the community particularly in relation to athletics.

Another pleasant surprise was John handed over to Victoria during the relay infront of thousands including proud family and friends in a rainsoaked Rochdale.

Megan carried the torch through her home town Oldham on the 24th June and Muriel will be on one of the legs on Monday 25th June at Kexbrough.



John on his stage



handing over to Victoria



Victoria on her stage



Muriel enjoying early success

Dennis the Menace

6th June 2012



Ready for the off!

Our own Dennis the Menace 5 mile race took place on Wednesday 6th June. The course was the same as usual around the paths and tracks of Audenshaw. 73 people completed the race, many being ECH athlete's.

Winner was Adrian Nutter from Stockport Harriers with 30.12. East Cheshire's Joe Steward was 2nd with a great time of 30.27 on a tough course. Simon Grundy was 3rd overall and 1st Vet 45 with a great effort of 30.45.

First lady was Kerrie Wood-Doyle from Stockport Harriers with a time of 34.51. Team mate Jayne Lawton was 2nd lady with 36.10. Our own Janine Ridgard was 3rd lady overall with 36.37. Well done to all who took part!

>Full Results<

Greater Manchester Cycle

Mon 4th June

Andy Farley and Elaine Appleton competed in the 52 mile multi-lap course around the city centre on bank holiday monday. Andy completed the course in 2.43 while Elaine was not far behind in 3.15.

Well done to them both!

>Full Results<

England Athletics Recognition: 'A Thriving Club Open To All'.



Athletes, coaches and helpers

The Club's commitment and established reputation for delivery of disability athletics, ECH & TAC has recently been presented with official recognition by Greater Sport and England Athletics for the work undertaken and the opportunities which we are proud to openly offer within the community.

ECH & TAC were presented with £500 worth of specialist disability athletic equipment to further it's ability to provide ongoing specialist sessions, the presentation was made by Shelley Holroyd-Disability Officer for England Athletics.

Members receiving the presentation made comprised Club Coaches, physically impaired, visually impaired and learning disability athletes.

Please read the News from the North article published by England Athletics for June 2012.

News From The North

More funding secured



lan at Beijing chasing the blade runner

Our own Olympian Ian Jones is celebrating after receiving a £1000 donation from the MARS Refuel Drink Fund.

In a press statement lan said

'As a full time athlete I rely heavily on funding. To make the national team selection I need to prove myself by participating and doing well in international competitions, which requires a lot of expensive travel.' With this donation from the MARS Refuel Drink Fund I can buy new equipment and cover the travel costs for competing.'

'This will be a great boost for my dream of competing with the Great Britain team this summer and it will allow me to play longer.'

Jubilee Celebrations for Jade

3rd June

If you watched the pageant along the Thames and felt sorry for them when the weather turned, our own Jade Mullin was competing in Birmingham in more or less the same weather. She gained success with 3 silver medals in the seated shot putt, discus and javelin (another pb), and never grumbled once about the weather!