

**East Hull Harriers' Boxing Day 10k
Wednesday 26 December 2012
Report by Kay Farrow of Beverley Athletic Club**

More than a hundred dedicated runners assembled at East Hull Harriers' clubhouse in Saltshouse Road on Boxing Day to run off the excesses of Christmas Day in the club's annual Boxing Day 10k.



Lucy Stamford, Tina Wardropper and Tanwen Gray

It was a fine sunny morning and although it was fairly cold runners soon warmed up on the route along Holderness Road to Ganstead and Swine Lane. A very strong headwind tested everyone's stamina on the two-mile section along the old railway track and Lucy Stamford described the race as a "tough run." She was the first Beverley lady to finish and the third lady overall. She was followed closely by Tina Wardropper and Tanwen Gray in 5th and 7th places respectively in the ladies' competition.

Pete Fielding-Smith (below left) was the first Beverley runner to cross the finishing line. He was eleventh overall in 39:16. Darren Edge (below right) followed in 40:06 in his second race for the club.



After a day of festive food and drink the race offered runners an opportunity to get some exercise and to take the race as seriously as they wanted. For Beverley AC's Andy Johnson it was another step towards recovery from an ankle injury which has prevented him running for most of the year. He finished in 15th place in a very



encouraging time of 40:43 and only 17 seconds slower than the last time he ran this race in 2010.



Andy Johnson, Andrew Brant and Debs Brant

Andrew and Debs Brant both had excellent runs and finished several minutes faster than last year in 47:42 and 49:58 respectively.

There were 130 finishers and the race was won by Stuart Carmichael of City of Hull AC in 34:22. The first lady was Jo Hall, also of City of Hull AC, in 43:18.



Christine Whitehouse, Pam Atkins, Sarah Tock and Steve Evins

Beverley AC finishing times:

Pete Fielding-Smith 39:19; Darren Edge 40:06; Andy Johnson 40:43; Steve Evins 44:37; Jody Horth 45:12; Lucy Stamford 47:05; Tina Wardropper 47:35; Andrew Brant 47:42; Tanwen Gray 48:04; Debs Brant 49:58; Michael Oughtred 51:06; David Brant 53:30; Pam Atkins 56:47; Colin Sleight 57:25; Sarah Tock 60:45; Christine Whitehouse 63:15; Carol Sleight 63:22.

Photos by Dave Gowans