

College Canter

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Report by Lewis Holloway of Beverley AC

Beverley AC athletes performed strongly at last weekend's College Canter cross country races, providing the winner of the women's race and winning several other prizes. Held at Bishop Burton College, the race was organised by Beverley AC and sponsored by Pittaway Painting and Decorating Contractors, who also fielded a team of six runners. There were two challenging courses over 3 and 7 miles on a mainly grass course which undulates throughout and includes some short steep climbs, making these events tough for all participants. The course was shrouded in mist, but the cool conditions were ideal for running.



In the seven mile race, which included 96 finishers, Beverley's women took first and second female places, also winning the women's team event. Winner was Emma Greensmith, who crossed the line in 53:36. She was followed in just three seconds later by Samantha Allen, finishing in 53:39. Third female runner was Stella Dinsdale (White City Hull RRC). Jan Stott was third for Beverley, taking the final place in the team line up with 60:44.

The men's race was won by newcomer to this event Peter Baker (City of Hull AC), who came in at 42:09. Second was Shaun Hobson (Driffield Striders) forty seconds

later. Third place was taken by Beverley AC's Lewis Holloway in 43:54. Holloway was joined in the winning men's team by Darren Edge (44:31) and Nicholas Riggs (45:51). Edge also took the prize in his V45 age group.



Thirty six, mainly younger, runners took part in the three mile race. Beverley AC's Becky Briggs was once again the first girl to cross the line, finishing in 19:44, and in fifth place overall. Laura Duncan and Isabelle Horrocks, also of Beverley, were second and third girls respectively, recording times of 22:22 and 25:19.

Beverley's Oliver Douglas took third place in the closely fought boys race with a time of 19:02. The race was won by Rhys Nichols in 18:44, with Kyle Richardson coming second in 18:54 (both run for Scarborough AC).

This is the third year for these races, and finishers were once again rewarded with bottles of specially labelled Wold Top beer. Beverley AC would like to thank event sponsor Pittaway Painting and Decorating Contractors, Bishop Burton College for allowing use of their facilities, Wold Top Brewery, and Jorvik Rosettes for their bespoke mementos. Finally the club thanks the many Beverley AC members who marshalled on the day, many runners commented how their encouragement helped them around the course. Beverley AC is looking to increase participation in this friendly and relaxed event next year, and will welcome newcomers in both the longer and shorter races. The 3 mile race is particularly suited to younger runners and the club would like to see students at local schools getting involved.

Beverley AC times (7 miles): Lewis Holloway 43:54; Darren Edge 44:31; Nicholas Riggs 45:51; Mark Dalton 46:19; David Morrison 47:54; Philip Reese 49:23; Corey Arnott 50:40; Steve Evins 52:20; Christian Peach 52:20; Paul Clark 53:30; Emma Greensmith 53:36; Edward Prew 53:36; Samantha Allen 53:39; Matthew Horrocks 54:45; Peter Watkinson 57:49; Jan Stott 60:44; Fiona Oakes 62:04; Neil Sergeant 63:29; Andy Wilks 64:28; Catriona Williamson 76:08; Dayna Arnott 77:57; Sarah Tock 78:19; Frank Harrison 79:57.

Beverley AC times (3 miles): Oliver Douglas 19:02; Jacob Chastney 19:41; Becky Briggs 19:44; Taylor Arnott 20:28; Jonathan Dennison 20:40; Laura Duncan 22:22; Aidan Glover 22:50; Guy Harbidge 24:20; Robert Smith 24:38; Isabelle Horrocks 25:19; Chloe Broadbent 26:05; Jessyca Tew 26:21; Jack Marsay 26:33; Nicola Glover 27:31; Joshua Johnson 28:09; Erin Glover 28:16; Evie Ostler 28:14; Morgan Dennis 29:12; Tilly Wilkinson 31:23.