

**Major Stone Half Marathon
And
Yorkshireman Marathon
Sunday 8 September 2013
Report by Lewis Holloway of Beverley AC**

Eleven athletes from Beverley Athletic Club took part in the Major Stone Half Marathon around the village of Lockington last Sunday. Taking place on gently undulating rural roads, this has the potential to be a fast race. In contrast to the very hot conditions runners experienced in the previous year, this year's race was run in cool, breezy weather which was much more comfortable for the athletes.

First runner home for Beverley was Aubrey Morrell, who completed the course in 1:18:52. He was 6th overall, and 1st in the V45 category.

The club's first female runner was Claire Traynor, who clocked a time of 1:40:37, and was 3rd in the LV40 category.



Aubrey Morell

In a strong performance, relatively new member Philip Reese used the race to achieve a personal best time over this distance of 1:31:05. Reece commented that 'Since joining the club back in April I've been steadily improving and over the

summer I've been racing and training with the club. I knew I could do better this time so was happy to shave a further 3:40 off my half marathon time'



Andrew Johnson

A total of 235 runners completed the race. The men's winner was Phill Taylor (Bridlington Road Runners) who recorded 1:12:26. In the women's race, the winner was Tori Green (Ripon Runners) who completed the course in 1:26:40.

While his team mates were running at Lockington, Lewis Holloway completed his second Yorkshireman Marathon at Haworth, West Yorkshire. This is a tough off-road event, including some fell running. Knocking around 25 minutes off his time from last year, Holloway completed the course in 4:06:12, in 42nd place overall out of 179 finishers.

Beverley AC times: Major Stone Half Marathon

Aubrey Morrell 1:18:52, Philip Reese 1:31:05, Andrew Johnson 1:33:02, Claire Traynor 1:40:37; Peter Watkinson 1:40:49; Paul Evans 1:46:14; Dan Hammond 1:49:26; Graeme Pittaway 1:49:29; Michael Anderson 1:49:51; Jane Peck 2:00:37; John Boardley 2:19:03