

Swaledale Marathon
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Report by Helen Storr of Beverley Athletic Club



Group from left to right
Mike Blamires, Moira Armstrong, Pauline Howden, Helen Storr, Pete McNally, Brian Richardson, Pam Atkins, John Howden and Margaret Richardson

Beverley runners rise to the challenge in the Dales

Two teams from Beverley AC joined 500 runners and walkers in the Swaledale Marathon last weekend. They tackled a testing off-road course of 23.2 miles with 4128 ft of ascent in glorious weather.

The Beverley ladies were not daunted by the heat or the steep terrain and their excellent performance earned them second prize in the ladies' team competition. Team member Helen Storr was delighted with the result: "We came second behind locals from Swaledale Runners and beat two other teams which had previously won the trophy on many occasions."



Ladies' team results

Jayne Dale 4 hours 44; Helen Storr 4 hours 46;
Moira Armstrong 4 hours 48; Pam Atkins 5 Hours
36; Margaret Richardson Retired; Pauline Howden
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Men's team results

Mike Blamires 4 hours 40; Andy Tate 4 hours 44;
Mike Atkins 4 hours 57; Brian Richardson 5 hours
30; John Howden 6 hours 13; Pete McNally 6 hours
58.

Pam Atkins on the way up!