

Saturday June 19th.

ROAD CHAMPIONSHIPS

BALLARAT

It was cold, but nowhere near as windy as last year. All in all not a bad day at all – for Ballarat!

Our numbers were down from Sandown. Quite a few of our juniors were unwell and some of our seniors are overseas! The ladies teams were very light on and we were lucky to get four senior men's teams home after a couple of very brave efforts from **Troy Kameme** and **Magnus Michelsson** who both completed the 15k course despite quite debilitating injuries. Unfortunately Patrick O'Keeffe had to withdraw at about the halfway point when running well in the top twenty. **Simon Bevege** put in a blinder to be our first home on the day. **Michael Bialczak** continued his good form to gain second place in the 50+ division while being the second Magpie over the line. The Club welcomed another first time runner when **Nick Denner** greeted the starter. Nick did have a trot in the seasoning opener, the Laceby Cecil, but this was his first run *for* the Club. Just out of junior ranks, everything indicates Nick will be a more than handy runner as he picks up experience along the way.

Perhaps one of the highlights of the day was the effort of **Paul Wallace** who knocked over 13 minutes off last year's time. It's amazing what some consistent running will do! **Anthony Weiland** (3:52), **Paul Munro** (2:34), **Tony Hally** (1:20), **John Crameri** (1:12) and **Stuart Kollmorgen** (0:50) all recorded times well inside their 2009 efforts.

The battle of the **Willmots** evened up a little this week when **Frances** got the better of husband **Paul** after the latter took the honours at Sandown. I guess Paul does the dishes this week! **Carmel Pardy** was the only other starter along with Frances, for the black and whites in the senior women's 15k.

Our juniors did well in the 5k event. For most age groups this is the longest race of the season and the Collingwood brigade had mixed results. Unfortunately **Jacob McCormack** missed the start by about 20 secs after the Magpie bus was a trifle late getting to the lake. Nevertheless he worked his way through the field to finish off well. **Jordan Minter** was the first U/16 home in a smart time, over 1 min quicker than last year. In the same age group **Jacob Barnes** was nearly 4 mins quicker! **Big bro Mason** (U/18) was almost a minute in front of last year's time. **Will Sheils** was probably a little disappointed with his run, however he is doing a stack of work with coach **Robert Hendy** at the moment, work that will surely show its benefits as the season progresses. Our under 14 boys finished a team with the **White** twins both finishing in the top ten in the age group.

This time **Ben** turned the tables on **Lachie** after lowering his colours at Sandown. **Lachlan Derby** was the third team member in his first try at the distance.

Our two of our junior girls had a run at the lake with both **Rachel Barnes** and **Nikki White** doing well. A series of cramps didn't help Nikki's time while Rachel continues to impress with her dedication to the Club.

RESULTS

Under 16 Girls 5k

26 **Nikki White** 26:24
Under 14 Boys 5k **Under 16 Boys 5k**

Under 18 5k

Rachel Barnes 25:15
Under 18 Boys 5k

5 Ben White 18:23 16 Jordan Minter 18:00 15 Will Sheils 17:58
9 Lachie White 18:49 23 Jacob McCormack 18:46* 18 Mason Barnes 18:21
23 Lachlan Derby 26:35 31 Jacob Barnes 22:56

TEAM'S RESULTS

4th. out 10

6th. out of 10

* Jacob started app 20 secs late

WOMEN'S 15k

		2.6k	8.8k	15k
91	Frances Willmot	12:23	41:43	72:00
97	Carmel Pardy	12:40	43:48	73:46

MEN'S 15k

		2.6k	8.8k	15k
27	Simon Bevege	8:29	29:18	49:52
58	Michael Bialczak #	8:55	30:05	52:14
72	Justin Murphy	9:06	31:47	53:31
75	Malcolm Campbell	8:42	31:17	53:44
111	Anthony Weiland *	9:22	32:33	55:31
<u>118</u>	<u>Paul Munro</u>	<u>9:29</u>	<u>32:40</u>	<u>55:55 Div 1 10th.</u>
121	Daniel Rees	9:09	31:57	56:00
154	Stuart Kollmorgen *	9:35	33:19	57:37
157	Tony Hally *	10:06	33:49	57:50
205	Ken Duxbury #	10:12	35:18	61:12
208	Tony Bird #	10:37	35:55	61:35
<u>248</u>	<u>Magnus Michelsson</u>	<u>8:42</u>	<u>34:40</u>	<u>65:27 Div 2 9th.</u>
254	Nick Denner	10:50	38:00	65:43
257	John Crameri	11:00	38:11	66:00
263	Shane Derby	10:46	38:06	66:36
271	Josh Debinski	10:46	38:21	67:07
<u>282</u>	<u>Paul Wallace</u>	<u>11:00</u>	<u>39:25</u>	<u>69:04 Div 3 12th.</u>
286	Chris Hayward	11:53	41:04	69:37
293	Jim Hopkins	12:04	41:04	71:25
304	Paul Willmot	12:23	42:51	73:22
309	Craig Servinis	12:43	43:40	74:53
<u>333</u>	<u>Troy Kameme</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>76:44 Div 4 7th.</u>
DNF	Patrick O'Keeffe	8:20	-	-

TEAM RESULTS

* 40+ 2nd.
50+ 6th.

Officials: Thanks again to '**Rocket Williams**' to for yet another appearance on our behalf as an AV official.

The **eats** were supplied by the **Barnes** crew this week. Thanks on behalf of everyone at Taj Magpie. What was left was seen being secreted onto the bus for the trip home.

While on the subject of the bus, **thanks to John Crameri** for organizing and driving the vehicle from the clubrooms.

Thanks too, to the tent people. The job was certainly a little easier this year without the wind. **Noeline Bates** helped putting it up and **Troy Kameme, Michael Bialczak, Tony Hally** and **Anthony Weiland** stayed around to help pack up. Much appreciated!

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While on the subject of 'thank yous'the Club certainly appreciated the terrific turn up on June 5th. when we were required to supply officials for the Schools' Road Relays at Albert Park.

Andrew Warhurst, Terry Lanham, Malcolm Campbell, Judy Mason and **Tony Williams** flew the flag for Collingwood at an event where Collingwood had no real involvement. It's the price we pay for being one of the bigger clubs again!

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On a sombre note, all at the Club are saddened to learn of the death of Fred Lester. Although Fred had only been a member of Collingwood for 10 years since Kew Camberwell joined us, he had been an integral part of Athletics in Victoria for over fifty years. Fred has not enjoyed good health for the last couple of years and because of this had not been seen at the Club.

However there are few people who can, or will, ever match the contribution made to our sport by Fred Lester.

Fred was made a Life Member of the Kew Camberwell Athletic Club and as such was recognized in a similar capacity at Collingwood Harriers.

Our sincere condolences go to all his family and friends.

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