

Round 2 Peterborough 3/5K Series Eye June June 23rd

Two seniors and two juniors ran the second round of the Peterborough 3/5K series, first home for the seniors (5K) was Matt Green in 20th in a time of 17:50 followed by Lee Fialkowski in 70th in a time of 20:04. Martin Clarke was 7th in the 3k in a time of 11:31 (second in the U13s) followed by Bea Ironside (U13) in 32rd in a time of 14:57. Full results on [Eye Runners Website](#)

Round 1 Peterborough 3/5K Series Ferry Meadows June 9th

Six Harriers completed the first round of the Peterborough 5K series at Ferry Meadows. First home in 91st place was Lee Flaikowski in a time of 20:34 followed by Richard Lomas Brown returning from injury in 96th place in a time of 20:40. Also running were Roland Stevens, Richard Pearson, Nicky Asplin and Shaun Kemp. Full Results on the [NVH website](#).

Four Junior Harriers completed the Ferry Meadows 3K first home was Martin Clarke in 11th place in a time 11:43 followed by Lucas Fidler in 27th in a time of 13:08 first junior female was Lauren Brown in 34 place in 13:51, full results on [NVH website](#)

Bourne Rotary 5M 23rd May

A Total of twelve harriers both junior and senior runners finished the Bourne Rotary 5M Fun Run and Walk on a very warm sunday morning, first home was Matt Green in third place in a time of 28:37 followed by Vaughan Roberts in 10th in a time of 31:05. Full results on on Race results page.

Edinburgh Marathon 23rd May

Paul Brewster completed a very warm Edinburgh Marathon in a time of 3 hours 50mins after selflessly slowing his pace to run with a ex forces double amputee to pace him home under his target time of 4 hours. Well done Paul!

Deeping 10K 16th May

11 Harriers complete the Deeping 10K first Home was Tony Gilbert in 17th place in 39:48 (P.B.) followed by Andy Shackleton in 37th place in 42:16. Lucas Fidler was the only junior representative in the 3k race finishing in 8th place in a personal best time 12:48. Full 10k results at bottom of Race Reports Page

Eye 10K 9th May

Six Harriers turned out to the Eye 10K first home was Vaughan Roberts in 24th place in a time of 38:02 first lady home was Rachel Kemp 53:22 full results on [Eye 10k website](#)

Lincs County Champs 8th & 9th May

Bourne entered a novice team for the Lincolnshire County Championships held at Grantham. This was the first County competition for many of the Junior competitors but they didn't disappoint. 19 Junior athletes and 2 Veteran athletes braved the cold and wet on the Saturday and Sunday to produce County Golds. Alice Page was the star of the show winning one Gold, one Silver and two Bronze awards in Long Jump (3m95cm), the 4 x

100m relay, the 100m (14.5sec) and in the 200m (31.2sec). Bourne were the only team to enter 3 teams in the 4 x 100m relays and came away with a Gold and a Silver. The U13 boys relay winners consisted of Lucas Fidler, Martin Clarke, Tim James and Ben Jagger. There was a tight contest with the Lincoln Wellington team who dropped the baton at the 3rd changeover, leaving Bourne to cruise to victory. The Bourne girls consisting of Lauren Brown, Bea Ironside, Madeleine Jones and Alice Page worked hard as a team to produce their Silver. There were also excellent Silvers - In the U13 age category Alice Gibbons threw the Discus (12m30), Oliver Bowling - Discus(9m34), Ben Jagger - High Jump (1m15), Madeleine Jones - Javelin (9m61). Lisa Richardson won the Triple Jump (8m67cm) and 80m hurdles and also received a Silver in the Long jump in a season's best of 4m32cm and finally a bronze in the Discus with a personal best of 24m83cm. She was joined by Roland Stevens who won the Veteran Pole Vault (2m40cm) and Bronze in the Javelin 33m43. Commiserations go to Jasmine Oldfield who broke her arm 2 days before the competition, so could not compete in the 200m or 800m. Besides the Gold, Silver and Bronze placings - Bourne produced many good results with many of the athletes achieving personal bests throughout the weekend - in particular Lucas Fidler who made it to both the 100m Final and the 800m Final. Well done to everyone that took part in the Championships.

u13 girls Shot Alice Page (****), Alice Gibbons (****), Megan Pusey (*****); u13 boys Shot Oliver Bowling (4m66), Sam Thomas-Smith (3m69); u13 girls Discus Alice Gibbons (12m30), Megan Pusey (7m99); u13 boys Discus Oliver Bowling (9m34); u13 girls Long Jump Alice Page (3m95), Madeleine Jones (3m40), Alice Gibbons (3m22), Megan Pusey (2m84), Phoebe Whatoff (2m79), Bethany Beardsmore (2m60); u13 boys Long Jump Martin Clarke (3m48), Oliver Bowling (3m), Lucas Fidler (3m), Laurence Carter (2m43),); U13 girls 100m Alice Page (14.5secs), Lauren Brown (15.5secs), Bea Ironside (15.6secs), Madeleine Jones (15.7secs), Megan Pusey (16.5secs), Emily Maker (17.3secs), Bethany Beardsmore (18.6secs); u13 boys 100m Ben Jagger (14.7secs), Tim James (15.1secs), Lucas Fidler (15.3secs), Laurence Carter (16.3secs); u13 boys high jump Ben Jagger (1m15); u13 girls 800m Phoebe Whatoff (3mins16); u13 boys 800m Oliver Bowling (2mins 42), Lucas Fidler (2mins 45), Sam Thomas-Smith (3mins15); u13 girls 200m Alice Page (31.2 secs), Megan Pusey (32.9 secs), Bea Ironside (33.2); u13 boys 200m Ben Jagger (31secs), Oliver Bowling (33secs), Sam Thomas-Smith (37secs); u13 boys 1500m Oliver Bowling (5.36), Martin Clarke (5.45); u13 boys 1500m Phoebe Whatoff (6mins16), Lauren Brown (6mins31); u15 girls High Jump Emily Stevens (1m20), u15 girls 800m Amy Gibbons (2mins48), Emily Stevens (2mins 58); u15 boys 1500m Joe Howells (5mins 42); u15 girls 200m Amy Gibbons (31.5secs); u15 girls Javelin Emily Stevens (*****)

Langtoft 10K 2nd May

Over 20 Harriers turned out to ever popular Langtoft 10k and on a blustery morning first home was Matt Green in a fantastic 3rd place with a time of 35 mins dead, next home in 13th

place was Vaughan Roberts in 38:14 and third Harrier was Ben Winters in 39th place in 42:22. Other finishers include 59th Pete Swallow, 60th Dave Smith, 77th Andy Henson, 79th Anthony Yoxall, 90th Richard Pearson, 95th Roland Stevens and first lady home was Ayla Smith in 125th, full results available on the [Langtoft 10K Website](#)

London Marathon 25th April

Place Overall	Place Gender	Place Category	surname	BIB	Category	HALF	Finish time
2776	2537	392	» Gilbert, Tony (GBR)	2511	45-49	01:33:18	03:18:17 🏃
3301	2977	1556	» Shackleton, Andrew I (GBR)	25990	18-39	01:37:52	03:23:14 🏃
7362	6185	909	» Towell, Shaun Antony (GBR)	4178	45-49	01:53:46	03:46:22 🏃
8600	7124	1023	» Brewster, Paul A (GBR)	25989	45-49	01:53:45	03:51:53 🏃
16365	12869	1778	» Henson, Andy (GBR)	25991	45-49	01:53:30	04:21:00 🏃
18949	4333	2648	» Shackleton, Susan (GBR)	6660	18-39	02:11:22	04:30:06 🏃
26998	19550	2594	» Bremner, Stuart (GBR)	33828	45-49	02:24:03	05:03:12 🏃

Lincs Track & Field League 2 Grantham 18th April

Another huge turnout of juniors went to Grantham for round two of the Lincs League Track & Field season. On a nice sunny day the selected team did very well again and all enjoyed the experience, which was a first for several of Harriers younger athletes. In the under 11's Polly Luscombe, Heather Rawnsley, Callum Scane, Jack Couzens & Josh Kaufman each completed two events from 80m, 600m, long jump and ball throw. In the under 13's Lucas Fidler, Oli Bowling, Martin Clarke, Tim James, Scott Taylor, Ben Jagger, Laurence Carter, Sam Thomas-Smith, Patrick Bishell, Matthew Bills, Alice Gibbons, Lauren Brown, Megan Pusey, Jasmine Oldfield & Madeleine Jones competed in up to three events each from 100m, 200m, 800m, 1500m, long jump, high jump, shot and javelin. And at the end of the day the Harriers selected four girls and eight boys to make up three 4x200m relay teams. And for the under 15's Sam Luscombe, Joe Howells, Amy Gibbons and Emily Stevens took part in the 200m, Triple Jump, Shot, 1500m, high jump and javelin between them. Lisa Richardson, Dave Grace and Roland Stevens also represented the seniors in a number of events too.

Rounds 3 and 4 are on July 11th and September 5th.

Paris Marathon 11th April

Two entries from Bourne Town Harriers for the 34th running of the Paris Marathon, both recording new PBs first home was Tony Gilbert in 3 hrs 6 mins 32 secs followed by Shaun Towell in 3hrs 44 mins 33 secs.

Friskney Half Marathon 11th April

Four Harriers entered the Friskney half marathon with at least two recording new PBs, Rachel Kemp and Paul Brewster were first home in 1:58:20 and 1:58:21 followed closely by Steve Hills in 1:58:55 and then Shaun Kemp in 2:03:22

Thorney 10K 28th March

Only two entries from Bourne Town Harriers in a blustery Thorney 10K, first home in 158th place was Elizabeth Dixon in 52:47 followed by Stuart Bremner in 194th place in 55:50.

Oakley 20M 28th March

Three marathon runners entered a breezy Oakley 20M first home over the undulating course was Tony Gilbert in 2:19:39 to finish in 53 place followed by the Shaun Towell and Paul Brewster inseparable again in 2:48:32 this time Shaun was given the place to finish in 330th.

Lincoln 10k March 21st

Matt Green had an excellent race to finish in 21 place with a time of 34:49, Rachel and Shaun Kemp also ran finishing in a time of 52:28 and 56:32 a new PB for Rachel.

Aldi Ashby 20M March 21st

Marathon runners out on one there last long runs before their spring marathons, first home was Tony Gilbert in 45th place with a time of 2:15:36, then next home was Andy Henson in 332 place in 2:47:37, Paul Brewster and Shaun Towell finished together with the same time of 02:56:40 in 444 and 445 place respectively.

World's First Kilomathon! March 14

The seemingly constantly racing Kemps (Rachel and Shaun) completed the inaugural Kilomathon (26.2km) between Nottingham and Derby in a time of 2hrs 42mins 22 secs (STC)

Newton's Fraction Half Marathon March 7th

Almost perfect conditions greeted the runners at the Newton's Fraction Half Marathon at Grantham, six Harriers completed this well organised race, first home was Vaughan Roberts in 20th place in 1:25:19 (first V50), followed by Tony Gilbert in 23rd place in 1:25:59, then Andy Henson in 95th place in 1:41:35, then Phil Lengthorn in 1:42:31, Paul Brewster in 1:43:59 and Stuart Bremner in 2:07:37. Also Bourne Town Harriers were the second male team home!

Hunts Frostbite March 7th

Matt Green lead his team home in 15th from Adam Swallow 86th, Claire Steels 92, Dave Smith 140, Brian McLean 157, Peter Swallow 215th, Richard Pearson 219th, Louise Swallow 225, Neill Draycott 248th, Dave Grace 266, Ayla Smith 292, Steve Hill 308, and completing the frostbite team was Rachel Kemp in 359th

Grantham Canal Run (29.3 Mile) March 6th

Rachel and Shaun Kemp completed the Grantham Canal Run in 5 hrs and 36 mins and Rachel went on to compete in the final round of the Frostbite League the **next** day! Well done now have a rest!

Sleaford Half Marathon February 28th

On Sunday nine Harriers ran the Sleaford Half Marathon at RAF Cranwell, luckily the weather conditions didn't turn out as bad as forecast, although it was still quite windy and cold. The recent rain had turned the "Green Mile" off road section into a quagmire making going quite tricky, first home was Vaughan Roberts in 25 place with a time of 1:26:07 to win the MV 50-55 class, followed very closely by Tony Gilbert in 27 place with a personal best time of 1:26:35, then 157 Phil Lengthorn 1:41:43, 171 Paul Brewster 1:43:19, 358 Shaun Kemp 2:01:05, 363 Steve Hill 2:02:22, Rachel Kemp 2:06 (exact time and position unknown due to timing error!) 428 Stuart Bremner 02:12:51, and 451 Nicky Asplin 2:18:14.

National XC February 27th

On Saturday 27th Feb a team of six senior men travelled to Roundhay Park in Leeds to represent the club in the National Cross Country Championships. Conditions were muddy due to heavy rain leading up to the race, but there were some solid performances over the 12km hilly course, leading the team in was Matt Grace in 307, with Matt Green close behind in 482, followed by Phil Galpin 1044, Roland Stevens 1293, Richard Pearson 1315 and Dave Grace in 1400. Despite being one of the smallest clubs to be represented the team managed to sneak into the top 100 in 99th position.

Lincs XC February 14th

A depleted Bourne Town Harriers team travelled to Lincoln for the rearranged Lincs Cross Country County Championships. Lauren Brown and Alice Gibbons completed the first race for the under 11's over the muddy course at Riseholme Park. Amy Gibbons was next in the under 13 girls race finishing 5th. Martin Clarke worked hard to finish 11th in the under 13 boys race. Phil Galpin completed the 9.7km senior mens route in 21st place. And best finisher of the day in the last race of the day in the senior ladies event over 7.5km was Claire Steels who finished in third place.

Stamford 30k February 14th

The clubs marathon runners were out in force at The Valentines 30km run in Stamford and leading them home in 66th was Tony Gilbert 2h 7m 34s, followed by Andrew Shackleton 2h 20m 57s, 305th Andy Henson 2h 30m 6s, 310th Paul Brewster 2h 30m 18s, 561st Shaun Kemp 3h 6m 10s, 562nd Rachel Kemp 3h 6m 10s, 564th Susan Shackleton 3h 6m 53s and 602nd Nicky Asplin 3h 16m 49s

Bourne Frostbite February 7th

Bourne Town Harriers hosted its round of the Frostbite league on Sunday in Bourne Woods and nearly 50 Harriers competed for the club in the two races. First off were the juniors and in a huge field of 122 runners, 18 were representing Bourne. Leading the club home in a very creditable 6th place was Nathan Denial, from Martin Clarke 21st, Oliver Bowling 22nd, Cameron Everist 31st, Aaron Hunt 32nd, Lucas Fidler 33rd, Ben Jagger 35th, Amy Gibbons 37th, Tim James 39th, Phoebe Whattoff 53rd, Bethany Denial 69th, Thomas Maker 73rd, Lauren Brown 74th, Jasmine Oldfield 79th, Laurence Carter 85th, Jack Couzens 91st, Saskia Hunt 104th, Emily Maker 120th. With such a young team they did very well and finished 4th on the day and lie 4th overall after 5 rounds, the final round being at Huntingdon on March 7th, and if they stay together this team has the potential to win the junior title in a few years time. Martin and Amy still lead the junior series which is now half way through its event list.

Nearly four times as many seniors ran compared to last month so they knew they were always going to be further up the finishing positions on their home soil. Leading them in was Matt Green in 14th from Vaughan Roberts 42nd, Tony Gilbert 52nd, Phil Galpin 83rd, Claire Steels 101st, Ben Winter 128th, Dave Smith 131st, Shaun Towell 160th, Brian McLean 162nd, Peter Swallow 184th, Paul Brewster 189th, Des Adey 193rd, Roland Stevens 214th, Louise Swallow 217th, Dave Grace 241st, Richard Pearson 242nd, Neil Draycott 257th, Lisa Richardson 274th, Sara Mickleburgh 284th, Ayla Smith 296th, Paul Beland 313th, Steve Hill 323rd, Shaun Kemp 340th, Elizabeth Dixon 343rd, Rachel Kemp 351st, Susan Shackleton 355th, Nicky Asplin 368th, Emma Halls 408th, With a field of 413 runners the team were pleased with 6th place out of 17 and lie 10th overall after what has been a very inconsistent season. There is no change to the senior series standing with gold silver and bronze places for both men and ladies staying as they were, Paul Brewster, Tony G, Matt Green and Rachel K, Lisa, Ayla.

The club would like to thank all the excellent help it had from volunteers on the day, who without which they could not have put on such a well received race.

Folksworth 15 January 24th

Four Bourne Town Harriers travelled to Folksworth for the 21st running of the Folksworth 15 and were greeted with near perfect weather conditions for this hilly 2 lap race.

First home in 29th place was Vaughan Roberts in 1 hr 39 mins 4secs to win the M50 category, closely followed by Tony Gilbert in 33rd place with a time of 1 hr 39 mins 57 secs, Paul Brewster and Nicky Asplin also put in excellent times of 1 hr 58 mins 19 secs and 2 hr 36 mins 40 secs respectively.

Bourne Town Harriers travelled to Ramsey for the fourth round of the Frostbite league where for the first time in many years, the juniors outnumbered the seniors. In the junior race Martin Clarke was 24th from Oli Bowling 25th, Amy Gibbons 37th, Lucas Fidler 38th, Cameron Everist 53rd, Phoebe Whattoff 59th, Ben Jagger 60th, Jasmine Oldfield 80th, Laurence Carter 81st, and Georgia Allman 97th. The juniors finished 6th out of 13 teams on the day and lie 5th overall after four rounds. Martin and Amy still lead the junior series after this event. On the Saturday several Harriers were competing in the Lincs County Schools Selection Event at Louth including Phoebe, Martin and Amy who ran again at the Frostbite on the Sunday. In what is turning out to be an unbelievably inconsistent season for the seniors, only 8 Harriers made it to Ramsey. So with an 8th place, 15th and 4th in the first three races, this round was going to leave the team right at the back especially missing two lady scorers to make up a full team and with only just enough men! Even though they finished last from 17 teams, Matt Green put in a fine performance to finish in 10th place, from Tony Gilbert in 59th, then came Shaun Towell 132nd, Paul Brewster 180th, Neill Draycott 255th, Dave Grace 259th, Lisa Richardson 267th and Steve Hill 302nd. They now lie 11th overall in the league with two rounds to go. The result maintains Paul's lead in the senior series from Tony while Matt Green moves up to bronze spot, while Lisa jumps back above Ayla in to silver spot behind absent ladies leader Rachel Kemp.

The Juniors have some indoor sportshall athletics events over the next few weeks, for schools and club with Bourne hosting the next race being their Frostbite round at the Woods on Sunday 7th February where a much better turnout is expected.

Senior training is at 6-30pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays from Bourne Leisure Centre, and Junior training is on Friday's from 6pm to 7pm at Bourne Grammar School both indoor and outdoor.

The Harriers training sessions are varied and cater for all types of ability. Training continues all year round with free expert advice from qualified coaches and new runners of any ability are always welcome to join the club. For more details about Bourne Town Harriers check out the Club website at

Sunday December 13th, Huntingdon Frostbite.

In the senior race Matt Grace took an early lead through the muddy fields, but was taken on the road section of the course and finished in second place. This tremendous effort was supported by more good performances throughout the rest of the team. Matt Green was next in 14th, from Mark Botteley in 21st. Then came ever improving Tony Gilbert in 48th, Phil Galpin 67th, Claire Steels 85th, Ben Winter 91st, Shaun Towell 98th, Dave Smith 122nd, Paul Brewster 149th, Brian Mclean 152nd, Roland Stevens 182nd, Andy Henson 203rd, Katy Lee 209th, Dave Grace 210th, Neill Draycott 214th, Richard Pearson 232nd, Ayla Smith 249th, Steve Hill 313th, Rachel Kemp 317th, Elizabeth Dixon 322nd, Shaun Kemp 324th, and Malcolm Scriven 343rd. The senior team finished in fourth place.

The juniors were lead in by Martin Clarke in 24th place closely followed by Lucas Fidler in 31st. Then came Cameron Everist in 44th, from James Roffe in 66th with Laurence Carter 84th and Jasmine Oldfield in 85th completing the team.

Sunday December 13th, Louth XC.

Sadly clashing with the frostbite several club members preferred to compete in the Lincs XC at Louth, and were duly rewarded with some fine series results.

In the under 11 race Ollie Bowling was 2nd and Sam Boulton was 22nd, and in the under 13 girls race Amy Gibbons was 11th. So overall in the series of 4 races - Oliver Bowling (u11) finished 2nd overall, Sam Boulton (u11) 10th, Amy Gibbons (u13) 6th, Martin Clarke (u13) 8th. Lisa Richardson finished 9th overall in vet ladies series.

Sunday November 22nd, Grimsthorpe XC.

The Harriers competed at Grimsthorpe in the third round of the Lincs Cross Country League. A mix of 28 seniors and juniors took part in their different races around the lake and grounds in the park. In the under 11's mixed race Oliver Bowling was 2nd, from Lucas Fidler 12th, Laurence Carter 19th, Alice Gibbons 36th and Thomas Maker. In the under 13 girls Amy Gibbons was 11th just ahead of Phoebe Whatoff in 13th. Martin Clarke was 11th in the under 13 boys race. Marcus Swallow was 8th in the under 15 boys while his brother Adam was 9th in the under 17 men's race.

In the senior men's race, Matt Grace brought home a great victory for Bourne in a time of 33m 34s over the 9200m course. Next in was Mark Botteley 14th, Matt Green 18th, Tony Gilbert 36th, Phil Galpin 45th, Ben Winter 54th, Peter Swallow 59th, Brian Mclean 66th, Paul Brewster 76th, Roland Stevens 81st, Craig Wigley 88th, Richard Pearson 90th and Shaun Kemp 106th. But it was middle distance runner, Claire Steels impressive third place in the ladies race over 4600m that stole the day. She was followed by Lisa Richardson in 19th, Ayla Smith in 22nd, Elizabeth Dixon 38th and Rachel Kemp in 43rd.

Sunday November 15th, St Neots Half.

Sunday 15th November saw a couple of Harriers compete at the St Neots Riverside Half Marathon. Vaughan Roberts ran his now legendary 1 hr 24 mins, and Andy Henson ran a new half marathon personal best time of 1 hr 41 mins 37 secs beating his previous best of 1h 42m

42s set at the Great Eastern in Peterborough a few weeks ago. He was really pleased as the St Neots run was a much harder course than the flat city streets in Peterborough.

Sunday November 8th, Bushfields Frostbite.

The Harriers travelled to Bushfields, Peterborough, for round two of the Frostbite Friendly League. Leading the juniors home in a field of 136 runners was Marcus Swallow in 11th, followed by 19th Reece Hannah, 25th Oliver Bowling, 34th Martin Clarke, 38th Amy Gibbons, 39th Laurence Carter, 41st Lucas Fidler, 57th Phoebe Whattoff, and Jasmine Oldfield in 81st. Overall the team finished fourth and lie fourth after the first two rounds in the league.

A heavily depleted senior squad due to injuries and other commitments was lead in by Tony Gilbert in 68th from 94th Adam Swallow, 108th Phil Lengthorn, 147th Shaun Towell, 169th Paul Brewster, 182nd Peter Swallow, 192nd Dave Smith, 197th Andy Henson, 231st Dave Grace, 251st Amanda Hannah, 267th Richard Pearson, 285th Neill Draycott, 306th Paul Beland, 324th Ayla Smith, 382nd Elizabeth Dixon, 383rd Steve Hill, 387th Sara Mickleburgh, 404th Rachel Kemp, 421st Shaun Kemp, 423rd Malcolm Scriven, and 438th Nicky Asplin.

Sunday November 1st, Skegness XC.

A small band of hardy runners raced across the tough sand dunes and against the wind at Skegness for round two of the Lincs Cross Country League. In the under 11 girls Samantha Boulton was 17th, In the under 13 girls Amy Gibbons was 4th. In the under 13 boys Martin Clarke was 8th. In the mens race Tony Gilbert was 30th, Paul Brewster 53rd, and Roland Stevens 67th. In the ladies race Lisa Richardson was 13th.

Saturday October 31st, National XC Relay Championships.

Bourne Town Harriers sent one team to the National Cross Country Relays at Mansfield and finished 98th, out of 151 complete teams and a further 14 or so incomplete, a fantastic result when you consider the strength of the opposition. There overall time was 1.14.24 which is the clubs best time and position since 2002. Individual times were Matt Grace 16.33 (50), Matt Green 18.54 (83), Vaughan Roberts 19.12 (87), and Richard Clark 19.43 (98).

Sunday October 25th, Cranwell XC.

A blustery but dry day with determined team members giving up their Sunday at the first Lincs League cross country of the season at RAF Cranwell. Competing teams included Mablethorpe, Grimsby, Lincoln Wellington, Sleaford, Louth, Nene Valley Harriers and Grantham - so a wide range of teams from across Lincolnshire.

Four U11s participated and were led by Oliver Bowling(1st) - who incidentally won the event last year when he was only 9 years old - now 10! Followed by Lucas Fidler(6th), Alice Gibbons(26th) and Sam Boulton(27th). This was Sam's first Lincs League race and was a good race experience for her.

Two U13 girls - Amy Gibbons (7th) and Phoebe Whatoff (15th) completed the 1700m course through fields and woods. Amy kept her form throughout the race and improved on last year's position. Phoebe was a novice at Lincs League and proved that she was in good shape with a creditable finish in the top third of the finishers.

Two U14 boys - Martin Clarke (9th)and Sam Luscombe (12th) ran really well and within 3 places of each other. Again another first time for the boys in this league. So an excellent result for them both.

There was a particularly long 2 lap course - 9km -for the sen/vet men led by Matt Green (13th), Phil Galpin (48th), Peter Swallow (55th) and David Grace (74th). We all felt sorry for them as they had to tackle the 2 hills in each lap into the wind! Phil Galpin was heard to comment "It could have done with a bit more mud to make it more enjoyable".

Marcus Swallow was the only U15 male from Bourne and finished a creditable 8th place in a

particularly tough age group of very talented runners.

Lisa Richardson completed the day in the last race with the under 20s, seniors and Veteran women to finish 27th on her one lap course of 2.7miles.

Sunday October 11th, Great Eastern half marathon.

After a considerable amount of training 15 of the club ran this club series event, Matt Green was first home in an excellent time of 1:22:09 and Vaughan Roberts who appears to love half marathons and puts in some excellent times was next.

Times were as follows:-

Matt Green 1h 22m 09s,

Vaughan Roberts 1h 23m 28s,

Andy Shackleton 1h 26m 58s,

Phil Lengthorn 1h 36m 30s,

Andy Henson 1h 42m 42s,

Dave Grace 1h 44m 18s,

Ayla Smith 1h 48m 53s,

Steve Hill 2h 01m 26s,

Susan Shackleton 2h 02m 24s,

Shaun Kemp 2h 03m 06s,

Elizabeth Dixon 2h 03m 15s,

Rachel Kemp 2h 03m 43s,

Malcolm Scriven 2h 07m 19s,

Nicky Asplin 2h 13m 09s,

Stuart Bremner 2h 16m 32s.

Sunday October 4th, St Neots Frostbite

A nice bright sunny October morning greeted Bourne Town Harriers as they travelled to St Neots for this seasons opening frostbite fixture. This time last year it was raining so hard everyone was soaked to the skin by the time the race had finished so it made a refreshing change and lead to an increase in both senior and junior Harriers taking part. Leading the juniors home was Reece Hannah in 19th, followed by Amy Gibbons 23rd, Oliver Bowling 26th, Lucas Fidler 27th, Cameron Everist 32nd, Martin Clarke 38th, Megan Hannah 57th, Laurence Carter 58th, Jasmine Oldfield 73rd, Alice Gibbons 92nd, Georgia Allman 122nd, Jenny Richardson 124th. Overall the team finished a pleasing 3rd out of 13 teams.

The seniors were lead in by Mark Botteley in 15th from Matt Green 26th. Returning to the club after a few years absence was Richard Clark next home in 57th, from Tony Gilbert 69th, Andy Shackleton 84th, Phil Lengthorn 88th, Simon Rowlatt 96th, Paul Hannah 105th, Adam Swallow 107th, Brian McLean 157th, Shaun Towell 158th, Peter Swallow 187th, Paul Brewster 195th, Des Adey 196th, Roland Stevens 221st, Dave Grace 229th, Louise Swallow 235th, Amanda Hannah 240th, Neill Draycott 246th, Richard Pearson 250th, Lisa Richardson 289th, Ayla Smith 297th, Sara Mickleburgh 305th, Shaun Kemp 331st, Steve Hill 351st, Elizabeth Dixon 353rd, Susan Shackleton 354th, Rachel Kemp 355th and Malcolm Scriven 369th.

The seniors finished 8th out of 17 teams.

Sunday 27th September, West Pinchbeck 10K

BTH travelled the short distance to West Pinchbeck for their annual 10K road race on Sunday 27th September in what was more or less the opening event of this seasons Senior Series. On a fast flat course it was hoped that p.b.'s would be all over but the morning turned out just too warm although first home for Harriers in tenth place overall with a time of 37m38s was Matt

Green who did break his own p.b. Next in was Phil Lengthorn 42m31, Des Adey 43m15, Tony Yoxhall 45m34, Richard Pearson 46m12, Dave Grace 46m33, Roland Stevens 47m15, Neill Draycott 47m58, Paul Brewster 48m13, Ayla Smith 50m43, Lisa Richardson 51m50, Rachel Kemp 54m56, Malcolm Scriven 55m47, Nicky Asplin 58m26, Stuart Bremner 64m08, and finally was newest member Emma Halls in 66m41 in her first race for the club. The day before on Saturday 26th September, Shaun Kemp completed the Sheffield Salomon 10 Mile XTrail in 2h 12m 58s. Being Thick with mud sometime up to his waist Shaun was very pleased with his time and finished 232nd out of over 350 competitors. The winner was a world champion in his 20's in a time of 1h 6m.

Monday 31st August, Grimsthorpe 10K.

This is our big day of the year, it's our event, but it's also a chance to raise money for the St Johns Ambulance, and it's their fun day so it makes the race special, so many things to do and see, if you have any energy left to do it with. There were record numbers again this year, 183 finishers in the fun run and 439 in the 10K.

In the junior event Marcus Swallow was first back in 8th place, with Reece Hannah just behind in 9th, then Oliver Bowling in 18th, then came Martin Clarke, Ben Jagger, Cameron Everist, Amy Gibbons, Matthew Bills, Scot Taylor, James Roffe, Jasmine Oldfield, Alice Gibbons, Owen Belamy, and Craig Wigley, (Craig was running with his sister Jessica who is still too young to be a member, but no doubt will be a chip of the old block),

In the 10K we were without several top runners due injury, but Matt Grace was 3rd in an excellent 36.12. Veteran Vaughan Roberts was next in 32nd just holding off young Nick Lee in 33rd, Adam Swallow in his first Grimsthorpe made up the men's team in 72nd in a very creditable 45:02. Phil Lengthorn was one place behind, then came Dave Smith, Claire Steels, Brian McLean, Andy Henson, Tony Yoxall, Roland Stevens just held off a late challenge from Richard Pearson, Chris Taylor, Paul Beland, Louise Swallow, Katy Lee, Paul Brewster, Dave Grace, Peter Swallow, Shaun Kemp, Rachel Kemp, Elizabeth Dixon, Nicky Asplin, Lia Clayton, Malcolm Scriven and Stuart Bremner.

Sunday 9th August, Newark Half Marathon.

There was a good turn out for this club series event, Vaughan Roberts finished well in what was a big field in 102nd position in 1.28.22, then came Tony Gilbert in 148, Richard Gallagher 280, Andy Henson 486, Roland Stevens 580, Paul Colfer 671, Paul Brewster 675, Sara Mickleburgh 735, Rachel Kemp 798, Shaun Kemp 799 and Stuart Bremner 975.

Wednesday 29th July, Werrington 5K.

This was the final event of the Peterborough 5K Grand Prix, and it rained, oh boy it rained, 10 of us ran, most just to collect the tee shirt I think, I have run in worse conditions, but not in July. Richard Lomas Brown was 23rd and first harrier home, Des Adey was 89th, Phil Lengthorn 93rd, Roland Stevens 124th, Richard Pearson 159th, Shaun Kemp 173rd, Lisa Richardson 179th, Elizabeth Dixon 205th, Nicky Asplin 214th, just ahead of Malcolm Scriven in 215th.

Saturday 25th July, Heckington 10M.

Always tough in the heat this flat 10 miler at the Heckington show only attracted a small number of runners, Paul Brewster was 157th, Shaun Kemp 162nd, Sara Mickleburgh 172nd and Rachel Kemp 176th.

Sunday 19th July, Sherwood Pines 10K.

Only 4 club members made to this club series event so all scored good points, anyway Dave Smith lead home in 44:11, followed by Ayla Smith in 51.56, Shaun Kemp 54.07 and Rachel Kemp in 55.03.

Wednesday 15th July, Stamford 5K.

A swift 2 laps round the Danish Invader, this was the 4th of the Peterborough 5K series, you always know as you run down hill on the first lap that you are going to have to go uphill, and when you get to the top you know you have got to do it again. In the junior race Amy Gibbons ran well finishing 28th overall against much older boys and girls, she was 5th in the U13 class. Meanwhile, and I do seem to say this a lot at the moment, Matt Grace lead the senior team home in 6th position, and its great to report Thomas Honniball finished in 18th place, closely followed by Richard Lomas-Brown in 21st and debutant Nick Lee was 31st on his first run for club, (his dad would be proud, but probably wouldn't tell him). After that came Tony Gilbert, Phil Lengthorn, Craig Wigley, Des Adey, Roland Stevens, Richard Pearson, Sara Mickleburgh, Shaun Kemp, Rachel Kemp, Malcolm Scriven and Nick Asplin.

Thursday 9th July 2008, Whissendine 6.

Hot, but not too bad, it's a very hilly course with not much flat. We retained the team prize and the "B" team were 4th, there were quiet a few of us there, 17 in all. We were lead home by Matt Grace (4th overall), then came Richard Lomas-Brown, Mark Botterley, Vaughan Roberts, Tony Gilbert, Des Adey, Andy Henson, Dave Smith, Katy Lee, Anthony Yoxall, Richard Pearson, Lisa Richardson, Ayla Smith, Shaun Kemp, Rachel Kemp, Nicky Asplin and Stuart Bremner.

A bottle of beer to all the finishers usually goes down well.

Sunday 5th July 2008, Thurlby 10K, The Club Championships.

Conditions, Hot (what else?).

The club championships were held at Thurlby as usual, it's always hot for this event, The championships included the senior 10K and handicap events and the junior championship and handicap event. A total of 25 seniors and 15 juniors competed. Matt Grace finishing 2nd won the 10K championship while Nathan Denial was the first junior home. The same mens team as last years Matt Grace, Richard Lomas-Brown and Matt Green, held on to the mens team title as well. There were plenty of good performances on the tough course in very hot conditions. The handicap winners were Rachel Kemp in the seniors and Jasmine Oldfield in the juniors.

And we got an excellent team picture on the back page of the Local.

Full results can be seen at [The Thurlby Website](#)