

Big Runners' turnout in the Beverley 10k

LAST weekend Pocklington Runners took part in both the Leeds Half Marathon and the Beverley 10K.

At the Leeds half, Steve Fletcher was the only club competitor and by his own words this was a tough race in many ways, firstly, the gremlins inside his system that have plagued his racing since a poor London Marathon are still playing havoc so on the day, Fletch came away from Leeds with a time of 2:20:25.

At the main race in Beverley, the Runners' Juniors were first out of the blocks and it was Sam Thomas who came home first for Pocklington, closely followed by Joshua Hughes and Alexander Peckover in third.

Other Juniors who also ran were Joe Thompson, Tom Green and the Wragg family of Natalie, who finished in 16:20, James who finished in 16:30 and Rebecca who came home in 25:00 (not bad for a four year old.)

In the main Senior 10K race Helen Wilcock was first ladies finisher in yet

another blistering performance in which she finished in overall second position in a time of 38:40.

Patrick Piggott was first male finisher and after a good solid run he recorded a time of 42:10. Dave Wragg also put in an excellent run to clock a time of 42:37. Only a short distance behind Dave came Rachael Houseman who did herself proud as she cruised around the day's course in a time of 42:49.

Alan Kendra tried to turn the clock back and repeat his past performances but on the day he had to be content with his time of 43:17.

The Runners' next finisher home was Howard Cross making a return after a bout of injury problems. He finished in 43:22. Paul Holmes came through the town centre next to cross the line in 44:10.

Next to make his way through the finishing area was Marcus Bourne who on the day clocked 45:58. He was followed in by Adele Shipley and Brian Dobson who finished only one second apart and

despite Adele having a recent new addition to her family, she finished in 49:02 and Brian marking off another race for this year as he clocked 49:03.

Paul Sheridan arrived next and will have gone home happy with his time of 49:22. Simon Weedy hasn't been able to train recently and so was well pleased with his time of 51:03. Colin Shipley in only his second outing in Pock's colours approached this race a little more cautiously and thus enjoyed the outing and finished in 52:20.

Tracey Holden finished next despite a late night prior to the race, which didn't hamper her performance as she crossed the line in 52:52.

Marilyn Mannifield was making a rare outing but she displayed some excellent form to record a time of 61:14. Other Runners also ran but their times are unknown - they were Sue Vicary, Jill Dowson and Steven Worth.

Well done and thank you to all of the Runners who continue to put Pocklington on the map.