

Brass Monkey Half Marathon

A wet and dull day welcomed the runners to the 27th annual running of the York Brass Monkey Half Marathon. Not a nice day weather wise, but ideal conditions for running. This being the 2nd Marsh House Harriers event of the year, it was good conditions to get some early points on the board. A mega turnout of 1800 Starters began their long shift at 10.00.

A little over an hour later we were greeting our winner, last year's winner and course record holder Matthew Pierson of Holmfirth Harriers. The course record was 66.34, but Matthew beat that time and delivered a time of 65.35. Suprisingly, we had to wait 7 minutes for the next runner. That runner was Phil Coulson of Chester le Street with a time of 72.36. 5 seconds behind him was Phil Taylor of Bridlington Road Harriers. Phil obviously swapping his darts practice for running!!!!

Before the race, a lot was expected from top Marsh House man Andy Chadfield, and he delivered. A Fantastic PB time of 73.28 and an incredible 4th place. Phil Teece was the 2nd Marsh House man over the line, with a time of 77.46. Phil came home 27th overall and was the 1st over 50's veteran so well done Phil. Next Marsh House Man was Martin Hibbert, who came in in 85.30

Paul Hughes was next, with a PB time of 87.05, which is a 4 minute improvement of his previous PB. Tom Gale was just behind him with a time of 87.51. Gary Carter was next with a time of 88.55, beating his PB by 18 minutes.

The 1st Marsh House lady was Jane Raper with a time of 1 hour 40 minutes 32 seconds.

CATERGORY RESULTS FOR BMHH RUNNERS

Male:

1st: Andy Chadfield
2nd: Tom Gale
3rd: Gary Carter

Male Over 40 Vets:

1st: Martin Hibbert
2nd: Robert Simpson
3rd: Peter Greenan
4th: Nick Lawton

Male Over 45 Vets:

1st: Paul Hughes
2nd: Gary Dack
3rd: John Gray
4th: John Bentley
5th: Jon Bulmer
6th: James McGhee
7th: Craig Lightfoot

Male Over 50 Vets:

1st: Phil Teece

Male Over 55 Vets;

1st: Walter Farquharson

Female Over 40 Vets

1st: Jane Raper
2nd: Christine Oliver
3rd: Deborah Davison
4th: Vicky Fawcett

Female Over 45 Vets:

1st: Susan Walker
2nd: Sally Dack

Female Over 50 Vets:

1st: Kay Stokes

Male Over 60 Vets

1st: Sid Rudd

Male Over 70 Vets

1st: Peter Braney

I'd just like to thank you on behalf of the club for running, and well done!!!!!!!!!!