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ATHLETE OF THE MONTH

May 2010



Johanna Ottosson

*Women's Winner of the Rotorua
Marathon on 1st May in a time of
2hours 50m. 19s.*

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ROTORUA MARATHON DAY - FUN RUN MARSHALLING.

A big thank you goes out to those Ramblers who made themselves available to act as Marshalls on the Fun Run course during the running of the Rotorua Marathon. With just on 1000 competitors in the 5km and 10km events and little help coming from other WBOP centres your assistance was very much appreciated.

An extra event this year where children from two local schools ran 40km in the weeks leading up to the day and then finished off the 2.195km marathon distance around parts of the same course, caused problems and confusion for some Marshalls.

The marshalling took up about 2 hours and afterwards we were able to gather at the Government Gardens and cheer on our Rambler marathoners as they returned and went up the finishing straight.

The Ramblers involved were: Bev and Kerry Smith, Malcolm Taylor, Jan Barr, Ken Kerewaro, Murray Clarkson, Alex Whimster, Robyn Winter, Russell Lake, Heather O'Hagan, Graeme and Brenda McCabe and Iain Bibby. Assistance from John Turner (ex Rambler), Malcolm Clark and Rob Corin was also welcome.

From Euan Ross

Tauranga Boys College XC Waipuna, 5/5/10

Scott Croasdale won the Junior Boy's 3km race in 10.05 minutes.

Brad Currie was 3rd in 10.34.

Michael Sutton 1st IB over 4km in 13.40

Alex Colvin 6th 15.29

Ollie Ranby 16th 16.38.

Julian Oakley won the senior 6km in 20.55 ahead of Patrick Burrows 21.35.

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Super 8 Secondary Schools, New Plymouth 10/5/10

Scott Croasdale continued his winning form with a 1st in the Year 9 Boy's race in 10.55.83. **Brad Currie** was 3rd in 11.24.55. **Alex Colvin** was 6th in the Juniors in 17.32.20 and Olly Ranby 38th. **Michael Sutton** was 2nd in the Senior Boys in 21.31.04, with Julian Oakley 3rd and Patrick Burrows 4th in 21.56.70. TBC won overall on points.

Sharp Cross Country, Paeroa 15/5/10

Run on David & Leann Sharp's dairy farm near Paeroa, this is genuine crosscountry, cow patties and all! A flat paddock at the start, but some mean hills and a couple of hurdles on the fencelines.

After a decent thunderstorm the night before and a heavy shower or two on the way up, we were surprised to arrive at the property to find sunshine, relatively dry conditions and firm underfoot. The kids races were run in the sunshine but dark clouds loomed nearer and the skies opened up midway into the women's & U16 race. The rain continued through the men's race and prize-giving, finally clearing as we headed home. Typical!



Rebekah & Alice McCafferty start 2km

Sharp XC Results:

2km

Alice McCafferty	2 nd	8.01
Rebekah McCafferty	3 rd	8.03
Olivia Hines	6 th	8.28
Samantha Bitcheno	7 th	8.42

3km

Jessica Bitcheno	2 nd G14	12.48
Kelly Furmage	5 th G14	14.27
Jodi Furmage	6 th G14	15.53
Lauren Hines	7 th G14	18.16

5km

<i>Won by Demelza Murrihy-Topp</i>	19.11
Anna-Lisa Uttley 1st W19 2 nd W	19.43
Sally Gibbs 1 st MW 3 rd W	21.02
Robyn Winter 7 th MW 12 th W	31.39

7km

Narrowly won after a tense sprint finish by Kent Hodgson (1st MM) of Hawks in 27.37 from Nick Joynes (1st SM) also of Hawks, 27.38. Another sprint finish by Terry Furmage 2nd MM (4th o/all) 29.35 beating Gavin Smith 3rd MM (5th) 29.40 Stu Smith 8th MM (12th) 31.42 Ian Bitcheno 9th MM (14th) 32.46 David Stewart 11th MM (16th) 33.05 Malcolm Taylor 12th MM (19th) 36.17 Brendan Gibbs 15th MM (22nd) 33.05
From a field of 26 finishers.

Cambridge relay results

Combined Open Ramblers 1st/5

Anna Lisa Uttley	11.18
Sally Gibbs	11.59
Jessica Bitcheno	12.40
Laurie Pugh	<u>12.25</u>
	48.22

Ramblers CO2 5th

Robyn Winter	17.45
Brendan Gibbs	14.08
Lauren Hines	16.19
Ian Bitcheno	<u>12.40</u>
	1.00.52

Masters Men Ramblers 3rd/9

Mike Pugh	9.52
Gavin Smith	11.49
Max Ball	12.49
Murray Clarkson	<u>13.14</u>
	47.44

Mixed Youth Ramblers 3rd/10

Kelly Furmage	14.12
Jodi Furmage	14.48
Morgan Ball	<u>14.42</u>
	43.42

GU12

Samantha Bitcheno	4 th	9.14
Mia Pugh	5 th	9.16
Olivia Hines	6 th	9.19
McKenzie Ball	7 th	10.00

BU12

Ian Pugh	5 th	15.34
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CAMBRIDGE XC RELAY 8/5/10

Fine day with hard & fast conditions. 33 teams took part. An "unfit" Mike Pugh had 2nd fastest time of the day behind Hawk's Cory Whiting.

They're Off:

Lauren Hines →





Mike Pugh leads the 1st lap



Brendan Gibbs



Anna-Lisa Uttley 1st lap



Morgan Ball



Sally Gibbs



The Kids U12 line up

BOP-Mid Island SS XC **Waipuna 19/5/10**

Absolutely cracker day. Brilliant warm sunshine and some brilliant running from our locals. Malcolm Taylor & I assisted with timekeeping.

Results

JG 3km (70 finishers)

1 st	Isabella Kirk	TGC	11.32.11
4 th	Christine Sutton	TGC	12.00.80
6 th	Amy Robinson	TGC	12.13.61
22 nd	Kelly Furmage	Beth	13.11.96
42 nd	Jodi Furmage	Beth	13.49.77



Amy Robinson in the JG 3km race

Junior Boys 3km (55 finishers)

1 st	Scott Croasdale	TBC	10.00.58
2 nd	Brad Currie	TBC	10.22.47



Scott Croasdale leads the JB 3km

Int Girls 3km (41 finishers)

1 st	Alice McFall	Aquinas	11.31.27
10 th	Sophie Millar	Aquinas	12.39.31
37 th	Rebekah Millar	Aqinas	14.36.61



Sophie Millar centre IG 3km



Alice McFall winner IG 3km



Ollie Ranby IB 4km

Int Boys 4km (43 finishers)

1 st	Michael Sutton	TBC	13.45.25
7 th	Alex Colvin	TBC	15.17.90
15 th	Ollie Ranby	TBC	15.43.39

Senior Girls 4km (21 finishers)

1 st	Anna-Lisa Uttley	Otum	15.18.68
2 nd	Esther McArthur	TGC	16.31.14
3 rd	Shelby Goddard	TGC	16.39.90
5 th	Julia Campbell	TGC	17.30.41
10 th	Emma Jackson	Otum	19.31.48



Anna-Lisa Uttley wins SG 4km by a huge margin



Esther & Shelby in 1st lap SG 4km



Julian Oakley (right) SB 6km winner

Senior Boys 6km (21 finishers)

1 st	Julian Oakley	TBC	21.12.93
9 th	Nathan Burgi	Beth	23.40.02
13 th	Jamie Regan	Aquinas	24.47.16



Jamie Regan 6km SB



Nathan Burgi 6km SB

HUNTLY HALF MARATHON 23/5/10 (& NZ 1/2M Champs)

Fine when we left home but hit fog on the other side of the Kaimais. It lifted for the start of the race, but remained overcast, with calm conditions.

Around 3500 entries – largest ever. The NZ Champs bringing in plenty of extras and providing some good age group competition.

Fantastic results by those Ramblers who had entered the Champs. We brought home 5 golds a silver & a bronze! (Some misunderstanding whether Iain MacDonald was due a silver or bronze depending on whether Aaron & Jonathan are graded U20. Ruby Muir was announced as Gold medallist U20 at the event but listed in official results as 7th Open W)

Naturally, it decided to rain during prizegiving, causing a lot to head away early and leaving major spot prizes to be re-drawn several times.

Half Marathon Winner was Aaron Pulford of Hawks in 1.09.21 ahead of Jonny McKee, Pakuranga, 1.09.38 and Jonathan Jackson (ACA U20) 1.10.31
First Woman was Maria Bentley of Fielding Moas in 1.17.56 ahead of Helen

Rountree, Hawks 1.18.03 and Nyla Carroll Wgtn Scottish, in 1.19.09.

Championship results

Iain MacDonald	4 th /25	4 th	1.11.17
Gavin Smith	1 st /24	M55, 57 th	1.22.10
Michelle Basson	1 st /3	W35, 58 th	1.22.15
Ruby Muir	7 th /23	(1stU20) 69 th	1.23.19
Sally Gibbs	1 st /13	W45	1.27.07
Alex McKenzie	13 th /18	M45	1.30.05
Jenny Davis	3 rd /13	W45	1.33.08
Laurie Pugh	2 nd /3	W35, 312 th	1.38.57
Sid Pavett	1 st /3	M75+	1.46.55

Non champs

John Caie	16 th o/all	3 rd M40-49	1.16.22
Roger Creighton	83 rd	22 nd M40-49	1.25.25
John McKinley	329 th	50 th M50-59	1.39.35

Mizuno 10km (1257 finishers)

Won by Corey Whiting, Hawks in 32.59
Ist Woman Erin Montgomery of Auckland in 36.56 (6th overall).

Petra Creighton 45th o/all 5th W40-49
43.25



John Caie at 6km



Ruby Muir nears the finish



Michelle leads a bunch including Ruby (leftmost) & Gavin, (partly obscured) at 6km



Jenny Davis at 6km



Start with Alex & Sally



Iain with about 400m to go



Roger Creighton (Left, in blue)



Top 3 placegetters in the rain!

McLAREN'S FALLS RELAY 23/5/10

McLaren's Falls relay saw 8 teams of 3 contesting the event. Terry Furmage's 2 hour warm up wasn't good enough to beat Anna-Lisa Uttley for fastest lap. Some great racing and tactical running. Anna-Lisa, Mathew Smith and Shari Ball had it all figured out to be first team home. Then a Smith team of Wayne, Kerry and Malcolm. Some interesting times especially in the McCafferty team with mum Michelle saving the best for her third lap, watch out Alice and Rebekah.

Anna-Lisa Uttley	3.33	Wayne Smith	3.35	Stu Smith	3.38
Mathew Smith	3.46	Kerry Smith	4.17	Brendon Gibbs	4.08
Anna-Lisa	3.37	Malcolm Smith	3.29	Malcolm Taylor	4.11
Shari Ball	5.07	Wayne	3.56	Stu	3.47
Mathew	3.34	Kerry	4.18	Brendon	4.13
Anna-Lisa	3.28	Malcolm	3.29	Stu	3.48
Mathew	3.34	Wayne	3.47	Malcolm	4.20
Anna-Lisa	3.30	Kerry	4.23	Brendon	4.09
Mathew	<u>3.33</u>	Malcolm	<u>3.40</u>	Stu	<u>3.44</u>
FIRST	33.42	SECOND	34.54	THIRD	35.58
Sam Averill	4.04	Rebekah McCafferty	3.52	Kelly Furmage	4.00
Chris Averill	4.35	Michelle McCafferty	4.43	Morgan Ball	4.22
Terry Furmage	3.47	Alice McCafferty	3.55	Jodi Furmage	4.11
Sam	4.01	Rebekah	3.47	Kelly	4.08
Chris	4.38	Michelle	4.58	Morgan	4.30
Terry	3.22	Alice	4.00	Jodi	4.03
Sam	4.24	Rebekah	4.01	Kelly	4.02
Chris	4.23	Michelle	4.17	Jodi	4.33
Terry	<u>3.45</u>	Alice	<u>4.17</u>	Morgan	<u>4.17</u>
FOURTH	36.59	FIFTH	37.50	SIXTH	38.06
Winston Murton	3.42	Max Ball	3.58		
Robyn Winter	5.25	McKenzie Ball	DNF		
Les Dobson	4.01	Max Ball	4.10		
Winston	3.49	Taylah Ball	6.23		
Robyn	5.36	Max	4.16		
Les	4.03	Shari Ball	5.08		
Winston	3.56	Max	4.07		
Robyn	5.42	Taylah	4.42		
Les	<u>3.56</u>	Max	3.57		
SEVENTH	40.10				



Vosseler Shield, Mt Victoria,
Wellington, 22/5/10

Some really big fields, full results on
<http://www.whac.org.nz/uploads/results/2010%20Vosseler%20Shield.htm>

Jessica Bitcheno placed 2nd in the G13 race in 7.40 for the 1600m distance.
Samantha Bitcheno 13th in the G13 in 8.59 from 22 in that grade.

Pakuranga Cross-Country
Lloyd Elsmore Park, 29/5/10

Jessica Bitcheno won the G14 race over 2443m in 8.16 ahead of 30 runners in that grade- fantastic effort!

Samantha Bitcheno placed 8th in the G12 race over 2443m in 9.52 from 28 in that grade another great result.

Russell Lake competed in the Big "O" Lactic Turkey event around Lake Okataina/ The 35km race was won by James Bradshaw in 2.51.42 ahead of Chris Morrissey 2.54.38

Russell Lake 5th (3rd Vet) 3.19.31.
1st Woman Rebecca Smith 7th overall in 3.30.16. 64 finishers. 19km race won by Paul Davidson in 1.43.27.

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Senior Boys Jacob Martin and Senior Girls Annalisa Uttley won the Otumoetai College School Cross Country.

Papamoa Hills Regional Park Run 29/5/10

Around 24 people turned out (some supporting). Six teams of three were selected as evenly as possible and competed as a relay around an approx 3km loop including the summit which proved a mean workout. A few light showers passed over during the event but didn't deter the enthusiasm. Results weren't recorded, but the winning Team comprised young Andrew Creighton, and not so young Gavin Smith and Murray Clarkson.



View from the Papamoa Hills

Notice of Annual General Meeting Tauranga Millennium Track Trust

Annual General Meeting of Tauranga Millenium Track Tust will be held on Wednesday 9th June 2010 at 7:00pm in the Media Room of Tauranga Domain (Grandstand).

Business: To receive-
Annual Report
Annual Accounts
General Business

M G Clarkson
Honorary Secretary

Notice:

Craig Kirkwood is organising training from the Rebel Sports carpark at 5:30pm on Wednesday' s starting on 19th May to train towards this year's Road Relay. All welcome

COMING EVENTS

5 June

Tauranga Open Cross Country Races at Waipuna Park. We host Clubs and schools from all over the region. All hands on deck to help set up the course at 9am and to assist making sandwiches Marshalling etc. **Bring a plate for afternoon tea.** Walk in the park starts 11am followed by first children's race at 12.30. Afternoon tea followed by Prizegiving after the senior's race.

6 June

Mt Joggers Half Marathon, 10km & 5km run/walks. Mt Maunganui www.sportbop.co.nz

6 June

Christchurch Marathon & Half Marathon. www.sbsmarathon.co.nz

9 June

WBOP Secondary School's XC Champs, Hamilton

12 June

Somerfield's Orchard/Berry Farm Run, 990 Oropi Rd, meet 1.45pm

19 June

NZ SS XC Champs, Waikanae www.nzssaa.org.nz

19 June

Foster Smythe handicap XC run Rotorua. Hosted by Lake City Club. Meet end of Wharenu Rd , 1pm start time. 10km 1 lap course on rugged terrain. Separate 3km for kids & those seeking a shorter run. Afternoon tea after at Neil Hunt Park Clubrooms.

20 June

Tauranga Mud Run. Hopefully we'll have more details soon. Watch this site: www.baysandbridgeschallenge.co.nz

25 June

WBOP Primary Schools Cross Country. Waipuna Park Year 5 & 6 9am-12.00noon, Year 7 & 8 12.30pm- 2.30pm

26 June

Willacy Memorial Handicap races, Waipuna Park. Meet 1.45pm A series of races with handicap starts for all grades. Trophies for the winners of each race. Held in memory of one of the club founders, Geoff Willacy. Please bring a plate.

29 June

BOP Primary Schools XC years 5,6,7,& 8 Waipuna Park 9.30-2.30

3 July

Racecourse Time Trial meet 1.45pm by main gate Tauranga Race Course, Greerton.

4 July

Great Mid Winter Half Marathon, Kawerau & 11km fun run/walk . <http://kawerauharrierclub.co.nz> Start at Pinelands Hotel, Kawerau

10 July

North Island XC Champs, Spa Park, Taupo (**note that this date has changed from the 3rd July** due to a Spa Park booking problem). Top class racing and big fields, catering for all ages. Bus trip time to be advised. Hot pools after. Usually a stop over for dinner (McDonalds or similar) on way home. Take warm clothing, polyprop & wet gear- it has been known to snow & sleet during this event.