

Saturday August 13th

THE FIVE

Yarra Bend

Our eagerly awaited Winter Championship was again a great day for the Club, with a good crowd in attendance at both the races and at our now traditional Parade of Champions.

Richmond Harriers again joined us for the festivities with the City of Yarra medals being available to runners from both clubs.

It was unfortunate that there was a clash with the City to Surf in Sydney as the senior fields were robbed of a number of runners who had chosen to go north for the weekend.

The junior race saw some good talent on show, although the dearth of male Harriers was again a worry. **Simone Maillardet** and **Wolfgang Cotra Nemesi** were the winners, in performances sure to help tune both for their appearances with State teams at Canberra next weekend. The Club was pleased to welcome **Joe Kanizay** and **Sebastian Trapp** along for a run on the day. Both, sons of previous winners of 'The Five', we can only hope that their respective appearances were just the first of many.

Another interesting participant was **Polina Osina**. Polina has been training with our girls at the Club for the last couple of months while holidaying in Australia. This was her last appearance before returning to Russia shortly.

JUNIOR 2.7k

1	Simone Maillardet	10:21
1	Wolfgang Cotra Nemesi	10:31
2	Sunny Spencer	10:46
3	Zoe Cornell	10:54
Inv	Guy Fricke	10:57
4	Lucy Leutchford	11:23
Inv	Finlay Gough	11:25
Inv	Joe Kanizay	12:00
Inv	Andre Maillardet	12:03
5	Tiffany Argyropoulos	12:42
6	Emma Newton	12:54
Inv	Emily Panopoulos	13:01
Inv	Polina Osina	13:01
7	Chiara Santiglia	13:01
Inv	Alice Tilson	13:20
Inv	Sebastian Trapp	13:29

CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS

1	Wolfgang Cotra Nemesi	10:31	1	Simone Maillardet	10:21
			2	Sunny Spencer	10:46
			3	Zoe Cornell	10:54

Although missing a few runners our field for the senior race was boosted by some cameo appearances by sisters, **Jane Kanizay** and **Susan Michelsson**, who chose to have a run on the day. Both, of course, are winners of the race in years gone by – it was great to see them in action once more.

Jai Edmonds won his third title on the trot with the minor placings being filled by two of our very promising juniors, **Dale Carroll** and **Matthew Newton**. Jai's win was an 'all the way affair!'

The women's Championship saw a very promising performance by fourteen year old **Amy Cornell**. Amy chose to have a go at the longer event when she found out that some of the seniors had left the state! Her choice proved to be a good one, with Amy's name now to join the list on the winner's board in the clubrooms.

SENIOR 5 MILE

1	Jai Edmonds	27:54
2	Dale Carroll	28:26
3	Matthew Newton	29:30
4	Hugh McCarthy	31:40
5	Anthony Mithen	32:37
6	Peter Gaunt	33:26
7	Jacob Barnes	33:26
8	Chris Waldron	33:57
1	Amy Cornell	33:57
9	Eugene Nemesi	34:09
10	Mason Barnes	34:24
Inv	Susan Michelsson	34:46
11	Susumu Miura	36:21
12	Neil Matthews	37:07
13	Doug Leutchford	37:24
14	Nick Rosa	38:00
15	Jim Sayer	38:59
2	Mena Butler	39:36
16	Scott Lovell	39:46
17	Daryl Standfield	39:51
Inv	Jane Kanizay	40:23
3	Francesca Black	40:30
18	Jim Hopkins	40:41
19	John Crameri	41:43
20	Lou Santiglia	41:56
21	Mark Cornell	42:39
4	Bronwyn Hill	42:55
5	Evie Rosa	44:14
22	Robert Maillardet	47:03
23	Robert Barnes	52:03

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CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS

1	Jai Edmonds	27:55	1	Amy Cornell	33:57
2	Dale Carroll	28:26	2	Mena Butler	39:36
3	Matthew Newton	29:30	3	Francesca Black	40:30

The presentation of the City of Yarra Medals was the first of the formalities to take place back at the rooms. **Kevin Soloman**, President of Richmond Harriers, did the honours by placing the medals around the necks of the recipients.

JUNIORS

1	Simone Maillardet	Coll	10:21	1	Wolfgang Cotra Nemesi	Coll	10:41
2	Sunny Spencer	Coll	10:46	2	Guy Fricke	CLAC	10:57
3	Zoe Cornell	Coll	10:54	3	Finlay Gough	CLAC	11:25

SENIORS

1	Amy Cornell	Coll	33:57	1	Jai Edmonds	Coll	27:55
2	Pauline Lawrence	Rich	38:49	2	Joji Mori	Rich	28:15
3	Mena Butler	Coll	39:36	3	Dale Carroll	Coll	28:26

Our Parade of Champions was once again well received by all those present. To have so many past winners back for the day is a great indication of the traditions built up by our Club over the ninety years of its existence. Apart from those actually involved in the Parade, it was also terrific to have other long time members back with us for the first time in many years. **Eddie Lynn, Barry Charles, Mike Boylen, John Kennedy** and **Bruce Conboy**, who, this year presented the Blue Ribbons to the 2016 winners, were all in attendance.

There was an extra nice touch to the afternoon when the Club presented a replacement Blue Ribbon to **Peter Trapp**. Peter lost his house and most of his possessions in the Kinglake West fires on Black Saturday in 2009. This was Peter's first time back the Club since his terrible experience.

There are a lot of people to thank for their assistance with today's event. Firstly to the team who turned up at 10:00am to flag the course. **Neil Matthews, Doug Leutchford, Heather** and **Peter Gaunt, Ray Harbert** and **Tony Williams** set a record for the quickest set up ever! The new flags certainly helped – much easier to handle.

Diana Barnett worked in the rooms early, issuing tags to all the runners

Once the event was underway, Ray was joined by **Kevin Wignmore** at the start finish/line to organise things at either end of the race. This of course could only happen after **Brian Moore** did some of his best work wielding the pistol to get the fields away.

Out on the course, Rocket stepped up again, along with **Vaughan Newton, Troy Kameme**, and **Annette Van Rooyen** in helping the runners stay on track.

After the race a stack of the previously mentioned helped pick up the flags and were assisted by **Grant Sargent, Emma** and **Matthew Newton, Robert Hendy** and **Barry Charles**.

Back in the rooms, **Theresa Barnes** worked tirelessly preparing the goodies for the runners and the many friends and family members with us on the day. **Janette Chapman** and **Sofie Fabre** helped out when the hungry mob arrived.

Past Champions to participate in this year's Parade were:

Susan Michelsson	1999 2000 2002 2003 2005 2006 2008 2009 2011 2012
Janette Chapman	2001 2007
Jane Kanizay	2010
John Morgan	1950 1951
Bill Morgan	1953 1954
Barry Gust	1960 1961
Brian Clarke	1962 1964 1966
Robert Hendy	1965 1967 1968 1969 1970 1971 1972 1974 1975
Ian Minter	1979 1980 1981 1983 1984 1989 1990
Peter Trapp	1986
Steve Griffiths	1994
Chris Waldron	2001
Jai Edmonds	2014 2015