

Saturday May 7th

CROSS-COUNTRY

Wandin Park

We were all keen to see a new venue on the program and the fact that it involved a little less travelling was a real bonus. The weather too was terrific although some found it a couple of degrees on the warm side. The people looking forward to a flatter course compared with last season's Lardner Park were very disappointed. The new track was just as challenging and considered by some to be even harder.

Collingwood had very good turn up of forty two starters in the men's race. Unfortunately we were one runner short in the senior women's event to finish all the teams and the lack of any teams in the junior men's age groups continues to be a concern. The under 14 and 16 girl's teams followed up their terrific performances at Jells Park with good point scoring performances in their respective events. The fact that a couple of the leading club s failed to finish a team was another great boost to our girls.

The Club welcomed a number of first timers to the Black and White brigade at Wandin Park. **Melissa Vandewater, Alli Shinnars, Mena Butler, Zoe Delany** and **Wendy Richardson** all made their debut in the senior women's race, while **Aaron Gray** and **Matt Saville** joined the men's ranks for their two lap affair. **Wolfgang Cotra Nemesi** and **James Morelli** were welcome additions to our junior ranks.

The Club had two medallists from the day's events. **Simone Maillardet** grabbed a silver in the U/14 2k, while **Virginia Moloney** was third across the line in the open 8k.

A pleasing feature of our junior teams was the participation of a couple of our very good sprinting prospects, taking part to build up strength and fitness for their summer. Both **Chiara Santiglia** and **Tiffiny Argyropoulos** will benefit greatly as well as helping our teams in their efforts during the season.

JUNIOR RESULTS

GIRLS			UNDER 14 2k		BOYS	
2	Simone Maillardet	7:32.8	8	Wolfgang Costa Nemesi	7:47.2	
7	Zoe Cornell	7:58.9	14	James Morelli	8:16.9	
23	Chiara Santiglia	9:43.8				

Teams Race 2nd

GIRLS								
UNDER 16 3k		UNDER 18 3k		UNDER 20 4k				
12	Amy Cornell	13:35.0	19	Emma Newton	16:14.8	14	Issy Ermacora	23:42.2
13	Sunny Spencer	13:37.4	20	Evie Rosa	18:52.0			
19	Lucy Leutchford	14:17.1						
31	Ellie McKenzie	16:19.4						
33	Tiffiny Argyropoulos	16:30.0						

Teams Race 2nd

BOYS						
UNDER 18			4k	UNDER 20		
6	Dale Carroll	14:42.2		16	Tom Hall	14:50.2
				17	Matthew Newton	14:59.3

The open women's event saw **Virginia Moloney** off to a flying start, keeping pace with Gemma Maini over the shorter first lap. Maini started to pull away at about three k with Tarli Bird making a move on Gin. Bird ran very strongly to eventually get to the front and win quite comfortably. Gin was unable to pick up Maini despite making inroads into the space separating them in the latter stages of the race.

Newcomer from the Essendon club, **Melissa Vandewater**, went out hard and will be very valuable as her fitness builds up through the season. The very consistent **Heather Gaunt** did another great job picking up quite a few in the last couple of ks.

It was pleasing to see all the girls having a real go at the finish to pick up that extra placing.

SENIOR RESULTS

OPEN WOMEN 6k

		2k	6k
3	Virginia Moloney	6:30	22:29.3
13	Erchana Murray Bartlett	7:04	24:18.2
53	Melissa Vandewater	7:41	27:14.5
72	Heather Gaunt *	8:19	28:04.1
103	Alli Shiners	9:18	30:06.0
119	Mena Butler	9:27	30:55.1
134	Alison Chapman *	9:28	37:02.2
140	Bronwyn Hill *	9:39	32:42.0
151	Ellyse Marum	9:39	33:21.1
166	Zoe Delany	10:03	34:44.0
174	Wendy Richardson	10:10	35:59.0
172	Helen Walpole	10:32	35:34.9
201	Melinda Story	11:53	42:48.2
205	Jessica Newton	11:54	45:19.1

TEAM RESULTS

Division 1	6 th
Division 3	11 th
Division 4	8 th
40+ *	12 th

The men's event saw **Simon Bevege** our first home with a pretty smart time. **Jai Edmonds** just made it to the starting line for the gun although he didn't have a chance to get his racing shoes on. Unfortunately Jai made a wrong turn on the way to Wandin Park and was lucky to get there at all. Evergreen, **Magnus Michelsson**, originally a doubtful starter proved that he has still got it, going under the half hour just a few seconds behind **Liam Delany**. The Club

was glad to have **Campbell Maffett** back after a couple of seasons of ‘niggles.’ His presence certainly played a part in the 40+ team winning the team race in that division. **Magnus** and **Malcolm Campbell** were the other two members of the team.

SENIOR RESULTS

OPEN MENS 8k

		4k	8k
20	Simon Bevege	13:56	28:31.5
41	Jai Edmonds	14:33	29:37.0
43	Liam Delany	14:35	29:46.7
47	Magnus Michelsson *	14:28	29:57.1
53	Michael Whitehead	14:40	30:22.5
<u>85</u>	<u>Simon Rae</u>	<u>15:18</u>	<u>31:51.4</u>
98	Andrew Downie	15:25	32:41.2
100	Malcolm Campbell *	15:28	32:42.9
110	Campbell Maffett *	15:55	33:04.7
121	Danny Reddan	16:05	33:27.3
152	Tony Hally #	-	34:39.8
<u>156</u>	<u>Trent McCormick</u>	<u>16:45</u>	<u>34:45.9</u>
175	Lewis Sullivan	16:44	35:38.9
186	Scott Bent	-	36:04.9
187	Paul Rothin #	-	36:06.4
196	Peter Gaunt &	16:41	36:22.3
<u>205</u>	<u>Mason Barnes</u>	<u>17:12</u>	<u>36:35.2</u>
212	Martin James &	17:10	36:47.0
236	Jacob Barnes	18:30	37:36.1
236	David Diviny	-	37:53.9
237	Aaron Gray	18:08	38:02.2
<u>242</u>	<u>Eugene Nemesi #</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>38:05.2</u>
260	Tim Strobe	-	38:51.0
263	Susumu Miura ^	18:57	39:12.2
293	Neil Matthews ^	19:21	41:05.0
<u>297</u>	<u>Christian Keel</u>	<u>19:11</u>	<u>41:14.8</u>
299	Daryl Standfield ^	19:47	41:18.0
303	Paul Viney &	18:02	41:53.3
305	John Crameri %	20:04	42:02.4
<u>308</u>	<u>Doug Leutchford %</u>	<u>20:10</u>	<u>42:12.2</u>
318	Nick Rosa	17:32	43:12.7
333	Jim Hopkins %	-	44:33.3
346	Matt Saville @	-	46:12.6
<u>361</u>	<u>Tony Rodwell \$</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>47:34.5</u>
366	Mark Cornell \$	22:37	48:08.5
370	Scott Lovell \$	22:00	48:42.1
371	Jason Mears @	21:27	48:50.2

374	Jason Kennedy	@ -	49:46.9
381	Lou Santiglia	25:42	51:04.1
395	Robert Barnes	26:20	57:51.0
Dnf	Jim Sayer	21:53	.
Dnf	Craig Servinis		

TEAM RESULTS

Division 1	5 th
Division 2	7 th
Division 3	7 th
Division 4	7 th
Division 5	4 th
Division 6	5 th
Division 7-1	2 nd
Division 7-2	4 th
40+ -1*	1st
40+ -2 #	11 th
40+ -3 ^	19 th
40+ -4 @	23 rd
50+ -1 &	5 th
50+ -2 %	17 th
50+ -3 \$	21 st

OFFICIALS: **Tony Williams** and **Gary McBroom** worked for AV and again were instrumental in the professional operation of the afternoon, while **Judy Mason, Hiromi Fujiwara, Josh Debinski** and **Corinne McBroom** fulfilled our requirement for Club helpers on the day. **Kevin Wigmore** did a great job collecting times, made much harder by the problems with rego numbers due to the recent muck up at headquarters! He had quite a bit of help from **Robert Maillardet** and **Scott Lovell** lent a hand as well in the last event.

Theresa Barnes again did the catering for our group and there wasn't much left at the finish!

Thanks to all who helped with the tent, including **Judy Mason** and **Kevin Wigmore** before the races and **Kevin, Heather and Peter Gaunt, Scott Lovell** and **Daryl Standfield** after the festivities.