

Junior Cross Country Races 3rd October 2015

Boston and District A.C. Junior Cross Country Races. Thirty young runners competed in the first of this season's series of Junior Cross-Country events held in fine, warm autumnal weather at The B-Hive on Saturday morning.

Eight competitors lined up on the start line for the first event on the programme for Year 1 and 2 runners. Ben Rudkin (St Georges School) was the clear winner crossing the finish line in 3mins 09secs. ahead of first girl Izzy Reid (Fleet Wood Lane School) who recorded 3mins 16secs in second place. Seven seconds behind in third position was Toby Taylor (St Georges School) with Harry Studholme (St Georges) fourth ahead of team mates Sam Jackson fifth, Finlay Bostock sixth, Declan Dodes seventh and Harrison Barnes eighth.

In the Year 3 and 4 race James Leates (Boston West School) clinched victory in 3 mins 37secs outstripping Sebastian Money (St Georges) 3mins 39secs on the final fifty metre run into the finish funnel. In a closely contested event Harry Jackson (St Georges) finished in third place in 3 mins 44 secs some three seconds ahead of Rhys Buswell (Stickney) with Joshua Robertson (St Georges) fifth in 3mins 57secs. St Georges also had Rosa Pool sixth in 4mins 12 secs, Sam Studholme seventh 4 mins 22 secs and Lucy Taylor ninth in 4 mins 49secs.

Eleven runners lined up for the start of the race for Year 5 and 6 competitors. At this level Ryan Firth (Sutterton) achieved a comprehensive victory finishing with a nine second margin and recording 6 mins 17secs. Haddley Bedford (Boston & District A.C.) was runner up in 6 mins 26secs just edging out Oscar Shields (St Georges) who clocked 6 mins 28 secs. with Matthew Lewis (Hawthorn Tree) fourth on 6mins 54 secs.. In fifth position and first girl finisher was Malena Baxter (Boston & District A.C.) 6mins 58secs ahead of St. Georges representatives Leo Pool 7mins 31 secs, Sam Shields 7mins 54 secs, Alex Whelan 8mins 08secs, Kenya Allen-Burgess 8mins 16secs and Ella Taylor 9mins 15secs

The Year 7 and 8 Race saw Lucy Raywood (Bannoalum) and Hallam Bedford (King Edward, Spilsby) in close contention right up to the final few metres with Lucy taking the Gold medal in 6 mins 57secs and Hallam claiming the Silver award and clocking 7 mins 00 secs. Alicia Baxter (Spalding High) was third recording 8mins 45 secs with Under 15 Guest Alex Riches (BADAC) out in front and leading the way achieving a time of 6mins 07secs.

The next event at The B-Hive is the first in the 2015-16 series of Sportshall Athletics Competitions on Saturday October 17th. The second match in the series of Cross Country Races is on Saturday October 31st. Both Sportshall Athletics and Cross-Country programmes start at 10-00. There are Sportshall Athletics events for boys and girls in all school years from Year 1 right up to and including year 10.