

Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Cross Country County Championships
Saturday 10th January

Saturday 10th Jan saw Mansfield Harriers host the Notts / Derby Cross Country County Championships.

A ten race program began at 11am and ended at 2.20pm, the weather was dry but freezing and the course was white over with frost which didn't improve at all through out the day. In any other sport the meeting would probably have been postponed but none of the competitors, running on the day, were put off.

Sutton got off to a great start with young **Abbie Wells** finishing just outside the medal positions (4th) in the under 11 girls 1500metres. She was followed home by **Jazmin Musgrove** (14th) and **Rachel Beer** (20th). Also in the race was Katie Davis (8th) in the Derbyshire County Champs race.

In the under 11 boys race, over the same distance, **Owen Hodson** lead a closely packed team (25th), **Quinn Bailey**, **Jake Collins**, **Callum Ball** making up the quartet.

Florin Bailey represented the team in the under 13 girls 3000 metres and continued to show good improvement in her form.

Under 13 boys (3000metres) saw Sutton pick up its 1st medals of the day with **James Shaw** (2nd) and leading the team to a **Silver** medal. He was well supported by **Jake Lacey** (5th), **Thomas Wells** (10th) and **Jack Rathbone** (23rd).

Sutton didn't have to wait long before adding to its medals, **Claire Woolis** leading the way (4th) overall, 1st vet in the Ladies over 8 kilometres. She was followed in in 8th place by **Hannah Mulcaster** (4th senior), **Gillian Adams** 13th O/A (10th senior) **Alison Thurman** (26th), **Jodie Sibert** (30th).

The team won another **Silver** medal in the senior team race which was a great achievement being Gill's and Jodie's first time representing the club at cross country.

Francesca Meakin also ran the race but in the Derbyshire champs where she finished 4th O/A and 2nd senior lady.

Next out on the frozen course were the under 20/ senior and veteran men in the longest race of the day-over 9 kilometres. Leading the veteran men home in 27th O/A was **Paul Whittingham** (the chairman) who also placed 4th vet 40-49 just missing out on an individual medal but leading the veteran team to 2nd place and yet another **Silver** medal. He was well supported by **Nick Luke** (36th) O/A on his way back to form, the evergreen **Keith Brown** (49th) O/A and the big man of the team **Brian Bailey** (60th) O/A.

Other competitors included **Steven Kerr** finishing a creditable 53rd and (7th under 20).

Under 15 girls were the next to compete and the medal tally for Sutton was increased again with a superb performance from **Danielle Ceney** (9th); **Annie Ratcliffe** (13th) and **Kelly Steele** (28th) collecting the team **Bronze**.

The final race of the day saw **Jack Potter** compete in the under 15 boys race over 4500 metres and finishing in a creditable 16th place.

Thanks to everyone who came along and took part and those that supported our team. Thanks to Paul Beasley who sorted out the club tent.

Paul Whittingham

Full Results:

Race	Name	Posn	Time
Under 11 Girls	Abbie Wells	4 th	00:06:11
Under 11 Girls	Jazmin Musgrove	14 th	00:06:56
Under 11 Girls	Rachel Beer	20 th	00:07:11
Derby 7m	Katie Davis	8 th	00:07:56
Under 11 Boys	Owen Hodson	25 th	00:06:24
Under 11 Boys	Quinn Bailey	29 th	00:06:35
Under 11 Boys	Jake Collins	34 th	00:06:56
Under 11 Boys	Callum Ball	38 th	00:07:56
Under 13 Girls	Florin Bailey	25 th	00:14:49
Under 13 Boys	James Shaw	2 nd	00:11:28
Under 13 Boys	Jake Lacey	5 th	00:12:00
Under 13 Boys	Thomas Wells	10 th	00:12:26
Under 13 Boys	Jack Rathbone	23 rd	00:14:12
Under 15 Girls	Danielle Ceney	9 th	00:18:22
Under 15 Girls	Annie Ratcliffe	13 th	00:18:46
Under 15 Girls	Kelly Steele	28 th	00:24:31
Senior & Vet Women	Claire Woolis	4 th O/A(1 st vet)	00:30:40
Senior & Vet Women	Hannah Mulcaster	8 th	00:32:45
Senior & Vet Women	Gillian Adams	13 th	00:35:14
Senior & Vet Women	Alison Thurman	26 th	00:38:27
Senior & Vet Women	Jodie Sibert	30 th	00:38:40
Derby Champs (Women)	Francesca Meakin	4 th O/A (2 nd senior)	00:32:48
Derby Under 20/ Senior and Veteran Men	Paul Whittingham	27 th O/A (4 th Vet)	00:34.30
Derby Under 20/ Senior and Veteran Men	Nick Luke	36 th O/A(7 th Vet)	00:35.00
Derby Under 20/ Senior and Veteran Men	Keith Brown	49 th O/A (9 th Vet)	00:37.16
Derby Under 20/ Senior and Veteran Men	Brian Bailey	60 th O/A (11 th Vet)	00:38.24
Derby Under 20/ Senior and Veteran Men	Steven Kerr	53 rd O/A (7 th U20)	00:37.33