

Enfield League race 3 – Stiker Hyde 5 miles , Enfield 12th Mar 22

On a fine and warmish morning 26 walkers faced the starter. From the off George Wilkinson (Enfield) began fast and was never headed. Surrey Walking Club's interest was in two walkers - Stephen Crane and David Hoben. Crane had a race long battle with Dave Annetts (North Herts). Towards the end of the race Crane received several cautions for endangering the contact rule and dropped back giving. Annetts 2nd place in 40m 30s with Crane 3rd 18 seconds later.

Lower down the field David Hoben had a steady race to finish 18th, 42 seconds outside of the hour and just behind remarkable 83 year-old Tom Casserly of Enfield. Two Blackheath and Bromley athletes coached by Shaun Lightman (SWC) also competed. Jonny Ellerton U17 started quickly and walked against Graham Chapman (Headington) with Chapman just drawing ahead in the last of the five-mile-long laps. Jonny finished a creditable 6th in 50m 15s just outside of a personal best. Racing in the 2 miles was B&B's Christopher Stone who walked steadily to finish in 20m 12s.

Results:

5 Miles - Men

1. G.Wilkinson (E&H U20 M) 38 min 41 sec; 2. D.Annetts (N Herts M55) 40 min 30 sec; 3. **S.Crane** (Sy WC M40) 40 min 48 sec; 4. D.Walsh (E&H M60) 47 min 51 sec; 5. G.Chapman (Head M65) 50 min 7 sec; 6. J.Ellerton (B&B U17B) 50 min 15 sec; 7. C.Harle (Belg M60) 50 min 22 sec; 8. J.Arthur (Unatt M50) 50 min 31 sec; 9. S.Bennett (Ilf M60) 52 min 1 sec; 10. J.Borgars (Loughton M75) 53 min 31 sec; 11. J.Ralph (E&H M60) 55 min 11 sec; 13. T.Casserley (E&H M80) 59 min 6 sec; 14. **D.Hoben** (Sy WC M65) 1 hr 0 min 42 sec; 15. M.Blackwood (Trent P M70) 1 hr 1 min 42 sec; 16. P.Firmage (Ryst M65) 1 hr 7 min 19 sec.

5 Miles – Women

1. M.Noel (Belg W55) 51 min 32 sec; 2. N.Blatchford (Abing W70) 55 min 21 sec; 3. F.Bishop (AFD W60) 56 min 16 sec; 4. K.Smith (AFD W55) 57 min 44 sec; 5. D.Braverman (E&H W65) 1 hr 1 min 0 sec.

4 Miles

1. S.Arthur (Unatt W35) 1 hr 9 min 11 sec.
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3 Miles

1. M.Peddle (Loughton W50) 28 min 28 sec; 2. A.DaSilva (Bels W55) 42 min 59 sec; 3. T.Braverman (E&H M75) 42 min 59 sec.

2 Miles

1. C.Stone (B&B U15B) 20 min 12 sec.