

## DEVILS CHAIR DASH

There were four hundred and fifty starters. Two hundred and forty six finished under the hour, claiming certificates. Four hundred and fifty pounds went to the Hospice.

The conditions were fine, cold, hard and icy. With a very fast pace, both the mens and ladies records were broken. Three bottles of Scotch (free) consumed at summit, (complaints not enough!). Thanks to all who turned out to make a smashing day.

1. T. Davies	Merc	21.55
2. I. Coupland	Telf	22.36
3. E. North	S'bury	22.59
4. N. Smith	S'bury	24.05
5. K. Hodgkiss		24.20
6. B. Connor		24.33
7. I. Powell	Wrek	24.52
8. S. Trow	Paras	25.08
9. R. Evason	S'tone	25.16
10. M. Barrat	S'bury	25.19

### VETERANS O/40

1. G. Jones	S'bury	26.03
2. P. Cornwell		26.13
3. E. Davies	Merc	26.24
4. L. Jones	Wrek	26.33
5. P. Stott		26.57

### VETERANS O/50

1. J. Clemens	Merc	26.21
2. B. Morris	Wrek	27.36
3. P. Smith	S'bury	27.50
4. E. Owen		30.09
5. P. Jones	Wrek	30.51

### LADIES

1. C. James	L'boro	28.34
2. C. Lorimer		29.36
3. J. Clarke		30.06
4. A. Scriven	Tatt	30.34
5. A. Talbot	OswOly	31.41
6. K. Mather		31.50
7. H. Tedcastle		32.23
8. J. Davies	Merc	33.38

## ASHURST BEACON RACE

### Lancashire

BS/5.9m/950ft 19.1.97

An invasion from Mersey Fell Runners almost resulted in a clean sweep, with Paul and Lee Cadwallader and John Hunt separated only by Steve Culshaw from Horwich, but 1995 winner (and this year's first veteran again) Tony Hesketh, also from Horwich, was not far behind. Next year I promise not to forget an ample quantity of a suitable liquid as prize for the best team!

Jane Sullivan had an excellent run to reduce the ladies record by another one and a half minutes, with previous holder Jan Harris spectating.

The times on the whole seemed to be about one and a half minutes slower than last year, probably because of the muddy conditions compared to the icy ground of last year. Even allowing for this, Mark Croasdale's 1996 record looks a very good time. As a special incentive there'll be a special prize on offer next year for anyone beating Mark's record of thirty five minutes and nine seconds.

This year we had the benefit of sponsorship from Burtonwood Brewery in the form of numerous sweat and t-shirts. My thanks to Frank Johnson, their Marketing Manager, and also to Alan Williams, landlord of the Prince William, for again providing the trophies.

Andy Quickfall

1. P. Cadwallader	Mersey	37.09
2. S. Culshaw	Horw	37.37
3. J. Hunt	Mersey	37.58
4. L. Cadwallader	Mersey	38.24
5. T. Hesketh V	Horw	38.56
6. A. Alty	Unatt	39.45
7. G. Finch	Horw	39.48
8. A. Duncan V	Mersey	39.51
9. C. Pedder	Newb'	40.14
10. S. Davenport	Southp'	40.29

### VETERANS O/40

1. A. Duncan	Mersey	39.51
2. D. Ashcroft	S.Liv	41.53
3. J. Chaplin	Chor	43.07
4. S. Lorimer	Trenth	43.43
5. N. Cochrane	Newb'	44.43

### VETERANS O/45

1. T. Hesketh	Horw	38.56
2. M. Crook	Horw	44.23
3. A. Sweatman	Horw	44.49
4. M. Potter	Mersey	44.58
5. G. Corless	ManYMCA	45.19

### VETERANS O/50

1. P. Gillham	Chor	42.27
2. C. Slavin	L'pool	44.53
3. P. Watson	Horw	48.26
4. B. Evans	P'atyn	48.29
5. J. McDonald	Chor	48.44

### VETERAN O/60

1. J. Townson	Chor	51.59
2. B. Smith	Clay	53.06

### LADIES

1. J. Sullivan	Wigan	44.10
2. C. Lorimer O/35	Cosmic	48.12
3. H. Sandelands O/35	Skem	49.15
4. C. Wright O/35	Horw	51.12
5. S. Charman O/45	Hels	52/32
6. J. Chaplin O/35	Chor	53.47
7. C. Lyon	Newb	55.18
8. J. Griffiths O/40	S.Liv	56.14

## AULD LANG SYNE FELL RACE

### West Yorkshire

BM/6m/1000ft 19.1.97

1. I. Holmes	Bing	34.20
2. S. Hawkins	Bing	36.00
3. G. Devine	P&B	36.08
4. S. Oldfield V	Bfd/Aire	36.12
5. G. Oldfield	Bfd/Aire	36.39
6. S. Green	P&B	36.54
7. A. Whalley	P&B	37.40
8. G. Rees-Williams	Eryri	37.53
9. J. McQueen	Eryri	37.59
10. D. Woodhead	Horw	38.47

### VETERANS O/40

1. S. Oldfield	Bfd/Aire	36.12
2. D. Beels	Roch	40.51
3. J. Dore	Roch	42.58
4. L. Sands	Unatt	43.00
5. P. Corris	L&M	43.03

### VETERANS O/50

1. G. Howard	Ilk	44.38
2. J. Emmott	Bfd/Aire	45.27
3. N. Dyson		50.30
4. D. Brown	Clay	51.58
5. G. Riley	Unatt	52.16

### LADIES

1. C. Greenwood	Unatt	42.39
2. E. Batt	Unatt	42.55
3. J. Smith O/35	Bing	52.31
4. S. Taylor	Darwen	53.12
5. J. Sanderson O/40	Bfd/Aire	54.50
6. A. Dennison	Bfd/Aire	54.53
7. M. Ashton O/40	Clay	55.13

## SOREEN STANBURY SPLASH

### West Yorkshire

BM/7m/1200ft 26.1.97

War of the roses

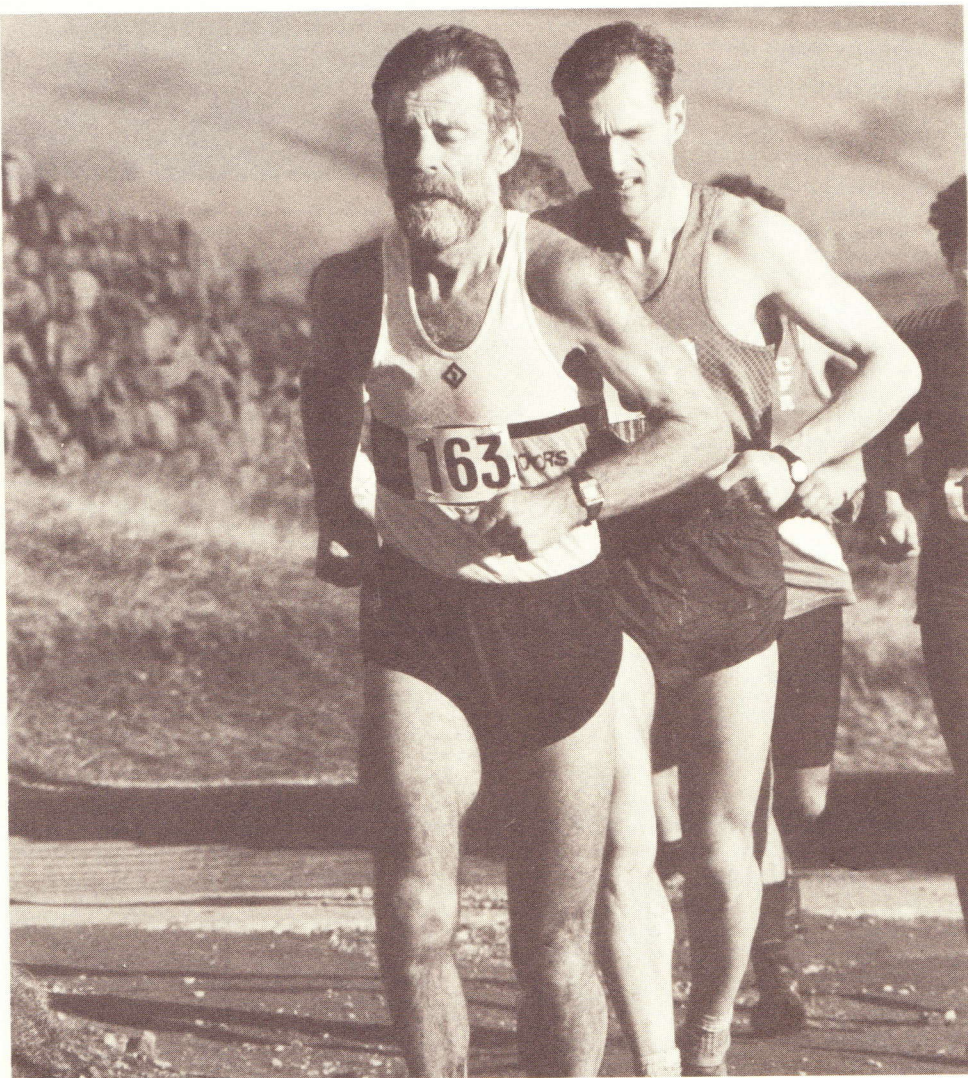
The coveted Keighley news team trophy left it's home in Yorkshire for the last thirteen years, as the white rose teams of Bingley, and Pudsey and Bramley were finally beaten by the red rose of Lancashire in the form of Horwich RMI Harriers. In fact the wound went deeper, as it was a Yorkshire athlete, the organiser, Dave Woodhead who anchored his team to victory with thirteenth place.

This famous club dates back to 1924 when an enthusiastic group of young men formed a small section of the railway athletic association at the Horwich works, naming themselves Horwich Railway Mechanics Institute Harriers and Athletic Club, or simply Horwich RMI Harriers as we all know it today. Hence the club colours being that of the Lancashire and Yorkshire railway company, red and black, red representing the bright red of the steam engine boiler, and black, the colour of the wheel frames.

Adding more steam to the engine of Horwich was sixteen year old John Robertson who shattered the existing under eighteen record by two minutes to finish twenty-eighth overall. John will be targeting the Gold medal award for the under eighteen English championship this year, to add to his British under twelve Bronze and under fourteen Silver. Lancashire also supplied the first over fifty, Keiran Carr and over sixty, Ron Bray, who despite suffering from jet lag after recently returning from America he took a staggering eight minutes off Brain Leathley's 1994 record.

Yorkshire however did retain some dignity with the two individual winners, Ian Holmes and Carol Greenwood. In fact Carol's reign is as old as the race itself, because in it's inaugural year 1984, carol won running in the Holmfirth colours, under her maiden name Haigh. Since then under Haigh she won in 1985 and 1989 before the nineties saw her victorious in 1992 and 1993 running as Mrs. Greenwood.

Although Holmes married he never changed his name and has it on the trophy twice, retaining it in emphatic fashion to secure his second course record in successive weekends from Penistone hill, in the 'woodentops' promotions.



Ross Jacques, Clayton, 2nd V50 at Stanbury Splash  
Photo: Steve Bateson