

Chris Smith Race Walking League 2006/7
Round 4 - 27.2.2007

Blaby Stokes Striders race walking squad successfully retained the Chris Smith race walking league team title for the sixth successive time. This postal league format continues to set new standards - a record 70 walkers from 30 schools competed in the 4 race series. Schools race walking standards continue to rise as a record 31 of them achieved the gold standard and 20 were awarded silver.

Although Mark Pratt (All Saints, Sheffield) completed a hat trick of victories in the series it was his training partner, Ashley Riches (City School, Sheffield) who topped the overall boys' league. Harrison Stephen (Blaby Stokes) just held off teammate Thomas Wagg for the runners-up spot.

In the final event of the 2006-7 league, Rebecca Mersh (Sheffield H.S.), a member of the National U20 squad, led home a Sheffield 1-2-3 ahead of Kathryn Granger and Natalie Myers (both Meadowhead, Sheffield).

In this competition the individual standings are based on a handicapping system which encourages all competitors to improve or get close to their best performances over the 4 races. In the battle at the top of the girls individual standings only 16 points separated first from fifth. With a final effort just 4 seconds off her personal best Sheffield's Caitlyn Akers snatched the top honour from Holly Smith (Swanshurst) with Hannah Chetwynd-Morsley (Great Barr) in third place.



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TEAM STANDINGS

School	Points Total
Blaby Stokes "A", Leics	333
Blaby Stokes "B", Leics	299
Blaby Stokes "C", Leics	254
City School, Sheffield	235
Hereford School "A", Grimsby	220
Blaby Stokes "D", Leics	209
Meadowhead, Sheffield	175
Blaby Stokes "E", Leics	172
Great Barr School, W. Midlands	153
Blaby Stokes "F", Leics	140
Leysland, Leics	129
HS Academy, Sheffield	123
Swanshurst, W. Midlands	121
Market Weighton, East Riding	113
Hull Collegiate	110
Blaby Stokes "G"	103
Waltham Toll Bar, Grimsby	100
King Egberts, Sheffield	99
Cardeaux, Lough	90
City Tech. Kingshurst	84
Silverdale School, Sheffield	83
Blaby Stokes "H"	79
Wilberforce College, Hull	69
Humphrey Perkins, Leics	66
All Saints, Sheffield	64
Hereford School "B", Grimsby	59
Blaby Stokes "I"	54
Countesthorpe College, Leics	40
Sheffield University	38
Sheffield HS	37
Longcroft, Hull	36
Leicester Grammar	30
Hall Orchard, Leics	29
Blaby Stokes "J"	28
Hymers, Hull	23
Hereford School "C", Grimsby	20
Cottingham High, E. Riding	19
Handsworth Grange, Sheffield	17
Cottingham Hallgate, E. Riding	16
Coventry University	15
Unattached	11
Blaby Stokes "K"	5

GIRLS

	Name	School	Time
1	Rebecca Mersh	Sheffield HS	9:50
2	Kathryn Granger	Meadowhead, Sheffield	10:07
3	Natalie Myers	Meadowhead, Sheffield	10:16
4	Holly Smith	Swanshurst	10:36
5	Gabrielle Terry	Hull Collegiate	10:47
6	Keira Raymont	City Tech College, Kingshurst	11:22
7	Lauren Gimson	Leicester Grammar	11:33
8	Hannah Chetwynd-Morsley	Great Barr School, West Midlands	11:34
9	Vicky Moore	Sheffield Uni	12:47
10	Caitlyn Akers	H.S. Academy, Sheffield	13:52
11	Emma Achurch	Blaby Stokes, Leics	14:14
12	Chelsea Wheeler	Great Barr, W. Midlands	14:22
13	Fiona Brown	Blaby Stokes, Leics	14:23
14	Maria Walker	Market Weighton, East Riding of Yorkshire	14:30
15	Elisha Stephen	Blaby Stokes, Leics	14:50
16	Martha Gimson	Blaby Stokes, Leics	15:03
17	Megan Smith	Blaby Stokes, Leics	15:27
18	Gwenan Jones	Blaby Stokes, Leics	15:51
19	Aimee Holloway	Blaby Stokes, Leics	15:53
20	Eve Thompson	Blaby Stokes, Leics	17:06

Final Girls League

1. Caitlyn Akers (HS Academy, Sheffield) - 123 points
2. Holly Smith (Swanshurst) - 121 points
3. Hannah Chetwynd-Morsley (Great Barr) - 115 points
4. Gabrielle Terry (Hull Collegiate) - 110 points
5. Martha Gimson (Blaby Stokes) - 109 points
6. Megan Smith (Blaby Stokes) - 107 points

BOYS

	Name	School	Time
1	Mark Pratt	All Saints, Sheffield	10:08
2	Tyler Bower	City School, Sheffield	11:17
3	Eddie Brebner	King Ecgberts, Sheffield	11:17
4	Charles Gill	Leysland H.S., Leics	11:56
5	Ashley Riches	City School, Sheffield	12:06
6	Thomas Wagg	Blaby Stokes, Leics	14:21
7	Blake Johnson	Blaby Stokes, Leics	14:44
8	Toby Howgill	Blaby Stokes, Leics	15:07
9	Callum Bloxham	Blaby Stokes, Leics	15:27
10	Harrison Stephen	Blaby Stokes, Leics	15:31
11	Fergus Jeffs	Blaby Stokes, Leics	15:40
12	Joshua Amiss	Blaby Stokes, Leics	15:40
13	Peter Bilson	Unattached	15:53
14	Shaun Cohen	Handsworth Grange, Sheffield	15:53
15	Harry Birch	Blaby Stokes, Leics	15:57
16	Adam Timson	Blaby Stokes, Leics	17:10
17	Harry Sayers	Blaby Stokes, Leics	17:12

Final Boys League

1. Ashley Riches (City School, Sheffield) - 138 points
2. Harrison Stephen (Blaby Stokes) - 120 points
3. Thomas Wagg (Blaby Stokes) - 118 points
4. Blake Johnson (Blaby Stokes) - 103 points
5. Tom Soady (Waltham Toll Bar, Grimsby) - 100 points
6. Eddie Brebner (King Ecgberts, Sheffield) - 99 points