

Chris Smith Race Walking League 2007/8
Round 4 - 26.2.2008

Blaby Stokes Striders race walking squad successfully retained the Chris Smith race walking league team title. This league format continues to be a runaway (or should that be "walkaway"!) success - a record 78 walkers from 40 schools competed during the 4 race series. With an impressive 25 of them achieving the gold standard, 23 the silver and 20 getting bronze indications are that schools race walking standards continue to rise.

Holly Smith (Cadbury College) notched up her second victory ahead of training partner Keera Rayment (City Tech.) with Jasmine Nicholls (Leysland, Leics) third quickest on the night. Antonio Cirillo (Neath) became the first male walker to win all four races in a season ahead of Mark Pratt (All Saints, Sheffield) and Matthew Duncan (Franklin College, Grimsby).

The individual leagues were closely contested as they are based on a handicapping system, which encourages all competitors to improve, or get close to their best performances, over the 4 race series. In a closely contested event, Rebecca Chambers (Greenhill, Sheffield) just held on to win the girl's league by 3 points from Eleanor Mills (Grace Academy, Birmingham) with Katherine Jolley (Brantwood, Sheffield) just pipping Gwenan Jones (Blaby Stokes) for third place.

Similarly the outcome of the boy's title was only decided in the final race. With another personal best time, Rory Chandler (Blaby Stokes, Leics) came out on top ahead of team-mate Dominic Bishop. Shaun Cohen (Handsworth Grange, Sheffield) squeezed out Antonio Cirillo (Neath) for third place overall.

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BOYS

	Name	School	Time
1	Antonio Cirillo	Neath Port Talbot College	9:45
2	Mark Pratt	All Saints, Sheffield	10:36
3	Matthew Duncan	Franklin College, Grimsby	11:24
4	Eddie Brebner	King Egberts, Sheffield	11:28
5	Nathan Duncan	Hereford School, Grimsby	12:26
6	Maks Orzal	Leicester Grammar	12:55
7	Shaun Cohen	Handsworth Grange, Sheffield	13:43
8	Rory Chandler	Blaby Stokes, Leics	14:16
9	Dominic Bishop	Blaby Stokes, Leics	14:17
10	Fergus Jeffs	Blaby Stokes, Leics	14:36
11	Harry Birch	Blaby Stokes, Leics	15:15
12	Charlie Arnold	Queen Elizabeth, Atherstone	15:33
13	Peter Bilson	SHEAF	17:17
14	Adam Timson	Blaby Stokes, Leics	17:45
15	Ryan Horne	Alderman Smith	17:50
16	Harry Stain	Market Drayton Junior	17:56
17	Ben Timson	Blaby Stokes, Leics	18:15

Final Boys League

1	Rory Chandler	168
2	Dominic Bishop	163
3	Shaun Cohen	158
4	Antonio Cirillo	155
5	Fergus Jeffs	150
6	Maks Orzal	120
7	Mark Pratt	96
8	Nathan Duncan	94
9	Andy Friend	93
10	Tyler Bower	92

GIRLS

1	Holly Smith	Cadbury College	10:19
2	Keera Rayment	City Tech College, Kingshurst	11:09
3	Jasmine Nicholls	Leysland H.S., Leics	11:48
4	Eleanor Mills	Grace Academy, Chelmsley Wood	12:43
5	Gabrielle Terry	Hull Collegiate	12:52
6	Emma Achurch	Blaby Stokes, Leics	13:14
7	Caitlyn Akers	H.S. Academy, Sheffield	13:40
8	Cassandra Tingey	Sharlands Collegiate Academia, Smethwick	14:02
9	Rebecca Chambers	Greenhill, Sheffield	14:37
10	Chloe Pateman	Greenhill, Sheffield	14:57
11	Katherine Jolley	Brantwood, Sheffield	15:03
12	Jessica Warren	Burbage Junior	15:11
13	Gwenan Jones	Blaby Stokes, Leics	15:16
14	Eve Stain	Heartshill HS, Nuneaton	15:25
14	Eden Backhouse	Market Drayton Junior	15:25
16	Lisa Costelow	Blaby Stokes, Leics	15:42
17	Laura-Jo Bazylinski	Blaby Stokes, Leics	16:01
18	Jessica Mills	Marston Green Junior, Birmingham	16:25
19	Nikita Bazylinski	Blaby Stokes, Leics	17:36
20	Ellie Birch	Blaby Stokes, Leics	17:53
21	Sophie Naylor	Blaby Stokes, Leics	18:08
22	Kezia Brown	Blaby Stokes, Leics	18:08
22	Rosie Parsons	St Josephs Junior, Nuneaton	18:53
24	Elisze Streton	Barwell Junior	18:53

Final Girls League

1	Rebecca Chambers	170
2	Eleanor Mills	167
3	Katherine Jolley	147
4	Gwenan Jones	145
5	Holly Smith	138
6	Jasmine Nicholls	136
7	Chloe Pateman	134
8	Laura-Jo Bazylinski	131
9	Maria Walker	130
10	Cassandra Tingey	129

TEAM STANDINGS

School	Points Total
Blaby Stokes "A", Leics	358
Blaby Stokes "B"	312
Greenhill, Sheffield	304
Blaby Stokes "C"	264
Market Weighton, E. Yorks	227
Blaby Stokes "D"	202
Blaby Stokes "E"	175
Grace Academy, Chelmsley Wood	167
University of Wales	162
Michael Drayton "A", Nuneaton	159
Handsworth Grange, Sheffield	158
Neath Port Talbot College	155
Brantwood, Sheffield	147
Cadbury College, W. Midlands	138
Leysland High School, Leics	136
Blaby Stokes "F"	134
Sharlands Collegiate, Smethwick	129
Burbage Junior	125
Leicester Grammar	120
HS Academy, Sheffield	113
Blaby Stokes "G"	109
King Ecgberts, Sheffield	106
Franklin College, Grimsby	104
All Saints, Sheffield	96
Hereford School, Grimsby	94
City School, Sheffield	92
City Tech. Kingshurst	80
Croft Junior	78
Heartshill High, Nuneaton	78
Rawlins College, Leics	72
Michael Drayton "B", Nuneaton	71
Queen Elizabeth, Atherstone	67
Blaby Stokes "H"	65
St Edmunds Champion, Erdington	61
Wolfeaton School, E. Yorks	60
Marston Green Junior, Birmingham	57
Kingstanding, Birmingham	51
Hull Collegiate	36
Thistly Meadow, Leics	31
Blaby Stokes "I"	28
Silverdale School, Sheffield	22
Hall Orchard, Leics	19
Alderman Smith's, Nuneaton	18
Beauchamp College, Leics	16
Barwell Junior	8
St Joseph's Junior, Nuneaton	7
SHEAF	6
Lacely's Junior, Nuneaton	5
Blaby Stokes "I"	5
Nicholas Chamberlain, Nuneaton	2