#### Kent League

#### KENT CROSS COUNTRY LEAGUE - MASTERS RESULTS/STANDINGS

## Stanhill Farm, Dartford. Saturday, 14 October 2017

Saturday saw the start of the 2017/18 Kent XC league. There were 24 TAC vets taking part, with debuts for Richard Tosh, Ross Kinloch, Lisa Knight and Susie Jeddo.

Julian Rendall and Graeme Saker showed their class as they scored for the Senior men's team. However Anthony Bennett put in his best performance as he hit the accelerator over the last two laps. I was on his heels after two laps and probably stayed in about the same position, whereas Tony leaped forward almost 30 places to finish 65<sup>th</sup>! There was great rivalry between The Crush brothers, Andy Wood and Adam Roeder (M35). Andy again showed his liking for this course as he pulled away, to leave Anthony and Adam in a sprint for the finish, which Anthony claimed, although they were given the same time.





Tobin Bird Alan Newman

Brian Buckwell



Ross Kinloch Anthony Crush





Julian Rendall

Graeme Saker

In the Women's race Maria Heslop was closing fast on her younger rivals as she took 4<sup>th</sup> place and first vet. Antonia Skerritt was 3<sup>rd</sup> team scorer and 5<sup>th</sup> Vet. Lisa Knight had a great debut although her finishing burst was curtailed by an untimely stitch, there is no doubt that Lisa will be moving up the order during the season. Lucy PK was 2<sup>nd</sup> W50 and Rachael Fagg close behind completed the TAC Ladies scoring 6. Susie Jeddo had a confidence boosting debut to show she is very much at home in the Kent league and Sue James was 1<sup>st</sup> W65.



#### Men's Race – approx 10km

Name	<u>Category</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Time</u>	Age Pos	League Pos
Julian Rendall	M40	7th	33:04	1st M40	1st M40
Graeme Saker	M55	42nd	35:41	1st M50	1st M50

Anthony Bennett	M40	65th	37:25	11th M40	11th M40			
Mark P-K	M50	93rd	38:47	7th M50	7th M50			
Andy Wood	M50	101st	39:10	9th M50	9th M50			
Adam Styles	M45	125th	39:59	29th M40	29th M40			
Anthony Crush	M40	130th	40:14	33rd M40	33rd M40			
Daniel Crush	M40	153rd	40:55	43rd M40	43rd M40			
Ross Kinloch	M55	164th	41:24	23rd M50	23rd M50			
Tobin Bird	M45	177th	42:19	52nd M40	52nd M40			
Alan Newman	M60	202nd	43:38	4th M60	4th M60			
Cain Bradley	M55	210th	44:23	37th M50	37th M50			
Tony Cohen	M50	212th	44:34	38th M50	38th M50			
Brian Buckwell	M60	218th	44:44	7th M60	7th M60			
Richard Tosh	M40	250th	47:23	81st M40	81st M40			
Duncan Ralph	M50	255th	47:45	53rd M50	53rd M50			
Maurice Marchant	M65	294th	63:09	26th M60	26th M60			
Women's Race – approx 5km								
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Name	Category	<u>Position</u>	<u>Time</u>	Age Pos	League Pos			
Maria Heslop	W45	4th	19:20	1st W45	1st W45			
Antonia Skerrett	W35	23rd	22:05	5th W35	5th W35			
Lisa Knight	W45	32nd	22:35	3rd W45	3rd W45			
Lucy P-K	W50	41st	23:06	5th W45	5th W45			
Rachel Fagg	W40	50th	23:27	16th W35	16th W35			
Susan Jeddo	W40	64th	24:04	19th W35	19th W35			
Sue James	W65	112th	27:29	1st W65	1st W65			
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Maria Heslop Winner of the 2016/17 W45 trophy and Sue James winner of the 2016/17 W65 trophy. Better late than never!



# Maidstone Half Marathon Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> October

Not content with having helped to secure 2<sup>nd</sup> place for the Kent League team the day before by one point in the 3 to score team, Antonia Skerritt was up early to take part in the Maidstone Half marathon. She was well and truly rewarded with 3<sup>rd</sup> female position in a time of 1.37.56 over the challenging hilly course. She made the press courtesy of Alan Newmans article.

http://southernrunningguide.com/news/maidstone-marathon-and-half-marathon-report-2017



Training with Alan Newman on Thursday Evenings

The Vets training group is developing / evolving and as part of this and the need to ensure that we do not lose anyone when we are out on the roads, Alan Newman will continue to take a group aimed at runners between 24 and 28 min parkrun speed who are looking to get faster. This will only take place on a Thursday evening. At present Alan is learning the routes that we use around Tonbridge, so anyone who knows the routes and is coming back from injury / illness and would benefit from a less intense session, your help will be appreciated.

Last Thursday's session was very successful as we did about 6km followed by some instruction from Alan on some basic running technique tips / practice. If the main session suits mixed abilities then this group will mix in.

## **England vets**

Along with Graeme Saker being selected to run for England M55 age group, Ben Reynolds has also been chosen for the M50 AG. Sue James is first reserve for the W65 and Lucy P-K reserve for the W50 AG, although neither are planning to travel as reserves.

## Kent Vets and S of E Vets Championships

I have had a positive response to availability for the Kent Vets XC champs on the 2<sup>nd</sup> December and the S of E Vets champs at Oxford on the 9<sup>th</sup> December. At the Kent champs we should be competitive in all the M40, M50, W35 and W45 teams. M60 is potential as well.

Please keep the replies coming.