



## **Essex Cross Country League – Round 2 – Writtle Sat 30<sup>th</sup> October**

**Havering teams carried on their cross-country season with five team wins and two second places as the second round of the Essex Cross Country League was held at Writtle University on Saturday, with the race serving as the selection trial for the Essex team at next month's Southern Inter Counties.**

Havering's **Senior Men** made it two wins in two on the way to defending their title as another great turnout saw 21 runners toe the line. Ben Davis' superb third place led the team home, with Rob Warner next in a very good seventh, James Stewart not far behind in eighth, closely followed by Kieran O'Hara in 12<sup>th</sup> and Sam Atkins 15<sup>th</sup> who all ran well. The winning scoring six was completed by a good run by Jason Lendon in 27<sup>th</sup>. Alex Ford was just outside the scorers in 30<sup>th</sup>, Rob Trevor 49<sup>th</sup>, Steve Rand 56<sup>th</sup> and newcomer Richard Morris 59<sup>th</sup> who all made the top sixty. Jason Crispin 67<sup>th</sup>, Louis Berrett 73<sup>rd</sup>, Martin Chester 81<sup>st</sup>, Matt Bland 86<sup>th</sup>, Gary Atkins 87<sup>th</sup>, Ian Anthony 89<sup>th</sup> and Graham Hogan 99<sup>th</sup> all finished in the top one hundred in a very competitive field. John Barker 101<sup>st</sup>, Steve Walker 107<sup>th</sup> and Roy James 128<sup>th</sup> completed the club's twenty finishers. The **Veteran Men** also top the table after a second win as Rob Warner, Jason Lendon, Rob Trevor and Steve Rand were the four to count.

The **Senior Women** went one better than their runners up spot last time with a convincing win to top the early league table. Ginte Bailey repeated her third place from Round 1 and Morgan Campbell went one better in sixth, and Robyn Matson's 10<sup>th</sup> place and Clare Davies in 29<sup>th</sup> ensured a comfortable cushion on the opposition. Emily James in 65<sup>th</sup> and Tracy O'Neill in 89<sup>th</sup> completed the course.

The **Under 17 & Under 20 Women** also added another victory to their first-round win to lead in the league stakes. Natalie Sewell and Maddie Barker were third and fourth to win Essex selection for the Essex Under 17 team while Molly Sweetman's fifth place and Sydney Foley's 10<sup>th</sup> earned them both U20 Essex selection, and saw the team record an easy win. Chloe Rand (16<sup>th</sup>), and Hannah Yexley (18<sup>th</sup>) and league debutant Kizzie Leadbitter 24<sup>th</sup> completed the line-up.

Freddie Rowe made it two wins in two for **Under 13 Boys** and Findlay McLaren was a fine second, both earning Essex selection, as Shea Sweeney in 12<sup>th</sup> and Liam Battrum in 14<sup>th</sup> completed the scoring quartet whose victory gave them an early lead in the league. Kieran Catherall (24<sup>th</sup>), Aidan Doherty and Ethan Carroll in 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> and Jude Hearn (31<sup>st</sup>) and Stanley Churchill (37<sup>th</sup>) also saw action.

The **Under 15 Girls** lacked a scoring four in Round 1 but made no mistake this time. Charlotte Evans made the Essex team in seventh place with Rosie Warner ninth, and Hannah Evans (14<sup>th</sup>) and Abigail Swan (23<sup>rd</sup>) ensured second place for the team.

The **Under 15 Boys** were missing a few key athletes and had to settle for third, after a narrow victory last time out. Jack West's seventh place brought him an Essex call up, with 15<sup>th</sup> placed Oliver Taylor-Bush, Sean Langan in 17<sup>th</sup> and Alfie Geeves in 23<sup>rd</sup> the other scorers. Toby Johnson and Oscar Shearing were 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>, with Michael Tesi in 29<sup>th</sup> and Joseph Gray 38<sup>th</sup>.

The **Under 17 Men** packed well for another second-place finish. Charlie Howell was first home in 13<sup>th</sup>, Max Robbins and Sam Mahoney were 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>, and Charlie Burgess completed the scoring four in 24<sup>th</sup>.

The **Under 13 Girls** were able to muster a full four this time and placed fifth thanks to Ruby Price (28<sup>th</sup>), Isabella Taylor-Bush (33<sup>rd</sup>), Scarlett Woods and Emily Quinlan in 36<sup>th</sup> and 37<sup>th</sup>.

## **Essex Cross Country League – Round 2 – Results**

**Senior Men:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Ben Davis 27:19; 7<sup>th</sup> Rob Warner M40 27:28; 8<sup>th</sup> James Stewart 27:47; 12<sup>th</sup> Kieran O'Hara 28:27; 15<sup>th</sup> Sam Atkins 28:48; 27<sup>th</sup> Jason Lendon M45 29:35 (**Team 1<sup>st</sup> – 72 points**); 30<sup>th</sup> Alex Ford U20 29:48; 49<sup>th</sup> Rob Trevor M40 30:48; 56<sup>th</sup> Steve Rand M45 31:05; 59<sup>th</sup> Richard Morris 31:22; 67<sup>th</sup> Jason Crispin M40 31:48; 73<sup>rd</sup> Louis Berrett U20 32:20; 81<sup>st</sup> Martin Chester M45 32:52; 86<sup>th</sup> Matt Bland M50 33:04; 87<sup>th</sup> Gary Atkins M50 33:08; 89<sup>th</sup> Ian Anthony M40 33:19; 99<sup>th</sup> Graham Hogan M45 33:56; 101<sup>st</sup> John Barker M55 34:06; 107<sup>th</sup> Steve Walker M50 34:45; 128<sup>th</sup> Roy James M50 36:25. **Teams:** 1<sup>st</sup> Havering 72; 2<sup>nd</sup> Orion 142; 3<sup>rd</sup> Chelmsford 179. **Veterans Teams (four to score):** 1<sup>st</sup> Havering 139; 2<sup>nd</sup> Colchester H 179; 3. Springfield Striders 203

**Senior Women:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Ginte Bailey 21:15; 6<sup>th</sup> Morgan Campbell 21:58; 10<sup>th</sup> Robyn Matson 22:45; 29<sup>th</sup> Clare Davies 24:30 (**Team 1<sup>st</sup> – 48 points**); 65<sup>th</sup> Emily James 27:15; 89<sup>th</sup> Tracy O'Neill 29:27; **Div 1 Teams:** 1<sup>st</sup> Havering 48; 2<sup>nd</sup> Colchester H 77; 3<sup>rd</sup> Southend 77.

**Under 17 Men:** 13<sup>th</sup> Charlie Howell 20:28; 17<sup>th</sup> Max Robbins 20:44; 18<sup>th</sup> Sam Mahoney 21:02; 24<sup>th</sup> Charlie Burgess 24.12. (**Team 2<sup>nd</sup> – 72 points**); **Teams:** 1<sup>st</sup> Chelmsford 47; 2<sup>nd</sup> Havering 72; 3<sup>rd</sup> Southend 32 (3 runners).

**Under 17 / Under 20 Women:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Natalie Sewell U17W 18:16; 4<sup>th</sup> Maddie Barker U17W 18:19; 5<sup>th</sup> Molly Sweetman U20W 18:30; 10<sup>th</sup> Sydney Foley U20W 18:53; (**Team 1<sup>st</sup> – 22 points**). 16<sup>th</sup> Chloe Rand U17W 19:52; 18<sup>th</sup> Hannah Yexley U17W 20:49; 24<sup>th</sup> Kizzie Leadbitter U17W 21:14. **Teams:** 1<sup>st</sup> Havering 22; 2<sup>nd</sup> Chelmsford 58; 3<sup>rd</sup> Orion 76.

**Under 15 Boys:** 7<sup>th</sup> Jack West 13:52; 15<sup>th</sup> Oliver Taylor-Bush 15:11; 17<sup>th</sup> Sean Langan 15:22; 23<sup>rd</sup> Alfie Geeves 15:47 (**Team 3<sup>rd</sup> – 62 points**); 25<sup>th</sup> Toby Johnson 15:51; 26<sup>th</sup> Oscar Shearing 15:55 29<sup>th</sup> Michael Tesi 16:18; 38<sup>th</sup> Joseph Gray 17:38; **Teams:** 1<sup>st</sup> Southend 29; 2<sup>nd</sup> Chelmsford 41; 3<sup>rd</sup> Havering 62;

**Under 15 Girls:** 7<sup>th</sup> Charlotte Evans 16:10; 9<sup>th</sup> Rosie Warner 16:32; 14<sup>th</sup> Hannah Evans 17:10; 23<sup>rd</sup> Abigail Swan 18:26 (**Team 2<sup>nd</sup> – 53 points**) **Teams:** 1<sup>st</sup> Chelmsford 33; 2<sup>nd</sup> Havering 53; 3<sup>rd</sup> Southend 75

**Under 13 Boys:** 1<sup>st</sup> – Freddie Rowe 9:47; 2<sup>nd</sup> Findlay McLaren 10:02; 12<sup>th</sup> Shea Sweeney 10:39; 14<sup>th</sup> Liam Battrum 10:40; (**Team 1<sup>st</sup> – 28 points**) 24<sup>th</sup> Kieran Catherall 11:37; 26<sup>th</sup> Aidan Doherty 11:40; 27<sup>th</sup> Ethan Carroll 11:40; 31<sup>st</sup> Jude Hearn 11:54; 37<sup>th</sup> Stanley Churchill 12:28 **Teams:** 1<sup>st</sup> Havering 28; 2<sup>nd</sup> Chelmsford 38; 3<sup>rd</sup> Basildon 73.

**Under 13 Girls:** 28<sup>th</sup> Ruby Price 12:33; 33<sup>rd</sup> Isabella Taylor-Bush 12:48; 36<sup>th</sup> Scarlett Woods 13:03; 37<sup>th</sup> Emily Quinlan 13:12. (**Team 5<sup>th</sup> – 134 points**). **Teams:** 1<sup>st</sup>. Chelmsford 22; 2<sup>nd</sup> Basildon 77; 3<sup>rd</sup> Southend 97... 5<sup>th</sup> Havering 134