

Brentwood Half Marathon – Sunday 23rd March 2025

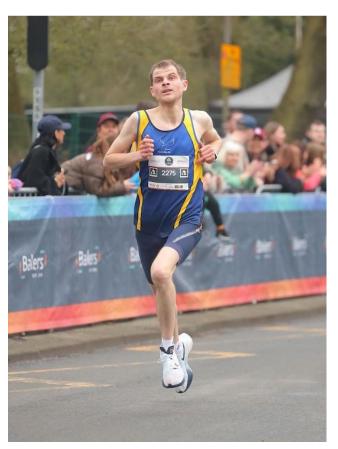
It was another great day at the races for Havering athletes at the Baker's Brentwood Half Marathon on Sunday as their top four runners again lifted the team prize, while Lauren Reed and Kate O'Neill both made the top 20 and were first females home in a race of almost 2000 finishers.

James Stewart led home the club contingent home with his highest ever placing in fourth clocking 71:46, just outside his best set in the same event last year while **Kieran O'Hara** was just one place back in fifth taking over half a minute off his previous best with 71:54.

Behind them **Lauren Reed** was again the first female to cross the line finishing 18th overall with her 78:18 clocking to win the women's prize and the W40 trophy while **Kate O'Neill** was just behind her on her half marathon debut in a time of 78:52. **Rob Trevor** clocked a new career best of 82:15 to finish fifth M45 and 34th overall while **Barry Smith** was seventh in the M45 placings and 43rd overall with his 83.26.

Next home was 19-year-old **Charlie Burgess** on his debut at the distance with 87:22 in 76th place ahead of **Rob Smith** who sliced five minutes off his previous best in 95:55 for 27th M45 and 221st overall while **Steve Walker** clocked 1:43.59 for 25th M55 and 468th across the line. Abigail Swan, aged 17, clocked 1:52.536 on her debut.

Three club athletes acted as race pacers and did an impressive job. Will Kirk was 51st overall and ninth M45 with a time of 84:55, five seconds inside his requested 85 minute pace, Jason Crispin was 25th M45 (178th overall) and was even closer to his 95 minute pace with 94:56, while Ginte Bailey clocked 1:44.50, just inside her 1:45 pace target to place 11th W35 and 56th female.









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