

PRESS RELEASE



The 11th BISHOPS STORTFORD RUNNING CLUB SCHOOL'S CHALLENGE & FUN RUN 16th September 2007

50 schools competed in this year's Schools Challenge and Fun Run at Grange Paddocks last Sunday in glorious sunshine. Paula Craig (three times World Wheelchair Marathon Winner) presented the prizes and a cheque for £1,223, being the proceeds of the 2006 Fun Run, to Jill Daniels who accepted it on behalf of the Rhodes Arts Complex & Network 81 last year's nominated Charities.



This year Bishop's Stortford Running Club saw St Andrew's Much Hadham (KS1) and (KS2) walk away with the Sheppard Shields and Bishops Stortford High School walk away with the Senior (KS3) H.S.B.C Cup for the third year running.

The individual infant race was won by Max McIlvenna (7.43) from St Andrew's Much Hadham with Daniel Preshner (7.45) from Elsenham coming 2nd. Erin Cooke (7.46) from St Joseph's Infant School was the 1st girl. Neve Hattee (8.28) from Manor Fields was the 2nd girl.

The Junior race was won by Teddy Oliver (5.57) from Bentfield, Stansted just beating George Cook (6.00) from St Andrews, Much Hadham. Marleen Avontuur (6.16) from Bentfield was 3rd Overall and the first girl. Frances Steel from Elsenham School was the 2nd girl.

The Senior race was won by Edward Shepherd (10.31) of Bishop's Stortford High School beating Thomas Barfoot (10.56) also of Bishop's Stortford High School. James Phillips (11.21) was 3rd. Jade Denham (12:32) from Edwinstree was, for the second year running the 1st girl beating Eleanor Price (13.56) of Herts & Essex. Rayna Buttrey (14.05) from Edwinstree School was the 3rd girl.

The Stringer Shields (KS1&2 schools) for the most entries was hotly competed for with St Andrew's beating Northgate by just 1 pupil in the infant (KS1) competition with Summercroft beating Northgate in the Juniors (KS2) by the same margin. A total of 261 children completed in 3 races over 1 and 2 miles each receiving a medal and goodie bag.

The 4 mile open fun run was won by a team from Northgate. The race was won by Alexander Vitch (24.16) of Northgate beating David Wilson (25.06). The 1st lady was Wendy Barnes (29.14) and the 2nd lady was Karen Cole (30.01)

It is estimated that over £1,500 will be raised for the Rhodes Arts Complex and Bishop's Stortford Museum.

The main sponsors of the event are Mullucks Wells. The event has also received support from D C Poulton & Sons of Stansted and Phillers Café & Takeaway, The Dells, Bishop's Stortford.

Full results are available from funrun@bsrc.org.uk

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