

Saturday May 21st.

CROSS-COUNTRY

BALNARRING

We all headed south to a new venue – the Balnarring Racecourse. Flemington it wasn't – however not too far to go, plenty of parking, a flat course even if it was a little rough under foot!

Our numbers were hit a little by the bug that seems to be going around at the moment, but we still managed to get a number of teams home.

Our under 14 boys did it again, winning their division with first season runner **Luke Garganis** joining the **White twins** to record a convincing victory. An added bonus was that the two clubs thought likely to provide the stiffest opposition over the season failed to finish a team, thus putting themselves behind the proverbial! **Ben** and **Lachie White** crossed the line in second and fourth place respectively. Another highlight was **Meaghan Gaunt's** sixth placing in the girl's event in the same age group.

We also finished teams in the boy's under 16 and the girl's under 18 divisions – but we need more juniors – do you know anyone?

JUNIOR RESULTS

GIRL'S UNDER 14 2k

6 Meaghan Gaunt 7:55

BOY'S UNDER 14 2k

2 Ben White 6:46
4 Lachie White 7:02
17 Luke Garganis 9:31

Team Result 1st

GIRL'S UNDER 16 3k

20 Nikki White 16:30

BOY'S UNDER 16 3k

15 Jordan Minter 11:36
25 Adam Garganis 12:22
30 Jacob Barnes 12:45
37 Lachlan Derby 18:17

Team Result 6th.

GIRL'S UNDER 18 3k

20 Rachel Barnes 16:43
30 Eloise Derby 18:12
31 Hannah Garganis 18:13

BOY'S UNDER 20 4k

15 Mason Barnes 14:51

Team Result 5th.

Liam Delany was again our fastest man over the senior 8k course. **Paul Munro** continued his good form while **Magnus Michelsson** worked his way through the field after a slower than usual start. Still recovering from a marathon the previous Sunday, Mag finished strongly over the second lap. **John Charles** again proved what a handy pick up he is with a sub 29 minute effort. **Michael Bialczak** was again prominent, not only finishing in our Divvy 1 team but gaining 1st. place in the 50+ competition. The birthday boy **Malcolm Campbell** (he's somewhere between 39 and 41!) put in his usual gutsy effort. Our Div 1 walker **Ross Reid** came along for a trot. Because he only signed up on the day he was ineligible to gain points but it was terrific to have him back after some pretty serious injuries over the past few months. **Tony Bird** was 1st. of the over 60's

MEN'S RESULTS 8k

			4k	8k
31	Liam Delany		13:03	27:36
53	Paul Munro		13:33	28:40
54	Magnus Michelsson	#	13:55	28:43
58	Michael Bialczak	*	13:59	28:52
60	John Charles		13:54	28:55
Inv	Jai Edmonds		14:18	29:39
91	Malcolm Campbell		14:20	30:06 Div 1 8 th .
103	Anthony Weiland	#	14:49	30:31
118	Stuart Kollmorgen	#	15:00	30:54
160	Simon Duffy		15:23	32:09
192	Tony Hally		15:59	33:09
193	Simon Blyth		15:53	33:10
196	Christian Klettner		15:38	33:12 Div 2 9 th .
200	Adam Paleg		16:16	33:18
212	Chris Waldron		16:04	33:36
232	Troy Kameme		16:35	34:16
233	Tony Bird		16:27	34:17
235	Thai Phan		16:20	34:19 Div 3 11 th .
259	Ken Duxbury	*	16:54	35:02
262	John Crameri		17:07	35:11
265	Michael Grech		17:04	35:21
292	Peter Gaunt	*	17:57	36:58
294	Ross Allen		17:48	37:07 Div 4 7 th .
296	Paul Wallace		17:39	37:16
314	James Kuyper		18:22	38:23
328	Jim Hopkins		18:47	39:11
343	Shane Derby		18:48	40:23 Div 5 5 th .
Inv	Ross Reid		19:52	40:37
369	Graeme Paul		20:12	43:20
386	Paul Willmot		22:32	49:51
387	Robert Barnes		22:54	50:07

Team Results

40+ - 4th.
* 50+ - 2nd.

The senior women's race saw Collingwood with twelve starters – our best ever! Welcome to **Rachel Ramsdale**, another newbie having her first run with the Club. It was great to have **Frances Willmot** back in action after a most debilitating back injury. For the first time we were able to finish a team in three divisions as well as the 40+ group. With a few more likely to be available for the next outing at Flemington things are really looking up. **Paula Charlton** was our quickest today while **Carmel Pardy** looked very strong over the distance.

WOMEN'S RESULTS 4k

73	Paula Charlton		17:32
89	Carmel Pardy	*	17:57
91	Annette Van Rooyen		18:00
105	Penny Tangey		18:24
			Div 2 8 th .
119	Heather Gaunt	*	18:54
126	Alison Chapman	*	19:13
130	Sofie Fabre		19:24
			Div 3 8 th .
136	Janette Chapman		19:35
141	Frances Willmot		19:56
149	Jane Kanizay		20:08
			Div 4 7 th .
151	Rachel Ramsdale		20:22
189	Therese Barnes		32:41

Team Result 40+ - 6th.

Officials: Once again the Club was well served by a great team of helpers. **Lyn Humphris, Judy Mason** and **Tony Williams** were our representatives working for A.V. while **Kevin Wigmore** (and later the aforementioned Lyn) did a terrific job collecting the times of the Collingwood runners.

Thanks to the early arrivers who were able to grab a prime piece of real estate for Taj Magpie. **Judy Mason** and **Kevin Wigmore** got some terrific help from **Barry Hobill**, (the Garganis kid's grandpappy), to erect the tent in near record time. A big thank you also to the team which helped dismantle and load the tent at the end of the day – there was a stack of you to help the invalid. (I'm not sure how long he can keep playing on it!)

Afternoon tea: There were a stack of contributors- unfortunately many unknown. **Clare Garganis, Kim White, Frances Willmot** and **Therese Barnes** certainly helped feed the hordes but there had to be more.

Thanks to all!