

NAA CHAIRMANS REPORT 2019 – 2020

The first NAA event was the 10000m held at the Pingles Stadium in Nuneaton on Apr.17th, which also incorporated the Leicestershire Championships. There were only four entries in the Northants Champs of which, only two actually competed. There were 10 runners in total completing the race.

On the weekend of May 11th/12th the 72nd track & field Champs took place at Corby's Rockingham Triangle with 593 entries and produced 13 Championship bests. The award for the best overall male performance went to Joshua Tutt of Northampton AC with a throw of 14.99 metres in the U15B Shot. The female performance was won for the third successive year by Lily Carlaw (NAC) with 13.06 in the U15G Shot, while Chris Dymishi (NAC) clinched the best U17 field performance in the Shot with 15.22.

For the first time Northants had a Mens team competing at the Inter-Counties Fell Champs in Todmorden on May 11th. The team of four all from Wellingborough & District AC finished in 17th place.

At the 3000m Champs on Jul.16th in Corby 17 men and 8 women took part.

Three athletes competed for the County in Manchester at the Inter-Counties track & field Champs on Jul 27th/28th with Lucy Marshall finishing 6th in the Womens Hammer final on 58.16 and Niamh Bailey claiming 9th spot in the final of the Long Jump with 5.51. Franklin Fenning recorded 11.27 secs when finishing 7th in his 100m heat.

In the Wellingborough 5 miles on Jul.28th there were 58 men and 32 women who completed the NAA Champs event making it the best supported of all the road races.

21 people finished the County Mile Championships at the Kettering track on Aug.6th with only three of them being female. Edward Cannell (KTH) was the first Senior Man and won the Michael May trophy.

The re-arranged Silverstone 10K on Sep.4th saw a total of 79 competitors in the County Champs (52 men, 27 women) and four days later Desborough & Rothwell hosted the Half-Marathon Champs at East Carlton Country Park with 33 men and 10 women completing the course.

The final race in the NRRL was the Rugby 10 miles on Oct.6th, which also incorporated the NAA Champs with the event starting and finishing in the village of Barby. There were 45 men and 18 ladies finishing in the County competition. The NRRL itself saw a total of 61 athletes (40 men, 21 ladies) that did the required number of races to complete the series.

For the 14th consecutive year the NAA Masters Cross Country Championships was held within the Charity Cup at Kettering on Nov. 30th. Ten ladies took part along with 16 men.

On Jan. 4th 2020 Wellingborough & District AC hosted the main XC Champs at Croyland Park with a total of 223 entries throughout the six age groups. The mens race saw an outright victory from Junior International Josh Lay (R&N) making him only the third U20 to defeat all the Seniors.

At the Inter-Counties XC Championships on Mar. 7th at Prestwold Hall a total of 66 athletes competed for the County (35 male, 31 female). The highest individual placings came in both the U20 races with Fynn Batkin finishing 19th in the Mens race and Emily Williams 23rd for the women. The best team position was the Senior Men in 23rd.

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