

FARLETON KNOTT

The half-way mark was reached in the Merritt & Fryers B.O.F.R.A. Championship season, with the third running of the Farleton Knott Fell Race last Sunday. Forty six seniors took to the start line including the winner for the last two years, Andy Wrench from Todmorden. As the runners set off along the road Michael Cayton from the Horwich running club in Liverpool, set the early pace. As they entered onto the fell, his lead had increased. Farleton is a series of climbs with the runners going out of sight of the spectators for a while, but the steepest part being in full view, and as the runners appeared over the skyline Cayton still had the lead but was being hotly pursued by Mark Roberts, Wrench, Darren Brame, Robert Hudson, Sam Wadsworth, James Wadsworth and Colin Valentine. Down the dangerous scree and still the steepest part of the fell to ascend Roberts and Wrench were starting to push Cayton to the limit, over the top and the run across the face of the fell, Cayton held on to come across the finishing line in 33.19, half a minute clear of Roberts 33.49 with Wrench, having this year to settle for third place in 34.05, 4th Brame 34.40, 5th Hudson 34.45, 6th Sam Wadsworth 35.45, 7th James Wadsworth 36.07. First Veteran Billy Procter of Kendal 37.22, 2nd Antony Shepherd 38.58, 3rd David Hird 40.10. First Lady Jennifer Shuttleworth of Kendal 47.03, 2nd Carol Life 51.01, 3rd Tracy Targett 58.42.

Winner of the Under 17s James Mason of Grassington 21.16, 2nd Peter Harrison 22.06, 3rd Adam Whaites 22.57. First girl Kate Rogan of Barnoldswick 25.27, 2nd Naomi Biddle 26.01, 3rd Karen Bowe 26.30.

Under 14s winner was Christopher Doyle of Ulverston 6.58, 2nd Matthew Stuart 7.21, 3rd Andrew Wilkin 7.25. First girl Kelli Roberts of Kendal 7.49, 2nd Sheryl Slater 8.51, 3rd Gemma Dean 9.27.

Winner of the Under 12s Caleb Wetherell of Cowling 5.58, 2nd Grant Robinson 6.04, 3rd James Wilson 6.10. First girl Emma Stuart 6.40, 2nd Hannah Paget 6.45, 3rd Janie Oates 6.59.

Under 9s winner was Lewis Robinson of Kendal 3.53, 2nd Kyle Biddle 4.05, 3rd and First girl Rosie Stuart 4.10, 2nd Samantha Parker 4.48, 3rd Alice Kelly 6.08.