Brough Park Running Club weekly event. (31/12/2016)

The progress from the start was a little quicker this week, Matthew Statham led as far as the second descent to the pond-side, Park Road gate and progressed along to chip six seconds off his last outings time and equal his PB of 20.05; that effort only gained him second place behind Jason Burgess who kicked into gear at the descent to forge out a 18.56 time and just over thirty seconds off his best.

Harry Bond (12) once again claimed third spot as he fended off the pursuing Steve Massey; in doing so he gained a PB of two seconds with the latter knocking seventy six seconds off his last outings time as they finished in 21.23 and 21.58; father Rob was off his previous weeks best time to cross the line in 23.31.

Donna Eames managed to knock a few seconds off her previous weeks’ time as she attacked the last incline with vengeance; finishing an even minute ahead of Paul Goldstraw’s time of 25.06; a more determined

Karl Birch managed to maintain the lead he gained over Christopher Nelson to finish with a five second PB in 25.45 and the latter consolidating his previous effort in 26.03.

An unescorted, Tony Williamson, was unable to gain on the previous pair to finish over a hundred seconds slower than last week in 26.14, which was thirty six seconds ahead of a consistent Suzie Noble who managed to clip two seconds off her best.

The Cumberbatch trio were once again out in force; Dominic (9) claimed a thirty three second PB, to finish alongside father Jonathan, in 27.19; with twelve year old Jacob also making better time to finish in 28.27.

Charlotte Statham passed quite a few other entrants after dropping Connie (5) off at the 1.5K finish, but was unable to peg back John Lagan and finished seven seconds behind in 28.50. The dreaded last incline stopped both Jan Percival and Bill Mould in their tracks; leaving Jan a mere three seconds off her best as they crossed the line in 29.20 and 29.27.

Claire Williamson slipped back over her mile-stone mark with a 30.11 time and Amanda Hampson’s 35.17 reflected a series of night shifts; Dawn Brown chasing the latter to finish nine seconds behind but, fifty three seconds up on last week and close to a PB.

Sienna Phillips completed the 2.2K junior run in 10.00 with other juniors completing the senior 2.2K run: Jack Bray 9.50; Grace Bond 11.29; James Burgess 13.16; Martha Williamson 13.44.

Thanks to Rachel Massey, Kathryn Smith and Sam Goldstraw for timekeeping, with Sam, Jack Bray and Paul Goldstraw aiding the make-up.

B. (An ear to the ground and an eye on the times)

P.S. Happy New Year to all our readers and entrants, see you soon.