Hi all

What a great start to the Kent League cross country season BBHAC youngsters had today.

The first league meeting at Swanley saw massive numbers of our boys and girls lining up on the start line and finishing with loads of individual and team success.

First off for the boys were the U13s and with 13 boys all lined up ready to go they were bound to dominate the age group.

Michael Eagling looked strong finishing a clear 1st place, Peter Guy, sporting a brave new haircut had a superb run coming home in 3rd. Multi event boy Henry James Cowie showed more talent sprinting in to finish 5th with George Pope posting the same time and coming in 6th. These results were backed up by strong runs from Angus Harrington 11th, Lewis Stickings 14th  and a debut run from Lewis Warren in 15th. Such was our strength in depth that BBHAC vest continued to finish well with Coleman Corry 22nd, Ben Gardiner 25th, with another debut run Callum Myatt 27th, Harrison Parker 32nd, Cameron Swatton 35th and Robert Suckling 36th.

These great positions saw Blackheath and Bromley win the U13 boys team race by a massive margin. A great start to the day.

Next up were the U15 boys and their collective efforts brought them home to a team second placed behind a very strong Tonbridge AC.

Marco Arcuri's hard work in training continues to see him improve race on race and today he finished a very respectable 5th place with Aleksander Wiltshire on his debut Kent league run coming home in a fine 7th place. Josh Davidson finished strongly in 10th place and were all backed up by more great runs from Charlie Davis 13th, Frank Scrivener debut run 23rd, Arthur Carey 31st, twin Charlie Scrivener on his debut 32nd and Harry Keene 41st. Will Pope started but had to pull out due to a recurring injury.

The U17 boys had promised much after great runs at the Southern road relays a couple of weeks ago and they excelled again today. What a great sight it was seeing Will Fuller and Richard Webb tearing apart a strong established Tonbridge side.

Thier superb efforts saws them 1st and 2nd respectively leaving a bunch of class Tonbridge boys behind them.

Bailey Stickings 22nd, Thomas Desborough 23rd and Jamie Gosnell 41st backed the team up to bring them home in a very good second team place.

The girls teams were U13 - 2nd, U15 - 1st and U17 - 2nd. Another great set of results.

What stuck me today, other than great performances, was the great team spirit and support everyone gives each other.

Whether boy or girl, young or old if you were wearing a Blackheath and Bromley vest today you were getting loads of support all over the course. It was great to see.

The next fixture in this league is on Saturday 26th October at Tonbridge. More deatials to follow.

Our next fixture is Sunday 13th  October, the National Road Relays at Sutton Coldfield, Birmingham . We are taking teams in all age groups and if you would like to compete but haven't told me please let me know.

More details to follow.

Regards

Paul Austridge