

HASTINGS RUNNERS DOMINATE THE FIELD AT ROBERTSBRIDGE

Forty-five Hastings Runners in a field of 135 for the Robertsbridge Midsummer 10k last Friday evening [23 June] powered the club to nine age category wins.

Underlining the green-and-black topped club membership's strength across multiple age groups, two of those nine were fast enough to secure second and third place in the women's standings: Claire Thomas (finishing 24th overall in 49 minutes and 37 seconds) and Tamsin West (54'58), respectively. Further down the field Joanne Nevett, Ruth Spiller, Julia James and Sarah Marzaioli could be equally proud after completing two laps of the tough, undulating and frequently cross-country route.

Among the men, Adam Weller was fifth overall in a time of 42'31, followed in 11th and 12th by Patrick Bermingham and Andrew Shipilov, with age category winners Darren Barzee, Kevin Blowers and Bill Edmondson similarly impressive on a warm and testing evening hosted by the Robertsbridge Bonfire Society.

■ Not content with his fine time at Robertsbridge, and after just 38 hours of recovery, Patrick Bermingham next took on the Hawkhurst 10k and was placed 15th in a field of 132.

Earlier in the month, at the Heathfield Runners' 10k (*below*), Hastings Runners' Yolanda King won the women's race and Adam Weller was again top HR male, while there were age category triumphs for Amy Rodway and Yockie Richardson.

