62nd Brampton to Carlisle 10 mile Road Race

Sunday 17th November, 2013

The final Northern Athletics 10 Mile Championship at Carlisle started in drastic style, when a

fully laden sheep truck turned into the narrow road as the 500 plus runners were setting off. However, there were no obstacles big enough to prevent Andrew Wiles, New Marske Harriers, from winning the race in 50:50. Whilst he had company for the first 3 miles, he quickly pulled out a 19 second gap from the 2nd and 3rd, who were running together at that stage. Trafford's Tom Charles, however, had a strong final 3 miles where he reduced the gap on the leader to a mere 9 seconds, and pulled away to finish in 50:59, well over a minute and a half in front of Jarrow and Hebburn's Andy Burn, who was 3rd in 51:45.

In 4th place was Trafford's Gavin Tomlinson, with Jeff Prest finishing 9th overall, as well as being 3rd counter for the in form Trafford team. Last year Trafford were the silver medal team, but this time it was an emphatic gold, with 13 points. 2nd team this year was Border Harriers, 31 points, with Morpeth Harriers in 3rd place scoring 60 points.

Above Men's winner Andrew wiles receiver her medal from former Northern Athletics President Bill McGuirk

Winning NA lady was Alex Snook, Jarrow and Hebburn, in 60:02. Jo Buckley, Bingley Harriers, was 2nd in 62:14, with Vicky Gibbs, Wallsend, 3rd in 62:53. The first 3 NA women's teams were: Wallsend Harriers with 28 points, Blyth Running Club with 38 points and Tyne Bridge Harriers with 40 points. Results

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