

Wincle Trout Race, Tolls Farm, 2021



I'm sure you'll all agree that it was another great race, made possible by the hard work of the race committee, the cooperation of the local farmers, the goodwill of marshals, time keepers and trout givers from both Wincle and Macclesfield Harriers, the support of Buxton Mountain Rescue, Raynet, with tea and cake from the WI and not forgetting the memories recorded by Bryan Dale and his photographers.

Thanks also to our generous sponsors: Wincle Brewery for copious amounts of beer, Running Bear for prize vouchers and Topspeed Couriers.

270 started with 2 retirements and a few grazed knees

The men's race was won by Stockport's Steve Vernon in 39:40, 22 seconds ahead of Fraser Macdonald Oulds (Chorlton). Third place went to Macc's Simon Harding

The ladies' race was won by Lucy Bednall in 51:52. Lucy won the Junior Race in 2018 and 19 – the extra distance and larger field haven't put a stop to her winning ways! Second lady home was Staffs Moorlands Wendy Swift (W50, 55:38) followed by Macclesfield's Kathleen O'Donnell (W40 56:31)

A computer glitch initially gave the men's team trophy (and beers) to Macclesfield and the true victors, Chorlton Runners, left the prize giving empty handed. The result was close with Fraser, Ben, Tom and Matt (2,7,9,10) beating Macclesfield's Simon, Nathanael, Allen and Chris (5,5,8,13) by a single point 28-29. Chorlton's men also took third place.

Macc's male vets safely secured the trophy ahead of Matlock (Led home by a strong Bob Foreman , first MV60 , 30th overall) with Pennine in third

The ladies' team trophies both went to Macclesfield with the same 4 (Kathleen, Andrea, Anne-Marie and Clare) winning the open category and vets ahead of Pennine.

The Junior Boys race won by Ewan Bushfield in a fast 12:50, Finlay Pettie took second with Oscar Emery in third. George O'Donnell (u12) had a great race, finishing 4th amongst runners two age groups above.

The Junior Girls was won by Charlotte Lunt (u14) 7th overall. Second girl home was Running Bear's Milly Robinson.