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Dulwich Runners AC
Weekly Newsletter
Wednesday 26th December 2012

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send your reports, running news & anecdotes to:

shorts@dulwichrunners.org.uk

- THE COMING WEEK –

Wed 26	**The clubhouse will be closed so theres no club run this evening**
Thu 27	**Speed Session , Dulwich track, 10am**
Sat 29	**Hill Session, Greenwich Park, 10am at the top Gates**
Tue 01 Jan 2013	**Track closed no session**
Wed 02	**Everything back to normal, usual Wednesday night club run etc**

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---------- EVENT HORIZON ---------

A brief look ahead

Jan 05 Surrey Champs – Lloyd Park
Jan 05 Kent County Champs, Detling Showground
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DULWICH TRACK SESSIONS

Improve your speed & strength over all distances. Tuesdays with Steve Smythe are suitable for all abilities.

Tuesday track sessions are now in full swing at Ladywell. http://goo.gl/maps/92zNw
Around 20-30 club members attend these over a wide range of speeds. The sessions are between 7.15pm and 8pm and members should aim to get there to warm up at around 7pm
If you are a Fusion Gym member then entry is free, all others £2.55 pay at reception

WEDNESDAY NIGHT £1 RUNNING FEE

The club needs this money to cover the costs of hiring the club house etc, so please don't forget to pay when you sign in. Thanks. - Ros

NEW RUNNERS ROTA

Many thanks to **Mick Ward** for taking out new runners last week.
If you are listed to take out new runners, please can you try and turn up that night and make sure anybody new has someone to run with. If you can't make it, please try and either swap with someone or let us know. Thanks. – **Ros**

NO CLUB RUN	**26/12 clubhouse closed**
Steve Wehrle	02/01
Kevin Wood	09/01
Clare Wyngard	16/01

SPRING RELAYS

It's early days but you may want to make a note of some dates for next year's spring relays. We'll be recruiting participants for these highly popular and enjoyable events early in 2013. **Mike Mann**

Green Belt Relay	12/13 May
Welsh Castles Relay	8/9 June
1066 Relay	16 June(note later than usual)

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Club Champs 2013

Races for next year's club championships have now been selected. These are as follows:

- 3 February Chichester 10K
- 10 March Lydd half marathon
- 21 April London marathon (or alternative)
- 6 June Assembly League 5k, Dulwich Park
- 20 or 27 June 2 Miles, Dulwich Park
- 12 or 19 July 1 Mile, Dulwich College Track
- 1 September Lingfield (Dry Hill) 10
- 5 October Trail race, Lloyd Park parkrun

The usual rules apply with the 8 races split into long and short categories. The marathon, half marathon, 10 miles and 10K will be classified as long and the remainder short.

4 races to qualify, including at least one from each of the 2 distance categories. Please register early for the Chichester 10k to avoid disappointment.

Mike Mann *(on behalf of ADSC).*

THE BOX HILL FELL RACE

Saturday 19 January 2013 at 11.00 am
7.5 miles with 1700ft ascent
It is not always appreciated by ordinary runners that fell running is actually the ultimate running experience.

If you have never tried it, Box Hill provides the ideal introduction: an easy-to-follow course, with quite short climbs and descents, one of the best finishes in England, and a good bar afterwards.
Details can be found at www.sloweb.org.uk
and entries can be made online at www.fabian4.co.uk

I have also printed some entry forms which I will have at the club over the next few Wednesdays.
Hugh Balfour

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Club Champs 2013

Our first two club champs races next year are outside London and we will be hiring a coach, which will be a lot cheaper than train and ensure that we arrive at the start on time.

The Chichester Priory 10K on 3 February is a very popular race on a fast course, and entries often close well in advance, so please make that you enter as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

Similarly the Lydd Half Marathon is one of the pre-London marathon events, as well as being a BMAF Champs, so it is worth booking early for this. We are planning to arrange lunch after both races at nearby pubs. ***Mike Mann***

LUCKY VEST

December winner was Kevin Wood

Don't forget , wear your Dulwich Runners vest for the club run on the **first Wednesday** of any month and you will go into a free draw and could win the £5 cash prize on the spot in the clubhouse that evening.

NEW KIT NEW KIT NEW KIT

We now have new mens and womens vests and T- shirts,

Vests	**£18 each**
T- shirts short sleeved	**£20 each**
and newly arrived long sleeved T's	**£22 each**
Waterproof Jackets	**£25 each**

Available Wednesdays at the club – Ros

KEEP YOURSELF DRY ON THOSE WET WINTER RUNS

New – Dulwich Runners waterproof jackets now in stock Only £25
See Ros to buy one of these and other club kit

FIXTURES Winter 2012/13

The fixture list includes all currently available info on cross country fixtures. It includes most races that will be of general interest, some dates to be decided and some fixtures missing, will be updated as details become available.
Details of fixtures, start times, distances and transport information will be provided in Shorts prior to each event.
Apart from Surrey League most matches require entries in advance and only those pre-entered will be eligible to run.
Please look out for requests for entries from your cross country captains and make sure that you respond in time as the closing dates for some races are well in advance of the event. ***Mike Mann***

Date		Race	Venue
Dec	29	Hercules Wimbledon/Lauriston Multi Terrain	Wimbledon Common, 2pm
Jan	5	Surrey County Champs	Lloyd Park
	5	Kent County Champs	Detling Showground
	12	**Surrey League 3**	Cranford **(M)** - Mitcham Common **(W)**
	19	Vets AC Champs	Wimbledon Common
	26	South of England Champs	Parliament Hill
Feb	9	**Surrey League 4**	Wimbledon Common **(M)** - Dorking **(W)**
	23	National Champs	Sunderland

2012/13 Surrey League Cross Country **M**= Men **W**=Women

The men's Cross Country races start at 3pm, apart from the January race which starts at 2.30pm and the womens fixtures start at 12 noon.

XC Captains: Men - **Mike Mann** mcmann90@yahoo.co.uk Women - **Mel Edwards and Anna Thomas** dulwich.womenscaptain@yahoo.co.uk

All things CROSS COUNTRY 2012/13

The cross country season proper starts on 20 October with the first men's and women's Surrey League matches (see Shorts for details of this and other fixtures). Please make every effort to attend these races, particular potential scorers even if you are planning to race the following day. These races are free and do not require advance entries. Details about start times, transport, footwear etc will appear in Shorts nearer the times of the races.

There are also a number of other cross country races during the season, most of which require entries in advance which are paid for by the club. These include the London, county, southern and national champs as well as the 2 South of Thames races (see fixture list in Shorts for details).

If you want to take part, it is essential that you let your respective captains know before the deadline given; otherwise it will not be possible to run by simply turning up on the day.

Note that for some of the late season races, entries have to be submitted many weeks in advance. So please look out for notices in Shorts and emails from your captains. The South of Thames 5 miles race on 24 November at Reigate forms part of our cross country champs, so we will be encouraging entries for this in particular, as well as the South of England champs at Parliament Hill on 26 January.

If you are planning to take part in cross country races, you will find some hill training of value, so you are encouraged to attend the Saturday morning sessions organised by Steve Smythe on non-race weekends (see recent Shorts Extra notice, and check forthcoming Shorts as times and venues will change from week to week).

Mike Mann, Men's Off-road Captain

XC Captains:

Men - **Mike Mann** mcmann90@yahoo.co.uk

Women - **Mel Edwards and Anna Thomas** dulwich.womenscaptain@yahoo.co.uk

Dulwich Runners Cross Country Champs

We are holding a cross country champs for the forthcoming season. To qualify it will be necessary to complete 4 of the following 6 races - The 4 Surrey League matches, the South of Thames 5 miles at Reigate on 24 November and the South of England champs at Parliament Hill on 26 January.

The prize categories will be the same as last season - the 3 leading men and women and first M40, M50, M60, W40 and W50. In addition there will be a captain's award. Our traditional mob match with Reigate will not be taking place this autumn. It may be rescheduled for February/March but this will not be confirmed in time to include this race in the club champs. ***Mike Mann***

SURREY LEAGUE XC: URGENT REQUEST FOR MARSHALS

We are co-hosting the final Surrey League cross country match on 9 February at Wimbledon Common with Vets AC. We need up to 10 marshals on the course, so could anyone not intending to run and willing to help out please contact me.

For all of you who have been in the scoring team or close to it in matches, please note that your priority will be to take part in the race. The women will be running at Dorking earlier, so it will be tight for those participating to reach Wimbledon Common in time for marshalling, but help on the finish would also be appreciated. ***Mike Mann***

National XC Champs at Sunderland on 24 February

if you want to compete in the National XC Champs at Sunderland on 24 February, please inform your captains now, if you have not already done so. - ***Mike Mann***

Race Reports & Results

Unless it's a club champs race, one of the more local parkruns or other major club race which **Steve Smythe** kindly finds & collates results for us, then it's highly unlikely that your results will be appear here in SHORTS
So to make sure your race results, road, fell, XC, Tri etc, are mentioned please send them in, and if you can write a report to go with it even better.

parkrun 5km Results, 22nd December

Burgess Park

Flooded conditions. Running through water like a frantic coot trying to take off! Came 2nd overall, but not a fast time.

2 Ebe Prill	19:25
17 Barry G Evans	26:34

23 ran

Crystal Palace

Strong turnout of Dulwich Runners on a very wet course

12 Jim Dowsett	22.07
13 Bob Bell	22.10
15 Josef Danko	22.19
26 Clare Wyngard	24.00
29 Claire Steward	24.22
31 Jane Harbage	25.02
34 Mike Dodds	25.21
39 David Harbage	26.16
40 Ameet Patel	26.27
61 Chris Vernon	31.56

69ran

Old Deer Park

This is Richmond's second and much smaller parkrun probably because you have to pay for parking nearby! They usually average about 40 runners but this Saturday it was just 17 of us that turned up in the pouring rain.

The course, whilst a relatively flat 3 laps on grass, was completely waterlogged and was very much like a cross country run as we splashed through large puddles and slipped on soft mud. The condition of the course, together with a week of manic working hours and getting over jetlag, not to mention coming back from injury conspired to produce an all time parkrun PW by some considerable margin.

That said it was one of the most enjoyable parkruns I have done with everyone very friendly and welcoming. Mince pies were on offer aftewards to reward our efforts.

12 Lindsey Annable 4W	28.06

17 ran

RUNS, RACES AND REPS

To help you prepare for London Marathon (or Paris or Brighton) – 3½ to 4½ hr pace

Including: mid and long distance multi-terrain races, cross country fixtures
Sunday runs at High Elms or Dulwich Park; mile intervals in Dulwich Park
Local Sunday runs will be scheduled on a week to week basis

Date	Event / Distance	Information
30 Dec	**Go for another run**	
6 Jan 2013	**Tadworth 10**	Epsom Downs http://www.tadworth.org.uk/Tadten.html
Sat 12 Jan	**Surrey League (XC)**	(3/4) Women – Mitcham Common, **Men** – Cranford
13 Jan	**6 x 1 mile intervals**	Dulwich Park – 09:30
Sat 19 Jan	**Box Hill Fell Race**	7.5 miles XC – http://sloweb.org.uk/events/boxhill2013/
20 Jan	**Benfleet 15**	Multi-terrain – Benfleet, Canvey Island
Sat 26 Jan	**South of England (XC)**	South of England Champs Parliament Hill
27 Jan	**14 Mile run**	Dulwich Park – 09:30
3 Feb	**8 x 1 mile intervals**	Dulwich Park – 09:00
Sat 9 Feb	**Surrey League (XC)**	(4/4) **Women** – Denbie's Vineyard, **Men** – Wimbledon
10 Feb	**Wokingham Half**	http://www.wokinghamhalfmarathon.co.uk/
17 Feb	**10 x 1 mile intervals**	Dulwich Park – 09:00
24 Feb	**Tunbridge Wells Half**	http://www.twharriers.org.uk/node/43
3 Mar	**Spitfire 20 / Tempest 10**	Road race – Dunsfold http://www.eventstolive.co.uk/
10 Mar	**Lydd half marathon**	http://www.nice-work.org.uk/events.php?id=15
17 Mar	**Richmond Pk to Bushy Pk**	21 miles road / towpath and parks (+ shorter alternatives)
Sat 23 Mar	**Orion 15**	Epping Forest (Chingford) http://www.orionharriers.org.uk
24 Mar	**12 x 1 mile intervals**	Dulwich Park – 09:00
31 Mar	**HERoS at High Elms**	09:00 – Cuckoo Wood Car Park, High Elms Road
7 April	**Paddock Wood Half**	http://www.paddockwoodac.co.uk/
14 Apr	**tbc – Thames Towpath 10**	Chiswick – http://www.west4harriers.com/
21 April	**London Marathon**	**Blackheath to The Mall**

Races | Club champs/XC | Mile reps | Long runs

As a Sunday alternative, meet with 'HERoS' (High Elms Runners on Sunday) for a rmostly off-road, start from Cuckoo Wood car park, High Elms Rd, between Green Street Green and Downe in Kent at 9am, usually two pace/distance groups, min ~10 miles

For more information contact Steve Wehrle or Claire Steward

For cross country fixtures (Saturdays) contact the Dulwich Runner's XC captains

ParkRuns (5k) take place at 09:00 on Saturday morning at local parks all over the country (incl Dulwich, Brockwell, Crystal Palace, Hilly Fields) – check out http://www.parkrun.org.uk/ for venues and how to register

Alternative Sunday race options:

10 Feb Meon Valley Plod (21 miles) -Tough (but fabulous) multi-terrain – Portsmouth Joggers http://www.pjc.org.uk/

17 March Finchley 20 (Ruislip) http://www.activetrainingworld.co.uk/events/2013/03/10/finchley_20

24 March Hastings Half http://www.hastings-half.co.uk/
Cranleigh 15/21 - Choice of 15 or 21 miles http://www.mabac.org.uk/index.html