West Met 15 Trevor Lonard Handicap Bella Vista 20-8-16

A cold windy afternoon on the heights of Bella Vista did not deter a healthy number of Girraween runners tackle the annual Trevor Lonard Handicap on the challenging Bella Vista course. Coincidentally, despite the conditions, Girraween numbers were up on this event from 2015. There were many notable efforts across the three distances by Girraween athletes.

There were a number of fine performances in the 2km event with Chloe Grogan and Laura Corvalan finishing first and second across the line and picking first and second place trophies which they were well pleased with. Ed Bratovic had the quickest run time out of the Girraween contingent followed by Cristobel Corvalan, both who ran most strongly.

The middle distance event saw Cristina Sotomayor finish second across the line with a very strong performance. David Perry had the quickest run time out of the Girraween contingent, continuing his fine form of 2016, followed by Adam Etherington who has run most consistently throughout the winter season.

The 8km event, which is for the actual Trevor Lonard trophy, saw three Girraween athletes in this event and they all performed well. Rob Eager finished first across the line, thus winning the Trevor Lonard trophy for 2016, a fine performance by Rob and just reward for his determined efforts throughout the 2016 season. Michael Free finished second across the line not far behind Rob with a gutsy effort in tough conditions. Lisa Grant was first female across the line, with another wonderful run.

A highlight of the afternoon was the encouragement all our runners received from their team-mates as they made their way around the course, particularly in the middle and long distance events. Thank you to our members who also helped out on the day in any way. Results follow:

| Place | Name | Go Time | Finish Time | Run Time |
|-------|--------------------|---------|-------------|----------|
| 1st | Chloe Grogan | 3:32 | 15:32 | 12:00 |
| 2nd | Laura Corvalan | 2:08 | 15:44 | 13:36 |
| 4th | Cristobel Corvalan | 7:08 | 16:39 | 9:31 |
| 5th | Jean Davis | 4:42 | 16:45 | 12:03 |
| 7th | Mark Milliss | 5:18 | 16:55 | 11:37 |
| 8th | Stephen O'Donnell | 6:32 | 17:02 | 10:30 |

| 20tł | n Mischelle Otte | 5:49 | 17:24 | 11:35 | | | |
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| 20tł | n? Ben O'Donnell | 5:40 | 19:27 | 13:47 | | | |
| 28tł | n Ed Bratovic | 8:56 | 17:43 | 8:47 | | | |
| 34tł | n Daniel O'Donnell | 7:12 | 18:11 | 10:59 | | | |
| Trophy Winners: 1st Chloe Grogan 2nd Laura Corvalan | | | | | | | |
| NB: Places as per West Met website | | | | | | | |
| 4kn | n | | | | | | |
| 2nd | Cristina Sotomayor | 5:08 | 28:36 | 23:28 | | | |
| 4th | Adam Etherington | 7:50 | 28:44 | 20:54 | | | |
| 9th | Katrina Russell | 4:25 | 29:24 | 24:59 | | | |
| 12tł | n David Perry | 10:13 | 29:37 | 19:24 | | | |
| 13tł | n Claudio Corvalan | 6:48 | 29:38 | 22:50 | | | |
| 19tł | n Michael Grogan | 9:06 | 30:07 | 21:01 | | | |
| 20tł | n Michael Christie | 2:49 | 30:47 | 27:58 | | | |
| Trophy Winner: 2nd Cristina Sotomayor | | | | | | | |
| 8kn | n | | | | | | |
| 1st | Robert Eager | 0:01 | 47:16 | 47:15 | | | |
| 2nd | Michael Free | 0:52 | 49:42 | 48:50 | | | |
| 7th | Lisa Grant | 12:36 | 52:38 | 40:02 | | | |
| Trophy Winners: 1st & Trevor Lonard trophy winner: Rob Eager2nd Michael | | | | | | | |

Trophy Winners: 1st & Trevor Lonard trophy winner: Rob Eager2nd Michael Free Fastest Female: Lisa Grant

Michael Christie (GAP)