

Kaimata Open Handicap

16 August 2015



Today's Points:

Peter 8 pts

Alan 7 pts

Denise 6 pts

Tony 5 pts

Mary 4 pts

Jeff 3 pts

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This is our second year without the church at the end of the street; it is still odd looking at a paddock, but at least we have less traffic to contend with. Woke up this morning, beautiful sunshine and hardly a breath of wind, what a great morning for racing I thought, should be some good times. Arrived at Kaimata Street at about the same time as the wind and Foxy; not saying there is any coincidence in those two factors but it did turn into a South Taranaki type day with a keen south east breeze (except we had sunshine and no rain). I know it's tempting fate, but how lucky have we been with the weather! I have never known so many wet training days as this winter (if not wet, then a keen wind) and yet we get to our events and the weather gods smile on us – oh dear looks like another hail storm for the second day champs! The wind made it a struggle for most people today, we were into it along Kaimata and then really battling it on Somerset Street; it seemed to get stronger each lap. Other than 3 walkers everybody was slower than handicap – I can virtually guarantee that at least 2 of those will be slower than handicap next time (my goodness me I took to the Judges paddles when I got home). If the church had still been there then it might have been confession time for being too soft on myself. I can't even blame the red wine bribes because I have only had the one glass in 3 months!

Stop dribbling and get on with the report I hear you mutter. In the Senior event, Michelle, Gaylene and Dave Barrett were first away. Dennis and I started together; this was good I thought, at the Fox Trot I was on my own with the next walkers up the road by over a K and minutes before the next. I thought we might have a chat and a catch up, but instead he wanted to be on his own, he drifted behind and I never saw him again. Although Jeff started nearly a minute behind Tony he made very quick work of the gap as he burnt up the first 3K or so, apparently he was on fire at the start. I wonder if this had anything to do with him going to Bell Block instead of Kaimata Street this morning!

**Points Trophy
Leaders:**
Mike 45 pts
Alan 43 pts
Dave W 40 pts
Eric 38 pts
Sherryn H 37 pts
Arthur 36 pts
Harry 34 pts

The walker to show out from the back markers was Foxy; I watched him head off into the distance as I completed my first lap. Rachel caught me for the first time on my second lap, but it was a hard day at the office as she didn't open the gap very quickly. I wasn't going to be rewarded with her catching me a second time. With 1.5 laps to go I took the lead without any idea of who was closing behind. After I started the last lap I was about 100 metres up the road and heard the bell for the next person; I didn't want to know who was coming and just dug in. With 500 metres to go I heard a sniff not very far away. With 400 metres to go, Foxy overtook me to take first place. I was second followed by Tony and Jeff. Eric was fastest on the day in 56m5s and Rachel fastest female in 1:03:41. This event was also the last one in the style award. In today's event Eric showed what race walking is all about and took top points in today's event, second most styly person was Rachel and in third was Serena – a result I am sure she is very pleased with – to get 5 out of 6 for style from all the Judges shows great improvement.

First away in the Vets section was Frances followed 2 minutes later by Denise and then Mary. The last 2 to start were Marlene and Lorraine. Once upon a time Frances and Denise were such good friends that they chatted all the time in an event. Not anymore. I came round the corner onto Essex Street and saw up ahead Marlene and Frances walking and talking together. Poor old Denise was totally shunned as she strode off ahead of them. DC though channelled all her energy into the walk and managed to hold off a fast finishing Mary to take line honours today. When asked whether she had done any secret training, she said it was so secret she didn't even know about it. Arthur the lone man in this section came home in third. Lorraine took fastest time in the Vets section with 38m42s.

Congratulations to Laura who did a very smart 12m32s for her 2K. The headwind made it very tough for the small walkers like Laura, Arthur and myself.

Many thanks to Alison and Harry for a great morning tea. Also many thanks to the Judges (Brian, Colin, Tanya and Graeme) for helping out on each of the style events. I personally think this has been a very worthwhile exercise, one which has certainly focused us more on our technique.

Style Award Name	Total	Norm		Time Kaimata		Name	Grade	Est Time	Handicap	Clock Time	Race Time	Pts
		Read	Trial	Open								
Eric Kemsley	16.54	5.67	5.38	5.50		Senior Men						
Rachel Gilberd	15.50	5.00	5.25	5.25		Peter Fox	M	1:00:15	0:16:15	1:15:22	0:59:07	8
Harry Terwiel	14.08	4.33	5.00	4.75		Alan Clarke	M	1:06:30	0:10:00	1:15:39	1:05:39	7
Alan Clarke	12.33	3.33	4.50	4.50		Tony Burrell	M	1:04:00	0:12:30	1:16:41	1:04:11	5
Sherryn Hardy	10.33	5.33	5.00	0.00		Jeff Wells	M	1:03:15	0:13:15	1:16:46	1:03:31	3
Marlene White	9.88	3.00	3.88	3.00		Eric Kemsley	M	0:55:45	0:20:45	1:16:50	0:56:05	2
Hannah Gilberd	9.75	5.00	4.75	0.00		Harry Terwiel	M	0:57:30	0:19:00	1:17:21	0:58:21	2
Michelle Nicholson	9.17	4.67	0.00	4.50		Dave Wackrow	M	0:56:45	0:19:45	1:19:29	0:59:44	2
Anne Fraser	8.75	4.00	4.75	0.00		Dave Barrett	M	1:15:45	0:00:45	1:19:53	1:19:08	2
Peter Fox	8.17	3.67	0.00	4.50		Dennis Hastie	M	1:06:30	0:10:00	1:20:41	1:10:41	2
Sandra Moratti	8.17	3.67	4.50	0.00		Vets						
Neil Fagan	7.42	3.67	3.75	0.00		Denise Clark	V	0:47:30	0:02:00	0:49:18	0:47:18	6
Tony Burrell	7.21	3.33	0.00	3.88		Mary Hastie	V	0:46:45	0:02:45	0:49:38	0:46:53	4
Sue Park	6.88	3.00	3.88	0.00		Arthur	V	0:43:00	0:06:30	0:50:41	0:44:11	2
Serena Coombes	5.00	0.00	0.00	5.00		Frances Kemsley	V	0:49:30	0:00:00	0:51:34	0:51:34	2
Helen Baverstock	4.13		4.13	0.00		Lorraine Eldershaw	V	0:36:30	0:13:00	0:51:42	0:38:42	2
Dave Barrett	3.63	0.00	0.00	3.63		Marlene White	V	0:38:30	0:11:00		DNF	2
Sherryn Wilson	3.33	3.33	0.00	0.00		Senior Women						
Laura Kehely			4.50	4.75		Gaylene Phillips	W	1:14:15	0:02:15	1:17:33	1:15:18	2
						Michelle Nicholson	W	1:16:30	0:00:00	1:18:14	1:18:14	2
						Serena Coombes	W	1:05:45	0:10:45	1:19:03	1:08:18	2
						Rachel Gilberd	W	0:59:30	0:17:00	1:20:41	1:03:41	2
						Juniors						
						Laura Kehely	J2k				0:12:32	2
						Helpers						
						Peter, Trevor, Gary, Colin, Graeme, Tanya, Brian, Mike						2

Points Trophy

Name	Wind	Ivor	Sere	Norm		Open	Odd	Gibb	First	Fox	Kaim	Road	Burn	Mart	2nd	Wind
Total	Wand	Oak	Sprint	Read	Ekid	Links	Walk	Relay	Trial	Day	Trot	Road	Cham	Up	Wang	Day Down
Mike Nield	45	2	7	6	5	2	2	3	2	2	4	8	2			
Alan Clarke	43	3	2	2	2	2	8	3	4	2	3	5	7			
Dave Wackrow	40	6	5	4	2	2	2	1	2	5	2	7	2			
Eric Kemsley	38	2	6	5	2	2	3	3		2	5	6	2			
Sherryn Hardy	37	2	2		7	2	5	3	6	2	8					
Arthur Lester	36	2	8	2	2		7	1	6	2	2	2	2			
Harry Terwiel	34		2	2	8	2	6	3	2	2	2	3	2			
Denise Clark	32	2	2		5		3	1	4	7	2		6			
Jeff Wells	32	4	2	2	3	2	3	3	4	2	2	2	3			
Tony Burrell	32	7		7	2	2	2	3	2			2	5			
Rachel Gilberd	30	8	2	2	2	2	2		8	2			2			
Brian O'Shea	25		3	2	3	2	2	3	2	3	2		3			
Lorraine Eldershaw	25	5	2	3	2	2	2	3		2	2		2			
Mary Hastie	24	2	4		2		2	1	2	3	2	2	4			
Anne Fraser	22		2		2	2	2	3		4	7					
Gary Fenwick	22		2	8	2	2	4	1		2			3			
Michelle Nicholson	21	2		2	2	2	2	3			2	4	2			
Sue Park	21	2			2		2	3	2	8	2					
Tanya Campbell	21	2	2	2		2	2	3	2	3			3			
Helen Baverstock	20	2	2	2		2	2	3	2	2	3					
Dennis Hastie	19		2		6		2	1	2	2	2		2			
Frances Kemsley	19	2	2	2	2		2	1	2	2		2	2			
Marlene White	19		2	2	2	2	2	3	2	2			2			
Peter Dent	19	2	2	2	2			1	2	2	2	2	2			
Trevor Suthon	19	2	2	2	2		2	1		2	2	2	2			
Dave Barrett	17	2	2				2	1	4		2	2	2			
Peter Fox	17		3		2	2					2	8				
Sandra Moratti	16			2	2	2			2	6	2					
Serena Coombes	16	4	2	2	2	2	2			2			2			
Ivor Ellis	14	2	2	2	2	2			2			2				
MaryAnne Costeloe	14	2	2	2	2		2			2	2					
Gaylene Phillips	12	2	2	2			2			2			2			
Neil Fagan	12	2			2					2	6					
Sherryn Wilson	7				2		2	3								
Juniors																
Hannah Gilberd	25		2	4	3	2	3		8	3						
Olivia Gilberd	7			3	2		2									