

*Points Awarded*

Sue – 8 points  
 Arthur – 8 points  
 Dave B – 6 points  
 Alan – 5 points  
 Mary – 4 points  
 Marlene – 3 points

*Points Trophy Standings*

Arthur – 20 points  
 Sue – 18 points  
 Dave B – 17 points  
 Denise – 16 points  
 Mary – 16 points  
 Brian – 14 points  
 Mike – 13 points

*Sharing the Glory*

What a glorious day for a walk. As is usual in Taranaki (North at least) we had no wind for this race and Sunny warm weather. It must be something about Mother's day that brings the best out in the weather.

The Norm Read Memorial for the first time in it's history has joint winners this year. Keeping with tradition we have a very deserving mother as 1 winner – Sue Park and the wily metronome himself as the other winner – Arthur Lester. They both estimated 8 seconds different to actual time. At first I thought they must have colluded and walked together – but no this was very far from the truth. Arthur in fact walked 10K (which is what you do when you are 85 of course) and Sue walked 5K. I still haven't got to the bottom of how Arthur does this time and again – he also got 6 points at the wind wand walk. This now takes him to the top of the points trophy (sorry Denise) with Sue in second place. In 3<sup>rd</sup> place today was Dave Barrett with 19 seconds difference and me in 4<sup>th</sup> just 21 seconds out.

We had 30 walkers for the Norm Read, which is a great effort particularly on Mother's day. The way some took off at the start I assumed everybody put some really fast times down. Eric decided he wasn't in a mood to chat to anyone and left everyone behind. Rachel (unusually for her) had a good natter to Peter – and both blew their times – you can't attempt to walk together if your estimates are 7 minutes different!

As for me, if Vanessa and Jeff don't pass me until 2K then I might have started a tad fast. As I said before the start, it is very unlikely that anybody that did the marathon a week earlier is going to estimate their time.

Predictably most marathon people walked much quicker than estimate – didn't they Sherryn 1 and 2. In fact Sherryn 2 probably did a PB over 10K today – very nice for you, but you were over 4 minutes less than estimate – this is a double whammy because you have now shown your hand to the handicapper! A little secret to new ones such as No. 2 – an estimated time event is all about trying to get closest to the time you estimate, not put a time down and try and beat it by as much as possible – you also try to fool the handicapper – you walk slowly to try to get a better handicap time.

Fastest times of the day were Eric in 57m54s; Rachel in 60m1s and the vets had Sue at 40m27s over 5K. In the Juniors Hannah Gilberd walked her 3K in 23m30s.

Some issues from the walk today. Firstly Peter Dent would like you all in the future to make the time keeping role a bit easier in an estimated time event. I go to the trouble of putting a list out in alphabetical order – he asks whether it is too much trouble to finish in alphabetical order – would be very much appreciated.

## Results

Name	Grade	Est Time	Actual	Difference	Points
Sue Park	5K	40:35	40:27	00:08	8
Arthur Lester	10K	1:23:34	1:23:26	00:08	8
Dave Barrett	10K	1:15:55	1:15:36	00:19	6
Alan Clarke	10K	1:07:45	1:07:24	00:21	5
Mary Hastie	5K	44:23	43:56	00:27	4
Marlene White	10K	1:10:00	1:09:32	00:28	3
Eric Kemsley	10K	57:20	57:54	00:34	2
Tony Burrell	10K	1:03:30	1:04:05	00:35	2
Denise Clark	5K	47:02	46:25	00:37	2
Serena Coombes	10K	1:05:00	1:05:38	00:38	2
Brian O'Shea	10K	1:21:30	1:22:13	00:43	2
Jeff Wells	10K	1:04:55	1:04:07	00:48	2
Anne Fraser	10K	1:16:13	1:17:07	00:54	2
Ivor Ellis	3K	30:00	31:06	01:06	2
Dennis Hastie	10K	1:09:22	1:08:15	01:07	2
Gaylene Phillips	10K	1:15:00	1:16:09	01:09	2
Vanessa Lowl	10K	1:05:50	1:04:41	01:09	2
Sandra Moratti	10K	1:18:30	1:17:07	01:23	2
Dave Wackrow	10K	58:10	1:00:15	02:05	2
Harry Terwiel	10K	1:03:27	1:01:05	02:22	2
Peter Fox	10K	57:15	59:42	02:27	2
Hannah Gilberd	3K	21:01	23:30	02:29	2
Helen Baverstock	10K	1:11:50	1:14:22	02:32	2
Michelle Nicholson	10K	1:13:48	1:16:24	02:36	2
Sherryn Hardy	10K	1:15:35	1:11:32	04:03	2
Sherryn Wilson	10K	1:12:00	1:07:43	04:17	2
Rachel Gilberd	10K	1:04:30	1:00:01	04:29	2
Kim Fougere	10K	1:19:06	1:23:42	04:36	2
Frances Kemsley	5K	53:38	48:28	05:10	2
Mary Anne Costleloe	10K	1:14:00	1:23:42	09:42	2
Helpers - Trevor, Peter					2

The next issue is; what do we do about Frances and Denise? Are you all concerned like me that they are not talking to each other this season? The gun goes and Denise without even a backward glance leaves Frances behind her. Today though I started to get near the truth – I think Frances has been hurt by a remark from Denise. There was a photo being shown of a hunky man from 25 years ago at the finish of the Rotorua marathon; Denise was not very complimentary at all – she questioned the masculinity of the fine specimen of an athlete – these sort of remarks can hurt you know! We are here to support you Frances.

Many thanks to Peter and Trevor for time keeping. Also many thanks for Graeme and Rosemary for coming along today and in particular your generous donation as patron of the Club.

## Points Trophy

	Total	Wind Wand	Ivor's Oakura	Serena Sprint	Norm Read
Arthur Lester	20	6	4	2	8
Sue Park	18	2	6	2	8
Dave Barrett	17	2	2	7	6
Denise Clark	16	7	5	2	2
Mary Hastie	16	2	2	8	4
Brian O'Shea	14	2	8	2	2
Mike Nield	13		7	6	
Gaylene Phillips	12	2	3	5	2
Tony Burrell	12	8	2		2
Alan Clarke	11	2	2	2	5
Dave Wackrow	10	2	2	4	2
Frances Kemsley	10	6		2	2
Jeff Wells	9	2	2	3	2
Marlene White	9	2	2	2	3
Eric Kemsley	8	4		2	2
Helen Baverstock	8	2	2	2	2
Ivor Ellis	8	2	2	2	2
Kim Fougere	8	2	2	2	2
Serena Coombes	8	2	2	2	2
Trevor Suthon	8	2	2	2	2
Harry Terziel	6	2		2	2
MaryAnne Costeloe	6		2	2	2
Peter Dent	6	2		2	2
Peter Fox	6	2		2	2
Sherryn Hardy	6	2	2		2
Michelle Nicholson	5	3			2
Anne Fraser	4			2	2
Dennis Hastie	4			2	2
Neil Fagan	4	2	2		
Rachel Gilberd	4			2	2
Sandra Moratti	4			2	2
Vanessa Lowl	4		2		2
Joelle Xavier	2		2		
Julie Gardner	2	2			
Lorraine Eldershaw	2	2			
Sherryn Wilson	2				2
Juniors					
Hannah Gilberd	6			3	3