

ERWL2021 Finale Five King George Playing Fields, Enfield on 4th December

Permit: RWA21064-3

As one might have expected, the 'finale five' fixture had an of the season feel to it and the turnout of 18 reflected that. Overnight rain cleared leaving a bright sunny if somewhat chilly morning.

George Wilkinson won as he pleased from Dave Annetts and once again Jacqueline Benson had it all her own way in the women's race. However, the feature of the race was a dogged battle involving Melanie Peddle and David Walsh. Melanie seemed to be hanging on as she trailed the Enfield man for the first three laps, but just before the bell she drew level and pressed ahead to gain a 25 second advantage by the end of the race.

It was good to see John Hall (our much appreciated contact man at this venue), once again in action after a lengthy period of inactivity because of injury problems. On hand also was EHAC Hon.General Secretary Barry Cook who presented Jacqueline and George with their ERWL championship 2021 trophies.



5 miles

1 George Wilkinson (EHAC)	39.06	u20	1 Jaqueline Benson (Ashford AC)	44.53	Wu23
2 Dave Annetts (N.Herts RR)	40.00	u20	2 Melanie Peddle (Loughton AC)	46.24	W50
3 Dave Walsh (EHAC)	46.49	M60	3 Helen Middleton (EHAC)	51.54	W55
4 John Arthur (unattached)	51.09	M60	4 Noel Blatchford (Abingdon AC)	79.59	W70
5 Tony Wilkinson (unattached)	56.43	M60	5 Diana Braverman (EHAC)	79.59	W70
6 John Hall (Belgrave H)	57.27	M70			
7 Tom Casserley (EHAC)	57.52	M80	3 miles Elini Panayiotou (unattached)	34.52	W40
8 Malcolm Blackwood (Trent Park)	59.25	M70	Terry Braverman (EHAC)	42.52	M75
9 David Hoben (Surrey WC)	62.04	M65	Dave Ainsworth © (Ilford AC)	47.07	M70
			Shaheda Arthur (unattached)	81.12	W70

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Judges: Peter Cassidy (Chief), Mark Culshaw, Pauline Wilson ©
Timekeeper: Andrew Garner, - Recorders: Pam Ficken ©, Carl Lawton ©, Tracey Wilkinson.
Marshalls: Elizabeth & Simon Benson - Race Organiser/Referee: Ron Wallwork ©

Virtual Fixture Result 4th December - 5 miles

1 Mark Williams (Birchfield H)	42.14	M55
2 Diane Bradley (Tonbridge AC)	51.02	W60
3 Richard Emsley (Desborough R)	52.42	M65
4 Keith Vallis (Overton H)	55.16	M55
5 Andrew Cox (Surrey WC)	55.32	M65
6 Fiona Bishop (EHAC)	56.50	W60
7 Brian Adams © (Leicester WC)	60.47	M70
8 Karen Williams (Birchfield H)	62.53	W65
9 Steve Cartwright (Gt Bentley RC)	63.39	M60
10 Chris Flint © (Surrey WC)	79.46	M75

3 miles

1 Ron Penfold (Steyning AC)	34.15	M80
2 Bill Sutherland © (Highgate H)	48.15	M75

Future of the Virtual ERWL The VERWL was set up at the height of the covid pandemic as a way of keeping in touch, an incentive to take some exercise and a test of personal resolve and I think it fair to claim that it did that.

However, now that the virus although not beaten is more manageable, and a new year fast approaching, it is time to ask **if the VERWL is still needed?**

In 2022 the ERWL will resume normal service but if there is sufficient demand, stats man Jon May has indicated that he is willing to undertake the extra work to score a separate Virtual League.

Kindly let me know by 16th December if you would like the virtual league with a token registration fee of £5 to continue.