

Third u20 National Best for Wilkinson

When winning the national Youth Development Invitation 2km walk in 2014 with a time of 7.52.9, Callum Wilkinson missed the u20 national record set by Luke Finch in 2002 by a couple of 100's of a seconds. At Birmingham on 5th September in this year's race he made no mistake stopping the watch at 7.41.9. This was the third national u20 best he has set this year, the others being his 6.03 1 mile in February and 41.34 10km in July.

Younger brother George was third in the u15's 1km to record a solid 5.41, ten seconds faster than he walked the previous week in the LICC meeting.

The weekend 4th/6th September was a busy one.

In the **Sarnia 3km** road race on 4th September, used as a warm-up event for the famous Guernsey Churches 19.4 mile walk two days later, Sean Pender finished 4th of the 12 walkers in 19.01. Stuart LeNoury who finished 6th in this year's Moulton Five won the race in 15.27 from mainlander Jim Ball who recorded 16.04. Dave Hoben 20.40 also walked.

In the final stages of the **Church to Church** race on 6th September Stuart LeNoury 3.21.31 overtook long time race leader Jim Ball 3.22.41 to finish in the same order as they had two days earlier. Third was Coventry's Glyn Jones (more often these days see in his role as an officiator) in 3.32.02. For the second year Sean Pender 3.44.11 was the first M60 to finish in 6th and *Leaguer* Dave Hoben 3.37.45 was also among the 14 who started the walk.

On the same Sunday at Leicester's Abbey Park, the **Jim Sharlott/BMAF 10km** took place. The field consisted of 5 women and 17 men, among them Arthur Thomson M75 winner in 62.29. The overall race winner was Fransisco Reis in 49.07, ahead of Ian Richards 50.26 and John Hall 56.33. Mark Culshaw 60.51, Shaun Lightman 64.21 and Maureen Noel 62.17 who was third lady behind Kate Hargreaves 56.03 also made the trip to Leicester. In the BMAF championships, in addition to Arthur's win there was victory for Fransisco, Maureen and Shaun with runner-up positions for John and Mark.