

## GOOLE VIKING STRIDERS

### RIVERBANK CHALLENGE

Sunday's Riverbank Challenge in Goole is gradually reasserting itself in the racing calendar after its enforced absence in 2013. Made possible this year by the generous sponsorship of Howdens Joinery and Drax Power Station, there were 170 entries to enjoy the glorious sunshine, although a strong wind did no favours to runners or spectators.

Thanks go to not only the sponsors but also the army of marshals and helpers, most of them Striders who gave up their run to help out.

As in previous years, the course follows the river bank into Goole and then back up to Boothferry Bridge, heading back to the Westfield Banks Sports Complex on the road. Completing that course in 48.30 is quite a feat, so great credit to the winner Alex Gibson of East Hull Harriers, the fastest time since Phil Taylor won it for Bridlington in 2011.

Stuart Carmichael of City of Hull was second in 49.18, followed by St Theresa's Richard Herrington in 50.15.

Rachel Cullen of Stainland Lions was first lady by a distance in 63.18, followed by the Striders' own Julie Masterman in 65.10. Joanne Burgoss of Denby Dale was 3<sup>rd</sup> in 67.31.

Earlier the Fun Run had been a triumph for the Clarkson brothers of Goole YAC, with Josh first and Brad third, in 12.00 and 12.56. Doncaster's George Westerman was 2<sup>nd</sup> in 12.41. Goole YAC also won the ladies race through Olivia Nelsey in 15.36, with the Striders' Brodie Tinning 2<sup>nd</sup> in 16.01 and Isabelle Walby of Humber Triathletes 3<sup>rd</sup> in 17.14.

Striders' results: 4<sup>th</sup> Ben Adderley 54.41, 5<sup>th</sup> Jonny McFaul 55.38, 18<sup>th</sup> Pat Harness 60.02, 33<sup>rd</sup> Julie Masterman 65.10, 34<sup>th</sup> James Williamson 65.42, 43<sup>rd</sup> Steve Whitlam 67.33, 89<sup>th</sup> Nicole Masterman 78.52.