

## James Bolton and Helen Mulhall win on an unseasonably hot day

**Event:** 35<sup>th</sup> White Horse Half Marathon

**Time:** 09:30am

**Date:** Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2017

**Venue:** Grove, Oxfordshire

**James Bolton** (Woodstock Harriers AC) and **Paul Fernandez** (Abingdon AC), two regular podium finishers in the White Horse half marathon, again topped the men's overall results.

James, who won in 2015, ran his personal best on this course to win the race in a time of 1hr 11mins 30secs.

James led from the start, pulled away from Paul at the first corner and extended his lead progressively throughout the race to win by almost two minutes.



*Photo by Barry Cornelius*

**Chris Dettmar** (Headington RR) completed the top three after a further gap of almost two minutes. White Horse Harrier **Jamie McBrien** just missed out on a top three place, but led the Senior Male category and finished a creditable fourth.

The clubs of the top three also won the men's team prizes with **Abingdon** getting the upper hand due to their leading four runners (Fernandez, Garrigues, Deering & Wilson) all within the top 11 places.

The ladies' race was won by **Helen Mulhall**, representing the Aylesbury based Bearbrook RC, in a time of 1hr 26min 46secs. After a gap of three minutes **Eilidh Bell** (Chippenham Harriers) and **Hannah Hale** (Eynsham RR) came in a close second and third. Headington RR won the ladies' team prize.

This year we awarded prizes in the V70 and L65 categories which were won by **Phil Kimber** (Oxford City AC) and **Kate Williamson** (Eynsham RR) respectively.

511 runners started the race, and despite the unseasonably hot conditions, a record number of 496 completed the race.

The full results can be found here: <http://whitehorseharriers.uk/halfmarathon/>

Finally, don't forget to check the website of race photographer, Barry Cornelius, at [www.oxonraces.com](http://www.oxonraces.com) for the official race day photographs. The photos are free to download. If you put a photo somewhere public, please add the credit "Photo by Barry Cornelius".