

# **Box Hill Athletic Club Winter News 07**

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2008**

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Saturday, May 17      Road Race      Sandown Racecourse  
Sunday, June 1        Road Race      La Trobe Uni  
Saturday, June 28     Coliban Relay Harcourt to Bendigo

## **BOX HILL MEN DOMINATE AT WARRAGUL!**

In the best performance seen by a Box Hill cross country team in decades, our Division 1 men's team dominated the 8km cross country championship at Lardner Park, Warragul on Saturday on a wet and hilly course. Box Hill had 5 runners in the top 11 finishers, with Chris Hamer and Steve Dinneen winning medals.

Box Hill men not only won the division 1 teams competition but also won Division 3 and the Over 40 competitions.

Go to [www.athsvic.org.au](http://www.athsvic.org.au) to see the youtube coverage of the event including an interview with Lee Troop and Chris Hamer

### **RESULTS: MEN'S OPEN 8KM CROSS COUNTRY**

Division 1 Team: 1st place

1. Lee Troop (Geelong)	24:30
2. Chris Hamer (Box Hill)	24:53
3. Steve Dinneen (Box Hill)	25:25
4. Daniel Hornery (Sandingham)	25:31
5. Steve Kelly (Box Hill)	25:37
6. Mark Thompson (Glenhuntly)	25:39
7. Paul Martinico (Sandringham)	25:39
8. Andrew White (Box Hill)	25:47
9. Tyson Popplestone (Inv)	25:52
10. Sam Crowther (Knox)	25:56
11. Daniel Clark (Box Hill)	25:57
12. Liam Adams (Essendon)	25:58
23. Matt Coloe	26:46

Division 3 Team: 1st place

32. John Meagher	27:16
46. Paul Boxshall	27:58
78. Graeme Olden	29:19
84. Chris O'Connor	29:26
109. Antony Van Eeten	30:28

Division 5 Team: 6th place

127. Steve Griffin	30:51
266. Scott Boxshall	35:59
305. Andrew Tunne	38:58
326. David Stevens	41:24

Over 40 Team: 1st place

2. John Meagher	26:17
7. Graeme Olden	29:19
9. Chris O'Connor	29:26

61. Andrew Tunne	38:58
68. David Stevens	41:24

Hopefully we can strengthen our division 3 and division 5 teams when several runners who missed this event return to competition.

#### RESULTS: WOMEN'S 6KM CROSS COUNTRY

Unfortunately our women's team is looking low on numbers this year. Hayley Tomlinson, Emma Steer, Kate Wall, Sarah Cant, Margie Conley, Suzanne Andrews, Priscilla Barrington, Liz Dobson, Amanda Harper, Megan Sloane, Jess De Bruin, Jocelyn Keage, Claire Fritze, Fiona Turner, Alice Baquie and Kris Hopkins are all either overseas, injured, were unavailable for this event, are unavailable for this season or have other commitments.

Despite this our women's division 1 team performed reasonably well. Rachel Johnson, Talitha Crawford, Kerry Putt and new member Brittany Moran all put in good performances over the very tough course to finish in 7th place in the teams competition, close behind the 5th and 6th teams.

Division 1 Team: 7th place

22. Rachel Johnson	23:53
40. Brittany Moran	25:14
66. Talitha Crawford	27:05
91. Kerry Putt	28:22

Hopefully we can increase the number of women running for the next event, the 10km road race at Sandown.

#### JUNIORS

Due to school commitments we had only four junior athletes competing on Saturday, but they all put in good performances.

Josh De Stefanis put in a very promising effort to finish 8th in a time of 13:44 in the men's under 20 4km event. Jonathan Tree finished in a good 12th place in the under 16 men's 3km race in a time of 11:44. Bridget Aughton (13:21) and Olivia Turnbull (13:33) finished 11th and 13th respectively in the under 18 women's 3km event.

We look forward to having more junior athletes competing as their school commitments allow.

## ROUND 3 OF THE WINTER SEASON - SANDOWN - MAY 17

The next round of the Athletics Victoria Winter season will be held on Saturday week at the Sandown race course.

Program:

- 1:45pm: 3km road race: U14 & U16 men, U14, U16, U18 and U20 women
- 2:30pm: 10km road race: Open men, Open women, U18 & U20 men.

This is one of the big events of the winter and an excellent chance for a 10km PB. We hope to have a big turn out of Box Hill runners. If you wish to run in this event and have not put in a season's entry form, you must either send in an entry to Athletics Victoria, or let us know so that we can send in an entry for you.

## WINTER ENTRIES

The following members have season's entries and have been entered for all events. If you have sent in a season's entry but you are not on the list please let us know. If you have not put in a season's entry then you must enter for each event individually, either direct to AV or through the club. Winter Season's Entries: Chris Hamer Andrew White Matt Coloe Daniel Clark Steve

Kelly Steve Dinneen Luke Yeatman John Meagher Graeme Olden Chris O'Connor Antony Van Eeten Steve Griffin Andrew Tunne Hayley Tomlinson Rachel Johnson Talitha Crawford

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## **REGISTER NOW!**

Registrations are now due for the 2008/2009 season. If you plan to run the winter season it is important that you register as soon as possible. If you are not competing until next track season, why not pay your fees now and get your full 12 months worth of registration? Registrations are valid from April 1 until March 31 next year.

## **THE END OF OLYMPIC PARK**

The State Government of Victoria announced on Monday April 28 2008, its intention to relocate Victoria's premier athletics facility from its current home at Olympic Park, to a new, purpose built facility at Albert Park, within the confines of what is currently known as Bob Jane Stadium (the old Lakeside Oval).

Olympic Park will be "redeveloped" as a training facility for Collingwood Football Club. Incidentally Eddie Maguire (Collingwood President) is a member of the Board of Athletics Australia and the President of Athletics Australia Rob Fildes is a former Collingwood player.

Although the Box Hill Athletic Club has no official position on this move (we are yet to get any details about what is to be built at Albert Park), I would encourage people to express their opinions on this matter to AV, AA, and/or the Sports minister James Merlino.