# MANCHESTER AREA CROSS COUNTRY LEAGUE 2013/2014 SEASON EA Registration Ref: 2662520

## In partnership with CITY OF MANCHESTER ATHLETICS and sponsored by Colgate-Palmolive's Dental Health Unit

MATCH 1\*: SATURDAY 19TH OCTOBER 2013\*[not for U11s]

Heaton Park, Manchester. Host Club: Manchester Harriers & A.C.

MATCH 2 : SUNDAY 10TH NOVEMBER 2013

Woodbank Park, Stockport. Host Club: Stockport Harriers & A.C.

MATCH 3 : SATURDAY 7TH DECEMBER 2013

Sherdley Park, St Helens. Host Club: St Helens Sutton

MATCH 4 : SUNDAY 12TH JANUARY 2014

Boggart Hole Clough, Manchester. Host Club: Salford Harriers & A.C.

MATCH 5 : SATURDAY 8TH FEBRUARY 2014

Wythenshawe Park, Manchester. Host Club: Sale Harriers Manchester AC.

#### TIMES AND APPROXIMATE RACE DISTANCES

12 noon U11 GIRLS\* - 2,200 metres \*N.B. U11B & U11G WILL NOT RUN IN MATCH ONE.

12:15 pm U11 BOYS\* & U13 GIRLS - 2,400 metres

12.30 pm U13 BOYS & U15 GIRLS - 3,000 metres

12:50 pm U15 BOYS & U17 LADIES - 4,500 metres

1:20 pm U17 YOUTHS - 6,000 metres

1:40 pm SENIOR, U20 & VET LADIES - 8,000 metres

2:30 pm SENIOR, U20 & VET MEN - 9,600 metres

AGES as at midnight 31 August/1 September 2013\*

<u>U11</u> – aged 9 or 10 as at above date\*; <u>U13</u> – aged 11 or 12 as at above date\*;

 $\overline{\mathbf{U15}}$  – aged 13 or 14 as at above date\*;  $\underline{\mathbf{U17}}$  – aged 15 or 16 as at above date\*;

**U20** – aged 17, 18 or 19 as at above date\*.

**Seniors** – at least 20 as at above date\*; **Vets** – age as on 19/10/2013.

#### **AFFILIATION**

An affiliation fee of £40 is payable by the 4<sup>th</sup> October 2013. An affiliation form will be sent to the contacts of the clubs who affiliated last season. The form can also be found on the website. Completed affiliation forms together with the £40 fee (cheques payable to Manchester Area Cross Country League) should be sent to the Affiliations Co-ordinator.

#### **SPONSORSHIP**

The League is very grateful for the support given by City of Manchester Athletics and for the continued support of Colgate-Palmolive's Dental Health Unit.

#### **HELPERS**

Non-host clubs to provide one person to help with marshal duties at one match during the season. Clubs will be advised pre-season which match they are expected to cover. It will be done on a rota basis with four clubs providing one person to give each host club four helpers.

#### **ENTRIES**

Club contacts will be sent the list of members they entered last season which they can amend. The lists will be sent by post early in September. New Clubs can pull off an entry form from the website. Entries should be sent to the Entries Co-ordinator.

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#### **FEES**

A fee of 75p\* will be charged per athlete, per race (all categories). This fee to be paid at the end of the Season. *An Additional fee* of 50p per unused entry will be imposed on Clubs not achieving a 75% or greater return on entries. Runners will be charged 50p for lost or forgotten numbers re-issued on race day. [\*Fee increased as discussed at the AGM following reduced level of sponsorship.]

#### **AWARDS**

EACH RACE - INDIVIDUALS – the winners of each race plus 1<sup>st</sup>Vet & 1<sup>st</sup>U20.

OVERALL - INDIVIDUALS - <u>Snr Men, Snr Women, Vet Women 0/35, U20 Men & Women, Men & Women 0/40, 0/45, 0/50 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>; <u>Vet Men & Women 0/55, 0/60 1<sup>st</sup></u>.</u>

Men & Women, whatever their category, finishing 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> will receive an additional award. Girls & Boys U17, U15, U13, U11 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>.

<u>Senior Races</u>: individual overall awards may be increased depending on numbers entered.

<u>All Races except U11's</u>: An individual's best four scores will be used (U11's best three scores count). Veterans will be scored within their own category.

<u>In the event of a tie</u>: if one of the individuals has completed five races and one four races, the individual completing five races will take the award; if both individuals have completed five races, the individual with the higher placing in their fifth race will take the award; if there is still a tie, the individual finishing higher more times takes the award.

OVERALL - TEAMS – Snr Men/Div.One (6 to count) 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>; Snr Women/Div.One, Vet Men/Div.One (4 to count), Vet Women/Div.One (3 to count) 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>; U20 Men & Women, Boys & Girls U17, U15, U13, U11 (3 to count) 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>; Snr Men/Div.Two (6 to count), Snr Women/Div.Two, Vet Men/Div.Two (4 to count), Vet Women/Div.Two (3 to count) 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>. A points system for team competition is used. The club with the lowest score receives the highest number of points. A team's best four scores will be used (U11s best three scores). In the event of a tie: if one of the teams has completed 5 races and one 4 races, the team completing 5 races will take the award; if both teams have completed 5 races, the team with the higher placing in its fifth race will take the award; if there is still a tie, the team finishing higher more times will take the award.

#### **STRUCTURE**

SENIORS/VETERANS - TEAMS: There will be two Divisions: Division One will consist of the top 7 Division One Teams plus the top three Division Two Teams from 2012/2013. The bottom 3 Teams from Division One will drop down to Division Two. New Clubs joining the League will start in Division Two. At the end of the Season, the bottom 3 from Division One will be relegated to Division Two; the top 3 from Div. Two will be promoted to Div. One.

#### **QUERIES**

Any queries about any aspect of the League please don't hesitate to contact the Secretary.

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