

Racewalk Victoria 2008 Results

This event was our 10th Anniversary race. We had several participants who had been involved in all 10 races in various capacities- Iain MacLean (competitor), Linda Campbell (competitor/judge), Dave and Lyn Hopkins (timers), Rafe Duke (starter), and Helen Jaques (competitor/judge/race director). Our thanks to them for their commitment to our race.

The event was held on Sunday, Feb 24, 2008 at 10am. The course was an out and back certified route on the Galloping Goose Trail in Victoria, B.C. on a paved surface. There was a certified starter and timers. The judges were Dave Weicker (chief judge), Keith Newell, Paola Roderiguez, and Helen Jaques.

Even though we had many returning walkers, this year we had quite a few new walkers doing their first official racewalk event. The 1500m and 5k non-sanctioned events are proving popular and encouraging to new racewalkers.

Next year's event will again be held on the last Sunday in February. We are also looking forward to co-hosting the Canada/USA Junior Racewalk Challenge on Aug 16, 2008 at UVic stadium. This event will also include sanctioned 1500m and 5k Open/Masters races.

Results

1500m Experience (not judged/no awards)

Rachel Inglis- 14- Victoria- 7:55

Aimee Henderson- 12- Victoria- 9:39

Jessie Chestnut- 10- Victoria-11:06*

5k Experience (not judged/no awards)

Women

Diane Clark- 47- Ladysmith- 36:41*

Arleen Drysdale-54- Edmonton-36:54*

Andrea Christal- 29- Victoria- 40:29*

Christina Fryer-56- Victoria- 45:11*

Men

Gary Fryer- 59- Victoria- 43:33*

5k Open Women

Meghan Huzzey- 22- Victoria-25:41

Nicola Evangelista- 19- Vancouver- 28:16

Bev Larsson- 18- Surrey- 33:24

Caley Longmuir- 15- Parksville- 34:03- first race from Juvenile to Open Women

Jennifer Olynyk-19- Vancouver- 34:29

Masters Women

Linda Campbell- 51- Campbell River- 32:55

Shirley Naylor- 62- Ladysmith- 35:27

Karen Herzog- 51- Edmonton- 35:57

Marianne Chickchak- 60- Edmonton- 37:05

Masters Men

Karl Dahl- 47- Ontario- 32:41

Iain MacLean- 72- Victoria- 40:24

Maurice Thibeault- 66- Cobble Hill- DNF *

10k Open Women

Laura Bright- 19- Victoria- 1:03:01

Masters Women

Betty Christal- 50- Edmonton- 1:08:28

Kathleen Kane- 54- Victoria- 1:14:16*

Pat Denby- 68- Victoria-1:14:56

Open Men

Evan Dunfee- 17- Vancouver- 46:47

Inaki Gomez- 20- Vancouver- 46:47

Creighton Connolly- 19- 52:32

Masters Men

Gerry Dragomir- 56- Vancouver-54:03

*- First sanctioned racewalk event

Submitted by Helen Jaques- Race Director