

SOUTH ATHLETES WALK TO GOLD

South Bendigo Athletes performed well at the State Walking Championships held in Melbourne, winning two gold & one bronze medal.

Jessica Rothwell won the Under 18 Women's 8km Walk in 40.34 minutes and Kyle Bryant won the Under 18 Men's 8km event in 38.37 minutes.

In the Under 14 Boy's 3km Walk, Jeremiah Jones won the bronze medal with a time of 19.25 minutes.

On the local scene, cross country running was held at a new course in Raywood Road, Eaglehawk.

The first event of the day was the Bicknell's Sport 6500 metres handicap, with Club President Greg Hilson winning with a time of 25.14 minutes.

Backmarker David Purdon ran home strongly to take second place and fastest time of 22.43 minutes, with Kirsty Seipolt in the placings again, with a third placed finish.

David Somerton claimed his first club run victory in the Hume & Iser 3000 metre handicap with a time of 12.45 minutes.

Mandy Worthington & Peter Hayes both finished on very well, to take second & third places respectively, with Scott Purdon finishing fourth & running the fastest time of 10.46 minutes.

Tom Noden won the Bendigo Toyworld Under 10 800 metre handicap, running 3.30 minutes & equal fastest time with the fifth placed Jake Hilson. Second place over the line went to Holly Hawke, with Kyle Hilson in third place.

Nerrida Holland won the sprint finish with Maire Playford to take out the Kevin Healey Retravision 1500 metres handicap, with a time of 9.01 minutes. Jesse Noden was third over the line & ran fastest time of 5.54 minutes.

Kirsty Seipolt won the weekly raffle, thanks to the Raven/Holland family.

There is no run this Saturday, however, on Sunday is the Hilson Builder's Keith Huddle Memorial, Eaglehawk to Bendigo starting at 11am.

The event also incorporates the Fitzpatrick's Hardware Fun Run. Entry forms are available at Fitzpatrick's Hardware in Eaglehawk or on the website at www.southbgoaths.alturl.com.au

Athletes wishing to compete in the event should enter by Wednesday at the schedule fee, otherwise entries will be taken on the day at double the entry fee. All AV registered club athletes will gain points for the club in the various teams sections.

All club registered athletes running in the Eaglehawk to Bendigo will be eligible to win the club sealed handicap award.

On Sunday night, the club will have a social evening at Stars Restaurant at the Schweppes Centre, starting with a dinner from 6.30pm. The night will include the announcement of the Club's Eaglehawk to Bendigo sealed handicap winners.

The Athletics Victoria 8km Cross Country Championships will be held on Saturday 5th August at the University of Ballarat. This event is an Athletics Bendigo Winter points scoring event & is also has Victorian Country Championship medallions on offer.

The next club run will be held at Atlas Road, Junortoun on **Sunday, 6th August** with distances of 10000m, 3000m, 800m & 1500m starting from 1.30pm.

The club's next meeting will be held on Tuesday 1st August in the Charlie Nolan Room at the Latrobe University Bendigo Athletic Complex from 7.30pm.

Anyone wishing to book their place for Stars Restaurant this Sunday or just want to find out more about the club, should call Greg on 54483846.

South Bendigo Athletic Club
Club Run #11 Raywood Road, Eaglehawk

Bicknell's Sport 6,500 metre Handicap

Greg Hilson 25.14, David Purdon 22.43 (Fastest Time), Kirsty Seipolt 33.22, Kyall Britten 23.17, John McGrath 26.48, Ryan Cornell 24.24, George Austen 34.42, Hannah Blair 31.02

Hume & Iser 3,000 metre Handicap

David Somerton 12.45, Mandy Worthington 13.14, Peter Hayes 15.49, Scott Purdon 10.46 (Fastest Time), Keith Noden 19.14, Sandy Playford 16.58, Bill Trew 17.16, Gina Hilson 21.14

Bendigo Toyworld Under 10 800 metre Handicap

Tom Noden 3.30 (Fastest Time), Holly Hawke 4.01, Kyle Hilson 4.06, Kaitlyn Bryce 3.45, Jake Hilson 3.30 (Fastest Time), Will Noden 4.15, Thomas Hawke 5.03, Madeleine Hawke 3.55, Riley Raven 5.12

Kevin Healey Retravision 1,500 metre Handicap

Nerrida Holland 9.01, Maire Playford 6.31, Jesse Noden 5.54 (Fastest Time), Cara Jones 8.23, Francis Hall 6.38, Ebony-Jade Jones 7.35, Will Noden 8.21, Ross Matheson 6.50, Karl Kirkham 7.05, Annette Curtis 9.50, Maria Bryce 9.28, Tom Noden 7.56, Peter Curtis Snr 9.45