



WILMSLOW RUNNING FESTIVAL

HALF MARATHON | 10K | FUN RUN

Out with the old and in with the new!

After 35 years of tradition, 2019 saw the ever popular Waters Wilmslow Half Marathon evolve and become a festival of running...The Wilmslow Running Festival.

This year saw the introduction of a 10K sponsored by Stowe Family Law and a Fun Run sponsored by Running Bear...Fully inclusive and something for everyone...And so it was with entries with entries over 4,000.

The race organisers have been working hard to embrace the community and make the event a celebration of all things good in Wilmslow & the Community!

The Race HQ was particularly busy as flags fluttered and stalls were busy as runners mingled pre-race.

Physio Fit of Alderley Edge led the runners in a prerace warm up, but the only thing on runner's minds was the gun sounding at 10.30am. Olympic starter David Brown CBE raised his pistol and the thousands of runners were off in perfect conditions. Both Half Marathon and 10K runners started together with the split occurring at the 3.5 mile mark. Once the masses were wat, the Running Bear Fun Run started at 10.40...100 young stars, smiling and enjoying every moment! A distance of 1.6 miles and made to look easy! First home was Harvey Davis, with Ella Davis third and first female.

The leading 10k runners were the next to finish. First home was Gavin Tomlinson of Trafford AC, in a time of 34.24...First lady home in a time of 39.43 and in 11th place was Nicola Whitfield Bird of Ellesmere Port AC.

No sooner than the mass of 10k runners were finishing, the sight of the Porsche lead vehicle came into sight with the leading Half Marathon runners close behind.

Race winner of The Half Marathon was Nigel Martin of Sale Harriers in a time of 65.26...Martin had led from the gun winning by 47 seconds from Alistair Watson of Notts AC.

First female home was previous winner and course record holder, Julie Briscoe of Wakefield Harriers in a time of 77.01.

Many of the Wilmslow Running Club Runners were acting as pacers and many people enjoyed the chance to get round in a personal best...A big tick in the box for runners.

Wilmslow ladies ran out Team Winners in the 10k race.

Charity was the overall winner and in particular lead charity, North West Air Ambulance.

The Race organisers are always grateful to all sponsors, runners, marshals and of course spectators. Entries for March 15th 2020, open in the next 24 hours.