

Cairns Road Runners Black Snake Trail Race and Mother's Day Classic, 8 May 2011

Race Director Ian Valentine

One hundred and eight runners and walkers participated in the joint Black Snake Trail Race and Mother's Day Classic Walk on Sunday, 8 May 2011. Great cool conditions greeted the runners and walkers, who started the event from Copperlode Dam and everyone was warmed up quickly as they hiked up the steep 2km hill on the other side of the dam wall heading towards the Tablelands.

Congratulations to the 16 runners who ran the gruelling inaugural 34km Black Snake Race. Club member Ben Carter came through 8 minutes ahead of the next runner at the 19.5km checkpoint, but unfortunately at an intersection (30km mark) turned left, instead of right! Club member Simon Dobbs came in first in a time of 3:39:26. Independent, Julie Sager, was the first female home (5th overall) in a time of 3:49:50.

The 21.1km race was won by Ryan Hosking (01:52:28) and the first female (3rd overall) was Fiona Campbell (02:02:43). Sydney visitors Colin Jeftha and Yolanda Jeftha both took out category positions in the 21.1km. Well done to Paul Ryan and Andrea Collins who came in first male and female in the 10km run.

The Mother's Day Classic Walk was very well received, and participants enjoyed the change of venue to participate in a 5km trail walk. Thank you for your support of this worthwhile cause. The Cairns Road Runners treated the walkers with a free breakfast after the event. Rebel Sport provided two \$50 Gift Cards and Cock-n-Bull the \$25 dinner voucher for a lucky volunteer.

The event was only possible through the efforts of the wonderful volunteers who gave up their morning to help out. Ian Valentine was the race director; Kev Morrissey timekeeper; Heather Vaughan, Rosie Ball and Rebecca Tucker on rego and recording; Trevor Buckley, Jim Cavill, Marco and Tammy Kiefer at the checkpoints; Geoff Shannon set up the course; Darren Hargreaves, Rosie and Reah Omnundsen helped at drink stops. Sarah Griffiths took the photographs and Gwilym, Ceiridwen and Llewellyn Vaughan did a great job helping with the sausage sizzle. Chris Chapman did the shopping prior to the event.

Thanks to the initiative of Club Member Paul Ryan all Tablelands Runners are invited to a "Sign On" day at Kauri Creek Day Use Area, Tinaroo Dam on 22 May. The next run is on the same day - the Trinity Family Chiropractic Mt Haig Marathon (also a half, 10km and 5km). Worth doing the 42.2km - the spectacular views and varied terrain are unmatched in the region!

Overall placing	Name	Time	Category	Category placing
34km				
1	Simon Dobbs	03:39:26	M 30-39	1
2	Arnstein Prytz	03:40:08	M 50-59	1
3	Taras Jakubovsky	03:42:03	M 19-29	1
4	Larry Lawson	03:48:54	M 50-59	2
5	Julie Sager	03:49:50	F 40-49	1
6	Sarah Warren	03:55:08	F 30-39	1
7	Glen (Robbo) Robinson	03:59:06	M 30-39	2
8	Idan Piercy	04:03:50	M 40-49	1
9	Gareth Smith	04:07:40	M 30-39	3
10	Nathan Moore	04:26:58	M 30-39	4
11	Lorraine Lawson	04:36:49	F 40-49	2
12	David Elms	04:40:43	M 50-59	3
13	Christine Bell	04:45:38	F 19-29	1

14	John Vaughan	04:47:30	M 30-39	5
15	Ben Carter	04:51:51	M 30-39	6
16	Nick Bradt	04:57:03	M 30-39	7
21.1km				
1	Ryan Hoskins	01:52:28	M 30-39	1
2	Colin Jeftha	01:58:59	M 40-49	1
3	Fiona Campbell	02:02:43	F 30-39	1
4	Marcel deKievith	02:03:38	M 60-69	1
5	Neil Harrison	02:12:11	M 30-39	2
6	Yolanda Jeftha	02:19:29	F 40-49	1
7	Melissa Akmentins	02:20:12	F 30-39	2
8	Stevie Johnston	02:20:54	F 50-59	1
9	Kerry Bray	02:22:13	F 19-29	1
10	Martin Ball	02:27:08	M 50-59	1
11	Alison Smith	02:28:00	F 30-39	3
12	Matsuoka Nami	02:32:31	F 30-39	4
13	David Skinner	02:46:00	M 50-59	2
14	Lauren Jennings	03:01:25	F 19-29	2
15	Emma Mills	03:01:45	F 30-39	5
16	Peter Morris	03:02:30	M 50-59	3
17	Wayne Bowes	03:07:15	M 40-49	2
10km				
1	Paul Ryan	00:49:27	M 40-49	1
2	Connor O'Sullivan	00:56:23	M 30-39	1
3	Peter English	01:04:50	M 30-39	2
4	Alan Courtney	01:05:56	M 50-59	1
5	Andrea Collins	01:06:22	F 40-49	1
6	Michelle Farkas	01:06:48	F 40-49	2
7	Alex Farkas	01:06:59	M 40-49	2
8	Richard Gray	01:08:52	M 19-29	1
9	Adaline Storch	01:09:35	F 16-18	1
10	Rebecca Tucker	01:10:12	F 19-29	1
11	John Melnyczenko	01:14:07	M 50-59	2
12	Monique Storch	01:18:42	F 16-18	2
13	Jude Henwood	01:20:59	F 40-49	3
14	Vanessa King	01:24:12	F 40-49	4
15	Louise Gale	01:25:48	F 30-39	1
16	Rosie Ball	01:29:23	F 40-49	5
17	Sarah Griffiths	01:54:03	F 30-39	2
18	Sandra Buckley	01:54:03	F 60-69	1

Mother's Day Classic Participants	
Julie	Adil
Monica	Adil
Tracie	Bizant
Catherine	Brown
Ben	Chilcott
Erika	Chilcott
Hellen	Chilcott
Jon	Chilcott

Baden	Crathern
Joanne	Darker
Leah	Felstead
Annette	Frumento
James	Glaspy
Kelly	Glaspy
William	Glaspy
Nathan	Gough
Corey	Guerin
Susan	Guerin
Regina	Holden
Asha	Hughes
David	Hughes
Eva	Hughes
Judi	Hughes
Maya	Hughes
Rebecca	Hughes
Ryan	Hughes
David	Jarvis
Sandra	Jarvis
William	Mathews
Sheridan	Mead
Deborah	Michael
Peter	Michael
Tania	Mitchell
Michael	Ortiz
Penny	Pelfrey
Christine	Ratcliffe
Scott	Ratcliffe
Margaret	Reveleigh
Kay	Rivers
Whitney	Sager

Ashley	Sangster
Zoe	Sheild
Rebecca	Shield
Mikaela	Small
Tamara	Stewart
Nance	Storch
Gillian	Tap
Debbie	Telfer
Lauren	Vico
Richard	Vinen
Brenda	Warwick
Sharon	Wilesmith
Aleerah	Zammit
Bailee	Zammit
Christine	Zammit
Jada	Zammit
Jordana	Zammit