

The second annual Shaun Lee Johnstone Memorial 10mile trail race took place on Sunday 11th October. The race had almost doubled in size from last year proving popular with local runners. The course takes the form of three off road loops passing through a central farmyard which one runner commented that made it a fascinating race as you could run and spectate at the same time! The lack of rain recently meant that the course was in good condition and the sun shone to add warmth but the blustery conditions made it feel colder on more exposed parts of the course. The event raises funds for brain tumour research and is run in memory of Ripon Runner Ray Johnstone's son. The first to finish was Tom Scanlon in 1.01.35, with Andrew Dobby of RAF Menwith Hill finishing second in 1.01.52 and Rob Gray of Wetherby Runners third in 1.02.17. In the women's race Erika Johnson of Swaledale Road Runners finished first in 1.11.57, Lisa Quinn of Ripon Runners came second in 1.17.58, and Nidd Valley's Fiona Deacon was third in 1.19.00. The Ripon Runner's team of Steve Oates, Paul Morgan and Ray Raper won the male team prize and Nidd Valley's Fiona Deacon, Emma Kicks and Christine Holleran won the ladies team prize. In the age categories Carl Hunt won the M16-39 in 1.06.02, Andrew Meskimmon M40-49 in 1.03.31, John Oliver M50-59 in 1.06.06, Alan Appleby M60+ in 1.12.20, Anna Seeley F16-34 in 1.21.24, Sharon McAnany F35-44 in 1.20.19, Denise Tunstall F45-55 in 1.20.48.