



Jells Relays Report - Sat May 7, 2011



What an amazing turn out for race 1 of XCR11. In perfect conditions we had a record 13 teams, 9 of which recorded podium finishes. The week prior had the usual casualty or two but was remarkably quiet in the amount of chasing and swapping required – thanks!



There were plenty of new faces that was great to see and the Steigen Geelong Region singlet stock continues to receive a pounding. The Steampocket Food supplies also received a hammering and it was only through some quick thinking early in the day to hide some of the food that some of our latter runners didn't go completely hungry!



With so many runners taking part it's too long a task to give a blow by blow description of each team. But some of the highlights for the day included the following:

- Convincing wins to Men's Div 1 (by 1min 16), Div 3 (by 5 mins) & Div 6 (by over 10 mins!).
- Div 4 Women finishing 1st & 2nd with the number 2 Div 4 team taking line honours!
- Great results in the O40 teams thanks to some recruiting with the men 3rd.
- New O40 men recruit Grant Simpson apparently negative splitting the 6k course!
- Nick Wightman having a blinder as 4th runner in Div 1 to run a big PB on a course notably slower than previous years.



Next Race: Sat May 21: Balnarring Racecourse XC – Entries close 8 days prior this season so **Fri May 13**.

Check the next page for our Round 1 prize winners.





Awards



The **Steigen Team Player Award** goes to **Harry Smithers** in recognition of his gritty run captured on camera and nominated by Elizabeth Douel. Remember to keep an eye on our Facebook page for your chance to nominate winners and have a win yourself.



The "**Complete Meal Award**" goes to our officials (Doug Byrt, Louie Rowan & Jack Hockley Samon) and to Elizabeth Douel for her successful Facebook nomination above. Thanks so much to our officials for helping out and ensuring we didn't get disqualified! Unfortunately this week closest to predicted time fell over because there were too many teams and too much to do to get many speedy predictions. Next time!



The **Steampocket Lunch Award** was again enjoyed by **everyone** present. A big thanks to Steampocket for their ongoing support & generosity.