

A chilly Saturday afternoon saw 271 runners take part in the Cheddleton 10k Christmas Pudding race, a well organised event with all proceeds going to Cancer Research UK. Three hilly laps on closed roads with a Christmas pudding to all finishers. Five Congleton Harriers braved the wet and sometimes sleety conditions with Bryan Lomas at the head of the field finishing 24th in 40:30, Jo Moss was 53rd overall in 44:05 and second in her age category, Lucy Rusbridge 86th in 46:40, John Bushby 150th in 52:58 with Nigel Poole 166th in 53:17.



John Bushby at Cheddleton 10k 25.11.2017

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On Sunday Debbie Hill completed the third and final race in the Dark & White Peak Challenge, with 10 miles of racing around Monyash. In tough conditions with very boggy sections it was an achievement to have finished without having fallen over. 127 runners took part and Hill finished 78th in 1:49:50 and combined with her other performances at Carsington Water and Calver earlier in the season she won her age category across the series.

There was another Christmas pudding race at the weekend, with 80 runners in Wythenshawe Park for five miles off road running – Beth Cliff's times keep dropping and she recorded a PB for the distance taking 35th place in a time of 45:09.

Over in Wilmslow eight Congleton Harriers gathered for the 10k, a popular race that saw nearly 2,500 runners take part. Mike Stanley was the quickest of the Harriers, finishing in 472nd in 44:55 with Ian Prime in 600th in 46:54, Louise Poole was 1001st in 50:57 and Suzie Kelly not far behind in 1014th in 51:07, Rob Parkin was 1085th in 51:54. Jackie Moss described her efforts as the race of her life as she recorded her best time over 10k coming 1219th in 53:19, Jamilla Gaskell 1364th in 54:46 and Cathy Dean was 2133rd in 65:04.



If you'd like to know more about Congleton Harriers then you can visit congleton-harriers.co.uk or meet some of them this Saturday morning, as they will be on hand at parkrun at Astbury Mere offering a pacing service, meeting at 08:45.