

## County Championship Report

January 7th 2012

Dibden Inclosure

The weather held for us, and the worry about standing water was largely unfounded. Entries were up, but again turnout was down a little. All thanks must go to the team from Hardley Runners, they once again staged an excellent championships for the County. All of the officials did their usual efficient job, apart from a few errors that needed to be sorted in the recording of finishers. Colin and Roland kept up a superb commentary, and John and Graeme carried out the presentations with great efficiency.

Richard had written a new results programme that Dave and I road-tested on the 7th. He had also done so much work in preparation for the day, and was tireless in his acceptance of all the 'late' entries that I kept forwarding to him! Our results were also on the County web-site by 6.30pm on Saturday 7th, photos being added by Sunday morning. Wow!

Christine and Mary did 'Front of House' duty again, fending off the worst questions and criticisms, leaving me free to help Dave.

I was contacted by the local representative from our new sponsors, who was happy with the advertising that we were able to add at the last minute. Certainly we raised the profile for Saucony early into their liaison with us.

There have been points raised by Mary, the Referee, to me concerning possible timetable changes and a comment on the safety of the course that was fed to her. These points will be borne in mind should the Championships return to Dibden in 2013. On the whole though, comments have been favourable about the course change.

*Pam Rogers - Championship Secretary*