

# *Those Pennine Bridleway results in full...*

	TEAM	LEG 1		LEG 2			LEG 3			LEG 4			LEG 5		
Pos.	Number	Runners	Time	Runners	Time	AggPos	Runners	Time	AggPos	Runners	Time	AggPos	Runners	Time	TOTAL
			Posn		Posn	Gain		Posn	Gain		Posn	Gain		Posn	Gain
1	<b>Bowland FR A</b>	Mick Chippendale	00:58:06	Sean Bolland	01:19:17	1	Chris Reade	01:03:56	2	Neil Shepherd	0:37:23	1	Quentin Harding	01:04:03	<b>05:02:45</b>
	<b>17</b>	Lee Pasco	6	Mike Whyatt	2	5	Richard Mellon	5	-1	Steve Swarbrick	3	1	Steve Sweeney	5	<b>0</b>
4	<b>Todmorden A</b>	Shaun Godsman	00:58:03	Andrew Wrench	01:19:30	2	Chris Smale	01:03:06	1	Nick Wigmore	0:38:47	2	Andrew Horsfall	01:05:22	<b>05:04:48</b>
	<b>13</b>	Sean Willis	5	Jon Wright	3	3	Alex Whitem	4	1	Paul Prescott	7	-1	Mark Goldie	6	<b>-2</b>
22	<b>Todmorden B</b>	Rhys Watkins	01:11:07	Jeff Walker	01:40:00	31	Ben Crowther	01:16:18	27	Angus Barclay	0:42:35	22	Mark Anderton	01:13:40	<b>06:03:40</b>
	<b>15</b>	Lee McClusky	28	James Riley	30	-3	Dean Bamford	25	4	Simon Galloway	17	5	Simon Anderton	18	<b>0</b>
39	<b>Todmorden All Stars</b>	Richard O'Sullivan	01:15:14	John Lee	01:59:08	48	Jeff Anderson	01:21:33	45	Stuart Boulton	0:50:24	43	Neil Hodgkinson	01:24:36	<b>06:50:55</b>
	<b>16</b>	Peter Bowles	33	Eric Wrathall	50	-15	Jim Duffy	37	3	Eric Emerson	32	2	Duncan Richie	40	<b>4</b>
40	<b>Todmorden Ladies</b>	Sharon Godsman	01:17:39	Jane Smith	01:53:49	45	Mandy Goth	01:25:43	47	Moyra Parfitt	0:52:08	47	Kay Leigh	01:22:13	<b>06:51:32</b>
	<b>14</b>	Alice Heath	41	Rachel Skinner	46	-4	Claire Duffield	44	-2	Lynn Griffiths	39	0	Mel Blackhurst	35	<b>7</b>

## **Tod A team take fourth place**

The 5<sup>th</sup> February the Pennine Bridleway Relay, after being somehow talked into being captain of the A team, I set about picking the team, it was quite easy really – pick the best 10 runners and pray nobody gets injured, it worked.

Early that morning we set off for the start, Shaun Godsman getting us there for 7.25am. I'm sure Shaun thought you could set off as soon as you got there, not to be for him they all had to start at 8.30am. Shaun and Sean Willis had a great start running the 8 miles from Fearn School, Water Foot over the moors to Causeway Road, Todmorden, to hand in 5<sup>th</sup> position and only 1 min 20 secs behind leaders Clayton.

John Wright and Andrew Wrench then raced off over Leg 2, the longest and toughest leg of 12.5 miles down to Callis Mill Bridge. I'd seen Andrew a few days before the race and he was hoping for the clag to be down, so fellow runners wouldn't be able to follow him, he got his wish, but his other partner Wrighty had other ideas leaving his own trail for runners to follow, having to stop three times for a crap! Nevertheless the two clocked the 3<sup>rd</sup> fastest time of the day, handing over in 2<sup>nd</sup> place (A BRILLIANT RUN!).

For leg 3 we had Chris Smales and Alex Whitem who flew over the 9.5 mile route from Mankinholes, the moor over Walsden and on to Calderbrook Road to take the lead and hand over in 1st position. Leg 4 was the 5.5 mile leg skirting from Brown Wardle Hill on to Lobden Golf Club. This had Paul Prescott and Nick Wigmore racing off into the lead, but by the end unfortunately Bowland had knocked them down to 2<sup>nd</sup> position, leaving Andrew Horsfall and Mark Goldie on Leg 5 chasing after them, and in turn being chased by Clayton and Horwich.

The race for the finish was now on, Horsey and Goldie put in a great run over the eleven mile leg, but could not gold off Clayton and Horwich. The latter overtook them with about only 400m to go, leaving Tod to finish in 4<sup>th</sup> place. After 47 miles of hard running and with the first four team within two minutes of each other proved what a great race this had been, and I believe with a bit more luck on the day Todmorden Harriers could have WON IT.

Well done to all!