

## Local Fell Races

By Colin 'Santa's Little Helper' Duffield

**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> December 11:30**

**The Stoop** BM 5 miles/ 800ft

Penistone Hill, Near Haworth.

*Annual mud fest. Dave and Eileen Woodhead promotion, so plenty of prizes and quite a lot of shouting probable. No navigation issues, just follow the masses.*

**December 26<sup>th</sup> Boxing Day! 11:30**

**Whimberry Naze Dash** BS 4 miles/750 ft

Marl Pits, Rossendale

*Fancy dress extravaganza disguised as a fell race! Lots of hairy male runners seem to use it as an excuse to cross dress, hence a preponderance of bearded ladies wandering around Rossendale on Boxing Day. Although maybe they're nothing to do with the race and more to do with a very limited gene pool and a few hundred years of interbreeding in the area.*

**Monday December 31<sup>st</sup>**

**Auld Lang Syne** BM

Penistone Hill Country Park, Oxenhope

*Festive, kilt swinging, fun in abundance. A bottle of beer for every finisher. What more do you want? Blood?*

**Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> January 12:00**

**Giant's Tooth** CS 3miles / 400ft

Ogden Reservoir Embankment (off the A629 Halifax-Keighley Road)

*Test the theory that you run better with a hangover. Try not to be sick on the course, as this can become a Health and Safety issue for those following. Suitable for all but the most drunk.*

**Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> January 11:30**

**Ovenden Fell Race** BM 8miles / 1200ft

Ogden Reservoir Embankment (off the A629 Halifax-Keighley Road)

*Wintery sort of affair. Around Ovenden Moor rather than the big council estate. Organisers are keen on full body cover etc, so think on. Also you might need some navigation skills.*

### Road Races by Mel B

December

Sunday 16th-Longridge 7 miles, 11am from Longridge civic hall. £6 and £1 extra on the day.

Sunday 26th-Leyland 10k 11am. Worden Park, Leyland. £6 and £1 on day.

Sunday 30th-The one and only hot Toddy -details elsewhere in Torrier!!

January

January 1st Joe Salt's New Years Day M/T Awakener race 4.2 miles, 11.15am from Red Lion, Whitworth.

Sat 5th Jan-Lancashire Cross Country Championships. Need to be born/lived in Lancs for last 9 months. £6 to enter. Women 1.10pm,

Sun 13th Jan-Garstang 10k, 11am £6 to enter and extra £1 on day.

Sun 13th Jan-Olympic Appeal Littleborough, 5 miles. From Falcon Inn, Rochdale. Organised by Andy O. £5 to enter and £1 on day extra.