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OUT OF THE STRAIN OF THE DOING, INTO THE PEACE OF THE DONE (Thought for August 4)

FROM THE COMMITTEE ...

QUIZ NIGHT

- o Wednesday, August 14, 7.30 p.m.
- o Churchill's Tavern (Rear of Concert Hall)
- o Tickets (\$3.00) available from Committee
- O Jackie Greenfield (291 7835) is asking for donations of prizes.
- o Tables of 6.

This is our one big fund-raiser for 1985. Be part of the big fun!!

CLUB CROSS COUNTRY

- o July 14
- o Jorgensen Park
- o This is a Club Certificate Run.
- o \$3.00 for food and run. B.Y.O.

POST-RUN TEA

o The Committee suggested that we can expect refreshments to be provided after the run when it is a listed "Committee Run".

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ROME ABOUT : We have found it difficult to get results from the STOP PRESS MONDAY : Veterans Games, but we believe the following are accurate : Kath Holland - first in 200,400; second in 100. John Gilmour - first in 10K,5K,1500 with WRs in the last two. Eileen Hindle - second in hurdles and fifth in pentathlon.Barrie Kernaghan (injured shoulder) into finals of 3 sprints.Lorna Butcher and Pat Carr both performed very well in all events. Sandi Walton overcame fearful heat (100 degrees F) and ancient cobblestones to finish her first marathon, 4:16 She and Kath Penton now slumming and slimming in the Greek islands!

WELCOME TO U.S. VISITORS

July 14 - Jorgensen Park.

Duncan tells us that we may be joined by a group of visitors from the States.

Welcome to Australia, Perth and the W.A. Vets!

It looks as if the Club run could be an International Event!

LONG WEEKEND, 1985

Donnelly River

September 28th-30th - (Not 18th-30th, as printed in our last Vetrun. That would be a long, long week-end!)

Costs:

3 days for 8 people:

\$100

3 days for 9 people:

\$105



LETTERBOX

George Audley RMB 9210 Lwr Denmark Road ALBANY 6330 26/5/85

Dear Basil

Just a little news from the country. Carmel Drummond who I persuaded to join the vets has been rewarded locally for her efforts. She has 4 children and can only train at 6 in the morning before the family is up.

Also I have a warning for other husbands with running wives. I suggested a run in the hills and mine said O.K. grab a shovel and a ruck sack, there are some plants I want. It was only a hilly sandy 8 k's but I jumped on the scales when I got back. The shovel weighed 1 kilo and the plant with plenty of soil round it came to 4 kilo's. I didn't suggest another hill run for over a week, she then got me lost and we were running along bush tracks with sandy hills for 1 hr 31 minutes. So be warned, stick to the main roads or take a compass and a wheelbarrow.

Regards from Albany

George Audley

George enclosed a copy of the Albany "Advertiser".

It described how Carmel shared the March award for the Albany Sportstar of the Month.

"Carmel Drummond was successful in the women's 40-44 years 5000 metre State Championship", reported the Advertiser.

Members may also remember Carmel was successful in the 10k and made an entertaining picture as she appealed for a hose-down with open arms as she reeled off each lap!

Congratulations Carmel, and thanks George!

.... (Editor).

The conditions for this event were ideal. They were cool, clear and crisp and runners took advantage of them to record some good times. Frank Smith and Margery Fordham were the first male and female runners to finish and our congratulations go to them both. It was also good to see Maurice Smith and George Innes putting in strong performances in the M50 class.

The people who helped to make it all possible were Bev Thorton, Val Tyson, Rose Johnston, Pat Carr, Liz Khan, Jacqui Beaumont. Wally Cross, Rob Shand, Bob Sammells, John Maddison and Alan Acreman. Shirley Cross and June Strachan (with Duncan operating behind the scenes) organised hot drinks and biscuits. To them and anyone not mentioned.....T H A N K S.

Res	ults	Time	Post.				Time	Post.
W35					M50			
1	Kath Noordyk	99.13	51		1	Maurice Smith	78.23	4
***40					2	George Innes	78.57	5
W40					3	Frank McLinden	81.23	12
1	Margery Forden	97.54	47 *		4	Dave Hough	87.32	30
2.	Phyllis Farrell	100.19	54		5	Dalton Moffett	88.30	32
3	Marylin Acreman	104.56	61		6	Bob Bayres	94.35	38
W45					7	Brian Aldrich	100.19	53
1	Joan Pellier	98.19	49*		8	Duncan Phillip	100.27	55
2	Eliza O'Dea	107.17	65		9	Ken Whistler	103.46	59
м35								
1	John Bell	81.18	11		M55			
2	Colin Leman	85.28	25		1	Barrie Evans	85.13	23 *
	COIII Leman	03.20	25		2	Merv. Moyle	96.56	44
M40					3	Vic Beaumont	97.18	45
1	Frank Smith	75.02	1		4	Ray Lawrence	103.56	60
2	John Pressley	75.25	2		5	Peter Davies	105.27	62
3	Hugh Kirkman	76.22	3		6	Ern Moyle	106.29	63
4	Peter Sanders	79.24	6		7	Leo Hassam	114.34	67
5	Jim Barnes	79.37	7					
6	Graham Thorton	81.59	14		M60			
7	Dave Roberts	83.36	17	,	1	Allen Tyson	91.38	34
8	Jim Greenfield	83.45	18		2	Duncan Strachan	92.46	36
9	Mike Khan	84.09	19		3	Gerry Noordyk	102.17	56
10	Arnold Jenkins	84.13	20		4	Frank Usher	120.08	68
11	Brian Foley	84.16	21					
12	Barrie Thomsett	102.38	57	3	M65			
13	Jan Vandendriesen	n103.56	59		1	Cliff Bould	107.52	66
M45								
1	Don Caplin	80.39	10		Visi			
2	John Pellier	82.32	15			Jack Noordyk	79.40	8
3	Bill Monks	84.50	22			Basil Hanna	79.46	9
4	Joe Stickles	85.17	24			John Trovata	81.52	13
5	Maurice Johnston	85.28	26			Paul Odam	83.34	16
6	Terry Tate	86.26	27			C. Brookes	87.29	28
7	Hamish McGlashan	88.55	33			G. Smith	87.29	29
8	Bob Norton	92.38	35			R. Taborsky M. Schneider	87.50	31
9	Bob Farrell	92.46	37				95.13	37
10	Morris Warren	95.17	40			K. Hughes ANN.Harris	95.37	42
11	Bernard Godwin	95.28	41				98.09	48
12	Aub Davie	96.54	43			Eammon Murphy (ex-WAVAC member	99.26	52
13	Keith Forden	97.28	46					61
						J. McMahon	106.30	64

There were those who thought the day far too nice to spend it on overmuch running and settled for $10.5\ km$ or $11\ km$, depending upon where they stopped. The enlightened few were:

Richard Spark	M45	42.44	Bill Hughs	M55	58.42
Phil Douglas	M35	45.01	Ed Harkin	M40	59.32
Brian Hanks	M50	46.25	John Russell	M50	60.09
Dick Horsley	M70	55.00			

BOB	HARRISON'S RUN	8.4 KM.		23 J	une, 1985	** =	2 laps	
Pla	ce	Age Group	Time	Plac	ce	Age Group	Time	
1	Bryan Danby	M35	29.53	31	Derek Crowther	M40	37.38	,
2	Don Caplin	M45	30.20	32	Rob Shand	M50	37.44	(
3	Graham Thornton	M40	30.25	33	Bob Farrell	M45	37.46	
4	Jim Barnes	M40	30.26	34	Jim Freenfield	M40	37.47	
5	Ian McGibbon	M40	30.29	35	Alan Pomery	M50	38.49	
6	Arnold Jenkins	M40	30.33	36	Ian Sutherland	M45	39.30	
7	Bill Monds	M45	30.40	37	Bryan Hardy	M40	39.35	
8	Simon Beaumont	Inv.	31.31	38	Cliff Bould	M65	39.50	
9	Joe Yates	M40	31.35	39	John Bennington	M45	39.57	
10	David Hough	M50	31.41	40	Pat Hayden	W45	40.09	
11	Bob Sammells	M45	31.57	41	Joan Slinger	W40	40.21	
12	Maurice Johnstone	M45	32.03	42	Kirt Johnson	M55	40.22	
13	Barry Harwood	M40	32.20	43	Peter Davies	M55	40.56	
14	Alison Aldrich**	*	32.31	44	Fred Haggard	M55	41.07	
15	John Pellier	M45	32.33	45	Ernie Moyle	M55	41.14	
16	Hamish McGlashan	M45	32.45	46	Leo Hassam	M55	41.20	
17	Basil Worner	M50	33.09	47	Derek Cowlan	M50	41.31	
18	Frank McLinden	M50	33.13	48	Marilyn Acreman	W40	42.02	
19	Barry Slinger	M45	33.27	49	Eliza O'Dea	W45	42.06	
20	Joe Stickles	M45	33.23	50	Mary Robinson	W45	43.53	-
21	Phil Douglas	M35	34.00	51	Stewart Bennington	Inv	44.35	1
22		W45	34.09	52	Shirley Cross	W45	44.53	
23	Maurice Warren	M45	34.33	53	Trish Williams	Inv	45.40	
24	Alan Acreman	M45	36.43	54	Frank Usher	M60	45.41	
25	Merv Moyle	M55	36.53	55	Norah Berry	W45	45.50	
26	Ray Lawrence	M55	37.18	56	Margaret Warren	W45	46.20	
27	Ken Whistler	M50	37.21	57	Phyllis Farrell	W40	46.21	
28	Paul Jones	M45	37.30	58	Jeff Whittam	M50	46.22	
29	Joan Pellier	W45	37.33	59				
30	Brian Aldrich	M50	37.36	60		4. 0		
ET D	ST PLACES:				6	600 h		
FIR	DI FINCED:	Brian Da			M35 \ 8	SE SA	B HINISH	-
			Phornton		M40			
		David Ho	-		M50			
		Merv Moy			M55 ((C	\$ 800		
		Frank Us			M60		Jak.	
		Cliff Bo			M65		MEIVANA	
		Don Cap						
		Joan Sli			W40			
		Joan Pel	Llier		W45			

Thanks to Bob and all his helpers for a well-marked and fast course).

8km

It was a dark and stormy morning (sorry wrong story!) with lightning flashing as twenty odd (?) members wended their way to Perry Lakes for the first running of this event. As it happened though, the show was all bluff, as the sun broke through and the weather for the event turned out perfect. After last week's hard run around the championship course, it was decided that the run would be around the Lakes and Stadium, nice and flat and grass all the way.

As no runners turned up with a handicap less than 10 minutes, it was decided that those off 10 min would go off at scratch and other handicaps would be altered accordingly.

This caused slight confusion as some runners did not hear the announcement and in consequence set off late. One of these was Cliff Bould who would have come in first if he had set off at his correct time. Finishing positions have been left in order, but actual times have been adjusted in the results.

Our thanks go to all those who turned out for the run on such a threatening morning, especially considering the counter-attraction of the half marathon. Special thanks to Dorothy and Wally for officiating, Duncan for bringing the flags and Leo for use of his school's wheel for measuring the course.

- Dick Horsley & Jeff Whittam.

RESUL	TS							
		Age	Clock		Actual			
		Group	Time	Handicap	Time	Position		
1.	Barry Harwood	M40	43.45	11.00	32.34	1*		
2.	Harry Pritchard	M40	44.02	8.30	35.32	3		
3.	Cliff Bould	M65	44.22	3.20+	41.02	7*		
4.	Ian Sutherland	M45	45.55	6.30	39.25	6		
5.	Shirley Cross	W45	46.08	1.00	45.08	14*		
6.	Peter Davies	M55	46.16	8.30	37.56	5*		
7.	Carole Cole	W40 '	47.17	3.35+	43.42	13*		
8.	Dick Horsley	M70	47.18	6.00	41.18	9*		
9.	Marilyn Acreman	W40	47.23	2.00	45.23	15		
10.	Phyllis Farrell	W40	47.30	2.00	45.30	16		
11.	Alan Acreman	M45	47.36	11.00	36.36	4		
12.	Mary Robinson	W40	47.50	2.00	45.50	17		
13=	Mary Pritchard	W40	47.58	scr	47.58	=19		
13=	June Strachan	W55	47.58	scr	47.48	=19*		
15.	Bob Sammells	M45	48.13	14.30	33.43	2*		
16=	Duncan Strachan	M60	50.22	8.30+	41.52	=10*		
16=	Bob Farrell	M45	50.22	8.30	41.52	=10		
18	Jo Stone	W40	52.03	6.00	46.03	18		
19	Alan Pomery	M50	52.09	11.00	41.09	8*		
20.	John Russell	M50	52.55	11.00	41.55	12		
	INVITATION RUNNEL	RS						
	Chris Ford		47.15	11.00	36.15			
	Ed Harkin		49.59	11.00	38.59			

⁺ started late

^{*} inaugural record

Sixty-five runners gathered at Perry Lakes to tackle this demanding course and 64 completed 1 or 2 laps of the 5k course.

Thanks to Sandi Walton, John Pellier, Wally Cross and Keith Forden and all who assisted.

John Pellier showed that he will not miss marathons for anyone by bringing his telly so we could all watch "The Wang Marathon". Thanks John!!

- Brian Danby.

Plac	e Ao	ge Gp	Time	Place	A	ge Gp	
1	George Innes	M50	42.55 *	16	Dave Hough	M50	51.11
2	B. Vincent	Inv	42.56	17	Ted Maslen	M50	51.13
3	Don Caplin	M45	43.38 *	18	John White	Inv	51.14
4	Hugh Kirkman	M40	44.05 *	19	Alan Croxford	M40	51.38
5	Derek Crowther	M40	44.47	20	Basil Worner	M50	51.51
6	John Bell	M40	46.07	21	John Pellier	M45	51.53
7	Bill Monks	M45	46.07	22	Phillip Dougla	sM35	52.22
8	Ian McGibbon	M40	46.36	23	Alan Tyson	M60	53.17
9	Arnold Jenkins	M40	46.52	24	Alan Pomery	M50	53.22
10	Peter Sanders	M40	48.04	25	Chris Ford	Inv	54.18
11	Frazer Deanus	M45	48.13	26	Merv Moyle	M55	56.00
12	Dalton Moffett	M50	48.15	27	Duncan Phillip	M50	56.05
13	Jim Barnes	M40	49.13	28	Stan Lockwood	M55	58.54
14	Ray Atwell	M45	50.02	29	Sheryl Bell	M30	59.07
15	Dave Roberts	M40	50.02	30	Robert Farrell	M45	60.47
31	D. Strachan	M60	60.47	36	June Strachan	W55	68.18
32	Ian Sutherland	M45	61.03	37	Shirley Cross	W45	73.01
33	Ray Lawrence	M55	61.03	38	Sheila Maslen	W45	80.17
34	Ernie Moyle	M55	63.22				
35	Gerry Nordyk	M60	64.00		Ken Whistler		DNF
CROSS	S COUNTRY 5k						
1	John Spencer	M50	26.51	16	Jill Ranger	W35	35.05
2	Rob Shand	M50	28.36	17	Enid Crowther	W40	35.07
3	Dick Horsley	M70	28.47	' '18	Frank Usher	M60	36.02
4	Ian Sutherland	M45	29.33	19	Carol Cole	W40	36.28
5	Ed Horkin	M45	29.49	20	Pat Spencer	W40	36.28
6	Roger Briggs	M40	30.49	21			
7	Selby Munsie	M50	31.47	22	Val Tyson	W60	47.07
8	J. Chamberlin	W35	32.13 *	23	Sue	W30	
9	Wilma Vincent	W40	32.35 *	24			
10	Elza O'Dea	W45	32.57 *	25	J. Mussett	Inv	23.27
11	Fred Hagger	M55	32.59	26	Mich Sanders	Inv	27.35
12	Leon Hassan	M55	30.00	27	Cherli Bell	Inv	36.56
13	Many Robinson	M45	33.04	28	Jeff Sanders	Inv	36.56
14	Jo Stone	W35	33.05				
15	Jim Hatton	M35	33.53				
10	Olm Haccon	1100	55.55				



PROGRESSIVE SCORES IN THE HANDICAP CHAMPIONSHIPS (After three events)

Phyllis Farrell	31
Shirley Cross	41
Joan Pellier	42
Duncan Strachan	42
Lorna BUtcher	44
Ray Lawrence	44
Sandi Walton	45
Cliff Bould	47
Bob Farrell	48
Bob Sammells	52
Ernie Moyls	53
Selby Munsie	54
June Strachan	54

These are the first few placings only. Those who did not compete in the Women's Run were credited with 35 pts. The Walliston Wallop Run 35pts, and Perry Lakes Handicap with 21 pts. This is one more point than the last finisher in each of the events.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE PERIOD 6TH MARCH, 1985 to 8 JUNE, 1985

Receipts		
Subscriptions		\$ 2,432.00
Sportswear and Badges		711.00
State Championships		543.00
Sundry Events		50.61
TOTAL DEPOSITS		\$ 3,736.61
Less Payments		
Sportswear and Badges	\$ 790.00	
Newsletter	79.50	
State Championship	61.68	
Postage, Stationery and Phone	143.14	
Fees	36.00	
Sundry Events	10.05	
Name Badges	44.88	
Advances	200.00	
Booking Fee Long Weekends	340.00	
Repairs Equipment	190.00	
Trailer Licence	23.60	
TOTAL PAYMENTS	23.00	1,918.85
		1,817.76
Net Surplus for Period Add Opening Bank Balance 6th March, 1985		935.89
BANK BALANCE 8TH JUNE, 1985		\$ 2,753.65
		2,776.27
Saving Investment Account 8th June, 1985		2,110.21
TOTAL FUNDS AT BANK 8TH JUNE, 1985		\$ 5,529.92

A WARM WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

IAN F. MCGIBBON	15	Belvedere Road, HAMERSLEY 6022	26/9/43
JOE TROVATO	18	Stonehouse Cresc. BENTLEY 6102	16/7/39
JACOUELINE JENKINS	56	Phoenix Road, HAMILTON HILL 6163	15/1/47
		Kildare Road, FLOREAT PARK 6014	9/5/45
	22	Kildare Road, FLOREAT PARK 6014	30/8/48

BOB'S BACK

Good to see Rob Shand, of our first members and contributors, around again.

Rob has been commuting between Perth and Alice Springs in his business but is now back in circulation.

"GRANDFATHER CLAUSE"

Congratulations to Bob Sammells who now enters the Gl Division in the Vets. (Gl is defined as: "Grandfather for the first time"!)

We hope grandson Liam is as good a runner and clubman as his forebear.

POST MARATHON PICK-ME-UP

Barrie and Joan Slinger again invite members to a get-together after the Broadlands' People's Marathon on August 4.

PLACE: 28 Florence , Nedlands.

TIME: When you have recovered - or even before! (Doctor on call!)

BRING: Casseroles and Fluids.

METEOROLOGICAL MYSTERY

On Tuesday, June 18, the Bureau of Meteorology was thrown into complete chaos.

Visitors to King's Park at 6.00 pm in the fading light, reported sighting strangely moving luminous objects.

One cyclist is reported to have been partly blinded and blundered into a lurking log.

The mystery was solved by some Vet runners when it was found that Allen Tyson was shortless, and had risked running in a set of foreshortened and very revealing jockettes!!

Gentleman Merv Mo yle eventually came to the rescue with his tee-shirt which tended to cover Allen's knees and give the impression of a nebulous nightdress!

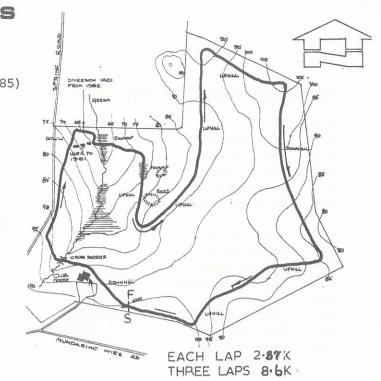
Whose fault was it? Valerie's of course - she'didn't pack the shorts!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO.....

Mike Berry	turns	54	remains	M50	06	Ernest Moyle turns	60	becomes	M60	30	
Peter Cowley		46	11	M45	29	Jim Greenfield	42	remains	M40	07	
Enid Crawther		43	11	W40	26	Harry Whyte	42	11	M40	08	
A.R. Fergie		50	becomes	M50	03	Jeanette Tomlinson	51	II .	W50	09	
Sue Leman		39	remains	W35	05	David Branson	49	11	M45	20	
Helma Manley		50	11	W50	03	Sandi Walton	39	II .	W35	31	
Derek Walker		53	11	50	07	Stanley Green	71	11	M70	09	
Brean Waldhater		45	becomes	M45	31	John Bell	40	becomes	M40	06	
Duncan Phillip		53	remains	M50	11	Wally Cross	55	11	M55	19	
Kenneth Snowdon		43	11	M40	04	Marg Forden	44	remains	W40	29	
Keijo Vaalsta		51	11	M50	17	Karen Bennett	27				
						Alan Stone	53	11	M50	20	

JULY RUNS & RECORDS

JORGE	NSEN PARK CROSS COUNTRY	(14/7/8
W30	Jo Stone	44.30
W35	Jill Chambers	36.03
W40	Marg Forden	42.33
W45	Marg Warren	43.03
W50	Lorna Butcher	44.03
W55	Val Tysan	55.40
M35	Hugh Kirkman	30.55
M40	D. Hoye	30.30
M45	M. South	32.06
M50	Rob Shand	35.13
M55	A. Merrett	35.07
M60	Duncan Strachan	39.55
M65	Dick Horsley	41.47
M70	Dick Horsley	42.39



JORGENSEN PARK CROSS COUNTRY COURSE 8.6K

43.26
40.37
39.10
41.58
40.44
48.00
29.12
29.15
29.42
30.57
36.08
35.21
38.05
38.54







BRIDGES AND MILL POINT ROAD (28/7/85)

W30	G. Hall	50.26	BRIDGES & MILL
W35	Jill Chambers	38.00	
W40	Marg Forden	44.00	POINT
W45	Tuula Valsta	44.55	ROAD
W50	Lorna Butcher	46.13	BARA PARA
W55	June Strachan	54.43	TARREST
			NASACIM BATCE!
M35	Frank Smith	32.46	PERTH WATER CAND
M40	Frank Smith	33.20	START STARTS
M45	George Innes	33.42	FINISH-
M50	Frank McLinden	37.45	PARK
M55	Allen Tyson	40.09	
M60	Duncan Strachan	41.42	SOUTH
M65	Dick Horsley	42.56	
M70	Dick Horsley	45.01	THE BRIDGES & MILL POINT ROAD CLUB ANNUAL CHAMPIONSHIP

"VETPOWER"

THE ASTOUNDING AUSTIN by Allen Tyson

One of Australia's least known champions is N.S.W. sprinter Reg Austin who has held the following World records as an M.40

100 metres in 10.6 seconds 200 metres in 21.7 seconds 400 metres in 48.4 seconds.

At present, an M45, he holds the 400 metres in 50.61 seconds.

HANDICAPPED OUT

Austin's incredible feats come from a man who did not win his first sprint until the age of 28. After 25 years of professional running he has won every major Australian gift except the Stawell in which he is handicapped out.

A game of rugby as an 18 year-old in which he received $\pounds 2$ cost him the chance to represent Australia in amateur athletics.

SPEED WORK

His secret is his fitness. He trains by himself five days a week - mostly speed work, doing repetitions of 100, 200 x 400 metres. As a trainer with Manly-Warringah Rugby League Club, he does everything his players do in training, three nights a week. On top of this he completes three sessions a week on the Nautilus machine.



TWO IN A WEEK

From Frank Smith

Bob Harrison recently created something of a record for a Club member when he completed two marathons in a week.

Bob not only completed them, but won both in very smart times.

"ANOTHER MARATHON"

After capturing the Geraldton prize in 2.41.57 on June 2nd, Bob had to travel to Whyalla, where he "heard about another marathon" on June 9.

Unable to resist the chance of a "home run" - Bob came from Whyalla - he went in it for fun and found he was in with a chance.

A good chance! He won in 2:45.

"My time was not quite as good as Geraldton, but I was pleased", said Bob.

(Well done, Bob! But your effort is not for everyone! Thanks to Frank Smith, too, for this item of news. We reprint the account from the local paper $\,\,^\circ_\circ$

WALKAWAY MARATHON TO PERTH RUNNER - June 2, 1985

The third Walkaway Tavern Marathon held last Sunday saw some of the state's leading marathon runners complete fast times

The field was reduced to 14 runners this year with other marathon events being held at the same time in different parts of the state.

A combination of wind and chilly weather conditions took its toll on competitors but they picked up their pace as the race progressed.

The first to complete the flat Edward Rd course was Bob Harrison who ran a state class time of 2 hours 41 minutes 57 seconds for the 42 kilometre race.

Bob is a 43-year-old Perth runner who has a personal best marathon time of 2 hours 38 minutes.

He was followed in by another Perth runner, Viv Bryant in the time of 2 hours 47.35. Viv finished third in last year's race and hopes to go one better than this year's second next year.

Third to finish was Graham McDonald who came in only minutes behind the second place-getter, Bryant. Graham's official finishing time was listed as 2.50:04.

The winner's time was marginally slower than the record set in last year's race which was run in ideal marathon conditions.

Max Grieve was the first Geraldton competitor to finish in sixth place. He completed the course in the smart time of 3.04:18 and with continued training is sure to finish higher up in next year's event.

The second Geraldton runner to complete the marathon was veteran runner Dick Davies (49) who has run in several marathons.

He completed the course in 3.15:21 and was still running strongly as he crossed the finishing line. Some credit must be given to local competitor Bill Taylor who came in at the tail of the field.



KEVIN Anderson gives runner Bob Harrison a refreshing drink in Sunday's Walkaway Tavere Marathon. Bob eventually outpaced his rival: to win the event.