



## **Mark is the Hip-worthy winner**

Classy Melbourne athlete & Stawell Gift- Hall of Famer Mark Hipworth has won the prestigious RetireInvest Eaglehawk to Bendigo Footrace.

It was the 43<sup>rd</sup> running of the Bendigo Athletic Club's 6400 metre event, the richest Professional road race in Country Victoria.

The 51 year old Victorian Cross Country League athlete ran an excellent time of 22.18 minutes, to collect the first prize of \$1,000.00.

In second place was the Sean Quilty/Martine Beer coached Tony Parsons with a time of 23.52 minutes.



2004 winner, Bendigo's Greg Hilson ran home to take third place in 22.08 minutes.

The John Knott trained athlete also claimed the over 40's fastest time sash.

First female to finish on handicap was the VCCL's Olivia Findlay, who also picked up fastest female with a time of 26.31 minutes.

AFL boundary umpire Michael Marantelli, who officiated in the Geelong versus St Kilda game on Saturday night ran the fastest time of the day, finishing fourth overall in 19.36 minutes.

Bendigo's Josh Nolan was next best in 20.32 with David Spence third fastest in 20.38 minutes.

A former winner of the event, Bendigo's Bill Makeham, looked a strong chance for victory at one stage, before being rolled by the backmarkers to finish in 5<sup>th</sup> place.

Josh Nolan was the only other Bendigo runner finishing in the top ten, with a 9<sup>th</sup> placed finish.

Best of the local girls was Kerrienne Hocking, who claimed 12<sup>th</sup> place, with a good time of 27.14, just one place in front of Lyn Crome with 28.19 minutes & Jessica O'Hara, the next best in 34<sup>th</sup> place,

recording 28.14 minutes.

The club has a break this Sunday.

The next club race is Race 6 on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July, the Schultz & Stewart 6500 metre handicap at the Wellsford Rifle Range.

The Children's race over 1000 metres will commence at 10.00am, followed by the 6500 metres at 10.30am

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## RESULTS

1	Mark Hipworth	22.18.0
2	Tony Parsons	23.52.0
3	Greg Hilson	22.08.0
4	Michael Marantelli	19.36.0
5	Bill Makeham	25.37.0
6	Tom Hesimovic	24.02.0
7	Adam Parker	23.38.0
8	Olivia Findlay	26.31.0
9	Josh Nolan	20.32.0
10	Luke Searle	20.45.0
11	David Spence	20.38.0
12	Kerrieanne Hocking	27.14.0
13	Lyn Crome	28.19.0
14	Josh Sait	21.55.0
15	David Page	22.22.0
16	Peter Noden	23.23.0
17	Austin Beamish	26.24.0
18	Jeremy Boulton	25.12.0
19	Peter LeBusque	25.40.0
20	Irene James	32.18.0
21	Rob Findlay	23.46.0
22	Joel Donnar	23.21.0
23	Wolf Heiden	25.58.0
24	Lachlan Knowles	27.00.0
25	John Rose	26.01.0
26	Rob McDonald	24.12.0
27	David Girolamo	24.09.0
28	Lisa Roberts	30.21.0
29	Allan Colbert	27.01.0
30	Jesse Noden	23.42.0
31	David Haigh	23.20.0
32	Grant Findlay	28.22.0
33	Andrew Solty	24.08.0
34	Jessica O'Hara	28.14.0
35	Jim Berrington	25.55.0

36	Wayne James	26.31.0
37	Alan McCullen	33.23.0
38	Shane Hateley	26.00.0
39	Dennis Hughes	30.47.0
40	Mark Perdon	27.17.0
41	Chris Panayi	29.19.0
42	Murray Harding	23.33.0
43	Andrew Sait	28.32.0
44	Leanne Callaghan	33.27.0
45	Rhonda Schultz	35.02.0
46	Lucy Booker	31.04.0
47	Roy McKenzie	34.07.0
48	Bradley Armstrong	35.24.0
49	Julie Hertz	35.44.0
50	Ray O'Connor	33.30.0
51	John McKay	37.27.0
DNF	Nick Harding	
DNF	Brendan O'Brien	
DNF	Aaron Downes	