





HILSON 1ST & 2ND IN THE SAME RACE AT WOODLANDS HISTORIC PARK

Bendigo Athletic Club's Greg Hilson has won race 4 of the cross country season, the VM & HM Dreschsler 8000 metre Sealed Handicap, held inconjuction with the 16th Annual Caruana Classic at Woodlands Historic Park in Melbourne.



Hilson ran 29.30 minutes over a new & tougher course than previous years, claiming \$150 first prize in the Bendigo only section, finishing 51 seconds clear of Kerrieanne Hocking with Lyn Crome a further 14 seconds behind.

Hilson also collected \$250 for second overall in the Caruana Classic behind Melbourne frontmarker, Nick Harding 39.22 minutes, who collected the \$800 first prize, with Melbourne's Gemma Kenessy in third place.

Other Bendigo athletes in the top ten were Joshua Sait in 4th place & Peter LeBusque 9th.

Melbourne's David Spence was fastest over the course in 27.35 minutes, with Josh Sait the quickest of the Bendigo squad, with 28.27.

In the Retireinvest Veteran's Award, placings went to Hilson, Hocking & Crome.

The Bendigo's Original Pie Shop maximum points for the womens aggregate were collected by Kerrieanne Hocking ahead of Lyn Crome & Jessica O'Hara.

Lachlan Knowles claimed full points for his efforts, in the Liz & Mark Findlay under 23 award, ahead of Josh Sait & Jessica O'Hara.

This Sunday is one of the feature local races, the Bicknell's Independent Sports 6500 metres Handicap, to be held at the Mandurang Cricket Ground. With 1st Prize of \$350.00 up for grabs, there should be plenty of runners pushing for victory.

Race favorites are Kerrieanne Hocking & Lyn Crome, racking up several minor placings between them this season.

Other strong chances are likely from Brendan O'Brien, Josh Nolan, Wolf Heiden & Austin Beamish.

The race will commence at 10.30am, but will be preceded by the Children's Race over 1000 metres at 10am.

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VM & HM Dreschsler 8000 metre Sealed Handicap

Greg Hilson 29.30, Kerrieanne Hocking 36.16, Lyn Crome 38.10, Brendan O'Brien 30.23, Austin Beamish 35.00, Josh Nolan 28.49, Adam Parker 31.56, Mark Findlay 35.38, Lachlan Knowles 35.50, Shane Hately 34.17, Paul Bennett 33.20, Peter LeBusque 33.26, Jeremy Boulton 34.04, Tony Sait 36.29, Josh Sait 28.27 (Fastest Time), Kevin Shanahan 35.33, Jessica O'Hara 37.29, Grant Findlay 37.02, Lucy Booker 43.17, Chris Panayi 38.54, Allan Colbert 38.21, Chook Stewart DNF

16th Caruana Classic 8000 metres Handicap

Nick Harding	0:39:22
Greg Hilson	0:29:30
Gemma Kenessy	0:30:59
Joshua Sait	0:28:27
Mark Hipworth	0:30:18
Greg Foran	0:30:06
David Girolano	0:31:59
Richie Polkinghorne	0:29:09
Peter LeBusque	0:33:26
Tony Parsons	0:32:14
Caitlin Haala	0:33:30
David Spence	0:27:35
Brendan O'Brien	0:30:23
Adam Parker	0:31:56
Kerrieanne Hocking	0:36:16
Olivia Findlay	0:35:17
Tom Hecimovic	0:32:40

Colin Davis	0:31:57
Austin Beamish	0:35:00
David Page	0:29:51
Paul Bennett	0:33:20
Joel Donnar	0:30:54
David Haigh	0:30:56
Wayne James	0:34:03
Jeremy Boulton	0:34:04
Ted Paulin	0:37:28
Corina Kapusta	0:32:45
Jim Berrington	0:33:33
Lachlan Knowles	0:35:50
Mark Findlay	0:35:38
Lisa Roberts	0:40:11
Tony Sait	0:36:29
Grant Findlay	0:37:02
Lyn Crome	0:38:10
Wayne Davis	0:37:11
Murray Harding	0:29:59
Josh Nolan	0:28:49
Jessica O'Hara	0:37:29
Shane Hately	0:34:17
Duncan Whitford	0:33:24
Kevin Shanahan	0:35:33
Dennis Hughes	0:40:36
Irene James	0:44:53
Chris Paniyi	0:38:54
Tony Rendina	0:39:42
Alan Colbert	0:38:21
Allan McCullen	0:45:39
Ellie Tossol	0:39:37
John Mackay	0:47:21
Ray O'Connor	0:44:07
Elenora Gatto	0:42:23
Roy McKenzie	0:47:13
Lucy Booker	0:43:17