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Sun sets on final prom races of season

It was Weston Athletic Club's final prom races of the current season last week, and after a very still and hot afternoon, the wind picked up to make the run just that little more taxing with a stiff breeze to contend with.

An impressive 305 runners lined up for the final time til the autumn in the main five mile race. As is customary in the last race, a few of the runners sported fancy dress with some rather hairy tutu-clad ballet dancers lining up alongside a pair of suitably rotund sumo wrestlers.

Fourth overall and first in his age category, Kieron Summers finished the season on form in 28.27. There was little to separate the club's second and third placed finishers with Darren Stacey crossing the line in 30.15 and Cameron Slater just three seconds later.

Susan Duncan maintained her streak as the club's fastest female with her 33.00 finish. She was followed by Michelle Fryer in 34.41 and Nia Davies in 35.32.

Chris McMillan, Kieron Summers, Adrian Noble, Susan Duncan and Jo Coveney were also rewarded with awards for their categories across the nine-race season. While Jo Coveney, Helen Diamond, Katie Gormley, Chris McMillan, Matt Wheeler and Rob Furlong won the mixed team award.

Meanwhile in the junior one mile event, Oliver Andrews stopped another victory in the boys' race with a 5.30 finish. Mary Hemmings was fastest girl in 6.24.

It was a dead heat between William Sandiford and Stan Hemmings for second placed boys, both crossing the line in 5.45, while Sophie Carrat took second girls' spot in 6.49 followed by Abigail Briffitt in 6.55.

Entry is also now open for the club's next off-road race - the five mile Beacon Batch fell race which takes place on Tuesday 18 June at 7.30pm. More information at www.westonac.co.uk/beaconbatch.

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