Perth Road Runners shine in Masters races

Members of Perth Road Runners (PRR) recently competed at the Scottish Masters Championships at Camperdown Park in Dundee.

Women and men over the age of 65 raced over six kilometres, while the day's younger men raced over 8km.

The PRR ladies' 50-65 team – Diane White, Fabienne Thompson, Joan Wilson, Gillian McGuire, Fiona Manson and Sue Bothwell – finished a strong fifth place in a race of 145 runners, won by Edinburgh AC.

The men's 50-65 team – Stuart Robertson, David Knight, Duncan Ryan, Mark Crawford and Richard Ward – secured third place out of 17 complete teams and thus medals for the team's first three scoring finishers.

Stuart, David and Duncan's achievement was a reprise of a celebrated PRR trio which won many Scottish championships between 2019 and 2021 after entering the M50 age category, and the recent win speaks volumes in terms of the calibre of the trio.

Meanwhile, the club's Winter parkrun Challenge (WpC) has also reached its conclusion.

The challenge involves members completing four designated parkruns – in Pitlochry, Broxburn, Dunfermline and Lochore – and a fifth of their choosing from November to mid-February.

Each performances is age-graded and the champion challenger is the club member who records the highest average age grade across all five courses.

Since starting three years ago, the challenge has been won by Stuart Robertson, Jimmy Fotheringham and Fabienne Thompson.

These three were also the top three finishers this winter and Stuart added to his cross-country glory by securing the coveted WpC snowdome trophy.

This will be presented at the club's presentation evening on March 1.

The next PRR fixture is an inaugural Mob Match against Dundee Road Runners at Saturday's Perth parkrun.



Praise There was PRR success in Dundee