

Buxton AC Club Championship 2026

To qualify for the Overall Club Championships you must complete a minimum of 6 out of the 16 races shown in yellow, from at least 3 (out of the 4) columns. All those who complete the championship will be awarded a small prize at the Christmas Party. Specialty Championships (Road, Cross Country, Fell and Ultra) can be contested by completing the specified numbers of races as shown in the columns.

The Club Championships run from 1st November 2025 – 31st October 2026.

Points will be awarded as follows: 50 for first Buxton AC finisher, 49 second and so on. In the event of a tie in any of the championships, places will be decided on the points scored in head-to-head races. If still tied, the best disregarded scores will be compared one at a time. If scores are still level, a tied result will be awarded.

Prizes will be awarded to the top three points scorers in the Men's or Ladies' Overall Championships, 1st Vet Male, 1st Vet Female, 1st Super Vet Male and 1st Super Vet Female. There will also be awards for 1st Male and 1st Female in the Specialty Championships. (Road, Fell, Cross-Country and Ultra).

There are also awards for 'Most Improved Male' & 'Most Improved Female' (voted by the committee), 'Beginner/Newcomer of the Year' (voted by the committee), Most Improved One Mile Race (**must** do both mile races to qualify); Fletcher Cup winner, Fletcher Cup 1st Vet Male and Female, Target 5k Award, and also 'Services to the Club Award' (voted by the committee).

OVERALL CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP			
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ROAD CHAMPIONSHIP	CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIP	FELL CHAMPIONSHIP	ULTRA CHAMPIONSHIP
Complete 4/6 races. Best 4 scores to count, including one short, one medium and one long	Complete 4/6 races. Best 4 scores to count.	Complete 4/6 races. Best 4 scores to count, including one short, one medium and one long	Complete 3/6 races. Best 3 scores to count.
Blackpool Half (Long) Sun 15 th February	Any County cross country Sat 3 rd January**	Cloud Nine (BM) Sun 1 st March	Spire Ultra Sat 9 th May
Buxworth 5M (Short) Thurs 7 th May	MACCL Heaton Park Sat 7 th February	Tour of Bradwell (BL) Sat 9 th May	Dovedale Dipper Sat 1 st Aug
Any Wilmslow 10k (Medium) 23 Nov 25, 22 Mar, 12 Jul,	Round Sheffield Run Sat/Sun 27/28 th June	Big Stone (AS) Thurs 9 th July (tbc)	DWT Wild Peak Half Round Anytime ^^
Any Pavilion Gardens parkrun (Short)	MACCL – 1 st fixture of 2026 10 th October (date tbc)	Tegg's Nose (BM) Sat 8 th Aug	High Peak 40 Sat 19 th September
Eyam Half (Long) Sun 17 th May	Any Marple parkrun in April 2026	Club Fell (BS) Mon 4 th May (tbc)	Hardwick Hobble 7 th /8 th Feb, 13 Jun & 3 rd Oct
Chester 10M (Medium) Sun 26 th July	Club X Country – Grin Low Sun 4 th October	Groovy Kinder Love (BL) Sat 5 th September	Any >30 mile **

- Points for races marked ** will be awarded based on closest time to winners time as a percentage
- ^^ Derbyshire Wild Peak Half Round can be completed at any time, but GPS track must be made available. Further details and route available at <https://wildpeakrounds.co.uk/>
- Vet Championships are open to all athletes that are aged 35 or over (women) or 40 or over (men) at the start of the championships year (1st November 2025), including those that also qualify for the Super Vet age categories
- Super Vet Championships are open to all athletes that are aged 55 or over at the start of the Championships year (1st November 2025)
- Second claim members are only eligible to participate in championships for which their first claim club does not participate e.g. if first claim is fell running club, may participate in road, x-country and ultra events
- Please e-mail Andy Lidstone (lidstoneandy@gmail.com) times by 31st October 2026 for inclusion in the Championships. (**Late times not accepted**)

Age Graded Road Championships

- An age-graded road championships, based on 6 road running distances: 5K, 5M, 10K, 10M, ½ Marathon and Marathon.
- Each athlete's best time for each distance is converted into an age-graded time using the 'WMA & USATF age factor'; the age-graded time is then converted into points.
- At the end of the season each athlete's top scoring 5 distances are totaled and a final league table produced.
- If an athlete has points scored for all six distances, the lowest scoring distance is disregarded.
- You must complete 5 different distance races to be eligible for the championships.
- You cannot use a time in one race to count for another, e.g. you cannot use a 5k split within a marathon race

If you finish 1st, 2nd or 3rd Male or Female in the Age Graded Road Championships, you will receive an award.

This will be given out at the Christmas Party

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(Late times not accepted)

Race Validity

To ensure a level playing for all athletes the following applies to the age-graded road championships and club records:

- You can break club records in 5-year age categories, from V35 for women and V40 for men, based on your age on the day of the race.
- Club Records are 5K, 5M, 10M, ½ Marathon, 20M and Marathon (no awards for the Club 1 mile as it is not an accurately measured course and is not licensed).
- Races must be accurately measured and licensed by a recognized national body e.g. UK Athletics (for example, the RunBritain website will show whether a UK race is licensed).
- We cannot accept any times from parkrun UK events, as they are not required to have a course measurement certificate and are not licensed.

English Fell Championships

Athletes best four results will count out of a possible six races spread across the year.

English Fell Champs		Category	Date
Doctor's Gate	Peak District	AL	Sat 21 st February
Black Combe	Lake District	AM	Sat 7 th March
Blackstone Edge	South/West Pennines	AS	Sat 18 th April
Blencathra	Lake District	AM	Sun 28 th June
Aldermans Ascent	South/West Pennines	AS	Sat 25 th July
Old Crown Round	Lake District	AL	Sat 12 th September

If you finish as the 1st Male or 1st Female, you will receive an award.

This will be given out at the Christmas Party in December

Fell Series 2026 – Dirty Dozen!

No prizes – just participation and fun for all the club; **T-shirt** for completion of six of the Fell Series races

Fell Series	Category	Date 2026
Wirksworth Incline & Infants	AS	Sun 12 th Apr
Shining Tor	BS	Wed 13 th May
Castleton	BS	Fri 22 nd May
Edale Fell Race	AS	Sun 14 th Jun
Whaley Waltz	BS	Sat 27 th Jun
Warslow	AS	Sat 4 th Jul
Holme Moss	AL	Sun 26 th Jul
Bradwell	BS	Tue 4 th Aug
Crowden	BM	Sun 16 th Aug
Eyam	BS	Tue 1 st Sep
Great Longstone Chase	BS	Fri 4 th Sep
Windgather	BL	Sun 11 th Oct
DWT Wild Peak Half Round	L (35M)	Anytime

parkrun 'Grand Prix'

No prizes – just participation and fun for all the club; **T-shirt** for completion of any six of the parkruns. Points will be awarded based on the age-graded percentage and an overall total calculated based on the best six, but the overall aim is to encourage people to participate and to explore new venues.

If you can, please travel together to save on fuel costs and reduce the impact on the environment. Please try and stay for coffee and cake afterwards, if you have time. Running competitively and socially are key features of the series and the club.

parkrun	Date 2026	Information
Pavilion Gardens	Anytime	-
Trentham Gardens	13 th December 2025	Trentham Gardens parkrun
Lyme Park	31 st January	Lyme Park parkrun
Hyde	28 th February	Hyde parkrun
Congleton	28 th March	Congleton parkrun
Marple	25 th April	Marple parkrun
Cheadle Hulme	30 th May	Cheadle Hulme parkrun
Bushy Park	27 th June	Bushy parkrun
Endcliffe	25 th July	Endcliffe parkrun
Markeaton	29 th August	Markeaton parkrun
Bramhall	26 th September	Bramhall parkrun
Black Rocks	24 th October	Black Rocks parkrun
Fairview (Dublin)	24 th October	Fairview parkrun

All Races

Fell Series	Category	Date 2026	Information
Wilmslow 10k	Champs & Road	Sun 23 Nov 2025	-
DWT Wild Peak Half Round	Champs & Ultra	Anytime	https://wildpeakrounds.co.uk/
County Cross Country	Champs & XC	Sat 3 Jan	SportSoft Entries & Results
MACCL – Heaton Park	Champs & XC	Sat 7 Feb	Heaton Park February 26 - MACCL
Hardwick Hobble	Ultra	Sat 7 Feb/Sun 8 Feb	The Hardwick Hobble - Winter 2026
Blackpool Half	Champs & Road	Sun 15 Feb	Great NW Half Marathon
Doctor's Gate (AL)	English Fell	Sat 21 Feb	SiEntries - Doctors Gate Fell Race
Cloud Nine (BM)	Champs & Fell	Sun 1 Mar	Congleton Harriers - Cloud 9
Black Combe (AM)	English Fell	Sat 7 Mar	fellrace.org.uk
Wilmslow 10k	Champs & Road	Sun 22 Mar	Wilmslow Running Festival
Wirksworth Incline (AS)*	Fell Dozen	Sun 12 Apr	Mike Briggs Wirksworth Incline Race
Marple parkrun	XC	Sat 4,11,18,25 Apr	home Marple parkrun Marple parkrun
Blackstone Edge (AS)	English Fell	Sat 18 Apr	Blackstone Edge Fell Race
Club Fell (BS)	Fell	Mon 4 May (tbc)	
Buxworth 5M	Champs & Road	Thu 7 May	Buxworth 5 Road Race
Tour of Bradwell (BL)	Champs & Fell	Sat 9 May	Half – Tour of Bradwell
Spire Ultra	Champs & Ultra	Sat 9 May	Spire Ultra
Shining Tor (BS)	Fell Dozen	Wed 13 May	
Eyam Half	Road	Sun 17 May	Eyam Half Marathon & Fell Race
Castleton (BS)	Fell Dozen	Fri 22 May	Castleton Great Ridge Race
Hardwick Hobble	Ultra	Sat 13 Jun	The Hardwick Hobble - Summer 2026
Edale (AS)	Fell Dozen	Sun 14 Jun	Edale Fell Race 2025
Whaley Waltz (BS)	Fell Dozen	Sat 27 Jun	Whaley Waltz Fell Race
Round Sheffield Run	Champs & XC	Sat/Sun 27/28 Jun	Round Sheffield Run
Blencathra (AM)	English Fell	Sun 28 Jun	Blencathra Fell Race
Warslow (AS) *	Fell Dozen	Sat 4 Jul	Warslow Fell Race
Big Stone (AS)	Champs & Fell	Thu 9 July (tbc)	Home Big Stone Fell Race, England
Wilmslow 10k	Champs & Road	Sun 12 Jul	Wilmslow Summer 10k 2026 Run North West
Alderman's Ascent (AS)	English Fell	Sat 25 Jul	Alderman's Ascent – CraggRunner
Holme Moss (AL)	Fell Dozen	Sun 26 Jul	Holme Moss Fell Race
Chester 10M	Road	Sun 26 Jul	West Cheshire TEN - 10 Mile, 10k & Junior Race
Dovedale Dipper	Champs & Ultra	Sat 1 Aug	The Dovedale Dipper peakrunning
Bradwell (BS)	Fell Dozen	Tue 4 Aug	Short – Tour of Bradwell
Tegg's Nose (BM)	Champs & Fell	Sat 8 Aug	Tegg's Nose fell race
Crowden (BM)	Fell Dozen	Sun 16 Aug	Crowden Horseshoe fell race
Eyam *	Fell Dozen	Tue 1 Sep	Fell Race Route Eyamhalf
Great Longstone Chase BS	Fell Dozen	Fri 4 Sep	(20+) Facebook
Groovy Kinder Love (BL)	Fell	Sat 5 Sep	Pennine Ridge Fell Runner
Old Crown Round (AL)	English Fell	Sat 12 Sep	Old Crown Round
High Peak 40	Champs & Ultra	Sat 19 Sep	SiEntries - High Peak 40
Hardwick Hobble	Ultra	Sat 3 Oct	The Hardwick Hobble - Autumn 2026
MACCL First Race	Champs & XC	Sat 10 Oct (TBC)	manchester Area Cross Country League
Windgather (BL)	Fell Dozen	Sun 11 Oct	andrew-heywood-windgather-fell-race/

* Also junior races