



Northumberland Fell Runners

2015 Club Championships' Rules (incorporating changes passed at AGM on 29 January 2015)

1 Categories

1.1 Scores and prizes will be awarded to Male and Female Seniors (ages 18 to 39) and in 5-yearly age bands thereafter up to V75.

2 Age Qualifications

2.1 A Member's age category will be determined by the Member's age on the date of the first race in that year's championship. This applies irrespective of whether the Member actually enters that race, or first joins the club after that first race has occurred.

3 Club vests

3.1 It is not a compulsory requirement to wear a Club vest in a Club Championship race, but it is very strongly encouraged that members should always do so. This helps promote the Club generally, and provides the fairness to all other Members of being able to identify their Club rivals during the race.

4 Qualifying races

4.1 If a Member's 2015 subscription renewal has been paid by 31 March 2015, any Championship race may be counted by that Member, even if it occurred prior to renewal.

4.2 If a Member's subscription is paid after 31 March 2015, only races falling after the subscription has been paid will qualify to be counted. Payment date for this purpose is when the subscription money is received by the Club Membership Secretary, whose determination on the matter will be final.

4.3 Irrespective of rules 4.1 and 4.2, a race cannot qualify as a counting race for a Member unless that Member enters that race representing Northumberland Fell Runners.

4.4 A minimum of 3 races must be counted in order to qualify for a prize. A maximum of 6 races may be counted.

4.5 Race categories to be counted are: -

4.5.1 Seniors and Vet categories up to and including MV60 and LV55 must include 1 short race, 1 medium race and 1 long race.

4.5.2 For LV60 category and older, there is no compulsion to include a long race and for LV65 category and older, no compulsion to include either a long or a medium race.

4.5.3 For MV65 category and older there is no compulsion to include a long race and for MV70 category and older, no compulsion to include either a long or a medium race.

5 Determination of category winners

5.1 Category winners and prizes will be calculated by the Championships Co-ordinators from the official published results of all qualifying races.

5.2 In the event of 2 people being tied for 1st place on points achieved in any Age Category, the winner will be determined by reference to the results between those 2 Members in those races where they have both raced and which comprise the counting races for each individual runner. The runner that has beaten the other on the most occasions will be declared the winner of the category.

5.3 If this comparison in 5.2 still does not produce a conclusive winner, the title will be shared between those two Members.

5.4 In the unlikely event of 3 or more runners being tied for first place, the category will be shared without recourse to a head-to-head comparison.

5.4 If any member wishes to select different races to be their eligible counted races from those used by the Co-ordinators in the provisional results, they may do so, but must notification this to the Championship Co-ordinators detailing which alternative races they wish to count, within 14 days of the provisional results being issued.