

## **40 YEARS OF RUNNING in the BUNBURY MARATHON AND HALF MARATHON (Now the Bunbury 3 Waters Running Festival)**

**1984**

The Bunbury Runners Club is now incorporated.



# **BUNBURY CITY MARATHON**

**And Half Marathon**

**7 am Sunday, 14 April, 1985**

The Marathon was again sponsored by Brownes/Peters, along with Aloe Vera and GWN.

Five runners were sponsored by the Bunbury Runners Club for the 1984 event - \$33 each.

They were Jim Langford, Brian Marshall, Tony Heppener, Tessa Brockwell and Jacki Robinson. All of whom went on to feature in many Bunbury Marathons in the Future

There was a catered carbo-loading party before the event and a post race luncheon.

BP agreed to sponsor a drink station, with naming rights, for \$60 providing there was no fullstop between the "B and the P"????

The event introduced a start/finish banner, finishing chute and a print-out from a timing clock.

Entry was \$6 plus \$3.50 for carbo-loading and \$5 for luncheon.  
Postal entries prior to close of mail 4 April 1984 were accepted.

All finishers received a gold embossed glass for finishing and finish times would be engraved after completion

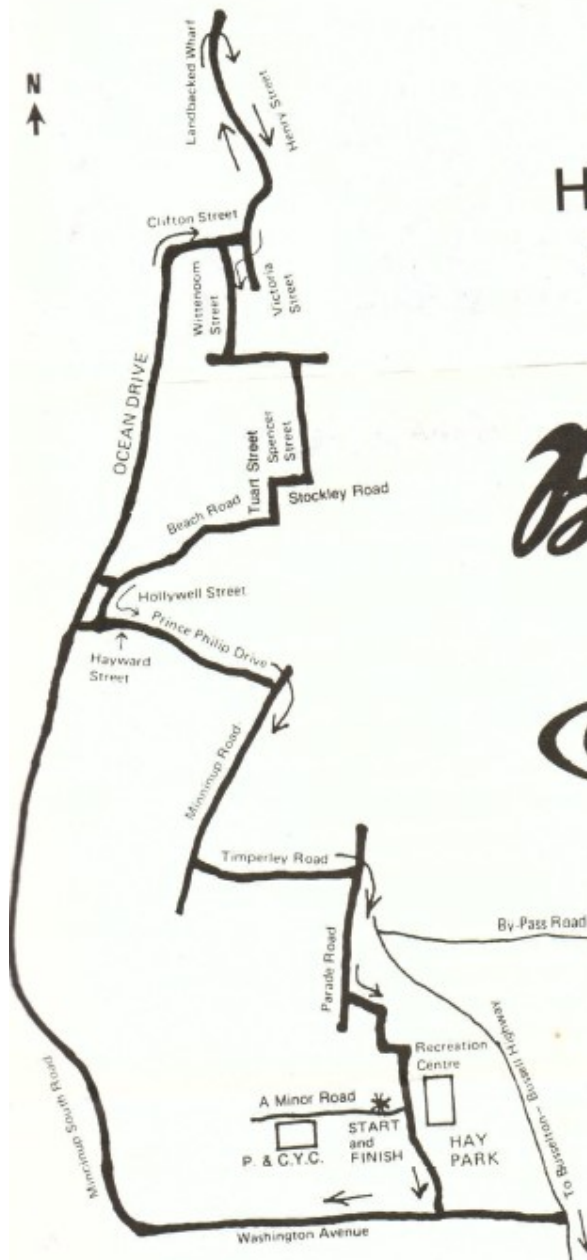
Profit for the club equalled \$972.59. .

The event start was now at the Recreation Centre, Hay Park and course went out to the port and returned through the city.

Many local runners in the full distance including John Hanczacowski 2:39:31, Dave Dye 2:53:49 Barry Spice 3:26:03, Ian Parker 3:34:06 Val Pach 3:34:06 and Doreen Dow 3:54:08.

# BUNBURY MARATHON

Half Marathon Course  
2 Laps For Full Marathon



*Brownes* ★

GWN



The Marathon was won by David Morley 2:34:33 in a very close finish to Brian Marsland 2:34:40 and John Cresp 2:36:14, Tessa Brockwell 2:50:03 was the first lady, Kay Gill 3:24:37 and Jenny McCloskey 3:36:55 rounding out the top finishers.

John Pellier 2:59:54 who competed in 1993 in time of 2:57:20 was back and went on to become an icon for runners who loved the Bunbury event (More on John in later additions)

The half marathon was hotly contested by Ray Purdue 1:11:07 and Ian Murray 1:11:56. Ken Fleay 1:14:05 produced a brilliant half and some big names of the future events such as Basil Hanna 1:18:27, Simon Beaumont 1:19:06 and Brian Danby 1:20:46 put in excellent times.

The winning lady Rae Martin 1:22:54, followed by Jill Chambers 1:25:18 and Jackie Blaxindine 1:28:00 set the standard for some of our events future stars.

98 Starters in the Marathon and 136 in the Half

## **1985**

The 4th annual Bunbury Marathon was again sponsored by Peters/Brownes, GWN and Aloe Vera.

Official time keeping ceased at 4 ½ Hours “competitors on the course after this were at their own risk”

Henk Stoffers and Brian Kennedy were race directors.

# GENERAL INFORMATION

## START and FINISH:

Hay Park Recreation Centre, south of Bunbury along Bussell Highway, entrance off Parade Road or Washington Avenue. Toilets, showers, spa baths and change rooms at the Centre.

## STARTING TIME:

7.00 a.m. sharp. Check in between 6.00 a.m.-6.40 a.m. Assembly 6.50 a.m. Entries close 3rd April, 1985 (mail entries post marked no later than 3-4-1985). Late entries: An additional \$4 will apply.

**TIME LIMIT:** Official timekeeping ceases at 4½ hours. Competitors remaining on the course do so at their own risk.

**ROAD RULES:** Competitors to run in the oncoming traffic lane on the kerb side of the road at all times unless otherwise directed by police or marshals. Non-compliance may lead to disqualification.

**WATER AND SPONGING STATIONS:** Water and Sponging Stations will be provided and times called each 5 km along the course. Special drinks will be catered for but must be marked and handed over to official in charge before 6.30 a.m. on race day.

**FUNCTIONS:** A carbohydrate-loading meal will be held in the Australind Community Hall, off Paris Road (behind the Australind Village) Saturday, April 13, starting at 5.30 p.m. A post race function, consisting of a luncheon, with refreshments available, will be held in the Police and Citizens' Youth Club. Admission to both functions will be by ticket only and **must** be ordered on entry form. Starting at 12 noon (limited to the first 250 applicants). Cost carbo meal \$4.00 per adult, \$2.00 under 12 years of age. Cost of luncheon \$6.00 adults, under 12 years of age \$3.50.

**AWARDS:** First 3 males and females. First male and female in all veterans categories from W.35 and M.40. All finishers again will receive a gold embossed glass with time engraved on the day. Presentation of the awards will be made in the Police and Citizens' Youth Club, starting at 11.30 am.

**ACCOMMODATION:** The B.R.C. has arranged a special Marathon weekend deal with the Clifton Beach Motel, (097) 21 4300; Anne Hathaway Motor Inne (097) 21 2427; at \$13 a night (bed only on a share twin basis).

Further inquiries: Hank Stoffers (097) 25 2519 (H)  
Brian Kennedy (097) 21 5555 (W), (097) 21 1949 (H)

**RACE NUMBERS:** No competitor will be awarded a place or be eligible for any prize or award unless he or she wears an official competitors race number prominently displayed on his or her front and the entire number is visible throughout the race.



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The carbo-loading party at the Australind Hall was catered for by BRC members, or their wives, and luncheon by Mrs Childs at the PCYC.

Km Signs were erected along the course.

Two-way radios facilitated communication on the course and at the finish.

Drink bottles were provided for use by runners.

Staminade was offered to runners at the finish.

Barry Mason became an integral face of the marathon and engraved finishes glasses for the next 2 decades.

Mr and Mrs Rolet de Castella were invited and attended; Rolet ran and spoke at the functions on the delights of the Pritikin diet.



The race was started by the mayor of Bunbury , Mr Dick McKenzie.

Donation of \$75 to the St John's Ambulance for their assistance.

Letters of appreciation were received from Victor Beaumont and Jim Farley long term friend of our event.

David Eltringham 2:24:17 won the marathon on what is the fastest time run in Bunbury followed by Tony Heppener 2:27:49 and D Mansfield 2:32:28. The 1994 winner David Morley was home in 4<sup>th</sup> 2:32:43.

Wendy McKenna 3:16:08 led the ladies home with Rosemary Hartley 3:44:44 2<sup>nd</sup> and Jill Bower 4:03:22 3<sup>rd</sup>.

35 runners ran under 3 hours.

Our own Legend Henk Stoffers won the Half 1:11:58 in a battle with Jim Langford 1:12:54 and Peter Blaxindine 3<sup>rd</sup> 1:15:07.

The event was honoured to have the great John Gilmore 1:17:17, 8<sup>th</sup> overall run in the 65 – 70 category. John a super athlete who was regular at Bunbury and broke 2 world records here.

The big names of distance running in WA started to appear at our event and our own Keith Yardley 5<sup>th</sup> in 1:15:55, started to make his mark.

Phyllis Head ran in her 4<sup>th</sup> event in the over 65 category.

18 runners ran under 80 minutes

66 Marathon Runners and 126 Half Marathon Runners

