

Blackshaw Head Fete Fell Race 2024

Yet again Blackshaw Head Fete was blessed with a dry and warm day. The good conditions attracted 102 runners, which is only 3 off the record entry. This was a few more than we expected, and we should possibly have begun registration a bit earlier. In recent years we have started the race as the fete opens so that there is plenty of time to enjoy some post-race refreshment in the event field.

Holmfirth Harriers were out in force, with Tommy Holroyd taking the win and the team prize. Hinda Hardacre was the first woman back for KCAC; CVFR women had the numbers in depth and won the team prize. A shout out goes to Christine Turner, who couldn't continue her race, managed to get a lift back to the start, retired, and then manned the finish funnel taking numbers. A few runners missed my signage in the last km and didn't take the left turn on Hudson Mill Lane to the start of the climb back up to the fete field; I'll get a larger sign, and clear some of the foliage next year.

The race raised £617, which will be distributed equally between Cancer Research UK and CROWS, the local rights of way group. Many thanks.