

Autumn Handicap 2020

In the inaugural Autumn Handicap we were out to see if the course was any easier in the warmer weather without a hangover and a belly full of Christmas Puddings.

Rather than race against one another it was just against the clock, and against the statisticians prediction based on your racing up to 2019.

16 runners took part over the 2 weeks of racing and it was evident that some runners had been putting in some training during lockdown. Bill Johnson played his cards early and held the fastest time throughout, while Phil and Luke left their run till the last day possible (possibly for tactical reasons) yet couldn't quite beat Bill's time and will settle for 2nd and 3rd respectively.

Fastest Female was Catherine Holden, who was also first female in the handicap times.

The biggest win of the competition against the statistician was Andy Smith who beat his predicted time by over 5 minutes.

The golden calculator award for closest to predicted time did look safe in Bob Howards hand, though Phil's last minute run beat this with an error of just 29 seconds.

Now I'm just looking forward to a year full of racing so that I can get some more up to date stats on you all and get the results closer for the next handicap.

Position	Name	Finish Time
1	Bill Johnson	00:43:23
2	Phil Wells	00:43:47
3	Luke Meleschko	00:45:08
4	Matt Kay	00:45:57
5	James Cooke	00:46:53
6	Toby Sydes	00:47:37
7	Catherine Holden	00:47:43
8	Jon Wilson	00:49:45
9	Christina Turner	00:53:04
10	Bob Howard	00:54:40
11	Dick Spendlove	00:57:37
12	Marc Collett	00:57:51
13	Andrew Smith	00:58:41
14	Andrew Meek	01:05:32
15	Tamsin Cooke	01:06:47
16	Jocasta Fletcher	01:11:00

Position	Name	Time Difference
1	Andrew Smith	Faster by 5:37
2	Marc Collett	Faster by 3:57
3	Catherine Holden	Faster by 3:25
4	Toby Sydes	Faster by 2:16
5	James Cooke	Faster by 2:3
6	Bill Johnson	Faster by 1:28
7	Jon Wilson	Faster by 1:4
8	Tamsin Cooke	Faster by 0:59
9	Bob Howard	Faster by 0:32
10	Phil Wells	slower by 0:29
11	Dick Spendlove	slower by 1:47
12	Luke Meleschko	slower by 1:51
13	Matt Kay	slower by 2:23
14	Christina Turner	slower by 2:59
15	Jocasta Fletcher	slower by 10:27
16	Andrew Meek	slower by 15:10