

Runners join the masses in London

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AN IMPRESSIVE number of Pocklington Runners travelled south last weekend to take part in the iconic Virgin London Marathon.

Pocklington Runners provided 23 of the 36,000 runners who took to the streets in conditions that were cool at the start but which became hot and difficult.

The runners were given fantastic support from huge crowds around the 26.2 mile course through the city from Greenwich to the Mall.

First home for Pocklington was Dennis Speck in an excellent 219th place with a PB of 2:43:05.

The first Pocklington lady to finish was Helen Cross in 3:08:43 an incredible PB performance which gave Helen the 1671st overall and 113th woman's position.

Next back was Jim Holding with a PB of 3:09:55 in 1772nd place, followed by Alison Thornton 3:27:54, Patrick Piggott 3:32:33 (de-

but), Stephen Worth 3:34:39, Richard Ginn 3:36:13, Clive Reid 3:37:36, Howard Cross 3:39:37, Adele Shipley 3:41:03, Marcus Bourne 3:58:30 PB, Sarah Hargreaves 4:01:56 PB, Linda Harvey 4:02:28 (debut), Jill Dowson 4:04:28 who fought on to finish despite a muscle problem, Sue Brown 4:13:00, Deborah Cahill 4:21:51, Andrew Gill 4:55:50 (debut), Trish Curran 5:06:40 (debut), Stephen Fletcher 5:07:38, Adrian Holden 5:19:35 and then daughter and father Emma Barker 5:28:02 (debut) and Dave Barker 5:28:58.

Warwick Anderson took on the challenge of the marathon whilst suffering with Bronchitis and some how managed to make it to 15 miles before, understandably, having to stop.

● A number of the runners were running for a charity. To make a donation please visit www.pockrunners.com/london2011.html where you will find links to the fund raising web pages that the runners have set up.