

CAPTAIN'S REPORT JUNE 2019

Secretary, I can report a very busy few months for all and I continue with the policy of attending events to speak to and encourage Centurions wherever possible. Events at Bury, Moulton, Horwich and Weert at a variety of distances again showed Athletes competing with distinction at both long distance and sprint events, and was pleased to see 13 Centurions at the Moulton race both walking and officiating with Dominic King again leading the line for the Centurions. Results for Moulton are available on the Essex League site and the Bury event at Lancashire Walking Clubs site.

We were pleased to attend the Dutch 100 at Weert, and again, another friendly and well organised event with a thanks to our Secretary for assisting with the refreshments as well as promoting the British Centurions. Special mention to Christopher Burn and Clare Bass for gaining their Continental Centurion numbers. More Athletes are now competing at these events at the shorter included distances of 50km or Kennedy 50 miles to prepare for the British 100 mile event, perhaps reflecting the lack of Race Walking distance events in the UK, and prospective Centurions using ultra distance running events or LDWA events as training.

Centurions were again represented in overseas races in France and with distinction in the EMU 6 day race in Hungary.

The IOM event will soon be upon us and has a healthy entry list, am sure it will be worthy of our qualifying event but is now just one of a crowded fixture list of ultra events. Few however have our history but to survive and indeed grow Centurions tell me we need to adapt and promote ourselves; while we already look to 2020 Centurions will be asked to contribute in anyway they can.

Good luck in your walking goals. I hope to see as many as possible supporting the event in the IOM or follow the event on the live feed to keep up with the race.



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