

Eden Project parkrun #173

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Club Takeover

On a bright sunny February morning with a nip in the air Newquay Road Runners Club had filled the roster for a club takeover.

The club was supporting Alan Byron in his debut role as a run director. Alan is already a RD at Bodmin Juniors parkrun.

After a volunteers team photo the marshals in their hi-viz made their way to their marshal points within the pit.

Around 70 first timers attended the first timers briefing with 21 of them taking part in their very first parkrun. Welcome to the parkrun community.

At the start after the usual safety briefing a milestone of 50 parkruns was being celebrated by Fiona Lee . Various tourists from all the UK were present with Canada representing the furthest tourist away from Eden.

With a 3,2,1 the runners were off with 2 tailwalkers bringing up the rear . With a long downhill into the pit the runners were soon running past encouraging marshals and past the biomes for the 1st time. On their final lap running into the finish funnel to collect their tokens after 2 more laps.

First runner in was James Bryon for the 9th occurrence in a time of 17:36. First female runner in was Jasmine Rapson in a time of 19:44 achieving a new personal best. Leading NRR in was club president Glyn Talling in a time of 22:18. First female in for NRR was Sophie Talling in a time of 22:38. 253 completed the parkrun today.

Other achievements today were Anthony Brown completing his 200th parkrun and John Sole , Stephen Grice , Vince Swain , Jo Connolly and Fiona Lee all completing 50 parkruns.

Thank you to all the volunteers who filled the roster today making the club takeover a successful event. Thank you to Eden Project parkrun for allowing us the opportunity.

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