

## **Retford Athletics**

### **Retford Runners tackle Mansfield heat.**

Retford athletics club had six runners turn out for the Mansfield half marathon on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June. The temperature on the day reached a sweltering 26 degrees, which added to the pressure of an already tough course. The 13.2 miles around Mansfield proved to be hard work for everybody who competed, as the course finds its way around every climb that Mansfield has to offer. First back for Retford was Andy Kinsley finishing 115<sup>th</sup> out of 661 competitors with a time of 1h:39m:07s. Next back for the club and in his first half marathon in Retford colours was David Corbett with a time of 1h:49m:43s. Becky Chadwick crossed the line next finishing as the first woman home for Retford in a time of 1h:49m:25s placing her in the top 20 women finishers. Peter Hepton finished under the two hour mark in a time of 1h:52m:59s. Ollie Lord then came over the finish line after biking to the event with a time of 2h:04m:37s. and Charmian Heaton rounded off Retford's runners in a very respectable 2h:11m:50s. The club also had a junior member competing in the 1.5 mile fun run, Ryan Robinson, aged 7, finished the mile and a half in 19mins. Well done guys.

Training is on a Monday and Thursday at 6:30 at the Oaklands playing fields. New members are welcome in both adults and junior classes.