

# Sharon's splash



IAN HOLMES clocked up his tenth consecutive win in the Stanbury Splash - the 'Malt Loaf Dash' - from Penistone Hill last weekend.

The 37-year-old who has been English Fell Running champion five times and British Champion four times, shows no sign of being prepared to hand over his crown. He broke away from the start, leaving the 250-strong field in his wake.

Current British Champion, Robert Jebb, was second and, Dave Neill, who has won the Over-40 section four times was third.

Robin Bradbury of Oakworth finally got his name on the Locals trophy after battling with fellow Bingley club athlete Colin Moses.

Sarah Rowell, who was women's winner in 1995 and 1996 led most of the way, but defending ladies champion Sharon Taylor - who is 18 years younger - sprinted through in the final stages. However, Rowell set a new women's Over-40 record, ahead of Helen

Sedgewick of Ilkley who was third.

The race is sponsored by Warburton's maker to the Soreen Malt Loaf and £61 was raised for the John Taylor Foundation for Young Athletes.

Results: 1 Ian Holmes (Bingley) 56:00; 2 Robert Jebb (Bingley) 47:03; 3 Dave Neill V40 (Staffs) 47:30; 4 Robin Lawrence (Bingley) 48:20; 5 Steve Bottomley (P&B) 48:25. Locals: Steve Frazer V40 (Bingley) 51:00; 16 Robin Bradbury (Bingley) 51:00; 18 John Wootton V40 (Wharfedale) 51:51; 19 Colin Moses (Bingley) 52:06 2nd local; 21 Rob Thackery (unattached) 52:20; 24 Mark Chrysanthou (unattached) 52:46.

Ladies: 1 Sharon Taylor (Bingley) 56:09; 2 Sharon Rowell FV40 (P&B) 56:54; 3 Helen Sedgewick (Ilkley) 58:39; 8 Jane Smith FV40 (Todmorden) 68:06; 11 Rachel Sharples FV40 (K&C) 68:41; 12 Margaret Jagan FV50 (EPOC) 68:45.

