

# Greenwood stars as honorary man!



**CHAMPION:** *Carol Greenwood*

Bingley Harrier Carol Greenwood stormed to victory in the Soreen Stanbury Splash fell race near Haworth yesterday, smashing the course record and helping her club to victory in the men's team competition!

The 31-year-old international continued her New Year winning streak, notching her seventh consecutive victory while finishing 19th overall among the men out of a field of over 300.

Carol's time of 50min 11sec wiped 1min 42sec from the mark set by Pudsey and Bramley's former British marathon record holder Sarah Rowell in 1996 as the former world champion came home over eight minutes in front of Elizabeth Batt from Buxton.

In the absence of a full-scoring women's team, Bingley Harriers were allowed to have Carol in their men's team as they took an easy victory. Together with Greenwood were Ian

Holmes (first), Robert Jebb (fifth) and Steve Hawkins (16th).

In the men's race, Keighley-based Holmes took his third consecutive victory in the race.

The joint British fell running champion was victorious by six seconds after a splendid tussle with Lakeland shepherd Gavin Bland of Borrowdale, finishing just 16 seconds outside his own course record set last year in a time of 44:38.

The Cumbrian in turn had 15 seconds to spare over Pudsey and Bramley's Paul Sheard, former Bingley Harrier Shaun Winstanley taking fourth in 46:05.

Great Horton-based veteran Steve Oldfield (Bradford Airedale) took yet another over-40s title with his fine eighth place.

Oldfield-based Colin Moses was surprisingly nudged out of the 'first local' spot by Keighley and Craven's Craig Bottomley, who took the Soreen Tro-

phy for the first time with 14th place in 49:32.

World junior fell running champion Victoria Wilkinson of Bingley Harriers finished as first under-23 in the Coca-Cola Cross-Country Challenge in Belfast on Saturday.

Running in a world-class field, the 19-year-old international from Hebden, near Grassington, finished in a fine tenth behind Bedford's rising star Paula Radcliffe and one place in front of senior Yorkshire cross-country champion Sarah Bentley on an undulating course around the grounds of the Queen Elizabeth University.

Former London Marathon winner Joyce Chepchumba was 12th, eight seconds adrift of the Bingley star.

Spenborough veteran Kath Drake took runner-up spot at yesterday's Marsh House 10km road race at Huddersfield. The prolific racer finished in 39min 26sec, just one second behind winner Pauline Munro of the