



Don Morrison Memorial Edale Skyline 2026 – AGM Report

Race Organiser – Mark Jones

Race Report

The Don Morrison Memorial Edale Skyline (Edale Skyline) was run on Sunday 22nd of March 2026. The 2026 edition was a standard AL race with 250 entry places, of which the majority were sold.

190 runners started the race in good conditions – dry, clear and sunny towards the end, with very little wind even on the high terrain. As such, kit requirements were relaxed to standard FRA kit. 182 runners completed the race, with 7 retiring and 1 disqualified for the use of walking poles, which are not permitted under FRA rules.

The men's race was won by Linton Taylor and the women's race was won by Emily McNicol.

Both the male and female team prizes were won by Dark Peak Fell Runners.

Full results are below:

M Open

Pos	Num	Name	Team	Category	Time	Behind
1st	47	Linton Taylor	Leeds City Athletic Club	MSEN	02:36:54	
2nd	95	Finlay Grant	Leeds City Athletic Club	M40	02:38:15	+00:01:21
3rd	43	Michael Kenyon	Dark Peak Fell Runners	MSEN	02:38:18	+00:01:24

F Open

Pos	Num	Name	Team	Category	Time	Behind
1st	35	Emily McNicol	Carnethy Hill Racing Club	FSEN	03:08:05	
2nd	59	Abbie Walker	SHUOC	FU23	03:24:45	+00:16:40
3rd	169	Joanne Mosley	Pennine Fell Runners	FSEN	03:29:08	+00:21:03

M V40

Pos	Num	Name	Team	Category	Time	Behind
1st	95	Graham Rush	Leeds City Athletic Club	M40	02:38:15	
2nd	91	Tom Owens	Lochaber Athletic Club	M40	03:00:43	+00:22:28
3rd	83	Matt Owens	Pennine Fell Runners	M40	03:13:18	+00:35:03

F V40

Pos	Num	Name	Team	Category	Time	Behind
1st	2	Sally Fawcett	Dark Peak Fell Runners	F40	03:31:52	
2nd	24	Eleanor Glennie		F40	03:56:02	+00:24:10
3rd	17	Clare Walker	Dark Peak Fell Runners	F40	04:00:36	+00:28:44

M V50

Pos	Num	Name	Team	Category	Time	Behind
1st	3	John Hunt	Dark Peak Fell Runners	M50	03:19:14	
2nd	102	Duncan Shea-Simonds	Race Hub	M50	03:32:23	+00:13:09
3rd	67	Jez Reynard	Dark Peak Fell Runners	M50	03:36:06	+00:16:52

F V50

Pos	Num	Name	Team	Category	Time	Behind
1st	26	Rebecca Brennan	Guildford & Godalming AC	F50	04:38:22	
2nd	102	Charlotte Smith	Serpentine RC	F50	04:41:31	+00:03:09

3rd	34	Caroline Burrell	Wirksworth	F50	04:43:06	+00:04:44
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M V60

Pos	Num	Name	Team	Category	Time	Behind
1st	85	Mark Jacobi	Totley AC	M60	03:53:17	
2nd	86	Keith Morgan	Ashbourne Running Club	M60	04:01:23	+00:08:06
3rd	-	David Smith	Harlequins Orienteering Club	M60	04:03:38	+00:10:21

The race was supported by 53 volunteers, the majority of whom marshalled on the hill, however other key roles included working in the kitchen, assisting with car parking, helping with results and retirements, kit check, and managing the marshals on the day. A massive thank you goes out to all volunteers.

As with previous editions of the race, food and drink was provided to those who chose to stay the night in Edale Village Hall prior to the race. Providing this incentive is beneficial as it ensures a core group of volunteers are available early on the Sunday morning to assist with race setup.

The 20th Sheffield Scout Group assisted with the catering for the race, providing both personnel and equipment to cook nearly 300 portions of pie and peas over the afternoon.

Race entry management and on-the-day timing was managed by SiEntries. Thanks to Martin Stone for his support in assisting with this.

Prizes for the race were provided by Pete Bland Sport and Bradfield Brewery, these prizes were paid for by the race.

There were no significant first aid incidents during the race. First aid kits were replenished prior to the race as all supplies were identified to be out of date. Edale Mountain Rescue were unable to attend on the day due to other operational pressures. A WhatsApp Community Group was set up for the first time to aid marshal communications on the day, which proved very successful.

Challenges associated with landowner permissions were addressed prior to entries going live. Maintaining positive relationships with landowners should be considered of the utmost importance to safeguard future editions of the race, and club members should be reminded not to engage in behaviours that may damage these relationships whilst participating in club organised events.

Finances

Entry fees were £20 for FRA members and £22 for non-members. Costings are presented below:

£ +/-	Comment
+4502.62	Race Entry Fees
-1647.10	SiEntries Timing
+544.60	Car Parking
-425.60	Pie
-277.74	Makro catering supplies
-72.40	Morrisons Shop
-213.41	Morrisons Online
-137.00	Bradfield Brewery
-86.85	First Aid Kit Replenishments
-17.74	Safety Pins
-159.00	Pete Bland Sports Vouchers
-200.00	Edale Village Hall
+1810.38	Total

Car parking income of £544.60 was collected. Per the agreement with the landowner, this money should be donated to the Friends of Hope and Edale School (FoHES).

The remaining race profit of £1,265.78 is split equally (one third each, £421.92 per charity) between the three charities set out below:

Car parking income (£544.60): Friends of Hope and Edale School (FoHES) – Registered Charity No. 1083091. www.edale.derbyshire.sch.uk

1. Edale Mountain Rescue Team – Registered Charity No. 1138626. Website: www.edalemountainrescue.co.uk

2. Edale “Raising the Roof for Renewables” Appeal – donations via Hope Valley Climate Action, Registered Charity No. 1192830. Website: hopevalleyclimateaction.org.uk/edale

3. Edale Village Hall & Playing Field – Registered Charity No. 507831. Website: www.edalevillagehall.org.uk

The race organiser will write a piece for the Edale village newsletter about the 2026 race and the amount raised for local causes.

Edale Skyline 2027

The race organiser is happy to organise the race again for 2027, however should another more active club member wish to take over he would be more than happy to support in another capacity.

The leading male and female finishers did not return their trophies. These will be chased by the race organiser.

Race permissions were successfully renewed for 2026 and should be valid for 2027. The race organiser will confirm the position with Simon Rippon and individual landowner permissions will be sought.

The village hall has been booked for 2027 and contact made with SiEntries about utilising their services again.

Entry fees for 2027 should be reviewed to account for any further price rises from race catering and equipment suppliers; they were £20/£22 for 2026. Emergency kits should be reviewed and rationalised prior to the 2027 edition of the race. New marshal bibs should be procured as many of the existing ones had been soiled by vermin in the club hut.

Pete Bland Sports vouchers were purchased for 2026, and this arrangement should continue for 2027.

The race WhatsApp Community Group should be maintained for marshal communications.