



# Michelsson wins Inverloch fun run

SUSAN Michelsson, who has competed in middle distance and marathon events around the world, was first home in the 10km section of the Inverloch Surf Life Saving Club 'Surf and Sand' Fun Run.

She was among 226 very enthusiastic runners and walkers who faced the starter's gun at 8am on Sunday for the event, with most choosing the 5km distance rather than the 10km.

Last year's event was run in ideal conditions with clear blue skies, along with a nice warm morning breeze.

The 2010 runners were not so lucky. They faced overcast conditions, with the threat of showers, along with a very stiff south westerly wind.

Fun run events manager George Misson said the strong winds led to much slower times than last

year, and even though the number of entrants was up by four, he believed that the inclement weather kept many people away.

Along with the Anderson Inlet 1.2km Swim Classic on Australia Day, the Fun Run will be an ongoing annual event for the club.

Funds raised from these events will go towards the building of the new club house, and if all goes as presently planned, next year's runners will be able to use the new club house before and after their run.

Mr Misson was pleased with the mix of local and holiday makers participating.

Along with the main aim of raising funds for the building of the clubhouse, the club also uses the event to promote itself in the community as more than just a life saving establishment.

And along with other community groups, they like to offer some form of summer holiday activities for the locals as well as the many holiday makers that come into the area.

While well-known middle distant runner Susan Michellson, from Aspendale, came home in the fastest time for the 10km run, Box Hill North runner Andrew Nagle was the first runner over the line in the 5km event.

Ex-Leongatha middle distance runner and mother, Robyn (Misson) Salisbury is starting to find her form once more by winning the over 35 women's 5km run.

Leongatha father and son pair, Andrew and Dylan Westaway showed everyone a clean pair of heels by winning their respective age groups in the 5km run.

Youngest entrant in the

5km run, seven year-old Will McDonell from Ashburton ran a great time of 38.41, and 65 year-old Vicki Thomson from Chelsea Heights, even though last over the line in the 10km run in a time of 1 hour and 21 minutes, showed everyone that she is still very young at heart with her effort that she put in.

\* 10km results: Open Men Greg Semmler 42.56, O/35 Men Shane Pettin-gil 42.10, O/50 Men Roy Hamilton 48.14, Open Women Susan Michellson 41.37, O/35 Women Sue Burt 46.04, O/50 Women Sue Crosbie 56.17.

\* 5km results: Open Men Andrew Nagle 20.03, U/19 Men Dylan Westaway 22.26, U/16 Boys Patrick Roger 20.44, O/35 Men Mark Walton 22.25, O/50 Men Andrew Westerway 24.13.



And they're off. The fun run at Inverloch begins bright and early on Sunday morning.