

What a brilliant year it has been for Woodstock Runners and if you don't believe me, you can check out our great Club in the current issue of RAYL Magazine. We thank Bromwyn for her wonderful writing. Members have achieved much success and many PBs throughout the year and this was brought to light at our Presentation of Awards and Christmas Party. It was a fabulous night and for that we thank Joe and all involved in the organisation. Congratulations to everyone who was nominated and particularly to all the winners. Our online nominations this year were a huge success and we are indebted to Dave for the setting up of the program.

We've recently welcomed home Gavin from Afghanistan; the Lucas and Ovenden Families from a number of African countries; the Ullios were away 4 months, also in Africa, as well as Turkey, France and Italy; and Indonesia was the choice of Michael Ando.

Bon voyage to Di Green heading to the Antarctic; Ciara to Ireland; and Maria and Eddie McLean off to The Big Apple to visit their son in a few months. We wish you all a wonderful holiday and don't forget o keep up the running, which should prove interesting for you, Di.

Balmain Fun Run was a showcase for Woodstock Runners with many members competing; winning category prizes; lots volunteering; and John Dawlings, the instigator of the Event some years ago, seeing "his baby" develop into one of the best runs of the year with entries of 1500 this year. Well done John for the superb training given to the current organisers. We loved seeing young future Woodstockians having a go in the children's 2km event.

January sees around 15 Woodies heading to Hawaii to contest the various races in Maui. We wish them well in their races from 5km through to the Marathon. Keep up your training in these high temps as it will be hot and humid over there.

As this is our last Rundown for 2013, we express our appreciation to Michael for the wonderful publications we receive each month. Together with our Facebook site we are extremely well informed and I know these communications have been major contributions to our present record membership.

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Don't forget Woodstock is off to Orange in February and Canberra in April. Start planning your assault on the many races on offer at these 2 running festivals.

On a personal note I wish each and everyone a wonderful Christmas and lots of fun, good times and heaps of PBs and thank you to all who have made our Club what it is today. You're all awesome!

Congratulations to Greg Marsh who has clocked up 3000kms for the calendar year. That's pretty awesome training. How does everyone else stack up alongside Greg?