



# Georgie leads Stubbie clean sweep

**S**HE'S only 17-years-old, but Georgie Gair ran a very mature race to inspire a Stubbington 1-2-3 at the opening RR10 race of the summer.

The youngster, who is part of Penny Forse's Team Forse, turned out in Stubbington colours for the season starter at the Royal Victoria Country Park in Netley last month.

Georgie has had a great season on the cross country with 31st at the English Schools' Championships and 30th at the Inter-Counties Cross Country Championships in Nottingham.

She also finished 43rd in the mini-London Marathon through the streets of the capital last month.

But now the teenager, who is studying sports massage at South Downs College in Havant, showed a deft turn of speed over the multi-lap course on the edge of Southampton Water to win the 4.5-mile race easily finishing 40th overall.

Georgie was superbly supported by Lucy Simmons and Susie MacGregor who crossed the finish line close to the old hospital in second and third to ensure top honours in the team rankings in a race where Winchester & District AC were competing.

The race itself was won by Winchester's Gavin Smith, but there was an encouraging return to competitive running from SGRAC secretary and last year's RR10 champion, Mark Le Gassick.

Mark has been struggling with an injury to his left calf over the winter months, though some warm weather training in Lanzarote seemed to help his progress.

At Netley, Mark finished fourth, followed by Zippy Grice in 10th, Andy Simpson in 15th, Ray Gunner with 24th place, and another member of Team Forse, 16-year-old Lewis Banner from Locks Heath, completing the men's team scoring in 24th place overall.



**Georgie Gair, who won the opening RR10 race. For full results - see page 8.**