

650 on the trot for cash

MORE THAN 650 runners battled wind and rain to complete the 1st Keyworth Scout group's annual "turkey trot" half-marathon.

The brave runners, pictured before setting off, completed the 13-mile course around the village and countryside to raise funds for the Scout group.

And the Beavers, Cubs and Scouts who will benefit from the run were out in force — marshalling, looking after runners' belongings and mixing orange juices for the thirsty heroes.

This was the seventh year of the "turkey trot" — so named as the top runners are given turkeys as prizes — and it proved as popular as ever.

The event was sponsored by Mailmate and attracted runners from as far away as London.

Most were locals with the fastest man, Richard Ironmonger, from Ruddington and the fastest woman, Linda Rushmere, running for Redhill Road Runners.

Keyworth man Paul Warden won the shield for the fastest villager for the fourth year and there were many prizes from shields to socks.

In past years, the event has raised more than £1,000 and the Scout group is hoping this year's sponsorship money will match that.

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Air deaths

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Thanks sniffer

Army sniffer dog Jason, who saved the lives of five soldiers after a bomb warning near Londonderry, has been presented with the Devotion to Duty medal.

Weston return?

Falklands war hero Simon Weston has been invited to return to the