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## **ACCOUNTANTS TRIUMPH IN RUNNING CHALLENGE**

We did it!

A team from Creaseys successfully completed the 2009 Tunbridge Wells 10k on 20 September.

The forecast rain held off and, in near perfect weather conditions, the intrepid team of Creaseys runners gathered near the start line. There were a few valiant attempts to warm up, but everyone was looking to conserve their energy for the daunting task that lay ahead.

Setting off amongst the crowd of approximately 700 entrants it was a difficult start with much jockeying for position. Heading away from the lower cricket ground and out towards the Spa Hotel, the field thinned quickly. Downhill passed The Beacon, legs jarring to control the steep descent, the three kilometre marker came into view. Outside the High Rocks Inn, Hospice volunteers provided welcome refreshment at the water station as the runners headed towards Broadwater Forest.

Halfway at last, and the fast start was beginning to take its toll. Some runners were falling by the wayside and Viv stopped to administer first aid to one competitor who had taken a tumble. Back again at the High Rocks Inn and another attempt at drinking water whilst running! On to the final third of the race and the Hungershall Park Hill loomed into view. Even the elite athletes found the ascent a struggle but undeterred the Creaseys team pushed on. A welcome coast down Major Yorks Road before heading for home up the final hill and round the long circuit to the finishing line.

The Creaseys team (in finishing order) comprised Ben Spring, Roger Ward, Rob Smith (a superb sprint finish) Neil Edwards, Robert Blundell, Richard Holme and Viv Wright. Personal bests were set by all, with times ranging from 47 minutes to 78 minutes.

An outstanding performance by the team from which Hospice in The Weald will benefit through the generous sponsorship of staff and clients. Thank you for your support, thanks to the spectators for turning up and cheering us all on and thanks to the team for taking part.

Did somebody mention the Tunbridge Wells half marathon in February 2010 - you must be joking!!

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**Notes to Editors:-**

- Creaseys is currently in the top 70 firms of accountants in the UK.
- Creaseys has 10 partners and approximately 90 support staff based at offices in Lonsdale Gardens, Tunbridge Wells.
- The practice has 2 specialist divisions: Corporate & Business and Private Clients with specialist tax consulting expertise spanning both divisions.