



Corby AC's Mairead Rocke just missed out on a place in the England Junior squad for the World Mountain Championships after finishing a superb fourth in the trail race at Braithwaite near Keswick.

The county Under-17 cross country champion showed her versatility when she mixed it with the fell experts over a course that ascended to 380m and was 4.9km long.

She came home in a time of 31.48 to finish ten seconds clear of fifth placed Rosie Stuart (Keswick) while ahead of them pre-

race favourite Laura Park (Ellenborough) won convincingly in 28.14 from Pendle's Anna Anderson (30.09) and Scunthorpe's Emma Clayton (30.37).

Mairead was soon back in action when three days later she finished top female in the Werrington 5km. In the race, which was the final event in the Peterborough 5km road race series, Rocke raced home in 18.03 to come home well ahead of Nene Valley Harrier Cathryn Foley (18.49) with Kim Masson (Cambridge & Coleridge) third in 19.26.

Also competing for Corby was Trudi Pike whose run of 23.17 gave her 17th position overall and fifth in the Veteran-35 age group.

On the male side Corby's John Thomas just got the better of Bushfield's Roy Pilkington by four seconds to finish top veteran-60. His time of 20.35 slotted him into 63rd overall as the race was won in 15.26 by Peterborough's Ashley Allen from the Notts AC duo of Ashley Sabin (15.30) and Matt Blunden (15.39).