

CITY TO SURF 2008 _ 14 km fun run to Bondi Beach

Australia's biggest and most popular community fun run _ **City 2 Surf** was held on 10th August (Sunday). The annual event, which started in 1971, has become a landmark for Sydney every year, as record **71,000** participants ran/walk/stroll 14 km from Hyde Park to Bondi Beach on Sunday.

For the first time in 2008 everyone in the City2Surf were provided with a **Timing Chip** to tie into their shoe laces. This means you'll get an exact accurate finishing time from when your feet cross the start line sensors until they pass the finish line sensors at Bondi beach.



Timing Chip



14 km route from Hyde Park to Bondi Beach

From Bangladesh Community, a number of fun runners/joggers/walkers participated every year. There are few highly enthusiastic runners/joggers who have been participating for more than 10 years and encouraging our community members to join this major community event. This year, we have participants from as *young as 5 yrs old to 50+*.

Among the Bdeshi participants, **Ahmed Saber** of Bella Vista has performed very well, who finishes the 14km run in **78 minutes**. Other significant performers are, **Nawshad Shah** of Quakers Hill, who has been participating for the last 13 yrs has finished the race in **89 minutes**, **Md. Sirajul Islam** of Quakers Hill finished the race in **91 minutes**.

Congratulation to all successful City 2 Surf 2008 participants.

Details of all Bdeshi participants who completed the race are as follows:

No	Name	Suburb	Time taken to finish 14 km	No of time participated
1	Ahmed Saber	Bella Vista	78 min	9
2	Nawshad Parvez Shah	Quakers Hill	89 min	13
3	Md Sirajul Islam	Quakers Hill	91 min	6
4	Sarfaraz Alam Babu	Mount Druitt	104 min	4
5	Noor Hossain	Rosehill	107 min	13
6	Saiful H. Chowdhury	Malabar	120 min	6
7	Sameer Chowdhury	Castle Hill	120 min	First time
8	Arman Shafi	North Epping	198 min	3
9	Hasan Shahed Shafi Shumon	North Epping	198 min	3
10	Ms Fehmin Shafi	North Epping	200 min	3
11	Ruslan Zubair	Epping	198 min	First time
12	Jabeen Jahan	Epping	201 min	First time
13	Shahed Zubair	Epping	201 min	First time



Ahmed Saber in action



Nawshad at Bondi after the race



Md. Sirajul Islam in action



Sarfaraz Alam Babu



Noor Hossain



Saiful Chowdhury



Fehmin Shafi



Sameer Chowdhury



Shahed Shafi Shumon

We hope and wish that more and more Bdeshi will participate in this famous community fun run every year.

At the end, it's a great feeling no matter one runs, jog or walk the 14 km journey from Hyde Park to Bondi Beach.