

The Twentieth Running of the First (and maybe the only) Dalton St. Patrick's Day Road Race

Twenty years and growing! The twentieth year for our St Paddy's Day race fielded a record crowd. There was a slight drizzle during the race after a downpour at about 2:30 in the afternoon. However, the temperature was mild and apparently the rain was good for running since 72 runners participated in the event. This was a record number of runners bypassing the 64 we had in 2004. Thanks to everyone who came.

In honor of the 20th year, the race was moved from City Park School, which has hosted the race for the past three years, to the new Recreation Center at the First Presbyterian Church on Tibbs Rd. The church was the host of the race from 1995 until 2003. The course was similar to the old course form the church, but did have a new start and finish location; therefore, the two winners will be the course record holders for at least a year.

Of the male entries Danny Kratzer of Chatsworth bested the field by running a strong time of 10:54 over the approximately 2 mile course. (As you know the course for this race has never been properly measured. PS - and never will be!) On the female side Belinda Young continued her dominance of the race by posting a 13:06. This was Belinda's twelfth win in the twenty years of the race. Belinda also told me she ran two marathons in the past three weeks in preparation for the St. Paddy's Day race!

One feature of the race from the first running has been pizza supplied by the Carpet Capital Running Club to all runners after the race. Anticipating the rain would lower the participation, the number of pizzas ordered was cut, but as the race started the order was increased and the pizza arrived on time for everyone to enjoy.

Thanks to our sponsors: Screenprinting Specialties, who has donated t-shirts for the race every year, and the Bradley Wellness Center, Frontrunner in Chattanooga, the Reebok Outlet Center, and the CCRC for donation of door prizes.

Results

1) Danny Kratzer	10:53.9	Overall	44) Claire Duffy	19:08.9	
2) Michael Green	11:11.6	AG Winner	45) Eric Duffy	19:09.4	
3) Daniel Horseman	11:49.2	AG Winner	46) Janice Wycherley	19:16.0	
4) Matt Thompson	11:49.8		47) Angelica Lopez	19:44.8	AG Winner
5) Aaron Saylor	12:10.5		48) Kim Jade Wycherley	19:51.6	
6) David Leatherman	12:15.3	AG Winner	49) Rachel Gleaton	19:52.0	
7) Shannon Coley	12:27.3	AG Winner	50) David Wycherley	19:57.9	
8) Dean Thompson	12:30.0		51) Joe Gleaton	19:59.4	
9) Ricky Harrison	12:53.3		52) Ethan Hildebrand	20:06.2	
10) Brian Peters	12:58.2		53) Randall Godwin	20:06.6	
11) Belinda Young	13:06.1	Overall	54) Caroline Duffy	20:40.3	
12) Bernardo Lopez	13:16.8		55) Tracy Allen	20:47.5	
13) Greg Bruner	13:18.6		56) Patrick Hohol	20:47.9	
14) Terry Hampton	14:00.7		57) Tiffany Strawser	21:26.0	
15) JR Saylor	14:22.8		58) Robbie Tompkins	22:44.6	AG Winner
16) Margie Bruner	14:41.3	AG Winner	59) Ben Southerland	22:59.2	
17) Michael Fortner	14:49.2		60) Faith Hood	23:14.2	
18) Calab Carlson	15:03.0	AG Winner	61) Amanda Young	23:14.4	
19) Eric Carlson	15:04.8		62) Bo Southerland	23:41.1	
20) Sydnee Bowman	15:21.6	AG Winner	63) Mauricio Lino, Jr.	24:49.7	
21) Zach Carroll	15:28.5		64) Mauricio Lino	24:50.1	
22) Jose Martinez	15:43.6		65) Bryce Southerland	25:41.4	
23) Gregorio Leon	15:51.3		66) Russ Southerland	25:42.5	
24) Walt Douglas	15:51.8		67) Catherine Duffy	26:17.9	
25) Patrick Douglas	15:52.5		68) Dayna Duffy	26:18.2	
26) Drew Tompkins	15:56.3		69) Rosie Martinez	27:01.4	
27) Doug Hawley	16:01.7		70) Matthew Redmond	27:46.3	
28) Servio Martinez	16:24.1		71) David Redmond	27:46.7	
29) Steve Tompkins	16:29.3		72) Edwina Cohen	30:13.6	

- 30) Thomas Delay 16:44.0
- 31) Brad Delay 16:49.0
- 32) Lori Sutherland 16:55.5
- 33) Tim Ross 17:17.6
- 34) Bill Collier 17:25.6
- 35) Will Douglas 17:46.9
- 36) Sam Fitzgerald 17:47.8
- 37) Joey Fitzgerald 17:48.1
- 38) Lyn Douglas 17:53.2
- 39) Allison Delay 18:36.7
- 40) Unknown 18:37.6
- 41) Antonio Martinez 18:43.0
- 42) Leah Shelton 18:44.1
- 43) Teresa Shelton 18:50.3

AG Winner