



The GROC Newsletter

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2-Mile Fun Run: Team Scoring by Participation

Rank 1 2 3	Finishers 81 60 40	Team Name FED UPS CTA Out to Launch	Team Captain Karen Flynn Virg Cleveland Joan Rattigan
4	28	Procurement Flashes	Frank Dayish
5	27	Speed & Snooze	Mandl/Koslosky
5	27	Space Station	Jean Lane
7	22	Run CSC	Lettie Buena
8	21	Bear Hunters	
9	18	Supersoles	Brenda Clermont
9	18	STX	
11	10	Communicators (mostly 543)	Emil Kirwan
12	9	LTP	
13	8	Read Team Soccer	Kim Brown
14	5	Exotic Materials (Code 313)	Kitty Ackerman
0	3	UARS-(Unconcerned Amateur Run. Soc.)	
Total	377		

A Little Color on The FUN RUN

What color would you like? Probably black and blue for Dan Mandl--do you recall seeing a man with a box on his shoulder crossing the finish line in the neighborhood of 18 minutes? A heavy box? Well, it seems that Dan, a runner of note, got involved in a bet with his Branch Head that he, Dan, could beat the boss, Larry Zeigenfuss, while suitably handicapped. The handicap ended up as Dan carrying six DC phone books around the course while Larry ran unimpeded. Nice try, Dan, but Larry won by 41 seconds and collected a free lunch by doing so. A reliable source says that Dan's problem was not with the extra weight but with its distribution--his arms were killing him. Will we see a man with a backpack next spring trying to get even? Stay tuned. P.S. Dan ran an 11:09 two mile in the makeup, probably not even carrying a little black book.

There were other innovative folks out there that day too. Doug Newlon and Dave Ripley zipped around on roller skates, with Doug taking the honors at 14:07 over Dave's 16:18. Rex and Rachel Elliot strolled off with an undisputed first place finish in the father-pushing-daughter competition with the remarkable time of 15:12. Rachel, age 1, appeared to be enjoying herself as she blew across the finish line about 3 feet ahead of Rex, who was supplying her motive power via a high-tech stroller.

For the record, Dan's time from the Fun Run Day was counted in the team competition, his makeup time will be used in the Inter-center competition, the skaters were disqualified from both on the grounds of unfair advantage, Rex's time is perfectly legitimate, and Rachel's was not counted in team competition but will be entered as a dependent participant (time listed but not counted in final standings) in the Intercenter race. I make these points just in case the same folks who objected a year or so ago to a dog on a leash, wearing a runner's number, being counted in the team standings, are still out there watching us. We here at GROC Central like to play fair! (Though there is nothing on the entry form that asks what species the entrant is.)

While we are on the subject, here are some guidelines for Fun Run and Fun Run Team scoring: a) a competitor must complete the course on his/her own feet with no powered assistance from anyone. The "powered" is put in there specifically to allow such assistance as a sighted person (or dog) guiding a blind person, and to disallow such things as strollers, skates, and whatever else a creative runner might come up with (I had a sudden vision of some team member carrying a bowl of guppies around the course and claiming a team membership of several hundred); b) team competition will be based on Fun Run Day times only--makeups do not count. The idea here is to have conditions equal for all competitors and to encourage maximum turnout on Fun Run Day; c) dependents will be counted for the Fun Run and Team Competition, if they meet the other rules, but are not eligible for Intercenter purposes; d) non-human participants will not count for any scoring purpose but may be listed as dependents in the Intercenter competition. (That should take care of the guppies, guide dogs, and whatever else you Funners can come up with--go ahead, make my day!)

2-Mile Fun Run: Team Scoring by Speed

Rank	Score	<u>Team Name</u>	Team Captain
1	65.54	Out to Launch	Joan Rattigan
2	95.97	Speed & Snooze	Mandl/Koslosky
3	108.00	STX	•
4	116.73	Bear Hunters	
5	157.54	Red Team Soccer	Kim Brown
6	179.38	FED UPS	Karen Flynn
7	268.18	Space Station	Jean Lane
8	303.85	Run CSC	Lettie Buena
9	316.34	LTP	
10	329.76	Supersoles	Brenda Clermont
11	367.92	Procurement Flashes	Frank Dayish
12	630.69	Communicators (Mostly 543)	Emil Kirwan
13	801.22	Exotic Materials (Code 313)	Kitty Ackerman
14	916.22	CTA	Virg Cleveland

Place	Time	Lastname	Firstname	Pla	ace	Time	Lastname	Firstname
	00.50	Bauch	Mark		73	14:26	Currin	Joseph
	09:50	Nicholson	Mark		_		Luquette	Rich
_		McComas	David				Thieman	James
_		Bingham	Richard		76	14:31	Nakatsuka	Roy
		Barnes	Alexander		77	14:33	Griffin	George
	11:42		Tom		77	14:33	Parker	Phillip
7	11:55	Quindlen	Brian		79	14:36	Dilling	Roger
8	11:58	Hughes	Peter				Spruill	Darian
9	12:03	Main	Earl				Jackman	Charles
		Tompkins	Steven		-	14:39		Donald
		Monroe	Jeffrey			14:40	Schmidt	Carolyn Bruce
	12:09		John				Hembree	Wayne
		Srivastava Glubke	Samir Scott			14:41		Joe
		Richardson	Ian				Schubert	Siegfried
		Nelson	Paul				Assaraf	Maurice
		Arnold	G. Thomas				Farley	Steve
		Seiler	Edward		90	14:47	Esfandiari	Pashang
		Meatheringham	Stephen				Hawley	Eldon
		Shuman	Fred				Hatfield	Richard
21	12:43	Lutz	Bob				McPeters	Richard
22	12:44	Miko	Joseph				Heller	Trevor
	12:49		Karen			14:51		Rud
	12:52		Steven				Underwood	Stanler
	12:54		Ramsis			14:51	Tominovich	Peggy John
		Spiess	Bob Brian				Chelluri	Sriram
	12:56		Dave	•		14:53		Ken
	12:56	Rohrbaugh	Michael				Esfandiari	Mary Ann
		Higgins	R. Wayne				Solomon	Carl
		Finlayson	Mark				Espenak	Fred
	13:04		Dale		104	14:57	Bierbower	Bill
		Mantel	Simon	1	104	14:57	Campanella	Pietro
		Deutschmann	Julie	1	106	14:58	Koslosky	Jack
35	13:06	Roberts	Steve	1	107	14:59	Chu	Donald
36	13:09	Summa	Robert	-			McCann	Mary
		Burris	John			15:03		Richard
		Kirwan	Emil			15:05		Thomas Sean
	13:16		James Frank				Garvey Mentall	James
		Reeves Renbaum	Jay			15:11		Majed
		Williams	Lani				Plotnick	Gregory
	13:23		Frank				Elliott	Rex
		McCumber	Michael				Pickering	Rick
	13:31		Stephen			15:15		Antonio
46	13:35	Comberiate	Mike	1	118	15:16	Savaryn	Linda
47	13:37	Hoffman	Craig				Schnurr	Richard
		Gvozdas	Joe			15:19		Marcella
	13:42		Brian			15:21		Jim
		Martin	Todd Ian				Waterbury Schweickart	Steve Rusty
		Stevens	Thomas				Stolarski	Richard
		Taylor Weikel	Craig				Chovitz	Bernard
		Katsarelis	Stephen				Robinson	John
		Orbock	David				DeCampo	Joe
		Pulkkinen	Ken				Michalik	John
		Dayish	Frank				Groner	Heidi
	13:57		John	1	130	15:36	Thurber	John
		Leibee	Jack				Plummer	Thomas
		Eisenberg	Dave			15:37		Mike
	14:17		Robert				Pagano	Stephen
		McClanahan	Richard				Saatchi	Sasan Tom
62	14:18	Jones	Leon				Griffin Johnson	Curtis
64	14:19	VanLandingham	Glenn Robin	_			Robeson	Bridget
		Kinna Cuddahee Walther	Mark				Schmidt	Gregory
		Conrad	Tonv				Johnson	Winslow
		Gustafson	Wavne			15:47		Jim
		Carney	Joanne				Andrews	Daniel
	14:21		Lo I		142	15:53	Grunby	Eugene
		Fischer	Brian				Fadler	Don
		Hudson	Bill	;	144	15:55	Drew	Amy

Place	Time	Lastname	Firstname	Place	Time	Lastname	Firstname
1.45	15.56	Lassiter	Ronald	216	17:44	Wheeler	Michelle
	15:57		John		17:46		Henry
		Winterfeld	Poriar			Lorenz	Blake
148	16:01	Derro	Rebecca			O'Donnell	Hugh
		Schatten	Kenneth		17:49		Bradford
		Mauser	John			Cornell	Cathy Ernie
		Skillman	William Gerald			Staples Anderson	Willis
		Blackwell Swank	Jean			Jacobs	George
		Thomas	Charles		18:00		Daniel
		Lambertson	Michael			Kramer	Steve
156	16:10	Gitelman	Joe	228	18:05	James	Dennis
157	16:11	Twigg	Larry			Roberts	Debbie
		Aschwandi	Markus			Iascone	Dominick Carol
	16:13		Michael			Russell	Michele
		Lanasa	Joseph Richard			Hughes Lowman	Paul
		Rohrbaugh Donnelly	Laurie			Ebinger	Cindy
		McCullough	Kent			Johnson	Bert
		Molinet	Michael	235	18:16	Bulkley	Mary
165	16:30	Durback	Gerard			Donnelly	Michael
165	16:30	Tram	Tuan			Westbrook	Michael
		Paradis	Tom			Romani	Paul Rosalee
		Robinson	Gregory Mitchell		18:38 18:40		C.Meg
		Coccia Turner	Chris		18:40		Christopher
	16:35		Peter S. P.		18:43		Gary
		Douglass	Anne		18:45		Maurice
		Sigman	Clayton		18:48	. .	R. Jeff
	16:41		Richard		18:48		David
175	16:42	McCoy	Matt			Meetre	Cathie
	16:44		Howard			Kilroy	Patrick Poger
-		Lengenfelder	Franz			Tetrick	John
		Merwarth	Phillip Jim			Lawrence Walker	Greg
	16:47	Golder	Kimberly D.			Guerrero	Alfred
		Graham	Randolph			Harrison	Joe
		McMillin	Kathy	254	19:16	Burzynski	Michael
		Steinfurth	Jean-Marie			Wilheit	Tom
		Skrabak	Rosalie			Batchelor	David Robert
		Nishihama	Mash			Hamilton	Lisa
	16:55		Charles Ben		19:30	Lamich	David
	16:55	Omidvar	Kazem			Thomas	Louis
	17:03		Kevin			McCluer	Frank
		Dantzler	Andrew			Fulcher	Robert
		Schwer	Ken			Parmenter	Mike
192	17:09	Tzeng	T. Nigel			Cleveland	Virg
		Bourne	Joseph	265	19:43	Bhathal	Diwan
		Clermont	Brenda Jeff		19:47 19:49	Newman-Pape	Nancy Barry
		Bowser	Mike			Gallun	Joel
		Rackley Zeigenfuss	Larry			Courtillet	Deanna
		Lecourt	Cindy			Westbrook	Robert
		Michalek	Ted	271	19:54	Mahmot	Ron
200	17:21	Grillo	Anthony			Haxton	Donovan
		Swanhart	Robert			Wharton	Lawrence
		Helfrich	Daniel			Frederickson	Robert Lola
		Hasler	Fritz		20:15		Paul
203	17:23 17:25	Darr	Jean Amalia			Chapman Roberts	Jacqueline
205	17.25	Heirtzler	Jim			Eiserike	Howard
	17:27		Joe			Eiserike	Elodie
208	17:28	Rowton	Shelley			Antonopulos	Beth
209	17:29	Kryszak	Petey	281	20:23	Smith	Philip T.
210	17:31	Miller	Bill		20:26		Paul
211	17:33	Garay	Bill			Barnes	Keith Carl
211	17:33	Garay	Jody Melanie			Roberts	John
213	17:35 17:35	Ridall	Arlie		20:43	Pandelides Jones	Kim
213	17:33	Welsh, Jr.	Ralph			Brittian	d. Scott
215	17:44	Vogenitz	Bill			Kardatske	Owen
210		- 7					

Place	Time	Lastname	Firstname	Place	Time	Lastname	Firstname
200	20.49	Folmer	Wade	358	28:02	Grieve	Susan
		Freeman	Clyde			Gormley	Cathy
	21:00		George			Gormley	Buddy
	21:00		Cindy			Harman	David
		Roberts	Nita			McInerny	Pamela
	21:10		Joe			Bauernschub	John
		Tatwadhia	Sukhdev (Dave)			Metcalf	Steve
		Contractor	Abbas			Marcus	Charles
	21:21		Bruce		28:28		Jack
		Gupta	Darshan K.		28:29		Joann
	21:40		Chris	369	28:38	Pendergrass	Vicki
		Hartman	Susie	369	28:38	Shaffer, Jr.	Fred B.
		Garufi	Linda	371	28:41	Taylor	Dave
	21:57		Ronald	372	28:55	Chinnapongse	Ron
		Mendoza	Emma	373	29:24	Montgomery	Elaine
		Ringer	David	374	29:32	Gownley	Barbara
		Righter	Donald	375	29:35	Levy	Cecelia
		Dankewicz	Cathy	375	29:35	Drury	Geno
	22:24		Eueng-nan			Hudson	Kenny
308	22:32	Floyd	Beth			Jenkins	Anita
		Flynn	Karen		29:38		Kathie
309	22:35	Tapper	Philip			Maslona	Daniel
		Silverman	Joseph			Shippey	Edwin
312	22:46	Movahhed	Fateme		29:40		Jaylee
313	23:05	Crowley	Anne	• • • •		Wilson	Robert
	23:13		Cindi			Goodman	Gloria
		Closs	Jim	• • • •		Goodman	Larry
		Thomsen	Rebne			Swanson	Darla
		Kovalik	Tamara		30:24		Ken
		Smith	Evan		30:26		Dave
		Arrison	Jack			Herring	Ellen
		Lewis	Lynn		30:30		Jacquelyn
		O'Carroll	Cynthia		30:34		LaDonna
322	24:40	Levy	Harold			Durbeck	Herbert
323	24:45	Quinn-House	Colleen			Kramer	Dorene
		Blodget	Herb		30:40		Peggy Mary Ellen
		Lekebusch	Dolf		30:46		Barbara
		Johns	Alan Barbara		31:04	Rouzer	Larry
		Vargo	Joe			Farnan	Nancy
		McMahon	Fred			Hinkal	Sanford
		Robinson	Byron			Hinkal	Kathy
	25:54		Judi			Richardson	Lori
		Bordeaux	Alan			Scagliarini	Tracy
		Centa Rotella	Mariela		31:26		Eric
		Rivas	Martin		31:30		Mitchell
		Johnson	Barbara			De Minco	Paul
		Endres	Daniel			Drexler	Mona
		Bogert	John	406	31:31	Evans	Larry
		McNair	Rita			Guglielmi	Daniela
330	26.43	Johnson	Pat		31:37		Martin
340	26:44	Rattigan	Joan			Burton	Grettchen
3/11	26.49	Roberts	Joan		31:37		Shirley
		Takara	Lois			Butler	Sherrie
		Smith	William		31:38		Lorrie
344	26:55	Arsenovic	Petar			Metzger	James
345	26:57	Goodman	Nancy			McGaha	Ray
346	26:58	Bartley	Deborah			Norris	Gary
346	26:58	Joyner Jr.	Joseph			Russell	George
348	27:13	Bennett	Mary		31:43		Carlos
		Rawley	Gayle			Larsen	David
349	27:21	Higgs	Pat			Ramsey	Mary Ellen
351	27:22	Turkiewicz	Jan II.		31:50		Phil
		Latzko	Albert			Jeansonne	Tim
352	27:23	Snow	Tom			Trapps	Hayward
354	27:24	McCain	Tim			Josephson	Philomin Dory
355	27:44	Collins	Cindy	425	33:25	Chu	Huai-Pu
356	27:56	O'Leary	Ron			Lightfoot	Patricia
357	7 27:59	Martinez	Lourdes			=	
		2 Downs	Darlene				
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Place	Time	Lastname	Firstname	Place	Time	Lastname	Firstname
127	33.36	McNeill	Mike	462	35:45	Citrin	Liz
	33:36		John	462	35:45	Raugh	Anne
		Weisenfeld	Janet	462	35:45	Panitz	Aliza
		Arnwine	Lori	465	35:46	Barlett	Tom
		White	Lynn	465	35:46	Shell	Elaine
		Slade	Milton	467	35:59	Casey	Carolyn
		Eichler	Lisa	468	36:00	Buena	Lettie
	34:01		Linda	469	36:06	Albert	Cheryl
		Gustafson	Marjorie	470	36:15	Phillips	June
		Ireland	Robin Ward			Lytle	Marv
		Afram	Lan	472	36:53	Woodson	Natalie
		Marechek	Mary	473	36:54	Sen	Ellen
		McGhee	Sam			King	Dorenda
		Waybright	Russell	475	37:06	Long .	Ingrid
441	34:17	Tomasello	Joan			Johnson	Tammy
442	34:18	Schemm	Jae-Kyung			Bentley	Brenda
		Rosenberg	Jean			Schmidt	Rosemary
		Winkert	Thomas			Fitzkee	Archie
		Aleman	Roberto			Cleveland	David
		Jensen	Gina			Cleveland	Linda
		LaBel	Kenneth			Lanning	Joseph
		Broderick	Donna		40:24		Cheryl
		Wolff	John			Begenwald	Lisa
		Clayborne	Dena			Boquist	Carol
		Brinker	Ed			Eaton	Margaret
		Dearth	Kenny			Masiee	Shirley
	34:51		Susan			Chintala	Sarada
		Hughes	Art			Alexander	Steven
454	35:15	Scaffidi	Charles			Salmon	Ellen
456	35:16	Lerch	Victoria			DeFainchtein	Rosalinda
457	35:26	Swick	Gail			Hostetler	Julie
457	35:26	Barbour	Mary Ann			Sasser	Elizabeth
459	35:41	Koenig	Tammy			Lingerfelt	Kathy
460	35:42	Chandler	Charley			Arthur	Lexine
460	35:42	Pleasant-Bey	Fatima	496	48:39	Ragusa	Becky

10K Results

Time	Lastname	Firstname	Time	Lastname	Firstname
31:25	Baugh	Mark	50:17	Esfandiari	Mary Ann
39:27	Nolan	Tom	50:20	Hawley	Eldon
39:38	Mandl	Daniel	51:05	Moore	Donald
39:42	Dunham	Larry	51:14	Dent	Carolyn
40:52	Hughes	Peter	52:40	Schmidt	Gregory
41:10	Shuman	Fred	53:08	McCann	Mary
41:11	Glubke	Scott	54:09	Watterson	Michael
41:53	McKim	John	54: 5 4	Maloy	James
43:40	Arnold	G. Thomas	55:21	Lengenfelder	Franz
44:20	Siegel	Gary	56:34	Davis	Robert
44:26	Bell	Claude	56:45	Dew	Howard
44:36	Allen	Dale	57:00	Johnson	Winslow
44:37	Tompkins	Steven	57:00	Graf	Charles
44:54	Kirwan	Emil	57:33	Johnson	Curtis
45:00	Lassiter	Ronald	57:38	Posey	Malcolm
45:08	Taylor	Thomas	57:41	Schatten	Kenneth
45:37	Williams	Lani	61:36	McMillin	Kathy
47:50	Comberiate	Mike	65:10	Long	Arlie
48:05	Griffin	George	66:08	Butz	Bradford
48:10	Orbock	David	66:24	Clermont	Brenda
48:21	Hudson	Bill	69:43	Roberts	Carl
48:27	Brown	Ken	69:55	Smith	Philip T
49:27	Koslosky	Jack			

A Note of Thanks

Diane Kolos

This Fall's Fun Run was quite a success with over 490 finishers on the day of the race. The 2-mile race and subsequent 10K and makeup races went smoothly thanks to the cooperation of several volunteers. The following list of volunteers is as complete as we could make it-several volunteers showed up on race day or were "drafted" at the start and their names are not known-the Running Club thanks all of you who made the races possible for the participants.

Volunteers

Pre-Race Registration - Melinda Shaver and John Gilligan

Race Course and Chute Set-Up - John Laudadio

Race Day Registration - Jane Jellison, Melinda Shaver, Joanne Uber

Video Cameraman - Tim VanSant

Water Stop - Kitty Ackerman

Refreshments - Chuck Powers, Mark Woodard, Pat Friedberg, Jim Wall

Finish Line - Ken Brown, Tony Corporale, Brandi Easch, Pat Friedberg, Edwin Fung, Jane Jellison, Grace Lee, Terese Madden, Bernie Pagliaro, John Sissala, Joanne Uber, Jim Wall, Mary Walsh, Richie Weiss

Computer Data Entry - Edwin Fung, Jane Jellison, Joanne Uber

Two Mile Make Up Race - Mary Anne Esfandiari, Herb Blodget, Rob Boyle, Jim Wall, Pat Friedberg

10K Volunteers - Becky Derro, Jim Wall, Doug Vitagliano

10K Make Up Race - Brenda Clermont, Jim Wall

Looking at the list its clear that several people did double duty at the races, hopefully, next Spring we'll have more volunteers so this won't be necessary. Again, thanks for all the great help! Thanks to the Safety and Security Branches who provided a great deal of support on race day, with patrols along the race route and security guards at street intersections. Thanks to the cafeteria for providing us with the oranges, the papaer cups and ice.

Tom Page Wins Senior Olympic Medals

Grace Lee

The Maryland State Senior Olympics, held on October 12-14 at Towson State University, drew about 1200 competitors from the state. GROC member Tom Page participated in the games and came home with four medals.

Tom, a sprinter in his younger days, took first place in the 200m (28.8s) & 400m (70.7s) and won silver medals in the 100m (13.3s) & the 1500m Race-Walk (10:27) in his age group. (Don't ask which one.)

Not satisfied, Tom journeyed to St. George, Utah in late October to compete in the World Senior Games, where he came home with three bornze medals: 100m (13.2s), 200m (28.4), & 400m (65.0s).

Biking and swimming were Tom's means of staying fit until a few years ago when he decided to return to running in preparation for the competition in the Senior Olympics. His training program includes both strength and aerobic exercises.

Tom is the Prince Georges County representative to the Maryland Senior Olympic Committee. His duties are to recruit people to participate in the games and to support the Maryland Senior Olympics in all capacity. He also serves as the point of contact for the county (and at Goddard).

Tom is considering using the following slogan in his recruitment drive:

A Mile a Day Keeps the Doctor Away!

A Novice's Guide to Pain and Torture: Or Running a 50-Miler by the Slightly Insane Ken LaBel

Running 10K's started being a big kick. Soon half-marathons and marathons followed. Then, they too became passe'. So, triathlons were given a shot. Okay, now what? How about an untramarathon?

Why? Well, why not? If you're fast, it'll take you about twice as long as marathon. If you're slow, just finishing has its own rewards. My friend Joel Gallun and I fall into the latter category (definitely mediocre runners), while Ed Boggess and Rich Fulton keep the "fast" company.

I've got to blame Joel for this whole thing. He really had to twist my arm to convince me to do it. "Ken," he said, "how about doing the JFK 50-miler?" "Sure," I replied. And thus, our joint insanity was born.

The John F. Kennedy 50-Mile is America's oldest ultramarathon. This year's running was the 27th annual. According to Joel, the race got its start from a challenge by President John F. Kennedy to the Marines that they should be able to complete 50 miles within a set time. It wasn't until several years later that the JFK became more than a hike and number of people ran for portions (if not all) of it. In fact, in 1973, 1724 runners and hikers, the largest field of any US race that year, started the JFK.

The course for the JFK starts in the small town of Boonsboro, MD, climbs 3 miles to South Mt., follows the Appalachian trail for about 13 hilly miles, eases a flat marathon (26.2 miles) along the scenic C&O Canal (through Antietam and Snyder's Landing), then finishes on the rolling roads heading into Williamsport, MD. Nice way to spend a day, eh?

The race organizers supply medium support to the runners. Water stations (no gatorades, etc...) every 7 to 10 miles. Suport crews thus become prtetty mandatory especially for us slower runners. Cindy Collins (Joel's wife), GROC-member (and Marine Corps Marathoner) Arlie Ling, and my friend Paul all supported us with food (bananas, fig newtons, power bars), drink (gatorade and pepsi), changes of clothing, and, most importantly, company! That's not to imply that Joel and I got sick of each other, but there's only so much two poeple can talk about while running 50 miles together after several hundred miles of training together. I.really don't think we could have made it without all their help.

Both Joel and I have been nursing injuries this year: Joel with a sore calf, me with back and ankel injuries, plus a sore knee from the Marine Corps Marathon (our longest training run).

Race day (Saturday, Nov 18) was cold (temperature near freezing) and breezy at times. In 1987, the weather was snow, 45 mph wind with a minus 15-degree windchill at the start. We did have a few snow flurries, but we were lucky compared to 1987.

Ed, after complaining of injuries and lack of taining, ran his typical fine race, placing 2nd overall of the near 400 starters! Rich also finished highly, placing 35th. Joel and I finished together near the middle of the pack, beating our time goal by nearly a half hour.

Cindy's now talking about doing the JFK. Joel, too, is talking of doing it again. I'm not so convinced... Well, maybe with better training and little luck, I could do it again to qualify for the Western states 100-Mile. Nah!

Lani Willilams

The Sights of Chicago

Starting about Wednesday, the question of weekend weather blossomed. Not many forecasting changes: all the experts said "Sun and 70 Saturday. Sun and 70 Sunday, 8-16 mile winds. Rain Sunday night or Monday." That's Chicago weather. For the Old Style Marathon on Sunday, October 29. And they were right.

It was a brilliant, mild morning for the thousands in Daly Plaza when the gun snapped us into action. Under shading skyscrapers, then along Lake Michigan past some of Chicago's big sights: Art Institute, Buckingham Fountain, Soldier Field. Into the wind and into homey ethnic areas -- China, Greece, Italy -- where shouting bystanders are more sure than we that "You can do it!" By this time, it's over 70. We've been running in full sunlight for 10 miles. Part of the water goes to cool headtops.

A few hardy clouds wrestle the temperature down for the last few miles. Meanwhile, below the clouds, we're running in Old Town and banking onto Lake Shore Drive. Down the freeway, into Lincoln Park (isn't this the Land of Lincoln?) and -- thank goodness! -- the balloons point out the finish line.

Lisa Weidenbach (USA) defended her 1988 victory and ran a personal best 2:28:15. Paul Davies-Hale (England) ran his first marathon to win for the men in 2:11:25. Masters runners Goran Hogberg (Sweden), 2:23:08, and Cesarina Taroni (Italy), 2:44:04, took their division awards.

This reporter ran merely to collect material for this article, of course (and to finish in 3:41:07). It's a grand way to meet a famous city.

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Orienteering Information

Jane Jellison

Our nearest orienteering club, Quantico, otherwise known as National Capital Orienteers, invites all GROC members to participate in their events. Mention "GROC" and you will get the QOC member discount price on meet fees and items (compasses, orienteering clothing, books) from the Quantico store. GROC members George Voellmer and Tom Nolan have recently distinguished themselves by finishing high in competitions at the advanced level at recent meets--ask them how much fun it is!

Orienteering is a sport of many dimensions--it may be approached as a family stroll through the woods, a fitness walk, a navigational challenge, or a full up athletic competition. The message is that there is something for everybody, and everybody is welcome. And ask me, who routinely finishes in the bottom half because of lack of fitness and lack of skill, how much fun it is. My answer is that it is the only sport/outdoor activity that I have ever found that can be done on any level of skill or fitness that is completely satisfying in terms of pitting yourself against yourself, while knowing your physical limitations, and coming away happy if you complete the course with a minimum of mistakes, and even if you make mistakes, you still have had a pleasant afternoon venturing about in the forest. Besides, every once in a while you make an error-free run (walk) and beat some of those fast young people who went charging off in the wrong direction. You can even bring your dog if you obey park regulations concerning leashes, etc. Instruction is cheerfully provided for beginners at all meets, and no special gear is necessary. Some meets have special courses designed for young children between the ages of whenever you can walk up to about five or six or so. You can show up any time between 12:00 and 2:00 for most meets. For further information and directions to the meet sites, call Jane Jellison on 6-8563. See you there!

News/Announcements

Upcoming Newsletter Schedule

Barring unforeseen circumstances the following is the newsletter schedule for the next several issues:

<u>IssueDeadline</u>

 Jan/Feb
 1990
 Jan 12

 Mar/Apr
 1990
 Mar 02

Please observe the deadline! Remember, if you have a computer and can type, submit your items in MacIntosh. If you use a PC store your files in <u>ASCII</u> and call Jane Jellison (68563) for help in transferring your PC files to a Mac format. But please, <u>do not send your disks through the mail!</u> Leave Mac disks with Melinda (Fitness Lab) or Grace (Bldg 11, E208B). Leave your PC floppies with Jane or, better yet, <u>send her your articles via the phone</u>. But above all, **contribute!** We can't have a newsletter without membership inputs. The following talents are especially in demand: Writers, poets, artists (natural or computer).

"Doctor's Column"

Dr. Smith is researching the question submitted by one of our members. Have patience. If you have a question, sent to our President Diane Kolos (Code 313) who will coordinate all inquiries.

Great Job, Edwin!

Many thanks to Edwin Fung for writing the program for compiling the Intercenter Run data. Goddard is now the headquarter for the semi-annual Intercenter competition results.

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