

American Discovery Trail Marathon, Half-Marathon and Ent 5K

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The Numbers

Marathon	Registered	299
	Finishers	205
Half Marathon	Registered	388
	Finishers	364
5K	Registered	185
	Finishers	167
Total	Registered	872
	Finishers	736
Boston Qualifiers		18
Marathon Age Group Records		9
Half Marathon Age Group Records		10

The Preparation

Our first committee meeting for 2005 was back in March. Meetings were every month then every two weeks then every leading up to race day. Three committee members returned from 2004. We added 10 new members, mostly from PPRR membership and two from ENT.

ENT helped with a larger vision for us in 2005 and we added a fundraiser 5K.

More runner benefits were added for 2005. And included: nicer marathon medals, long sleeved shirts that went over great, finisher certificates for the full and the half, super runner bas from ENT for the full and the half, more aid stations, more course port-o-lets. ENT surprised us all with really super looking runner bags to hold the runners registration handouts.

The Colorado Running Company served as our Runner Race HQ and their people did a great job in assisting Cymmie, Robin and her daughter with registration and general information. I was kicked out several times after wandering in to see how it was going!

The Committee

- ◆ Dan Cleveland- Permits, Food, Announcer, whatever no one else gets done.
- ◆ Allen Schoffstall- Webmaster
- ◆ Larry Miller-Finish Line
- ◆ Dave Sorenson-Results
- ◆ Cymmie Bailey-Volunteers, registration
- ◆ Groucho Beckenhaupt-Aid Stations
- ◆ Travis Waldrip- Course
- ◆ Michelle Smoker-Public Relation
- ◆ Angela Sullivan- Kids races
- ◆ Jim Moore-EFCU
- ◆ Curtis Fox- Praco/EFCU
- ◆ Bob Mutu-Race Director/Treasurer

Friday/Saturday

Registration in full swing – with the numbers surpassing last year's last week! The committee loaded two rental trucks with equipment. Adrenaline starting to kick in!

Sunday

Registration was going through the roof. Committee members spent the day getting everything ready for Monday

The Pasta Feed

We had a perfect dinner at our host hotel, the Clarion. About 100 runners, families and committee members filled the room. Dinner was served and Greg Augsperger provided us all with a great grass roots runner level presentation while we were eating. The dinner was a good pasta feed and we all got our fill.

Race Day

The committee got little, if any sleep the night before. Most arrived at America the Beautiful Park between 2:30 a.m. and 3:00 a.m. Constant action in preparation for the 5:00 a.m. registration start and 5:30 a.m. races.

We kicked the racing off with the marathon. About twenty slower runners were led out of the park on to the trail.

At 6:00 a.m. we had our north trail truck get hung up and had to scramble to get the other truck up to the point of impact. We transferred the aid station supplies over to the second truck and got the marathon started at 6:40 a.m.

We stood at the start line of the Half Marathon and took a deep breath as started on schedule at 7:30 a.m. The number of runners was 25% more than 2004!

The 5K runners went out very fast at 7:45 a.m.

The kids races (½ mile and 1 mile fun runs) went very smoothly. All the kids, about 30, each got a neat medal!

As the kids were finishing the half marathon finishers were approaching the finish line. Greg Augsperger turned his marathon training run into a runaway – winning the half in age group record time and just missing the course record. He finished over eight minutes ahead of the next runner. Amy Reigner broke the course record in the half as the temperature kept rising.

Masters runners dominated the marathon with the top two men and women led the way! Henk Moorlag won the men's marathon and broke the master's record. Walter Sargent came in second after moving up from the half marathon last year. Walter told me he had no choice since he was slowing down from the days when he qualified for the men's Olympic Trials a few years back.

Tania Pacev led the women in a master's record time. Tania is a specialist in ultra running. She won the masters division at the Leadville 100 a couple of weeks ago and has credentials including being a member of the American World Championship 100 KM Team!

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Amy Yanni, last years marathon champ took second this year. One runner turned back prior to reaching the official turn-around for the marathon and then crossed the finish line as the first woman. After consultation with the other runners and checking with course marshals the runner was disqualified.

Eighteen marathoners qualified for Boston!

Matt Von Thun lead the 5K Ent Community Fitness Challenge finishers with Andy Rinne not far behind. Amanda Occhi led the ladies with Tina Gray placing second.

Everyone enjoyed the free massages from the Massage Institute, the great food from Wild Oats, beer from Laughing Lab, pizza from Louie's, and super awards.

Runners commented on how great the aid station volunteers were. The finish line and results went perfectly. Minor medical problems were handled quickly.

After retrieving the stuck truck, the course and finish areas were broken down and cleaned up by 4:00 p.m.

Awards not picked up at the ceremonies can be picked up at the Colorado Running Company at the corner of Cache La Poudre and Tejon.



Joyce runs another marathon!

Marathoners ready themselves



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Runners and volunteers—
Cymmie above and Robin and daughter to right.

PIKES PEAK ROAD RUNNERS MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name _____ Date _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
 Evening Phone _____
 E-mail (opt.) _____



Memberships include the club's monthly newsletter and a reduced rate or no charge on selected races.

Kind of membership:	New	Renewal	
One year membership:	Individual – \$15	Family – \$25	Membership in PPRR includes
Two year membership:	Individual – \$30	Family – \$50	automatic membership in RCAA.
Three year membership:	Individual – \$45	Family – \$75	

Out of Towners, only – add \$5 for each year for First Class (if desired)

Make checks payable to: Pikes Peak Road Runners

CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION WAIVER

I know that running and volunteering to work in club races are potentially hazardous activities. I should not enter and run in club activities unless I am medically able and properly trained. I agree to abide by any decision of a race official relative to my ability to safely complete the run. I assume all risks associated with running and volunteering to work in club races including, but not limited to, falls, contact with other participants, the effects of the weather, including high heat and/or humidity, the conditions of the road and traffic on the course, all such risks being known and appreciated by me. Having read this waiver and knowing these facts, and in consideration of your acceptance of my application for membership, I, for myself and anyone entitled to act on my behalf, waive and release the American Association of Running Clubs, the Pikes Peak Road Runners Club and all sponsors, their representatives and successors from all claims or liabilities of any kind arising out of my participation in these club activities even though that liability may arise out of negligence or carelessness on the part of the persons named in this waiver.

Member Name	Age	Sex	Volunteer?	Signature (If under 18 Parent Must Sign)	Date
1. _____	_____	_____	YES NO _____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____	YES NO _____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____	YES NO _____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____	YES NO _____	_____	_____

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