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On Our Cover: Women's Runner of the Year Series leader, Jennifer Absher accepts her first overall female award at the Reindeer Run.

Above: It was a wet morning for runners at this year's Reindeer Run on December 9th.

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SPACE COAST RUNNERS (SCR) is a nonprofit organization incorporated under the laws of the State of Florida. Our purpose is to promote fitness, through running and walking at the community level. SCR is a proud chapter of the **Road Runners Club of America**.

Visit us online at <u>SpaceCoastRunners.org</u>. We also invite you to attend our Board meetings, which are open to the public and are held at 7pm on the third Monday of each month.



Where to find Space Coast Runners on Social Media? Like us on Facebook to stay updated on our weekly and monthly events and everything run related on the Space Coast.

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EDITOR'S LETTER January 2018

Aren't fresh starts great?

They certainly are when it comes to the calendar, with the numerals of the year past consigned to the "bad old days" folder. And certain days of 2017 were pretty bad in these quarters, starting with sickness and ending with theft.

I like the Jingle Bell a lot; it probably is my second-favorite race of the year, so to be forced to sit it out – you can't drive if your keys went to the Land of Purse Snatchers – was especially galling.

Sorry to have missed the Christmas party, friends, but it was great to have seen you at Run Run Santa in red, red Viera.

But that's the past, and if your year starts with filling in race dates and deadlines on the calendar, you have a lot to do, and some of the early races in question are relatively new.

If you read a certain publication, you're going to see quite a bit about the Child Hunger Project and Health First's Fight Child Hunger 5K, which was hugely successful and extremely well supported in its inaugural year, and more of the same is predicted at 8 a.m. Jan. 13, at Viera High School.

Less than a month later (Feb. 3), also in Viera but this time at the Avenue, we'll see the Super Hero 5K and 1-Miler, the beneficiaries of which also will be children, this time those who have been abandoned, abused or neglected, and are represented by the remarkable Guardian ad Litem Program.

Remember when The Avenue Viera didn't want runners? Yeah, me too, but it seems to be developing into racing central. Imagine that.

The Avenue's race after the Super Hero, will be the Mutt Strut 5K, Doggie Dash 1-Miler and Double Dog Dare Challenge, which will take place March 31. Great.

Annie Caza, Mark and Lisa Petrillo, Shane and Brittany Streufert and Vizslahero Hunger, will you do this one with your pups to benefit the Brevard Humane Society? Hope so. It's been a month since the dog show and some of us need our canine fixes.

That's only the first part of the year; more new and interesting events will follow no doubt, but there are always our own tried-and-true series races, starting Jan. 27 with the Tooth Trot, continuing Feb. 18 with the Eye of the Dragon/Tail of the Lizard and March 24 with the Downtown Melbourne 5K.

At the Space Walk of Fame 8K April 7 in Titusville, go for the race, but show up early to see how many names of people you know are inscribed on the space program monuments; it's inspiring.

Finally, there's an event people should be convinced to attend whether they run, or have runners in the family or not, because Eat My Crust (May 6) is just so entertaining, series closer though it may be.

It kind of hurts that the National Beach Running Championships will start only a half hour before EMC, but races on the beach mean certain necessities, and oceanside organizer Mitch Varnes had no other choice, we're told.

Same with Bat Boogie, the Running Zone Foundation Series race, which will take place at 7 a.m. Feb. 10 at Brevard Zoo, which it benefits. The FLORIDA TODAY 5K and 8K are scheduled to start at the same time in Melbourne, part of the Publix Florida Marathon and Half Marathon weekend. Darn.

Guess you have to expect those things in a community in which running is less an athletic endeavor but a way of life, led by an organization whose membership numbers rival those of major cities.'

Happy New Year, SCR.



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LISA'S Musings

A Monthly Column from SCR President, Lisa Hamelin

Happy New Year Space Coast Runner members! A new year, a new beginning. Usually I'd talk about resolutions, but instead let's talk about race planning.

Do you usually register for races at the last minute, waiting until you know for sure that a) you want to actually do that race and b) that you have gathered the funds to commit to the race and c) that you're already trained up or can get trained up for the race?

Or are you like me, and spontaneously register for races well in advance a) without having an idea of what your schedule will be when the time actually comes and b) have grandiose ideas that you'll have plenty of time to train for the race and c) think of how financially savvy you are by getting the early bird price?

Whichever one you are, the one thing I know is that registering for races well in advance seems to provide a sense of motivation and excitement! Why else would we do it, right? Having a plan of what you'll be doing for the next month, next quarter, next year gives a sense of responsibility and (pre) accomplishment. Like we're adulting or something.

Your SCR Board is hoping that you have the Runner of the Year Series planned in your calendar. We have gone through Running on Island Time, Space Coast Classic, Space Coast Marathon & Half Marathon and Reindeer Run (unfortunately, Turtle Krawl was cancelled). Next up is Tooth Trot, Eye of the Dragon, Downtown Melbourne, Space Walk of Fame and Eat My Crust.

Make sure you floss beforehand and smile big for the finish line photo op at Tooth Trot on January 27th! See you there.

-Lisa

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Letters to the Editor

Our mailbox is always open to our readers.

If you have a comment, correction or critique or would simply like to tell us what running topics matter to you most, send the staff an email info@spacecoastrunners.org.



We would love to feature YOU in an upcoming issue! To share your "Run a Mile with" story, please contact SCR via email at socialmedia@spacecoastrunners.org.

JANUARY BOARD MEETING

January 15, 2018 — 7:00pm, ProHealth & Fitness Center—Merritt Island

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Spotlight run of the month

Email info@spacecoastrunners.org to add or update your fun run information.

Day	Location	Time	Organizer	
Sun	Riverfront Park, Cocoa Village	6:30 am	Space Coast Runners (mcbergs@att.net)	
Sun	Oars & Paddles Park, IHB	6:30 am	Running Zone (erin@runningzone.com)	
Sun	Oars & Paddles Park, IHB	7:00 am	Up & Running Fitness (info@uprunningfitness.com)	
Mon/Wed/Fri	Base of the bridge over 95 on Fay Blvd-East side, Port St John	5:00 am 5:30 am	Kim Badgett (kbadisrunning@gmail.com) - 321-626-2257	
Mon	Pizza Gallery & Grill, Viera	6:00 pm	Running Zone (erin@runningzone.com)	
Mon	Long Doggers, Indialantic	6:00 pm	Steve Chin (stz180@msn.com)	
Mon	Florida Beer Company Taproom Fun Run Club, Cape Canaveral	6:30 pm	Madeline Marx, Maddym1984@gmail.com	
Mon	Running for Brews Melbourne, Vincinos Ristorante & Pizzeria	7:00 pm	Larry Miller— Imiller4435@gmail.com 321-749-7591	
Tues	Cocoa Village 6 miles @ 6am	6:00 am	Keith Dutter kdutter@cfl.rr.com	
Tues	Iron Oak Post Run Club, Downtown Melbourne	6:0 pm	321-327-8479	
Tues (1st/3rd of each mo.)	Playalinda Fun Club Runs, Playalinda Brewing Company	6:30 pm	Donna Scott (225-8978)	
Tues	Running for Brews Satellite Beach, Beef 'O' Brady's	7:00 pm	Corey Huau/Sasha Byers (runningforbrews@gmail.com)	
Tues	Long Doggers Locals Running Club, Satellite Beach	7:00 pm	Erickson Jaquays, 321-773-5558 Eriksonjaquays@gmail.com	
Wed	Pineapple Park, Eau Gallie	6:00 am	Running Zone (erin@runningzone.com)	
Wed	Intra Run Club, Eau Gallie, Intracoastal Brewing Co.	5:30 pm	Amy Ustjanowski (amy@theyogiperogi.com)	
Wed	Cocoa Beach Fun Runners/Walkers Long Doggers—1st & 3rd Wed Juice 'n Java Café—2nd & 4th Wed	6:30 pm	Judd Spitzer (juddls@gmail.com) and Craig Piepmeier (cpiepmeier@gmail.com)	
Wed	Village Idiot Pub, Cocoa Village	6:00 pm	321-301-4487	
Wed	Run Amok Run Club, Space View Park, Titusville	6:30 pm	Becky Shealy Ahrens—Becky.ahrens@icloud.com www.facebook.com/groups/1423502080999358	
Wed	Long Doggers, Melbourne	6:00 pm	Running Zone (erin@runningzone.com)	
Thurs	Cocoa Village 6 miles @ 6 am	6:00 am	Keith Dutter 321-576-3699	
Thurs	Running Zone, Melbourne	5:30 pm	Running Zone (erin@runningzone.com)	
Thurs	CrossFit Rise Above, Melbourne (1st Thurs of month), Chase Bank, Indialantic (all other Thursdays)	6:00 pm	Up & Running Fitness (info@uprunningfitness.com)	
Thurs	Running for Brews Viera, Long Doggers	7:00 pm	Sean & Sandra Christian (IDLifeteamChristian@gmail.com)	
Thurs	The Downtown Melbourne lululemon run club	7:00 pm	Bryan Clarke (321-956-3089)	
Fri	Find Your Fitness with Gina 5K Fun Run, 2101 S. Waverly Place, Melbourne	5:30 pm	Gina: <u>http://goo.gl/1vxqSL</u>	

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WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Intra Run Club Fun Run

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- MEETS WEEKLY AT INTRACOASTAL BREWING COMPANY, 652 WEST EAU GALLIE BLVD. MELBOURNE, FL 32935
- FREE FUN RUN STARTS AT APPROXIMATELY 5:30 PM IN THE COURTYARD AREA.
- CHECK OUT THE BREWERY'S WEBSITE OR THEIR FACEBOOK PAGE (/INTRARUNCLUB) FOR UPDATES.

Need an after-work run to blow off some hump day steam? Join the BIG group of runners that meet every Wednesday night at 5:30 PM at Intracoastal Brewing Company. This social run is open to all paces. It starts at the brewery and runs over the Eau Gallie Causeway. You can sprint, run, jog, walk or even PRANCERCISE. They don't discriminate. Plus, there's great beer after! 1 and 3 Mile routes are offered.

After your 10th run with the Intra Run Club you get a free pint. Group is led by Amy Ustjanowski (amy@theyogiperogi.com).

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 7, 2018

6:30am: Sunday River Road Run

Social kicks off at 9am in Cocoa Village

Join us after your Sunday run Water & Gatorade will be out as usual, for all the runners.

- SCR will provide bagels from Bagel 13, hot coffee and OJ
- Pot Luck bring your favorite breakfast treats!
- Join us for Yoga in the park by Up & Running Fitness
- Renew your membership or join Space Coast Runners and save \$5 (check or cash only)

Come mingle & meet SCR members you might not know, find new run partners to join you as you reach for your 2018 goals!

We'll have SCR swag bags, giveaways & race entries for some lucky members!

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This year the Early Registration event is ONLINE ONLY. Active members will be given an exclusive coupon code to use which will be checked against the SCR membership database before your registration will be accepted. SCR members receive a \$7.50 discount on either race.

Your SCR membership must be Active as of 1/11/18. You can check your membership status by logging in to your account at <u>spacecoastrunners.org</u>. If you are not listed as Active, your early registration will be rejected. If you do not know your login, please email <u>info@spacecoastrunners.org</u> for help.

North Half Marathon – \$99

Start: 6:00 am Capacity: 3,000 registrants Faster than the speed of light: Under 3:30 expected finishing time RRCA State Championship Event THIS RACE QUALIFIES MEMBERS TO



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South Half Marathon – \$99

Start: 6:00 am Capacity: 4,000 registrants Pluto's Orbit: No time requirement / 7 hr time limit THIS RACE DOES NOT QUALIFY FOR 2018/2019 RUNNER OF THE YEAR POINTS

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Tropical Trail loses a furry friend

If you've run Tropical Trail on a weekend morning, you probably know Simon, the little pug on wheels. He always had a smile for passing runners and walkers and was thrilled if you stopped to give him a pat.

Simon passed away at the gentle age of 17 in his grandmother's arms on November 14, 2017. The little guy was a dedicated campaigner to raise awareness of the wonders of wheeling and to raise money for the pups who couldn't afford them. He loved anything with peanut butter but most of all his caretakers. Rest in peace, Simon. You will be missed.



2017 best nine on Instagram #2017bestnine



ShoeBox Recycling

Drop your gently worn shoes off at any of the upcoming Winter Social and any of the Runner of the Year Series races. We'll be collecting them at the SCR tent. Your shoes are destined for reuse around the world. Here are some guidelines to joining the #ReuseMovement:

GUIDELINES



Gently-Used Pairs Men's/Women's/Kids' Sneakers Soccer Cleats Casual Shoes Dress Shoes Work Boots Sandals Heels Flats Loafers



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Coach Butler will take you through an 8-week cycle with specific workouts designed for each phase. He will also cover the mental side on running, racing and how the mind controls our success, not our training. Running is not a competition of me against you, running is a pure sport that is me against myself from yesterday.

Registration will open **January 15, 2018** and will run thru **February 28, 2018**. There is no limit on participants. We'll have the registration form available online at spacecoastrunners.org.

The new Training Program starts on **Thursday, March 8th** with a 2 mile time trial at Satellite High School. Training team runs will be Tuesday's 6pm @ Satellite HS and Sunday's 6 am (locations will vary). Goal race is Runner of the Year Series finale — Eat My Crust 5K on May 6, 2018. Questions? Email Bob Alexander at bobalexander92@yahoo.com.

SCR MEMBER'S PRICE — \$65 (includes registration to Eat My Crust 5K)



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See page 26 on how to win a prize!



SCR 40, Anniversary Shirts & now Hats are on sale!

With March right around the corner, there are now **TWO** ways to celebrate the 40th anniversary of Space Coast Runners.

First, there's the special-edition tee. We sold so many we had to place a reorder so we'll have all sizes available in January. Cut from soft, lightweight fabric, the shirt features a run-inspired graphic that showcases club pride. The design was created by member, Susie Meltzer. Tip: Size up if you like a looser fitting shirt.

And we're now offering the SCR 40th Anniversary Run Dri Running Cap for \$12. Constructed of microfiber with mesh panels, the hat will provide you lots of comfort and shade from the Florida sun. Hat is a relaxed fit with a Velcro fabric strap closure and terry cloth sweatband.

Your next available opportunity to purchase a shirt or hat is at the **Winter Social**. Shirts will be available for \$16 and the hats are \$12 which includes tax. Cash or check only. To reserve one, simply email your name, address and shirt size to **info@spacecoastrunners.org**.

Available shirt sizing: Men: S M L XL 2XL Women: S M L XL



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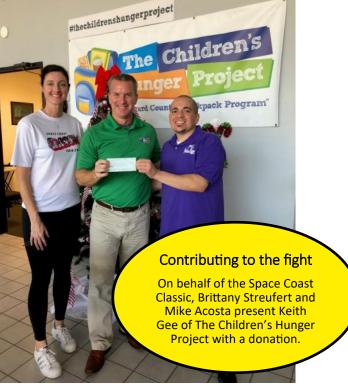
As the 30th Anniversary of the Eye of the Dragon 10K approaches, the iconic Brevard race is gearing up to celebrate! Power of Pizza Charities is heading up this year's race festivities and promises to provide participants with a great race, cutting edge, 3D race medals for every finisher and lots of prizes and surprises.

The popular **Slay the Beast Challenge** at print time was 30% of race capacity. We'll take 200 registrations this year. To participate in the challenge, you must complete both the 10K and the **Tail of the Lizard 2 Mile**. Race start times are 7:00am (10K) and 8:30am (2 mi). Participants are scored in the Slay the Beast challenge category with the top 3 male and female competitors receiving awards. Participants will also receive exclusive Slay the Beast race bibs and the fierce Slay the Beast medal. You must register for Slay the Beast Challenge to be eligible. Those signing up for the races individually are not eligible. SCR member pricing is \$60.



- SCR has several committees in need of volunteers.
- The SCR newsletter is looking for help with writing, photography and live Facebook streaming at ROY series races.
- Eye of the Dragon 10K needs race volunteers for Sunday, February 18 along with race packet stuffing and packet pickup the week prior to the race. Sign up here: <u>https://goo.gl/4yFi3x</u>

For additional info on how you can serve the club, please contact Lisa Hamelin via email: <u>lisahamelin@gmail.com</u>



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Sunday, February 18, 2018 Eau Gallie Civic Center

1551 Highland Avenue, Melbourne, FL 32937

Join us for the 30th anniversary of this Space Coast Runners road race! 7AM—10K | 8:30AM—2 Mile Race benefits Space Coast Runners Student Scholarship Fund. Register online at EyeoftheDragon10K.com. Questions? Email eyeofthedragon10k@gmail.com.

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- Not up for the full 6.2 miles? Join us for the Tail of the Lizard
- Slay the Beast Challenge—Do both races and receive an additional medal for your efforts. Space is limited to 2001
- Free race shirt guaranteed with paid early registration.
- Free SCR Youth Series Fun Run for ages 12 & under.
- Early registration ends on 2/4/18.
- Fantastic 30th anniversary post-race party, drinks & awards!
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- ENTRY FEES: SORRY NO REFUNDS! Early Registration is before 2/5/18

10K Adult - \$35 10K Student (18 & under) - \$32

2 Mile Adult - \$25 2 Mile Student (18 & under) - \$23 2 Mile SCR Member - \$22

 10K SCR Member - \$30
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 All 10K Registrations 2/5 to 2/18-\$40

All 2 Mile Registrations 2/5 to 2/18–\$30

Slay the Beast Challenge—\$70 (10K & 2 Mile) Slay the Beast Challenge SCR—\$60 (10K & 2 Mile)

PACKET PICKUP

Packet pickup at Running Zone—3696 N Wickham Rd, Melbourne

Friday, Feb 16 - 10am to 6:30pm Saturday, Feb 17 - 10am to 5pm

SUNDAY, FEB 18 - RACE DAY

6:00 am Packet Pick Up & Race Day registration

6:45 am 10K Late registration ends

7:00 am Eye of the Dragon 10K starts 8:00 am 2 Mile Late registration ends



8:30 am Tail of the Lizard 2 Mile starts 9:15 am SCR Youth Series (1/4, 1/2, & 1 mile runs) – FREEI 9:30 am Awards Ceremony

10K, 2 MILE & SLAY THE BEAST AWARD CATEGORIES

- Top 3 Overall Male & Female in 10K, 2 Mile & Slay the Beast
- Top Masters (40+), Grand Masters (50+) & Senior Grand Masters (60+) Male & Female – 10K & 2 Mile
- Top 3 in each Age Group— 10K & 2 Mile
- Top 3 10K Teams Only for all Male, all Female and Co-ed (Team must have a min of 5 members; co-ed must have 1 person of opposite sex)

10K AGE GROUPS

14 & under 15-19 20-24 25-29 30-34 35-39 40-44 45-49 50-54 55-59 60-64 65-69 70-74 75-79 80+

2 MILE AGE GROUPS

10 & under 11-19 20-29 30-39 40-49 50-59 60-69 70-79 80+

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Team Division (circle): Co-Ed	Male	Female		

In consideration of my entry being accepted, I intend to be legally bound, and hereby for myself, my heirs, and executors, waive all rights and claims for damages which may hereafter accrue to me against the sponsors, officials, volunteers, and supporters of this race and any representatives, successors, or assigns for any and all damages or injuries which may be sustained and suffered by me in consideration of my association with an entry or participation in the Eye of the Dragon event. If I should suffer injury or illness, I authorize the officials of the race to use their discretion to have me transported to a medical facility, and I take full financial and legal responsibility for this action. I attest and verify that I am physically fit and have my physician's permission to participate in this race. I hereby understand that it presents a risk of physical injury, knowing this I am entering this event at my own risk. I assume all risks associated with running in this event, including high heat and/or humidity, traffic and the conditions of the road. I grant pemission to all of the foregoing to use my photographs, motion pictures, recordings or any other record of this event for any legitimate purpose. I understand that this event does not provide for refunds in the event of a cancellation, and by signing this waiver, I consent that I am not entitled to a refund if the event is cancelled before or during the event.

Signature:

(Participant or Parent or guardian if under 18)

Date:

SCR Central A LOOK AT WHAT'S HAPPENING ON THE SPACE COAST RUN SCENE



What's hanging on your wall?

Ed Jerdonek shared this creative wall mural made from all his racing bibs with us. His wife, Tammi, is the artistic genius behind the cool collage. Jerdonek said, "Tammi made it for me a couple of months ago in order to do something with all the running and tri bibs I had accumulated."

The stunning piece is approximately 4' x 5' and now hangs proudly in what Tammi calls his "man cave".

JOB OPENING

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Interested? For more info or to apply, contact Rebecca Wells at rwells@thedriven.net.



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JANUARY 2018

Exclusive SCR Race Discounts

 Flying Pirate Half Marathon & 5K, Saturday & Sunday 4/14-15/18. A Pirate-themed half marathon on the Outer Banks of NC! Begin in Kitty Hawk, go into Nags Head, around the Wright Brothers Memorial, and the Woods Maritime Forest. Finish with a Pirate Jamboree! First Flight 5K - Saturday. Double Dare Challenge -Both Days! Use code: SPACECOAST18 for 15% off the half or challenge distances.

Please note: Discounts are negotiated exclusively for Space Coast Runners members only.

Sharing and distributing is highly discouraged and jeopardizes our ability to bring these added benefits to our membership.

If your race would like to offer a discount, please email info@spacecoastrunners.org your race name, date and code.



Running Safety Tip

RESPECT PRIVATE PROPERTY ALONG YOUR ROUTE.

- Don't relieve yourself in the neighbor's bushes.
- Don't litter. If you can't find a trash can, carry your trash home.



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OARS AND PADDLES PARK

Oars and Paddles is a park located on Banana River Drive and provides many outdoor water activities, such as: rowing, kayaking, and canoeing. Other amenities include a boat house for Space Coast Crew, a public floating launch dock, a pavilion with picnic tables, clean restrooms, and a park. It is also a great spot to park, use the restroom, and go for a run along the Indian River.

It's hard to beat the natural beauty of running across the Mathers draw bridge and having a view of the river for your entire run. You do have to share the road with cars, other runners, and cyclists. If you decide to run there on Sundays, you will not be alone.

Many runners take to the pavement on that day, so parking can get crowded, but it makes it for a fun run with lots of other runners. Running Zone and Up & Running Fitness also puts out water along Banana River Rd. on Sundays for the runners. If you haven't checked this place out for a runput your sneaks on and head out! It will soon become one of your favorite spots!

Oars & Paddles is located at 1329 Banana River Drive Indian Harbour Beach, FL 32937 Article & photos by Krysti Dixon

Oars & Paddles continued





Proceeds benefit Brevard County families affected by Autism

FEBRUARY 17, 2018 8:00 AM FREE Kid's Fun Run at 9:15



150 W University Blvd Melbourne, FL 32901



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\$25* Each Registrant until 2/3/2018 \$15* Each Student K—12 until 2/3/2018 \$30* late registration or race day registration Kid's Run is FREE *Save \$5 if you do not want a shirt

PACKET PICK-UP

Running Zone

Thursday 2/15/2018 & Friday, 2/16/2018 between 10:00 am - 6:30 pm (across from Eastern Florida State College on Wickham Rd)

The Scott Center for Autism Treatment

On race day between 6:45 - 7:45 am

T-SHIRTS

All 5K entrants will receive a race T-shirt. Shirts and sizes are not guaranteed for late registration.

AWARDS

Largest team 1 st place team—fastest 3 runners Top Male & Female overall Top Male & Female Masters (40+ years) Male & Female for top 3 in each age category

RESTRICTIONS

For safety reasons, earphones and animals are **PROHIBITED** on the race course.

Register on line: https://secure.runningzone.com/ autismawareness5k/

REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS

RUN FOR AUTISM IS A RAIN OR SHINE EVENT. NO REFUNDS WILL BE ISSUED

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Health First Mayors' Fitness Challenge Kick-Off

Community Walks Saturday, February 3, 2018, at 9 a.m.

Join your fellow participants at one of four community walks hosted by local mayors to kick off the 2018 Health First Mayors' Fitness Challenge. Wear your team shirt and show your pride for your community!

> **Gleason Park 5K Walk** 1233 Yacht Club Boulevard Indian Harbour Beach, FL 32937

Riverview Park 3K Walk 2301-2499 Irwin Street Melbourne, FL 32901

Palm Bay 5K Walk at Harris Corporation

1395 Troutman Boulevard NE Palm Bay, FL 32905

Xeriscape Park 3K Walk 104 Taylor Avenue Cape Canaveral, FL 32920

This will also be your last chance to get weighed for "The Great Weight-Off Competition"



Health First 2018 Mayors' Fitness Challenge

Twelve mayors in Brevard County are challenging their citizens to get involved in a healthy competition. The **FREE** 12-week challenge will track the minutes of participants' healthy activities. The municipality reporting the most minutes of physical activity will be named "**Most Fit City**."

This year, the City of Cape Canaveral will defend its title of Most Fit City in the Health First 2018 Mayors' Fitness Challenge!

About the Challenge:

Twelve mayors in Brevard County are challenging their citizens to get involved in a friendly competition to determine who will earn the title of **Most Fit City 2018**. The participating municipalities are:

City of Cape Canaveral Cocoa Cocoa Beach Grant-Valkaria

Indian Harbor Beach

Indialantic

Melbourne

Palm Bay

Rockledge

Satellite Beach

Titusville

West Melbourne

The municipality whose team reports the most minutes of physical activity will be the winner of the competition.

Registration Info:

Registration is a easy as one click - HERE

Registration is on-going; you can join at any point throughout the challenge. To receive a t-shirt or participate in the Great Weight-Off, you must register by January 15, 2018.

> The challenge is on! Feb 3 – Apr 28, 2018





2017-2018

Running on Island Time 5K

Saturday, August 26, 2017

Overall Male & Female Winners: William Maltin & Jennifer Absher

Turtle Krawl 5K

Saturday, September 9, 2017 CANCELLED

Space Coast Classic 15K & 2 Mile

Sunday, November 5, 2017

Overall Male & Female Winners: Derek Beckett & Jennifer Absher

Space Coast Marathon & Half Marathon

Sunday, November 26, 2017

Overall Marathon Male & Female Winners: David Kilgore & Gabriela Herra Arroyo Overall Half Marathon Male & Female Winners Brian Atkinson & Holly Davis Reindeer Run 5K — 12/9/17 Saturday, December 9, 2017

> Overall Male & Female Winners: John Davis & Jennifer Absher

Tooth Trot 5K

Saturday, January 27, 2018

Eye of the Dragon 10K & Tail of the Lizard 2 Mile

Sunday, February 18, 2018

Downtown Melbourne 5K

Saturday, March 24, 2018

Space Walk of Fame 8K & 2 Mile

Saturday, April 7, 2018

Eat My Crust 5K Sunday, May 6, 2018

JANUARY 2018



Runner of the Year Series

2017—2018 ROY Leader Board

OVERALL

- 1 Steve Hedgespeth
- 2 Shane Streufert
- 3 Jonathan Howse

MASTERS

- Keith Snodgrass
- **GRAND MASTERS**
- Matt Mahoney

SENIOR GRAND MASTERS

Mike McNees

2017—2018 ROY Leader Board

OVERALL

- 1 Jennifer Absher
- 2 Cami Waldon
- 3 Charlotte Walters

MASTERS

- Mary Hofmeister
 GRAND MASTERS
- Annie Caza
 SENIOR GRAND MASTERS
- Debra Stokes

Please note: the series standings reflect your age on August 26, 2017, the date of the first race of the 2017-2018 ROY series season. If you have any series questions, please email John Davis by clicking <u>here</u>.



SERIES RECAP

With five of the series' ten races having taken place (or been canceled), the ROY leader board has seen a few shakeups.

The men's series saw new member, Derek Beckett off to a phenomenal start with three overall first place finishes. However, Beckett sat out the Reindeer Run which caused him to slide out of the top three. Perennial series winner, John Davis is back in the hunt after missing the first two series races. He scored well at the Space Coast Half Marathon and took the win at the Reindeer Run so don't count him out just yet. Remember, this year there are 2 drops plus the forced Turtle Krawl drop.

For now Steve Hedgespeth holds the top spot, followed by Shane Streufert who trails him by 20 points. Jonathan Howse rounds out the top three. Keith Snodgrass and Matt Mahoney both jumped a "Masters" position on the board and Mike McNees made his debut in the Senior Grand Masters spot.

Jennifer Absher has held the women's first place series spot from the get-go. Her future looks good at the top as we head into the 2018 races. Cami Waldon jumped to second place, showing consistent racing and improvement is key. Waldon has steadily earned more points in each of the first 4 races. Charlotte Walters also makes her debut on the leader board in third. She raced the Space Coast Marathon which strategically boosted her ROY points tally.

Mary Hofmeister remains the top Masters while an injured Annie Caza fell from second overall to Grand Masters. Debra Stokes is still secure in the Senior Grand Masters position.





FEATURED ROY SERIES RACE

It's the 30th Anniversary of the Eye of the Dragon 10K! Come celebrate this iconic Brevard race.

WHERE► Eau Gallie Civic Center 1515 Highland Ave, Melbourne, FL 32935

WHEN► 7:00 AM/8:15 AM — Sun., Feb 18

COST► SCR Members save \$5 on 10K, \$3 on 2 Mile and \$10 on Slay the Beast Challenge. Early discounted registration runs until 2/4/18.

WHAT TO EXPECT → 3D Dragon race medals for all the 10K & 2 Mile finishers plus a bonus medal for Slay the Beast participants (limited to 200 participants). 30th anniversary race shirt, custom bibs & more!

Intracoastal Brewing Company will be on hand with free samples of their Dragon Point beer at the post-race party.

SCR YOUTH SERIES ▶ 9:15 AM — Open to kids free of charge that are 12 & under.

ONLINE RACE REGISTRATION► <u>Click here</u>

PAPER RACE REGISTRATION► <u>Click here</u>

LAST YEAR'S WINNERS►

10K

John Davis — 35:05

2 Mile

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Derek Beckett — 11:43

Holly Davis — 37:53

Alison Nolan — 12:13

Slay the Beast Challenge Derek Beckett — 47:52 (CR)

Alison Nolan — 53:34 (CR)

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- 1. Take a **selfie** with any of your SCR branded apparel!
- 2. Follow us on Instagram (@spacecoastrunners) & like our Facebook Page (spacecoastrunners)
- Post it on your Instagram with hashtag
 #\$paceCoastRunners by January 31, 2018. Winner will be announced 2/1/18.



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Reindeer Run 5K - 12/09/17 - Cape Canaveral Race Report



Sheriff Wayne Ivey may have started the Reindeer Run 5K Dec. 8, but John Davis finished it.

In what is becoming Cape Canaveral tradition, the Viera resident Davis cruised to the line in 17 minutes, seven seconds, ahead of Shane Streufert (17:18), also of Viera, and Steve Hedgespeth of West Melbourne (17:24).

It was Davis' fourth straight victory in the race, the fifth and year-ender in Space Coast Runners' Runner of the Year Series, in which Davis is a multi-time winner as well.

Jennifer Absher, on the other hand, was a first-timer, and she finished first among all women at 19:03, in front of Sarah McBeath of Orlando (20:13) and Cassidy Hill of Winter Park (21:08).

"I am so happy," the Melbourne resident said. "I liked the course because it was out and back, very simple, quick and safe. It was a good workout run too."

Jonathan Howse, a West Melbourne resident, won the male masters division at 19:01; Keith Snodgrass of Melbourne was male grandmasters winner at 19:22. Mary Hofmeister of Malabar took female masters honors (22:59); the grandmasters winner among women was Betsy Fisher of Cocoa Beach (23:09).

The race took place in occasional rain, blustery winds and dropping temperatures – it was 71 degrees an hour before the race and 57 an hour afterward – which did not bother the winners but drew jokes from lvey.

"Welcome to the Reindeer Run, which this year probably should be called the Reindeer Swim," Ivey told the runners.

The annual event, in which about 600 runners participated, benefits the Brevard County Sheriff's Office Police Athletic League here.



Report by Lyn Dowling

OVERALL MEN

John Davis, 17:07 Shane Streufert, 17:18 Steve Hedgespeth, 17:24

OVERALL WOMEN

Jennifer Absher, 19:03 Sarah McBeath, 20:13 Cassidy Hill, 21:08

MASTERS

Jonathan Howse, 19:01 Mary Hofmeister, 22:59

GRAND MASTERS

Keith Snodgrass, 19:22 Betsy Fisher, 23:09

SENIOR GRAND MASTERS

Matt Mahoney, 21:13 Carol Ball, 25:01

TEAM RESULTS

Running Zone Viera Pizza Race Team SCR Racing Team

For complete race results, <u>click here</u>.



Photo credits: Brittany Streufert

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Reindeer Run 5K continued Race Report



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Start, Finish & Post Race Party at the Avenue Viera 5K Race & One Mile Fun Run 4.1 Mile Superhero Challenge

Free Kids Run & Mascot Sprint • RACE MANAGED BY RUNNING ZONE Judged Superhero Costume Contest

The 6th annual Superhero Run is a family friendly running and walking event that benefits local abused and neglected children. The event is hosted by Friends of Children of Brevard, a non-profit 501(c)(3) registered in the state of Florida. All proceeds benefit the abused, abandoned and neglected children of Brevard County and supports the Guardian ad Litem Program.



Online Race Registration: <u>https://secure.runningzone.com/Race/FL/Viera/Superhero</u>

For more information contact: superhero5kviera@gmail.com 🔄 (321) 690-6823



JANUARY 2018

Jingle Bell 2 Miler - 12/16/17 - Satellite Beach Race Report



'Tis the season to run fast

Sometime around Christmas, someone posted on social media that it probably wasn't a good idea to go nighttime-strolling through a certain neighborhood in Satellite Beach to see the holiday lights.

"If you wanted to do that," the poster wrote, "You should have come for the run."

Lord knows others did Dec. 16, about 2,000 of them, including the usual crop of high schoolers, returning collegians and homecoming family members. Tyler Roberts of Melbourne and the University of Tampa led them all, finishing the 2-mile race in 10 minutes, seven seconds.

Jacob Dordick of Melbourne was second at 10:10, followed by Derek Beckett, also of Melbourne, at 10:19.

Kaitlin Donner took what has become her annual homecoming victory on the women's side, finishing at 10:47, 10 seconds ahead of Holly Davis of Viera. Angela Cobb of Melbourne Beach finished third at 11:56.



Pictured below: Running Zone's festive and very hardworking crew.



Report by Lyn Dowling

OVERALL MEN Tyler Roberts, 10:07 Jacob Dordick, 10:10 Derek Beckett, 10:19

OVERALL WOMEN Kaitlin Donner, 10:47 Holly Davis, 10:57 Angela Cobb, 11:56

MALE MASTERS
Shane Streufert, 10:31

FEMALE MASTERS Tracy Dutra, 13:31

TEAM RESULTS Viera Pizza Race Team Island Tile Distance Project Running Zone

For complete race results, click here.

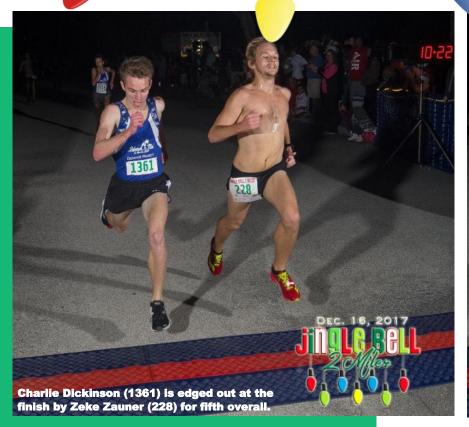
Jingle Bell 2 Miler continued Race Report



In the masters' division, Shane Streufert of Viera found himself in a familiar place (first) among men at 10:31; the women's masters winner was Tracy Dutra of Melbourne at 13:31.

The race was, as always, the year-ender for the Running Zone Foundation Race Series, and race director Denise Piercy pronounced herself delighted with the turnout and the new layout, which was done to accommodate the everrising number of runner-revelers who participate in one of Brevard's biggest Christmas parties.

"It really worked out well," she said. "We love that so many people love this race."





Christmas Fit-Mas 3K - 12/09/17 - Viera Race Report



Wilson, Jensen prevail in Fit-mas 3K

t wasn't really cold. There was no snow. However, the feeling of Christmas was definitely in the air as a field of 134 runners and walkers took to the streets of Viera on a Saturday evening for this year's Christmas Fit-mas. Organized by Pizza Gallery & Grill at the Viera Regional Park, runners wore lights, tutus and holiday attire as they ran the 3K distance. Indian Harbour Beach's thirteen year-old Justin Wilson finished first overall and fourteen year-old Mai Jensen from Rockledge won for the women. Both winners scored course records in the second annual event. Wilson's 10:27 bested Julio Castillo's 11:04 from 2016 while Jensen's 13:49 was nine seconds faster than Chelsea Paglia's 13:58.

A Little Elf Fun Run followed the 3K with tiny tots sprinting down the road. Participants were treated to holiday goodies and lots of giveaways at the post-race party.



Report by Brittany Streufert

OVERALL MEN Justin Wilson, 10:27.6 Alex Colon, 11:10.3 Mads Jensen, 11:43.4

OVERALL WOMEN Mai Jensen, 13:49.5 Riley Roche, 14:25.0 Lisa Girard, 14:40.4

5K MASTERS James Girard, 13:03.1 Kim Jordan, 14:42.8

For complete race results, <u>click here</u>.



Photo credits: Pizza Gallery & Grill



Age Divisions for Awards: Top 3 Overall Male and Female; Masters Male & Female; Male & Female: 7-9; 10-14; 15-19; 20-24; 25-29; 30-34; 35-39; 40-44; 45-49; 50-54; 55-59; 60-64; 65-69; 70-74; 75+

3rd Annual Wagon's Run Walk Roll 5K – Saturday February 10, 2018 – Registration Form

Name (print)	Phone #		
Address	State Zip		
Email	_ Circle one Male/Female Birthday// Age		
Adult Shirt Size (circle one) XS S M L XL 2X	Amount Enclosed \$ Check #		
In consideration of my entry being accepted, I intend to be legally bound, and hereby for myself, my heil Event Management & Timing, sponsors, officers, volunteers and supporters of this race and any repress consideration of my association with an entry or participation in the event. If I should suffer injury or lill full financial and legal reponsibility for this action. I attest and verify that I am physically fit and have m	n, Inc. Mail to PO Box 238444, Cocoa, FL 32923 rs, and my executors, waive all rights and claims for damages which may hereafter accrue to me against Space Coast entative, successors, or assigns for any and all damages or injuries which may be sustained and suffered by me in ness, I authorize the officials of the race to use their discretion to have me transported to a medical facility, and take ny physician's permission to participate in this race. I grant full permission to any, and all of the forgoing to use any have read the above and understand that it presents a risk of physical injury, knowing this, I am entering this event at		

Signature (Parent, if under 18) Date Date Date CK#_____ Credit Card / Cash

\$25

\$35

Registration by February 9

Shirts guaranteed to participants registered by

Race Day

January 23. Race is chip timed.

Run Run Santa 1 Mile - 12/23/17 - Viera Race Report



What if a town celebrated the holidays with one big community event, and what if that event took off running . . . a moveable feast, as it were?

Such is Run Run Santa to Viera, part of which – the area closest to Calvary Chapel -- was transformed to a sea of scarlet Dec. 23 by about 900 sprinting, jingling, occasionally-singing, post-race-pizza-partying St. Nicks.

First among the Clauses on their one-mile journey was 25-year-old Ryan Widzgowski of Keene, N.H., an All-American at Keene State College and NCAA Division III champion in the 1,500 meters three years ago.

He dashed away to finish in four minutes, 58.63 seconds, ahead of Ed Donner of Satellite Beach (5:02.58) and Shane Streufert of Viera (5:04.05).

Kaitlin Donner, who relishes holiday-themed races, won her second Run Run Santa, this time at 5:09.93, good for fourth place overall. Second among women was Melissa Taylor of Indian Harbour Beach (5:47.71), followed by Vanessa Bolen of Kissimmee (6:11.34).

Alex Colon (5:17.37) and Lisa Petrillo (6:41.07), both of Melbourne, took masters honors. Grandmasters winners were Joe Hultgren of Melbourne (5:43.47) and Mary Hofmeister of Malabar (6:43.66).

The word of the morning, aside from those found in carols, was "fun," which was used by both Widzgowski and Donner to describe the race, which brought a sea of red to the area around Calvary Chapel here, each participant having received a Santa Claus suit in which to run.

The Donners said they liked the challenge of the short run and that the one-miler seems to be returning to prominence. "You can't take it lightly,"



Report by Lyn Dowling

OVERALL MEN Ryan Widzgowski, 4:58.63 Ed Donner, 5:02.58 Shane Streufert, 5:04.05

Kaitlin Donner, 5:09.93 Melissa Taylor, 5:47.71 Vanessa Bolen, 6:11.34

Alex Colon, 5:17.37 Lisa Petrillo, 6:41.07

GRAND MASTERS Joe Hultgren, 5:43.47 Mary Hofmeister, 6:43.66

SENIOR GRAND MAST Matt Mahoney, 6:17.34 Elizabeth Ring, 7:48.92

For complete race results, click here.



Run Run Santa 1 Mile - continued Race Report

Ed Donner said. "It's a tough distance to pace. It hurts."

Those 900 runners equaled a little less than twice the number of participants in the inaugural event on Christmas Eve, 2016, and it was followed by its mirror race Christmas Eve in Vero Beach.

Streufert won that one at 5:14.58, followed by Brandon Rinchack of Vero Beach (5:34.41) and Casey Williams of Clarksville, Tenn. (5:39.92).

Catlin Batten of North Charleston, S.C. took women's honors in the downtown race, finishing at 5:46.32, in front of Allison Schumann of Fort Pierce (5:56.78) and Mary Lunn of Vero (6:03.39).

Masters winners were Hofmeister (6:44.72) and Irv Batten of South Carolina (5:46.25). Michael Walker of Viera was male grandmasters winner (6:00.72) and Molly Kirk of Viera finished ahead of all the other 50+ females (7:31.92).





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PUSH YOURSELF TO THE LIMIT!

Test your strength and endurance on this 3-mile course that runs on trails through the Florida Tech Challenge Course and the Sebastian River State Preserve in Fellsmere, Florida.

You will encounter a military spec Marine Obstacle Course, Air Assault Course and additional challenges along the way.

Choose your category:

- COMPETITIVE GROUP You must complete the obstacles as designed to be eligible to win.
- OPEN GROUP Do your best with modified obstacles.

Food and drinks available after the race!

SPONSORS:





DATE AND TIME: Saturday, Feb. 17, 2018 9 a.m.

LOCATION:

Florida Tech Challenge Course 11090 CR 512, Fellsmere, FL

COST: \$45 — until midnight Feb. 3, 2018 \$60 — Feb. 4, 2018 and after

AWARDS: Competitive class only

- Top 3 Male 40 and under
- · Top 3 Female 40 and under
- Top 3 Male over 40
- Top 3 Female over 40

FOR MORE INFO: www.fit.edu/challenge-course



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The Trailhead Preserve FIT Challenge Course is a publicly owned outdoor recreation facility operated by Florida Institute of Technology and partially developed with assistance from the Land and Water Conservation Fund on land acquired with funds from the Florida Communities Trust (FCT) and Indian River County. The Trailhead Preserve is compliant with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act, Section 504 of the Rehabilitations Act, and Americans with Disabilities Act. RE-384-717 **RUN** a mile with

Rodney Walker

Native Floridian, Lifetime Runner, Streaker

Name: Rodney Walker

Family: Wife- Sheila

Age: 53

Originally from: Born in Cape Canaveral Hospital, raised in Merritt Island.

Currently reside: Port. St. John

Number of years running: Off and on my whole life. The past 12 years very consistently.

Began running because:

Ran track and Cross Country in Jr. High and High School.

I knew I was hooked when:

I was able to earn a varsity letter as a sophomore in Cross Country at MIHS. I realized then that this was my sport.

Race personal records (PRs) :

5K 25:59 (in my 50's); 18:10 (in high school) 10K 57:29 (in my 50's); 39:38 (in HS) Half Marathon - 2:01:34



Full Marathon... I've ran two, finished both!! That's all that matters.

What has been my biggest running accomplishment to date:

Thankful that I've run two full and 30+ half marathons. Most recently, I started a running streak on December 24, 2015 (my first day of retirement after 35 yrs with Publix). You are required to run at least one mile a day. I average about 2.2 miles a day. As I type this I'm at day #715. There's a club of people who do this... runeveryday.com. Check it out!!

Favorite place to train: River Road.

Favorite local and/or out-of-town race:

Local- Space Coast Half Marathon.

Out of town- I've run the Orlando Extreme Half Marathon quite a few times. Used to be in Christmas, it's now in Apopka.



Running goals:

Currently, I'm hoping to make it to 1,000 days straight with my running steak. They call it earning your comma. Long term, I hope to be able to run into my sixties... maybe seventies.

Training philosophy: Love the quote, "The race is not always to the swift, but to those who keep on running."

Running partners: Run about once a week with friends John Patrick and Rick Hanley.

If I could run a mile with any other person(s), dead or alive:

Bill Rodgers, Meb, Mo Farah, Ryan Hall.

Funniest or oddest thing I've seen while running: In just a few feet of water, saw a porpoise jump completely out of the water chasing a fish. This was on River Road. Completely startled me.

One piece of advice that I would give to a new runner: Hang in there, it's worth it in the long run. (pun intended).

Other interests: I've hiked the first 280 miles of the Appalachian Trail. Have a goal to complete as much of it as I can in my lifetime. Have about 1,920 miles to go!!

Last movie I saw: "The Star" with wife and granddaughter.

Favorite pre-race meal:

I can't live without my.... Chocolate, coffee, music and my wife. Not necessarily in that exact order.

Last time I took a selfie: Not a big selfie person, probably one with my granddaughter Khloe.

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Have you noticed that challenges and multiple race weekends are becoming more popular?

You know, races like Eye of the Dragon where you run a 10K and then a 2 miler, or the Best Damn Race 5K/10K challenge, or even the Gasparilla Distance Classic where you can run 4 races in one weekend. Rumor even has it that the Running Zone is planning a race challenge weekend around one of their events!

So Marion and I thought, why not plan our own race challenge weekend? However, maybe harder than completing five races in a weekend is finding five races in a weekend, especially without having to drive all over the state. Research and planning are key to a successful weekend. Being avid racers, we are always scanning the race event calendars for races to run. Last October I noticed that the Tampa area had multiple races during the first weekend in December. When I checked the start times, I knew I had a rare find. 5K races were lined up Friday night, Saturday morning, Saturday night, Sunday morning and the crowning jewel, a Sunday afternoon race! All of these were scheduled in the Tampa metro area and here was JANUARY 2018

our chance to run 5 races in one weekend!

When race weekend arrived, we were off on a two-hour drive to Clearwater for the first 5K: Rock the Ribbon. What made this race interesting was that it had been postponed from September because of Hurricane Irma; the medals and bibs still had the September 15 date on them. Rock the Ribbon had a large race set-up with vendors, music along the course and a DJ. 212 runners and walkers finished the race and received an impressive medal for doing so. With a 6pm start we ran through Clearwater in the dark and turned around at the top of the causeway to Clearwater Beach. Afterwards we had craft beer, wine, pizza, and fruit, which turned out to be our dinner while we were waiting for the award ceremony. We were first and third in our five-year age groups and received another medal.

Early the next morning saw us off to Al Lopez Park in Tampa for the Run Tampa Tinsel Run 5K and 1 mile Walk. This put us in Christmas mood; Santa was there and most participants sported Christmas running shirts. The flat course was one and a half times around the park, completed by 225 finishers.

The 5 5K Weekend

Long Distance Relationships

Only first place in ten-year age groups was awarded and

Marion was able to claim her age group and received a \$20 gift certificate to a local running store. We all received Santa finisher's medals and had cookies and fruit for post-race refreshments. The opportunity to ring a PR bell added to the fun.

Saturday evening saw us in Ybor City for the Santa's Twilight 5K. This race was a big family event and all about Christmas! It was the most decorated of the races with a large ginger bread house for the start and finish line! There

was a finish tunnel similar to the Lightfest 5K in Wickham Park, and Christmas carols were being played. A costume contest was held for the best Christmas gear. All 386 finishers received a medal, and race awards were presented along fiveyear age groups. This race was also run in the dark with a 7pm start time. It was a flat course with two out and backs through the city that gave us a good look

at our competition. After the race we enjoyed season-appropriate hot chocolate with cookies, candy and chips. When awards came around I was second in my age group and Marion was third in hers. We both received a wooden Christmas tree ornament.

On Sunday morning the 5:30 alarm was not welcomed and fatigue was setting in. We pushed off to the Brandon 5K. (They also had a half marathon which only Matt Mahoney would

run in this type of weekend.) This race started in a shopping plaza in Brandon and was run mostly in a residential area behind the main road. A unique feature of this 5K race was the finisher's medal: we all received one, but those finishing in less than 30 minutes got a larger medal and different ribbon than those who took longer. This almost flat course had 143 finishers in the half marathon and 165 in the 5K. A large

Sunday morning barbecue was set up after the race with hot

dogs, hamburgers and chicken, and there was also pizza.

Beer and coke were there to re-hydrate, and free massages to relax the tired legs! It was all needed, as the 5K award ceremony was delayed as a result of missing chips on many 5K bib numbers. The results had to be done by hand, which led to Marion and I being left out of the results. Later, this was corrected and I was given second in my five-year age group; my large trophy will wait to be picked up when we next travel to Tampa!

More endorphins started to kick in and we were

ready for the finale on Sunday afternoon. We made our way to the B'Nai Israel Congregation in St. Petersburg for the Chase the Dreidel 5K. This race was run partly on city streets and partly on the Pinellas Trail. By race time at 4pm the temperature had risen to around 80 degrees. The race had no age group awards and only acknowledged the top 4 overall male and female runners. Howev-

er, it had a unique feature in that one runner was dressed as a dreidel and given a small head start. Anyone who passed the running dreidel was given an award! I was motivated enough to be able to catch him at the 2.5 mile mark and receive this coveted award! There were 121 finishers and a kids' run too. After the race we had a real treat of freshly made latkes (potato pancakes), salad and jelly donuts that were all delicious!

> Sunday night we were tired, but satisfied after a fun and exciting weekend. We enjoyed going to new places that we never would have visited without a race, and met many runners who motivated us and we hope we motivated them too! It also happened to be the 'Super Moon' weekend that made those night races even more special. Our bodies and our times held together and once we recov-

ered Marion told me to look for a 6 race weekend!





SCR OUT-OF-TOWN RACE RECAP

email your results to: info@spacecoastrunners.org

ROCK THE RIBBON 5K Clearwater, FL on 12/01/17 Skip Oswald, 27:39 1st AG Marion Oswald, 32:30 3rd AG

RUN TAMPA TINSEL 5K Tampa, FL on 12/02/17 Skip Oswald, 27:13 Marion Oswald, 32:44 1st AG

SANTA'S TWILIGHT 5K Ybor City, FL on 12/02/17 Skip Oswald, 27:53 2nd AG Marion Oswald, 34:07 3rd AG

OUC HALF MARATHON Orlando, FL on 12/02/17

Matt Mahoney, 1:35:45 **3rd AG** Susie Meltzer, 2:03:57 Kelly Semenko, 2:10:31 Nichole Warren, 2:26:48 Valerie Eastman, 2:26:58 Patricia Lucas, 2:50:47 Patty Garten, 3:13:06 Karen Hyde, 3:26:47

SAVANNAH BRIDGE RUN Savannah, GA on 12/02/17 Savannah 10K Lisa Petrillo 44 50:29 2nd AG Betsy Butler 49 54:35 3rd AG Loran Serwin 62 1:06 Amber White 37 1:15

Savannah Double Pump

Charlene Anstett 30 1:46 Cyndi Bergs 47 1:50 Cynthia Broome 54 1:24 Shelley Christian 61 1:27 James Christian 68 1:28 Angela Coram 39 1:24 Marisa Flint 52 1:54 Julie Hannah 44 1:07 **1st AG** Tena Hochard 56 1:49 Elizabeth Ring 59 1:37 Christy Zieres 57 1:09

ECHO HALF MARATHON—WINTER Deland, FL on 12/03/17

Bret Haliday, 1:38:32 Masters Shane Streufert, 1:39:32 1st AG Harry Prosser, 1:40:30 2nd AG Keith Snodgrass, 1:44:24 2nd AG Molly Kirk, 1:48:17 Masters Marie Thomas, 1:55:11 1st AG Brittany Streufert, 1:58:42 1st AG Kimberly Prosser, 2:06:51 2nd AG Christine Kennedy, 2:19:34 3rd AG Karen Stout, 2:26:40 Terri Pignone, 3:22:51

BRANDON 5K

Brandon, FL on 12/03/17 Skip Oswald, 28:44 **2nd AG** Marion Oswald, 34:07

CHASE THE DREIDEL 5K St Petersburg, FL on 12/03/17 Skip Oswald, 27:43 Marion Oswald, 36:40

BULOW WOODS TRAIL RACE HALF MARATHON Ormond Beach, FL on 12/09/17

Steve Chin 49 1:54 **1st OA** Kati Craig 43 2:52 Sal Farino 61 2:08 Bill Laws 47 2:20 Sherri Lorraine 41 2:55 Aidan Montague 49 1:59 4th OA Lisa Petrillo 44 2:50 Chris Reesh 48 2:05 Karen Stout 58 4:58 **RUN RUN SANTA 1 MILE** Vero Beach, FL on 12/24/17

Shane Streufert, 5:14 1st OA Michael Walker, 6:00 Masters Joshua Maitlen, 6:01 3rd AG Micah Vanatta, 6:06 1st AG Stephen Bernstein, 6:24 2nd AG Mary Hofmeister, 6:44 Masters Molly Kirk, 7:31 Grand Masters Sal Farino, 7:02 Senior Grand Masters Kelly Semenko, 7:32 2nd AG The Grinch —7:51 Rebecca Maitlen, 7:54 3rd AG Jodi Noe, 8:16 1st AG Amy Aldridge, 8:17 Audrey Bernstein, 8:27 3rd AG Samantha Kervin, 9:11 Sandra Edwards, 9:31 Marie Thomas, 9:43 Patricia Lucas, 9:45 Seher Swenson, 9:50 3rd AG Laura Smith, 10:05 Jessica Vanatta, 11:42 Ashleigh Schenck, 12:25 Kem Sprawls, 12:35 Tracy Smith, 13:47 Allison Kervin, 15:26



WHERE IN THE WORLD

are Space Coast Runners running?

January 2018

nwood Springs

January 4-7 Walt Disney World Marathon Weekend Lake Buena Vista, FL



Tracy Geiger Kelley Lake—Dopey Challenge

January 13 Best Damn Race 10K Jacksonville, FL

Kari Heminger



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January 14 **Key West Half Marathon** Key West, FL

Terri Pignone, Deb Stokes, Tom Stokes



February 2018

February 6 — 7 Critz Tybee Run Fest Tybee Island, GA

Terry Ryan

February 10 Hot Chocolate 15K Charlotte, NC

Kari Heminger

February 11 **Mercedes-Benz Half** Marathon Birmingham, AL

Robin Murphy



Kari Heminger

February 24—25 Gasparilla Distance Classic Tampa, FL



April 20-21

Kari Heminger

Terri Pignone

Louisville, KY

Barbara Linton

Half Marathon

Washington, DC Heather Mitchell

May 2018

Divas Half Marathon

National Women's

Carol Ball,

April 29

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London Marathon

London, England

Kentucky Derby Festi-

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April 22

April 28

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Star Wars 5K + Challenge

Lake Buena Vista, FL

Lisa Hamelin, Keith Snodgrass, Brittany Streufert, Shane Streufert

March 2018

March 31 Run the Bluegrass Half Marathon Lexington, KY

Terri Pignone



April 2018

April 8 **Credit Union Cherry** Blossom Ten Mile Run Washington D.C.

CHERRY BLOSSON

Carol Ball, Brittany Streufert, Shane Streufert

April 16 122nd Boston Marathon Boston, MA

Matt Mahoney

GET YOUR NEXT RACE LISTED



May 6 Flying Pig Marathon Cincinnati, OH Terri Pignone





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Glenwood Springs



North Myrtle Beach, SC Hilary Eisenbrenner

WHERE IN THE WORL

are Space Coast Runners running?

May 19 Big Lake Half Marathon Alton, NH

nwood Springs

Terri Pignone

May 27 Run to Remember Half Marathon Boston, MA

Run To Remember

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July 2018

July 28 Jack & Jill's Downhill Half Marathon North Bend, WA

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August 2018

August 19 Skinny Raven Half Marathon Anchorage, AK



Terri Pignone

August 3 Rocky Mountain 5K Estes Park, CO

Kari Heminger

September 2018

September 2 Kauai Half Marathon Kauai, HI

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September 15 Bar Harbor Bank & Trust Half Marathon Bar Harbor, ME

Terri Pignone



October 2018

October 7 Newport Half Marathon Newport, RI

Terri Pignone



October 13 Hartford Half Marathon Hartford, CT



Terri Pignone

November 2018

November 18 Rothman 8K Philadelphia, PA Kari Heminger



December 2018

December 8 Tiger 10K Baton Rouge, LA Kari Heminger



We would love to hear if you're running an upcoming race like Boston or Chicago, a marathon in the Spring or other Florida races.

Take the time to tell us where you'll race next—date, place, race. Email the newsletter at: info@spacecoastrunners.org

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Race Calendar

$\textbf{DATE} \cdot \textbf{EVENT} \cdot \textbf{TIME} \cdot \textbf{LOCATION} \cdot \textbf{CONTACT}$

1/6	New Year, New You 5K	8:00am	Rockledge High School, Rockledge	Sebetka.Edward@BrevardSchools.org
1/12	Space Race 2-Mile & 4-Mile Walk Run	7:20pm/ 7:30pm	Kennedy Space Cen- ter, Cape Canaveral	United Way of Brevard
1/13	Fight Child Hunger 5K	8:00am	Viera High School, Viera	http://fightchildhunger5k.org
1/20	Fly Fish 5K	8:00am	Knight Enterprises, Titusville	Lboisseau@gmail.com
1/21	Bayfront 5"K9"	8:00am	Palm Bay Animal Clinic, Palm Bay	palmbay@myfamilyvetclinic.com
1/27	Tooth Trot 5K	8:00am	Wickham Park Commu- nity Center, Melbourne	jrbird23@aol.com
2/3	Superhero 5K & 1 Mile	7:30am	The Avenue Viera, Viera	superhero5kviera@gmail.com
2/10	Bat Boogie 3K	7:00am	Brevard Zoo, Melbourne	info@runningzone.com
2/10	Florida Today 5K & 8K	7:00am/ 8:15am	Front Street Park, Melbourne	info@thefloridamarathon.com
2/10	Wagon's Run Walk Roll 5K	8:00am	Chain of Lakes, Titusville	(321) 302-6011
2/11	Florida Marathon, Half Marathon & Relay	6:00am/ 7:00am	Front Street Park, Melbourne	info@thefloridamarathon.com
2/17	5K Run/Walk for Autism Awareness	8:00am	The Scott Center, Melbourne	321-768-6800
2/18	Eye of the Dragon 10K & Tail of the Lizard 2 Mile	7:00am/ 8:30am	Eau Gallie Civic Center, Melbourne	eyeofthedragon10k@gmail.com



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The title sponsor for the team is *Rall Capital Management* and the supporting sponsor is Imagine Believe Realize, LLC. Space Coast Runners is appreciative of their sponsorship and commitment to support the running community. Read more about them below.

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Waiver: I know that running and volunteering to work in club races are potentially hazardous activities. I should not enter and participate 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 in SCR events including, but not limited to: falls, contact with other participants, the effects of the weather, including heat and/or humidity, traffic and the conditions of the road, such as risks being known and appreciated by me. Having read this waiver and knowing these facts, I, for myself and anyone entitled to act on my behalf, waive and release the Road Runners Club of America, Space Coast Runners, Inc., and all sponsors, their representatives and successors from all claims or liabilities of any kind arising out of my participation in club activities even though that liability may arise out of negligence or carelessness on the part of the persons named in this waiver. *I grant permission to all of the foregoing to use my photographs, motion pictures, recordings or any other record of this event for any legitimate purpose*.

Signature____

_____ Date _____