

1980 Big Butte Run

Saturday, 26 April – Zezotarski, Merrifield Win Inaugural Big Butte Run 10k.

Butte natives, Stan Zezotarski and Liza Merrifield topped their divisions in the inaugural Big Butte Run, which started at the Marcus Daly statue on Park Street on the Montana Tech campus. Runners then ran through Tech's dorm parking lot, straight to the road that climbs up the face of Big Butte to the parking area directly below the "M." After the steep climb, the route continued on the "M" access road skirting Big Butte, before proceeding down the graded road through Brown's Gulch. On the return route, runners cut directly back toward Tech on the rugged double-track roads. The finish line was on Park Street at the turn to the HPER Center. The top three place winners in each age group received awards. The run drew 160 registrants, of which 155 were listed as finishers. One had to pull up early with a sprained ankle. Male finishers outnumbered females 124 to 31.

10K Females Overall: 1, Liza Merrifield, 53:54; 2, Deirdre Coughlan, 54:16; 3, Ann Wayrynan, 54:33.

0-14: 1, Katy McElhenny, 1:00:37; 2, Elaine Cyr, Butte, 1:07:48.

15-18: 1, Liza Merrifield, Butte, 53:54; 2, Linda Kearney, 1:21:31; 3, Sandra Heel, 1:25:21

19-29: 1, Deirdre Coughlan, Butte, 54:16; 2, Ann Wayrynan, Butte, 54:33; 3, Mary Manion, 1:01:54; 4, Chris Mannault, 1:01:59; 5, Karen Flint, 1:03:30; 6, Ellen Nash, 1:03:56; 7, Mary Wainberger, 1:05:31; 8, Sally Beardsley, 1:05:33; 9, Jo Burass, 1:07:04; 10, Susan Gummer, 1:09:53; 11, Colleen McCarthy, 1:11:12; 12, Cathy Kramer, 1:12:53; 13, Theresa Johnston, 1:12:56; 14, Nancy Stockton, 1:16:59; 15, Lynne Scolle, 1:17:59; 16, Tina Nesel, 1:35:22; 17, Debi Cole, 1:35:23.

30-64: 1, Rita Drain, Butte, 54:56; 2, Marie Cook, 1:01:10; 3, Sheila Cyr, Butte, 1:04:21; 4, Peggy Walsh, 1:05:14; 5, Sally Ralston, 1:10:57; 6, Carol Ann Muller, 1:15:34; 7, Lanor Kaney, 1:16:23; 8, Peggy Maloney, 1:23:29; 9, Mary Gall Fairchild 1:23:29.

10K Males Overall: 1, Stan Zezotarski, 41:05; 2, Bill Kearney, 43:57; 3, Wade Humbough, 44:08.

0-14: 1, Dave Silk, Butte, 49:04; 2, Mike McElhenny, GF, 53:00; 3, Rod Cyr, Butte, 54:25; 4, David Snyder, 54:31; 5, Chuck Merrifield, Butte, 55:21; 6, Scott McElhenny, GF, 59:44; 7, Brian Cyr, Butte, 1:03:37; 7, Rhody Holman, 1:13:29; 8, Scott Cromer, 1:14:53; 9, Jace Kramer, 1:31:05; 10, Chris Miller, 1:34:27; 11, Jim Holman, 1:51:00.

15-18: 1, John McKeon, 48:37; 2, Joe Lynch, 48:59; 3, Bob Markovich, 50:08; 4, Ramie Pederson, 51:43; 5, Mike Kearney, 54:53; 6, Ed Scheitlin, 55:24; 7, Ted McElhenny, GF, 58:24; 8, Chris Sharraff, 1:00:16; 9, Shannon Shook, 1:03:12; 10, Ken Jenke, 1:05:25; 11, Phil Bouchers, 1:06:22; 12, Brian Tierney, 1:07:42; 13, Ken Cureton, 1:08:47; 14, Bill Howard, 1:09:04; 15, David Kempell, 1:09:24; 16, Matt Ditto, 1:13:34; 17, Kevin LaBreche, 1:14:20; 18, Bartholomew Purtzig, 1:14:38; 19, Pete Scott, 1:16:20; 20, Paul Wilf, 1:16:28; 21, John O'Hair, 1:16:43

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Scheitlin, 50:28; 14, Woody Kruedener, Butte, 50:35; 15, Paul Carnea, 50:52; 16, Dean Taylor, Butte, 51:17; 17, Kiki Skakles, Anaconda, 51:20; 18, John Weitzel, 52:04; 19, Jerry Brady, 52:11; 20, Chris Griffin, Butte, 52:15; 21, Ed Tracy, 52:52; 22, Jim Petritz, Butte, 52:13; 23, Robert McCallum, 53:30; 24, Mike Shea, Butte, 54:17; 25, John Healy, Butte, 54:18; 26, Pete Major, 54:27; 27, Miles Moquist, Anaconda, 55:06; 28, Gary Pearson, 55:10; 29, Tom Kinneally, 55:23; 30, Randy Storey, 55:34; 31, Marc Trimmer, 56:09; 32, Steve Vinceliatti, 57:47; 33, Dan Welch, 57:52; 34, Jack Drescher, 58:09; 35, Kelly Killebrew, Butte, 58:44; 36, Tom Smith, 58:45; 37, Jim Aamodt 58:55; 38, Greg Smith 59:00; 39, Glen Gutcheck, 59:00; 40, Karl Hazen, 59:39; 41, Steve Way, 1:02:01; 42, Ron Martelli, 1:03:18; 43, John Eadus, 1:04:03; 44, James Hitt, 1:07:51; 45, Brad Shipman, 1:08:12; 46, Tom Stetzour; NT; 47, Frank Flemming, 1:09:38; 48, Larry Hagen, 1:11:37; 49, John Paul, NT; 50, Mike Richards, NT; 51, Tim Stein, NT.

30-64: 1, Dennis McCarthy, 45:03; 2, Mike Codden, 47:19; 3, Ken Erickson, Butte, 51:23; 4, Jim Kaney, Anaconda, 51:30; 5, Raymond Cyr, 51:36; 6, Terry Wilkinson, Anaconda, 52:29; 7, Jim Lester, Butte, 53:28; 8, Gary Lincoln, 54:10; 9, William Breckenfeld, 54:10; 10, Richard Kramer, 54:16; 11, Bob Graham, Butte, 54:26; 12, Dave Manning, 54:40; 13, Don Temple, 55:25; 14, Bob Flint, 56:10; 15, James Ryan, 56:49; 16, Jim Maloney, 57:49; 17, Tim McElwain, 58:42; 18, Ron Johnson, 59:08; 19, Dan Hernz, 59:59; 20, Leo Medina, 1:00:20; 21, Dick Moreni, 1:00:50; 22, Scott Beardsley, 1:01:57; 23, Steve Winter, 1:02:20; 24, Pete Madison, 1:02:35; 25, Norm Hermsmeyer, 1:02:42; 26, Gregg Letz, 1:02:51; 27, Jack Ritte, 1:03:18; 28, John Alley, 1:03:42; 29, Bill Barwick, 1:04:20; 30, Pat Connors, 1:05:48; 31, Hain Hainng Haung, 1:07:15; 32, Mike Johnston, NT; 33, Bob Weyenknecht, 1:09:39; 34, Jim Connors, 1:25:48; 35, Mike McKeon, NT.

64+: 1, Richard Hockley, 54:14; 2, Frank Diebold, 1:04:04; 3, Jim Konen, Butte, 1:04:04; 4, Frank Salmonsens, 1:05:06; 5, Ron Lasik, 1:07:26; 6, John McKeon, 1:08:15.

Stan Zezotarski returned home to Butte to win the inaugural Big Butte Run with a finish time of 41:05 on the rugged and less than precisely measured 10k course.

