

10th Annual American Legion Armistice Day Race

Tuesday, 11 Nov 1947 at Legion Hall in Uptown Butte

At 11 a.m. there was one minute of silence in Butte to pay tribute to those who sacrificed all to keep the United States a free land. That silence was broken by a salute of 11 aerial bombs that were fired at one minute intervals. The race started immediately following the final blast.

Race officials tentatively planned to mark a three-mile loop, but on race morning they adapted that plan, due to the snowy conditions, to create a 2-mile route, starting and finishing, as usual, at Legion Hall on East Broadway.

Charles Twardus' winning time of 14:55 led Butte High.

Martin Kearney, who has raced this event many times previously, and who was the race winner in 1940, joined the ranks of the race officials this year. Kearney is a World War II veteran, and graduate of Christian Brothers' High School.

HS Boy's 2 mile: 1, Charles Twardus, BH, 14:55; 2, Bob Burns, BC; 3, Fred Harvey, BH; 4, Gus Nickel, BH; 5, Don Wulf, BC; 6, Charles Perkins, BH; 7, Dave Moody, BC; 8, Clarence Foster, BH; 9, Joe Canavan, BC; 10, Frank Donovan, BC; 11, Don Meglen, BC; 12, Jack Whalen, BC; 13, Neal Morrisey, BC.