

55th Annual Butte American Legion Veterans' Day Race

Wednesday, 11 November 1992 – Butte Runners Win All Races

Ray Matteson of Butte stops his wristwatch as he finishes the Veterans' Day 5.2 mile race in the winning time of 28:31.



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As recapped by Pat Kearney: Susan Kaluza of Butte became the first four-time women's open division winner of the race. Kaluza won the event in a clocking of 33:44. Kaluza joins Liza Merrifield as the only four-time women's champion; however, Merrifield captured two of her titles in the girls fourteen and under division. All of Kaluza's four victories have come in the women's open division in 1988, 1989, 1991 and 1992.

The overall winner of the race held in cool conditions in the low twenties with light snow showers was Ray Matteson of Butte. Matteson also took top honors in the 1990 event and was second a year ago. Matteson's winning time was 28:31. He was followed by Butte High student Bob Miller who ran side-by-side with Matteson for the first two miles of the race.

Jim Miller, Bob's younger brother, was the boys fourteen and under winner for the second straight year. His winning effort over two and a half miles was 17:27.

There were no girls fourteen and under who competed, but the winner of the girls race 15-18 age group was a tie between Kristin Hill and Trish Burby both students at Butte High School.

Finishers	2.5 M	5.2 M	Total
Female	2	5	7
Male	11	28	39
Total	13	33	46

2.5 Mile Females:

15-18: 1 (tie), Kristen Hill, Butte & Trish Burby, Butte, 18:41.

2.5 Mile Males:

0-14: 1, Jim Miller, Butte, 17:27; 2, T.J. Hart, 17:57; Mitch Cunningham, Butte, 18:22; 4, Jason Scott, 20:47; 5, Curtis Rowe, 21:12; 6, Augie Brower, 23:01; 7, John Lovshin, Butte, 25:18; 9, Michael Lovshin, Butte, 25:24.

15-18: 1, Mike Williamson, 19:27.

35-44: 1, Glen Rouse, 19:05

5.2 Mile Females Overall: 1, Susan Kaluza, 33:44; 2, Molly

Maxwell, 39:11; 3, Pam Naugle, 39:39.

15-18: 1, Molly Maxwell, 39:11.

26-34: 1, Susan Kaluza, Butte, 33:44; 2, Elaine Stasmy, 41:22; 3, Mary Antonich, 43:41.

35-44: 1, Pam Naugle, Butte, 39:39.

5.2 Mile Males Overall: 1, Ray Matteson, 28:31; 2, Bob Miller, 29:35; 3, Don Sundberg, 29:39.

15-18: 1, Bob Miller, Butte, 29:35; 2, Jason Hamma, Butte, 30:26; 3, John Bardsley, Butte, 33:22; 4, Brendon, McDonough, 38:52.

26-34: 1, John Willard, Butte, 31:49; 2, Dave Sutey, 41:09; 3, Sam Malone, 42:50; 4, Ted Bury, 44:11.

35-44: 1, Ray Matteson, Butte, 28:31; 2, Don Sundberg, Butte, 29:39; 3, Pat Kearney, Butte, 30:55; 4, Terry Wisner, 37:23; 5, Larry Richards, 37:33; 6 (tie), Bob Dennehy & Charlie Patterson, 40:22; 8, Joe Griffin, Butte, 43:28.

45-54: 1, Don Patterson, Great Falls, 32:16; 2, Stuart White, Great Falls, 34:22; 3, Carl Clark, Great Falls, 38:07; 4, Bill Peterson, 39:17; 5, Tom Hodges, Helena, 42:19; 6, J. Scotty Wulf, 42:50; 7, Don Peoples, Butte, 44:54; 8, Bob Barwick, 47:06; 9, Albert Lovshin, Butte, 47:57.

55+: 1, Jim Lester, Butte, 37:59; 2, Bill Yeagle, Butte, 44:37; 3, Phil Zamudio, Anaconda, 47:55