Runners endure nasty weather for annual Kokanee runs

By Brenda Knox

Another year of crazy weather did not keep more than 200 enthusiastic runners away from the 21th Annual Lake Tahoe Kokanee, 5K, 10K, and Half Marathon Trail Runs.

Volunteers and runners started arriving amidst a downpour of heavy rain on Oct. 3. This South Shore run dominated by local runners. Inclement weather never deters the hearty souls from the Lake Tahoe area. A perfect rainbow brought some luck to the half marathoners as they started their race.

The Tahoe Mountain Milers and Sagebrush Stompers running clubs have put on this event for 21 years and have dealt with all kinds of weather.



A rainbow shines on runners Oct. 3 in Lake Tahoe. Photo/Brenda Knox

The first-place overall finishers for the 5K run were for the men Harley Norton with a time of 20:57 and for the women Ellen Lucas with a time of 22:09. The first overall finishers for the 10K run were for the women Maureen Sheehan with a time of

46:45 and for the men Chris Badolato with a time of 40:11. The overall top winners for half marathon were Dusty LaChapelle for the men with a time of 1:31:21 and Anne Hitchcock for the women with a time of 1:42:09.

All net proceeds of the 20th Annual Lake Tahoe Kokanee Runs benefit the Tahoe Heritage Foundation, a nonprofit organization supporting U.S. Forest Service environmental education programs at Lake Tahoe.

All participants in the Kokanee Trail Runs can find their times and placement information online.

All top 3 finishers in each age division are listed below.

5K Top 3 Finishers (Female)

Age: 0-12

- 1. Bailey Gansberg
- 2. Blanca Sosa
- 3. Ally Sullivan

Age: 13-15

- 1. Emily Adams
- 2. Alexandra Morgan
- 3. Tara Howe

Age: 16-19

Sonya Riley

Age: 20-29

- 1. Brooklyn Andreason
- 2. Anna Seals

3. Karen Bailey

Age: 30-39

- 1. Jennifer Dulkevich
- 2. Katie McRae
- 3. Jen Roman

Age: 40-49

- 1. Dennette Sullivan
- 2. Bridget Orr
- Janet McDonnell

Age: 50-59

- 1. Ellen Lucas
- 2. Trish Hall
- 3. Karen Masters

Age: 60-69

- 1. Kathleen Becker
- 2. Rebecca Link
- 3. Stephanie Seals

5K Top 3 Finishers (Male)

Age: 0-12

- 1. Connor McRae
- 2. Joshua Sullivan
- 3. Tobin McRae

- Age: 13-15
- 1. Harley Norton
- 2. Noah House
- Age: 16-19
- 1. Michael Shonnard
- Age: 30-39
- 1. Rick Roman
- 2. Ryder Couch
- 3. Steve Dulkevich
- Age: 40-49
- 1. Keith Shonnard
- 2. Brian McRae
- 3. Sean Sweeney
- Age: 50-59
- 1. Jeff Colameco
- 2. Keith Waterman
- Age: 60-69
- 1. Richard Roman Sr.
- Age: 70 plus
- Ron Watkins

10K Top 3 Finishers (Female)

Age: 13-15

- 1. Cassidy Cichowicz
- 2. Christy Walonit

Age: 20-29

- 1. Natalie Craven
- 2. Jill Lourin
- 3. Hannah Desantis

Age: 30-39

- 1. Cecilia Pascual Garrido
- 2. Claire Harrison
- 3. Blair Harilleroad

Age: 40-49

- 1. Maureen Sheehan
- 2. Diana Evans
- 3. Sandy Herback

Age: 50-59

- 1. Lynn Weibezahl
- 2. Missy Sandeman
- 3. Deby Kellogg

Age: 60-69

- 1. Odette Hudson
- 2. Marvis Friesen
- 3. Judy Reed

10K Top 3 Finishers (Male)

Age: 0-12

1. Dustin Orr

Age: 13-15

1. Eric Dunn

2. AJ Marino

3. Skyler Smith

Age: 20-29

1. Dustin Evans

Age: 30-39

1. Chris Badolato

2. Jason Collin

3. Travis Miller

Age: 40-49

1. Mike Keck

2. Bob Woodman

3. Chuck Taylor

Age: 50-59

Doug Cichowicz

2. Dave Martini

3. Pat Medau

Half Marathon Top 3 Finishers (Female)

Age: 20-29

1. Andie Gelhausen

2. Kelly Huck

Age: 30-39

1. Anne Hitchcock

2. Genevieve Evans

3. Valerie Gordon

Age: 40-49

1. Coleen Dalton

2. Natalie Collin

3. Rita Frank

Age: 50-59

1. Mo Bartley

2. Leona Allen

3. Beth Sanderson

Age: 60-69

1. Judy Shipman

2. Evelyn Watkins

Half Marathon Top 3 Finishers (Male)

Age: 20-29

1. Juan DeOlivia

Age: 30-39

- 1. Dusty LaChapelle
- 2. Jamie Adams
- 3. Steve Edmundson

Age: 40-49

- 1. Ross McMahan
- 2. Bryan Hacker
- 3. Raj Crow

Age: 50-59

- 1. David Norvell
- 2. Tom Eckert
- 3. Richard Stockdale

Age: 60-69

- 1. Ron Nageotte
- 2. Brian McFarren
- 3. Ron Peck

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