

# Runner has his way in 10-kilometer run

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What else would you expect from such a die-hard?

After winning Sunday's 10-kilometer "Run for the Blind" through the streets of Birmingham, Dave Montgomery jogged home to Royal Oak.

And, as if he didn't have enough, the 24-year-old Royal Oak Kimball High School graduate soothingly jogged 14 miles around his neighborhood and surrounding communities on Monday.

"Yep, I ran home after the race," said Montgomery matter-of-factly.

"A short race like that fatigues you, but after 6.2 miles you can still move," he said. "I can normally just resume training right after (a short race)."

Montgomery was the overall winner of the fifth annual 6.2-mile race, sponsored by the Birmingham Lions Club. His time was a record-setting mark of 31 minutes, 36.9 seconds.

The event also drew a record number of 1,510 participants, who came from such places as Ohio, Minnesota,

Pennsylvania, Arizona and Toronto. It was a jump of 115 percent over last year's total of 740 runners.

"I didn't think there would be that many people (in the race)," said Montgomery, who has run in eight different marathons around the country.

"THE COURSE was a real challenge to me, although it wasn't my best time (for a 6.2-mile race). It was a tough course with a lot of turns and a few good hills. Birmingham is a nice place with a lot of nice residential areas."

"I liked it because you go from pavement to soft dirt. When you run a loop around a golf course like we did, it tends to tire on your legs a little. And

the last half mile we were going up hill and my legs were kind of tired."

"But I knew I had it when because I looked behind me and I could see how far in front I was," he said.

Montgomery participated in the men's 20-29 age division. Mike Cotton was second in that division with the second-best overall time of 31:48.8, and Joe Caruso was third in the same division and third overall with a time of 32:26.6.

Paul Olmstead and Dale Arbour — both of whom participated in the men's 30-39 age division — were fourth and fifth overall with respective times of 33:11.9 and 33:37.2.

IN THE WOMEN'S competition, the winner was Kim Bruce of Ann Arbor with a time of 41:13.8. She finished 94th overall.

There was also a two-mile race, which was won by Kevin Gilmore of Milford with a time of 11:22.0. The women's winner was Donna Heck (14:24.4) of Auburn Heights.

The Birmingham YMCA, coached by Janet Wagnerschutz, won the team-competition trophy.

"There were a lot of spectators lining the streets, and we've never had that before," said race director George Schubert. "Some runners were even

saying that people were cheering them on while they were on the golf course."

There was one slight problem with the increase in participation. The lone chute where the runners came through at the end of the race wasn't long enough to hold all the runners.

Consequently, the line got jammed up and some of the runners didn't receive exact finish times.

"That's part of the growing pains we encountered," said Schubert. "Next year, we're increasing the number of chutes and length of the chute to cut down on congestion at the finish line and to guarantee their right times."

## Meet summary

BIRMINGHAM LIONS CLUB  
"RUN FOR THE BLIND"  
10-KILOMETER RACE RESULTS  
Results by age division  
(Number in parentheses is overall finish among 1,510 runners)

Men's Under 20 age division: 1. Steve Hangan (17); 2. Randy Warren (22); 3. Ted Berry (28). Men's 20-29 age division: 1. Dave Montgomery (overall winner with a time of 31:36.9); 2. Mike Cotton (32); 3. Joe Caruso (37). Men's 30-39 age division: 1. Paul Olmstead (4); 2. Dale Arbour (5); 3. William Kennedy (11). Men's 40-49 age division: 1. John Tinsman (18); 2. Gene Jurkiewicz (19); 3. Gene Mear (24). Men's 50 and over: 1. Ken Carman (23); 2. Chuck Davey (26); 3. Joe Kall (43).

Women's Under 20: 1. Kim Bruce (94), women's overall winner with a time of 41:13.8; 2. Mary Parsons (454); 3. Denise Brindley (459). Women's 20-29 age division: 1. Donna Heck (14); 2. Mary Parsons (454); 3. Denise Brindley (459). Women's 30-39 age division: 1. Mary Parsons (454); 2. Denise Brindley (459); 3. Linda Daly (208). Women's 40-49 age division: 1. Mary Parsons (454); 2. Denise Brindley (459); 3. Linda Daly (208). Women's 50 and over: 1. Jo Faul (55); 2. Gene Mear (24); 3. Lora

Stankowski (806); 50 and over: 1. Isadore King (299); 2. Pat Riller (438); 3. Pat Hill (718).

TWO-MILE RACE RESULTS

Men's Under 20 age division: 1. Kevin Gilmore (1), overall winner with a time of 11:22.0; 2. Dan Gilmore (2); 3. Robert Wenzel (3); 4. Jackie Fottie (12); 5. Mark Kelland (4); 6. Tom Trzaskowski (20-29); 7. Verla Clark (32); 8. Bill Gullinger (6); 9. Dennis Marts (10); 10-19: 1. Kent Taitab (2); 2. Andrew Algan (32); 3. Tom Glover (77); 50 and over: 1. Hank Schmidt (42); 2. John Surveys (92); 3. Harry Drisher (124).

Women's Under 20 age division: 1. Nina Williams (62); 2. Julie Wenzel (61); 3. Jackie Fottie (12); 4. Donna Heck (14); 5. Sue Castro (24); 6. Gene Healy (27); 30-39: 1. Chris Pihel (28); 2. Sue Bransford (35); 3. Clare Wallick (50); 40-49: 1. Lisa Moore (72); 2. Norman Benham (139); 3. Dana Sandberg (155); 50 and over: 1. Joan

## Rochester a close 2nd

# Laker netters win GOAL title

West Bloomfield won the Greater Oakland Activities League (GOAL) tennis championship Friday, narrowly defeating second-place Clarkson by half a point.

Rochester finished third and Lake Orion last in the league competition. West Bloomfield copped championships at first and fourth singles and third doubles.

Clarkson won league honors at second singles and second doubles, with Rochester taking third singles and first doubles.

West Bloomfield's Chris Nagel won the first singles final, defeating Rochester's Beth Bulotta 6-0, 6-0. Clarkson's Kelly Craig beat Rochester's Stephanie Simpson, also by 6-0, 6-0 scores. Rochester's Cheryl Bracken ousted Clarkson's Anja Holler, 6-2, 6-0 at third singles.

West Bloomfield's Marsha Gotman survived the challenge of Clarkson's Shelle Van Keuren, 6-7, 6-2, 6-1 at fourth singles.

At first doubles, it was Rochester's Sabina Matis and Sam Mallett, 6-1, 6-7, 6-4. Clarkson number two doubles team of Audrey Campe and Tanya Cook beat out West Bloomfield's Debbie Warnecke and Laurie Mineweis-

ter, 6-1, 6-3. West Bloomfield's Holly Meyers and Gail Lakin edged Clarkson's Krista Pilditch and Stacey Walker 6-4, 6-4 at third doubles.

Elected to GOAL All-League honors by the participating coaches were Nagel, Jenny Berne and Giselle Wocken-fuss, West Bloomfield; Mary Smith, Craig and Holler, Clarkson; Bulotta, Bracken and Simpson, Rochester, and Anne Meire VanDerLay, Lake Orion.

## FHS golfers fade in meet

Livonia Stevenson surprised Western Lakes Activities Association (WLAA) division winners Farmington (392) and Livonia Churchill (Western) in capturing the first-ever league golf title Monday at Rolling Meadows Golf Course in Whitmore Lake.

Craig Szeew and Harry Youmans finished 1-2 to place the Spartans' 392-stroke total. Szeew outdistanced the field in earning medalist honors, firing an even-par 70 over the 6,600-yard neutral-night course. Youmans tied Churchill's Larry White for second at 75.

Stevenson's 392 total was six strokes better than runner-up Walled Lake Central. Churchill was third (399), Farmington fourth (403), Walled Lake Western fifth (405), Salem and Northville sixth (415), Plymouth Canton eighth (424), Farmington Harrison ninth (430) and Livonia Bentley 10th (434).

THE SPARTANS' victory upset any Farmington or Churchill hopes to parlay their divisional dual meet titles into a WLAA championship. Stevenson tied Plymouth Salem for second in the

Lakes Division dual meet race behind Farmington's 8-1 mark. Churchill compiled a 6-3 record to top the Western Division.

SU, Churchill coach Roger Strong thought "it would be Stevenson and Farmington fighting it out. I was surprised Farmington didn't do better." The Falcons' best finishers were Evan DeWulf and Mark Bailey, who each shot 75. Stevenson winning was surprise enough, but Walled Lake Central, which was just 5-4 during the season, ending in second was another stunner.

Salem, the only team to beat Farmington during the regular season, also faded Monday. Nunzio Marino topped the Rocks with 79.

Stevenson, Youmans, White, DeWulf and Bailey were named to the All-WLAA team. The All-Lakes Division squad was Dan Smith, Chris LaPave and George Natis of Central, Rick Fries of Farmington and Marino.

The All-Western Division team consists of Chris Semk and Doug Lobb of Churchill, Mike Bulgarelli and Brent Kish of Western and Brendon Fitzpatrick of Harrison.

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