

15th Pottle Hill 10K

Mechanic Falls - June 22


Kevin Way set a new record of 32:50 in this hilly 10K billed as "New England's toughest." This is a well-run race: Lots of after-competition food, lots of people with walkie-talkies. But its organizers are trying to understand why they don't get more participants, and next year they plan a push for a much larger race. It has been run for 15 years in this funky, working-class town, but the race generally gets only 60-80 competitors. They plan more advertising, more sponsors, etc. Perhaps "New England's toughest 10K" scares away the casual racer, so they may want to look for a new slogan. It certainly

seems to scare away the women. There is really just one big hill. "It ain't the toughest," said Kevin Hynes, 33, of Cambridge, Mass. "There's too much recovery." For yours truly, the race was particularly pleasant to cover because I encountered Susan Mulholland, who was in Mrs. Toothaker's sixth-grade class with me in Waterville's Myrtle Street School several centuries ago. She is married to Barry Lohnes, owner of Sports East in Topsham, who was in the seventh grade with me at Waterville Junior High. Neither has changed a bit. (Lance Tapley)

1.	Kevin Way	27	32:50	31.	Patrick Grienber	18	45:23
2.	Barry Matulaitis	18	35:37	32.	John Brady	37	45:37
3.	Barry Fifield	39	36:46	33.	Anastasia Gilman	24	45:39*
4.	Bob Poirier	41	37:49	34.	Jim Scully	35	45:51
5.	Erik McCarthy	15	38:30	35.	Curtis Cole	42	46:09
6.	Mark Florenz	18	39:25	36.	James White	42	46:28
7.	Gino Valeriani	42	39:32	37.	Barry Knopp	46	47:33
8.	Ross LaFreniere	31	39:42	38.	Chris Pemberton	30	48:01
9.	Doc Thibeau	41	40:16	39.	Robert Tiffit	43	48:23
10.	Chase Pray	52	40:40	40.	Mike Farnham	41	49:11
11.	Seth Smith	15	40:49	41.	Mike Uhas	47	49:11
12.	Tom Swan	46	41:13	42.	Greg Nadeau	27	49:30
13.	Ken Preston	41	42:22	43.	Joe Sirois	54	49:34
14.	Bob Payne	57	42:30	44.	Paul Collyer	33	49:38
15.	Matthew Olsen	22	42:36	45.	Larry Brown	43	49:59
16.	Brian Silver	28	43:05	46.	Ken Hooper	46	50:22
17.	Michael Beaudoin	53	43:53	47.	Ronald Chase	55	51:13
18.	Kirk Lundstrom	36	44:13	48.	John Cullinane	52	52:14
19.	Phil Cousineau, Jr.	44	44:13	49.	Cathy Burnie	47	52:14*
20.	Delian Valeriani	13	44:20	50.	Barry Lohnes	52	52:18
21.	David Rodick	40	44:25	51.	Michael Smith	47	52:37
22.	Buddy Cormier	39	44:26	52.	Debbie Clark	38	53:10*
23.	Mack Duperis	26	44:29	53.	David Rideout	58	53:15
24.	Erick Edmonds		44:31	54.	Georgia Gilman	16	53:54*
25.	Douglas Hodgkin	57	44:38	55.	Paul Pottle	41	58:17
26.	Chris Varney	19	44:49	56.	Debra Hamlin	36	58:17*
27.	Dick Jacobs	39	44:52	57.	James Higgins	41	70:33
28.	Doug Lovejoy	43	44:57	58.	Julius Marzul	70	75:24
29.	Matt Mazuzan	33	45:05				
30.	Phil Pierce	54	45:22				

Fun Run

1.	Nathan Cleveland	11	7:05	8.	Elaine Pratile	11	8:54*
2.	Peter Gilman	12	7:43	9.	Garrett Noddin	7	9:15
3.	Katie Noddin	11	8:37*	10.	Johanna Cainns	10	9:21*
4.	Ben Cleveland	7	8:46	11.	Brianna Pratile	8	10:40*
5.	Stephanie McCay	10	8:47*	12.	Katelyn Foley	10	10:44*
6.	Andrew Poirier	8	8:48	13.	Reilly Sullivan	4	10:48*
7.	Peary Valerian	7	8:51	14.	Chris McCollough	5	12:10
				15.	Aurora Watson	9	13:20*

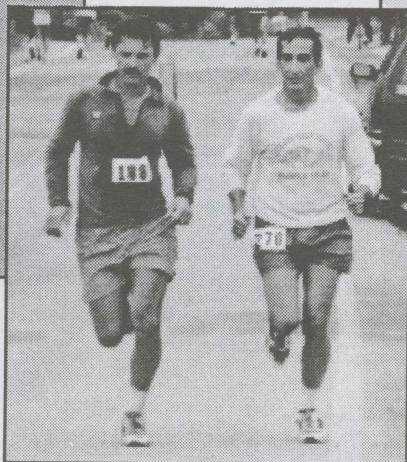


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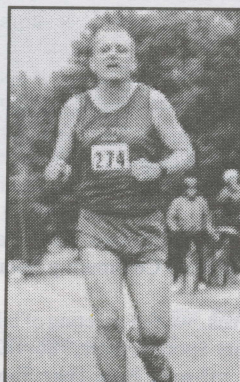


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