

MARYLAND'S PREMIER 10-MILE ROAD RACE

OUR SWEET 16TH IN ANNAPOLIS

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Old acquaintances renewed and new friendships forged. This was the order of the day for the 16th renewal of the Annapolis Ten Mile Run. The weather committee negotiated a compromise with the elements which brought us overcast skies and reasonable temperatures along with the usual dose of humidity. The enthusiastic volunteers appreciated the breezes which made their jobs more enjoyable. The runners and wheelchair athletes could see what they missed along the course during the 1990 race!

Topping the weather was the thrilling finish with Doug Mock nosing out Gerry Clapper. Stacey Nicholson managed a PR to best the women. Rose Malloy set another masters record and managed third overall. The men's masters record was tied by Roger Clark while both wheelchair winners, Ken Carnes and Brenda Smith, set new records. Nice work on a tough day. There were 2855 finishers, about the same as last year.

John Butterfield, in whose office the Annapolis Striders, Inc. was founded in December 1978, returned to tell us he has been selected as the Executive Director of the President's Council on Physical Fitness. Perhaps we can get him to arrange for the "Terminator" to be next year's official starter.

As usual, we learned a lot and hope to put that to use for next year's race (Aug 30, 1992). Also, if you have any items you think we could use to improve the event, please let us know. We will have a different source of power for next

year as once again we had only one computer working at the finish. I think our coordination with local organizations was better this year as there was a distinct lack of letters complaining about traffic problems and the like. Maybe, just maybe, the race is becoming part of the summer fabric and people can take it in stride like many other fixture events in town.

This race is an example of what a RRCA club can do for the running community. In addition, we raise a significant amount of money for the Heart Association (look for the total in December's Streak). All of this is possible because of your volunteer efforts. Over 450 helped us this year, along with many more from our generous sponsors. We used a hotel for packet pickup, expo and spaghetti dinner for the first time in recent memory. Let us know what you thought of that as planning for 1992 is already underway.

Be sure to remember our sponsors and thank them if you get a chance.

It is because of them that we traditionally offer such fine premiums and still give a sizable donation to the Heart Association. Speaking of the premium, there are a lot of extra large pants remaining. If you want a pair, please call me (760-9188). Price: \$10.00.

Printed belowhere is a list of those on the race committee. It is due to these folks that people return year after year to run Annapolis. Please be sure to give them an "Atta boy/girl" when you next see them. They put in many hours to make this a memorable event. I want to thank them all here and now because it is this infrastructure that makes the race possible. To them and to all of you who contributed the last two years, you certainly made my job a lot easier!! Also, you should know that things will be in good hands next year as Will Scott assumes the helm for 1992. Atta boy, Will!

See you on the road,

Evan Thomas, Director 1991 Annapolis Run



1991 RACE COMMITTEE

Will Scott, *Assistant Race Director*
Mike Long, *Treasurer*
Mark Chaput, *Medical Coordinator*
Don Kennedy & Richard Lytle, *Course Directors*
Sue Briers & Dennis Melton, *Volunteer Coordinators*
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Lisa Hillman, *Spaghetti Dinner*
Rose Malloy, *Invited Runners*
Sue Briers (Special thanks to Leon Johnson), *Workers Picnic*
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