

ENO EQUALIZER 2019

Team Number	Name	Assigned Handicap	Actual Handicap	Finish Time	Running Time	Team Time
1	William Harris	8:00	7:30	26:57	34:27	27:51
	Anthony Corriveau	2:30	3:00	27:00	30:00	
	Rick Pack	12:00	12:00	27:51	39:51	
2	Kevin McCabe	7:00	7:00	25:49	32:49	28:12
	Melissa Chiti	11:30	11:30	26:36	38:06	
	Aimée Bazin	23:00	23:00	28:12	51:12	
3	Mark Manz	3:30	3:00	27:04	30:04	29:03
	Kim Manturuk	15:30	16:00	27:26	43:26	
	Beth Steffens	10:00	10:00	29:03	39:03	
4	Brian Palmer	17:30	12:30	25:54	38:24	30:04
	Owen Astrachan	8:00	12:30	25:57	38:27	
	Andy Snipes	12:00	12:30	30:04	42:34	
5	Jeff Hall	5:30	5:00	28:08	33:08	30:17
	Denise Larsen	15:30	16:00	28:57	44:57	
	Bruce Pitman	10:00	10:00	30:17	40:17	
6	Hannah Stallcamp	7:00	7:00	26:22	33:22	30:28
	Christopher Boyce	15:30	15:30	29:30	45:00	
	Carolyn Huettel	14:00	14:00	30:28	44:28	
7	Ariana Bevilacqua	9:30	9:00	26:50	35:50	30:47
	Susan Harris	25:00	25:00	27:25	52:25	
	Tina Clossick	13:00	13:30	30:47	44:17	
8	Audrey Kelly	16:00	16:00	26:32	42:32	30:59
	Andrew Reifman-Packett	2:00	2:00	26:44	28:44	
	Heiko Rath	9:30	9:30	30:59	40:29	
9	Eric Livingston	11:00	10:00	28:49	38:49	32:02
	Toni Craise	24:00	25:00	28:53	53:53	
	Doug Hensel	7:30	7:30	32:02	39:32	
10	Julie Messina	18:00	16:30	29:38	46:08	32:53
	Paul Wormsbecher	10:00	10:00	31:21	41:21	
	Jim Clabuesch	5:30	7:00	32:53	39:53	
11	Jackson Steffens	12:30	12:30	25:37	38:07	33:08
	Heather Bucurel	28:00	28:00	27:57	55:57	
	Bryan Hassin	10:00	10:00	33:08	43:08	
12	Ethan Caldwell	13:00	13:00	26:58	39:58	34:07
	Victor Gordon	6:00	6:00	30:13	36:13	
	Shauna Griffin	15:30	15:30	34:07	49:37	

Volunteers:

Patrick Gale, Jim Hotelling, Alfred Kleinhammes, Richard Laxar, Jerry Surh, Richard Wolfe (photographer)

ENO EQUALIZER: ENO RIVER STATE PARK, JANUARY 13, 2019

Richard Smith, Race Director

The first question was whether the race would even go ahead. At the beginning of the week, the forecast was a possibility of snow for the weekend. By Friday that had changed to freezing rain, but careful scrutiny of the hour-by-hour National Weather Service forecast, and a consultation with Official Club Meteorologist William Schmitz, led to the conclusion that the freezing rain, if it came at all, would end by the middle of the night and then we'd have only the usual non-freezing variety to contend with. So the decision was made to go ahead, and indeed the freezing rain did not affect the Triangle (heading further north instead) but it was still in torrential rain that I set out at 7:30 am to mark the course, wondering whether anyone was actually going to show up in such conditions.

In the event, we had a good turnout (under the conditions) of 36 runners and 6 volunteers, and the weather for the race itself was about 34° and not actually raining. Conditions underfoot were extremely wet, especially the stretch along the Eno River itself, and this no doubt slowed down the times. We are now using the new version of the Cox Mountain Trail, rerouted over the last two years, which is a little longer (officially 4.1 miles) and not as steep as the old version, but still a challenging course even without the wet conditions.

Two ex-presidents, Bill and Anthony, combined with newcomer Rick Pack to form the winning team, 21 seconds ahead of Kevin, Melissa and Aimée in second. Another former president, Brian Palmer, showed up for the second year in a row, and received an unexpectedly generous handicap (mea culpa – I mistranscribed his time from last year) as a result of which he, Owen and Andy made the unusual decision that all three would start together – as far as I know, the only time any team has done that in this event. Their strategy might well have paid off had Andy not fallen off the pace. Andrew Reifman-Packett had the smallest handicap and was also the fastest runner on the day (28:44) while Hannah Stallcamp led the women with 33:22.

Richard Wolfe was taking photographs as usual but his camera malfunctioned before the end of the race, so here's my photo of the winning team (L-R Anthony, Rick and Bill).

