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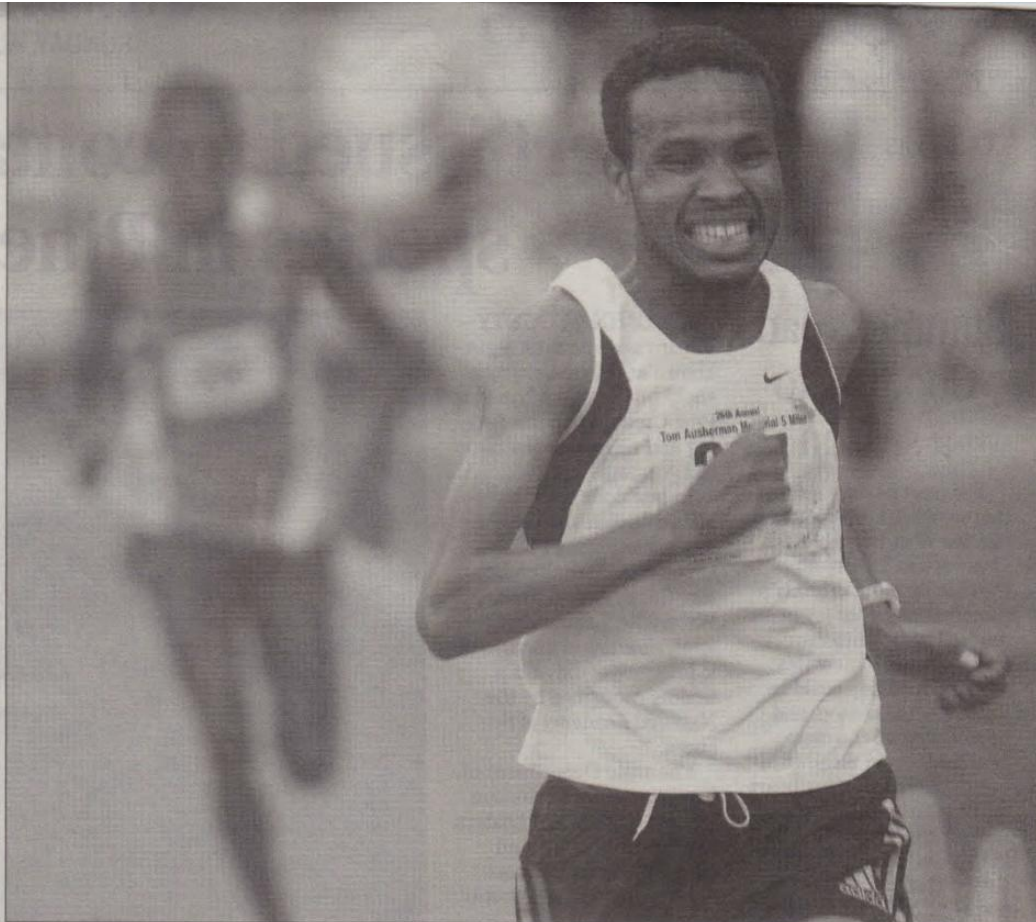


Ready, set ..

Local race: Runners start the Tom Ausherman Five-Mile Run on Grant Street in Chambersburg on Saturday. Read more about the race in the sports section!

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Photo finish: Degefa Diriba was the Ausherman Five-Mile first-place finisher on Saturday with a time of 23:30. Following closely behind is runner-up Abiynut Endale.

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was happy.”

Another 8-year-old, Taghd Poole, placed third in the male 12-under group in 47:54, in 235th place overall.

The contrast was Bob Archibald, 81, who was the oldest finisher, in 50:37. Horioka, 58, completed her race in 53:18.

Small, who has run in all but four or five of the Ausherman races, was not concerned about his time; it was all about the tradition of the race in the community.

“Usually about in May I know it’s time to get in shape, so I start walking and gradually build up to running a few miles,” Small said. “It’s good to have that carrot out there to get in shape.

“It’s always impressive to see how many people come to this every year, and I always enjoy seeing a lot of my friends here. A lot of them don’t run anymore, but they still show up.”

John Ausherman said, “All in all, it was a successful day again; everything went like clockwork. It was humid, but it was cool with a little breeze, so it wasn’t bad at all.”



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Victory lane: Hirut Beyene was the first female finisher at the Ausherman Five-Mile race on Saturday, clocking in at 27:52.

“Our numbers were a little down from last year, but we got

some extra people last year because it was the 25th. We were still right around 300 and, to be honest, this course probably can’t take a lot more than that.”

Ausherman also was grateful for the help the event receives each year.

“I want to thank the Chambersburg fire police for manning the intersections,” he said, “and our sponsors, too, especially the Marine Corps League (which hosts the event).”

Proceeds from the race fund scholarships for Chambersburg high school runners and the Toys for Tots program of the Marine Corps.

The race’s most dramatic moment doesn’t occur at the finish line, but much later when all finishers are eligible to win a trip to Bermuda or \$1,000 in cash. This year’s lucky winner was Randy Keefer, a police officer from Hagerstown, Md.

The men’s Master’s winner was Jeff Miller in 26:25 (ninth overall) and the female Master’s winner was Susan Graham-Gray in 30:40 (31st overall).

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▼ RUNNING

Ausherman 5-miler attracts variety of runners

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This is a race that always brings out a wide variety of participants.

Saturday's 26th running of the Tom Ausherman Memorial Five-Mile Run was no exception.

A field of 303 runners took to the streets of Chambersburg's north side on Saturday morning. While the humidity was up, they caught a break with temperatures in the low 70s, and, as race director John Ausherman said, "It was a reasonable day for a race in August."

The Ausherman included such extremes as 8-year-old Megan Miller, who completed her first five-

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Complete results of the 26th Ausherman Five-Mile Run will be published in Monday's Public Opinion.

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mile race, to Margaret Horioka, the only runner to have competed in all 26 of the events.

Among the men, you have somebody like Sam Small, who makes the Ausherman his one running event of the year, to the group of professional runners who win this event annually.

The overall winner was Diriba Deqefa of Ethiopia, who won a duel

down the final stretch of Grant Street to edge countryman Abiynut Endale by two seconds. Deqefa clocked in at a winning time of 23 minutes and 30 seconds.

Deqefa said, "This is the first time I've been in this race and I'm happy with my time. The conditions were very nice and the course is flat, not as hilly as some others. I liked it."

The women's winner was Hirut Beyene of New York, who placed third in last year's race. Beyene clocked in at 27:52, which was 27 seconds behind her time of last year, but good enough to defeat runner-up Watinshet Abebe Hai, who hit the line in 28:02.

Beyene, who was 15th overall last year and 12th on Saturday, also liked the course.

"I prefer a flat course like this one to run on," she said. "And it was pretty cool today. Good to run in."

Miller, who started running four years ago, was the only finisher in the female 12-and-under division, completing her trek in 54:16.

"It was hard," she said, "but I just told myself to keep going."

Abby Yourkavitch, 13, also ran in her first Ausherman.

"It was a good day to run," she said. "I wanted to beat 40 minutes and I got 35:50 (74th overall), so I

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Running results

Tom Ausherman Memorial Five-Mile Run

Saturday's Results

(gun time)

DIVISION WINNERS

Male Open — 1. Diriba Deqefa 23:30; 2. Abiyunt Endale 23:32; 3. Girma Elala Bedoda 23:41; 4. Getachew Melese 23:42; 5. Demissia Gulti 24:12

Female Open — 1. Hirut Beyene 27:52; 2. Watinshet Abebe Hai 28:02; 3. Tezata Dessalage 28:34; 4. Yihunish Delelecha 28:59; 5. Susan Graham-Gray 30:40

Male Master's — 1. Jeff Miller 26:25; 2. Matt Sandercock 27:20; 3. Matt Elgin 28:38

Female Master's — 1. Susan Graham-Gray 30:40; 2. Laurie Dymond 32:49; 3. Kelly Dworak 33:15

Male 12-under — 1. Caleb Padgett 37:24; 2. Aidan Poole 45:29; 3. Tadhg Poole 47:54

Female 12-under — 1. Megan Miller 54:16

Male 13-15 — 1. Tanner Amsley 30:28; 2. Chris Witi-ly 31:05; 3. Jose Aguilar 32:54

Female 13-15 — 1. Caitlyn Padgett 34:01; 2. Ally Neidigh 35:18; 3. Abby Yourkavitch 35:49

Male 16-19 — 1. Ben Grove 28:45; 2. Spencer Dann 29:45; 3. Jarrett Cavanagh 31:12

Female 16-19 — 1. Courtney Group 33:00; 2. Maddie Shultes 35:56; 3. Emily Skoire 36:08

Male 20-24 — 1. Adu Kebede Diriba 25:05; 2. Vince McNally 25:43; 3. Tim Wertner 27:30

Female 20-24 — 1. Alayna Merkle 33:11; 2. Megan Stefanic 38:08; 3. Caitlyn Diaz 41:12

Male 25-29 — 1. Takele Gebreliul 24:16; 2. Tommy Ausherman 28:24; 3. Derek Plummer 32:55

Female 25-29 — 1. Amber Gift 39:03; 2. Christine Herman 42:24; 3. Diana Stumbaugh 44:07

Male 30-34 — 1. Mike Zwatty 28:15; 2. Chris Pereschuk 33:59; 3. Michael Kirkpatrick 37:48

Female 30-34 — 1. Carolyn Oleyar 33:44; 2. Michelle Vanhorn 33:56; 3. Stephanie Elliott 36:49

Male 35-39 — 1. Ed Boardman 30:12; 2. Bill Walls 31:04; 3. Jim Smiley 31:22

Female 35-39 — 1. Christel Ruzicka 41:30; 2. Allison Bender 42:05; 3. Angie Roach 42:25

Male 40-44 — 1. Andy Mason 28:55; 2. Chris Monheim 29:19; 3. Tim Fister 29:40

Female 40-44 — 1. Dani Mason 33:57; 2. Mary Yourkavitch 39:27; 3. Kristin Cieza 42:22

Male 45-49 — 1. Chris Chatten 29:11; 2. Bill Dann 30:20; 3. Tim Hudson 32:39

Female 45-49 — 1. Maureen Hall 34:41; 2. Amy Stahlman 37:14; 3. Rebecca Jusilla 37:52

Male 50-54 — 1. Tim Schuler 28:58; 2. Todd Rose 33:41; 3. Craig Leisher 33:45

Female 50-54 — 1. Kelly Crider 41:23; 2. Denise Edwards 42:19; 3. Sandie Cubit 42:25

Male 55-59 — 1. Dan Neitz 32:57; 2. Rick Pentz 35:43; 3. Gary Shoop 36:47

Female 55-59 — 1. Patty Stevens 39:58; 2. Denise Smith 42:04; 3. Carla Rice 44:34

Male 60-64 — 1. Ronnie Knepper 32:30; 2. Mike Hayduk 39:56; 3. Jeffrey Reeder 40:59

Female 60-64 — 1. Jane Lordeman 51:00

Male 65-69 — 1. Les Bell 36:46; 2. Edward Lecates 36:56; 3. Fred Hendershot 41:46

Female 65-69 — 1. Diane Morgan 50:17; 2. Merrilyn Kessler 66:11

Male 75-79 — 1. Jim Becker 40:54; 2. Jack Pringle 42:00; 3. Norm Drasher 46:15

Male 80-over — 1. Jack Whitcomb 42:29

Male 80-over — 1. Bob Archibald 50:37

OVERALL RESULTS

1. Diriba Deqefa (26) 23:30; 2. Abiyunt Endale (26) 23:32; 3. Girma Elala Bedoda (32) 23:41; 4. Getachew Melese (24) 23:42; 5. Demissia Gulti (28) 24:12; 6. Takele Gebreliul (29) 24:16; 7. Adu Kebede (22) 25:05; 8. Vince McNally (23) 25:43; 9. Jeff Miller (45) 26:25; 10. Matt Sandercock (44) 27:20; 11. Tim Wertner (24) 27:31; 12. Hirut Beyene (21) 27:52; 13. Watinshet Abebe Hai (26) 28:02; 14. Mike Zwatty (32) 28:16; 15. Tommy Ausherman (26) 28:20; 16. Tezata Dessalage (31) 28:34; 17. Matt Elgin (42) 28:38; 18. Ben Grove (19) 28:45; 19. Alex Flower (22) 28:47; 20. Andy Mason (41) 28:55; 21. Yihunish Delelecha (36) 28:59; 22. Tim Schuler (50) 28:59; 23. Chris Chatten (49) 29:11; 24. Chris Monheim (44) 29:20; 25. Aaron Focht (22) 29:25

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