

1990 Big Butte Challenge

Saturday, 21 April – The event formerly known as the **Big Butte Run** is now officially titled “**Challenge.**”



Dillon’s Clark Christensen powers up Big Butte on his way to an 11K victory.

The Big Butte races returned this year after a one-year hiatus that was caused by the 1989 departure of Tech Professor Jerry Youngblood who had directed the Big Butte event. The break also marked the end of Montana Tech’s involvement with the run. Local runners Dave Mueller and John “the Wulfman” Wulf revived the Big Butte Run and they renamed it the “Challenge.” The Challenge was conducted by the Butte Jaycees, with the 11K and 5K starting at 10 a.m. and the 1 mile fun run at 11 a.m. Complimentary water bottles were given to all finishers. Proceeds were donated to the Paul Clark Home / McDonald Family Place.

Forty eight runners took part, with Butte’s Susan Kaluza won the female 5K division with a time of 19:43, a time that placed Kaluza only 2 seconds behind the male 5K winner, Jim Parker.

The 11K was won by Clark Christensen in 44:06, and Mary Dean in 51:45. Dean is the former Mary Murphy who currently holds the 11K course record of 51:26 from 1987.

1M: 1, Matthew White, 4:34; 2, Jonathan White 6:04; 3, Rachel Webster, 6:37; 4, Russell Davis, 7:49; 5, Rory Kaluza, 8:08; 6, Demetra Davis, 13:23.

Breakdown of Race Finishers				
Race	5K	11K	1M	Total
Females	5	3	2	10
Males	14	20	4	38
Total	19	23	6	48

5K Females Overall: 1, Susan Kaluza, 19:43; 2, Diane Dolan, 23:07; 3, Charlene Sherwood, 26:16.

0-8: 1, Rachel Webster, 27:53.

19-29: 1, Charlene Sherwood, 26:16.

30-39: 1, Susan Kaluza, 19:43; 2, Diane Dolan, 23:07; 3, Debbie Leathers, 26:28.

5K Males Overall: 1, Jim Parker, 18:41; 2, Robert Miller, 20:17, 3, John Tomich, 20:19.

0-8: 1, Cy Webster, 50:05.

9-12: 1, James Miller, Butte, 22:47; 2, Matthew White, 23:06; 3, Damian McDonough, 24:18.

13-15: 1, Robert Miller, Butte, 20:17; 2, Brendan McDonough, 22:18.

19-29: 1, John Tomich, Butte, 20:19; 2, Ted Bury, Butte, 26:30.

30-39: 1, Jim Parker, 19:41; 2, Mike McDonald, 28:23.

40-49: 1, Mick Zora, 25:07; 2, Phil Grimm, Butte, 25:47; 3, Art Stagnoli, 26:01; 4, Mike Finnegan, 28:23.

11K Females Overall: 1, Mary Dean, 51:54; 2, Laura Sprauer, 58:41; 3, Pam Naugle, 1:03:19.

30-39: 1, Mary Dean, Butte, 51:54; 2, Laura Sprauer, 58:41; 3, Pam Naugle, Butte, 1:03:19.

11K Males Overall: 1, Clark Christensen, 44:06; 2, David Mueller, 46:41; 3, Shawn Burke, 48:16.

16-18: 1, John Sonderegger, Butte, 58:14.

19-29: 1, Clark Christensen, Dillon, 44:06; 2, Shawn Burke, 48:16.

30-39: 1, Mike Shea 50:56; 2, Joe Garcia, 51:54; 3, Pat Dolan, 52:29; 4, Dan Mueller, Butte, 54:10; 5, Bill Raymond, 55:47; 6, Jim Petritz, 55:52; 7, Brian Hockett, 57:24.

40-49: 1, David Mueller, Butte, 46:41; 2, Bob Webster, 48:41; 3, Garland Shaw, 49:56; 4, Dennis Smith, 52:28; 5, Mike Zimmerman, 54:16, 6, Jim Maloney, 56:41; 7, Martin White, 57:10; 8, John Metz, 59:15.

50-59: 1, George Calcut, 1:03:06; 2, Pete Madison, 1:05:03.