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Jason Wily takes first Place in The 10th St. Croix International Marathon

Marathon...

A small group of dedicated long distance runners took advantage of the flat and scenic marathon course in historic Frederiksted, St. Croix, Virgin Islands on Sunday morning in celebration of the 10th anniversary of the S.t Croix International Marathon.

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The race was as advertised when for the first time the finish line was graced with a cruise ship (Summit).

The small field of marathon runners was lead to the finish by Jason Wiley of Pheonixville, Pennsylvania, an ultra-marathon runner who now has two wins in St. Croix (including the 2010 St. Croix Scenic 50 mile race). Wiley's strength are in the hills and he wasn't sure how he would fare on the flat St. Croix course. He lead most of the race to take first place with a time of 3 hours 22 minutes and 3 seconds.



Maureen Manning takes first place in The 10th St. Croix Interntional Marathon

Maureen Manning of Nashville, Tennessee was the second overall finisher and repeat female winner for the race with a time of 3:39.08.

Mike Klein, of St. Croix, recently started running ultra's and was coming off the Potomac 50 miler two weeks ago, finish second on Sunday in 3:43.14. William Mc Connell of St. Thomas, V.I. finished third in 3:56.17; Troy Holloway of St. Croix was fourth in 4:07.48; Pat Marafiotte of Providence, Connecticut finished fifth in 4:15.37; Goran Lindstrum of Mulfred, Sweden finished sixth in 4:19.52; Billy Bohlke of St. Croix was seventh in 4:29.37; Andrew Kutolski of Montclair, New Jersey was eighth in 4:52.59.

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Diego Panesso takes first place in The 37th V.I. Half-Marathon

Half-Marathon...

The top two finishers in the 37th V.I. Half-Marathon broke the course record...

Panesso Diego of Bogata, Colombia and defending champion Juan Robles of St. Croix, broke the course record for the V.I. Half-Marathon and finished first and second respectively in the race. Diego ran the race in 1:13.30; Robles ran the race in 14:47. Triathlete Kellen Hood of St. Croix finished third in 1:33.18 edging out Tyler Jowasis of St. Croix in fourth place in 1:33.40; Adam Thill of St. John was fifth in 1:37.17



Theresa Harper takes first place in The 37th V.I. Half-Marathon

Theresa Harper of St. Croix, V.I. a multiple winner of the St. Croix International Marathon, led the way for women (the top three women were masters) for first place with a time of 1:43.14; Anneli Sodergards of Hulfred, Sweden finished second with a time of 1:47.19; Alicia Churaman of St. Croix was third in 1:55.55; Emma Von Fink of St. Croix was fourth in 1:56.15 and Sara Wallner was fifth in 1:56.36

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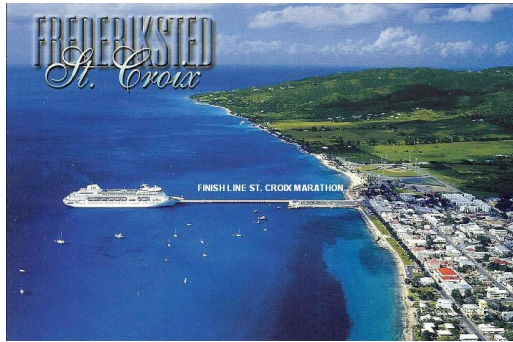
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For finishers who left before the marathon finish and did not get their medal and certificate, they can be picked up at Stamina Sports...

Race Notes:

1] The St. Croix International Marathon features the Ann Abrahamson Pier in Frederiksted, St. Croix as the finish line for the race. On Sunday race day, the cruise ship

Summit docked just as the races were finishing.



2] The marathon included three ultra-marathon runners, Jason Wiley, Mike Klein and Troy Holloway

3] The Marathon course and the Half-Marathon race shared the same route. The St. Croix course is considered to be flat and fast. Under the circumstances on Sunday, the heat and humidity did impact the performances of the runners as did the poor condition of the road in some places. The course is IAAF/AIMS certified.

4] Andrew Kotulski from Montclair, NJ ran his 643rd marathon on Sunday. Andrew Kotulski At age 72, he has competed in seven continents, 82 countries, all of Australia's states and territories, and has raced in the 50 states six times.

Two weeks ago, he ran in Nevada and at the end of the month, he heads to Jacksonville, Fl. His time was 4:51:59, although 30 years ago, at age 42, he hit his record of 2:38.

"Great course. It's very scenic and shady," Kotulski said. "Volunteers at the aid stations were great!"

He joins others who have similar marathon accomplishments who have run St. Croix including: John Wallace who ran his 296th marathon and 88th country in 2008; and William Govi of Italy who ran his 676th marathon in St. Croix the same year.

5] The logo for the event is a colorized photograph of Billy Bohlke and Juan Robles racing in the annual Flight #64 4Mile Road Race several years ago. The graphic is also included in this year's wooden plaques presented as awards to the top ten in the marathon.

6] Support for the event was provided by:

St. Croix Rescue which had an ambulance and rescue vehicles on the course throughout the event.

V.I. Government support was provided by The Virgin Islands Police Department which provided the race permit and police escort and assistance with traffic control.

The V.I. Department of Tourism which assisted with race advertisement

The Virgin Islands Cycling Federation (John Harper and Mervin Mills) which provided cyclists with lights to assist the runners in the early stages of the race when it was dark.

Tom Guthrie, Vice-President of the V.I. Olympic Committee was the lead cyclist for the marathon

George Jules former multiple winner of the V.I. Half-Marathon, was the lead cyclist for the half-marathon

The aid stations were provided by St. Croix Track Club

Use of race equipment was provided by Stamina Sports

The Championship/Mylaps electronic timing system was donated by Elizabeth Armstrong and Bob Halk

The Buccaneer Hotel was the race headquarters

Ground transportation was provided by Buccaneer taxis

Race volunteers: Claudette Christian (registration, ground transportation, finish refreshments), Esther Sweeney (awards), Orville James (timing), Paul Barone (race operations), Constance Alexander (ground transportation), Akila Thompson (registration), Simone Grouby (ad sales)

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