



Rules: 2010 WRTR race series

Purpose: The purpose of the Western Reserve Trail Running (WRTR) race series is to promote a regional competition, wide participation in the sport of trail running, foster volunteerism, and to recognize the annual WRTR series champions.

1. Inclusion.

All runners who complete an official WRTR run/race event will be included and listed in the WRTR series standings.

2. Race schedule.

The 2010 WRTR series calendar is listed at www.wrtr.org. The series is tentatively estimated to include 10 races in 2010.

The final race of the 2010 race series is the Bobcat Trail Marathon on November 7, 2010. Series awards will be finalized after completion of this race and an awards luncheon will be held on a date TBD in November or December '10.

3. Scoring.

Runners earn series points with each event, but need not run in every event to be competitive in the series. The participant's top five (5) event scores will count towards the standings. If a participant runs in six (6) or more events, the highest five event point totals will be calculated.

- Points from a single race are earned in two categories (See below for explanation):

- A. Race distance (up to 50 pts)
- B. Race placing (up to 50 pts)

- Volunteer points: Series participants who volunteer at a WRTR race event at which they are not competing earn 20 points, up to two instances (maximum of 40 volunteer points total). Race directors will submit a list of volunteers at the end of their event.
- The man and woman with the highest point totals at the season's end will be declared the 2010 WRTR series champions. Age group categories (Open, Masters, and Grand Masters) will be recognized.
- DNF or partial completion of a race does not qualify for points.
- Races that offer a shorter distance, such as Fools 25k; Mohican 25k; Muddy Paws 5 mile; YUTC 25k; Towpath Half Marathon; and Run With Scissors Marathon count at the lesser distance credit. Participants are limited to one race per event.

4. Breakdown of points.

A. Race distance (Note: participant must be listed in the official run/race results to earn points)

50 points – 100 mile events:
(Burning River 100)

40 points – Race distances 50 miles and greater, but less than 100 mile:
(Run with Scissors Double Marathon)

35 points – Race distances greater than 50k, but less than 50 mile:
(None scheduled for 2009)

30 points – 50k distance:
(Green Jewel, Fools 50k, Mohican 50k, BT50k, YUT-C)

20 points – Race distances less than 50k, but greater than half marathon:
(Fools 25k, YUT-C 25k, Towpath Marathon,
Run with Scissors Marathon, Bobcat Trail Marathon)

10 points – Distances half marathon or less:
(Muddy Paws 10 and 5 mile, Towpath Half Marathon)

B. Race placing (Up to 50 points)

- All finishers will earn between 5 to 50 points for their placing
- Placing will be calculated separately by gender
- Points distribution for placing:

1st place (man and woman) – 50 points
2nd place – 45 points
3rd place – 40 points
4th place – 35 points
5th place – 30 points
Places 6-15 – 25 points
Places 16-25 – 20 points
Places 26-35 – 15 points
Places 36-50 – 10 points
Places 51 & higher – 5 points

Note: Each race, by gender, will have a separate point calculation for the placing category.

Note 2: See below for special scoring consideration for Towpath Marathon and Half Marathon

5. Awards.

- At the series end, an awards ceremony will be held to recognize the top runners in the 2010 WRTR series standing in the following categories:
 - Open category (all age groups): Top three (3) men and three (3) women
 - Masters category (40-49 age group): Top man and woman
 - Grand Masters (age 50 and above): Top man and woman
- Prize structure is to be determined. Top Masters or Grand Masters who place top three in the open category will not receive duplicate awards, but will be recognized as such.
- Recognition awards:
 - All participants who complete at least five (5) WRTR events will earn a commemorative WRTR award.
 - Special recognition to extraordinary volunteerism
 - Time and place of awards ceremony is to be determined.

6. Race calendar.

The following races are tentatively included in the 2010 WRTR series. Go to www.wrtr.org for final listing of 2010 races:

1. Sat 3/6, Green Jewel 50k
2. Sun 3/28, Fools 50k and 25k
3. Sun 4/18 - Forget the PR, Mohican 50k and 25k
4. Sat 7/17 - Buckeye Trail 50k
5. Sat 7/24 - Muddy Paws 5 mile and 10 mile
6. Sat 7/31 - Burning River 100 mile
7. Sat 9/18 - YUT-C 50k and 25k
8. Sun 10/10 - Towpath Marathon and Half Marathon* (10k and 5k excluded)
9. Sun 10/31 - Running with Scissors Double Marathon and Marathon
10. Sun 11/7 - Bobcat Trail Marthon

Awards event – November/December date TBD

** Towpath Marathon note: Due to large amount of participants, the scoring for the Towpath Marathon and Half Marathon will include only those participants with at least one prior race result in the 2010 WRTR series. All other Towpath finishers will be excluded from WRTR scoring.*

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