

2012 announcement

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Wakely Dam Ultra 2015: Saturday July 18th

Registration opens: Saturday March 7th!

Great weekend of racing on the NPT this weekend! The big news is that both men's and women's old course records have been broken! Congratulations to Clifton Park's Jake Stookey for taking home 1st place in an amazing 4:50:36. Jake battled all day with Keene's Jan Wellford who also bested the previous CR of 4:54:49 with a 4:53:33. Ithaca's Nick Kirk took home 3rd place with a 5:06:23. In the woman's race Saranac Lake's Sarah Keys gave a dominating performance taking the woman's title and 6th place overall shattering the previous women's CR of 5:46:55 with a 5:22:43! Hamden, CT. runner Elaine Allen took 2nd place clocking 6:51:31. New Haven, CT. Kim Battapaglia took home the 3rd place women's hardware with a 7:09:36. The combination of a race roster of very fit runners, along with dry race conditions and reasonable temperatures made for great finish times throughout the day. 14 runners cracked 6 hours, 28 (almost 1/2 the field) came in under 7 hours, and 43 runners came in under 8 hours.

Well done one and all!

Congratulations to all 2013 Wakely Dam finishers!

The state of New York may be able to limit the quantity of runners we can let sign up and run the Wakely Dam Ultra, but it's obvious they can't stop the flow of quality, bad ass runners and more importantly, the just plain high quality of folks that we are lucky enough to have show up each year for Wakely weekend. We had a great time from beginning to end...it was great to reconnect with friends from previous years and make new friends who joined our race for the first time.

Our overall winner was Adirondacks High Peaks legend Jan Wellford, with 2nd place going to Wakely veteran Courtenay Guertin, and 3rd place going to first time Wakely runner David Mitchell.

Our female champion was Christine Tokarz. 2nd place went to Canada's Sara Montgomery, and third went to New Hampshire's Emily Wynes.

Most importantly we enjoy seeing the looks of accomplishment (whether it be for a new PR or simply a finish), happiness, relief, and pain (yes, we like to be reminded it wasn't easy out there) that we see with each and every finisher. Thanks to all of you who took the time to register, train for, and travel to participate in our little trail run in the Adirondacks.

We'll never be the biggest or baddest ultra around but when it's all said and done, if we and our kick ass team of volunteers (yes, we all know volunteers are the backbone of any race) gave you a experience worthy of your race fee than we couldn't be any happier.