June 18, 2016 – WATER TOWER 5-MILE DESERT RUN: *We received the results from the Race Director and the Women's winner was "Laura Wetshne". Okay ... Wetstone? Wetshine? Maybe ... sorry, Laura! But she was fastest woman at this run, and DAVE YOUNGER was over-all fastest, and the only runner under 40 minutes. The distance was possibly as long as 5.5 miles, though.

WOMEN: 1. Laura W: 47:19 2. Colleen Wright, 48:05 3. Liz Norris, 65:04 4. Cheryl Ritchie, 66:29 5. Sheryl Douglas, 69:22

MEN: 1. Younger, 39:48 2. Bob Thome, 40:29 3. Ernie Langelier, 42:56

- 4. Ray Jensen, 44:01 5. Larry Ingram, 45:05 6. Tom Ela, 46:50
- 7. Jose Cuatro-Perros, 47:21 8. Steve DeFeyter, 61:21 9. Randy Larsen, 63:58
- 10. Conrad Cole, 79:53 11. Paul Wubben, 1:41:15

Ray Jensen was the ONLY MAN under 50 (he *is* under 50, right? If not, well, Ray, you certainly LOOK "well-preserved"!) – as Mr. Younger was "a week past 60" followed by mostly-60-somethings with Larry the only exception among the first 7 male finishers.

The Race Director notes: *Ideal running conditions – not hot temperatures*, slight wind, soft dirt, no rocks. Also the course ran longer as it detoured around a narrow gulley filled with stickers and weeds.

This whole area is under-utilized by runner (& bicyclists) – e.g., there is a nice 13-mile (or so) circular run to Carpenter by the east flat top. Thanks – Paul W.