

**AUGUST 4, DESERT CHAMPIONSHIPS, 3 DAM(n) COURSE, 5.5 MILE.**

Originally considered to be 5.5, turns out the course is about 5.9 miles.

The Race Director writes: "Weather was perfect, dry, not too hot and with a slight breeze. No flags were pulled out (!). Tom (Ela) checked the course for flags ahead of time on his bike, and he and Conrad picked them up. I finally figured out the "correct" mileage "scientifically" by counting foot-steps and measuring the last section from the far NE corner by car-odometer: 3040 (left foot) steps for 2.7 miles (the last section) plus 3680 steps for the first section, ergo 3.2 miles for a total of 5.9 miles. Never mind that steps may vary in length.

Is there still a need for "desert" runs, considering the sparse attendance? In any case, I will always be out there.

Thanks – P. W."

And in order of length of time spent enjoying the course: 1. Conrad Cole, 1:39:48 (picked up flags)

2. Paul Wubben, 1:39:24    3. Lou Villaire, 1:14:32    4. JUDITH BARNSTEAD, 1:03:36  
5. Max Barnstead, 55:12    6. Cory Davis, 52:16    7. Jared Ballard, 45:29    8. Ernie Langelier,  
44:18    and LAST, enjoying the course the least amount of time – BRYAN BAROFFIO, 43:48