

Feb. 9, the annual (38th or so) VALENTINE'S MASSACRE 3-MILE BEVERAGE-PREDICTION RUN

Finishers in order of "least amount of time spent enjoying the course"

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| 1. Ashlynn Squires, 21:32 | 2. Joel Kincaid, 21:48 | 3. Jay Valentine, 23:00 |
| 4. Patrick Hummel, 23:23 | 5. Andy Winnefeld, 25:01 | 6. Donnie Tietsema, 25:51 |
| 7. Maddilyn Vana, 25:53 | 8. Ernie Langelier, 27:06 | 9. Scott Hollmaier, 27:24 |
| 10. Abby Ceglowski, 27:24 | 11. Jessie Yerbich, 27:24 | 12. Bari Beasley, 27:24 |
| 13. Tommy Toast, 29:36 | 14. Liz Norris, 32:25 | 15. Joni Beckner, 33:48 |
| 16. Sheryl Douglas, 35:11 | 17. Yvette Valentine, 35:26 | 18. D Plunkett, 40:12 |

Ashlynn set another first for this race, in that she is (and was), so the Race Director thinks, the first (ever!) non-male fastest runner in this race! 50-years-young Joel K was not far behind.

This race is not "to the swift" necessarily, but to those who predict the closest to their actual time for the 3-mile course. SHERYL DOUGLAS was 14-seconds faster than her predicted time to carry away a large share of the beverages (each entrant donates 2 cans or bottles (and in some cases, boxes) of something to drink as their entry "fee"). Liz Norris was 25 seconds faster than predicted for 2nd-place in the prediction awards. Also winning back more beverages than their entry "fee" were Andy Winnefeld (29 seconds), Jessie Yerbich (43), Bari Beasley (50) and Abby Ceglowski.

Liz not only was the 2nd-closest predictor, she also was a course age-group record-setter for this year. She set the new 65-69 record. And: a big THANK-YOU to Melissa Squires for becoming the spontaneous assistant Race Director, Timer, finisher identification, etc.

Runners (and walkers) in order of close-predictions:

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| 1. Sheryl Douglas (35:11) -- 14 seconds | 2. Liz Norris (32:25) | 25 |
| 3. Andy Winnefeld (25:01) 29 | 4. Jessie Yerbich (27:24) | 43 |
| 5. Bari Beasley (27:24) 50 | 6. Abby Ceglowski (27:24) | 57 |
| 7. Patrick Hummel (23:23) 57 | 8. Jay Valentine (23:00) | 58 |
| 9. Scott Hollmaier (27:24) 59 | 10. Ernie Langelier (27:06) | 66 |
| 11. Donnie Tietsema (25:51) 69 | 12. Joel Kincaid (21:48) | 84 |
| 13. Maddilyn Vana (25:53) 97 | | |

And everyone else 2-minutes or more "off."