

2006 St. Patrick's Parade Shamrock Run Binghamton, New York March 4, 2006

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40 runners braved the coldest parade day in five years last Saturday in the St. Patrick's Parade Shamrock Mile. Although it was a beautiful looking day with the sun shining, the headwinds and below-freezing temperatures fought the runners as much as the slight uphill over the entire course.

That didn't stop some of the top runners from running close to a 5 minute mile though. The winner was Chris Simser, a U-E xc and track runner, in 5:09 who beat out Josh Schultheis of Seton HS by just one second. Right after them were the open division winners Mike Murphy - sporting a subtle green mohawk - and Byron LaBare in 5:15 and 5:19, respectively. For the women Murphee Hayes won in 5:46. As she finished she said the race was nothing like running an indoor mile, but she still had fun. Behind her were high schoolers Beth Stone and Maegan Lewis from a large contingent from Blue Ridge. Seton HS was well represented with the help of coach Suzanne Myette. Several families ran together including the Felices led by Jeff's daughter Jessica.

It was a close decision for the "Most Irish Runner," but 15 yr. old Craig Fox took the title for the second time in three years. He not only ran into the wind, he carried a large flag with shamrocks on it and wore a green wig the whole way! An honorable mention goes to 13 yr. old Mary Katherine Kulp who ran the race, jogged back to the beginning of the parade, and performed with her Irish Dance group down the entire route again!

Thanks to George Joseph, the TCRC, and all our volunteers for their help!

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Conditions: Sunny, windy, 28 degrees F

Place	Name	Age	Hometown	Time
1	Chris Simser	17	Binghamton NY	5:09.43
2	Josh Schultheis	17	Binghamton NY	5:10.60
3	Mike Murphy	32	Warren Center PA	5:15.11
4	Byron LaBare	32	Endwell NY	5:19.43
5	David Bacon	18	Warren Center PA	5:34.85
6	Tim Decker	18	Susquehanna PA	5:36.64
7	Mike Finch	18	Rome PA	5:42.11
8	Randy Reynolds	43	Binghamton NY	5:43.33
9	Murphee Hayes-Falls	32	Marathon NY	5:46.60
10	Stephen Esposito	16	Hallstead PA	5:48.72
11	Ryan Garges	17	Warren Center PA	5:52.82
12	Tory Carlson	15	Rome PA	6:23.04
13	Beth Stone	17	Susquehanna PA	6:42.24
14	Maegan Lewis	14	New Milford PA	6:44.69
15	Josh Clough	19	Binghamton NY	6:47.16
16	Jessica Felice	15	Endicott NY	6:52.16
17	Robina Moyer	17	Binghamton NY	6:56.35
18	Becky Stone	17	Susquehanna PA	6:59.40
19	Steve Willett	43	Vestal NY	7:03.43
20	Megan Kleiner	15	New Milford PA	7:08.47
21	Cortney Gordon	14	Hallstead PA	7:09.70
22	Paula Dygert	32	Binghamton NY	7:14.25
23	Brennan Coates	15	LeRaysville PA	7:16.81
24	Joshua Silver			7:20.86
25	Jason Felice	13	Endicott NY	7:27.37
26	Mary K Kulp	13	Vestal NY	7:28.37
27	Cricket Eastbrook	16	Wyalusing PA	7:33.39
28	MacKenzie Faughnan	12	Binghamton NY	7:35.62
29	Grant Harter	23	Susquehanna PA	7:45.42
30	David Fahey	55	Marathon NY	7:54.41
31	Debbie Clough	45	Binghamton NY	8:03.67
32	Afton Fahey	17	Marathon NY	8:07.71
33	Jeff Felice	38	Endicott NY	8:26.82
34	Jacob Felice	9	Endicott NY	8:27.57
35	Tom Griffin	48	Binghamton NY	8:29.80
36	Jenna Felice	11	Endicott NY	8:40.15
37	Craig Fox	15	Vestal NY	9:47.64
38	Dawn Devita	42	Binghamton NY	9:57.35
39	Megan Mitus	23	Binghamton NY	10:20.59
40	Emily Fox	10	Vestal NY	10:53.44