

2007 St. Patrick's Parade Shamrock Run Binghamton, New York March 3

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The Shamrock Run had the "luck of the Irish" on Saturday, March 3rd as the snow and clouds parted just long enough to run the race. This is the fourth year the one mile run has kicked off the Binghamton St. Patrick's Parade and this year saw its largest turnout.

High School Senior Josh Shultheis led the field of 67 finishers with a 4:58 mile uphill and into the wind. Earl Steinbrecher of Willseyville, NY and Steve Esposito (another HS Senior) of Hallstead, PA joined Josh in forming a solid lead pack for most of the race and finished second and third, respectively, in 5:02 and 5:20. TCRC Runner Jeff Felice led the rest of the field and finished as the second open male in 5:21.

Lynann Lorenz led the women by just breaking a 6 minute mile in 5:59. She was closely followed by high school runners Beth Stone (6:03) and Vikki Hartt (6:12), both of Susquehanna, PA. Laura Stanley of Binghamton finished as the second open woman in 6:29.

The runners all showed their Irish spirit with their running gear ranging from a simple green t-shirt to Doug Suthamer's kilt. Doug was awarded with "Most Irish Runner" honors.

As always, the St. Patrick's Parade Committee thanks the TCRC for their help, especially George Joseph for timing the race.

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