

Ole Man River Half-Marathon & 5K - Sunday, December 20, 2009, 8:00 AM

The 28th Annual Ole Man River Half-Marathon and 5K took place later than usual, moving to a December date. As predicted, the weather was a perfect ten.

Kevin Castille and Sarah Skotty won the Half-Marathon overall male and female titles. This was Kevin's second consecutive Ole Man River win. Sarah's time was the second fastest female finish time in the race's history. The City Park-based course and cool temperatures and low humidy contributed to many PR's on this USATF-certified Half-Marathon.

All finishers in the 5K and Half-Marathon received custom medallions. The exciting finish inside Tad Gormley Stadium was only the start of some great post-race features highlighted by the New Orleans International Airport Rotary Club's "Pancake Breakfast."

Perhaps the most exciting news about the race was the group of runners who braved the long journey from Hattiesburg, Mississippi to represent the Pine Belt Pacers. Congratulations to Aaron Gatheright, Charles Jackson, Eric Weill, James Daniel, Jim Coll, Neil Solomon, Terry Lawhead, and Walt Struthers.

<u>Place</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Time</u>	Pace Comments
15	Terry Lawhead	43	01:23:51	06:23 2 nd in age group & Half-marathon PR
28	Neil Solomon	50	01:29:59	06:51 1 st in age group & Half-marathon PR
40	James Daniel	37	01:33:53	07:09 3 rd in age group & Half-marathon PR
50	Aaron Gatheright	34	01:35:27	07:16 Half marathon PR
114	Jim Coll	35	01:48:28	08:16 Did you know Jim has finished an Ironman
117	Eric Weill	54	01:48:53	08:18 Half marathon PR (well, almost)
184	Charles Jackson	48	01:58:42	09:03 Desperately missed Nestor
270	Walt Struthers	42	02:35:11	11:50 Half marathon PR