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Virginia and DC Runners Win Quantico Tri and Quantico 12K

Runners competed in endurance events on Quantico's Office Candidate School

QUANTICO, VA (Aug. 26, 2017) – Under near perfect conditions 1,129 runners and triathletes completed the Quantico 12K or the Quantico Tri at Marine Corps Base Officer Candidate School today. The events were hosted back-to-back by the Marine Corps Marathon (MCM) Organization as part of the MCM Event Series. The Quantico Tri kicked off first with the early-morning sun making it a picturesque open-water swim in the Potomac River.

Fairfax, VA triathlete David Henkel, 37, won the Quantico Tri finishing the 750-meter swim, 12.4-mile bike ride and 5k run in 1:06:44. Henkel actually placed second in at the Quantico Tri in 2015, with even a faster finish of 1:05:07.

“I love this Tri,” said Henkel. “You swim in the Potomac and its fun, but the bike is really cool because the Marines are out there directing you and they’re just so awesome ... they make me go faster because they’re cheering for me.”

Finishing second was Douglas Marocco, 53, of Montclair, VA, who completed the Quantico Tri in 1:08:38. Matthew Saville, 39, of Stafford, VA finished third with a time of 1:09:37.

Kate Murray, 38, of McLean, VA was the first among women triathletes to finish the swim, bike and run in 1:14:35.

“It was perfect weather. I race a lot of triathlons but this is the first time doing this race ... and it was really fun,” she said.

Bev Dobrenz, 23, of Vienna, VA earned her second-place win with a time of 1:16:40, while Maryjane Egan, 28, of Washington, D.C. finished closely behind with a time of 1:17:01.

At 7:25 a.m., over 600 12K runners enjoyed their own celebratory start complete with the Presentation of Colors by the Quantico Color Guard, invocation by Navy Chaplain Brian Burd and the National Anthem performed by Colonial Forge High School student Hannah Fulwider.

The runners then took off on a 7.46-mile course through OCS and many of its wooded trails.

Air National Guardsman Travis Boltjes, 38, of Washington, D.C. captured first place and broke the course record, finishing the 12K run in 42:54.

“It’s a great event, the Marines really did awesome with this today,” he said at the finish. Boltjes completed this year’s event 12K faster than last year’s then-record setting time of 44:27 by runner Quantico runner Richard Jennings. The Quantico 12K began as a new event in 2016.

Scott Davis, 23, of Fairfax enjoyed a second-place win running the Quantico 12K in 44:46. Finishing in third place was Christopher Badolato, 31, of Fredericksburg, VA with a time of 45:19.

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Women runners were led on the 12K course by Navy Lt. Sandra Pahl, 39, currently stationed at Quantico. Pahl was the first woman to finish the Quantico 12K in 54:53. Taking second-place was Hassetou Wandaogo, 47, also of Washington, D.C. who finished in 54:59, and Elyse Braner, 33 of Arlington, VA won third place with a finish of 55:37.

Earning the Male Masters win at the Quantico 12K was Chuck Engle, 46, of Lancaster, OH with a finish of 47:18, followed by female Masters winner Tove Fuglem, 48, of Quantico who completed her run in 56:51.

Rick Heyward, 51, of Williamsburg, VA won the Masters award in the Quantico Tri finishing in 1:11:52, while Kari Stoever, 51 of Baltimore won the award among women with a 1:17:25 finish time.

Both the Quantico Tri and the Quantico 12K were sold out with the Quantico Tri doubling in size since the event began in 2013. The 12K field also increased by 10 percent prior to its sellout.

All results are available at www.marinemarathon.com, but remain unofficial.

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