

Inaugural Boston 13.1 Marathon® Series Kicks Off With More Than 4,100 Registered Runners

\$1.8 Million Raised for Crohn's & Colitis Foundation

MILTON, MA (June 27, 2010) » U.S. Road Race Sports & Entertainment announced today that more than 4,100 registered runners and walkers participated in the inaugural Boston area 13.1 Marathon®, held Sunday, June 27 in the picturesque Blue Hills of Boston's South Shore communities of Milton and Canton. The field featured 562 members of Team Challenge (www.ccteamchallenge.org), the Crohn's & Colitis Foundation's endurance training and fundraising program. Hailing from 14 cities around the country, the group collectively raised more than \$1.8 million for the Foundation's research, education and support initiatives.

Timothy Catoggio of South Boston raced to a first place finish in a time of 1:13:17, more than 10 minutes ahead of runner-up **Christopher Johnson** of Wellesley, MA (1:23:55). **Tara Barlow** of Brookline, MA, was the top female finisher in a time of 1:28:45, while **Lindsay Edwards** of East Aurora, NY, was the runner-up (1:29:58).

In the Karhu 5K race, **Brandon Bell** of Barrington, NH (18:29) and **Elizabeth Zamore** of Brookline, MA (21:33) were the inaugural winners.

Men ~ 13.1 Marathon Top Finishers:

1. Timothy Catoggio, 24, South Boston, MA ~ 1:13:17
2. Christopher Johnson, 24, Wellesley, MA ~ 1:23:55
3. James Burgess, 23, Boston, MA ~ 1:24:50

Women ~ 13.1 Marathon Top Finishers:

1. Tara Barlow, 25, Brookline, MA ~ 1:28:45
2. Lindsay Edwards, 20, East Aurora, NY ~ 1:29:58
3. Jami Lower, 31, Nantucket, MA ~ 1:30:26

Men ~ Karhu 5K Top Finishers:

1. Brandon Bell, 25, Barrington, NH ~ 18:49
2. Oscar Zambrano, 29, Brooklyn, NY ~ 20:21
3. Robert De Angelis, 21, Weymouth, MA ~ 20:34

Women ~ Karhu 5K Top Finishers:

1. Elizabeth Zamore, 22, Brookline, MA ~ 21:33
2. Lillian Lingham, 24, Brookline, MA ~ 21:40
3. Bethany Heslam, 45, North Port, FL ~ 23:36

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The Boston 13.1 Marathon® is one of eight stops on the 2010 schedule for the 13.1 Marathon® Series include Los Angeles, Miami, New York City, Chicago, Minneapolis, Atlanta and Dallas. A complete list of Boston race finishers and additional information on the series and U.S. Road Race Sports & Entertainment Group is accessible online at www.131boston.com.

About the Crohn's & Colitis Foundation

The Crohn's & Colitis Foundation of America's mission is to cure Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis, and to improve the quality of life of children and adults affected by these diseases. The Foundation ranks third among leading health non-profits in the percentage of expense devoted to research toward a cure, with more than 81 cents of every dollar the Foundation spends goes to mission-critical programs. The Foundation consistently meets the standards of organizations that monitor charities, including the Better Business Bureau's Wise Giving Alliance (give.org) and the American Institute of Philanthropy (charitywatch.org). For more information, contact the Foundation at 800-932-2423 or visit www.ccfa.org.

About US Road Sports and Entertainment Group

US Road Sports & Entertainment Group is a health and wellness company dedicated to the production of world-class endurance events. The mission of US Road Sports is to offer an unparalleled participant sports experience that showcases host communities and endures as a deeply valued local asset through events that are a part of the city's culture, identity and brand. For each participant, US Road Sports strives to offer events that allow participants of all skill levels the opportunity to improve their physical and mental health and accomplish life-altering goals while having fun. US Road Sports provides sponsors and municipalities highly effective exposure to help maximize their presence and message in the community.

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