

RAINBOW BEACH TRAIL RUN 31ST OCTOBER, 1992 - QUEENSLAND

The fourth running of the Rainbow Beach Trail Run introduced a new course to the 55km runners. Instead of repeating the forest loop covered by the 33km competitors the runners made their way from the Bymien Picnic Area along a rain forest trail to Freshwater Picnic Area by the ocean. This is where they were sorted out. The return to Bymien was about 12km along a very sandy 4WD track, the first 3-4 kms being uphill. An extended dry period also ensured that the sand was very loose. Three runners withdrew along this section and towards the end of this section Gary Parsons disqualified himself by taking a short cut back to the finish to assist Natalie Dellow who had taken the wrong turn in the 15 km event. This was a considerate act on Gary's part as he was battling with Asim Mesalic and Graham Medill for third place at that time.

Geoff Boase led the 55km race as far as the Freshwater Picnic Area but was passed by Bruce Cook in the sandy section following. Bruce went on to win comfortably in just over 4hrs 18 mins which compares favourably with the record for the old course (4hrs 10 mins - Don Wallace). Graham Medill passed Asim Mesalic in the latter stages to take out third. Phillipa Bolt was the only female to finish the 55km course but the merit in her effort was the fact that she bettered her time of the previous year by well over an hour.

The 33km event was won by John Lord from Kipling Walker and John McIntyre all from Brisbane. Sandra Duglison was the first female and Cheryl Dellow also completed the course and then did a bit extra in search of her daughter, Natalie. The 15 km event was taken out by another member of the Dellow Family, David (13 years), who just pipped Ian Cornelius with John McIntyre third. Dell Grant was the first female from Rosemary Crouch and Dianne French, who, unlike her father, Cliff, had no trouble in finding her way around the course.

Denis Parton, his wife Ruth and members of the Surf Lifesaving Club and National Parks personnel are to be congratulated on organizing such an enjoyable event although Denis claims no responsibility for the design of the course. That was done by Ian Javes. At presentation ceremony trophies were awarded to Graham Medill (72pts) and Phillipa Bolt (60pts) as winners of the Queensland Ultra Series for 1992. Next year this series will expand from 6 to 11 events.

Ian Javes

RAINBOW BEACH TRAIL RUN RESULTS

55 KILOMETRE:

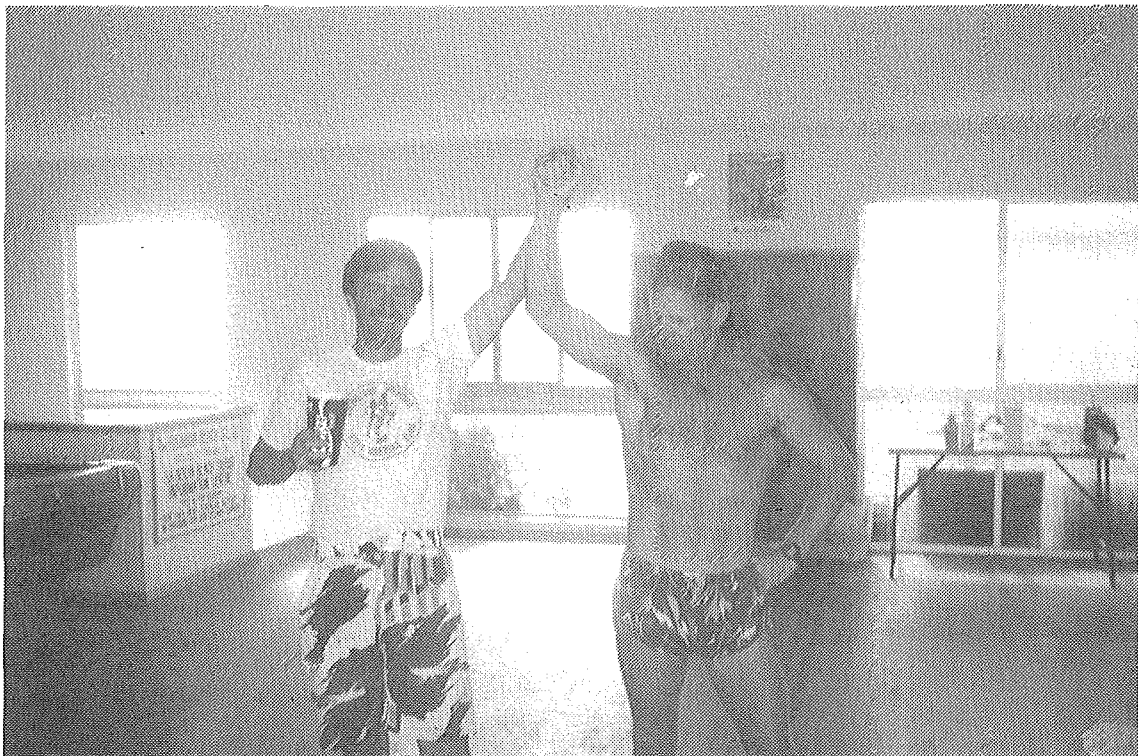
1. COOK, Bruce 4h 18m 10s
 2. BOASE, Geoff 4h 43m 59s
 3. MEDILL, Graham 4h 57m 59s
 4. MESALIC, Asim 5h 03m 36s
 5. MORLEY, Darren 5h 14m 14s
 6. JAVES, Ian 5h 27m 40s
 7. WILLIAMS, Geoff 5h 30m 01s
 8. FRENCH, Cliff 5h 56m 43s
 9. BAZZO, James 6h 02m 23s
 10. CASSIDY, Kevin 6h 07m 02s
 11. DELLOW, Kevin 6h 26m 29s
 12. TIMMS, John 6h 46m 42s
 13. BOLT, Allan 7h 04m 19s
 14. BOLT, Phillipa(1st F) 7h 17m 12s
- DNF-
- COX, Arthur
 - GRANT, Ron
 - STREET, Carol

33 KILOMETRES:

1. LORD, John 2h 30m 53s
2. WALKER, Kipling 2h 33m 48s
3. SCHULTZ, Michael 3h 05m 17s
4. DUNGLISON, Ron 3h 37m 01s
5. DUNGLISON, Sandra 3h 37m 02s (1st F)
6. DELLOW, Cheryl 4h 23m 53s (2nd F)

15 KILOMETRES:

1. DELLOW, David (13yr) 1h 34m 15s
2. CORNELIUS, Ian 1h 34m 27s
3. GRANT, Dell (1st F) 1h 34m 47s
4. McINTYRE, John 1h 35m 07s
5. CROUCH, Rosemary (2nd F) 1h 33m 00s
6. CAUSE, Danny 1h 50m 53s
7. FRENCH, Dianne (3rd F) 1h 51m 47s
8. NICOLSI, Chris 1h 54m 20s
9. MANN, Rod 2h 02m 33s
10. BUCHAN, Judy 2h 07m 33s
11. PARSONS, Sharon 2h 13m 20s
12. NICOLSI, Kylie 2h 13m 20s
13. MESALIC, Damir 2h 42m 28s
14. DELLOW, Natalie (10yr) 3h 58m 00s } wrong course



Winners of a different kind at Rainbow Beach
 Kevin Cassidy has now completed every
 trail run in Australia. Kev is seen here with
 Gary Parsons, who gave up a possible placing
 to bring in a lost girl.