

SAN ANTONIO ROADRUNNERS

PRICKLY PEAR

TITLE: Prickly Pear

DATES: 2002

DISTANCES:

2002 – 2019 10 Miler
2003 – 50k added
2016 – 5k added
2019 – 15k added

LOCATIONS HELD:

2002-2014; 2018	McAllister Park
2015-2017	Land Heritage Institute

RACE DIRECTORS:

2002-2014	Bill Gardner
2015-2017	Erik Burchiaga
2018	Kimberly Aubuchon

INTERESTING FACTS:

Inaugural event held on May 5, 2002, as a 10 miler. See attached recap of that event, "Prickly Pear 10 Mile Trail Run" from July, 2002, SARR Newsletter.

The month of May, as well as the title of this event, was chosen because the prickly pear plant is usually in bloom in early May. It was thought participants would enjoy seeing these blooms as they ran the "Prickly Pear."

With the event being held on May 5, it was also an excuse to celebrate the Cinco de Mayo.

In 2007, the event was moved from May to March, still in McAllister Park. According to Bill Gardner, event was moved to March "...because SARR volunteers were too busy during May." With SARR having two major races in

April, it was difficult to get volunteers for the Pear. The month of March was less "busy."

Although there were other ultra-distance races in San Antonio in the 1970's, the SARR Prickly Pear is the first, and maybe only, ultra-distance *cross-country* race in San Antonio. (per Ernie Oakes, email 11/21/2019)

The March date also had its complications. The "Fest of Tails," an event featuring kite flying and dogs, was also held in March. Race organizers had to confirm dates with the Fest of Tails organizers to avoid both events being held on same date.

Miscellaneous facts – from memory –

Awards were always unique. Among them were glass mugs and glass medals on leather strings.

Food and aid stations – There was always a feast when the runners finished. Meal often included chicken, beef, rice, beans. The aid stations also had a feast for the runners including water, chips, pretzels, potatoes, and other food needed to sustain participants during the 50k.

Volunteers and Race Organizers endured long hours in this event. The 50k generally started at 7 a.m. followed by the 10 miler at 7:30. Race Organizers and volunteers either marked the course the day before or very early on race day. Aid station volunteers needed to be on course by the time race started which meant arriving before 7 a.m. and staying until last runner past their station. Last runner would cross the finish line sometime around 3 p.m. Volunteers were urged to come in shifts, 6 – 12; 12 – 3, but many stayed the entire time.

Volunteers were also needed the day AFTER the event to remove the course markings and return the park to its natural state.

There were four aid stations along the route. One volunteer was given the task of recording runners' numbers/times as they passed to ensure that the runners did the required number of laps and to keep track of the runners.

Race was famous for being held after heavy rains making the course muddy and slippery. At one event, the race director was overheard to say "If the runner was not muddy and bloody when they finished, they did not try hard enough." Runners were known to throw away their shoes, because they were so full of mud and/or dirty, when they finished the race. For a while, shoes were thrown up into a tree. Later a donation box was set up for the dirty shoes. The "Shoe Eating Tree"

was located near Pavilion 3; however, the shoes and, possibly the tree, were removed during park renovations in the mid-2000s.

In 2006, it rained so hard just as the 50k started, that runners were known to hold hands as they crossed the creek that was along the route. See attached "Words of Whit" a recap of the 2006 event by Whitney Lawrence, President of SARR that appeared in the 2006 SARR Newsletter.

During the 2000s, a group of 20-30 cross-country students and their coaches participated in the Pear. The group, "Sci Tech," were from a high school south of San Antonio. They were regular participants. They participated until 2015. See pictures of the Sci Tech Team from 2013 and 2014.

ATTACHMENTS:

"Prickly Pear 10 Mile Trail Run," from SARR July, 2002, Newsletter recap of the first event.

"Words of Whit," from SARR Newsletter, 2006, recap of event.

From Kimberly Aubuchon, Race Director, email dated July 22, 2020, detailing the current and future of the Prickly Pear. In her email, Kimberly mentions two organizations: "FOMP" which is "Friends of McAllister Park;" and "STORM," "South Texas Off-Road Mountain Biking Club." STORM maintains and helps build the natural trails system in San Antonio.

Picture of "Sci Tech" Cross-Country Runners.

Race Flyers: 2002, 2003, 2006, 2007, 2012, 2014, and 2015

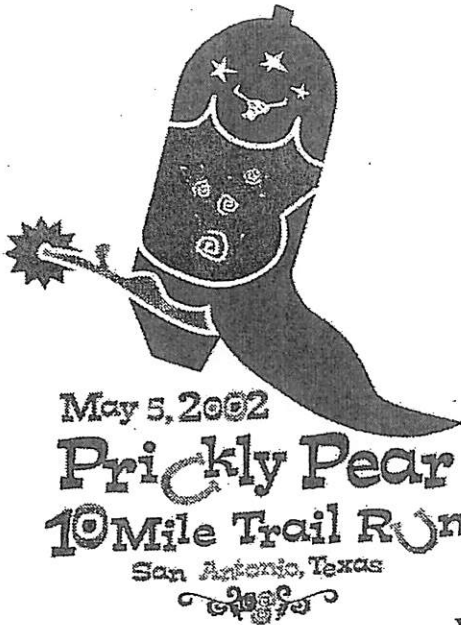
Maps:

2011 – Prickly Pear 10 Mile Trail Run

Prickly Pear 50k Trail Run

2014 -- Both distances

2015 – Both distances



PRICKLY PEAR 10 MILE TRAIL RUN

The debut of the Prickly Pear 10 Mile Trail Run on May 5 was a great success, thanks to the many volunteers of SARR and others who pitched in to help put on the area's first trail race.

I wanted to put this race on because I love trail running, and McAllister Park has several miles of great unpaved cross-country trails that most people don't know about. I hope the race generated some new interest in trail running, possibly creating a desire for a future trail races in the area.

The weather was great (ok it was a little hot and humid but at least it wasn't raining), the trail was in good shape and the wild flowers were awesome. We had about 150 runners hit the trail. Nobody got lost and everyone seemed to have a good time. Even at mile 8.5, when they realized they had to run the trails by the lake bed instead of heading back to the barn (finish line). Even the runners who fell came in bloody, sweaty and smiling. That's what trail running is all about. Getting sweaty, bruised and dirty and rewarding yourself afterwards.

Machelle Cochran won for the women in a swift 1 hour, 11 minutes. She ran like a natural trail runner. In the men's race Gary Guerrero won ran a 1:05. I would like to thank and congratulate all of the runners that ran this race.

With this being the first race I've ever directed, I wanted to put everything I have ever wanted in a race and some things I think will make it a memorable experience. The SARR volunteers made all of this happen. I was assured that there would be plenty of help and there was. The SARR volunteers were a first class act with everyone taking the bull by the horns and making it happen. They made me look organized and if any of you know me that is a huge undertaking.

The race had support from some wonderful sponsors, including Tim Campien with GLI Distribution, who supplied two kegs of Dos Equis beer, and Amanda McIntosh and HammerGel. Gene Johnson, Bob Ratliff, Whitney Lawrence, Joan and Walter B., Mario, Carroll with Fleet Feet and many more. I know I left some out. Please forgive me if yours is one of them. There are too many to name.

I am very happy that SARR was receptive to the idea of this race. A person would be hard pressed to find a trail run with a single loop that is as well supported and well marked as this run. The Prickly Pear also has some awesome post race festivities with fajitas and beer. Where else can you run 10 miles through beautiful wild flower trails with 4 manned, well stocked aid stations cross the finish line eat and drink, get a cool t-shirt and listen to music?

I plan on making this race an annual Cinco de Mayo ritual, getting bigger and better every year. If you missed it this year I hope you can run it next year.

Bill Gardner

WORDS OF WHIT

God said to Noah, Bill Gardner, it's going to rain for 40 minutes and 40 seconds. Bring your two legged animals to the arc, Pavilion 2 at McAllister Park. The 50 K runners, may already be on the trail, but at least we can save the 10 Milers. Bill says to God, "Let it rain and let them run". At 8:45 am, 15 minutes late, the lightning subsided and off they went two by two.

None wanted to get their feet wet in the puddle at the start but little did they know that in the first mile they had to forge waist deep raging water on three occasions. The course marshals served as lifeguards as the runners crossed the river locked arm in arm. Most said this is no longer a run but rather an endurance adventure race. A few, those that just didn't like water and mud, called it a day before the first river crossing but most stepped up to the adventure and pressed on. The leaders plowed into the water and wet conditions with zest and a smile. Almost everyone crashed more than once, as the mud was never-ending only to be hidden by the calf deep water as the runners moved from mile 1 to the 1st aid station at mile 2. Jenna, Joan and company served well as first aid good Samaritans and morale boosters to keep adventurers moving to the challenge ahead. Mile 2 through mile 3 was wet but the footing steady because most was on the paved trail and road. This section was revised the night before when Noah had a conversation with God and said "Yes, it is going to rain". Noah said "I'll change the course because some of my animals can't swim".

Aid station 2 was well manned by Emily and friends but shortly thereafter the trail deteriorated to all mud. The runners skirted the base of the newly constructed dam and then dropped into the bowels of Lawrence Creek. As Bob Ratliff described "I swam across the river but I couldn't stand up so I pulled myself out, hand over hand by the trees and roots." Then the adventurers had to climb a hazardous switch back where one slip and you fell 30 feet to the rocks below. All soles made it but many clung to the trees for safety. Then just to see if you believed in God, the trail dropped back to the Lawrence Creek past mile 4. One more climb and the runners got a chance to document their injuries to Ernie Oaks at aid station 3. As Ernie said, "Most just needed to clean up and check their constitution before they moved to the perils ahead". The next 2 ½ miles of the Keller Loop had some great views of the San Antonio Airport flight line, but few dared lift their eyes for fear of the crash and burn that was about to happen. Mile 6 passed and most felt the fun was over, and now it was a real test. At this point most were walking, although the elite runners were bouncing from side to side to find the best footing. The goal for most was "Can I complete this damn run without falling again?"

By the time the runners reached the fourth aid station few could appreciate the volunteer effort made by one of San Antonio's favorites, Mike Chica. Mike was only three weeks from by-pass surgery, but he forged the thigh deep water to stand in the rain and encourage those of faint hearts. His doctors would call him crazy but those of us that know Mike just shake our heads and say, "What did you expect, that's Mike". (The great news is that Mike is back and recently finished a ten-mile run.)

The ugly runners still had 2 ½ miles to finish what long ago stopped being fun. It was now a test. "Can I finish this damn run, and just let me get my hands on Noah." Another mile of mud, and by now, almost every step was in constant calf deep water. The river crossing at the most northern section of the race, near Thousand Oaks, was almost impassable. The water was waist deep with no markers, (they were all below the raging water.) Somehow most found their way to the orange markers on the far bank, but it was no easy task, and all were thankful when they made it. At this point, everyone just wanted it to be done. Mile 9 was below water as many of the miles before, but the tough kept going. "When will this damn thing be done, and if I ever get my hands on Noah, I'm going to send him to God!"

The race was over, now where is Noah? The good news; most found the food and beer before they had a mutiny on the arc. If you survived the 2006 Prickly Pear Trail Run, you know of that which I write. Sometimes in life, the adventure is more powerful than the event itself, more important than the time, more memorable than all the races before it.

Congratulations to those who survived. Thanks to those who volunteered and Noah, you have to answer to God.

Whitney Lawrence

Source: 2006 SARR Newsletter


Re: Prickly Pear History

From: kimberly aubuchon (realniceart@yahoo.com)


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veronica.salinas1@twc.com; tomlake@satx.rr.com; erik@edragontees.com

Date: Wednesday, July 22, 2020, 12:13 PM CDT

Hi Sally,

I will make a Contribution If you like to this from 2018- current of the PP. we have an awesome New course, assistance with setup and tear down, new relationships and partnerships formed with FOMP and STORM, advertising in National Magazines, and more. This was one of the first and favorite trail races I've ever ran in San Antonio in 2009. I ran it nearly every year until I became race director.



Erik added the addition of a 5K distance in 2016?? And I changed the distances to 50K/15K/5K in 2019, removing the 10 mile distance (we could NEVER get the 10 mile accurate). We also moved the 15K course around a bit to not include heavy standing water areas if there should be heavy rains prior to event. Every since we did this—it's been dry as a bone the last 3 years. 🤔

Thanks to relationships made with FOMP and STORM they have become sponsors in our events helping promote the race, and organizes our course tear down with course tear down.

It for sure is the longest running and still
Existing ultra distance run in SA, but no longer the only one. There are
Now ultra distance races at Land Heritage Institute and Government Canyon.

Current goals with the race are to keep it lively and fun, keep the course exciting, be known for the friendliest and supportive aid stations in town, and eventually be a cupless/green race. We gave out collapsible cups this year to the 50K runners and we are

Making our race cupless in 2021. We also constructed reusable course markings and signs that we reuse every year that I have in my possession.


Thank you and Ernie for doing this—so great that we have a record of the amazing history of our club. If there is anything I can do to help with this or Whine Run please let me know. I would also love to read the attachments if that's possible for my files. 😊

Happy Trails,

2013 or 2014 SciTech Team - Prickly Pear



2013 OR 2014 SciTech Team - Prickly Pear



2013 or 2014 Sci Tech Team
Prickly Pear

SARR 1st Annual Prickly Pear Trail Run



Distance *Appr. 10 miles*
 Sunday May 5th, 2002
 McAllister Park
 Al Becken Pavilion
 San Antonio, Texas
 8:30 a.m. Start

Proceeds benefit the SARR Scholarship Fund

Pre-registration: Roger Soler's Sports and Fleet Feet locations in San Antonio

Mail Entries: Prickly Pear Trail Run

Website: www.pricklypear.get-2.com

c/o Bill Gardner

9419 Bluebell

Garden Ridge, Texas 78266

Race-Day Registration: 7:00 to 8:00 a.m., McAllister Park Pavilion #1

Fees (no refunds): Before Apr 27 - SARR members, military, and runners under 18 - \$13 / All others - \$15
 After Apr 27 and Race-Day - \$20 for All

T-shirts: Available to the first 150 runners. All others will be delayed in getting shirts.

Clydesdales/Fillies: Weigh-in will be Race-Day only between 7:00 and 8:00 a.m.
 Clydesdales must be 190 lbs +. Fillies must be 140 lbs+

Awards: 1st thru 3rd in open & master (male/female); 1st thru 3rd Clydesdale/Filly (open & master)

NOTE: This is a trail race! Water stations are not evenly spaced and more limited than road races. It is encouraged for runners to carry water with them. The trails are rocky and could be very muddy if we have had recent rains. Wear appropriate footwear. This race will be run rain or shine (as long as the park is open).

Additional Information: Bill Gardner (210) 651-6096



2002 Prickly Pear Trail Run

Official use: Race # _____

First Name _____ MI _____ Last Name _____ Birth Date (5/4/02) _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip code _____

Phone _____

Sex: M F Special Category: Clydesdale (lbs) 190+ _____ Fillies (lbs) 140+ _____

T-shirt: M L XL XXL

Race Fee _____ SARR# _____

In consideration of the acceptance of this registration entry, I assume full and complete responsibility for any injury or accident which may occur during my participation in this race or while on the premises of this event; and I hereby release and hold harmless the sponsors, promoters, and all other persons and entities associated with this event from any and all injury or damage, whether it be caused by negligence of the sponsors or promoters or other persons or entities associated with this event or their agents of employees or otherwise.

Signature _____ Parents if participant is under 18 years of age _____

SARR MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

NAME _____ DOB _____ PHONE _____

STREET _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

SINGLE (\$10.00) _____ FAMILY (\$13.00) _____ RENEWAL _____ NEW _____ E-MAIL _____



Prickly Pear 10mile & 50k Trail Runs



USACFRF-Texas Series Race
San Antonio Road Runners Event
Saturday May 3rd, 2003
McAllister Park Pavilion #3



San Antonio, Texas
Start 6:30am(50K) & 8:30am(10m).

Proceeds benefit the SARR Scholarship Fund



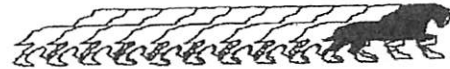
Website: WWW.PP1050.Com

Pre-registration: Roger Soler's Sports and Fleet Feet locations in San Antonio
Mail Entries: Prickly Pear Trail Runs
c/o Bill Gardner
9419 Bluebell
Garden Ridge, Texas 78266
Online Registration is available on race website

Race-Day Registration: McAllister Park Pavilion #3 50K : 5:30-6:15am 10miler: 6:30-8:00am

Fees (no refunds): Before Apr 19 - \$20 for 10 miler; \$30 for 50K
After Apr 19th and Race-Day - \$30 for 10 miler; \$40 for 50K
(Price includes t-shirt, fully stocked aid stations, fajitas, rice, beans, and other refreshments after the race.)

T-shirts: Available to the first 150 runners.
Clydesdales/Fillies: Weigh-in will be Race-Day only between 7:00 and 8:00 a.m.
Clydesdales must be 190 lbs +. Fillies must be 140 lbs+



Awards: 50K - 1st thru 3rd in open & master (male/female) Special Division for Hill Country 50Kx2 Sun Series
10miler: - Overall male/female, 1st thru 3rd in 10 year age groups after 30 years;
1st thru 3rd Clydesdale - Open & master; Filly (one division)

NOTE: These races will be run rain or shine (as long as the park is open). Wear appropriate footwear and plan to carry water with you.

Additional Information: Bill Gardner (210) 651-6096

2003 Prickly Pear Trail Run Race Event: 10mile 50K Official use: Race #

First Name MI Last Name Birth Date (as of 5/3/03)

Address City State Zip code

Phone

Sex: M F Special Category(10m only): Clydesdale (lbs) 190+ Fillies (lbs) 140+ Race Fee SARR#

T-shirt: M L XL XXL

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Signature Parents if participant is under 18 years of age

SARR MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

NAME DOB PHONE

STREET CITY STATE ZIP

SINGLE (\$15.00) RENEWAL NEW E-MAIL



May 6, 2006

Prickly Pear

10 & 50 Mile Trail Run

San Antonio, Texas

McAllister Park

Pavilion 3

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

Saturday, May 6, 2006

10mi - 8:30AM • 50k - 7:00AM

Pre-registration

Fleet Feet Sports, Run.Gear.Run, and Roger Soler's Sports locations in San Antonio
Mail Entries:

Prickly Pear Trail Run, c/o Bill Gardner,
9419 Bluebell, Garden Ridge, Texas 78266

Packet Pick-up

Courtyard Marriott, 8615 Broadway 78217 • (210) 828-7200
Packet pick-up and registration at Marriott Conference Room on Friday, May 5, from 5:30-7:30PM

Race Day Registration

6:00AM to 8:00AM, McAllister Park Pavilion #3

Fees (no refunds):

Before April 29: SARR members, military, and runners under 18: 10mi - \$20; 50k - \$35
All others: 10mi - \$25; 50k - \$40
After April 29: 10mi - \$35; 50k - \$50 for All
Race Day: 10mi - \$40; 50k - \$55 for All

Awards 10-Mile & 50K:

Mugs for 1st thru 3rd in open & master (male/female) 19 and under, 5 year increments to 70+
1st Overall (50K) - Award Mug and Framed Prickly Pear Print
Prize Money (10-Mile only): 1st - \$300, 2nd - \$200, 3rd - \$100



Proceeds benefit the SARR Scholarship Fund

NOTE: This is a trail race! Water stations are not evenly spaced and more limited than road races. It is encouraged for runners to carry water with them. The trails are rocky and could be very muddy if we have had recent rains. Wear appropriate footwear. This race will be run rain or shine (as long as the park is open).

Additional Information: Bill Gardner (210) 651-6096 • Email: billyg@materialestimates.com
www.saroadrunners.com • www.pp1050.com

2006 Prickly Pear Trail Runs

Event: 10mi

50k

Official use: Race # _____

First Name _____ MI _____ Last Name _____ Age on 5/06/06 _____ DOB _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip code _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Sex: M F

T-shirt: M L XL XXL

Race Fee _____

SARR# _____

In consideration of the acceptance of this registration entry, I assume full and complete responsibility for any injury or accident which may occur during my participation in this race or while on the premises of this event; and I hereby release and hold harmless the sponsors, promoters, and all other persons and entities associated with this event from any and all injury or damage, whether it be caused by negligence of the sponsors or promoters or other persons or entities associated with this event or their agents of employees or otherwise.



Prickly Pear 50K & 10 Mile Trail Run

San Antonio, Texas

McAllister Park

Pavilion 3

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

Saturday, March 17, 2007

10mi - 8:30AM • 50k - 7:00AM

Pre-registration

Fleet Feet Sports, Run.Gear.Run, and Roger Soler's Sports locations in San Antonio

Mail Entries:

Prickly Pear Trail Run, c/o Bill Gardner, 9419 Bluebell, Garden Ridge, Texas 78266

Packet Pick-up

Courtyard Marriott, 8615 Broadway 78217 • (210) 828-7200

Packet pick-up and registration at Marriott Conference Room on Friday, March 16, from 5:30-7:30PM

Race Day Registration

6:00AM to 8:00AM, McAllister Park Pavilion #3

Fees (no refunds):

Before March 10: SARR members, military, and runners under 18: 10mi - \$20; 50k - \$35

All others: 10mi - \$25; 50k - \$40

After March 10: 10mi - \$35; 50k - \$50 for All

Race Day: 10mi - \$40; 50k - \$55 for All



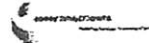
Awards: 10 Mile & 50K:

Mugs for 1st thru 3rd in open & master (male/female)

19 and under, 5 year increments to 70+

1st Overall (50K) - Award Mug and Framed Prickly Pear Print

Prize Money (10-Mile only): 1st - \$300, 2nd - \$200, 3rd - \$100



Proceeds benefit the SARR Scholarship Fund

NOTE: This is a trail race! Water stations are not evenly spaced and more limited than road races. It is encouraged for runners to carry water with them. The trails are rocky and could be very muddy if we have had recent rains. Wear appropriate footwear. This race will be run rain or shine (as long as the park is open).

Additional Information: Bill Gardner (210) 651-6096 • Email: billyg@satx.rr.com
www.saroadrunners.com • www.pp1050.com

2007 Prickly Pear Trail Runs

Event: 10mi 50k

Official use: Race # _____

First Name _____ MI _____ Last Name _____ Age on 3/17/07 _____ DOB _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip code _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Sex: M F

T-shirt: M L XL XXL

Race Fee _____

SARR# _____

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Signature _____

Parent's if participant is under 18 years of age _____

Date _____



McAllister Park Pavilion 3

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

Saturday, March 10, 2012

10 Mile - 8:30AM • 50K - 7:00AM

Cut off is 8 hours



Pre-registration

Fleet Feet Sports, and Soler's Sports locations in San Antonio
Mail Entries: Prickly Pear Trail Run, c/o Bill Gardner
9419 Bluebell, Garden Ridge, Texas 78266

Race Day Registration

6:00AM to 8:00AM, McAllister Park Pavilion #3

Packet Pick-up You may pick up your race packet at the Courtyard Marriott - 8615 Broadway Street, San Antonio, TX 78217 (210) 828-7275 on Friday, March 09, from 5:30-7:30PM or race day from 6-8AM.

Fees (no refunds) 10 miler - \$45 through 2-10-12, \$55 through 2-25-12, \$65 after 2-25-12 and \$75 on race day
50K - \$60 through 2-10-12, \$70 through 2-25-12, \$80 after 2-25-12 and \$90 on race day
Military - \$5 discount via mail in only on same structure as above. • **Make checks payable to SARR.**

Race Goodies

Runners get 4 fully stocked aid station, tech shirts, chip timing, post race party.



Awards:

10-MILE: Mugs for 1st thru 3rd in open & master (male/female) 19 and under, 5 year increments to 70 +

50K: 1st Overall - Award Mug and Framed Prickly Pear Plaque 29 and under, 10 year increments to 70 +

Proceeds benefit the SARR Scholarship Fund

NOTE: This is a trail race! Water stations are not evenly spaced and more limited than road races. It is encouraged for runners to carry water with them. The trails are rocky and could be very muddy if we have had recent rains. Wear appropriate footwear. This race will be run rain or shine (as long as the park is open).

Additional Information • Email: info@runintexas.com

www.saroadrunners.com • www.pp1050.com • www.runintexas.com • www.iaapweb.com

2011 Prickly Pear Trail Runs Event: 10mi 50k Official use: Race # _____

Extra post race food for non runners: \$10 each. Quantity _____ \$ _____ Race Fee _____ SARR# _____

First Name _____ MI _____ Last Name _____ Age on 3/10/12 _____ DOB _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip code _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Sex: M F T-shirt: Men's Sizes S M L XL XXL • Women's Sizes WS WM WL WXL

I know that running a road race is potentially hazardous activity that could cause injury or death. I should not enter and run unless I am medically able and properly trained, and by my signature, I certify that I am medically able to perform this event, and am in good health and am properly trained. I agree to abide by any decision of a race official relative to any aspect of my participation in this event, including the right of any official to deny or suspend my participation, for any reason whatsoever. I assume all risks associated with running in this event, including but not limited to: falls, contact with other participants, the effects of the weather, including high heat and/or humidity, traffic and the conditions of the road, all such risks being known and appreciated by me. I understand that bicycles, skateboards, baby joggers, roller skates or blades, animals, and radio headsets are not allowed in the race, and I will abide by this guideline. Having read this waiver and knowing these facts and in consideration of your accepting my entry, I, for myself and anyone entitled to act on my behalf, waive and release the San Antonio Road Runners, the city of San Antonio, and all sponsors, their representatives and successors from all claims or liabilities of any kind arising out of my participation in this event, even though that liability may arise out of negligence or carelessness on the part of the persons named in this waiver.

Signature _____

Parent's if participant is under 18 years of age _____

Date _____

SARR
PRICKLY PEAR

McAllister Park Pavilion 3
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS
Saturday, March 8, 2014
50K - 7:00AM • 10Mile - 8:30AM
Cut off is 8 hours



10 MILE & 50K TRAIL RUN
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS



Proceeds benefit the SARR Scholarship Fund

Pre-registration:

iRun, Fleet Feet Sports, and Soler's Sports locations in San Antonio
By Mail: Make check payable to SARR and mail to:
Prickly Pear Trail Run, c/o Bill Gardner
9419 Bluebell
Garden Ridge, TX 78266

Race Day Registration:

6:00AM to 8:00AM, McAllister Park Pavilion #3

FEES: (no refunds)

10 miler (SARR members & active duty military)
\$45 through 2-8-14
\$55 through 2-22-14
\$65 after 2-22-14
and \$80 on race day

10 miler (all others)
\$50 through 2-8-14
\$60 through 2-22-14
\$70 after 2-22-14
and \$80 on race day

Packet Pick-up:

You may pick up your race packet at iRun San Antonio Bitters Location - 2602 NW Loop 1604 Bldg 1, Ste 106, San Antonio, TX 78248 on Thurs., March 6 from 11a.m.-7p.m. and on Friday, March 7 from 11a.m.-7p.m. or race day from 6-8a.m.

Race Goodies:

Runners get 4 fully stocked aid station, tech shirts, chip timing, post race party.

50K (SARR members & active duty military)
\$60 through 2-8-14
\$70 through 2-22-14
\$80 after 2-22-13=4
and \$95 on race day

50K (all others)
\$65 through 2-8-14
\$75 through 2-22-14
\$85 after 2-22-14
and \$95 on race day
Make checks payable to SARR



Awards:

10-MILE: 1st overall M/F and Masters winners get framed Prickly Pear prints w/etched beer mugs. Age Group award will be etched beer mugs to the top 3 finishers in 5 year increments starting with 19 and under thru 70 & up.
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NOTE: This is a trail race! Water stations are not evenly spaced and more limited than road races. It is encouraged for runners to carry water with them. The trails are rocky and could be very muddy if we have had recent rains. Wear appropriate footwear. This race will be run rain or shine (as long as the park is open).

Additional Information • Email: info@runintexas.com

www.saroadrunners.com • www.pp1050.com • www.runintexas.com

2014 Prickly Pear Trail Runs Event: 10mi 50k Official use: Race # _____

Extra post race food for non runners: \$10 each. Quantity _____ \$ _____ Race Fee _____ SARR# _____
First Name _____ Last Name _____ Age on 3/8/14 _____ DOB _____
Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip code _____
Phone _____ Email _____
Sex: M F T-shirt: Men's Sizes S M L XL XXL • Women's Sizes WS WM WL WXL

I know that running a road race is potentially hazardous activity that could cause injury or death. I should not enter and run unless I am medically able and properly trained, and by my signature, I certify that I am medically able to perform this event, and am in good health and am properly trained. I agree to abide by any decision of a race official relative to any aspect of participation in this event, including the right of any official to deny or suspend my participation, for any reason whatsoever. I assume all risks associated with running in this event, including but not limited to: falls, contact with other participants, the effects of the weather, including high heat and/or humidity, traffic and the conditions of the road, all such risks being known and appreciated by me. I understand that bicycles, skateboards, baby joggers, roller skates or blades, animals, and radio headsets are not allowed in the race, and I will abide by this guideline. Having read this waiver and knowing these facts and in consideration of my accepting my entry, I, for myself and anyone entitled to act on my behalf, waive and release the San Antonio Road Runners, the city of San Antonio, and all sponsors, their representatives and successors from all claims or liabilities of any kind arising out of my participation in this event, even though that liability may arise out of negligence or carelessness on the part of the persons named in this waiver.

Signature _____ Parent's signature if participant is under 18 years of age _____ Date _____



2 0 1 5 PRICKLY PEAR

NEW LOCATION
Land Heritage Institute
 1349 Neal Rd, San Antonio, TX 78264
Saturday, March 14, 2015
 50K - 7:00AM • 10Mile - 8:30AM Cut off is 8 hours

COURSE: Prickly Pear Trail race has two events, a 50K, which starts at 7 AM and the 10 Miler which starts at 8:30 AM. The 50K is three 10 mile loops. The 10 miler is one 10 mile loop. Aid stations at approx miles 2, 4, 7 and finish. The 7 mile station is a drop bag station. All aid stations will be fully stocked

REGISTRATION: **In Store Pre-Registration:** Werun, iRun, Fleet Feet Sports, and Soler's Sports locations in San Antonio. **CUT OFF: 03/12/15**
By Mail: Make check payable to SARR
Mail to: Prickly Pear Trail Run
 125 Tropicana Place
 San Antonio, TX 78242
CUT OFF: 03/10/15

REGISTER ONLINE: ONLINE ON IAAPWEB.COM Search SARR PRICKLY PEAR 2015

ENTRY FEE: **10 miler** \$60 through 3/13/15 \$70 on race day
50K \$70 through 3/13/15 and \$80 on race day
SARR MEMBERS & ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY RECEIVE \$5 OFF REGISTRATION
NO REFUNDS

INFORMATION: www.saroadrunners.com http://www.pp1050.com/

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Packet Pick-up: You may pick up your race packet at WeRun San Antonio on Thurs., March 12 from 11a.m.-6 p.m. and Friday, March 13 from 11a.m.-6 p.m. or race day from 6-8a.m.

Race Goodies: Runners get 4 fully stocked aid station, Tech shirts, chip timing, post race party



MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: SARR
 mail to: Prickly Pear Trail Run
 125 Tropicana Place
 San Antonio, TX 78242

PRICKLY PEAR Saturday, March 14, 2015

BIB NUMBER

LAST NAME

FIRST NAME

M.I.

SEX M F

STREET ADDRESS

CITY/TOWN

AGE

STATE

ZIP CODE

PHONE NUMBER

DATE OF BIRTH

PICK EVENT:
 10 Mile Trail Run 50k TRAIL RUN

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IMPORTANT CHECK IF APPLIES
 SARR MEMBER ACTIVE MILITARY

E-MAIL ADDRESS:

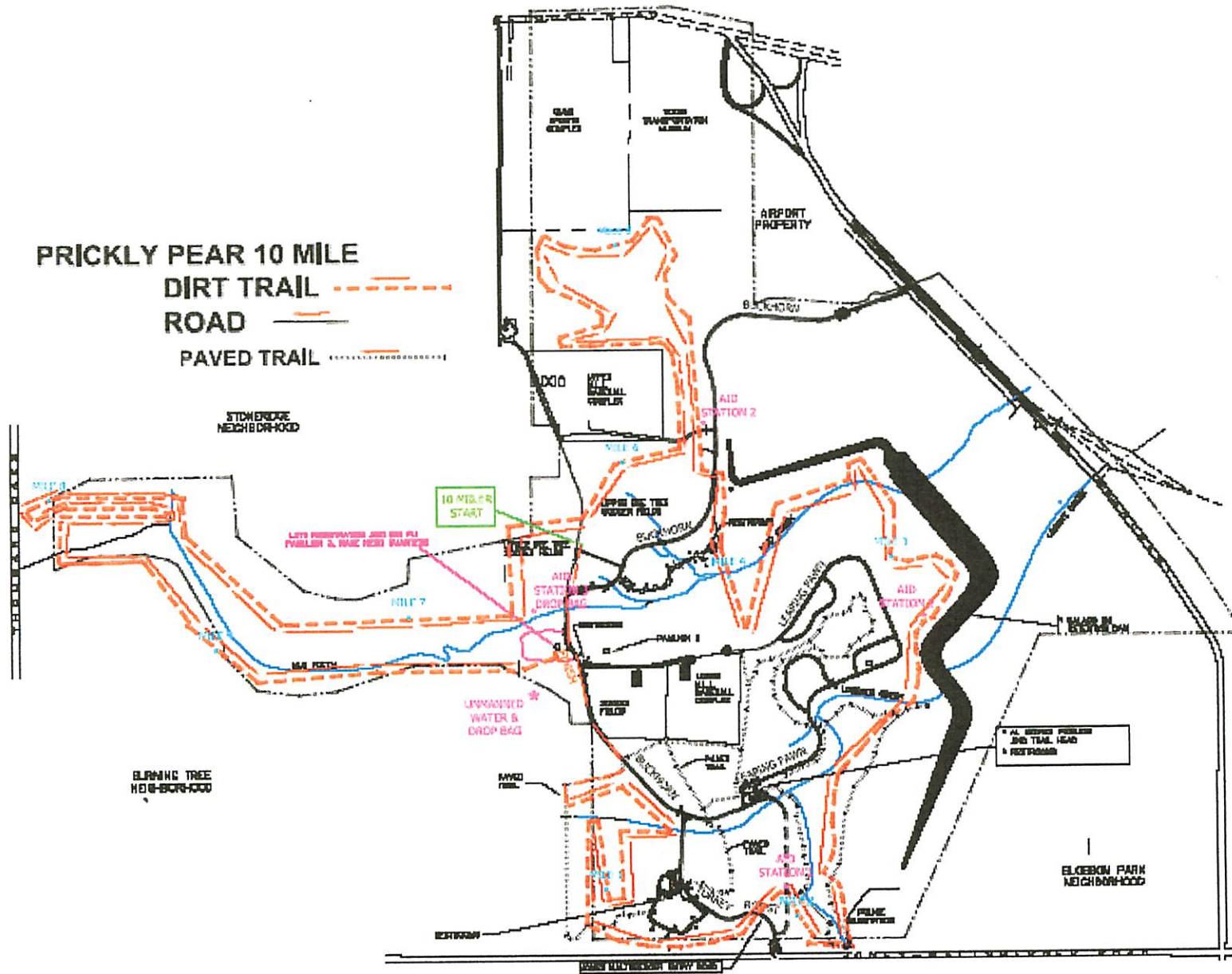
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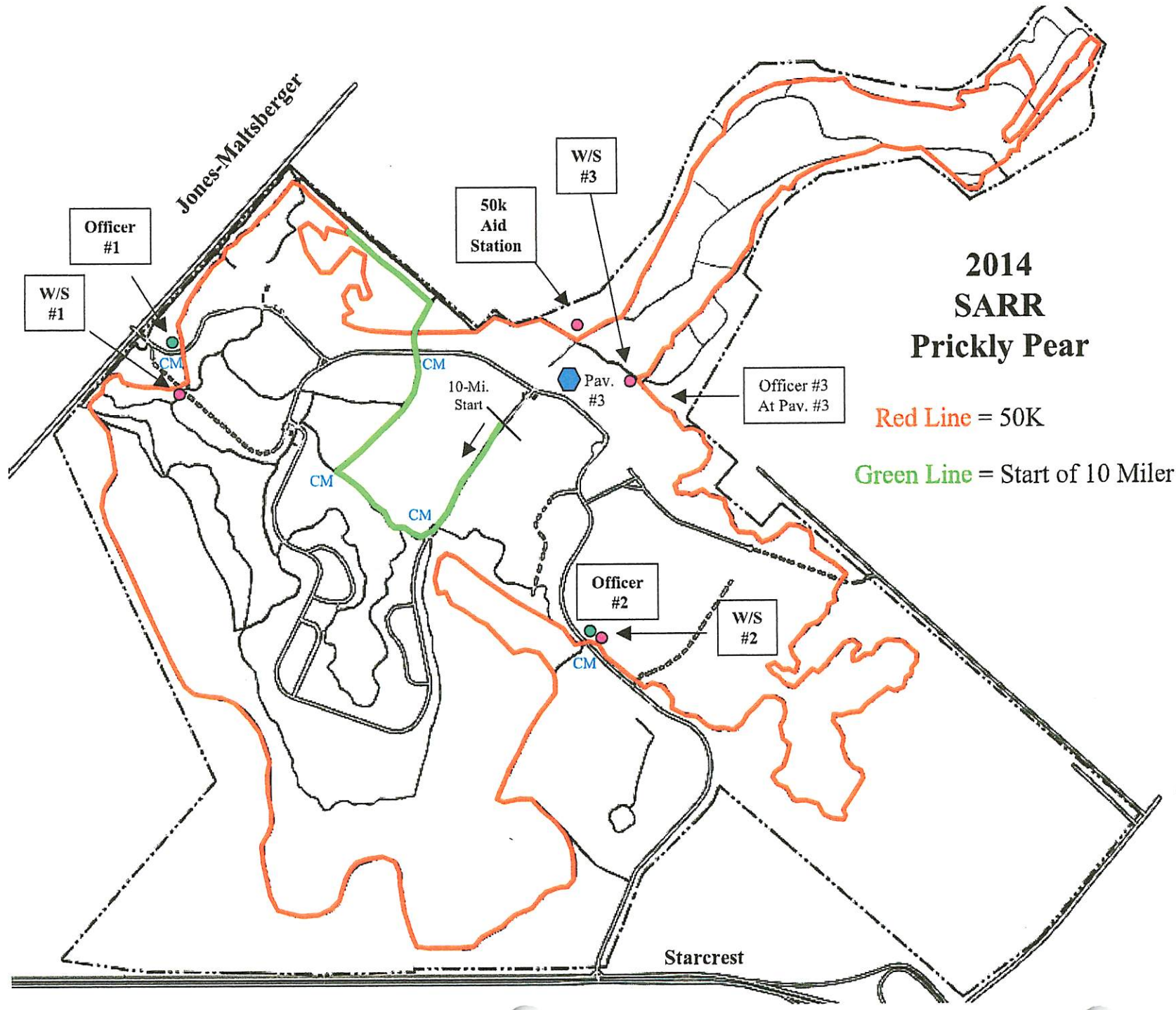
MEN SHIRT SIZE: S M L XL XXL (Add \$2.00) WOMEN SHIRT SIZE: XS S M L XL XXL (Add \$2.00)

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ATHLETE (OR PARENT, IF UNDER 18) MUST SIGN: _____ DATE: _____

PRICKLY PEAR 10 MILE TRAIL RUN - 2011





**2014
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Prickly Pear**

Red Line = 50K

Green Line = Start of 10 Miler

Officer #1

W/S #1

50k
Aid
Station

W/S
#3

10-Mi.
Start

Pav.
#3

Officer #3
At Pav. #3

Officer
#2

W/S
#2

Starcrest

Jones-Maltsberger

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Course Map

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MARCH 14, 2015
10 MILE & 50K TRAIL RUN
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS



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2015

EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBER:
ROBERT BUYER- 210-410-3486

OTHER- (NEED CUPS, WATER, CM QUESTIONS)
JERRY - 210-887-4260 ERIK - 210-454-7000

- Parking
- Water Stop
- COURSE MARSHALS

- 10 Miler & 50K Course
- 50K only Course

LEGEND

- High Difficulty
- Normal Difficulty
- Paved Trail
- Gravel Road
- Jeep Trail
- Paved Road
- Heritage Live Oak
- Locked Gate
- Interior Gate
- Trail Start Point
- Primitive Campir

