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20,000 SHAMROCK PARTICIPANTS TOOK TO THE STREETS AT THE VIRGINIA BEACH OCEANFRONT FOR THE 51ST ANNUAL SHAMROCK MARATHON.

MARCH 19, 2023 – VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA – The Yuengling Shamrock Marathon Weekend finished its 51st year Sunday with the half marathon and full marathon. Runners from all 50 states and 11 countries toed the line together and took to the streets of Virginia Beach with the same goal...cross the finish line.

After Saturday's TowneBank Shamrock 8K and Operation Smile Final Mile, all eyes were on Sunday's Yuengling Shamrock Marathon and Anthem's Shamrock Half Marathon. Jennifer Yuengling, 6th generation brewer, D.G. Yuengling & Son, Inc was also at the start of Sunday's races to cheer them on as they left the finish line. Runners were greeted with spectators, cheer groups, members of the US Military, run clubs and on course music throughout the day.

"It's so inspiring to see so many runners come out and run. They all have different personal goals and watching them reach those goals, it's just an amazing sight." said Amy Frostick who co-owns the race company, J&A Racing with husband and fellow race director, Jerry Frostick.

After Sunday's races, participants were treated to an epic after party on the beach featuring Yuengling beers, Irish Stew from Murphy's Irish Pub and live music from Nashville Cover Band and DJ Ty Street. Becca Schatti ran her very first half marathon on Sunday saying, "It's such a gorgeous day for a run and the camaraderie and energy surrounding this race is amazing. I can't wait till Shamrock next year."

Winners for each race:

Marathon

Male: Langston Gash, 02:34:37, Middle River, MD, 25 years old

Female: Madeleine King, 02:44:42, Virginia Bch, VA, 23 years old

Half Marathon

Male: Samuel Sheldon, 01:09:03, Baltimore, MD, 24 years old

Female: Laurel Le Moigne, 01:18:04, Springfield, VA, 37 years old

8K

Male: George Tolton 26:11, Virginia Beach, VA, 31 years old

Female: Natalie Boyle 30:28, Chester, VA, 23 years old

The Yuengling Shamrock Marathon Weekend will take place again March 15-17, 2024, at the Virginia Beach Oceanfront. Registration for next year is now open at www.ShamrockMarathon.com

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About J&A Racing

J&A Racing is a nationally recognized race management company based in Virginia Beach, Virginia. With a portfolio of seven events, J&A Racing's mission is to promote and support healthy lifestyles and the sport of running through all stages of life. Since 2003 when J&A Racing owners, Amy and Jerry Frostick, took over the Shamrock Sportsfest, the Yuengling Shamrock Marathon Weekend has become one of the most popular running events in the country growing from 3,000 participants to a record 30,000 in 2015 while bringing in a 24-million-dollar economic impact to the City of Virginia Beach. Additionally, J&A Racing organizes the Chartway Virginia Beach 10 Miler, Old Point National Bank Wicked 10K; the Big Blue 5K; the BayPort Credit Union Surf-N-Santa 5 Miler; the BayPort Foundation Crawl-in' Crab Half Marathon & 5K; the Chartway Norfolk Harbor Half Marathon Weekend; and the ADP Corporate 5K. For more information on J&A Racing's events, visit jandaracing.com.

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