

# Second annual Howl-O-Ween 5K Fun Run draws nearly 50

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LAKE PLACID — First came Pedro Sánchez and Napoleon Dynamite, followed closely by Forrest Gump and a short while later a pack of park rangers, tacos, hot dogs, astronauts and a unicorn.

This certainly wasn't your typical 5K road race — but being the weekend before Halloween, the streets of this Olympic village wouldn't have it any other way.

Nearly 50 costume-clad runners and at least a dozen furry friends took part in the second-annual Howl-O-Ween 5K Fun Run on Saturday, which blends spooky season with four-legged fun. Costumes were sported by people and pets alike.

Organized by the Rotary Club of Lake Placid, the event is a fundraiser for the Bark Park, which officially opened later that morning.

Rotarian and race organizer Debbie Erenstone said the event's success last year built a momentum. Even as Bark Park construction is complete, she said this year's proceeds will go toward park maintenance, and extra money will be donated to the Tri-Lakes Humane Society. She said the Rotary Club is hopeful the race will return again next year.

"We're just so grateful for the community support," she said. "It's a lot of fun, and that's a big part of it. Not just the fundraising but also seeing everybody coming out and having fun together."

#### Top results

##### **Male**

1. Jeffrey Erenstone (Lake Placid) — 20:43.35
2. Jonathan Bigness (Malone) — 21:50.57
3. Beau Rabidou (Lake Placid) — 22:16.66
4. Bryan Magnus (Lake Placid) — 22:34.71
5. Jackson Magnus (Lake Placid) — 22:40.23

##### **Female**

1. Joni Gerken (Lake Placid) — 23:13.99
2. Leila Fey (Lake Placid) — 25:36.52
3. Norah Francis (Lake Placid) — 25:44.96
4. Jill Beier (Lake Placid) — 30:01.34
5. Lynn Magnus (Lake Placid) — 31:32.96