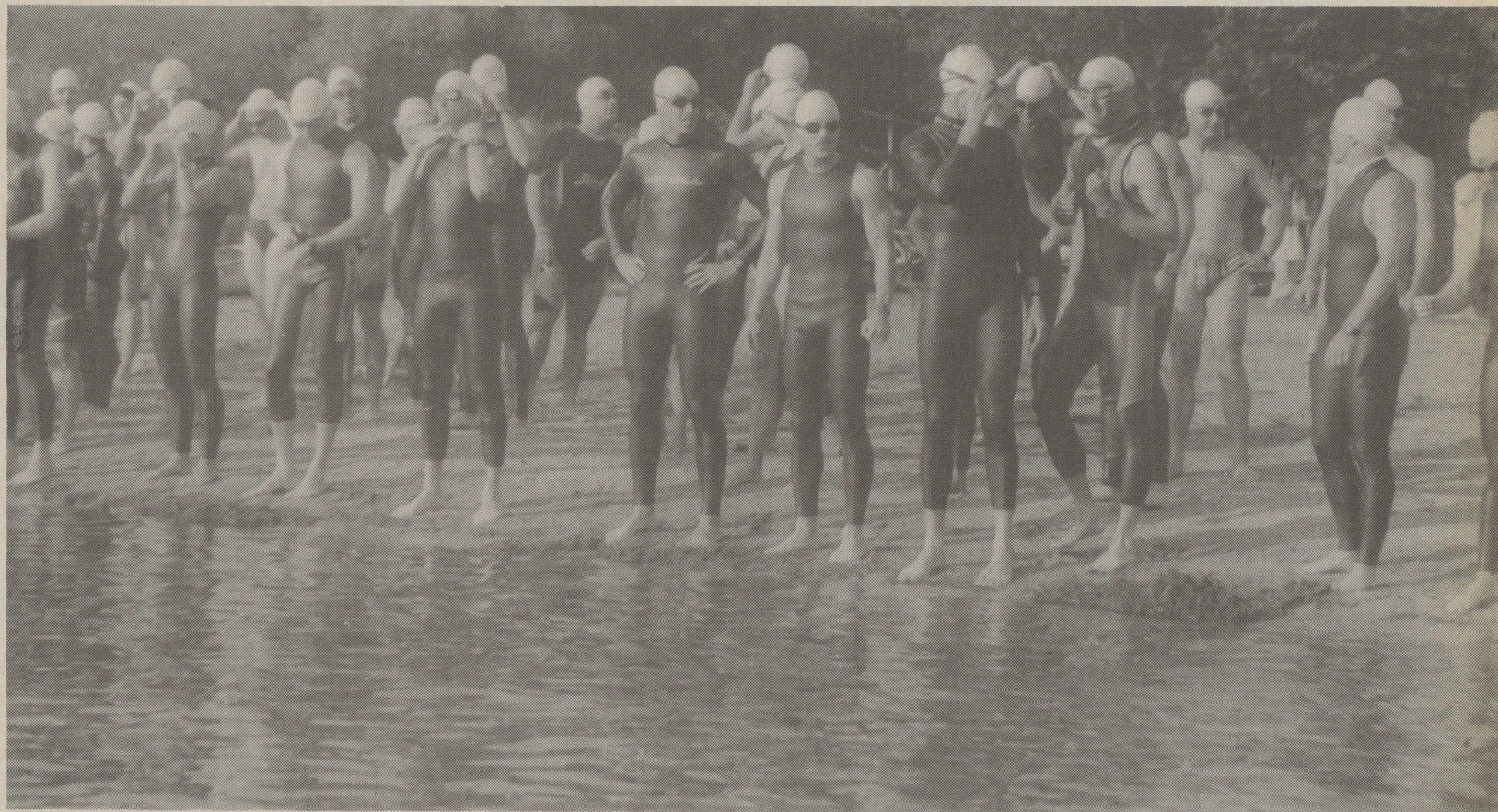


SportsWeek

Local triathlon individual results

LOCAL PLACE	OVERALL PLACE	NAME	TOWN	TIME
2	35	Sean Robbins	Shavertown	2:17:39
7	68	Mark Belenski	Dallas	2:24:02
8	69	William Sprau	Shavertown	2:24:13
10	88	Michael Tomalis	Dallas	2:28:46
15	138	Len Romanowski	Dallas	2:36:25
17	140	Colleen Tomalis	Dallas	2:36:35
18	142	Matt McLaughlin	Dallas	2:36:53
19	146	John Aston	Trucksville	2:37:26
21	159	Robert Friedman	Shavertown	2:39:57
25	171	Wayne Devine	Harveys Lake	2:43:04
27	174	Jarrold Baranowski	Shavertown	2:43:22
29	187	Gary Raab	Dallas	2:44:26
32	207	David Mariner	Shavertown	2:47:30
34	221	Tom Berezich	Trucksville	2:50:42
36	224	Edward Onzik	Trucksville	2:51:02
43	260	Mark Morris	Dallas	3:01:46
44	264	Peter Kaminski	Harveys Lake	3:02:37
46	268	Paul Van Hooydonk	Dallas	3:04:23
48	280	Robert Barney	Dallas	3:08:54
50	284	Timothy Reich	Dallas	3:09:17
51	288	Michael Judge	Dallas	3:10:41
52	291	Michael Richardson	Shavertown	3:12:16
54	303	Frank Velde	Dallas	3:17:15
60	326	Yorath Evans	Trucksville	3:44:50
61	327	Tom Swartwood	Dallas	3:45:18



Triathletes prepared to take to the water for the start of the 15th Wilkes-Barre Triathlon, held Sunday.

An up-and-down day for amateur triathletes

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BACK MOUNTAIN - At Sunday's Wilkes-Barre Triathlon the competitors got the chance to see the end result of months of rigorous training. For some, it was a day filled with success. For others, it was a day they would soon rather forget.

According to Wayne Devine, Harveys Lake, who has competed in 14 straight Triathlons, the weather was perfect. "There was no wind, so the water wasn't rough. It was a great day for the race. I did okay today. I felt good out there."

Wayne, who competed in the Masters' Class (40+) for the first time, finished the triathlon in 2 hours 39 minutes.

Another local competitor, 19-year-old Jarrod Baranowski, finished in 2:43. This was Jarrod's first triathlon and he feels good about his time. "I completed the bike in my best time ever. The run was hard. I cramped up a lot. It was really fun though. One of my friends made a whole bunch of signs and seeing them helped me push myself."

"As soon as I racked my bike, I went to the emergency room."

Joe Persico
Jackson Twp.

Other local athletes finished the race in the following times: Sean Robbins (2:17.39); Mark Belenski (2:24.02); William Sprau (2:24.13); Michael Tomalis (2:28.46); Len Romanowski (2:36.25); Matt McLaughlin (2:36.52); John Aston (2:37.26); Robert Friedman (2:39.57); and Colleen Tomalis (2:36.35).

Joe and Pat Persico, the couple who competed on two relay teams made up entirely of family members, did not have such a great day. The group that vacations together and trains together, did not finish together.

As Pat was biking along, focusing on a good pace for herself, she noticed a biker in front of her crash. She had a feeling it was her husband, Joe.

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Dr. John Caprio, Dallas, right, getting a sendoff from his brother Paul of New York.

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didn't even see my brother run or anything," Joe said.

A dog had darted out from a hidden driveway and Joe could not stop in time. The collision sent Joe tumbling onto the pavement, and sent his team's hopes of finishing the race crashing as well.

The loud bunch that cheers each other on as they compete each leg of the triathlon wasn't as

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loud this year. Pat, who is proud of all the spirit that Team Rittenhouse musters, did not even know the finishing times of the two teams this year.

"It was a great day to race. No wind, not too hot," Pat stated. "What happened to Joe was a freak thing, just an accident. We're just glad he's not hurt that badly. We'll be back next year."



Bill Sprau of Shavertown was the third local finisher at 2:24:13.

'Future Triathlete' race results

1	Matt Mark	13	6:02	10	Julie Howell	11	8:00
2	Jared Coyne	13	6:41	11	Eddie Daris	8	8:13
3	Brad Baird	11	6:54	12	Michael Mitchell	8	9:08
4	Stephen Valkos Jr.	13	7:12	13	Koleley Pryor	7	9:10
5	Richie Mitchell	8	7:20	14	Rebecca Howell	9	9:13
6	Kevin Davies	11	7:23	15	Eric Romanowski	8	10:02
7	Andrew Dale	12	7:24	16	Katie Dale	10	10:06
8	Mark Romanowski	9	7:33	17	Jamie McDonough	11	10:08
9	Justin Temperine	9	7:53	18	Adam Morgan	10	10:49

Local triathlon team results

Place	Relay Name	Swimmer	Cyclist	Runner	Time
4	Dallas Bike Works Too	Brad Jumper	Chris Pagoda	Christopher Ro	2:30:14
3	Pac Tech	Amy Lloyd	Peter Eckman	Charles Eckman	2:23:46
15	Team Rittenhouse-The Greater	Ed Van Bloem	Patrice Persico	Dan Rittenhouse	2:44:23
18	Team Two Times	Maisy Yeager	Joel Eneboe	Joel Eneboe	2:50:33
19	Team Rittenhouse-The Lesser	Joseph L. Persico	Maureen Van Bloem	Peter Van Bloem	2:58:18

SENIOR MOUNTAINEERS

Seniors on this year's Dallas Mountaineer football team are, from left, first row; Fran Brown, Bill Puchalsky, Brian Pietraccini, Jason Nutche, Kevin Kozel, Mark Kashenbach, Frank Valvano, Jerry Delescavage. Back row; Jason Henry, Brad Kohli, Harry Hazletine, Eric Jancik, Scott Townesnd, Jeff Beisel, Gerry Sgroi.

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