

Equinox Marathon - Close But No Cigar

The Best Runners Never to Win the Equinox Marathon

There are a number of outstanding runners who have run fast times and had high finishes, but who have never made it to the top step of the Equinox Marathon awards podium. Below are listed the Equinox Marathon histories of what I believe to be the best runners who have never won.

To winnow things down a little, I applied these standards: Women: must have finished in the top four at least twice, and/or must have run sub-3:50:00 at least three times or run sub-3:30:00 at least twice; Men: must have finished in the top four at least twice, and must have run under 3:05:00 at least twice.

These standards eliminated female runners Linda Huyck (3:28:17 in 2002), Kat Betters (3:30:34 in 2001), three-time runner up Barb Page (1969-70-71) and Mary Ellen Laberge (2nd, 2x3rd and 5th between 1988 and 1995). Among men, Audun Endestad (2:52:47 in 1983) and Guy Thibodeau (2:53:05 in 1982), not to mention two-time runner-up Donn Wells (1976-77) and Forrest May (4th-3rd-2nd in 1972-73-74) were eliminated.

Take a look at the records, and you can debate who are the best of the best never to have won.

Female Runners

<u>Runner</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>	<u>Other</u>
Davya Flaharty	2008	23	3:41:31		2				
	2009	24	3:52:18						7
	2010	25	3:35:26			3			
	2011	26	3:34:30			3			
	2012	27	4:32:21						37
	2013	28	3:45:14						8
	2014	29	3:28:09			3			
	2015	30	3:39:32				4		
	2017		4:02:34						10
Katie Krehlik	2015	25	3:25:35		2				
	2016	26	3:20:15		2				
Melissa Lewis	2009	39	3:32:38		2				
	2011	41	3:28:57		2				
	2012	42	3:26:58		2				
	2013	43	3:41:27					5	
	2015	45	3:39:08			3			
Michelle Mitchell	1996	22	4:09:35				4		
	1997	22	3:52:57					5	
	1998	23	3:33:40		2				
	1999	24	3:38:17			3			
	2000	25	3:42:24				4		
	2001	26	3:33:47				4		
	2002	27	3:31:35				4		
Dianne Munson	1985	24	3:41:33		2				
	1986	25	3:40:23		2				
	1987	26	3:43:49		2				

Equinox Marathon - Close But No Cigar

The Best Runners Never to Win the Equinox Marathon

<u>Runner</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>	<u>Other</u>
Kristen Rozell	1997	26	4:10:33						11
	1998	27	3:59:59						8
	1999	28	3:47:14					5	
	2000	29	3:30:34		2				
	2001	30	3:46:12						8
	2002	31	3:54:36						10
	2004	33	3:48:18				4		
	2005	34	3:42:13		2				
	2007	36	3:34:47			3			
	2008	37	4:35:20						35
	2010	39	4:01:52						11
	2013	42	4:44:17						49
	2016	45	4:32:24						34

Male Runners

<u>Runner</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>	<u>Other</u>
David Bloom	1983	25	3:01:54						7
	1984	26	3:02:20				4		
	1986	28	3:04:48						6
	1987	29	3:11:29				4		
	2005	47	3:47:49						25
	2012	54	3:58:41						52

<u>Runner</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>	<u>Other</u>
David Dyer	2010	35	2:56:33			3			
	2012	37	2:57:35			3			

<u>Runner</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>	<u>Other</u>
Mike Johnson	1983	25	3:01:54						7
	1985	27	3:05:17			3			
	1986	28	2:54:27		2				

<u>Runner</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>	<u>Other</u>
Kent Karns	1975	17	3:19:56					5	
	1982	23	3:08:35						6
	1983	24	3:00:38				4		
	1984	25	3:00:43			3			
	1985	26	3:07:34				4		

<u>Runner</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>	<u>Other</u>
Benjamin Marvin	2013	32	2:58:55			3			
	2014	33	2:58:03		2				

<u>Runner</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>	<u>Other</u>
Cody Priest	2011	23	3:01:56					5	
	2013	25	3:05:28					5	
	2014	26	2:58:15			3			
	2015	27	2:59:41		2				
	2016	28	2:57:47			3			
	2017			2:56:38			3		

Equinox Marathon - Close But No Cigar

The Best Runners Never to Win the Equinox Marathon

<u>Runner</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>	<u>Other</u>
Harlow Robinson	1997	30	3:05:30		2				
	1998	31	3:04:33					5	
	1999	32	3:06:28						6
	2002	35	3:03:11			3			
	2004	37	3:04:13		2				
	2006	39	3:05:16			3			
	2012	45	3:14:20						9
Everett Rubel	1976	14	3:15:27					5	
	1979	17	2:58:38		2				
	1980	18	2:54:25			3			
	1981	19	2:52:11		2				
	1982	20	2:53:14				4		
	1983	21	3:00:39					5	
	Stian Stensland	2009	35	2:54:50		2			
2011		37	2:55:56		2				
2013		39	3:02:37				4		
Ken Zaklukiewicz	1994	32	3:09:28				4		
	1995	33	3:03:59			3			
	1996	34	3:18:48				4		
	1999	37	3:03:57				4		