

DOMINION RIVERROCK BECOMES ONE OF COUNTRY'S LARGEST OUTDOOR SPORTS FESTIVALS

FESTIVITIES DRAW OVER 3,000 PARTICIPANTS AND 25,000 SPECTATORS TO BROWN'S ISLAND MAY 14-15

Tim Rustermolz and Kate Hoof take top spots in James River Scramble 10k

RICHMOND, VA (May 15, 2010) – The 2nd annual Dominion Riverrock festival, Richmond's own sports and outdoors festival showcasing the riverfront, concluded tonight after drawing over 3,000 participants and over 25,000 spectators to Brown's Island on May 14-15. Dominion Riverrock is one of the largest outdoor sports festivals in the United States.

Between the Filthy 5k Mud Run and the James River Scramble 10k, runners crowded the island both Friday and Saturday evenings.

The Filthy 5k Mud Run kicked off the weekend with some dirty fun when 1,500 runners hit the course. Participants ran from Brown's Island to Belle Isle and back while hopping over obstacles are crawling through mud pits along the course before they reached the final mud pit at the finish line.

Twenty-four year old William Mikolajczak of Triangle, VA, captured first place in the event with a time of 21:29. Midlothian's Abby Badura was the first female across the finish line with a time of 24:17.

The James River Scramble 10k trail run took place on Saturday evening with nearly 1,500 people registered. Tim Rustermolz was the first male across the finish line, and Kate Hoof was the first female.

JAMES RIVER SCRAMBLE 10K RESULTS

Men's Overall Finalists

Tim Rustermolz – 40:29 John Vial – 40:34 Rob Zolla – 40:40

Women's Overall Finalists

Kate Hoof – 47:45 Robyn Ritter – 48:08 Alicia Noel – 48:54 "It is a unique mix of technical trails and urban beauty that I really enjoyed," said Pat Petschel, Publisher of GearJunkie.com, after participating in the James River Scramble 10k.

For full results, please visit www.dominionriverrock.com.

ABOUT VENTURE RICHMOND

Venture Richmond engages business and community leaders in partnering with the city to enhance the vitality of the community, particularly downtown, through economic development, marketing, promotion, advocacy and events. Its most noted annual events are Easter on Parade, Friday Cheers, 2nd Street Festival, Richmond Folk Festival and Celebrate Illuminate, all of which are free and combine to host more than 300,000 people. www.venturerichmond.com.

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