



# THE RUNAROUND

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# RUN DOWNTOWN

IT'S THE RUN EVERYONE WANTS TO RUN!!

It is like awakening from a dream and realizing it's all over. The year passed quickly as the months drew closer to the race. Suddenly, it was race week, panic, then, it was over just as quickly as it came. I said I would use all that I had learned from the 2007 race, but what I learned was there is always more to learn.

This year had change: Registration online was less expensive than mail-in, and this gave way to 1450 online entries compared to 400 mail-in, 2448 total. NO race day registration and 2068 finishers.

Fit's Cool became the BI-Lo Fit's Cool School Challenge, giving two \$500 checks to Mitchell Road Christian and Tanglewood schools. Well deserved for the turnout.

Carolina Triathlon hosted registration on Friday, and it ran smoothly with designated lines, 5 minutes in and out, non-stop, 10 - 7:00. Chick fil A served lunch to all, the cow served samples on the street to those entering the store.

The course was re-certified with a left turn off Townes onto W. Park, and around the block adding a nice little hill before continuing the course down Main to finish in front of the Greenville News.

Jeremy Davis with Set-Up Events, continues to be part of our



team with quality and quick chip timing. With our sudden growth, plans have been made to add another chip mat and second wave start for Fits and Walkers.

We were again honored to have Evelyn Tripp, 92 and Ed Fenton, 87, impressing us all with course records. Lt.Col. Russell Jones, Field Commander, Alpha Force Wolfpack Alpha, Bravo & Delta Squads gave new meaning to chip collection.

The worse complaint I received came from volunteers race day because they did not have enough to do to stay warm. Such a problem.

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