



WHEEL OF FORTUNE

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CACTUS ROULETTE ENDURANCE EVENT LAWRENCE, KS // JANUARY 28

 **3,3' // 24 HOURS, 12
HOUR OWL, 12 HOUR
LARK, 6 HOURS**

Elevation gain:
1.9 mile loop 150 feet
2.6 mile loop 239 feet
3.6 mile loop 253 feet

Three different loops
ranging from 1.9 to 3.6
miles. Prior to each loop,
runners will spin a roulette
wheel to determine which
loop they run next.

Sean Frost demonstrates a
modified running technique
early in the 12 hour.

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AnnMarie Chappell spun the roulette wheel to determine her 11th lap, and the ball landed on Cactus Ridge. While only 2.6 miles, it's the most technical of the loops and has the most elevation per mile. Chappell had less than 28 minutes to run the lap and make it count. She crossed the finish line with 30 seconds to spare and won first-place female in the 6-hour race with 31.2 miles. Fellow 6-hour runner Daniel Jones cut it even closer with only 23 seconds to spare.

"I came around the corner and saw everyone cheering, so I knew I had time," said Chappell.

Cactus Roulette is a timed race with four options: 24 hours, 12 hour (owl), 12 hour (lark), or 6 hours. The course consists of three different loops

ranging from 1.9 miles to 3.6, and a spin of the roulette wheel determines the fate of the next loop for each runner.

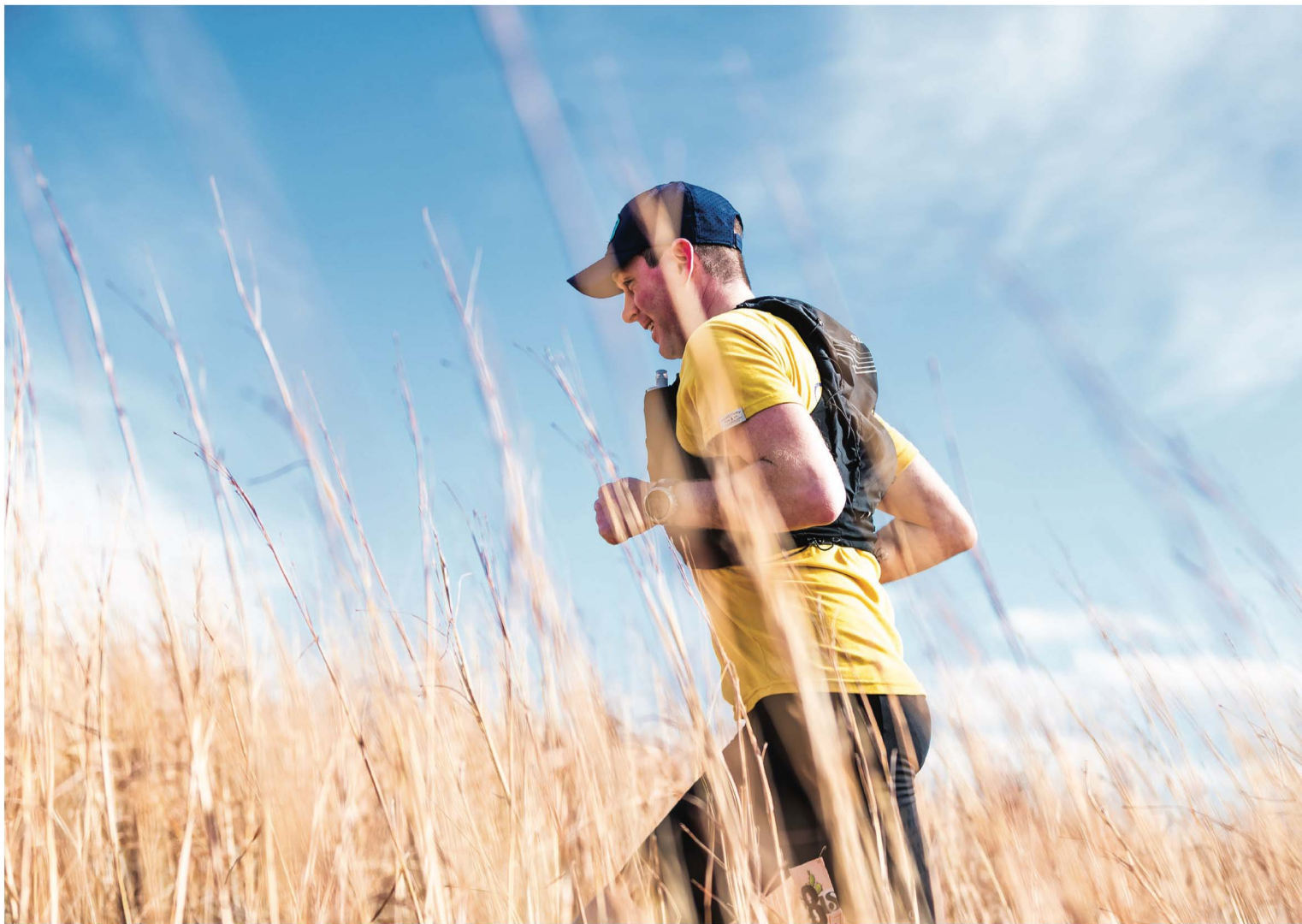
After each loop, runners cross the finish line and earn a custom poker chip with the mileage for that specific loop. At the end of the race, they have a stack of chips showing their total mileage. When participants finally decide to stop competing, they "cash out" and earn a gold finisher chip to top their stack.

Out of the 24 24-hour runners, 11 kept running into the 24th hour. Chris Foster was the last 24-hour runner to "cash out" at 23 hours, 46 minutes. He completed 68.6 miles, and earned a new distance PR.

Cory Logsdon didn't need the full 24 hours to set a new course record. He ran 101.1 miles in only 19 hours and 32

minutes. When offered his cash-out chip, he said, "Hold on to it. After I rest and warm up a bit, I may go back out for a few more." He headed to the heated tent known as the "High Roller Lounge," but never returned to the course and finally accepted his gold chip along with his first-place award.

Gritty trail runners love to brag about extreme race weather they've endured, and Clinton Lake provided plenty of fodder with this year's face-numbing, cheek-chapping north wind. While the race started out quite pleasant, the fierce wind showed up as the sun went down on Saturday. In the moonless dark night, the winds howled at 22mph, sliced with 30mph gusts. The temperature dropped to 11 degrees by Sunday morning, and only made it back to 18



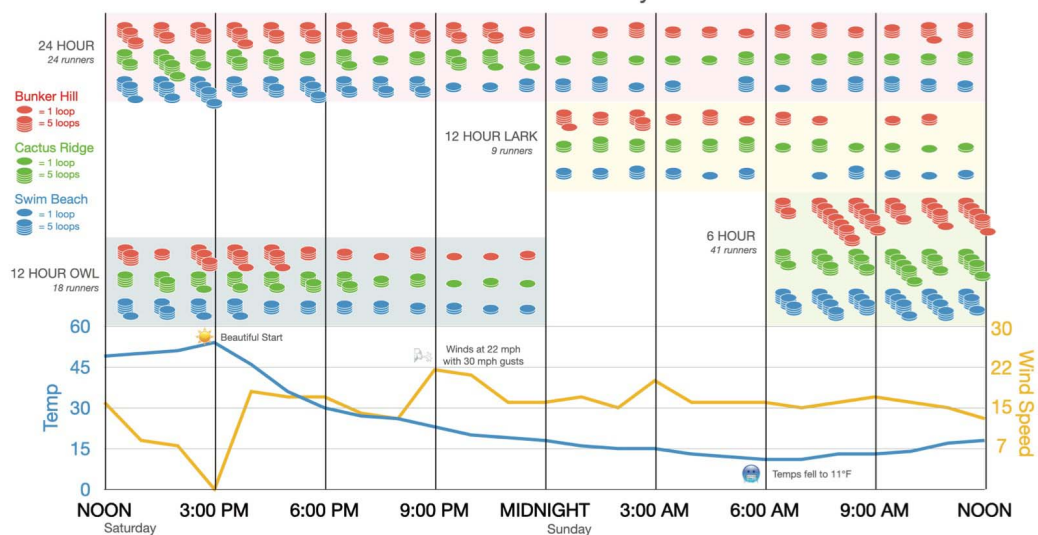
ABOVE: Jeremiah Nemechek runs through the prairie on Bunker Hill.
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LEFT: In the bitter cold Sunday, Cory Logsdon gives the roulette wheel one more spin.
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degrees by the end of the race at noon.

Try as it might, the wind didn't stop the beasts who showed up to run. There were 92 runners who ran a combined 2,700 miles. Out-of-towners raved about the brave volunteers who also endured the cold, along with the vibe of the Lawrence Trail Hawks who sponsor the race. Barney Riesbeck traveled from Ohio to compete in the 24-hour race. He likes the timed format because it's social, you can't miss a cut-off time and there are no DNFs. ▲

LOOPS and WEATHER by HOUR





ABOVE: Female winner AnnMarie Chappell sprints to an exciting finish in the 6 Hour. 📷 JOHN KNEPPER / MILE 90 PHOTOGRAPHY

LEFT: Cory Logsdon collected 101.1 miles worth of poker chips in less than 20 hours. 📷 RICK MAYO / MILE 90 PHOTOGRAPHY

Cactus Roulette Endurance Event

Lawrence, KS // January 28
 3,3' // 24 HOURS, 12 HOURS,
 6 HOURS

24 HOURS

1	Cory Logsdon, 35, NE	101.1
2	Clayton Schneider, 33, KS	76.7
3	Jeremy Nicolosi, 36, LA	70.7
4	Jay Hawks, 53, KS	70.3
5	Analisa Colglazier, 41, NE	70.2
6	Eric Hunt, 47, MO	68.7
7	Christopher Foster, 30, MO	68.6
8	Gary Henry, 66, KS	61.3
9	Barney Riesbeck, 69, OH	57.3
10	Skylar Allen, 27, KS	57.3
11	Jeremiah Nemecek, 36, MO	53.7
12	Aaron Parker, 40, KS	51
13	John Fritchey, 50, KS	39.1
14	Jennifer Delzeit, 27, KS	37.7
15	Josh Mcvey, 44, KS	34.4
16	Bryant Kurtz, 31, MO	31.4

17	Audrey Hungerpiller, 32, KS	31.1
18	Ed Maye, 61, MO	29.6
19	Nell Bessinger, 47, KS	27
20	Emily Kemp, 34, KS	26
21	Ted Kuether, 42, KS	17.2
22	Melissa Pizarro, 37, KS	17.2
23	Ryan Yedlinsky, 47, KS	13.8
24	John Scott, 42, KS	12.7

12 HOURS (LARK)

1	Calvin Duvall, 22, MO	47.2
2	Sean Frost, 34, KS	43.3
3	Michael Tabone, 44, KS	41.7
4	Abigail Milian, 32, MO	37.3
5	Sara Wilcox, 49, KS	35.7
6	Jay Antle, 54, KS	22.9
7	Dawson Neir, 22, MO	17.1
8	Shane Williams, 43, KS	16.2
9	Stephanie Cundith, 47, KS	13.6

12 HOURS (OWL)

1	David Mullins, 37, KS	48.3
2	Tyler McDaniel, 39, MO	46.4
3	Catherine Clifford, 40, NE	44.1
4	Nicole Parkhurst, 42, MO	43.1
5	Ryan Ortiz, 39, KS	31.9

6	Aron Moriarty, 52, KS	31.5
7	Steve Crutchfield, 56, KS	27.9
8	David Buchmann, 51, KS	27.9
9	Paul Orth, 41, KS	27.3
10	Adam Berens, 41, SD	27.2
11	Keith Krieger, 68, MO	26.8
12	David Lingerfelt, 42, MO	26.8
13	Kimberly Myers, 47, MO	23.4
14	Michele Weaver, 54, KS	21.7
15	Larissa Uredi, 40, MO	19.7
16	Vanessa West, 51, KS	19.3
17	Kim Olson, 64, MO	16.9
18	Billy Weaver, 49, KS	15.5

6 HOURS

1	John Bergman, 32, KS	35.3
2	Ann Marie Chappell, 44, MO	31.2
3	Scott Lillis, 49, KS	28.6
4	Cole Cheever, 39, KS	27.9
5	Scott Stith, 40, MO	27.2
6	Connor Hollrah, 30, MO	26.9

ELEVATION & SURFACE

 4, 4 So, what does that little symbol mean? The first number is the elevation profile, the second is the quality of the surface. Both are on a 1 – 5 scale, with 5 being the most difficult.

ELEVATION PROFILE

- 1 Flat or nearly flat
- 2 Rolling; total climb up to 50' per mile (2,500' in 50 miles)
- 3 Hilly; total climb between 50'-150' per mile (2,500'–7,500' in 50 miles)
- 4 Very hilly; total climb between 150'-250' per mile (7,500'–12,500' in 50 miles)
- 5 Mountainous; total climb more than 250' per mile

SURFACE

- 1 Paved or very smooth
- 2 Mostly groomed trail or dirt roads
- 3 Trail or dirt road with some rocks, roots and/or ruts
- 4 Trail or dirt road with substantial rocks, roots and/or ruts
- 5 Very rough trail



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