

REDMOND

More than 900 participants left Redmond High School Oct. 2 for a 5k that raises funds for cancer services in Central Oregon.

Photos by Tim Trainor/Spokesman



More than 900, run, walk in Heaven Can Wait 5k

Event raised more than \$30,000 to support local cancer services

BY TIM TRAINOR

Redmond Spokesman

Even before the starting gun sounded, there were already plenty of winners at the Heaven Can Wait 5k on Sunday in Redmond.

The more than 900 participants — which includes more than 100 cancer survivors — had already raised more than \$30,000 to support cancer ser-



vices in Central Oregon.

The fundraiser, traditionally one of the largest in Central

Oregon, was forced into a virtual format in 2020 and 2021. It reemerged from the pandemic

in a new location, moving from Bend to Redmond for the first time.

Heaven Can Wait raises money for Sara's Project, a fund of the St. Charles Foundation that helps provide services to people in Central Oregon who are battling breast cancer. Over its 23-year existence, the event has raised approximately \$100,000 a year for assistance to under-insured patients, as well as therapies such as therapeutic massage, acupuncture, yoga, and reiki.

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Ben Brown and Liesl the pudel-pointer on a hunt in north Central Oregon.

Gary Lewis/For The Bulletin

Hit the breaks for chukar: Drift north, climb uphill

BY GARY LEWIS

For The Spokesman

When chukar hunters gather, we talk about places like Juntura and Riverside and the Snake and the Owyhee, but there are chukar in Central Oregon too, in the lower Deschutes River canyon from Madras north to the Columbia.

Bird numbers are stable and good hunting can be found throughout the season, but access can be tricky. The first thing to do is study a BLM map and look for pockets of hunt-able public land.

Sometimes a drift boat can be a better chukar hunting vehicle than a pickup.

Part of the west bank is off-limits. Starting north of Madras, the Deschutes is bounded on the west by Warm Springs tribal lands to a point 16 river miles south of Maupin.

From the bridge at Warm Springs, this section of river is usually referred to as the Warm Springs to Trout Creek drift and can be drifted in just a few hours with a shuttle and take-out at the Trout Creek ramp.

The next drift is from Trout Creek to Maupin, a multi-day float that should only be attempted by experienced boaters. This is the stretch of river that contains White Horse rapids, which claims many

boats each year.

Highway 197 crosses the river at Maupin and it's here the traveling wingshooter can find miles of river to explore. The river is most accessible from the east bank and a good road follows down from town to Sherar's Falls and beyond.

The road continues downstream from Sherar's Falls to Pine Tree, the beginning of a popular float called Pine Tree to Mack's Canyon that can be accomplished in a one-day (or stretch it out to two days) drift to Mack's Canyon. Another option is to put in at Mack's and float out to Moody Rapids (the last rapids on the river), typically called the Mack's to the Mouth float.

Chukar are Oregon's most-harvested upland bird with an average of more than 41,000 bagged each season. People will drive from one end of the state to the other, just for a chance to put birds in the air. It's a great economic boost — with hunters buying ammunition, boots, tires, restaurant meals and hotel rooms, just so they can top out these ridges and enjoy the wide-open country. Chukar season runs Oct. 8 through Jan. 31.

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Redmond Rotary donates shoes, coats to local students

By SPOKESMAN STAFF

For the fourth year in a row, Redmond Rotary has donated clothing to help keep local students warm this winter.

According to Rotary member Marv Kaplan, the organization supplied 500 pairs of shoes and 50 warm coats. The Rotary club works in conjunction with the Family Access Network to facilitate the project.

The donations were dropped off Sept. 27 at Redmond School District headquarters. The goods are then sent to the students who have the most need, which can be anywhere from Tumalo to Terrebonne.

"We coordinate with the school advocates of the Redmond School District at each school and they distribute based on the needs of the children," said Kaplan.

The roughly \$9,000 needed to fund the program is raised throughout the year by the lo-

cal Rotary club. Its major fundraiser is a May event titled "Sips for Soles" — which features wine tasting in conjunction with Stoller Winery.

A matching grant with Rotary International helped the local dollars go farther.

The Family Access Network passes along the need for that school year. Rotary order clothes and shoes in August, which arrive in September for the start of the next school year.

Currently, the program is geared for students ranging from kindergarten through eighth grade, though Kaplan said they are looking for larger size and to expand to higher grade levels next year.

"Children love the bright colors of their new shoes and bring a sense of ownership and dignity to each," said Kaplan. They feel good about themselves."

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JOHN NIELSEN

FOR REDMOND CITY COUNCIL

It is easy to understand why some have lost faith in government. People watch the news and listen to talking heads and no longer believe it can be a force for good. We can and must do better.

I see too many people making politics a blood sport, making a leadership a zero sum game. They think it is not enough to win; you have to cast the other person as a villain. This kind of tribal and cynical politicking is beneath us. We all deserve better, and I am standing in the middle to say: "enough, we need real Results for Redmond."

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