

# 2008 XYZ Trail Series

**DESCRIPTION:** The XYZ Trail Run Series is a eleven race series of extreme trail races to be held in Northwest Indiana and Southwest Michigan, all within an hour's drive of each other. The trail courses will be in Northwest Indiana at the Dunes National Lakeshore; Sunset Hill County Park, Valparaiso; Imagination Glen Park, Portage; Woodland Park, Portage; and, Grand Mere and Warren Dunes State Parks in Southwestern Michigan. This series is meant to seriously challenge the advanced runner who seeks the challenge of getting off the pavement and onto the trails!

**WHEN:** The XYZ trail run series will begin on March 1, 2008 at the Foot Pursuit 5K at Sunset Hill County Park, Valparaiso, Indiana; and, it will end on November 23, 2008 at the Zoy! Relapse at Warren Dunes State Park in Michigan. See below listed races for dates and contact information. Runners must enter the series by the sixth race of the series to be eligible for series awards.

**SCORING:** Four divisions-Open Male and Female (any age) and Master's Male and Female (40 and over). Opportunity Enterprises will score and sponsor the series with the following format: 1<sup>st</sup>=100pts; 2<sup>nd</sup>=99 points, 3<sup>rd</sup>=98 points... for each race in each division (same as Calumet Region Strider's Gold Cup Series). Each runner must complete at least seven out of the eleven races to place to receive a unique Runner's Art award. Division placing is based on points for your best seven races. For the unique Zoy! Relays, points will be determined by how your three person team places in the handicapped race. Awards presented as soon as the race directors can figure the points total after the Zoy! Relapse on November 23, 2008 (otherwise they can be picked up at Opportunity Enterprises). The race directors scoring is deemed final, whether in possible error or not (yeah, we re human). No whining, complaining, or bickering allowed! The XYZ series is meant to be a low key, off-road trail running adventure with the competition thrown in to have a good time! If there are any ties, the tie breaker will be the best finish at the Zoy Relapse.

**COST AND REGISTRATION:** Isn't it cool to think that by paying \$20.00 to run the XYZ Trail Run Series that you re helping all of mankind? For \$20.00 you get entry into the series with a bonus of \$2 off early registration for each XYZ race that you run. If you manage to run seven out of the eleven races you even get a unique Runner's Art award! Any runner completing every race will also receive an award worthy of his/her efforts!

**Series Web Site:** <http://mysite.verizon.net/xyztrailseries/>

**SEE BACK FOR LIST OF XYZ RACES AND XYZ ENTRY FORM**

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**March 1, 2008:** Porter County Sheriff's Dept. Foot Pursuit 5K, Sunset Hill County Park, Campbell Road just south of U.S.#6 in Porter County, Indiana. Contact information: Scott Hartz at 219-477-3045 ext. 4000 or e-mail at [footpursuit@portercountysheriff.com](mailto:footpursuit@portercountysheriff.com) <http://www.portercountysheriff.com/footpursuit>

**March 30, 2008:** Bride of Zoy! 15K, South Shore Chesterton Train Station, U.S.#12 just east of S.R.#49, Chesterton. Contact information: Steve Kearney at [Kearney800@msn.com](mailto:Kearney800@msn.com)

**April 5, 2008:** Saret Springs, Benton Harbor, MI Contact information: <http://www.grandmeresports.com>

**May 5, 2008:** The Zoy! Relays, Imagination Glen Park at McCool and Portage Ave. in Portage, Indiana. Contact information: Al Mussman at [rammusman@verizon.net](mailto:rammusman@verizon.net).

**May 17, 2008:** Gallery Gallop, Miller, IN. Contact information: <http://www.lakestreetgallery.com>

**May 26, 2008-Memorial Day:** Trail Run Xtreme 12K, Imagination Glen Park in Portage, Indiana. Contact information: Jeff Emmons at [JLE1991@gmail.com](mailto:JLE1991@gmail.com) or Chris at Opportunity Enterprises at 219-464-9621 or Colin at Portage Parks at 219-762-1675 or <http://www.oerunners.org>

**June 12, 2008:** Red Dawn 5 KM, Woodland Park, Portage, IN. Contact information: Tom Erickson at [Portagekix@mac.com](mailto:Portagekix@mac.com) or Portage Parks at 219-762-1675.

**August 2, 2008:** Red Dawn 10.5 mile Trail Run, Imagination Glen Park in Portage, IN. Contact information: Tom Erickson at [Portagekix@mac.com](mailto:Portagekix@mac.com) or Portage Parks at 219-762-1675.

**October 18, 2008:** Weco to Warren 1/2 Marathon, MI Contact information: <http://www.grandmeresports.com>

**November 8, 2008:** Grand Mere Grind 10K Trail Run, Grand Mere State Park near St. Joseph, Michigan. Contact information: Dave Clayton at 269-983-2822 or Joe Deja at 269325-6074 <http://www.grandmeresports.com>

**November 23, 2008:** The Zoy! Relapse 10k or so Trail, Dune and Beach Run, Warren Dunes State Park, Sawyer, Michigan. Contact information: Al Mussman at [rammusman@verizon.net](mailto:rammusman@verizon.net).

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Due to the possibility of unforeseen circumstances races, race times, dates and distances may change. Please refer to each race's entry form for final information.

**Remember:** You must still enter each race separately!

## XYZ Series Entry Form

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DOB:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Age as of 3/3/07** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **City:** \_\_\_\_\_

**State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip code:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Sex: Male** \_\_\_\_\_ **Female:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-Mail:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Division entered:** (Circle one)

**Male Open**      **Male Master(40 -Over)**      **Female Open**      **Female Master(40-Over)**

**Entry fee-\$20.00.** Make checks payable to Opportunity Enterprises and send entry forms to Opportunity Enterprises, 2801 Evans Ave., Valparaiso, IN 46383 Attn. XYZ Series

**Waiver and release of liability:** It is my understanding that this race series is extreme and may cause physical harm. In signing this form I accept all responsibilities for any injuries resulting from participation and release all organizers, sponsors, race directors, Opportunity Enterprises, and host sites of any claims. I attest that I am physically fit and have sufficiently trained for these strenuous events.

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_ **(Parent signature if minor)**