

Announcement Regarding the Silicon Valley Turkey Trot 5k

Event: 2018 Applied Materials Silicon Valley Turkey Trot *Elite & PAUSATF 5k*

Date: Thanksgiving - Thursday, November 22nd.

Location: San Jose, CA

Annually one of the fastest elite men's and women's races in the WORLD with top competition, big prize money, and bonus opportunities.

-- Prize Purse Total: \$24,100 (includes U.S. record bonuses)

-- Separate races for elite men and elite women

PRIZE PURSE

The event includes a \$12,100 all-comers prize purse, \$2,000 Pacific Association/USATF Open Men's/Women's purse, plus additional \$5,000 bonuses for new U.S. 5K road records.

All-Comers 5K Prize Funds

1st Place Male & Female Overall: \$2,500

2nd Place Male & Female Overall: \$1,500

3rd Place Male & Female Overall: \$850

4th Place Male & Female Overall \$500

5th Place Male & Female Overall \$250

6th Place Male & Female Overall \$100

Masters Male & Female (40 years of age and older):

- 1st Place Master: \$200
- 2nd Place Master: \$100
- 3rd Place Master: \$50

Pacific Association/USATF 5K Prize Funds *

PA/USATF Open Men and Women (Individuals):

1st Place Male & Female: \$500

2nd Place Male & Female: \$200

3rd Place Male & Female: \$150

4th Place Male & Female: \$100

5th Place Male & Female: \$50

* Double dipping is allowed between All-Comers and PA/USATF prize purses. PA/USATF prize money is awarded to PA/USATF members only.

Important Note: For the 2nd year in a row Silicon Valley Turkey Trot 5K is **NOT** a PA/USATF Road Grand Prix/Championship race, however prize money is offered to top placing PA/USATF athletes.

U.S. 5K Record Bonuses

\$5,000 for the first U.S. male and/or female setting a U.S. 5K open road record (providing the record is ratified by USA Track & Field).

Currently ratified U.S. 5K records:

Men: 13:20 Ben True (ME) B.A.A. 5K, MA 4/15/17

Women: 14:50 Molly Huddle (RI) B.A.A. 5K, MA 4/18/15

FAST LOOP COURSE

The 4-loop, criterium-style elite 5K course is designed for quality performances. The flat-and-fast, USA Track & Field certified course maximizes spectator interest, media accessibility, and allows athletes' coaches an excellent opportunity to observe the race. Numerous fast marks have been recorded on this course.

COURSE RECORDS

Men:

13:28 Stephen Sambu / Kenya (2012)

Women:

15:18 Caroline Chepkoech / Kenya (2016)

2017 TOP RESULTS

Men:

1. Edward Cheserek – 13:38
2. Awet Habte Ghebrezghiabher - 13:42
3. Emmanuel Bor - 13:43
4. Haron Lagat - 13:49
5. Alex Monroe – 13:49

Women:

1. Gotytom Gebreslase – 15:38
2. Monicah Ngige – 15:44
3. Emily Lipari – 16:04
4. Sarah Pagano – 16:04
5. Marisa Howard – 16:09

All past results can be found at www.svturkeytrot.com

INVITED ELITE ATHLETE SUPPORT

- Complimentary entry
- Seeded starting line position in separate elite 5K races for men and for women
- Hotel Accommodations in first class hotels
- Travel stipends and air transportation (U.S. domestic travel) for selected athletes
- Complimentary pre-race invited athletes dinner

CONSIDERATION - INVITED ATHLETE STATUS

- Sub-14:30 men/ Sub-16:30 women (or quality equivalent) in last 12 months will be considered for invited elite status.

- Slower times (Sub-14:45 men/Sub-17:45 women) may be considered for sub-elite status (comp entry only).
- Non-U.S. athletes must have a current U.S. visa, and must currently be residing in the U.S., to be invited.

HOW TO APPLY

As soon as possible, please EMAIL a complete running vita/resume AND cover letter containing the following information to the Elite Athlete Coordinator **AND** Asst. Coordinator below:

- Name, age, citizenship, current residence
- U.S. visa type and status, if applicable
- Sponsor/Club
- All-time PRs at various race distances
- Best races in last 18 months (race name, location, date, finishing place and time) - roads and/or track (please specify)
- Best races all time (with above details)
- Contact information

New for 2018! We are hoping to bring in a few male and female elites one-day early to participate in local press meet ups, school appearances, and brand building opportunities with local tech companies. In your application please note if athlete is available for Tuesday 11/20 arrival and further travel support will be considered.

ELITE ATHLETE COORDINATOR

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