

25th Annual Walton Raider Chase
February 21, 2004

George Ondimu, of Marietta, and Caroline Miller, WHS cross country and track team member, were the overall male and female winners, respectfully, in the 25th annual Walton Raider Chase 5K on Saturday. Ondimu, 26, captured the men's title in 16:19 and Miller, 17, won the women's title in 21:16.

Master's winners were Johnny Garner, 40, Oakwood, GA, 18:41 (7th place men's overall) and Sheila McIntosh, 44, Atlanta, GA, 22:45 (6th place women's overall).

Marietta residents Phillip Laskey, 12, and Hanna Martin, 10, were the overall one-mile fun-run winners in 6:11 and 7:21, respectively.

Male age group winners included: Austin Carpenter, 22:12, of Marietta, 10 & under; Richard Burroughs, 25:29, of Marietta, 12 & under; J.P. Hackney, 19:42, of Marietta, 14 & under; Sam Bryfczynski, 17:00, of Marietta, 15-19 age group; Paul Malone, 20:20, of Smyrna, age group 20-29; Paul Drury, 16:56, of Atlanta, age group 30-39; and Mike Wien, 18:56, of Marietta, age group 50 & over. Female age group winners included: Anna Miller, 23:49, of Marietta, 10 & under; Kylie Womack, 24:21, of Marietta, 12 & under; Amanda Marks, 22:30, of Marietta, 14 & under; Kate Brun, 22:13, of Marietta, age group 15-19; Ann Yarnell 23:26, of Whilt, GA, age group 20-29; Jennifer Oderio, 25:40, of Marietta, age group 30-39; Lavonne Clifford, 23:47, of Kennesaw, age group 40-49; and Suzy Fitzgerald, 24:33, of Marietta, age group 50 & over.

In the fun run, Marietta residents Michael Gernatt, 7:50, 8 & under, and Austin Carpenter, 6:44, 10 & under were male age group winners; and Kathleen Davis, 8:31, 8 & under; and Kelly Kozera, 7:42, 12 & under were the female age group winners.

Marietta resident Steve Anderson also received an award for 25 years of participation in the race that benefits Walton High School's running programs. Anderson, a retired WHS teacher and coach, served as the official starter Saturday - the same position he has held for the last 23 years. He participated in the inaugural race as a runner 25 years ago.