



The Mercedes-Benz Oakville 10K was held Sunday in south Oakville. In top photo, the 1K junior jog gets underway at Appleby College. In bottom photo, Ancaster’s John Erik Rasmussen is the first to cross the finish line in the 10K run. | photos by Michael Ivanin – Special to the Beaver

Ancaster runner wins overall title at Mercedes-Benz Oakville 10K

Ancaster resident John Erik Rasmussen was the overall champion of this year’s Mercedes-Benz Oakville 10K, held Sunday in south Oakville.

Rasmussen won the event’s signature race, the 10-kilometre run, with a time of 32:24.6. Milton’s Andrew Taylor was second, 2:02.8 off the pace, with London’s Justin Hall placing third. Alexander Dos Santos was Oakville’s top overall finisher, placing eighth out of 841 runners with a time of 37:27.9 — the fastest clocking among males age 15-19.

Anna Parker of Oakville posted the fastest 10K time among women, crossing the line in 41:08.8.

Aiden Sholdice (men’s under 14), Chris Ziomkiewicz (men’s 60-69), Bridget Ball (women’s under 14) and Jojo Luel (women’s 15-19) were other local age division winners.

The 5K run was won by Oakville resident Tyler Chacra, whose time of 16:37.2 was comfortably ahead of second-place finisher David Watson (17:22.1), also of Oakville. Tanya Hewson of Burlington placed first among women with a time of 19:03.8.

Michael Antifaoff (men’s under 14), Watson (men’s 15-19), Ben Nelson (men’s 30-39), Stephen Brown (men’s 50-59), Flemming Galberg (men’s 60-69), Olivia Gardiner (women’s under 14), Amanda Grice (women’s 15-19), Janet Suchanek (women’s 50-59) and Veronica Marsden (women’s 60-69) were Oakville residents to win age divisions in the race, which attracted 445 runners.

Bolton’s Gina Nunes was the fastest of 47 participants in the 10K power walk, while Oakville’s Margaret Charlton bested 61 participants in the 5K walk.

MERCEDES-BENZ OAKVILLE 10K TOP FINISHERS				
10K Run (841 participants)				
Place	Name	Residence	Time	
Overall				
1	John Erik Rasmussen	Ancaster	32:24.6	
2	Andrew Taylor	Milton	34:27.2	
3	Justin Hall	London	35:06.1	
4	Scott Ford	Burlington	35:32.3	
5	Ian Sinclair	Toronto	36:15.3	
6	Wade Taylor	Milton	36:35.6	
7	Morgan McNichol	Milton	36:52.2	
8	Alex Dos Santos	Oakville	37:27.9	
9	Mike Muinonen	Sudbury	37:46.9	
10	Trevor Lee	Oakville	38:51.0	
Overall, Women				
16	Anna Parker	Oakville	41:08.8	
22	Heather Sinclair	Toronto	41:36.6	

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Buzz opens lacrosse season with routs

Through two games of the Ontario Lacrosse Association junior B season, the Oakville Buzz looks more like a buzzsaw.

Oakville opened the 2014 campaign Friday with a 9-2 rout of the Mimico Mountaineers at Oakville’s Toronto Rock Athletic Centre, then scored eight unanswered goals in the second period Sunday to defeat the host Newmarket Saints 15-8.

Andrew Kew and Robert Hudson paced the Buzz attack in the two games. Kew had four goals in the season opener, then exploded for 10 points (six goals, four assists) Sunday. Hudson scored a goal and added four helpers Friday, and earned seven more points (four goals, three assists) in Newmarket.



Foster Cuomo, Ben Heldecker, Liam Corbett and Justin Martin had Oakville’s other goals Friday.

Jake Nyhuus and Mitchell Bolduc each scored twice versus the Saints, with Corbett adding a single. Sam Neeb drew four assists.

Josh Falkenstern earned the goaltending victory in both games for the Buzz.

Oakville may get a stiffer test this weekend as it plays a pair of home games at TRAC. The Buzz will entertain one of the league’s perennial powers, the Akwesasne Indians, Friday at 7 p.m. The Kahnawake Hunters will visit Oakville two days later for a 3 p.m. start.