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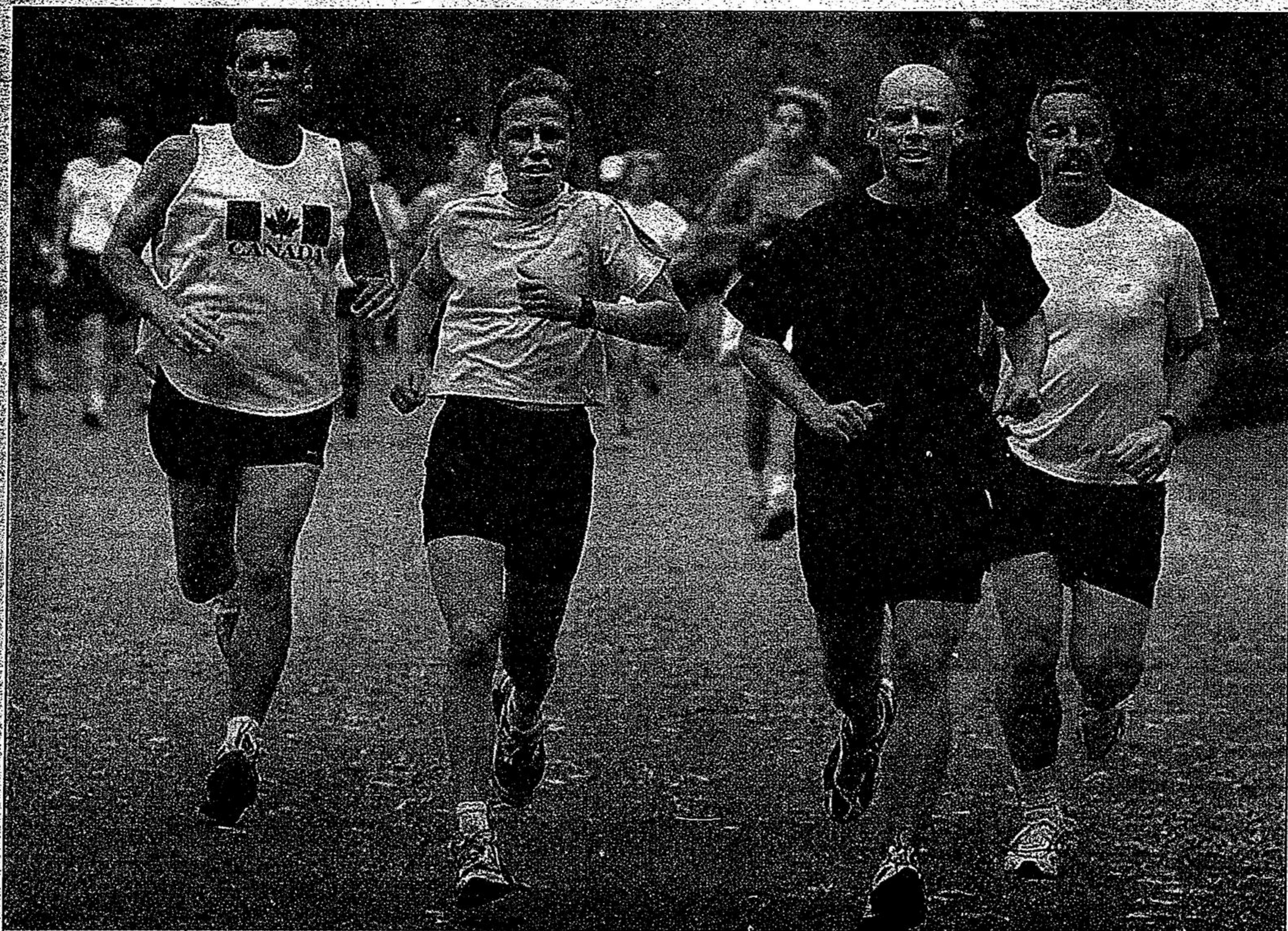
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John Lawrie (left) and Rick Lee (far right) were among the runners setting the pace in Stouffville's annual Terry Fox Run Sunday afternoon. This year's event featured 753 runners, walkers, inline skaters and baby carriage pushers — considerably more than the Markham run — along with 60 volunteers. Eleven corporate challenge teams were also involved. See page 3 for more pictures.

\$51,000 raised in Stouffville Terry Fox run

BY HANNELORE VOLPE
Staff Writer

Sunday's Terry Fox Run in Stouffville was the most spectacular in its 21-year history. And Terry Fox's brother, Darrell, was there to start off the run at 1 p.m. from the Stouffville Arena.

Everyone participating was making a difference in cancer research, Mr. Fox told participants.

There isn't a day that he doesn't think of his brother, with whom he ran in his 1980 Marathon of Hope, he said.

Participants raised \$51,565.28, up by 41 per cent over last year. Whitchurch-Stouffville has traditionally been one of the largest contributors per capita in the country to the annual run.

The money was raised by 753 runners, walkers, inline skaters and baby carriage pushers, in addition to 60 volunteers.

Cancer survivors, families, students, people who had been in every Terry Fox Run and 11 corporate challenge teams filled the route through Stouffville until mid-afternoon, when the rains came.

The showers didn't dampen anyone's spirits, however, said Sandy Schell Kennedy, who organized the event.

"Terry Fox ran in snow and rain, so the rest of us can do that as well," she added.

This year's corporate challenge was led by Todd Pools, which brought 49 people to raise \$5,400.

The winners of the draw for an autographed Darcy Tucker Maple Leafs jersey were Anne and Patrick Coutts from Stouffville.

ELECTION ISSUES Health still at top of voters agenda

BY LISA QUEEN
Staff Writer

Since 1995 — by coincidence the same year the Tories regained power — York Region senior George Fisher has been undergoing dialysis treatments.

His care began at Sunnybrook Hospital in Toronto, followed by four years at his Richmond Hill home.

Following heart problems in 1999, his treatment was switched to York Central Hospital, which hosts the regional dialysis program.

For four hours on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings, Mr. Fisher is hooked up to a dialysis machine and a special filter to remove waste from his blood due to kidney failure.

Meanwhile, Mr. Fisher's wife, Dorothy, has suffered a minor stroke.

The Fishers are impressed with the care they have received.

"As far as I'm concerned, it works fine," said Mr. Fisher, who declined to reveal which party he will vote for in the Oct. 2 provincial election.

"If it didn't work, I wouldn't be here. The services I need are there. I think, for most people, it has not been bad."

When Mrs. Fisher suffered her stroke a couple of years ago, her daughter took her to York Central's emergency department, where she spent 16 hours undergoing tests and treatments.

"The biggest problem was no one told us what was happening. Eventually my daughter had to chase a doctor down to get information," Mrs. Fisher said.

"But I don't think we have too many

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