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# **Aas, Brosius win 46th annual Equinox Marathon**

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FAIRBANKS -- Harald Aas won the Equinox Marathon on Saturday just one year after the Alaska Nanooks endurance athlete placed second in his first entry in the 26.2-mile race.

Aas finished in 2 hours, 50 minutes and 12 seconds in the 46th edition of the race that started in front of the Patty Center at the University of Alaska Fairbanks and ran to the top of Ester Dome.

Matias Saari, last year's winner, placed second in 2:56:22.5 and Mike Kramer, a four-time winner, came in third in 3:00:28.1. Mark Lindberg placed fourth for the second straight year in 3:02:37.2 and Kevin Brinegar rounded out the top five in 3:03:38.1.

Laura Brosius led throughout in the women's division and captured that title in her first solo entry, finishing in 3:20:40.7 for the fourth-fastest women's time in race history and the second-fastest by a female rookie. Brosius, a UAF graduate student and former University of Michigan runner, competed on the Quick 3 relay team last year.

Davya Flaharty, a former West Valley High School and University of Alaska Anchorage runner and skier, rallied for runner-up in the women's division after running in fourth place among the women heading up Ester Dome. Heather Best placed third among the women.

The Aas Beaters, consisting of current Nanooks endurance athletes Chris Eversman and Einar Often and former Nanook Marius Korthauer, captured the relay title. Skinny Raven: Take No Prisoners of Anchorage, which included Jerry Ross, Todd List and Tom Ritchie, placed second.

Approximately 476 individuals and 107 relay teams registered for the race.