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SAN ANTONIO COUPLE CAPTURES INAUGURAL TEXAS10 KATY TITLES

KATY, TEXAS (October 7, 2013) – San Antonio’s **Erik** and **Kristine Burciaga** made their weekend drive here from the Alamo City worth their while Sunday as the couple won their respective divisions at the inaugural Texas10 Katy 10-mile road race.

The couple, who met and married while both ran cross country and track at NCAA Division I Texas A&M-Corpus Christi, easily defeated their closest competitor by almost 10 and four minutes, respectively, to win each race’s \$150 top prize.

Running an almost perfectly even split on the two-loop, 10-mile course that started and ended at Morton Ranch Junior High School, Burciaga, 26, led former Dallas Baptist runner **Zach Morgan**, 23, of Houston, by nearly a minute and a half, picking up a \$75 prime for being the first to the five-mile mark in 26 minutes, 54 seconds.

The former Islander, who runs for Soler’s Sports Elite teams in San Antonio, held his pace for a second-loop split of 26:55 en route to a new Texas 10 Series low of 53:50 – and a nine-minute and 10-second win over Tomball’s **Brian Haskett**.

Morgan was third in 1:03:01.

Meanwhile, Kristine, 24, was holding off another former collegian of her own in 24-year-old **Amber Brunmeier**, who ran for Western Michigan.

Burciaga was a minute and 24 seconds ahead of Brunmeier as she passed the 5-mile mark in 30:34 to earn a \$75 prime.

She used a second loop time of 31:13 to also record a new Texas 10 Series low of 1:01:48 bettering Team Green Running’s **Steph Shasteen**, who passed Brunmeier on her way to a second place, 1:05:34 finish, by nearly four minutes.

Brunmeier, a college teammate of Shasteen’s current Team Green Running post-collegiate teammate **Samantha Draney**, was third in 1:06:33.

The Burciagas led 443 official timed finishers across the inaugural Texas10 Katy finish line – a 230% increase from the 135 timed finishers at the first Texas 10 Series race of 2013 in Huntsville on Sunday, April 7.

All age group winners in both the 10-mile and a companion 5-mile race won a compensated entry to next year’s Texas10 Katy, slated for Sunday, September 28, 2014.

All 10-mile finishers earned points to be eligible for up to \$11,700 prize money to be divided among the male and female age groups, and free entries in the Armadillo Cup competition.

Volte Endurance Training's **Ken Rieger**, 45, of The Woodlands and Bay Area Multisport's **Heather Welsch**, 11, of Alvin were the overall winners of the 5-miler in 30:33 and 37:38, respectively.

Based in Spring, Volte Endurance Training was one of four clubs, joining the Cypress Running Club, Katy Fit and The Woodlands Running Club, to have ten (10) or more finishers in the 10-mile race, which scores those groups points in the Ten-Gallon Club Cup competition.

At the end of the 2013 season, five different clubs will earn a total prize purse of \$2,600.

The Texas 10 Series moves to Waco on Sunday, November 3 and returns to its birthplace, Conroe, on Saturday, December 7 to round out the 2013 season before embarking on an eight-race, statewide schedule in 2014.

Online registration for all future events, results from past events and details of the Armadillo and Ten-Gallon Club Cup competitions is available at www.texas10series.com.

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