



Monday April 16, 2012

**TO: All Zumbro 100 and Midnight 50 Mile Endurance Run Volunteers**

Dear Friends,

The 4th annual / 2012 edition of the Zumbro 100 and Midnight 50 Mile Endurance Run is officially in the books. Each individual volunteer's effort (whether you contributed a few hours or a few days) helped our runners in achieving their goal of safely running 100 or 50 miles. We had about 75 volunteers for 99 starters – that just shows the level of passion and commitment that you have for the sport, for friendship, brotherhood and community.

This year's race had some exciting twists and turns and might just be the most memorable Zumbro to date - from the Sandor's tackling the race as a family, the rain, hail, thunder and lightning, a sprint for the win in the 100 mile, 3 men going under the previous 100 mile course record, Susan Donnelly winning her 4th consecutive Zumbro 100, a female taking the overall win in the 50, two runners finishing the 100 within seconds of the 34 hour cutoff, many first time 100 mile finishes and more tears than I have ever seen shed at any one single race. Also notable were the many "performances" from volunteers - too numerous to individually mention here. It is a fact, most of these runners could not finish a race like this without your support - that is why 100's are so unique, we get to contribute to each and every runner's race in a meaningful way and it does not go un-noticed. I have already received many emails from competitors with comments echoing that sentiment and the one below may best summarize all that you do.

*Thanks for a great race. The event was extremely well organized and fun. I was amazed at how well the course was marked. I also really appreciated how well staffed the aid stations were. Everyone seemed to know just what to ask and clearly were experienced runners themselves. Thanks for putting on a great event!*  
- Barry N.

Above all else I am honored to have you all as friends and to have you on my team, so I leave you with this:

**TEAM = Together Everyone Achieves More**

As always, if you have any questions, comments, concerns, suggestions, compliments or complaints, please feel free to drop me a line.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "JOHN STORKAMP". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

John Storkamp - Race Director - Zumbro 100 and Midnight 50 Mile Endurance Run  
(On behalf of Larry "the Oracle" Pederson and the entire Zumbro TEAM.)