

Kiplagat, Christian win DRC Half

Sammy Kiplagat, a Kenyan living in Allen, and Melisa Christian, of Dallas and an Olympic Trials 2008 competitor, won the male and female divisions at the DRC Half on a near perfect morning (Nov. 1) in Dallas. Each won \$800 for their victories. Kiplagat ran a 1:05:53 to beat last year's winner Kip Kangogo, a former TCU runner living in Canada. Kangogo finished in 1:06:06, 46 seconds faster than last year. Christian ran a 1:18:11 to best runner-up Melissa Cook of Flower Mound, who finished in 1:19:05. Sheila Natho of Dallas repeated as the female masters winner with a 1:29:45 and won \$250. Runner-up Sandra Ricaud, who won the Cool Run 10K and 5K masters title on Saturday (Oct. 31) crossed the line in 1:32:35. Ernesto Cabellero won the men's masters title and \$250 with a 1:14:59. Brian Schmidt of Sachse was second in 1:17:10.