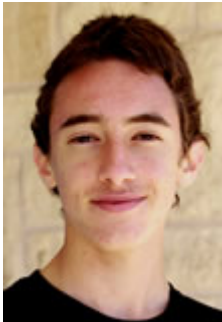


## Pizza, penguins and choice of distance attracts crowd at Don Zetnick Arlington Winter Run

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Dawn Charlier



Nathan Collier

Attracted by the promise of post-race pizza and the chance to win a door prize or cute penguin trophy, a large crowd gathered for the 32nd annual Don Zetnick Arlington Winter Run on Saturday, December 4, at UT-Arlington. Participants had the choice of running the kids' 1K Penguin Waddle, the 2-mile or the 10K. Many runners such as 57-year-old John Ball decided to double up for twice the fun and awards as he won his age group in both the 2-mile and the 10K.

Running and convincingly winning his first 10K was 16-year-old Nathan Collier, a student at Weatherford High School. More familiar with the 5K distance and the mile, Nathan easily outdistanced his competitors, blazing the course in 36:03. Nathan who runs track and cross country, has a 4:46 PR for the mile and hopes to soon beat the existing school record of 4:26.

Overall female winner was local speedster Dawn Charlier, who finished only a minute behind Nathan in 37:03. Dawn, 31, who represented Dallas in the Sendai Half Marathon in Japan this year, was using the event as a tune-up for the Houston Half Marathon championships in January where she hopes to beat the 1:23:40 PR she set at the A&M Armadillo Dash Half Marathon in March.

