



## *Youngsters among big field at DRC run*

Three of the O'Neal sisters (above) were among the record field of competitors who ran the Dallas Running Club's Independence Run on a warm, sunny (no rain!) and humid Saturday (July 7) at White Rock Lake. The event had a record 350 finishers.



Sarah Colbert, 9, of McKinney was another youngster who ran the DRC's 5K. She said she has run "a lot" of 5Ks and finished in 30:15.47.

Sarah, at 7 years old and far left in the above photo, was the youngest finisher. She ran with her dad, Mike, and finished in 27:09.88, placing placed fourth in her 14-younger age division, behind her two older sisters. Megan, 5, in the middle, didn't run., Rachel, 11, finished second in the age division with a 24:43.05 and Emily was third in 26:16.64. Winning their division was 14-year-old Annie Williams in 23:48.38.

Mike said Sarah posted her personal best in the few 5K she has run. The Dallas residents also run summer track with the Texas Stars.

Mike said the girls became involved in the track program about two years ago. "Running helps in all their sports," he said.

Winning the men's overall title was Pedro Ortega in 16:55.21, and the women's winner was Andrea Jarzombek in 17:17.83. Masters winners were Ricky Cox, 17:57.13, and Fiona Green, 19:48.18.