

Good turnout for East Rosebud run

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It was a cool and cloudy morning at East Rosebud Lake. Rain sprinkled down every so often. This however did not stop the 100 or so runners that participated in the 3rd Run for Wild & Scenic East Rosebud last Sunday.

Scott Sneddon, 53, from Billings shaved 12 minutes of last year's best time and won the 10K race with 42:35. The 5K run saw a new best time too.

Wyatt Cunningham, 15, from Colorado won with 22:42 which was 3 ½ minutes faster than his brother Landan who had won the year before.

But the event that had been organized by Friends of East Rosebud was not only about professional running. Many participants just came to show support for the Wild and Scenic Bills that had been introduced by three Montana Congressional Delegates, Senators Tester and Daines and Congressman Zinke in June of 2015.

Senate bill S.1577, the East Rosebud Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, had just passed the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee. Republicans and Democrats voted unanimously for the bill that is now headed for the full Senate floor.

"This gives us a lot of momentum", said Leslie Ziegler, President of East Rosebud, "and it increases our chances to move identical House companion bill H.R.2787 forward



Courtesy photos

(Above, below) Participants at the Run.

too. Congressman Ryan Zinke has been pushing hard for it."

The rain poured down when it was time to announce the winners and give out the prizes that many local businesses had sponsored. Nobody cared. "There is a good chance to have East Rosebud designated Wild & Scenic by the end of the Year, said Frank Annighofer,"that is all that counts."

