



**The 13th St. Croix International Marathon...  
The 40th V.I. Half-Marathon...  
The 1st Finish The Fight...4 Mile Run/Walk...  
For The American Cancer Society  
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Dallas, Klein, Robles and David defend their champ titles in marathon and half-marathon...

St. Croix Marathon Summary



No matter how tough the course, (this one is hilly, hot and humid...newly AIMS/IAAF Certified) some runners seem to adequately adjust and excel. Calvin Dallas the 62 year old two-time Olympic marathon runner once again demonstrated how it's done. In the early going from the start at the Christiansted National Historic Site of the National Park Service three runners were either stride-for-stride or just off each other's shoulder for over the first half of the 26.2 mile road race which was dominated by male entries, and took them over one of the most scenic and historic pieces of geography one will find including: the Danish named estates of St. Croix, the NPS Salt River Ecological Sanctuary, NPS Christopher Columbus Landing Site and back and forth on the North Shore Road (now named Sidney Lee Road for the late St. Croix Senator). After running to the western most point of the course (Carambola Resort) with St. Thomas, St. John and British Virgin

Islands as a backdrop in the north, Dallas of St. Thomas and Ben Appleyard of St. Croix were stride for stride out of Davis Bay, Cane Bay and to Lavallee until Dallas, the former Seoul and Barcelona Olympian, surged and took the lead for good to finish first overall and defend his V.I. Marathon Champion title with a time of 3:19.33. Billy Bohlke, the former V.I. champion for the marathon, with less than minimal training for this one and after dropping off the pace considerably midway through the race, gutted it out enough to take second with a time of 3:33.13; Appleyard who just recently completed the New York City Marathon finished third in 3:41.04.



Bridget Klein continued to establish her place as a V.I. endurance runner, was unchallenged as a female and impressive with a fourth place overall finish to defend her V.I. Marathon Champion title with a time of 3:44.21. The former college steeplechaser has hopes of representing the Virgin Islands in that event and other long distance races.

Awards were made to the top ten finishers in the male and female categories and recognition for age-group placing. In addition, a number of

visiting marathoners ran the race, some who do marathons to add to their list marathon run in countries, continents, islands or just to their total marathons run. Last year a few from the "50 States



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Club” ran the race, this year it would be representatives of “Marathon Globetrotters” 62 year old Robert Bishton of Fort Meyers Beach, Florida who would duke it out with fellow Globetrotter 65 year old Rich Holmes from Durham, North Carolina, Bishton won the battle for 12<sup>th</sup> overall for males with a time of 5:18.17 to Bishton’s 5:26.12 for for 13<sup>th</sup>.

Mike Klein St. Croix, VI the V.I. Ultra Champion finished fourth for men with a time of 3:44.21; Jay Gleason St. Croix running his first marathon was Fifth in 3:57.14; Wayne Nichols St. Croix was sixth in 3:58.06; Troy Holloway St. Croix was seventh in 4:05.54; Steve Burkeholder of St. John, VI was eighth in 4:08.48; Craig Daniels St. Croix, VI was ninth in 4:34.28; Drew Hoffman of West Field, Indiana was tenth in 4:48.57; Ivan Espinosa St. Croix, VI running his first marathon was eleventh in 4:58.55.

#### V.I. Half-Marathon summary



For the running of the 40<sup>th</sup> Virgin Islands Half-Marathon the fastest road runners in the V.I. affirmed their status with Juan Robles successfully defended his title as V.I. Half-Marathon Champion by making what looked to be easy work of it over the challenging loop course that also utilized the newly certified St. Croix Marathon route. His time was 1:21.58; Shane Degannes of St. Thomas just off his consecutive British Virgin Islands Half-Marathon win in Tortola and second place masters finish in the Footlocker Cross-Country Nationals, was second in 1:31.26; Timothy Simon of Renton, Washington was third in 2:01.32; John Harper of St. Croix, VI was fourth in 2:09.50; Teddy Seymour was fifth in 2:55.32



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The race dominated by female entries saw Ruth Ann David of St. Thomas, VI put in an impressive performance in finishing just behind Shane Degannes by a mere five seconds for third place overall in the race to win back to back V.I. Half-Marathon champion female titles with a time of 1:31.31. Dyann Godown St. Croix, VI was second in 1:42.59; Keziah Sullivan from Kenya was third in 1:57.33; Laura Klein of St. Thomas was fourth in 1:59.48; Emily Shoup of Charleston, SC was fifth in 2:06.45; Jaclyn Robak of Eagle NB was sixth in 2:12.12; Pam Terry of St. John, VI was seventh in 2:12.34; Kerry Wonders of Indianapolis, IN was eighth in 2:15.15; Louise Stapleton of St. Croix, VI was ninth in 2:24.15; Chantelle Quinones of St. Croix, VI was tenth in 3:02.35 and Wendy Funk of Falls Church, VA was eleventh in 3:31.37

**NOTES:**

1] Joshua Brewster of Charleston, St. Carolina had all intentions of winning the St. Croix Marathon and was in the lead group until around the 10k mark when Plantar Fasciitis injury ended his day. Paul Evora St. Croix who battle the harsh conditions of this year's New York City Marathon looked to do well Sunday but succumbed to flulike conditions and did not finish. Nichole Ross St. Croix entered her first St. Croix race but the effects of Chikungunya ended her day. Each of these runners will be able to run next year as the Race Director waived their 2015 registration fee.

2] Volunteers are runners to...a number of the volunteers for the races were former participants in the marathon and half-marathon. Ana Guitierrez V.I. Olympic Marathon runner in the 1992 Barcelona Olympics and 2012 V.I. Marathon champion led the women's marathon on her bike yesterday; Dr. Marlon Williams 4 time V.I. Olympian in the marathon, 10k and 5k handed out awards; George Jules the multiple winner of the V.I. Half-Marathon in St. Croix and St. Thomas led the half-marathon on his bike; Theresa Harper multiple St. Croix Marathon winner was the race timer yesterday; Constance Alexander past V.I. Half-Marathon competitor provide ground transport for visiting runners; Scott Fricks and Carol Murphy V.I. Triathlon Federation provided and extra aid station with music while spinning on their trainers mid-way up a tough hill for the race; Wallace Williams was the Race Director...



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3] Great race partners...Joel Holt, Attorney; LNL Publishing; The National Park Service; Arawak Bay...The Inn At Salt River; Bohlke Airways; Williams Chiropractic Center; Quality Auto Parts; Carpet Masters; Plaza Extra; Gas City; Twin City Coffee Shop; St. Croix Rescue; The Virgin Islands Cycling Federation; The St. Croix Track Club; The Mary's Fancy Track Club; The Virgin Islands Pace Runners; The Virgin Islands Track and Field Federation...to be continued...

4] For the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary recognition of the Virgin Islands Half-Marathon...  
The 13.1 Mile Virgin Islands Half-Marathon is the oldest road race in the Virgin Islands. It has been the primary influence on the establishment of road running in the Territory with generations of runners, coaches, officials, volunteers and partners who have contributed to help make our sport what it is today.

You are a part of the history of the Virgin Islands Half-Marathon...we want to here of your experience/s with this historic event...

Also, if you know someone who has experienced this race over the years, please pass this on and ask them to share their experience/s...

On Sunday December 14 in St. Croix, runners lined up for the 40th edition of this race...let's make it special by compiling the history of the event for generations of runners to come...

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AWARD LIST FOR RACE  
 THE 13TH ST. CROIX INTERNATIONAL MARATHON  
 26.2 Miles  
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\*\*\*\*\* MALE OVERALL RESULTS FOR 26.2 MILE RACE \*\*\*\*\*

1	CALVIN Dallas	62 St. Thomas, VI	3:19:33	3:19:33
2	BILLY Bohlke	30 St. Croix, VI	3:33:13	3:33:13
3	BEN Appleyarg	28 St. Croix, VI	3:41:04	3:41:04
4	MIKE Klein	40 St. Croix, VI	3:48:47	3:48:47
5	JAY Gleason	40 St. Croix, VI	3:57:14	3:57:14
6	WAYNE Nichols	59 St. Croix, VI	3:58:06	3:58:06
7	TROY Holloway	50 St. Croix, VI	4:05:54	4:05:54
8	STEVE Burkeholder	28 St. John, VI	4:08:48	4:08:48
9	CRAIG Daniels	20 St. Croix, VI	4:34:28	4:34:28
10	DREW Hoffman	45 Westfield, IN	4:48:57	4:48:57
11	IVAN Espinosa	33 St. Croix, VI	4:58:55	4:58:55
12	ROBERT Bishton	64 Ft. Meyers, FL	5:18:17	5:18:17
13	RICH Holmes	65 Durham, NC	5:26:12	5:26:12

\*\*\*\*\* FEMALE OVERALL RESULTS FOR 26.2 MILE RACE \*\*\*\*\*

1	BRIDGET Klein	31 St. Croix, VI	3:44:21	3:44:21
FEMALE AGE GROUP: 18 - 20				
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1	10 CRAIG Daniels	4:34:28	20 St. Croix, VI	4:34:28 274:28
FEMALE AGE GROUP: 30 - 39				
1	4 BRIDGET Klein	3:44:21	31 St. Croix, VI	3:44:21 224:21
MALE AGE GROUP: 40 - 49				
1	5 MIKE Klein	3:48:47	40 St. Croix, VI	3:48:47 228:47
2	6 JAY Gleason	3:57:14	40 St. Croix, VI	3:57:14 237:14
3	11 DREW Hoffman	4:48:57	45 Westfield, IN	4:48:57 288:57
FEMALE AGE GROUP: 50 - 59				
MALE AGE GROUP: 60 - 69				
1	1 CALVIN Dallas	3:19:33	62 St. Thomas, VI	3:19:33 199:33
2	13 ROBERT Bishton	5:18:17	64 Ft. Meyers, FL	5:18:17 318:17
3	14 RICH Holmes	5:26:12	65 Durham, NC	5:26:12 326:12
FEMALE AGE GROUP: 70 - 99				
MALE AGE GROUP: 70 - 99				

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1	JUAN Robles	25 St. Croix, VI	1:21:58	1:21:58
2	SHANE DeGannes	40 St. Thomas, V.I	1:31:26	1:31:26
3	TIMOTHY Simon	52 Renton, WA	2:01:32	2:01:32
4	JOHN Harper	50 St. Croix, VI	2:09:50	2:09:50
5	TEDDY Seymour	70 St. Croix, VI	2:35:32	2:35:32

\*\*\*\*\* FEMALE OVERALL RESULTS FOR 13.1 MILE RACE \*\*\*\*\*

1	RUTH ANN David	40 St. Thomas, V.I	1:31:31	1:31:31
2	DYANN Godown	40 St. Croix, VI	1:42:59	1:42:59
3	KEZIAH Sullivan	52 Kenya	1:57:33	1:57:33
4	LAURA Kline	52 St. Thomas, V.I	1:59:48	1:59:48
5	EMILY Shoup	40 Charleston, SC	2:06:45	2:06:45
6	JACLYN Robak	27 Eagle, NB	2:12:12	2:12:12
7	PAMELA Terry	30 St. John, VI	2:12:34	2:12:34
8	KERRY Wonders	43 Indianapolis, I	2:15:15	2:15:15
9	LOUISE Stapleton	40 St. Croix, VI	2:24:15	2:24:15
10	CHANTELLE Quinones	29 St. Croix, VI	3:02:35	3:02:35
11	WENDY Funk	40 Falls Church, V	3:31:37	3:31:37

FEMALE AGE GROUP: 18 - 20

MALE AGE GROUP: 18 - 20

FEMALE AGE GROUP: 30 - 39

1	11 PAMELA Terry	2:12:34	30 St. John, VI	2:12:34	132:34
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MALE AGE GROUP: 40 - 49

1	2 SHANE DeGannes	1:31:26	40 St. Thomas, V.I.	1:31:26	91:26
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FEMALE AGE GROUP: 50 - 59

1	5 KEZIAH Sullivan	1:57:33	52 Kenya	1:57:33	117:33
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2	6 LAURA Kline	1:59:48	52 St. Thomas, V.I.	1:59:48	119:48
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MALE AGE GROUP: 60 - 69

FEMALE AGE GROUP: 70 - 99

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1	14 TEDDY Seymour	2:35:32	70 St. Croix, VI	2:35:32	155:32
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