

t's official. The saying, "everything is bigger in Texas" is confirmed and the Foundation for Dental Laboratory Technology's 10th annual Race for the Future is proof of it! As hoped for, the Race for the Future 10 is going down as the most successful fundraiser in the Foundation's history – bringing in over \$100,000. You read that right – over \$100,000!

You know what else is true about Texas? The heat! Luckily the sunrise start to race day didn't stop the near 30 Foundation racers from showing up and racing for the future of the dental laboratory technology profession. In fact, after this weekend's success, it's doubtful anything can diminish the passion of this community - sponsors, cheerleaders, racers, and donors alike.

Among the onsite racers were four Foundation Trustees (Beth Collington, Elvis Dahl, Mark Williamson, CDT, and Susan van Kinsbergen, CDT), and two NADL Board members (Shawn Nowak and Tom Love). Additionally, Foundation Trustees Carolynn Capps, MBA, CDT and Nicolas Azar, along with NADL Board Members Denise Burris, CDT, Joe Young, Nate Kirkwood, CDT, and Carrie Ling, were cheering along the sidelines getting stellar action shots.

Additionally, of the 44 sponsors (again, you read that right - 44), we had a significant level of onsite sponsor presence including representation from Helm Dental Laboratory, Argen Corporation, Gary locco representing himself and IdentAlloy/ IdentCeram, Nowak Dental Supplies, Barksdale Dental Lab, Hermitage Dental Lab, CDL, Lifelike Dental Studio, By Design Dental Studio, CDL, DLT Training & Education, exocad, She Designs Dental Studio, Tom Love as the sponsor himself, Voices from the Bench, and Young Dental Lab, Inc., CDL. Not to be overlooked are the sponsors who joined us the night prior for the Race for the Future 10 dinner (or carb load as we call it). A huge thank you to all our sponsors and donors!

While the logistics of the Cal Tri Fort Worth race were far different than that of the Chicago Triathlon (approximately 400



Above: Curbside Cheerleaders



Left: Beth Collington - Sprint Relay - RFF 10 Sponsor and Foundation Trustee

Right: Susan van Kinsbergen, CDT - 10K -Foundation Trustee

Below: Sponsor Support







Team: Argen + 1 Marlin Gohn, CDT, TE Lindsey Kallstrom, CDT Kelley Renfields



Team: CAD You Keep Up With Us Ben Laroche Jacob Epelbaum Mark Rozenberg



Team: First Impressions Beth Collington Tom Love



## Team: Let's Get Acquainted

Marlin Gohn, CDT, TE Gary locco Bennett Napier, CAE

## **Individual Racers**

Adam Prewitt Daniel Cuevas Irma Kilo Jacquelyn Rivera Joseph Nooman Josue Ipina Kyle Davis, CDT Michaela Pelayo Susan van Kinsbergen, CDT

*Below:* Team CAD You Keep Up With Us and Sponsor exocad Representation





Team: Pizza, Donut & Hot Fudge

Shawn Nowak Stuart Steinbock Jamie Steinbock



Team: The Abutments

Bobby Kenney Mark Williamson, CDT Elvis Dahl

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total race participants compared to thousands), the camaraderie remained equally unmatched. The smaller scale race allowed our spectators to catch every Race for the Future 10 athlete during each leg, guaranteeing no one missed out on hearing enthusiastic chanting of their name. The race directors were in admiration of our group, from giving multiple shoutouts to the Foundation over the intercom to making jokes about Gary locco and Tom Love as they put on a show crossing the finish line (are you surprised?).

For some friendly competition reporting, Team Argen + 1 (Marlin Gohn, CDT, TE, Lindsey Kallstrom, CDT, and Kelley Renfields) brought home the trophy for our relay participants. The Abutments racing team (Bobby Kenney, Mark Williamson, CDT, and Elvis Dahl) were passed the torch as the top individual fundraisers. We extend our heartfelt thanks to all who were convinced to donate by Elvis' Facebook photos!



On a serious note, as a 501(c)(3) organization, every ounce of the Foundation relies on sponsorship and donations from this event and other donations made throughout the year. The revenue generated is reinvested into the dental laboratory technology industry, directly impacting the number of grants and scholarships awarded annually, and enhancing the Foundation's capacity to meet other workforce needs alongside its sister organizations, NADL and NBC, in this everevolving industry.

Thank you for joining us in celebrating a decade of positive impact in the dental laboratory technology profession through the Race for the Future. Every donor, big and small, is making a difference. This year proves that the people of the dental laboratory technology profession are unstoppable. You know what that means – Race for the Future 11 coming in 2025 – date and location to be announced! **JDT** 



Above: Sponsor Helm Dental Laboratory Representation

*Above:* NADL President and Past NBC Chair Sponsor Denise Burris, CDT, and Past NADL President and Past Foundation Chair Sponsor Gary Iocco

Above: Sponsor Lifelike Dental Studio Representation

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