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## **A Decade of Excellence at the Nutrience Oakville Half Marathon**

**Oakville, ON** – 2016 marked the 10<sup>th</sup> year of the Nutrience Oakville Half Marathon. This year **1,549** runners and walkers were treated to an outstanding day throughout the Town of Oakville and along the Lake Ontario Waterfront. The 2016 Nutrience Oakville Half Marathon included the Half Marathon, 10K, 10K Student Relay, 5K and 2K. There are not many races throughout Ontario that provide runners with the ultimate mix of a fast and relaxing course throughout multiple beautiful neighbourhoods and the Lake Ontario Waterfront, the Nutrience Oakville Half Marathon does just that.

On a competitive note, Kyle Wyatt from Toronto, Ontario & Laura McLean, also from Toronto, Ontario, were the big winners of Race Weekend, completing the Nutrience Half Marathon with times of 1:10:05 and 1:26:05, respectively, to take the men's and women's titles. Dozens of athletes were awarded for placing within their respective age and gender categories at each distance but every finisher received their own piece of hardware to symbolize their personal achievement – the finisher's medal.

What better way to celebrate a decade of tradition than with two new course records in the 5K distance: Michael Gill from Oakville, Ontario & Kelly Fitzsimmons from Toronto, Ontario with times of 15:40.1 and 20:24.8, respectively, to smash the previous records that were set in 2015.

“Celebrating our 10<sup>th</sup> year running has been very special and we couldn't be happier with how this year's event turned out” said Race Director, Brody Coles. “It is incredibly special to see all of the hard work coming from volunteers, & Town come together in one grand celebration, and this couldn't have been possible without the support from our participants”.

The fundraising efforts were also spectacular with the total dollars raised reaching over \$20,000.00 or the 9 charity partners which include: Arpana Canada, Canadian Cancer Society, Colorectal Cancer Association of Canada, Girls Inc. of Halton, Halton Women's Place, Oakville & Milton Humane Society, Oakville Hospital Foundation, SickKids Foundation, and Voice For Hearing Impaired Children.

The Nutrience Oakville Half Marathon is proudly supported by: Nutrience, Running Room, nuun Hydration, AMJ Campbell, Whole Foods Market, Mississauga Steelheads Hockey Club, TV Cogeco, Oakville Kids Magazine and CanKopy.

Landmark Sport Group also organizes the Mississauga Marathon taking place on Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup> & Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

For a full listing of race results, finisher's certificates and race day pictures, please visit: [www.oakvillehalfmarathon.com](http://www.oakvillehalfmarathon.com).

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