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# CHETTLE, LONG WIN 2022 WILLIAM A. IRVIN 5K TITLES

**(DULUTH, MINN.)** --- Jesse Chettle and Nikki Long won the 2022 William A. Irvin 5K men's and women's titles, respectively, on a record-setting night in Canal Park for the Friday night kickoff to Grandma's Marathon weekend.

Chettle, from Flagstaff, Ariz., won the men's race with a time of 14:52, narrowly edging by two seconds last year's champion Mason Shea. Chettle is the first men's champion to break the 15-minute mark in this race since Darren Lewis did it in 1997.

Long, meanwhile, won the women's race with a time of 16:15 which is nearly a minute faster than the established women's event record of 17:11 set by Katie McGee in 1996. Long, from Cary, N.C., was also almost a minute faster than this year's runner-up, Lindsey Zimmer.

*IMPORTANT: Due to an error by course officials that may have resulted in a slightly shortened race, the 2022 William A. Irvin 5K times are unofficial and under review until further notice.*

A record 2,680 people were registered for this year's William A. Irvin 5K, and a record 2,016 of those participants officially finished the race. Full (and unofficial, until further notice) results of this year's race can be found [HERE](#).

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## ABOUT GRANDMA'S MARATHON

Grandma's Marathon began in 1977 when a group of local runners planned a scenic road race from Two Harbors to Duluth, Minnesota. There were just 150 participants that year, but organizers knew they had discovered something special. Grandma's Marathon weekend draws more than 20,000 participants for its three-race event each June.



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The race got its name from the Duluth-based group of famous Grandma's Restaurants, the first major sponsor of the marathon. Over time, the level of sponsorship with the restaurants changed, but the name stayed the same. Grandma's Marathon-Duluth, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt nonprofit organization with a 17-member Board of Directors and a nine-person, full-time staff.



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