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## **Prevatt and Hash take top honors at Trout Creek Nearly 300 runners participate in XTERRA Florida Series race**

Josh Prevatt and Liza Hash ran away from the competition at the XTERRA Trout Creek Trail Run on March 6 at Thonotosassa, Fla.

Prevatt, who is from Brandon, Fla., was the overall winner, completing the 15-kilometer course in 1 hour, 11 seconds. Hash, who is from Inglis, Fla., was the first female, finishing with a time of 1:13:35. Both runners led their respective divisions practically from start to finish.

Prevatt said he surged to the lead just a half-mile into the race and had a 30-second gap on the competition shortly after. From there, he ran by himself to the finish line.

"From about mile 3 to the finish, we all kept about the same gap between us, as near as I could tell," said Prevatt, 26.

Bill Wenner of Orlando placed second with a time of 1:01:13. At 46 years old, he also won the award for top masters runner.

It was an impressive XTERRA Trail Run debut for Prevatt. He found out about the Trout Creek Trail Run after winning another race in Florida and then meeting XTERRA Florida Trail Run Series director Jim Hartnett. "This will not be my last XTERRA race," Prevatt said.

Hash, 34, led the women's division from the start, and then ran wary the entire course.

"I was in the lead from the start, that way I would know when I lost the lead, which usually happens in the last mile," she said. "So I was excited this time to keep it the whole way."

Jen Schwallie of Tampa was the second female with a time of 1:14:23.

Nearly 300 runners participated in the event, which also featured a 5-kilometer short course. Runners of all skill levels participated, and they ranged in age from 9 to 70.

It was the second of three races in the 2010-11 XTERRA Florida Trail Run Series. The final race in the series will be the XTERRA Claw Adventure Run on May 1.

For more information (including complete results from the Trout Creek Trail Run), please visit [www.tamparaces.com](http://www.tamparaces.com) or [www.xterratrailrun.com](http://www.xterratrailrun.com).