***53rd Augúst Trail Race (2021)***

***Starting Line Announcements***

***(5 minutes to race-time)***

**• Greetings, I'm Jeff Thomas, Vice President of Helena Vigilante Runners**

**• Welcome to the 53rd running of “The Augúst Trail Race"**

 **Hosted by the Helena Vigilante Runners**

 **Montana’s 2nd oldest footrace, so congrats on being a part of history!**

**• Special welcome to our high school teams: Bengals, Bruins & Bulldogs!**

 **Supporting these young runners is what this event is all about.**

**• Many thanks to our major sponsor Blue Cross Blue Shield, and also to the supportive landowners: Spring Meadow Resources (Pavilion),
 Prickly Pear Land Trust (Tenmile Trails), George's Distributing, and Montana State Parks.**

**• Finally, a special thanks and shout-out to our great volunteers!**

**• The course is 5 kilometers (3.1 miles). Miles are marked.**

 **- around the north side of Spring Meadow Resources**

 **- out on Broadwater Ave. toward Montana Wild**

 **- a couple of left turns to bring you into Ten Mile Park**

 **- one big counter-clockwise loop (2.4 miles)**

 **- back across the bridge, and a right-turn into the finish**

 **- directional signs, (course guards), and some fast Vigers to follow!**

 **(or Lead Mountain Bike, if available this year)**

**• MT Cup a week after state, JOXC a week after that.**

**• There are no aid stations, but there is water at the finish.**

**• There are porta-johns by the pavilion.**

**• No awards, but results will be posted on vigilanterunning.org**

**• Good luck to you all! Starting commands are as follows . . . (whistle or gun)**

**(• Watch out for the grasshoppers!)**