

RIM RUNNERS RELAY



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Brad Coutant, of the Yellowstone Rim Runners, left, signs up relay runner Sue Vinton as Mike James, right, and John Hailstone run in the Rim Runner 100 Sunday morning, a 100-mile relay at Daylis Stadium.

A total of 57 runners took part in the Rim Runner 100 relay, taking the event to more than halfway of its 100-mile goal. The runners each ran four laps on the track to cover their leg of the event.

This is the eighth year the Rim Runners have hosted the relay, said Coutant who is president of the organization. The event is open to runners of all abilities and is meant to be a chance for friends and families to enjoy running together. Little kids and experienced runners from the Rocky Mountain College cross-country team joined the relay this year.

"We had a good spectrum of the local running com-

munity," Coutant said.

The Rim Runners next large event is the Montana Marathon on Sept. 21. The marathon begins in Molt and ends at Daylis Stadium; the half marathon starts at the halfway point of the full marathon and also ends at Daylis Stadium. The marathon relay follows the same course as the marathon. The Virgil Naldrett Memorial 10K is a 6.2 mile course that starts on Rangeview Drive and follows the marathon course along Parkhill Drive to finish in Daylis Stadium.

Runners and walkers of all abilities are invited to join the events. For more information visit www.rimrunners.org.