

Still time to register for Joggin' for Frogmen 5K, youth race

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Last Friday, about 70 were preregistered for Saturday's Joggin' for Frogmen 5K run/walk and the youth race that will headquarter at Imperial's Campbell Park.

Kelsey Owens, event coordinator, said, while pre-registration has closed, people can still register for the events up until the race starts at 9 a.m. Saturday.

Late registrants may not be guaranteed a t-shirt in their size, she said, but 50 additional shirts were ordered.

Joggin' for Frogmen is a 5K chip-timed run/walk that brings men, women and children together to jog in honor of the Navy SEALs (Frogmen) and all military heroes who have sacrificed their lives while protecting our country. All proceeds will benefit the Navy SEAL Foundation, The 31Heroes Project and Travis Manion Foundation through their One Team One Fight partnership, Owens noted.

Preregistration packet pickup will be this Friday at 509 Broadway in Imperial from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. All those picking up their packets that day will receive 20 percent off storewide, Owens said.

People can also register at the store that day for the race, she said.

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As of last Friday, 51 were registered for the 5K with another 18 Tadpole runners signed up.

Race day details

Saturday's events get underway at 9 a.m. with opening ceremonies that start with a few words from Liz Lindsay who works for One Team One Fight. She will talk about the foundation.

The group will gather south of the water tower in Campbell Park along West 6th St. for the ceremonies. Owens encouraged people to park vehicles on the north side of the park along West 7th St.

Owens will talk about her reasons for coordinating the race, followed by an address from State Sen. Mark Christensen.

Also included will be the posting of colors by the Imperial VFW Post Color Guard and the National Anthem to be sung by Sydnee Harchelroad of Wauneta.

The 5K run/walk will start about 9:15 to 9:30, followed by the youth Tadpole race.

All participants will receive a participation medal. Also to be presented are prizes to the fastest man and woman across the finish, top three men/women in age groups as well as the Most Patriotic Dressed participants (5K and Tadpole).

Also to receive prizes will be the top three finishers wearing army boots and to the one who

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drove the furthest.

Face painting by Chelsea Zuege will be available during the morning. The Imperial Lions Club will post the U.S. flags along main street on race day in support of the event.

A raffle is also planned with tickets selling on Friday during packet pickup day, and on race day for prizes that include running shoes, socks and more.

Owens said people can still donate to the cause if they'd like by going to the race website: JogginForFrogmen.com/ImperialNE.