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presents the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual

# Random Distance Run



APRIL 16, 2004

<http://www.cs.cmu.edu/~acw/RDR/>

## What is a Random Distance Run?

It's the spring alternative to the Pretty Good Race! But rather than another 5k, it's a chance to race **on the Track**.

## How long will the race be?

Nobody knows! All we can say is that it will be somewhere **between 1/2 mile and 3 miles** (between 2 and 12 laps of the track). The exact number of laps will be specified by the sum of two **ENORMOUS FUZZY DICE** rolls – one occurring just before the start of the race, and one just before the first runner finishes the number of laps specified by the first dice roll. And for those who were disappointed by the size and fuzziness of the dice last year, this year's dice will be **MORE ENORMOUS** and **MORE FUZZY** than ever!

## Who is providing the randomness?

Our own **Steven Rudich** will be at the starting line rolling **ENORMOUS FUZZY DICE** at the appropriate times.

## Registration Instructions:

To register for the race, sign and return this form to the address listed or to Adam Wierman's mailbox in the CSD main office (Weh 4212). The registration fee is listed below and will be used to cover the cost of the race t-shirts and post race TG only:

**\$10** if received by **March 31, 2003**,  
**\$13** otherwise.

Members of SCS and ECE (and their friends) are invited to participate. Late registrants may receive their t-shirts after race day. **Please register early** as it simplifies race day greatly.

## Race Location:

The race will take place on the **CMU TRACK**, which is located directly next to the University Center. The race will begin promptly at **4:45 PM ON FRIDAY, APRIL 16, 2003**.

## Post Race TG!

There will be a post race party starting **immediately after the race**, details of the location will be announced on race day.

## Awards!

Every runner will receive a **Random Distance Run T-SHIRT**. Additional prizes will be awarded to :

- the top male and female finishers,
- the top student-advisor pair,
- the top male and female alumni runners,
- each person who correctly predicts each of the two dice rolls.

## Is there any history to the race?

Why yes, this is the second annual Random Distance Run held at CMU. And even before that, the Random Structures and Algorithms conference has held a "Run for a Random Distance" at its gatherings for quite a few years, with **Paul Erdős** rolling the dice at the original race.

## Further Information

For further information contact Adam Wierman or check out [www.cs.cmu.edu/~acw/RDR/](http://www.cs.cmu.edu/~acw/RDR/)

## Registration Form:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Sex: M / F      Shirt Size: S / M / L / XL

Division: Undergrad / Grad / Staff / Prof / Alum

Team: Thry / Sys / AI / PL / Robo / HCI / Arch / Elect

Advisor/Advisee: \_\_\_\_\_

## DICE ROLL PREDICTION:

First Roll: 1 / 2 / 3 / 4 / 5 / 6

Second Roll: 1 / 2 / 3 / 4 / 5 / 6

**Race Fee:** \$10 early / \$13 late registration

**Waiver:** *I know that my participation is potentially hazardous. I should not enter and run or walk unless I am able and properly trained. I assume any and all risks associated with participation in this event, including but not limited to falls, contact with other participants, the effects of weather, including high heat and/or humidity, and conditions of the track, all such risks being known and appreciated by me. Knowing these facts, and in consideration of your acceptance of my entry fee, I hereby, for myself, my heirs, executors, administrators or anyone else who might claim on my behalf, covenant not to sue, and waive, release, and discharge any organization associated with the race, and the local government and police, race directors, volunteers, and any and all sponsors including their agents, employees, assigns or anyone acting for or on their behalf, from any and all claims to liability for death, personal injury, or property damage of any kind or nature, whatsoever arising out of, or in the course of, my participation in this event. This release and waiver extends to all claims of every kind or nature, whatsoever, foreseen or unforeseen, known or unknown. I have read the foregoing and certify my agreement by signature.*

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**PRINT OUT THIS REGISTRATION FORM AND MAIL IT WITH FEE TO:**

RDR care of Adam Wierman  
CMU Computer Science Department  
5000 Forbes Avenue  
Pittsburgh, PA 15213

Make checks payable to **ADAM WIERMAN**.