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Men's Elite



Women's Elite Wheelchair **EDEN RAINBOW-COOPER**



Men's Elite Wheelchair **MARCEL HUG** 1:15:33

BOSTON MARATHON 2024



JESSICA RINALDI/GLOBE STAFF

Sebastian Cantoni and Romina Cornejo shared the bliss of crossing the finish line, a contrast of emotions to the finishers flanking them.

Sun-soaked Marathon a drain — and a delight

The balmy weather, a boon for spectators, proved to be a challenge for the runners

By Spencer Buell

GLOBE STAFF When it comes to the weather, a Boston Marathon is a fickle thing. Driving rain, bitter cold, blazing sun, and — dreaded maybe most of all, high humidity – are all possibilities in April.

This year was a mixed blessing.

For the tens of thousands who lined the route Monday from Hopkinton to the Back Bay, it was a gift. With crystal-clear skies and temperatures that hit 70 degrees, conditions were about as pleasant for taking in a race as Massachusetts gets this time of year.

But the weather took a toll on some runners, who generally prefer it cooler and less sun-soaked — and who, largely, train in the chillier months of winter and early spring. By 6 p.m., 77 runners had been taken to area hospitals for treatment, race officials said. It wasn't clear how many were treated for heat.

"It was definitely tough after 15 miles," said Carly Sedlock, a 35-year-old from Pennsylvania, as she enjoyed a post-race cup of ice cream from JP Licks. "Just slowed down a lot."

Meanwhile, for her partner Jeremy Taylor, who watched most of the race from Wellesley Square, the sunshine was perfect. "Great weather for spectating." he said. "No complaints here."

With the forecast in their favor, the joyous fans along the route certainly put all their good fortune to good use, happily joining the cause of cheering for, MARATHON, Page C8

A sea of runners crowded the starting area of the 128th Boston Marathon at Hopkinton. The weather took a toll on scores of the entrants.

Semi-walking wounded As the mercury rose, so, too, the num-

Nothing could be finer ber of visits to hospitals and clinics. B1.

Can any city match the joy of this day? Of course not, Chad Finn writes. C1.

The world's collections of reefs face their greatest peril in recorded history, scientists say.

The FBI revealed a criminal investigation into the Baltimore bridge disaster as questions about the container ship's electrical system deepen. A2.

As the 2024 election cycle revs up, researchers get set for a torrent of misinformation. D1.



Glow warm

Tuesday: Mostly sunny, warm. High 62-67, low 41-46. Wednesday: Clouds move in. High 53-58, low 41-46. Sunrise: 6:01. Sunset: 7:27. Weather and comics, **D5-6.** Obituaries, B6.

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House to get separate Israel aid bill

Johnson again rejects Senate package that would also help Ukraine, Taiwan

By Jim Puzzanghera GLOBE STAFF

WASHINGTON — After Iran's attack on Israel Saturday, House Republican leaders scrapped their plans for this week to instead focus on legislation related to the volatile situation in the Middle East and rushed three bills to the floor for a vote Monday.

None of them would provide Is-

rael, a longtime US ally, with mili-

tary assistance. The bill that would do that -abipartisan foreign aid package passed by the Senate in February that contains \$14.1 billion for Israel — remains stalled amid strong opposition from some House Republicans to the inclusion of military aid for Ukraine. But Iran's drone and missile strike has intensified pressure on House Republican leaders to allow a vote on the \$95 billion legislation to quickly get money to Israel — including about \$5.2 billion for air defenses, which thwarted the attack.

"The Republicans have been playing politics with our national security and the national security of our allies for a long time now,' said Representative Seth Moulton, a Salem Democrat, citing the imperative to get US military assistance not only to Israel but to

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Read trial, after months full of speculation, to begin

By John R. Ellement, Sean Cotter, and Travis Andersen

For two years, the Karen Read murder prosecution has generated headlines, causing a swirl of speculation, conspiracy theories, and armchair analysis. As jury selection for her trial begins Tuesday, prosecutors and defense lawyers will be searching for what could be a scarce commodity — people who do not have a strong opinion about the high-profile case.

With both sides looking for different qualities in jurors, the selection process, known as voir dire, will be painstaking, legal specialists said. Given the media attention around the case, particularly in the Boston area, some analysts were surprised Read's lawyers didn't request a change of venue to an area where people may be less familiar with the details of the crime.

In closely watched cases, defense lawyers generally believe the media cover-

'A good lawyer picks a jury based on the theory of their case . . . what is the story you're going to tell in this case?'

SHIRA M. DINER, professor, Boston University Law School

Judge warns Trump on historic day in courtroom

Sets rules in case; selection of jurors could take weeks

By Devlin Barrett, David Nakamura, and Shayna Jacobs

WASHINGTON POST

NEW YORK — The opening day of Donald Trump's criminal trial delved deep into his tabloidfodder sex life, as lawyers and the judge debated how many salacious details jurors should eventually hear as they decide whether he broke the law to cover up hush money payments.

The historic first trial of a former president began Monday in a storied courthouse that has seen a host of high-profile cases over the years, from rap stars to movie moguls, but never one with such potential consequences for the nation and the world.

The dry rituals of court only made the proceedings more surreal, as New York Supreme Court Justice Juan Merchan warned Trump he could be removed or sent to jail if he disrupted the trial or failed to appear, and prosecutors said they would seek to hold Trump in contempt even before a single potential juror had been questioned.

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