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was quite test for runners and organizers.

For both there were some rough spots. Overall, a great time was had by all as

If we get past the hurdles, there's a lot awaiting you at the Big Bend 50 Ultra Run next month. We need your entries now.

There's less than a month left before the 4th annual Big Bend Ultra Run. There still is room in both the 50K and 25K races through the rugged Big Bend River Road area. A recent check also showed there are some rooms available at one of our sponsors, the Gage Hotel in Marathon, and other inns in the area. Of course, we'll always have the camping area set up. Don't sit on the fence. Look at this as a personal holiday or New Year's present to yourself and sign up now. Just click here to get to the registration.

New this year at the Big Bend 50 Ultra Run

More safety, more comfort

You learn by living is the way it's supposed to go and we seem to have got the hang of it

We had a wee bit of weather last year.
Though everyone came

out fine. We are taking more precautions.



Here's a little of what you will see:

- walled tent at the finish line to protect from wind and precipitation as you await transport to base.
- an brand-new, LP, convection heater in the tent to fight the cold.

everyone pulled together for a great race and spirited, good time.

Click here to view the video Click here to sign up for 2008

Places to stay

Last check shows rooms available

Not everyone wants to join us the night before camping at the park's **Rio Grande Village campsite**.

We, of course, recommend our sponsor -



The Gage Hotel. Last we checked, there were rooms available.

The Gage Hotel offers a variety of rooms, and houses the White Buffalo Bar and Cafe Cenizo Restuarant, as well as a complete spa. Plus, there are several more options in the area.



The Chisos Mountain Lodge in Big Bend National Park also has a variety rooms. They fill up quickly and yesterday's check might not represent today's reality. So, book as soon as possible.

The lodge has a restuarant with a breath-taking view, as well as WiFi in the lobby and

- each transport van will have a ham operator to ease in logistics and communication.
- the food has never been late or bad, but we've made improvements to make it more effcient and even tastier

If you have not signed up, do so now.

Last-minute food and gear

In case you forget something

MARATHON - Nearly everyone will have to drive through Marathon, Texas. It is the last stop before the park. This is where you can stock up on some food if tent camping.

You will be responsible for all your other meals other than the pre race meal Sat. night and the post race meal Sunday at noon.



The French Co. Grocery in Marathon will have superb sandwiches, snack food, energy bars, beverages, toiletries, batteries, ice, beer and fine wines.

You can also send last minute emails from their **WiFi**

connection or have a meal

there outside. The French Company Grocery is easy to find. It's one block off the main street - one block north of the Trans Pecos bank. You cannot possibly miss it.

ALPINE - If your trip takes you through Alpine, check out Morrison True Value Hardware for your last-minute camping needs.

Morrison also includes a Radio Shack dealership and many items you had no idea you needed. Morrison has been a Big Bend Ultra sponsor from the beginning.





BIG BEND NATIONAL PARK - Other than the
Lodge Restaurant, Big
Bend National Park has
limited opporunities for a
prepared meal.

However, you can pick up some grocery items and camping needs at the Rio Grande Village Campground Store, as well as other stores in

Panther Junction and at

other amenities.
The official Big Bend 50
website,
www.bigbend.com, has
more information on places to
stay, or you can check out
Visit Big Bend on the web.

the lodge.

For the latest information on the race, check out www.bigbend50.com. Volunteers are busy making preparations to make this the best run yet. If you are wavering at all, please take this as a personal invitation to sign up now.

Sincerely,

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