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Combined U.S. Army Europe-Installation Management Command men's team earns first-place finish in Army Ten-Miler

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Capt. Kyle Greenberg from Gratenwoehr, Germany's Joint Multinational Training Command strides across the finish line in the 25th Army Ten-Miler in Washington, D.C., Oct. 4. Greenberg and seven other members of the combined U.S. Army Europe and Installation Management Command-Europe men's team earned a first-place finish in the race's active duty men's division.

Brigade in Ansbach, Germany, led the way with a time of 55:52.

Glosser, a four-time veteran of the Ten-Miler, ran on the USAREUR team in 2006 -- as an enlisted Soldier -- and finished in an hour. He ran the course in under 60 minutes in 2000 and

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- The combined team representing U.S. Army Europe and the Installation Management Command-Europe earned a first-place finish in the 25th Army Ten-Miler here, Oct. 4.

The team time of 3:47:48 earned the eight-man team first place in the men's active duty team division, edging out 36 teams from major installations across the Army.

The USAREUR/IMCOM team was awarded the Commander's Cup, what race director Jim Vandak referred to as "a pretty large trophy that goes to the best military male and female teams, and with it comes bragging rights."

"The team did exceptionally well. This is a tough race with lots of competition," said Sgt. Maj. Brad Weber of USAREUR's office of the deputy chief of staff for

personnel, who coordinates the USAREUR participation in the Ten-Miler. "Last year they made the podium with a third-place finish and now have solidly earned a top-place finish. They all did a great job."

Four of the team members had times under 60 minutes. 1st Lt. Bradley Glosser of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 12th Combat Aviation

2004. He said his goals for this year's race were hitting the sub-60 mark, "and just getting a good start."

Capt. Kyle Greenberg from the Joint Multinational Training Command in Grafenwoehr, Germany, used that same strategy. In his first Ten-Miler, Greenberg finished just behind teammate Glosser with a time of 56:41. "My goal was just to get to the front and stay as close to the front as possible," he said.

Staying in the front to avoid the congestion was no easy task, as this year's field increased to 30,000 in celebration of the 25th anniversary of the race. Race officials said the event sold out in a record six days, shattering the 21-day record sellout established last year. In the first 24 hours of registration 14,696 runners secured a spot in the race.

"You definitely could tell the difference in the amount of people," said Lt. Col. Laura Landes, a six-time veteran of the Ten-Miler from the U.S. European Command in Stuttgart, Germany. "I think the first time I ran it about 15 years ago there was about 8,000 runners. Quite a change now. But it's still a great race, very well organized, and just a fun time."

Landes ran a personal best time of 1:13:06 and helped the combined USAREUR/IMCOM women's team to a 10th place of 18 teams in the women's active duty team division.

Running the Ten-Miler for the second time, 1st Lt. Lisa Becker from 12th CAB's 3rd Battalion, 158th Aviation, was close on Landes' heels with a time of 1:13:57. Becker said her time was around what she expected. "It was a great race, good weather, lots of encouragement," she said. "There was a bit of jostling in the beginning, and it was a little harder to get around the crowds, but the adrenaline kept you going."

In addition to record-breaking registration and attendance numbers, records were broken in the male and female overall divisions this year.

The Ten-Miler attracts participants from all 50 states, the District of Columbia and 12 countries, including Canada, United Kingdom, Ireland and the Netherlands. According to the race Web site, more than 550 teams registered for the team competition to compete for top honors in 25 divisions.

The scenic course runs through downtown Washington, across the Arlington Memorial Bridge, along Constitution Ave., past the Kennedy Center, up to the Capitol, and finishes back at the Pentagon.

For additional information about the race and race results, visit their website at www.armytenmiler.com.

Team members and results:

U.S. Army Europe-Installation Management Command Europe Men

Team time 03:47:48

Individual times/overall place:

Bradley Glosser	0:55:52/55
Kyle Greenberg	0:56:41/69
Kirk Madgic	0:57:26/83
William Rediske	0:57:49/93
Walter Johnston	1:03:27/335
Colby Broadwater	1:04:41/420
Trond Ruud	1:31:33/8422
Wesley Howard	1:32:34/8921

U.S. Army Europe-Installation Management Command Europe Women

Team time 05:09:58

Individual times/overall place:

Laura Landes	1:13:06/1521
Lisa Becker	1:13:57/1709
Kimberly Defiori	1:20:58/3783
Stephanie Fair	1:21:59/4128
Rhoda Winsky	1:27:16/6357
Tammy Rogers	1:31:30/8400



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