

Jerry Bunn's 10-Year Streak Ends!

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On December 28th, 1990, I will have completed a 10-year running streak. What started out as a New Year's resolution for 1981 has extended for ten years, 3,652 days in a row without missing a single day. The minimum run has been a mile to keep the streak going. During that time, I've logged over 18,000 miles for an average of 4.9 miles per day.

But the streak is coming to an end. Ten years is enough. I'm tired of having to get in my run each and every day. No matter what was planned for that day and no matter where I was or what the weather, I always had to get that run in. I'm looking forward to taking a day off or two and running whenever I feel like it and not because I have to.

There have been many interesting runs during that time period, times when the temperature outside was -30 degrees and snowing times where the wind

was blowing 40 m.p.h., but I still managed to get that run in. No matter what, I ran.

I'm very proud of the ten-year streak and I'm sure statewide it ranks right at the top, but it pales compared to Ron Hill of Great Britain who has run twice-a-day-every day, except Sundays for over 25 years and he's still going. Unless he stops, there's no way I can catch him and I have no desire to try.

Officially, 10 years in a row was completed December 28th, 1990, because the last day that I took off was December 28th, 1980, but to round things out, so to speak, I'm stopping the streak on January 1, 1991 by taking the day off to watch some football. That'll make 10 years from 1981 thru 1990. You'll still see Coach Brown and I run all year long, but not every single day.