



# TOMMYKNOCKERS TALE

## PT. 1

### **The journey begins.....**

Congratulations on being selected in this year's lottery! We look forward to seeing all of you in Silverton in July. This is a special year, as it is our 25<sup>th</sup> running. We are already working on some special events and ideas to make this year a special celebration. Stay tuned for these!

### **Keeping up with Hardrock**

Unlike the Hardrock miner's whose legacy is what created Hardrock, we don't have to rely on word of mouth and telegraphs to stay informed. The best ways for you to keep up to date on what is happening with Hardrock are our website ([hardrock100.com](http://hardrock100.com)), Facebook ([Hardrock Hundred Endurance Run](https://www.facebook.com/HardrockHundredEnduranceRun)), Yahoo listserv ([HR100](mailto:HR100)) and Instagram ([hardrock100run](https://www.instagram.com/hardrock100run)).

### **What about the snow???**

We've fielded many questions about the snow levels this year. Right now, the San Juans are dry.....very dry. Are we a bit concerned? You bet. Hardrock course director Charlie Thorn sends out a [monthly analysis](#) of where the snow levels are relative to past year's totals. We'll see what the new year brings!

## **What is a picture worth?**

Please remember that Friday, Jan. 12<sup>th</sup> is the deadline for submitting any photo or original piece of art that you would like to have considered as the official piece of art for the 2018 Hardrock. The winning selection will be used for a variety of purposes and we'll pay for all the printing! Please submit anything you'd like considered (no more than 4 entries/person please) to Dale at [dale@hardrock100.com](mailto:dale@hardrock100.com).

## **Hardrock gives back**

One of our beliefs is that as ultrarunners, we're all in this together. We ask that each of you find an ultra in your area and volunteer, help out, administer for 8 hours. This requirement needs to be documented and the form returned to us NO LATER than July 1, 2018 in order to retain your entry in this year's run. You can go to our website to [download the form](#) as well as get more information.

## **Building better trails**

Hardrock is happy to announce that, with the Bureau of Land Management's (the entity that gives us our permit) blessing, we have partnered with the [Silverton Ultra Marathon](#) and [Trails 2000](#) (in Durango) to put together some [trail work](#) projects for this year. The focus of this trail work is to improve the condition of trails that we use for our run. These work days are led by certified Trail Bosses, which have undergone the necessary training to make sure the work is done right. If you'd like to volunteer to work on a trail crew, submit our [Volunteer Form](#). These trail workdays will probably be after the deadline for the 8 hours for this year, but we'll be happy to sign off on your work for other events that may have a volunteer requirement or for the 2019 Hardrock.

## **Who are these guys?**

Hardrock is a family and we'd like you to get to know all the members of the administrative family so each month we'll introduce you to various parts of our group so that you have an idea of who does what for Hardrock. This month we're pleased to introduce you to our [Board of Directors](#). Hardrock is a non-profit entity and as such, has a group of individuals who volunteer their time to help govern Hardrock. They are elected to a 3 year term and are responsible for helping set policy, conducting the lottery (you can thank them later!), overseeing financial management of Hardrock and helping the Run Director keep the vision and values of Hardrock in place. Currently our Board of Directors are: David Coblentz (Pres.), Ricky Denesik (V.P.) , Andrea Feucht (Sec'y), Doug Hart (Treas), Fred Abramowitz, Ken Gordon, Roch Horton, Kris Kern, Mary Monroe Brown, Tom Stockton and Charlie Thorn.

***That's it for this month!! Please be in touch if we can answer any questions or if you need any more info.***