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With her lifejacket safely buckled, a young girl casts her line in hopes of landing a catfish at Russell Lake's 23rd Annual Kid's Fishing Day event, May 7. *Photo by Tracy Robillard.*



Runners take your mark! Best Dam Run gives Hartwell community a workout

Nearly 300 runners from the Hartwell, Ga., and Anderson, S.C., communities lined up at the Hartwell Dam for the 33rd Annual Best Dam Run on May 7. Held in partnership with the Corps of Engineers, the Hart County Running Club and the Hart County Chamber of Commerce, the event gave adults and children an opportunity to run 5-kilometer, 10-kilometer, or 1-mile routes along Hartwell Lake's scenic landscape.

"The Best Dam Run is always a successful event at Hartwell Lake," said Zach Harkness, natural resources program manager, Hartwell Dam and Lake. "The Corps of Engineers coordinates land-use, parking, traffic control and prepping parks for the crowd, but at the same time we get to work with other community groups to encourage outdoor recreation and exercise." *Photo by Bill Powell.*

By Tracy Robillard, Corporate Communications Office

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