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Cash prizes for runners

NINETY-FOUR SENIOR and junior athletes received cash prizes amounting to more than HK\$172,000 from Standard Chartered Bank on Monday.

The top performers in the Standard Chartered full marathon, half-marathon and 10km race were rewarded to encourage the development of Hong Kong runners.

The Standard Chartered Hong Kong Marathon 2007 was held on March 4, and attracted more than 37,000 runners.

The prize was shared by the top three runners of the three races, while a Time Bonus scheme was also introduced this year to encourage participants to improve their performance in the full marathon.

Under the scheme, Hong Kong residents finishing the full marathon in 3 hours or under

for men and 3 hours, 30 minutes or under for women each received HK\$1,000 as a bonus prize.

Twenty-eight Hong Kong athletes, including 10 female and 18 male runners, met the required finishing time in the full marathon, which entitled them to the Time Bonus prize money.

Among the winners were the overall local champions in the men's and women's marathon, Lai Hok-yan and Wong Siu-ping, who each received a Standard Chartered Bank savings account worth HK\$30,000.



Award-winners . . . junior runners Grace Ng Hei-man (centre) and Kimberly Kwan Kam-ye with a bank representative at the prize presentation. Photo: Standard Chartered Bank

The junior winners included Grace Ng Hei-man and Kimberly Kwan Kam-ye, who came first and third, respectively, in the 10km challenge.

Grace, a Form Four student at The Chinese Foundation Secondary School, has been the junior champion for five years in a row.

"We are delighted to see these Hong Kong runners making the cut and are proud to recognise their outstanding performance,"

said Peter Sullivan, chief executive officer of Standard Chartered Bank. "A total of 28 runners qualified for the special prize scheme, which is an indicator that Standard Chartered is achieving our goal of encouraging a healthy lifestyle for the local community through our sponsorship of the marathon."

Standard Chartered Bank has sponsored the Hong Kong Marathon for 11 years.

THE JUNIOR WINNERS

Half-marathon	
Men's junior	(time)
▲ Yip Tung-hoi	1:19:27
Hui Kit	1:26:08
Wong Chun-ho	1:26:24
Women's junior	
Grace Lien Chia Hsuan	1:40:51
Chau Lau-sim	2:06:23
Wong Suet-yu	2:12:28
10km	
Men's junior	
Man Siu-kit	0:35:55
Tsang Hon-sing	0:36:23
Lo Ching-hin	0:37:27
Women's junior	
Ng Hei-man	0:41:02
Cheung Ting-yan	0:41:51
Kimberly Kwan Kam-ye	0:44:46

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