Sophie's Run a journey of hopen



Clockwise from top left: Nicole Chuchmach embraces Natalie Atkinson as the two members of Sophie's Run (along with Jill Harper) were welcomed home at Milton Mall after completing their 780-km run from Milton to New York City. Chuchmach gets a big hug from her father Terry, who was also part of her support team. Fire Chief Brian Ellsworth speaks about what it meant to have a member (Harper) of his department take part in the run. Chuchmach speaks on stage about her favourite memories from the run, one of them being when a track and field team from a New Jersey school joined them along the route. Milton Mayor Gord Krantz gave the three runners Town of Milton sweatshirts and pins. The three listen to speeches while surrounded by the welcoming crowd of about 150 people.

The run raised more than \$160,000 for colorectal cancer research, but the runners were more concerned with raising awareness of the disease. They urged people at the event to "get off your butt and get it checked."

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