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ADVENTURER OF THE YEAR

BLAIN REEVES

By David Raterman

EACH YEAR SOUTH FLORIDA ADVENTURES profiles scores of local outdoor athletes who are successful either for winning competitions or for their passion. But because we celebrate a variety of sports, accomplishments in one don't necessarily correspond with accomplishments in another. How can we compare a mountain biking champ with a surfer? Or a marathoner with a deep-sea scuba diver? And what are the concrete results of the anonymous explorer who hikes across the Everglades or kayaks through Hell's Bay? These adventures are as cerebral as they are physical.

In 2006 we named Martin Stepanek, who broke several freediving world records, as our Adventurer of the Year. Freediving is a growing, exotic sport that cuts through nature. Our perfect adventure. And Martin was the world champ who lived in Fort Lauderdale.


Blain Reeves is our 2007 Adventurer of the Year.

Last year Blain was the USAT South Florida Duathlon Series champ (as he was in 2006 and 2005) and he won the USAT Tri-Miami Olympic Duathlon. He came in first on the coed masters team in the US Army




Ten-Miler and placed second in the Miami Man Half Iron Duathlon. He placed fourth in the 36-hour Swamp Stomp adventure race across Florida and he did well enough in the ING Miami Marathon to qualify for the Boston Marathon.

Blain, 43, is also a U.S. Army lieutenant-colonel working in Special Operations. In 2007 the Pembroke Pines resident worked for Southern Command in Kendall and regularly traveled to the Caribbean and Latin America. He also served in combat for the first year of the Iraq War.

Blain Reeves, we salute you!

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