

Ohio Race Walker
3184 Summit Street
Columbus, Ohio 43202

OHIO RACEWALKER



VOLUME XII, NUMBER 8

COLUMBUS, OHIO

OCTOBER, 1976

INGRAM NEW NATIONAL CHAIRMAN

Seattle's Dean Ingram, a dentist by trade, was elected to succeed Jack Boitano as NAAU Race Walking Chairman during the RW committee meeting at the NAAU Convention in Phoenix on October 11. Dean has been an active administrator on both the local and national level for several years and brings a good deal of enthusiasm and determination to the job. He has already selected Bob Bowman as secretary, a position needed in the past, and has asked Martin Rudow, Ron Kulik, Ron Daniel, Joe Duncan, and your editor to serve on an advisory executive board, as he seeks to keep in close touch with the "real world" of race walking. He has also appointed Bowman to succeed Bruce MacDonald as the U.S. Olympic Committee representative. Dean is interested in communication, so let me give you his address: Dean Ingram, 507 Cobb Building, Seattle, WA 98101.

The Annual Ron Zinn Award to the country's outstanding race walker for the year, provided by Chicago's Green & Gold AC, went to Ron Laird, with Larry Young and Todd Scully following in the voting. Green & Gold has also added awards this year for the Outstanding Administrator and for the Outstanding RW Association in the nation. The former was awarded to the erudite editor of the august monthly publication known in the vernacular as the ORW, one J.E. Mortland. It is always nice to have one's efforts recognized and I certainly appreciate the honor. But from my editorial chair, I have to disagree with the award if for no other reason than that I don't count myself an administrator. Others in the running for this award were Mike Riban, Bill Clark, Joe Tigerman, Elliott Denman (who would have gotten my vote), and Larry Larson. The award for Outstanding Association went to Missouri Valley over New Jersey, Central, and Wisconsin. I should have thought Potomac Valley was very much in the running for this award, as well.

Another important item of business was the awarding of Championship races for 1977. Here they are, with some dates and exact sites still undecided, so start planning your travel:

Senior

- 10 Km---Central Association---Chicago---May 28
- 15 Km---So. Pacific---date and site to be set
- 20 Km---Pacific NW---Seattle---May 14
- 25 Km---Potomac Valley---?---late June (Washington, D.C.)
- 30 Km---Missouri Valley---Columbia---Oct. 22
- 35 Km---Pacific---?---April 3 (San Francisco)
- 40 Km---New Jersey---Long Branch---July 31
- 50 Km---Missouri Valley---Columbia---June 4
- 75 Km---New Jersey---?---April 17 (Old Bridge, N.J.)
- 100 Km---Rocky Mountain---?---Date to be set
- 1 Hour---New England to administer on a postal basis from June 1---Oct. 31

SECOND CLASS POSTAGE
AT COLUMBUS, OHIO

 *The Ohio Racewalker is published monthly in Columbus, Ohio. Subscrip-
 *tion rate is \$4.00 per year (\$6.00 First Class, \$8.00 Overseas Air
 Mail). Editor and Publisher: John E. (Jack) Mortland. Address all
 *correspondence related to both editorial and subscription matters to:
 *Ohio Racewalker, 3184 Summit St., Columbus, Ohio 43202. Second Class
 *Postage paid at Columbus, Ohio.

STATEMENT OF OWNERSHIP, MANAGEMENT AND CIRCULATION
 (required by 39 U.S.C. 3685)

1. Title of Publication: Ohio Racewalker
 2. Date of Filing: 9/13/76
 3. Frequency of Issue: Monthly
 - A. No. of Issues Published Annually: 12
 - B. Annual Subscription Price: \$4.00
 4. Location of Known Office of Publication: 3184 Summit St., Columbus, OH 43202
 5. Location of Headquarters or General Business Offices of the Publishers: 3184 Summit St., Columbus, Ohio 43202
 6. Publisher: John E. Mortland, 3184 Summit St., Columbus, Ohio 43202
 Editor: Same
 Managing Editor: Same
 7. Owner: Same
 8. Known Bondholders, Mortgagees, and Other Security Holders Owning or Holding 1 Percent or More of Total Amount of Bonds, Mortgages or Other Securities: None
 10. Extent and Nature of Circulation
- | | Ave. No. Copies Each Issue During Prec. 12 Months | Actual No. of Copies of Single Issue Pub. Near-est to Filing |
|--|---|--|
| A. Total No. Copies Printed | 285 | 300 |
| B. Paid Circulation | | |
| 1. Sales Through Dealers and Carriers, Street Vendors and Counter Sales | 0 | 0 |
| 2. Mail Subscriptions | 262 | 284 |
| C. Total Paid Circulation (sum of 10B1 and 10B2) | 262 | 284 |
| D. Free Distribution by Mail, Carrier or Other Means Samples, Complimentary, and Other Free Copies | 13 | 14 |
| E. Total Distribution (sum of C & D) | 275 | 298 |
| F. Copies Not Distributed | | |
| 1. Office Use, Left Over, Unaccounted, Spoiled After Printing | 10 | 2 |
| 2. Returns From News Agents | 0 | 0 |
| G. Total (Sum of E., F1 and 2--should equal net press run shown in A) | 285 | 300 |

CLASS B

- 10 Km---Oregon, ?, May 1 (Portland, I forgot to consult my second source)
 15 Km---Michigan, ?, Sept. 4 (Probably Mackinac Island) (Yes, Mackinac)
 20 Km---Wisconsin, Racine, May 30? (Other source says Parkside)
 25 Km---Same as Senior
 30 Km---Same as Senior
 35 Km---Central, ?, November (Chicago)
 40 Km---Same as Senior
 50 Km---Mo. Valley, Columbia, Nov. 5
 75 Km---Same as Senior
 100 Km---Same as Senior

Masters

- 15 Km---Wisconsin, no site or date yet
 20 Km---Central, Chicago, July 4 weekend (Also 5 Km with National Masters T&F Meet)
 50 Km---Same as Class B
 All other distances the same as Seniors

Juniors

- 3 Km---Central, no site or date yet
 5 Km---Oregon, ?, May 1 (Portland)
 10 Km---Part of National Junior T&F Championships, no site or date given
 15 Km---Southern Pacific, Los Angeles, May 28 or June 4
 20 Km---Missouri Valley, probably Kansas City area in early August
 25 Km---Same as Senior

Finally, Joe Tigerman reported from the IAAF meeting. He says that there is still hope for the return of the 50 in Moscow. Apparently the 20 is now definite for those Games.

Results:

- 5.5 Mile, Lowell, Mass., Sept. 29--1. Dennis Slattery 47:17 2. Paul Schell 48:35 3. Charles Scott 49:08 4. Robert Page 52:00 5. Fred Brown Sr. 62:43 6. Sig Podlozny 75:52 NEAAU 40 Km, Worcester, Mass., Oct. 3--1. Steve Vaitones 4:06:45 2. George Lattarulo 4:40:00 3. Bruce Douglass 4:44:36 4. George Grzebien 5:06:01 5. Fred Brown Sr. 5:47:30 5.5 Mile, Lowell, Oct. 6--1. Dennis Slattery 47:20 2. Paul Schell 47:27 3. David Jolliff 48:08 4. Bob Page 49:46 5. Charles Scott 51:32 6. Sig Podlozny 65:10 7. Fred Brown 65:14 NEAAU 5 Km, Oct. 9--1. Tom Knatt 25:55 2. Dennis Slattery 27:30 3. David Jolliff 28:20 4. Robert Page 28:25 5. Charles Scott 28:30 6. Paul Schell 31:22 7. Robert Leaver 32:00 8. George Grzebien 35:26 9. Virginia Leaver 36:45 10. Fred Brown Sr. 37:14 11. Sig Podlozny 37:31 5.5 Mile, Lowell, Oct. 13--1. Dennis Slattery 47:56 2. Charles Scott 48:12 3. Robert Page 49:38 4. Paul Schell 53:49 5. Sig Podlozny 65:20 6. Fred Brown Sr. 65:21 20 Km, Old Westbury, N.Y., Sept. 19--1. Steve Hayden 1:52:44 2. Susan Liers 1:53:58 3. Gary Westerfield 1:53:59 (Why hot dog it when you can have company, says Gary. But does Mrs. Westerfield approve of his escorting young ladies over such long periods of time?) 10 Km (track), Huntington, N.Y., Oct. 3--1. Gary Westerfield 51:11 (A crazy pace of 8:33, 16:49, 24:51, 32:57, 41:57, 49:35) 2. Steve Hayden 51:56 3. Ronald Day 54:54 4. John Shilling 54:55 5. Susan Liers 55:25 6.

Don Weber 56:47 DNF--Henry Laskau (27:22 at 3 miles) 10 Km (track), West Long Branch, N.J., Oct. 4 (Held in driving rainstorm)--1. Ray Floriani 51:38 (walked in third lane all the way) 2. Bob Mimm 55:08 3. Ben Ottmer 57:50 4. Cliff Mimm 60:32 5. Fred Spector 61:48 6. Ray Floriani Sr. 62:40 Women's Division--1. Denise Romansky 68:06 (age 13, and yes, she is Dave's daughter. Matter of fact, Dave says, "Her form is great. (Just like the old man's.) Ha! Ha!" 2. Justine Enderes 70:24 30 Km, Lakeland, Fla., Oct. 10--1. John Scimone 3:24:01 2. H.C. Stephenson 3:58:24 15 Km, Detroit, Oct. 10--1. Martin Kraft 1:16:09 2. Bill Walker 1:16:21 4 Mile, Frazer, Mich., Oct. 13--1. Martin Kraft 30:10 2. Bill Walker 30:14 3. Jerry Bocci 32:08 Women's Race--1. Jeanne Bocci 36:51 Girl's 1 Mile--1. Jenny Dropshaw 8:51 10 Km, Columbia, Mo., Sept. 18--1. Randy Mimm 55:43 2. Jim Breitenbucher 62:55 3. Rob Spier 63:29 4. Dick Hessler 67:31 5. William Taft 76:09 Gulf AAU 15 Km, Houston, Sept. 12--1. John Knifton 1:13:05 2. John Stowers 1:22:11 3. Jeff Bomer 1:23:08 4. Larry Mac 1:27:47 5. Clyde Villmex 1:40:42 6. Lida Askew 1:46:50 7. Thad Hill 1:49:45 (80-85° and humid) 5.6 Mile, Phoenix, Ariz., Oct. 13 (Running race, but the following walked)--...23. Ron Laird 46:51 (Stopped to tend to his bowels at 5 miles)...26. John Allen 53:51 (the same John Allen of the 1960 Olympic team and 1962 US-USSR team, now in Arizona and coming back at age 50) 27. Dean Ingram 58:58 (John says his ambition is to be Centurion No. 27, his Olympic number, but it seems that is going to take rather delicate timing.) 10 Km, Appenweier, W.G., Sept. 5--1. Alois Bachor 48:35 2. Walter Baier 49:35 3. Bob Mimm 51:40 (1st in age group 1917-26) 5 Km (age group 1958-61), same place--1. Cliff Mimm 24:40 10 Km, Bremen, W.G., Sept. 19--1. Walter Baier 51:39 2. Bob Mimm 53:02 5.5 Km (18 and under), same place--1. Manfred Stuart 31:07 2. Cliff Mimm 33:32 London-to-Frington (52 miles plus), Sept. 4--1. Peter Hodgkinson 8:06:13 2. Jack Heywood 8:18:33 3. Tony Geal 8:22:05 4. Derek Harrison 8:26:16 5. Peter Selby 8:35:48 6. Dave Boxall 8:39:17 160 Mile, Leicester-to-Skegness, July 30-31--1. Derek Harrison 17:15:50 2. J. Vos, Holland 17:57:31 3. Dave Boxall 18:26:29 4. C. Weston 18:29:14 5. G. DeJonghe, Hol. 19:43:40 6. D. Jones 19:50:21 7. R. Colver 19:54:04 8. G. Peters 19:59:54 (57 starters and 38 finishers) 5 Mile, Southend, Eng., Sept. 12--1. Amos Seddon 35:26 2. Carl Lawton 35:49 3. Peter Farlow 35:51 Junior 10 Km Walk, United Kingdom vs. Poland and West Germany, Bremen, Sept. 12--1. W. Cieslak, Pol. 46:34 2. M. Stasiewicz, Pl. 46:24 3. W. Werner, WG 46:45 4. Michael Dunion, UK 47:16 5. Graham Morris, UK 47:50 6. Colin Wilkes, UK 48:47 7. M. Muller, WG 49:51.4 Women's 3 Km, Gateshead, Sept. 5--1. Carol Tyson 14:10.2 (UK record) 2. Marian Fawkes 14:24 1 Hour, London, Sept. 25--1. Brian Adams 13, 184 meters 2. Amos Seddon 13,034 3. Adrian James 12,919 4. Graham Saetter 12,638 5. Bill Wright 12,571 6. Ken Carter 12,554 1 Mile, London, Sept. 17--1. Roger Mills 6:12.1 (1:29.0, 3:02.1, 4:37.4) 2. Graham Saetter, NZ 6:18.5 3. Brian Adams 6:30.4 4. Michael Dunion 6:37.9 6. Ken Carter 6:38.6 6. Shaun Lightman 6:41 7. Amos Seddon 6:41.5 8. Steve Gower 6:49.6 Swiss Tour of Romandy, Aug. 27--Sept. 3: Stage 1, 12,700 meters, Aug. 27--1. Yakovlyev, USSR 59:02 2. Turintsev, USSR 59:12 3. Yevsyukov, USSR 59:48 4. Marclay, Switz 60:01 5. Vallotton, Switz. 60:02 6. Young, GB 60:12 Stage 2, 38,600 m, Aug. 28--1. Turintsev 3:35:01 2. Yevsyukov 3:35:05 3. Yakovlyev 3:35:09 4. Vallotton 3:36:15 5. Pipini 3:41:00 6. Secchi, Italy 3:41:01...9. Young 3:49:40 Stage 3, 45,700 m, Aug. 29--1. Yevsyukov 4:19:49 2. Turintsev 4:20:08 3. Yakovlyev 4:20:22 4. Pipini, Italy 4:20:35 5. Vallotton 4:22:24 6. Secchi 4:23:44...8. Young 4:26:05, Stage 4, 26 Km, Aug. 30--1. Yevsyukov 2:17:31 2. Yakovlyev 2:17:51 3. Turintsev 2:17:54

4. Pipini 2:18:14 5. Secchi 2:19:07 6. Vallotton 2:21:13 7. Young 2:22:22 Stage 5, 15 Km, Aug. 30--1. Yakovlyev 1:08:48 2. Turintsev 1:08:49 3. Yevsyukov 1:08:50 4. Pipini 1:14:40 5. Vallotton 1:15:54 6. Young 1:16:42 Stage 6, 47 Km, Aug. 31--1. Yakovlyev 4:25:35 2. Turintsev 4:25:37 3. Yevsyukov 4:25:40 4. Pipini 4:25:42 5. Vallotton 4:26:02 6. Young 4:28:17 Stage 7, 29 Km, Sept. 2--1. Turintsev 2:36:11 2. Yakovlyev 2:36:18 3. Yevsyukov 2:36:25 4. Pipini 2:36:47 5. Vallotton 2:36:47 6. Siegele 2:27:45...13. Young 2:43:21 Stage 8, 45 Km, Sept. 3--1. Yakovlyev 4:13:32 2. Turintsev 4:13:41 3. Yevsyukov 4:13:45 4. Pipini 4:14:05 5. Siegele 4:14:09 6. Vallotton 4:14:47...10. Young 4:25:43 Stage 9, 33,500 m., Sept. 4--1. Yakovlyev 2:10:21 2. Yevsyukov 2:10:22 3. Turintsev 2:10:23 4. Pipini 2:11:26 5. Vallotton 2:13:08 6. Siegele 2:13:23 ...10. Young 2:17:10. Overall Result: 1. Boris Yakovlyev 26:46:52 2. Nikolay Turintsev 26:46:56 3. Yevgeniy Yevsyukov 26:47:15 4. Mario Pipini, Italy 27:05:32 5. Michel Vallotton 27:07:32 6. B. Secchi, Italy 27:42:37 7. Colin Young 27:49:30 8. A. Ludwig, WG 27:59:37 United Kingdom vs. Italy, Blackpool, Oct. 3: 20 Km--1. Olly Flynn, UK 1:27:35 (21:21, 43:08, 1:05:22) 2. Vittorio Visini, Italy 1:29:03 (21:42, 43:52, 1:06:28) 3. Armando Zambaldo, Italy 1:29:53 (21:42, 43:52, 1:06:17) 4. Roger Mills, UK 1:30:21 (21:42, 43:52, 1:06:32) 5. V. Cannini, Italy 1:30:58 6. Brian Adams, UK 1:31:12 7. Amos Seddon, UK 1:34:18--Buccione, Italy DQ (43:52 at 10)--Italy-16 U.K.--11 Junior 10 Km--1. Maurizio Da Milano, Italy 42:33 (21:15 at 5) 2. G. Da Milano, Italy 44:33 3. A. Loppetuso, Italy 44:42 4. Michael Dunion, UK 45:10 5. A. Cannone, Italy 45:44 6. George Mibre, UK 46:08 7. Colin Wilkes, UK 46:53 8. Graham Morris, UK 47:25 6 Hours, Binche, Belg., Sept. 26--1. Gerard LeLievre, France 6:16:45 for 66 Km (must complete the 3300 meter lap that one is on when time is up) 2. Christian Halloy, Belg. 6:00:10 for 62,700 3. Geoff Robinson, GB 6:10:04 for 62,700 4. G. Haute, Fr. 6:14:15 for 62,700...7. Colin Young, GB 6:02:05 for 59,400

Full Results of Columbia 100 Mile, Sept. 25-26 (reported last month)--1. Augie Hirt, Columbia, Age 25 19:55:16 (1:53:07, 3:43:10, 5:27:17, 7:15:57, 9:10:29, 11:08:07, 13:14:57, 15:23:32, 17:36:29--10 mile splits) 2. Chuck Hunter, Longmont, Colo., Age 39 20:05:50 (1:43:10, 3:31:40, 5:21:19, 7:14:37, 9:10:20, 11:12:58, 13:20:38, 15:30:30, 17:55:37) 3. Leonard Bisen, St. Louis, 46, 21:49:21 (1:52:05, 3:58:00, 6:08:30, 8:13:31, 10:22:36, 12:58:29, 15:09:37, 17:28:54, 19:35:12) 4. Jack Blackburn, Springfield, Ohio, 40, 22:11:57 (1:59:50, 3:56:20, 5:54:37, 7:55:19, 9:57:15, 12:09:19, 14:21:29, 16:32:26, 19:28:32) 5. Rob Spier, Columbia, 54, 22:35:01 6. Bob Gragg, Kansas City 23:37:30 7. John Argo, Canada, 62, 23:43:10 8. Bob Baker, Tulsa 23:26:14 for 76 9. Chris Clegg, Beverly Hills 16:42:08 for 75 10. Larry O'Neil, Kalispell, Mont., 69, 13:37:37 for 65 11. Ben Knoppe, St. Louis 14:23:45 for 63 12. William Taft, Columbia 22:59:29 for 100K 13. Albert VanDyke, Fordland, Mo. 15:30:30 for 54 14. Randy Mimm, Columbia 12:17:38 for 53 15. Jim Breitenbucher, Columbia 19:51:35 for 52 16. Rufus Reed, Springfield, Mass. 11:22:10 for 51 17. Bob Chapin, Independence, Mo. 9:58:00 for 50 18. Clair Duckham, Dayton, Ohio, 70, 11:34:48 for 50 19. Ray Chapin, Independence 11:50:22 for 50 20. Dale Van Dyke, Buckner, Mo. 12:39:43 for 50 21. Mac Pullen, Columbia 13:23:47 for 50 22. Bruce Etherton, Breckinridge, Mo. 20:49:30 for 50--30 starters

FURTHER DETAILS ON WORLD 50

Henry Laskau was the manager of the U.S. team for the World 50 Km Championships in Malmo and the following details are taken from his report. The race was contested in cool, rainy weather. Our team was hurt by the fact that they arrived in Malmo only the day before the competition whereas most competitors had been there for about a week. Jet lag and lack of sleep did not help. It should also be noted that there was no financial help from either the AAU or Olympic Committee. Each athlete was responsible for his own expenses.

Beyond the financial problems, the lack of official support also caused embarrassment to Henry, and probably the team members during the opening parade. With all other teams resplendent in their National garb, the U.S. was decked out in their local togs since no uniforms had been provided.

The race was held on a 10 Km loop passing through the Stadium on each. Floyd Godwin's failure to finish was due to a hamstring pull at about 15 Km with Henry finally making him drop at 35 rather than hurting himself more.

THE BAUTISTA FLAP

As noted last month, Athletics Weekly (British) ran a picture several issues back showing Daniel Bautista clearly off the ground as he walked his final lap on the track at Montreal. Apparently this picture first appeared in a London Sunday paper of the sensational variety with a rather lengthy article to the effect that the Olympic gold obviously went to the wrong man. Joe Tigerman, who was not at all pleased with the judging in Montreal, was quoted at length in the article. Joe also felt that all three East Germans should have been tossed.

In any case, the picture has created quite a stir in British race walking circles. However, the furor is largely in defense of Bautista and opposed to those who are putting him down off the evidence of a single picture. Perhaps surprising in light of their tradition of very strict judging. Athletics Weekly has devoted several pages to letters on the subject. Perhaps we can summarize what has been said, most of which is quite sensible.

Actually, the catalyst for most of these letters was one which appeared in the Sept. 25 issue from a John Bale. Mr. Bale thought that Bautista should be disqualified after the fact because of the evidence presented by the picture. He then went on to state that "walking races" is a contradiction in terms since racing involves getting to the line first and running is the best way to do so. Such races, he feels, should be abolished from all serious competition. He concluded, "I really think we need seriously question the continued existence of this bizarre form of 'unnatural racing'." As one might guess, this did not set well with the British race-walking fraternity.

To begin with, in the same issue, Alan Buchanan, Race Walking Record Editor, had already come to Bautista's defense, responding to the original newspaper article. Alan noted that the camera can, of course, catch what the naked eye cannot. However, he says, "The whole criterion of race walking at speed should be that the walker should look to be walking fairly. In the case of Daniel Bautista, I have yet to hear of anyone who had anything but admiration for his fluent style and strength. I personally have been lapped by him and watched him from the trackside prior to the Olympics and would readily advise youngsters whom I coach to use his technique as a guide to what fast walking is all about."

He goes on, "In my position as honorary editor of Race Walking Record, I have received several pictures in recent years of walkers breaking contact. Significantly they are all of walkers who are renowned and respected as good stylists. Indeed I have photos of those considered the best male and female technicians in the world breaking contact. All it proves is that the human eye cannot see everything and there are moments when the best looking stylists can be PHOTOGRAPHED off the ground."

Three weeks later, Athletics Weekly ran 10 letters replying to Mr. Bale, only one of which supported him at all. These were selected from many other replies. One thing pointed out in several of these letters was that Bautista had just come off the road, down a rather steep concrete ramp, and then on to the tartan track, a bouncy surface at best and completely different than what he had been on. Under these conditions, and when walking at sub 7-minute pace after 12 miles, it is not surprising that one might be thrown off on a few strides. It might be more surprising if one were not thrown off. There was also considerable discussion of Mr. Bale's definition of racing and his use of the terms "unnatural" and "bizarre" in relation to race walking. Obviously, you don't get to the line as quickly with wooden barriers in the way, so the hurdle and steeplechase must also go, if we are to follow Bale's line of reasoning. And if we are to speak of "bizarre" and "unnatural", what in the world is natural about putting the shot, throwing the discus, triple jumping, or even soaring up in the air on your back. Really, the only natural events in the track and field program are the flat runs, the javelin, and the long jump. And as a letter from Terry Morris points out, and as I have discussed in these pages in the past, race walking is actually a natural extension of street walking. It may look a bit bizarre, but in no way is it unnatural.

Now, while on this subject, Dean Ingram reports that films shown at the National convention showed the Olympic walkers almost to a man off the ground. This was especially true on a downhill portion of the course. Dean notes that it is too bad "as they looked fairly good with few exceptions until someone gets them stopped on a frame of the movie film." I tend to say, so what? Brian Adams has said in one of those Athletics Weekly letters; "We are aware that a walking judge may not be able to detect some marginal infringements that would be shown up by a camera but this is the level of judgement accepted..." And Terry Morris has said, "When I compete, I am satisfied that those who beat me do so because they are better than me on the day, not because they have managed to evade the judges better than I have. If other walkers did not believe the same, they would not continue to compete." My feelings precisely. As I see it, the only feasible level of judging is what qualified and competent individuals can see with the naked eye and interpret by weighing certain subjective factors. I feel that to constantly scrutinize film after the fact and then question the competency of the judges and the integrity of the walkers is grossly unfair. From all reports, about 99 percent of the qualified observers in Montreal thought that most walkers in the race, and Bautista in particular, looked like race walkers should (until they started viewing films, that is) and since that is the only way we can fairly judge, why not let it go at that. After all, we are trying to preserve walking in the Olympics and this sort of needless controversy will not help. We did not, after all, have a Jose Pedraza in this one. If we cannot accept a fluent stylist like Bautista as a champion, then indeed, race walking is not a viable sport.

Sat. Nov. 13--5 Km, OTC Distance Carnival, Columbus, Ohio (Contact your editor. Note change from date of Nov. 20 listed last month.)

20 Km, Columbia, Mo., 9 a.m. (D)

Sun. Nov. 14--4 Mile Men, 2 Mile Women, Brighton, Ia., 2 p.m. (J)

20 Km and Womens 10 Km, Washington, D.C., 1 p.m. (E)

20 Km, Kings Point, N.Y., 9 a.m. (A)

10 Mile, Long Branch, N.J., 2 p.m. (B)

Sun. Nov. 21--NAAU "B" 25 Km, Chicago (G)

NAAU Masters 35 Km, Houston (O)

10 Km and Womens 5 Km, Washington, D.C., 1 p.m. (E)

10 Mile Hdcp., Long Branch, N.J., 1:15 p.m. (B)

Thurs. Nov. 25--4 Mile, Denver, 10 a.m. (F)

5 Mile Men, 2 Mile Women, Des Moines, 9 a.m. (J)

Sat. Nov. 27--10 Km, Columbia, Mo., 9 a.m. (B)

Sun. Dec. 28--10 Km and 2 Mile, Reston, Va., 1 p.m. (E)

Coney Island 10 Mile Hdcp and Women's 2 Mile, New York,

9:30 a.m. (A)

Fri., Dec. 3--1 Mile Hdcp., New York, 6:30 p.m. (A)

Sun. Dec. 5--Met. AAU 10 Km, Kings Point, N.Y., 9 a.m. (A)

10 Km, Washington, D.C. (E)

Sun. Dec. 12--5 Km Hdcp., Lakeland, Fla., 8 a.m. (C)

Fri. Dec. 17--1 Mile Hdcp., New York, 6 p.m. (A)

Sat. Dec. 18--10 Mile, Columbia, Mo., 9 a.m. (D)

15 Km, Seattle, 11 a.m. (I)

Sun. Dec. 19--4 Mile Men, 2 Mile Women, Newton, Ia., 2 p.m. (J)

20 Km, Westbury, N.Y., 9 a.m. (A)

Sun. Dec. 26--4 Mile Men, 2 Mile Women, Boone, Ia., 2 p.m. (J)

1.75 Mile and 10 Mile, Greenbelt, Md., 12:30 p.m. (E)

Wed. Dec. 29--1 Mile Hdcp., New York, 6 p.m. (A)

Fri., Dec. 21--Probable New Year's Eve Walks in Detroit (X) and Springfield or Columbus (Contact the editor)

Every Wednesday--5.5 Mile, Lowell, Mass. (T)

Contacts:

A--John Shilling, 5 Cedar Court, Copiague, NY 11726

B--Elliott Derman, 23 N. Locust, West Long Branch, NJ 07764

C--John Scimone, 631 Young Place, Lakeland, FL 33803

D--Joe Duncan, 4004 Defoe, Columbia, MO 65201

E--Sal Corrallo, 19031 Capehart Dr., Gaithersburg, MD 20760

G--Mike Riban, 4508 N. Oakley, Chicago, IL 60625

I--Dean Ingram, 507 Cobb Building, Seattle, WA 98101

J--Dave Eidahl, Box 209, Richland, IA 52585

T--Fred Brown, Sr., 157 Walsh St., Medford, MA 02155

X--Bill Walker, 16620 Chandler Park Dr., Detroit, MI 48224

The above is a schedule of upcoming races, which I notice I neglected to honor with any sort of a head or title.

Additional results: 3 Km, Arlington, Va., Sept. 26--1. Tom Hamilton 14:05.6 2. Sal Corrallo 14:12.6 3. Sean O'Connor 15:16 3. Kent Mills 15:34 5. John Beach 16:35 6. Andrew Briggs 16:36 7. Ruth Hamilton 18:54 5 Km, Washington, D.C., Oct. 9--1. Sean O'Connor 29:04 2. Dick

Lukes 39:02 3. Alan Price 39:02 (recovering from pneumonia) 10 Km, same place--1. Sal Corrallo 55:55 2. John Beach 64:37 Women's 10 Km, Washington, D.C., Oct. 16--1. Ruth Hamilton 64:32 (32:04 at 5) 2. Denise Romansky 65:50 (32:30) 3. Joan Threadgill 66:03 (32:30) 4. Justine Enres 69:38 20 Km, same place--1. Sal Corrallo 1:47:57 2. Tom Hamilton 2:00:51 3. Wes Mathews 2:05:43 4. Paul Robertson 2:08:19 16 Mile, Washington, Oct. 24--1. Sal Corrallo 2:20:17 2. Brian Savilonis 2:22:39 3. Tom Hamilton 2:34:53 4. Wes Mathews 2:55:58

FROM HEEL TO TOE

A first for the Ohio Racewalker--my wife answered the door one afternoon to find a weary traveler looking for the offices of the Ohio Racewalker. The gentleman was driving from New Jersey to Arizona with his family and stopped in the Buckeye capital just to find this Mecca of the race-walking world. No one has ever sought out the ORW offices before. It was so exciting that Marty had to call me at work to tell me. Actually, she wondered what I was charging for back issues since he was interested in taking a few. Well, anyone who seeks out the ORW while traveling cross country has earned many back copies. And Leonard Was, of Phoenix, took one of about every number that was available. He is just starting in walking and learned of the ORW through John Allen. All of which brings me to the fact that back issues of the ORW are available. We have extra copies of most numbers back to October 1968, when we went from ditto to mimeograph. As a matter of fact, except for the most recent issues for which I still get occasional requests, I have recently cut the back issue file down to a maximum of five copies. All of the other extra copies are going to be pitched the first of the year if someone doesn't ask for them. However, unlike Leonard who called in person, you can't have them free. Postage and handling, you know. (Whatever handling is. But all good mail order outfits and publishers charge for it and I don't want to look like I don't know what I'm doing.) Therefore, I announce that back issues of the Ohio Racewalker are available for 20¢ per copy as long as they lastMy apologies to Wes Mathews, who we have consistently been calling Matthews, even on his address label.....Dave Romansky is interested in trying to develop women's walking in the East and would like to hear from anyone who shares this concern. His address is 51 Quaker Road, Pennsville, NJ 08070....Nothing further on the flap over the Junior 3 Km except that I received entry blanks for another Junior 3 in Pittsburgh on Nov. 6. What this does to Steve O'Brien's win in the earlier "title" race, I don't know. Apparently, the matter came up at the National Committee but without resolution. A sorry situation, and I get further evidence that the whole mess is a result of internal squabbling and politicking in the Allegheny Mountain Association. Bickering that has nothing directly to do with race walking but is causing problems here as well as in other sports.....Regarding Tom Knatt's disagreements over travel expenses with his association, we have a copy of a letter to Tom from Ollan Cassell, Executive Director of the AAU. Without repeating the whole letter, I think the final paragraph will give you a good idea of the response Tom got. "I probably haven't answered your question the way you would like to have it answered, but there are many times that the answers I receive are not exactly the type of answer I would like to receive. To me, that is life!"....And, some results just in: Iowa 40 Km,

October 16--1. Dave Eidahl 3:58:05 Womens 15 Km, same time--1. Ericka Dahlstrom 1:39:30 2. Lynn Wonderlich 1:42:00 3. Anita Hall 1:52:10 Iowa 30 Km, Sept. 11--1. Dave Eidahl and Mike Hale 2:47:50 3. Bob Jordan 3:17:35 4. Mike Hook 3:28:38 5. Bill Wolf 3:57:10 New Zealand 20 Mile Championship--1. M. Parker 2:49:13 2. Alan Callow 2:50:02 3. P. Fox 2:51:21 4. R. Read 2:59:46 (Could be Norm Read (N.R.), the '56 Olympic 50 Km Champ. Or it could be just Reginald Read or Roscoe Read or, maybe, Rupert Read)....I have been asked by one reader to provide a brief discourse on team scoring in walking races, there being two systems in vogue. Our National races use cross-country types scoring, where the low score wins. In walking, however, a team consists of three, not five scorers. In this system, each scorer receives the same number of points as his finish position in the team race. For example, a team finishing 1, 3, and 7 earns a score of 11 points and would beat a team finishing 2, 4, and 6 (12 points). The British also use this system but have teams of either four or five. With the introduction of the Lugano Cup Championships (the International team championships) in 1961 a new scoring system was introduced, which, to me, is preferable on a couple of counts. This system is also based on three man teams but is devised so that the high score wins. The winner of the race is awarded one more point than the number of competitors in the race, i.e. in a seven-team race, which would include 21 competitors, the winner would get 22 points. Second place is then awarded 20, third 19, fourth 18, and so on to one point for 21st. Teams may be allowed a fourth entrant, but he only offers insurance against someone not finishing and does not figure in the scoring otherwise. In the hypothetical example, any fourth man placing in the top 21 would be dropped from team scoring. This system awards a premium for winning the race by giving an extra point to the winner. In addition, it allows a team who has one of their men disqualified (or even two when four-man teams are competing) to still figure prominently in the team scoring, non-finishers being awarded zero points. (With inverse, or cross-country, scoring, a team must finish all three competitors to be included in team scoring.) In Lugano scoring, a team with two very high finishers has a good shot at the title even though they don't finish a third man, for whatever reason. This system appears to be used in most International matches and is also used in the unofficial Womens World Championships. In either system, the usual method of resolving ties is to award the victory to the team with the highest placed individual. In meets that involve more than one race, as the Lugano Cup, the longer race is generally used as the tie-breaker....Bob Mimm sends along a news clipping on one Plennie L. Wingo, the best backwards walker in the world. Wingo, from Santa Barbara, and now 81-years old, set his unusual record 45 years ago when he started from Santa Monica and wound up 18 months, 9 days, and 8000 backward miles later in Istanbul. He had planned to go around the world but was stopped by visa problems that prevented his entering several Asian countries. He, of course, had to sail the Atlantic, but was very careful to walk up and down the gangplank backwards. Recently, he came out of retirement for a backwards bicentennial walk from San Francisco to Santa Monica. Plennie is listed in the Guinness Book of Records and has his wax figure in Ripley's Believe It or Not Museum in San Francisco. Mr. Mimm comments thusly on the venerable Mr. Wingo's record: "I don't want to discredit the gentleman and his feats (feets?) (most 81-year-olds have trouble walking frontwards let

alone backwards); however, it can probably be stated that he is the unchallenged champion because he is simply unchallenged. I might suggest that if a few others decide to challenge him (and if he sees his championship in jeopardy) that he consider walking across the country sideways. This would allow him to remain an unchallenged champion.

LOOKING BACK

10 Years Ago (From the Oct. 1966 ORW)--Larry Young suddenly emerged as the country's great hope at 50 Km with a victory in the National in Chicago. Pulling away from Alex Oakley in the final 3 miles, Larry recorded the second best time ever by an American, 4:38:24.5. Oakley folded completely the last 2 miles and finished nearly 5 minutes back in 4:43:06, less than a minute ahead of a fast-closing Shaul Ladany. Ron Daniel, Pat Farrelly, Jim Clinton, and Karl Merschenz were also under 5 hours. Young, with only about 9 months of serious race-walk training behind at this time, was tabbed by your editor as a sure thing for the 1968 Olympic team, but I didn't quite see him as a medalist at that time. And, your editor even had a go in this one, his only really serious attempt at 50. And a beautifully executed race it was, moving through the second 10 miles, just as planned, from 11th to third. But then, not at all as planned, folding 2 miles later and dropping out after another 2. Teammate Jack Elakburn was out even earlier but Chuck Newell upheld the OTC with a solid 10th place finish....Earlier in the month, Ron Laird won the 15 Km in Atlantic City with 1:11:27.2. Ron Daniel just edged Bob Kitchen a couple of minutes back and Bill Kaiser captured fourth. Newell also represented us well in this one with a 13th place as Blackburn and Mortland stayed in Columbus to pursue their ill-fated crash training for 50....In East Germany, Chris Hohne did a 2:20:36 for 30 Km on the track, with a world best 1:50:06.6 for 15 miles on the way....We also had Gennadiy, doing a 2:12:56.5 track 30 in the USSR, a world record, but apparently it wasn't actually on the track since the record is now 2:12:58 by Kannenberg and that has come down in stages over the past several years...Nikolai Smaga, USSR, won the Little Olympic 20 Km in Mexico City with 1:31:04 on a course your editor and competitor Ron Laird strongly suspected of being short. Vittorio Visini was a minute back and the infamous Jose Pedraza captured third for the hosts....The Leicester-to-Skegness 100 Mile was won by K. Abalins in 18:10:46 with 47 finishers

5 Years Ago (From the Oct. 1971 ORW)--The Mexicans came north and dominated the National 15 Km in Des Moines with Jose Oliveros winning in 66:23.6. Ron Laird was close with 66:44 but then Hernandez and Sanches of Mexico beat Larry Young, who had 67:54. Floyd Godwin was sixth ahead of three more Mexicans, including current stars Raul Gonzalez and Pedro Aroche. Rudy Halaiza beat Clark (Todd) Scully for fourth American. Bob Henderson, way back in 24th, still did 8 minute miles with 74:34 on a very fast day. Most thought the course was accurate; I wasn't so sure mostly because of my own 72:09 at a time when I would have been well satisfied with Henderson's time....The U.S. won a dual meet from Canada in Lake Placid with Laird taking the 20 in 1:38:25.2 over Bill Ranney and Marcel Jobin and Larry Young an easy winner at 50 in 4:28:58. Ron Kulik and Pat Farrelly followed in that one....On the Ohio scene, Blackburn edged Mortland in a track 7, 56:19 to 56:29, with Phil McDonald third but a week later Phil took Blackburn at 20 Km 1:41:05 to 1:42:06. (Another reason for suspicion of the 15 Km course as these two had 1:12:07 and 1:12:34 in that race)...Bill Weigle, destined to make the Olympic team a year later, started to look like a threat with 44:48 six mile and 3:41:45 for 40 Km in Denver's altitude...East Germany won a dual meet from the USSR with Gerhard Sperling taking the 20 in 1:28:23, Benjamin Saldatenko the 50 in 3:59:17.8 (just 3.2 ahead of Peter Selzer) and Stadtmuller the Junior 10 in 43:48.6.