

No Cup Winners Repeat at World Championships

Athens, Greece--Supremacy established at the World Cup races in April apparently carried no weight at the World Championships nearly 4 months later. In the three walking races here, only Spain's Jesus Garcia at 50 Km came close to repeating. Garcia led much of the race, but finally succumbed to Poland's Olympic Champion Robert Korzenowski, who had a 13 second edge at the finish line. Ecuador's Jefferson Perez, so impressive in walking away with the World Cup 20 Km, faded badly the final 5 Km here and finished only 14th. Daniel Garcia, Mexico, second in the World Cup by just 3 seconds won the race easily after Ilya Markov was DQ'd. Italy's Annarita Sidoti won the women's 10 Km, as Cup winner Irina Stankina, her only challenger over the second half of the race was pulled by the judges after about 8 Km.

Just as there were no repeat winners from the World Cup races, none of the 1995 World Champions were able to defend their titles successfully. Stankina had won the 10 two years ago, Michele Didoni of Italy the 20, and Valentin Kononen, Finland, the 50. Didoni was seventh here and Kononen ninth. Korzenowski was the only 1996 Olympic gold medalist to repeat. Racewalking on the international level is highly competitive, apparently, with no completely dominant figures.

The 20 went off on the first day of competition (August 2). Markov, second in Atlanta and third in April's World Cup, was determined to strike gold this time and went off on his own, building a substantial lead by halfway. But, his efforts were a bit too much and he was DQ'd about 1 hour into the race. That left Garcia in command. But the Mexican had been pulled by the judges in both 1993 and 1995 when in medal position and he had two red cards here. This time he survived without the fatal third card, however, and beat the veteran Russian Mikhail Schennikov to the line by 10 seconds in 1:21:43. Schennikov, always a contender in these races, had two warnings himself, but managed to hold off Mikhail Khmelnskiy, Belarus, by 8 seconds. Khmelnskiy had managed only 27th place in April. No one else was close as conditions slowed the times.

Unlike most international races, where the field is bunched for an all-out assault in the final 5 Km, this was a race of attrition, with Markov's initial pace eliminating the usual pack and the field spreading out considerably as they all slowed significantly the second half. Markov led at 5 Km in 20:11 and at 10 in 40:05. Garcia, walking a more evenpace, was in front at 15 in 1:00:55 and needed nearly 21 minutes for the final 5. Curt Clausen, the only U.S. walker, finished 34th in 1:32:05. After the race, he commented: "I felt more prepared than ever. The race was slow and the second half was really tough. It was deceptively warm out there and it's a tough day racing all alone. It's mentally tough to be out there alone without other teammates in the race. I'm getting better compared to the rest of the world, but it's taking me awhile to catch up."

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The women's 10 Km final was contested on August 7, but there had been heats 3 days earlier to pare the field to 20 for the final. The heats apparently took some toll on some of the walkers. The slowest qualifying time was 44:44, but only seven were able to go faster than that in the final.

The two semi-finals each qualified eight for the final, with the next four best times also advancing. The scramble for the automatic qualifying spots in the second heat saw the first seven finishers only a second-and-a-half apart, a real blanket finish at walking speeds. Victoria Herazo, the only U.S. competitor, was DQ'd in the second heat, but was already well out of contention for a spot in the final.

Sidoti took control of the final during the second kilometer of the race, after following Hungary's Maria Urbanik-Rosza through a 4:18 for the first kilometer. From there, she was in control, walking a remarkably even pace the rest of the way. (Kilometers after the first two in 4:16, 4:19, 4:16, 4:15, 4:19, 4:24, and 4:13, with a closing burst.) She was unchallenged after Stankina's DQ and finished in 42:55.49, 35 seconds ahead of runnerup Olga Khardapoltseva. Belarus. (Actually, World Cup runnerup Olimpiada Ivanova was a distant second, but was later stripped of her medal and banned for two years when she tested positive for Stanazolol.) Khardapoltseva was in turn 19 seconds ahead of teammate Valentina Tsybulskaya. The Russians, who had won the World Cup team race, had three of their athletes DQ'd and the fourth, Olympic champion Yelena Nikolayeva, finishing only 9th.

This was the first time the race had been held on the track and the last time it will be contested. In 1999, it will be 20 Km on the road.

Korzeniewski was walking his first 50 since Atlanta last summer and despite Garcia's best efforts, was not to be denied another gold. He won in a rather slowish 3:44:46, but that was after covering the second half in 1:49:44 despite a temperature in the mid 80s.

Actually, Garcia tried to open the race up after passing the 25 Km mark in just 1:55:02. He covered the next 5 in 22:17. That wasn't good enough for Korzeniewski. He led at 35, after a 21:43 split. Garcia responded to that and led at 40 Km in 3:00:36 (21:34 for the 5). They hit 45 km in 3:22:21, with Korzeniewski 3 seconds ahead and third place Miguel Rodriguez 2 1/2 minutes behind. Korzeniewski slowed over the final 5, but the earlier effort had won the day and Garcia slowly dropped away. Both were still pulling away from the rest of the field, however. Rodriguez trailed Garcia by 3 1/2 minutes at the finish and he had better than 1 1/2 minutes on fourth place Oleg Ishutkin.

Andrew Herman represented the U.S. and fell victim to the judges. "It started off good," he said. "I followed my game plan as much as I wanted to, but towards the latter stages of the race, I guess I did something with my technique that the judges didn't like and they disqualified me at, I think, 36 kilometers. . . I think I was 27th or 28th and could have moved up about eight places in that final 15 Km without much problem since a lot of people were getting thrown out and a lot were dying."

Herman was not alone. There were eight disqualifications in the race, along with six in the 20, four in the women's 10, and two in each of the women's heats. So the judges were certainly keeping an eye out in trying to keep everyone honest.

Women's 10 Km, August 7: 1. Anna Rita Sidoti, Italy 42:55 2. Olga Kardopoltseva, Belarus 43:30 3. Valentina Tsybulskaya, Belarus 43:49 4. Hongyu Liu, China 43:56 5. Erika Alfridi, Italy 43:55;9 6. Aniko Szebenszky, Hungary 44:14 7. Yan Gu, China 44:24 8. Anita Liepina, Latvia 45:00 9. Yelena Nikolayeva, Russia 45:01 10. Elisabetta Perrone, Italy 45:16 11. Maria Urbanik-Rosza, Hungary 45:36 12. Yan Wnag, China 46:21 13. Svetlana Tolstaya, Kazakhstan 47:09 14. Yuka Mitsumori, Japan 47:24 DNF--Larisa Khmelitskaya, Belarus and Beate Gummelt, Germany DQ--Olga Panferova, Olympiada Ivanova, and Irina Stankina, Russia and Maya Sazonova, Kazakhstan.

Semi Finals, August 4 (First eight and next four fastest qualify): First: 1. Anita Liepina, Latvia 44:07.88 2. Maria Urbanik-Rosza, Hung. 44:14 3. Olga Kardopoltseva, Bel. 44:16 4. Yelena Nikolayeva, Rus. 44:1:08 5. Larisa Khmelitskaya, Bel. 44:18.49 6. Yan Wang, China 44:18.50 7. Anna Rita Sidoti, Italy 44:20 8. Olga Panferova, Rus. 44:23 9. Svetlana Tolstaya, Kaz. 44:33 (final qualifier from this heat) 10. Graciela Mendoza, Mex. 44:52 11. Susana Feitor, Port. 45:01 12. Celia Marcen, Spain 45:10 13. Ildiko Ilyes, Hung. 45:19 14. Ivonne Varas, Mex. 47:04 15. Hanne Liland, Nor. 47:52 16. Valerie Nadaud, France 47:53 17. Kathrin Boyde, Ger. 48:02 18. Christina Kokotou, Greece 48:53 19. Aida Isayeva, Azer. 50:45 DQ--Geovana Trusta, Bolivia and Anastasia Baj, Malaysia

Second: 1. Olimpiada Ivanova, Rus. 44:32 2. Erica Alfridi, Italy 44:32.04 3. Elisabetta Perrone, Italy 44:32.06 4. Irina Stankina, Rus. 44:32.17 5. Aniko Szebenszky, Hung. 44:32.22 6. Valentina Tsybulskaya, Bel. 44:32.24 7. Hongyu Liu, China 44:32.47 8. Maya Sazonova, Kas. 44:34 9. Yan Gu, China 44:36.17 10. Beate Gummelt, Ger. 44:38 11. Yuka Mitsumori, Japan 44:44 12. Tina Poitras, Can. 45:19 13. Jane Saville, Australia 46:13 14. Nathalie Fortain, France 46:29 15. Nora Keksir, France 47:16 16. Valentyna Savchuk, Ukraine 47:48 17. Francisca Martinez, Mexico 48:30 18. Miriam Ramon, Ecuador 48:40 DQ-- Tong Lean Cheng, Malaysia and Victoria Herazo, USA

Men's 20 Km, August 2: 1. Daniel Garcia, Mexico 1:21:43 2. Mikhail Schennikov, Russia 1:21:53 3. Mikhail Khmelitskiy, Belarus 1:22:01 4. Buohui Yu, China 1:22:57 5. Zewen Li, China 1:23:03 6. Yevgeniy Misyulya, Belarus 1:23:10 7. Michele Didoni, Italy 1:23:14 8. Giovanni DeBenedictis, Italy 1:23:33 9. Hatem Ghoula, Tunisia 1:23:49 10. Daniel Plaza, Spain 1:23:53 11. Robert Ihly, Germany 1:24:12 12. Alessandro Gandellini, Italy 1:24:24 13. Igor Kollar, Slovak Republic 1:24:37 14. Jefferson Perez, Ecuador 1:24:46 15. Jacek Muller, Poland 1:24:47 16. Joel Sanchez, Mexico 1:24:48 17. Denis Langlois, France 1:25:27 18. Omar Zepeda, Mex. 1:25:38 19. Nick A'Hern, Australia 1:25:46 20. Artur Meleshvovich, Belarus 1:25:46 21. Sergio Galdino, Brazil 1:25:50 22. Roberto Oscar, Guatemala 1:26:20 23. Marco Giungi, Italy 1:26:23 24. Madris Liepins, Latvia 1:26:34 25. Jean-Olivier Brosseau, France 1:26:39 26. Sandor Urbanik, Hungary 1:26:50 27. Gyula Dudas, Hungary 1:27:17 28. Jose Urbano, Portugal 1:27:25 29. Milos Holusa, Czech. Rep. 1:27:27 30. Feodosiy Chumachenko, Moldova 1:28:51 31. Luis Garcia, Guatemala 1:28:51 32. Dion Russell, Australia 1:30:49 33. Robert Valicek, Slovak Rep. 1:31:28 34. Curt Clausen, USA 1:33:05 35. Valeriy Borisov, Kazakhstan 1:32:32 36. Dimitrios Orfanopoulos, Greece 1:32:37 37. Fernando Vasquez, Spain 1:32:44 38. Chris Britz, South Africa 1:34:02 DQ--Rami Deeb, Palestine; Andreas Erm, Germany; Narinder Singh, Malaysia; Ilya Markov, Russia; Julio Martinez, Guatemala; and Jan Staaf, Sweden. DNF--Vladimir Adnreyev, Russia; Aigars Fadeyevs, Latvia; Clause Jorgensen, Denmark; Scott Nelson, New Zealand; and Thierry Toutain, France.

50 Km, Aug. 7: 1. Robert Korzeniewski, Poland 3:44:46 2. Jesus Garcia, Spain 3:44:59 3. Miguel Rodriguez, Mexico 3:48:30 4. Oleg Ishutkin, Russia 3:50:04 5. Tomasz Lipiec, Poland 3:50:14 6. Fumio Imamura, Japan 3:50:27 7. Sylvain Caudron, France 3:51:17 8. Arturo DiMezza, Italy 3:51:33 9. Valentin Kononen, Finland 3:53:40 10. Aleksandr Voyevodin, Russia

3:54:28 11. Rene Piller, France 3:55:05 12. Sergey Korepanov, Kazakhstan 3:56:19 13. Craig Barrett, New Zealand 3:56:30 14. Giovanni Perricelli, Italy 3:57:38 15. Nikolay Matyukhin, Russia 3:58:18 16. Axel Noack, Germany 3:59:29 17. Hector Moreno, Columbia 3:59:33 18. Stefan Malik, Slovakia 3:59:52 19. Ruben Arikado, Mexico 4:04:17 20. Zoltan Czukur, Hungary 4:05:09 21. Santiago Perez, Spain 4:05:25 22. Dmitriy Savaytan, Belarus 4:05:35 23. Julio Urias, Guatemala 4:07:18 24. Peter Zanner, Germany 4:07:38 25. Christophe Cousin, France 4:08:26 16. Milos Lolusa, Czech Rep. 4:09:08 17. Jose Magalhaes, Portugal 4:10:03 28. Orazio Romandi, Italy 4:11:00 29. Hristos Karayorgos, Greece 4:30:05 DNF--Jaime Barroso, Spain; Yongsheng Zhao, China; Tim Berrett, Canada; Bo Gustafsson, Sweden; and Viktor Ginko, Belarus. DQ--Peter Tichy, Slovakia; Aleksandar, Yugoslavia; Roman Mrazek, Slovakia; Dirk Nicque, Belgium; Jacek Muller, Poland; German Sanchez, Mexico; Andrew Herman, USA; and Thomas Wallstab, Germany.

World Championship History

1983, Helsinki

20 Km

1. Ernesto Canto, Mexico 1:20:49
2. Josef Pribilinec, Czech. 1:20:59
3. Yevgeniy Yesyukov, USSR 1:21:08
4. Jose Marin, Spain 1:21:21
19. Jim Heiring, US 1:25:55
36. Tim Lewis, US 1:30:10
- DNF-Marco Evoniuk (13th, but they miscounted his laps)

50 Km

1. Ronald Weigel, E. Ger. 3:44:08
2. Jose Marin, Spain 3:46:42
3. Sergei Jung, USSR 3:49:03
4. Reima Salonen, Finland 3:52:53
9. Marco Evoniuk, US 3:56:57
23. Dan O'Connor, US 4:18:41
- DNF-Jim Heiring, US

1987, Rome

20 Km

1. Maurizio Damilano, Italy 1:20:45
2. Josef Pribilinec, Czech. 1:21:07
3. Jose Marin, Spain 1:21:24
4. Viktor Mostovik, USSR 1:21:53
19. Tim Lewis, US 1:26:00
21. Ray Sharp, US 1:27:06
29. Gary Morgan, US 1:28:08

50 Km

1. Hartwig Gauder, E. Ger. 3:40:53
2. Ronald Weigel, E. Ger. 3:41:30
3. Vyatcheslav Ivanenko, USSR 3:44:02
4. Rafaeallo Ducceschi, Italy 3:47:49
16. Carl Schueler, US 3:57:09
17. Marco Evoniuk, US 3:57:43
22. Jim Heiring, US 4:03:04

Women's 10 Km

1. Irina Strakhova, USSR 44:12
2. Kerry Saxby, Australia 44:23
3. Hong Yan, China 44:42
4. Mari Cruz Diaz, Spain 44:48
15. Lynn Weik, US 46:51
20. Debbi Lawrence, US 47:31
24. Maryanne Torrellas, US 48:27

1991, Tokyo

20 Km

1. Maurizio Damilano, Italy 1:19:57
2. Mikhail Schennikov, USSR 1:19:46
3. Yevgeniy, Misyulya, USSR 1:20:22
4. Vlentín Massana, Spain 1:20:29
31. Tim Lewis, US 1:30:55

50 Km

1. Aleksandr Potashov, USSR 3:53:09
2. Andrei Perlov, USSR 3:53:09
3. Hartwig Gauder, E. Ger. 3:55:14
4. Vitaliy Popovich, USSR 4:00:10
- DNF--Carl Schueler, US

Women's 10 Km

1. Alina Ivanova, USSR 42:57
2. Madelein Svensson, Sweden
3. Sari Essayah, Finland 43:13 4. Irina Strakhova, USSR 43:40
19. Debbi Lawrence, US 45:58
25. Lynn Weik, US 46:49
27. Victoria Herazo, US 47:10

1993, Stuttgart

20 Km

1. Valentin Massana, Spain 1:22:31
2. Giovanni DeBenedictis, Italy 1:23:06
3. Daniel Plaza, Spain 1:23:18
4. Jaime Barroso, Spain 1:23:41
17. Allen James, US 1:26:53

50 km

1. Jesus Garcia, Spain 3:41:41
2. Valentin Kononen, Finland 3:42:02
3. Valeriy Spitsin, Russia 3:42:50
4. Axel Noack, Germany 3:43:50
19. Jonathan Matthews, US 4:02:52
31. Herm Nelson, US 4:21:08

Women's 10 Km

1. Sari Essayah, Finland 42:58
2. Ileana Salvador, Italy 43:08
3. Elisabetta Perrone, Italy 43:26
22. Teresa Vaill, US 46:58
37. Debbi Lawrence, US 48:53
43. Sara Standley, US 51:01

1995, Goteborg

20 Km

1. Michele Didoni, Italy 1:19:59
2. Valentina Massana, Spain 1:20:23
3. Yevgeniy Misyulya, Belarus 1:20:48
4. Ilya Markov, Russia 1:21:28

50 Km

1. Valentin Kononen, Finland 3:43:42
2. Giovanni Perricelli, Italy 3:45:11
3. Robert Korzeniowski, Poland 3:45:57
4. Miguel Rodriguez, Mexico 3:46:34
- DNF--Allen James, US

Women's 10 Km

1. Irina Stankina, Russia 42:13
2. Elisabetta Perrone, Italy 42:16
3. Yelena Nikolayeva, Russia 42:20
4. Sari Essayah, Finland 42:20
22. Teresa Vaill, US 45:02
24. Debbi Lawrence, US 45:03

Results

Pan Am Junior Championships, Havana, Cuba: Men's 10 Km, July 19--1. Saul Mendez, Mexico 43:55.90 2. Loisel Gutierrez, Cuba 44:39.75 3. Yoandri Alvarez, Cuba 44:39.80 4. Jorge Chora, Mexico 45:58 5. John Nunn, USA 46:39 6. Brian Colby, USA 48:01 7. Cristian Muroz, Chile 48:19 (The seventh gold medal for Mexico in this event) **Women's 5 Km, July 20--1.** Aura Morales, Mexico 24:36.53 2. Lisa Marie Kutzing, USA 24:37 3. Gladys Criollo, Ecuador 25:02 4. Luisa Paltin, Ecuador 25:20 5. Natalia Garcia, Mexico 25:35 6. Jodie Vargas, Chile 25:59 7. Clara Hernandez, Cuba 26:36 8. Orianne Pedrosa, Cuba 26:52 9. Andrea Marcia Cristina Pedro, Brazil 26:55 10. Marcia Leao Silva Cruz, Brazil 27:01 11. Tara Shea, USA 27:20. Kutzing had the best performance of any American in the history of the meet, and, it is reported, that she might have won but for some loose interpretations by the officials who overlooked several flagrant lifting violations on the homestretch. As Kutzing moved up on Morales with about 30 meters left, the Mexican appeared to break into a quick run. Kutzing bravely stayed on course and almost pulled off a major upset. "I was very surprised in the race," exclaimed Kutzing. "I didn't expect the pace to be so slow and that I would be in such good position. With about four laps to go, I usually start having negative thoughts in a race, but I overcame them here and with one lap to go, I really wanted to win."

European Junior Championships, Ljubljana, Slovenia: Women's 5 Km--1. Claudia Iovan, Romania 21:15.99 2. Lyudmila Dedekina, Russia 21:43 3. Lyudmila Yefimkina, Russia 22:05 4. Gabrielle Herold, Germany 22:16 5. Jolanta Dukure, Latvia 22:31 6. Sabine Zimmer, Germany 22:47 7. Elke Ennemoser, Italy 22:55 8. Daniela Carlan, Romania 22:56 9. Maria Ibars, Spain 22:59 10. Agnieszka Andula, Poland 23:23 (25 finishers) **Men's 10 Km--1.** Andrea Manfredini, Italy 42:43.75 2. Andre Hoehne, Germany 43:01 3. Martin Pupis, Slovak Rep. 43:11.53 4. Sergey Gerasimov, Russia 43:24 5. Andrey Stepanchuk, Belarus 43:27 6. Juan Moline, Spain 43:23 7. Alekander Andrushevsky, Belarus 43:34 8. Ruben Mayoral, Spain 43:47 9. Matej Spisiak, Slovak Rep. 43:56 10. Grzegorz Sudol, Poland 44:34 (15 finishers, 4 DQs)

USATF National Masters Championships, San Jose, Cal., Aug. 7-10: Women's 5 Km--35-39--1. Teresa Aragon 27:32.83 2. Marlene Coe 29:42 3. Elaine Raft 30:14 40-44--1. Lyn Brubaker 23:57.93 2. Therese Iknioan 26:58 3. Peggy Müller 27:17 45-49--1. Marianne Martino 27:29.82 2. Anne Gerhardt 27:33 3. Karen Davis 27:51 50-54--1. JoAnn Nedelco 28:15.00 2. Jo Owen 29:15 3. Jolene Steigerwalt 29:18 55-59--1. Elton Richardson 29:18.96 2. Virginia Scales 30:28 3. Nancy Brinkley 31:59 60-64--1. Bev LaVeck 29:08.08 2. Shirley Dockstader 31:23 3. JoAnne Parks 31:33 65-59--1. Grace Moreman 38:27.31 70-74--1. Joan Rowland 34:56.50 2. Miriam Gordon 35:11 75-59--1. Jane Dana 36:12.32 85 and up--1. Dorothy Robarts 46:21.43 **Women's 10 Km--35-39--1.** Kim Wilkinson 49:39 2. K. Murphy 54:45 3. Chris Sakelarios 55:46 40-44--1. Lyn Brubaker 49:34 2. Therese Iknioan 56:29 3. Peggy Müller 56:55 45-49--1. Marianne Martino 57:44 2. Jeanette Smith 57:58 3. Anne Gerhardt 58:58 50-54--1. JoAnn Nedelco 59:03 2. Jo Owen 60:42 3. Jolene Steigerwalt 60:43 55-59--1. N. Krinkley 67:37 60-64--1. Bev LaVeck 62:36 2. JoAnne Parks 57:45 3. Beth Young-Grady 67:47 65-59--1. Grace Moreman 79:57 70-74--1. Miriam Gordon 72:32 75-59--1. Jane Dana 76:50 2. Ruth Van Sandt 77:14 **Men's 5 Km--40-44--1.** Bill Reed 25:53.55 2. Art Klein 29:29.20 45-49--1. Michael Wiggins 24:02.93 2. Enrique Camarena 25:13 3. Stan Chraminski 25:51 4. Shoja Torabian 26:51 50-54--1. Don DeNoon 23:12.10 2. Max Walker 26:58 3. Ronald Shields 29:20 55-59--1. Alan Yap 26:07.72 2. Paul Johnson 28:27 3. John Schulz 28:37 60-64--1. Dick Petruzzin 28:18.11 2. Presley Donaldson 29:09 3. Calvin Brown 29:55 65-59--1. Jack Starr 29:09.31 2. Alfred DuBois 29:37 3. Bill Moreman 31:26 70-74--1. Bill Flick 29:49.63 2. Bob Minn 30:53 3. Alan Bellon 34:54 75-79--1. Paul Geyer 37:03.93 2. John Carroll 37:39 3. Herm Arrow 38:27 80-84--1. Ernest Lucken 38:13.01 **Men's 20 Km--35-39--1.** C. Peters 1:48:32 40-44--1. Bill Reed 1:52:10 45-49--1. Enrique Camarena 1:50:20 2. Stan

Chraminski 1:53:53 3. Shoja Torabian 1:56:14 50-54--1. Don DeNoon 1:44:14 2. **Jim Carmines 1:47:55 3. Max Walker 1:58 55-59--1.** Alay Yap 1:59:32 2. **Paul Johnson 2:06:41 60-64--1.** Calvin Brown 2:10:31 2. **Presley Donaldson 2:10:31 65-59--1.** Alfred Dubois 2:06:43 2. **B. Eisner 2:17:27 3. Bill Moreman 2:22:44 70-74--1.** Bill Flick 2:06:34 2. **Bob Minn 2:08:11 75-59--1.** Paul Geyer 2:51:48 80-84--1. Ernest Lucken 2:58:09

New England Championships, Brookline, Mass., Aug. 6: Women's 5 Km--1. Joanne Dow 23:08.4 2. Jean Shepardson (63) 32:19 3. Carol Kuo (49) 32:38 (8 finishers, 1 DQ) **Men's 5 Km--1.** Stan Sosnowski (47) 25:41 2. Brian Savilonis (47) 25:43 3. Joe Light (49) 27:00 4. Stephen Peckiconis 28:02 5. Robert Ullman (48) 28:14 6. Tom Knatt (57) 28:38 7. Bill Harriman (50) 28:47 8. Ken Mattsson 28:51 9. Justin Kuo (42) 28:51 10. John Jurewicz (47) 29:17 11. Charles Mansbach (52) 30:09 12. Fred Anderson (45) 30:20 (19 finishers) **5 Mile, South Boston, July 24--1.** Joe Light 43:58 2. Andreas Mertin 46:24 3. John Jurewicz 46:27 **Women: 1.** Carol Kuo 53:03 **3 Km, Cambridge, Mass., July 19--1.** Steve Vaitones 14:35.90 2. Brian Savilonis 15:36 3. Stephen Peckiconis 16:18 4. Ken Mattsson 16:25 5. Justin Kuo 17:04 6. John Jurewicz 17:13 7. Sal Yerardi 17:36 8. Charlie Mansbach 17:38 9. Fred Anderson 18:01 **Eastern Regional Masters 5 Km, Orono, Maine, July 12--1.** Steve Vaitones 25:49 (40) 2. Winston Crandall (55) 28:13 **Women--1.** Jackie Kirby-Moore 29:40 **15 Km, New York City, June 29--1.** Gary Null (52) 1:28:02 2. Bruce Logan 1:29:34 3. Bob Barrett (63) 1:30:11...6. Marianna Morrison 1:36:26...8. Cervin Robinson 1:40:30 9. Daniel Pina (67) 1:40:34 **1600 meters, Alexandria, Virginia, June 8--1.** B.E. Booth (49) 7:39.2 2. John Gersh (49) 8:50.9 3. Victor Litwinski (53) 9:15.6 **3 Km, same place--1.** Booth 14:45.5 2. **Jim Goldstine (48) 16:53.7 3. Gersh 17:08.9 4. Litwinski 18:16.8 Women: 1.** Marykirk Cunningham 15:15.8 **3 Km, Alexandria, June 22--1.** B.E. Booth 15:10.9 2. Victor Litwinski 18:25 **5 Km, Lakewood, Col., July 12--1.** Peggy Müller (43) 27:53 2. Daryl Meyers (54) 28:30 3. Lori Rupoli (45) 29:46 **5 Km, Denver, July 24--1.** Mike Blanchard 28:40 2. **Christine Vanoni (46) 29:05 3. Tom Edwards 29:29 10 Km, Broomfield, Col., July 27--1.** Brad Bearshart 53:07 2. Alan Yap (54) 53:49 3. Lonnie Schreiner (54) 53:58 4. Peter Armstrong (53) 58:13 5. Mike Blanchard 58:25 6. Marianne Martino (47) 58:28 7. Christopher Lesniak (52) 58:25 8. Christine Vanoni (46) 59:23 **5 Km, Ft. Collins, Aug. 2--1.** Alan Yap 26:08 2. Mike Blanchard 28:26 3. Steve Santana (46) 29:29 **5 Km, Evergreen Col., Aug. 3--1.** Sally Richards (44) 26:28 2. Daryl Meyers (54) 28:02 3. Lori Rupoli (46) 28:52 **1 Mile, Sacramento, Cal., June 29--1.** Gharfara Abderrazak 7:14.58 2. Roger Welborn (45) 7:33 3. Shoja Torabian (48) 7:40.06 4. Jack Bray (64) 7:40.57 5. Dick Petruzzi (64) 7:59.54 **Women: 1.** Kim Wilkinson 7:21.05 2. Therese Iknioan (40) 8:00 3. Karen Stoyanowski (42) 8:20 4. Terri Brothers (40) 8:26 5. Karen Olson 9:03 **Youth: 1.** Ericka Ackeret (14) 8:03.31 2. Brooke Szody (17) 8:21 3. Robyn Stevens (14) 8:33 **5 Km, Marin, Cal., July 6--1.** Jack Bray 25:59 2. Jim Stuckey 28:11 3. Joann Nedelco 28:30 4. John Schulz 29:34 (16 finishers) **1500 meters, San Francisco, June 28--1.** Grace Moreman 8:08 2. Judy Geldin 9:02 **Men--1.** Billoremen 6:37.8 2. Quang Than 7:33 3. John Doane 7:35 4. Stu Kinney 7:49 **West Regional Masters 5 Km, San Jose, July 19--1.** Kim Wilkinson 24:29.7 2. Therese Iknioan 26:36 3. Joann Nedelco 28:05 4. Terri Brothers 28:37 **Men--1.** Mark Adams 26:58 2. Dick Petruzzi 28:09 3. Art Klein 29:25 **5 Km, Marin, Cal., July 20--1.** JoAnn Nedelco 27:52 2. Jim Stuckey 27:57 3. Virginia Fong 31:20 **3 Km, Marin, Cal., July 26--1.** JoAnn Nedelco 16:16 2. John Schulz 16:58 3. Virginia Fong 18:02 **Canadian 20 Km, Abbotsford, B.C., July 20--1.** Tim Berrett 1:26:51 2. Arturo Huerta 1:29:33 3. Gordon Mosher 1:34:32 4. Mike Rohl, U.S. 1:36:01 5. Rick Birkheimer 1:38:20 6. Blair Miller 1:43:59 **Canadian Women's 10 Km, Abbotsford, July 19--1.** Tina Poitras 45:31 2. Janice McCaffrey 46:36 3. Joanne Dow, US 47:20 4. Sara Standley, US 48:06 5. Dana Yarbrough, US 50:11 6. Debora Van Orden, US 50:39 7. Susan Hornung 51:54 8. Anne-Marie

Oswald 53:25 9. Joanne Fox 57:51 10. Tracy Ross 60:04 **Finnish National 20 Km, Lappeenranta, July 17--1.** Valentin Kononen 1:21:51 2. Juha Kinnunen 1:30:25 3. Jani Lehtinen 1:32:07 **Women's 10 Km, same place--1.** Krista Ranta-Pere Kokem 48:30 2. Outi Sillanpaa 48:57 3. Tarja Jaskari Lapvi 50:23 **Swedish Road Championships, Venjan: 10 Km, Age 17-19, July 18--1.** Viktor Jansson 45:15 **Senior 10 Km, July 18--1.** Jan Staaf 41:17 2. Bo Gustafsson 42:13 3. Bengt Bengtsson 42:36 4. Stefan Johansson 42:49 **Women's 10 Km, July 20--1.** Ileana Salvador 50:31 2. Elisabet Olsson 55:32 (Swedish women once ruled the world. What has happened? Salvador is an Italian living in Sweden.) **20 Km, July 20--1.** Ulf-Peter Sjöholm 1:30:10 2. Bengt Bengtsson 1:31:36 3. Stefan Johansson 1:32:01 4. Henrik Kjellgren 1:32:42 5. Fredrik Svensson 1:32:55 DQ--Jan Staaf and Bo Gustafsson **WAVA Championships (International Masters), Durban, South Africa, July 20-26, Women's 10 Km:** 35-39--1. Debbie Benton, USA 55:30.6 2. Theresa MacKintosh, S. Afr. 59:26 3. Michelle DuToit, S. Afr. 59:49 40-44--1. Karen Davies, S. Afr. 48:50.7 2. Barbara Nell, S. Afr. 50:30 3. Lydia Ojedadecarriego, Argentina 53:55 45-49--1. Heather McDonald, Australia 52:23.4 2. Hester Van Den Berg, S. Afr. 53:13 3. Rira Kallermo, Finland 56:38 50-54--1. Heidi Maeder, Switz. 52:40.6 2. Gudrun Fleetwood, Sweden 57:54 3. Patsy Clemmens, S. Afr. 60:11.1 .8. Kathy Fable, USA 64:42 55-59--1. Lindsay Hatz, S. Afr. 62:11.1 2. Masake Nagate, Japan 62:38 3. Jill Langford, GB 62:43. .9. Lorraine Coppola, USA 67:21 10. Ruth Everson, USA 67:44 60-64--1. Josette Sommer, France 61:32.8 2. June-Marie Provost, Canada 62:46 3. Eunice DeBruyn, S. Afr. 63:42. .7. Beth Young-Grady, USA 66:14 65-59--1. Helena Rothman, S. Afr. 60:53.9 2. Noleen Perry, N. Zealand 70:05 3. M. Landman, S. Afr. 71:26. .8. Grace Moreman, USA 77:29 70-74--1. Anna Villet, S. Afr. 68:37.9 2. Miriam Gordon, USA 69:42 3. Joan Rowland 69:47 75-79--1. Ursula Theune, Germany 75:26.8 2. Dorothy Castle, s. Afr. 76:27 3. Lenore Marvin, Canada 79:56 80-84--1. M.Nyberg, Sweden 87:04.9 85-89--1. Margit Lindgren, Sweden 83:43.5 **Men's 20 Km--40-44--1.** Fabio Ruzzier, Italy 1:34:46 2. Claudio Penolazzi, Finland 1:35:44 3. Jose Pinto, Portugal 1:40:21 45-49--1. Mike Whitmore, S. Afr. 1:41:30 2. Johann Siegel, Austria 1:43:40 3. Colin Van Blommestein, S. Afr. 1:34:00. .7. Shoja Torabian, USA 1:56:58 8. Art Grant, USA 2:02:12 9. Andrew Smith, USA 2:03:30 50-54--1. Bernard Binggeli, Switz. 1:43:07 2. Richard Friedlander, USA 1:43:20 3. Andrew Jamieson, Australia 1:46:23. .8. Norm Fable, USA 1:55:30. .17. Victor Sipes, USA 2:03:14 55-59--1. Jurgen Spencer, S. Afr. 1:45:16 2. Murray Dickinson, Australia 1:46:33 3. Edgar Kousky, USA 1:54:20. .7. Paul Johnson, USA 2:01:08 60-64--1. Dario Ramirez, Columbia 1:53:16 2. Jack Bray, USA 1:56:19 3. Michael Roussow, S. Afr. 2:06:06 .6. Carl Acosta, USA 2:07:45. .11. James Fisher, USA 2:11:54 65-59--1. Max Green, USA 1:56:28 2. Matt Rutyna, Poland (and Chicago) 2:03:21 3. John Hotston, S. Afr. 2:06:45. .Robert Eisner, USA 2:13:22 70-74--1. Bob Mimm, USA 2:13:08 2. Terence Simons, GB 2:14:51 3. George Hazle, S. Afr. 2:15:25 75-59--1. Carlo Bomba, Italy 2:21:54 2. George Candiotis, S. Afr. 2:38:13 3. Joseph Bouillon, France 2:38:31 .5. Paul Geyer, USA 2:52:05 80-84--1. Bill Tallmadge, USA 2:39:07 2. Ernest Lueken, USA 2:48:38 3. Viljo Hallikainen, Finland 2:51:13 85-59--1. Benjamin Moodie, ? 2:51:48 90 and up--1. Philip Rabinowitz, S. Afr. 3:02:51 **Women's 5 Km** 35-39--1. Debbie Benton, USA 28:07 2. Michelle Dutoit, S. Afr. 28:59 3. Annie Brewster, GB 29:18 40-44--1. Barbara Nell, S. Afr. 24:20 2. Lidia Ojedadecarriego, Ar. 25:55 3. Lili-Ann Kreiger, S. Afr. 26:30 45-49--1. Heather McDonald, Australia 25:34 2. Hester Van Den Berg, S. Afr. 26:27 3. Eira Kallermo, Finland 26:57 50-54--1. Heide Maeder, Switz. 26:42 2. Gudrun Fleetwood, Sweden 28:36 3. Kathy Fable, USA 29:48 55-59--1. Jill Langford, GB 30:32 2. Lindsay Hatz, S. Afr. 30:49 3. Celine Goyeneche, France 30:56. .8. Lorraine Coppola, USA 31:45 60-64--1. Josette Sommer, France 29:56 2. June-Marie Provost, Can. 31:07 3. Denise LeClerc, France 31:31. .5. Beth Young-Grady, USA 33:24 65-59--1. Helena Rothman, S. Afr. 30:04 2. Noleen Perry, N.Z. 34:07 3. Pamela Bass, S. Afr. 35:24 4. Emily Sheffield, USA 36:17. .6. Grace Moremen, USA 37:14 70-74--1. Anna Villet, S. Afr. 33:56 2. Jean Knox, Australia 34:03 3. Joan Rowland, USA 34:51. .

.7. Joann Beers, USA 37:19. .11. Queenie Thompson, USA 43:22 75-59--1. Ursula Theune, Germany 37:32 2. Lenore Marvin, Can. 42:54 3. Laures Warman, NZ 43:12 4. Fan Benno-Garis, USA 46:44 80-84--1. Mary Haines, USA 54:13 85-59--1. Margit Lindgren, Sweden 41:53 2. Dorothy Roberts, USA 44:09 **Men's 5 Km:** 40-44--1. Fabio Ruzzier, Italy 22:16 2. Oliver Mundell, S. Afr. 23:15 3. Clude Riddich, Australia 23:18 45-49--1. Mike Whitmore, S. Afr. 23:25 2. Nariman Aitmouhametov, Russia 23:33 3. Jiri Janousek, Czech. 24:05 . . Shoja Torabian, USA 26:55 8. Art Grant, USA 27:33 9. Andrew Smith, USA 28:24 50-54--1. Richard Friedlander, USA 22:52 2. Bernard Bingelli, Switz. 23:25 3. Anthony King, Ireland 23:38. .8. Norm Fable, USA 25:04. .13. Victor Sipes, USA 27:07 55-59--1. Jurgen Spencer, S. Afr. 23:53 2. Murray Dickinson, Australia 24:03 3. Jaroslav Fiala, Czech. 24:28. .20. Fred Belt, USA 32:36 60-64--1. Dario Ramirez, Columbia 25:44 2. Jack Bray, USA 25:45 3. David Stevens 27:26. .7. Carl Acosta, USA 29:02. .16. James Fisher, USA 31:25 65-59--1. Max Green, USA 27:40 2. Doug Fotheringham, GB 27:44 3. Matt Rutyna, Poland 28:18 4. Bob Fine, USA 30:19. .Bill Moreman, USA 30:42. .13. Ryazard Nawrocki, USA 33:49 70-74--1. George Hazle, S. Afr. 30:31 2. Bob Mimm, USA 30:34 3. Walter Wolf, Ger. 32:33 75-59--1. Carlo Bomba, Italy 34:37 2. Paul Geyer, USA 36:04 3. Joseph Bouillon, France 36:17 80-84--1. Torsten Stale, Sweden 34:56 2. Bill Tallmadge, USA 36:25 3. Mauntz Ericsson, Sweden 39:47 85-89--1. Francesco Scimone, Italy 43:02 90 and up--1. Philip Rabinowitz, S. Afr. 45:28

FROM HEEL TO TOE

Reader Frank Manhardt in Brightwater, New York let's us know that Tim Seaman (3rd in National 20 Km) and Margaret Ditchburn (9th in National 10 Km) are both North Babylon, Long Island H.S. graduates, as well as U. of Wisconsin-Parkside grads. He says, "As a retired coach who has closely followed their progress, I was very proud to note they will both represent the U.S. in Italy at the World University Games in late August. When home on Long Island, they continue to make a training visit to my village of Brightwaters. They are two very considerate, compassionate individuals, as well as outstanding athletes." . . . This from racewalker Al Heppner, a member of the national team: "The Olympic Training Center has been a catalyst toward the development of T&F's Olympic hopefuls. The Center provides athletes with a place to live and a healthy diet. Most important, it brings athletes together so that they can push each other to greatness. The program is now in serious trouble. Due to cuts in USA T&F's budget, there is no money to pay a resident race walking coach. Without a resident coach, the program ends for racewalking. (Ed. Bohdan Bulakowski, a former Polish international, has filled this role admirably, but he needs some income.) 'Being at the Training Center has helped carry me to the next level,' current resident Tim Seaman said. 'Without it, I will most likely have a to quite training in order to put food on the table.' In an attempt to raise money to save the program, SportCount, the manufacturer of revolutionary right sports times, has teamed up with Acumen Technologies, an internet company founder by former racewalker Jeff Salvage. Half of the proceeds from any SportCount timers ordered between now and September 30th will be donated to the Training Center program. The SportCount timer (see June ORW) fits on your forefinger like a ring and is operated by your thumb. The timers can be ordered by calling 800-575-4677. More information is available at www.racewalk.com " The North American Racewalking Institute, P.O. Box 50312, Pasadena, CA 91115 is also accepting contributions (tax deductible) for the Center. Call 800-898-5117. . Olympian Tom Dooley announces to his many friends in the racewalking world his new address and phone number: Tom Dooley, 2817 San Simeon Way, San Carlos, CA 94070. 650-631-5788. Tom is not to be confused with Thomas Dooley, the U.S. soccer international out of the German Bundesliga (he had an American serviceman father) who now plays his club soccer with our own Columbus Crew. . . There will be a 5 Km walk and a three-day clinic by Martin Rudow, in conjunction with the Bowling Green, Kentucky Classic 10 Km run on October 4. Martin will be

giving 1 hour seminars on Friday, additional clinics on Saturday, and 30-minute personal coaching sessions on Sunday. Martin is a former National Coach, an international judge, the author of books on advanced racewalking, and producer of three videos on racewalking techniques and training. Contact Rick Kelley, PO Box 1802, Bowling Green, KY 42102, 800-599-7223, FAX 800-599-4278 for more information. . . We quoted Mike Allen on the relative difficulties of endurance running, walking, and cycling in the June issue. A correction. We noted that Mike turned from cycling to marathon running, and then to racewalking. Actually he mixed the latter two in with a long running career. He was 18th in the 1956 Boston Marathon with a 2:36, just before his 21st birthday. He also won the Western Hemisphere Marathon twice, 1956 and 1958, setting a course record of 2:32:35 in the latter. In the 70s, he ran the London to Brighton race and completed two 100 mile runs, including the grueling Western States. In 1986, he won a six-day run with a 50-54 age group record of 473.25 miles. In 1987 he did 121 miles 995 yards in 24 hours. His cycling came in the middle '60s, when he won the 1964 Olympic Road Cycling Trials. He turned to racewalking in the early '70s and ranked ninth in the U.S. at 50 Km in 1973 and tenth at 20 Km in 1974. . . Bob Mimm reports that he kept his record going of never getting a call in any World Vets Meet, and he has competed in all of them. Bob was beaten in the 5 Km by South Africa's George Hazle, a fellow competitor of Bob's at the 1960 Rome Olympics, but Hazle had two official calls for lifting. Bob also sends a copy of a letter published in the *Race Walking Record* (English) and written by a friend of his. John Marshall, who wrote the letter, is a senior coach and former judge in England: "We have now had the first year of the new walking rule, coming down with a straight leg, and what a load of rubbish it has been. Take the 80s, 70s, and even 60s age groups, who have been walking for 30 or 40 years and maybe more, the only rule they know is bracing the knee for one moment. Yet they tell us about the new rule in 1995 and want us to do this in 1996. (Ed. I guess that is in England. I learned to racewalk in the late '50s with a straight leg on contact because that is the way it was done then and the way it was enforced.) It's not on for the older ones because they are the ones with arthritis, rheumatism, etc. The late Bernard Osborne was walking with two artificial knees, Reg Eade wrote that he could not comply with this new rule. Then there is me who was hit by a car in 1988, and was out of racewalking for 18 months, during which time I couldn't walk ordinary, never mind racewalk. I also agree with Harry Callow that this new rule could damage the knees. (Ed. Nah!) And I agree with Susan Cook's letter in the September record. I have also read letters from abroad, USA and New Zealand. They do not like this new rule, and if we asked the rest of the world who are into racewalking, their would be the same. (Ed. Not mine.) There have been a lot of veteran walkers at the back of the field upset. There have been some bad decisions and just to rub it in my teammate Les Scrivens and myself have gone 56 years between us without being disqualified, and some of those years included being disqualified first time, no second or third chances. This makes the new rule a joke. Some judges tell me they don't like this new rule. The ones to blame are those at the IAAF. They have not got a clue. They should all be disqualified just for thinking about making this a rule, never mind making it one. For some of the older walkers, the race is a get-together and talk about old times and enjoy their last years in the sport. But they can't even do this now. We have lost many walkers, but how many more must we lose before they get rid of this rule which is a disaster." (Ed. I'm not sure I see why, if you can straighten your knee at all, it is more difficult to do it at contact. And if you can't straighten it, then you can't conform to the rules regardless.) . . . Since typing that I have received a note from Augie Hirt, a great from the past with some international laurels, who seems to be in agreement with Mr. Marshall, although not aware that he was entering into any kind of debate. Augie says, "The body has been feeling better, so I have been racewalking more this year in training. No races though. Not as much fun with the new straightening rule at contact instead of as leg passes under the body. Seems like that new rule will destroy masters racewalking since the old knees don't work as good as they used to for most." (Ed. Of course, whether old men and women can straighten their legs at contact was not a consideration

of the IAAF) in changing the rule. The rules are made to define the sport at the elite levels, as they should be.)

International Entry Standards

In an article in our June 1997 issue, Ian Whatley suggested some discussion of the upcoming 20 Km standards for women for Olympic and World Championship races. The standards are to limit field sizes. There are both "A" and "B" standards. Any athlete must meet the "B" standard to compete. For any nation to enter more than one athlete in an event, all must have met the "A" standard, which is tougher.

Richard Harper joins the discussion with the following suggestion of five possible methods for determining standards.

Method 1: (Probably the one in use for men now.) Set the A Standard at approximately the 80th best time for some year. A limited number of countries dominate those positions and they will be the only ones to send three athletes. Set the B standard at the 130th place or so, knowing that a certain number of countries will have one entrant. Because the Women's 20 Km is a new event, this method won't work.

Method 2: Given the above, set the A standard at the "equivalent" time for the current standards at 10 Km. See Table below. I used my equivalents; Whatley's are faster. (Harper's equivalents, for which he enclosed a table, are based on world bests, international and national annual lists, and international, national, and local championship competitions, 1890-97. He notes that, though racewalking technique and training have developed much over the years, the ratio of times at various distances has not changed as much.)

Method 3: Take the ratio of the 1996 10 Km standards:world record and apply the same ratio to the current 20 Km world best. (10K=41:58, 20 K=1:29:40)

Method 4: Similar to Method 3 except use the 10 Km World Best (41:30).

Method 5: Take the ratio of the men's standards to the male world record and apply it to the female world 20 Km best. (Male 20 K WR=1:17:26, A=1:23:30, B=1:26).

	1997 Std.	Method 2	Method 3	Method 4	Method 5
A	45:30	1:35:10	1:37:15	1:38:20	1:36:45
B	48:00	1:40:30	1:42:30	1:43:45	1:39:40
US 96	49:45	1:44:20	1:46:20	1:47:30	1:42:00

Personally, I (Richard Harper, not your editor) prefer Method 4 slightly over Method 3, though both aesthetically please me. Method 5 judges females by male standards, which I find problematic. Method 2 depends too much for my taste on somebody's interpretation of equivalence.

Richard Harper

Our agents in the hinterlands have informed us of these racing opportunities

Sun. Sep. 7 **USATF National 40 Km, Ft. Monmouth, N.J. (A)** (\$1,000 purse included)
 3 Km, Miami, 7:30 am (Q)
 5 Km, Miami, 7:30 am (Q)
 1 Hour, Marin, Cal. (P)
 10 Km, Oakland, Cal. (R)

- Sat. Sep. 13 Michigan 1 Hour, Warren, Mich. (O)
5 Km, Miami, 8 am (Q)
5 Km, Larkspur, Cal., 9:30 am (P)
USATF Masters Road 5 Km, Kingsport, Tenn. (BB)
5.2 Miles, Interlaken, N.J., 12 noon (A)
2.8 Mile, Seattle, Wash. (C)
1 Mile, San Mateo, Cal. (AA)
- Sun. Sep. 14 5.2 Mile Handicap, Interlaken, N.J., 12 noon (A)
5 Km, Denver (H)
- Sat. Sep. 20 5 Km, Morganfield, Kentucky, 8:30 am (DD)
5 Km, Atlanta (D)
5 Km, Butler, Indiana (V)
5 Km, Denver (H)
- Sun. Sep. 21 Eastrn Regional 10 Km, Atlantic City, N.J., 9 am (A)
- Sat. Sep. 27 3 Mile, Marietta, Georgia, 8:30 am (D)
Alongi Classic 5, 10, and 20 Km, Dearborn, Mich. (Z)
Pacific Assn 5 Km (E)
- Sun. Sept. 28 Marathon and 5 Mile, Portland, Ore. (CC)
5 Km, Denver (H)
5 Km, Miami, 7:30 am (Q)
- Sat. Oct. 4 8 Km, Kalamazoo, Mich. (Z)
5 Km, Bowling Green, Kentucky, 10 am (X)
5 Km, Indianapolis, Indiana (T)
- Sun. Oct. 5 3 Mile, Miami, 7:30 am (Q)
30 Km, New York City, 8 am (F)
1 Hour, Washington, D.C. (J)
5 and 10 Km, Dearborn, Mich. (Z)
5 Km, Denver, 8 am (H)
1 Hour, Marin, Cal. (P)
- Mon. Oct. 6 Half Marathon, Sacramento, Cal. (E)
- Sat. Oct. 11 5 Km, Columbus, Indiana (T)
- Sun. Oct. 12 **USATF 1 and 2 Hour Championships, Cambridge, Mass.(G)**
1 Hour, Denver, 9 am (H)
10 Km, Lake Tahoe, Cal. (P)
5 Km, Indianapolis, Indiana (T)
- Sat. Oct. 18 5 Km, Denver (H)
- Sun. Oct. 19 10 Km, Monterey, Cal.(E)
5 and 10 Km, Miami, 8 am (Q)
- Sun. Oct. 26 10 Km, Dearborn, Mich. (Z)
- Fri. Oct. 31 5 Km, Denver, 6:30 pm (H)
- Sat. Nov. 1 5 Km, Evansville, Indiana (T)

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Championship Race Bids

If you want to get on this schedule with a National Championship race for next year, time is getting short. Bids for 1998 races are due by October 4. Lori Maynard, who chairs the Site Selection Subcommittee, provides the following information about submitting your bids.

As stated in Article XIV, Championship Site Selection, USA Track & Field Racewalk Committee Operating Rules:

(A) All Race Walk national championships shall be awarded at the annual meeting of this Committee. Selection shall be made from those written bids properly filed. Bids are to be filed no later than 60 days prior to the annual meeting of USA T&F, Inc. (Convention begins Dec. 2, thus due date is October 4.) Six copies of each bid are to be sent to the chair of the Championship Site Selection Subcommittee, and one copy is to be sent to the National Office of USA Track & Field, Inc.

(B) Bids shall be submitted, in writing, in the form prescribed by USA T&F for bids for national championships meets, or as otherwise approved by this committee in absend of USA T&F prescribed bid form.

For the reat of this Article, consult the Operating Rules. The above pertains to bidding.

Next is how to obtain a form: write to me for the USATF application, or write or call USAT&F for the new and improved *Championships Bidding Handbook* and pay attention to pages 61-66, the section of Race Walking, and pages 77-78. Once you have the application in hand and have a clear idea of what you will offer, contact your Association to include them in the loop.

As chair of the Site Selection Subcommittee, I must receive your bids on time to enable the Subcommittee to evaluate all bids and prepare for the Convention.

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LOOKING BACK

30 Years Ago (From the August 1967 ORW)--Ron Laird was the star of the month and then some. He first won the Pan American 20 Km title in 1:33:05, leaving an up-and-coming Mexican walker (or should that be runner), Jose Pedraza nearly 2 minutes behind. (The next year, Pedraza sort of trotted into the Olympic Stadium in Mexico City to a silver medal, taking a bronze away from our own Rudy Haluza, who finished fourth.) Later, Ron did a 43:10.4 10 Km on the road in England, a 44:36.8 American record on the track in Germany, and a 1:28:18 20 Km to beat 1964 Olympic 50 Km gold medalist, Abdon Pamich, in Italy. Larry Young walked the same three European races in 45:29, 46:22, and somewhere in the low 1:30s, after winning the Pan-Am 50 Km in 4:56:21. . . With those two in Europe, Tom Dooley had his best ever distance race to win the National 40 Km in 3:30:10, 2 minutes ahead of Goetz Klopfer. . . Bob Kitchen showed his great promise at the distances with a third place in 3:34:04. . . Dooley was fourth at 20 Km and Klopfer third at 50 in the Pan-Am Games.

25 Years Ago (From the August 1972 ORW)--Larry Young complete a busy July with a win in the Senior 40 Km in Long Branch, N.J. in what seems like a very slow 3:39:59.4. However, with the temperature at 93 F and the humidity high, it was no insignificant performance. John Knifton was 8 minutes back and Todd Scully the only other walker able to better 4 hours in the conditions. . . Jeanne Bocci won the women's National 1500 meters in 6:59.1 over Lynn Olsen and Sue Brodock. A week later, she did 6:50.4 to beat the same two, with Brodock ahead of Olsen this time. . . The Strasbourg-to-Paris race went to Luxembourg's Josy Simon in 67:03.28, with Belgium's Robert Schouckens second.

20 Years Ago (From the August 1977 ORW)--Larry Young won his eighth National 50 Km title and fourth in a row with a 4:19:58 clocking in Columbia, Missouri. Taking the lead from Dan O'Connor just after 20 Km, Young pulled away gradually the rest of the race. Augie Hirt went with Young briefly, but couldn't hold the pace and was soon repossessed by O'Connor, who took second in 4:24:06. Hirt had 4:25:50, Tom Dooley 4:26:26, Bob Rosencrantz 4:29:23, and Randy Mimm 4:32:01. . . In the Women's World Championships, Sweden's Siv Gustavsson walked a world best 22:57 to win the 5 Km and lead her team to victory. Sweden's Elizabeth Olsson won the 10 Km in 51:35. For the U.S., Sue Brodock was third at 5 in 23:55 and Jeanne Bocci fourth at 10 in 52:52. The U.S. team was second behind Sweden. . . Maccabiah Games titles went to Bob Rosencrantz at 3 Km (13:45.5) and Shaul Ladany at 50 (4:43:58), in extreme heat in Israel. . . Tom Knatt captured the National 40 Km in 3:33:28 with Carl Schueler 4 minutes back. Wayne Glusker and Bob Falcicola followed. . . England's Colin Young won the Rouen, France 24 hour race for the third time, covering 210 Km 717 meters. . . The Paris-To Strasbourg race, covering some 507 km that year, went to Robert Schouckens in 64:11:25, with Josy Simon nearly 1 hour back. . . Neal Pyke won the National 15 Km in Santa Monica in 1:09:50. Larry Walker was second in 1:10:32.

15 Years Ago (From the August 1982 ORW)--In the Women's World Meeting in Bergen, Norway, the Soviet Union emerged as easy winners with Their Alexandra Deverinskaya winning the 10 Km race in 48:11.1 ahead of Sweden's Ann Jansson (48:24) and Susan Liers-Westerfield of the U.S. (49:25). Australia's Sue Cook won the 5 Km in 23:09.2, but the Soviets took second and third, with Ludmilla Krutscheva just 4 seconds in back of Cook. Teresa Vaill led the U.S. in 7th with 24:28. With 110 points, the Soviets finished 32 points ahead of Norway, followed by Sweden, the U.S., and Australia. . . The U.S. men took third in a five-team international with races

over 20 and 50 Km. West Germany's Franz-Josef Wever won the 20 in 1:24:46 with Great Britain's Steve Barry (1:25:00) and Jim Heiring (1:25:32), of the U.S. following. Ray Sharp took fourth. The 50 went to Sweden's Bo Gustafsson in 3:53:22 as Marco Evoniuk came second in 4:03:13 for the U.S. West Germany had 65 points to win the meet ahead of Sweden (52), USA (50), Great Britain (45), and Norway (27). . . Heiring and Sharp tied for first in the 20 Km at the National Sports Festival a week later in 1:28:19, more than 6 1/2 minutes ahead of third-place Todd Scully. The 50 went to Ray Somers in 4:37:50 with Martin Kraft (4:43:10) in second.

10 Years Ago (From the August 1987 ORW)--U.S. Sports Festival titles went to Marco Evoniuk at 35 Km (2:50:51), Gary Morgan at 20 Km (1:31:10), and Maryanne Torrellas at 10 Km (47:55). The races were held in very hot conditions in Durham, N.C. Jim Heiring was a minute-and-a-half behind Evoniuk and Randy Mimm also went under 3 hours. Paul Schwartzburg was second at 20 in 1:34:36, 17 seconds ahead of Andy Kaestner. Debby Lawrence finished 13 seconds behind Torrellas and 10 seconds ahead of Lynn Weik in the 10. . . Morgan also took the National 10 Km at Niagara Falls in 44:05, with Ray Sharp (45:07), Canada's Michel Lafortune, and Schwartzbrug following. The women's race went to Debby Lawrence in 48:31, nearly 3 minutes ahead of Torrellas. . . Mexicans swept the the gold in Pan Am Games in Indianapolis. Carlos Mercenario captured the 20 in 1:24:10, Maria Colin the 10 in 47:18, and Martin Bermudez the 50 in 3:58:53. Tim Lewis was second at 20 in 1:25:50 and Maryanne Torrellas third at 10 in 48:26, behind Canada's Ann Peel. . . Italy's Giovanni DeBenedictis previewed his Olympic success in '92 (bronze) with a win at the European Junior 10 Km in 39:44.71. Spain's Valentin Massan, who almost had '92 Olympic success, was second.

5 Years Ago (From the August 1992 ORW)--In the Barcelona Olympics, hometown boy Daniel Plaza was a surprise winner at 20 Km. His teammate Valentin Massana had the silver medal in sight, but was pulled by the judges as he approached the Stadium. That moved Canada's Guillaume Leblanc, with the finest race of his career, into second with Giovanni DeBenedictis third. Plaza walked 1:21:45, 40 seconds ahead of Leblanc, who was 46 seconds clear of DeBenedictis. 1980 Champion Maurizio Damilano was fourth. Humidity took its toll in the race. . . Andrei Perlov got clear of Carlos Mercenario over the final 10 Km to win the 50 in 3:50:13. The Mexican was 2 minutes back and well ahead of Ronald Weigel in third. Chinese women took 1,3,5 in the 10, with Yueling Chen winning in 44:32. Yelena Nikolayeva was just a second back, with Chunxiu Li in third.