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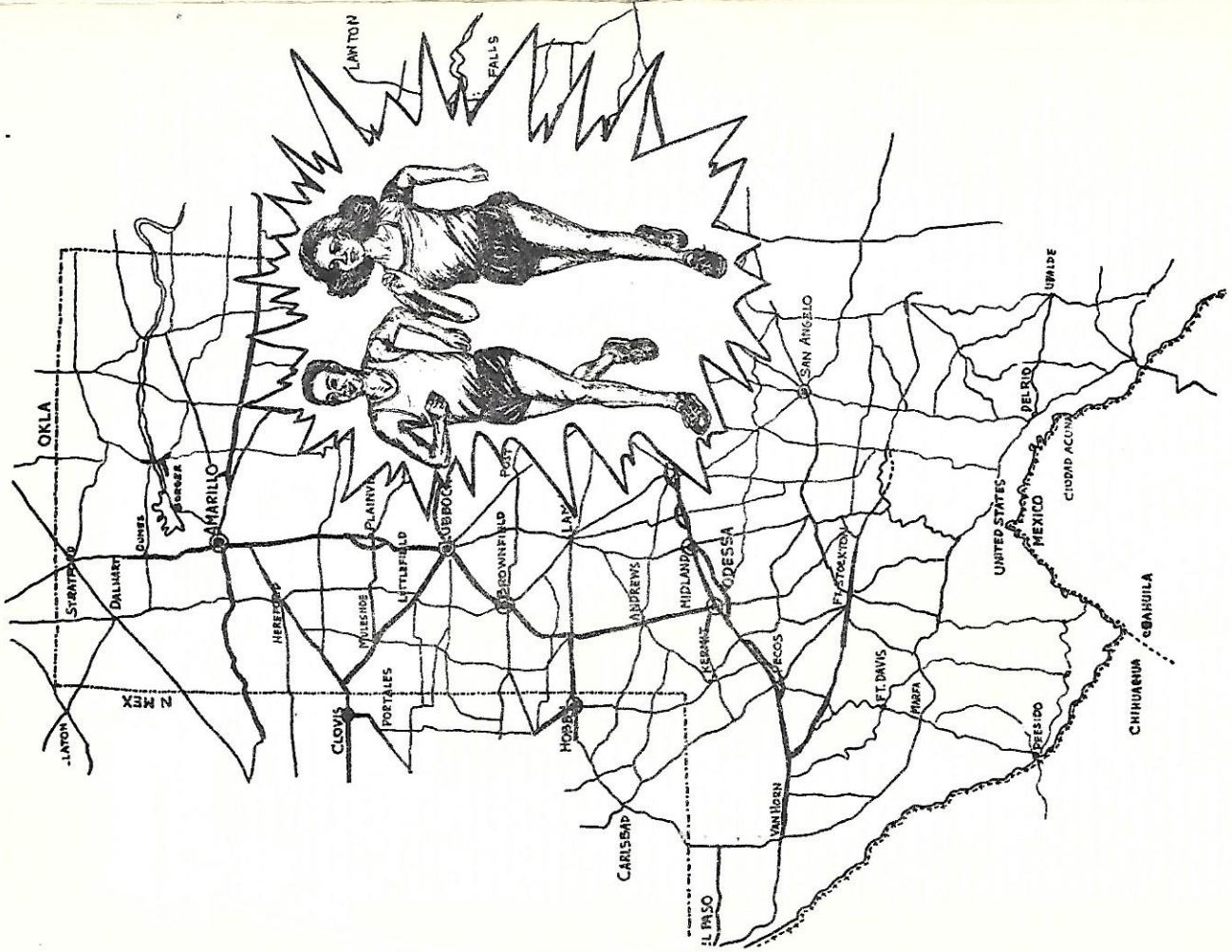
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WEST TEXAS RUNNING CLUB NEWSLETTER

November 1961

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DECEMBER CLUB RACE

10th Annual "Concho Crawl"

DISTANCE: 7 Miles and 2 Miles

DATE: Saturday, December 12, 1961

TIME: 10:00 a.m.

LOCATION: Base of Wink Hill, Highland Range Park, North Concho Lake, San Angelo, Texas (see map)

DIVISIONS AND AWARDS:

7 MILE		2 MILE	
Division	Trophies	Division	Trophies
Open	First 4	Open	First 4
30-39	First 4	High School & Under	First 4
40-49	First 4	30 & Over	First 4
50 & Over	First 3	Girls (24 & Under)	First 3
Ladies	First 3	Ladies (25 & Over)	First 3

ENTRY FEE: Club Members \$1.00  
Non-Club Members \$2.00

COURSE: Asphalt roads, hilly  
2 Mile - out and back  
7 Mile - looped course

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:

Race Director: Bill Moore  
1417 W. Avenue D  
San Angelo, Texas 76901  
(915) 653-3024 - home  
(915) 658-4949 - office

COURSE RECORDS

7 Mile

Overall Record: Desmond O'Connor 35:12 1976  
Club Member Record: John Bednarski 35:26 1978  
30-39 Record: John Bednarski 37:05 1979  
40-49 Record: Tom Mayfield 39:20 1980  
Club Member Record: Bobby Cunningham 39:41 1980  
Ladies Record: Sherwill Easterling 46:10 1979

2 Mile

Overall Record: Dave Bauer 19:05 1976  
Club Member Record: Cliff McCurdy 19:34 1978  
High School Record: Carlos Ybarra 19:41 1979  
Club Member Record: Alex Cruz 19:25 1970  
30 & Over Record: Herb McDaniel 19:47 1970  
Girls Record: Donna Repman 2:47 1980  
Ladies Record: Caylene Caddell 13:43 1977

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday, December 5: White Rock Marathon, 9:00 a.m. Contact: White Rock Marathon Committee, 6434 E. Mockingbird, #213, Dallas, Texas 75214.

Saturday, December 5: Run Against Crime, El Paso, 2 Mile, 10K, 5K Marathon. Contact: Northeast Datsun, 9040 Dyer Street, El Paso, Texas 79904.

Sunday, December 6: Fukuoka Marathon, Fukuoka, Japan. By Invitation Only.

\*Saturday, December 12: WTRC 10th Annual 7 Mile and 2 Mile Concho Crawl. 10:00 a.m., Highland Range Park, San Angelo, Texas.

Saturday, December 12: Arlington Winter Run, 10K and 2 Mile. Contact: Arlington Running Club, 116 Kinggreen Lane, Arlington, Texas 76014.

Sunday, December 13: Beverly Hills/Perrier 10K, Beverly Hills, California.

Saturday, December 19: Dannon Road Runner Series, 20K, San Antonio, Texas. Contact: San Antonio Road Runners, Box 12474, San Antonio, Texas 78212.

Saturday, December 19: Irving Christmas Classic 10K. Contact: Clyde DeLoach, 1205 Ichabod Ct., Irving, Texas 75061.

Saturday, December 19: Austin Runners Club Grand Prix 15K Road Race. Contact: Joe Jamison (512) 459-5225 or Jimmie Dean (512) 442-0486.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS (continued)

- \*Saturday, January 9: 6th Annual Palo Duro Canyon Marathon & 4 Mile. 11:00 a.m., Palo Duro Canyon State Park, Canyon, Texas. Contact: Bob Dumbart, 6526 Fulton, Amarillo, Texas 79109. (806) 378-3675 or 353-2725.
- Sunday, January 10: Avon Half-Marathon, Houston (Women Only). Contact: Avon Running, 5 Phidippides, 7689 Clarewood, Houston, Texas 77036.
- Saturday, January 16: Jackson Five-0 (50 Mile Ultra Marathon). 8:00 a.m. Bachman Lake, Dallas. Contact: Ed Jackson, (214) 385-2514 (day) or (214) 278-1948 (night)
- Saturday, January 16: Austin Runners Club Grand Prix 20K Road Race. Contact: Joe Jamison (512) 453-5225 or Jimmie Dean (512) 442-0496.
- Sunday, January 24: Houston Tennessee Marathon. Contact: Houston Tennessee Marathon, Box 19454, Houston, Texas 77024.
- Saturday, January 30: 7th Bermuda 10K. Contact: BTA Marathon Secretary, Box 397, Devonshire, Bermuda or Eastern Airlines.
- Sunday, January 31: 7th Bermuda International Marathon. Contact: see above.
- Saturday, February 6: Ironman World Triathlon Competition, Honolulu. Entry Deadline, December 15. For more information write: Box 25361, Honolulu, Hawaii 96825.
- \*Saturday, February 13: Ninth Annual 8 Mile and 3 Mile Cotton Patch Runs, Brownfield, Texas.
- Saturday, February 27: Fourth Annual Cowntown Marathon and 10K Run. Contact: Jim Gilliland, Box 662, Ft. Worth, Texas 76101.
- \*Saturday, March 13: Seventh Annual 4 Mile Grass Trampoline, Lubbock.
- Saturday, March 21: The Capitol 10,000 (10K). 12,000 entrants in 1981. Contact: Donna Andrews, Box 670, Austin, Texas 78767 (512) 445-3594.
- \*Saturday, April 10: WTRC 5 Miler, Amarillo, Texas.
- \*Saturday, May 8: 10th Annual Horseshoe Bend Canyon Spring Frolic (12 Mile and 2 Mile), Stanton, Texas.

\*Regular WTRC Race

10th Annual Buffalo Springs Lake  
13 Mile and 2 Mile Races  
November 14, 1981

If it's the annual November races it's time to don long Johns and mukluks. Right? Wrong, sweat sock breath! This year person nature provided a balmy almost windless day that was more likely to cause heat exhaustion than frostbite to the seventy thinclds in attendance.

The 2 miles saw Larry Chavez (Portales) edge Quinn Smith (Portales) by but two seconds in a very quick 9:55. Larry's time was but three seconds short of Marc Johnson's record set six years ago. It does supplant Jimmy Whitney's old club members record, however. Robert Mitchell of Texas Tech garnered third place. Robert Guajardo (Levelland) edged Shane Cunningham (Abernathy) at the tape to easily capture the 30 and over Division in 10:58. Shane broke his old high school club member's mark by nearly a minute to get a PR. Tim Wilkens (Lubbock) won the High School and Under Division in posting a 12:02. The Ladies Division belonged to Donna Repman (Midland) on this day as she coasted the route in 12:45.

The hilly and scenic 13 miles was won handily by Bert Torres (Lubbock) who broke away from Cliff McCurdy (Lubbock) to win by more than a minute in posting an excellent 1:12:35. Kip Leyba (Lubbock) and Steve Stallings (Stanton) vied for third place in a time of 1:15:17. Corky Fritch (Amarillo) edged Ron Shew (Lubbock) by four seconds to capture the 30-39 Division in 1:18:48. Ron broke the 30-39 club member's record of Bobby Cunningham.

Bobby Cunningham (Abernathy), fighting the flu bug, won the 40-49 Division in 1:25:42 far off his club mark of 1:18:24. George Jury (Lubbock) set a PR of 1:28:06 to take second in the Division. A trio of teenagers Mike Avara (Lubbock), Roger Haynes (Lubbock), and Mike Northup (Plainview) ran very respectable times to take 13, 14, 15th places.

Don Sanderson (Tulia) recovering for some months from a foot injury took honors in the 50 and over Division. Welcome back to competition, Don! A newcomer to club races Diana Hartman (Plainview) won the Ladies Division in 1:32:17. Sherrill Easterling (Coahoma) ran second. Considering how ill she was following the race, Sherrill would probably like to forget the whole experience.

13 MILE RESULTS

			Time	Min/Wi
1.	Bert Torres	23	Lubbock	1:12:35
2.	Cliff McCurdy	27	Lubbock	1:13:41
3.	Kip Leyba	26	Lubbock	1:15:17
4.	Steve Stallings	29	Stanton	1:15:17
5.	Corky Fritch	35	Amarillo	1:18:48
6.	Ron Shew	30	Lubbock	1:18:52
7.	John Trompler	34	Lubbock	1:19:26
8.	Mike Koskan	36	Midland	1:24:48
9.	Bobby Cunningham	41	Abernathy	1:25:42
10.	Dan Fonseca	35	Brownfield	1:27:08
11.	George Jury	45	Lubbock	1:28:06
12.	Randy Johnston	23	Lubbock	1:29:19
13.	Mike Avara	17	Lubbock	1:29:33
14.	Roger Haynes	16	Lubbock	1:31:34
15.	Mike Northrup	15	Plainview	1:31:34
16.	Don Sanderson	51	Julia	1:31:42
17.	Tom Siekman	26	Plainview	1:31:51
18.	Diana Hartman	23	Plainview	1:32:17
19.	James Livermore	34	Lubbock	1:32:42
20.	Lewis Gonzales	33	Odessa	1:33:30
21.	Sherrill Easterling	31	Coahoma	1:35:29
22.	Mike Kelley	32	Lubbock	1:38:25
23.	Charlie Morris	32	Lubbock	1:38:34
24.	Tom Bowser	54	Odessa	1:38:52
25.	Bernard Hartman	47	Lubbock	1:39:26
26.	Mike Roberts	31	Amarillo	1:41:01
27.	Jim Wilhem	31	Lubbock	1:44:30
28.	Terry Barker	27	Lorenzo	1:45:01
29.	Robby Timberlake	33	Levelland	1:45:01
30.	Don Webb	53	Coahoma	1:45:01
31.	Karen Roberts	30	Amarillo	1:48:58
32.	Jan Taylor	25	Lubbock	1:53:07
33.	Jose Trejo	20	Lubbock	1:53:47
34.	Ann Gorchhammer	37	Lubbock	1:53:47
35.	Anna Wrinckle	23	Lubbock	1:58:40
36.	Dub Snodgrass	41	Lubbock	2:01:12
37.	Bob Stites	37	Lubbock	2:09:13
38.	Denise Stites	29	Lubbock	2:17:18
39.	Gene Adams	47	Brownfield	2:25:04
	Gene Coppin	48	Plainview	DNF

2 MILE RESULTS

			Time	Min/Wi
1.	Larry Chavez	22	Portales	4:57.5
2.	Quinn Smith	21	Portales	4:58.5
3.	Robert Mitchell	19	Texas Tech	5:18.5
4.	Robert Guajardo	39	Levelland	5:29.0
5.	Shane Cunningham	19	Abernathy	5:29.5
6.	Chuck Gabbert	21	Clovis	5:55.5
7.	Jimmy Samarron	26	Levelland	5:59.0
8.	Alfonzo Mendoza	24	Levelland	6:00.0
9.	Tim Wilkins	16	Lubbock	6:01.0
10.	Jamie VanDivere	24	Lubbock	6:03.0
11.	Ralph Wolf	44	Abernathy	6:07.5
12.	Bobby Birdsong	41	Levelland	6:08.0
13.	Norman Pittenger	44	El Paso	6:10.0
14.	Bruce Blankenship	32	Lubbock	6:20.5
15.	Donna Repman	19	Midland	6:22.5
16.	Greg Anderle	31	Lubbock	6:48.0
17.	Bob Gardner	59	---	6:53.0
18.	Scott Hale	12	Lubbock	6:57.5
19.	Doug Hale	37	Lubbock	6:59.0
20.	Kurt Kocski	25	Midland	7:05.5
21.	Wally Hatch	22	Plainview	7:21.5
22.	Jerry Whitten	38	Canyon	7:24.0
23.	Jimmy Whitten	8	Canyon	8:10.0
24.	Renee Roybal	11	Clovis	8:16.5
25.	Shannon Birdsong	10	Levelland	8:37.0
26.	Robin Prochaska	21	Lubbock	8:44.5
27.	Cheri Livermore	34	Lubbock	9:12.5
28.	Vicki Mack	29	Lubbock	9:44.5
29.	Mary Pettit	35	Lubbock	9:47.0
30.	Wilma Webb	48	Coahoma	12:57.0

2 MILE AWARDS

High School & Under

1. Tim Wilkins
2. Scott Hale
3. Jimmy Whitten

Open

1. Larry Chavez
2. Quinn Smith
3. Robert Mitchell

30 & Over

1. Robert Guajardo
2. Ralph Wolf
3. Bobby Birdsong

Ladies

1. Donna Repman
2. Renee Roybal
3. Robin Prochaska
4. Cheri Livermore

13 MILE AWARDS

Open

1. Bert Torres
2. Cliff McCurdy
3. Kip Leyba

30-39

1. Corky Fritch
2. Ron Shew
3. John Trompler

40-49

1. Bobby Cunningham
2. George Jury
3. H. Bernard Hartman

50 & Over

1. Don Sanderson
2. Tom Bowser
3. Don Webb

Ladies

1. Diana Hartman
2. Sherrill Easterling
3. Karen Roberts

Several WTRC members competed in the Amarillo National Bank 10K Classic on October 17, 1981. Results were as follows:

10K RESULTS

<u>Overall</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Division</u>	<u>Finish</u>	<u>Time</u>
5	Quinn Smith	4		32:42
8	Bobby Cunningham	1		34:20
13	Corky Fritch	4		35:50
25	John Franknecht	9		37:36
40	Chris Martinez	13		38:57
41	David Metcalf	9		38:58
52	Don Sanderson	1		39:58
65	Shane Cunningham	14		40:50
84	James Livermore	35		41:59
87	Don Kephart	20		42:06
139	Jim Wilhelm	55		45:13
143	Warren Brown	5		45:38
194	Ann Gordhamer	1		48:04
214	Tracy Skeen	81		49:10

2 MILE RESULTS

1	Bobby Cunningham	1	10:01
2	Larry Chavez	1	10:04
4	Shane Cunningham	2	11:18
80	Cheri Livermore	12	17:53

Buddy Wise recently renewed his membership and included an extra \$45.00 donation. Thanks for the help, Buddy!

In our report of the 1981 Clovis Half Marathon results we failed to include Randy Johnston's performance. He covered the course in a fine time of 1:30:15, finishing 18th overall. Randy is a Ph.D. student at Texas Tech and moved here from St. Louis, Missouri. It's a pleasure to have Randy running with us.

CURRENT 1981-82 WTRC  
AWARD STANDINGS

At this point in our club year (which runs from July 1981 through June 1981) leaders are emerging, but there is a lot of time left! Here are the current standings in the categories for which awards will be given next July.

ATTENDANCE AWARD

5 Races

Doug Hale  
H. B. Hartman  
Don Kephart  
Mike Kelley  
Cliff McCurdy  
Robby Timberlake

4 Races

Terry Barker  
Bobby Birdsong  
Bobby Cunningham  
Sherill Easterling  
Cheri Livermore  
James Livermore  
Donna Repman  
Steve Stallings  
M. Dale Tervooren  
John Trompler  
James Whitten

MILEAGE AWARD

	<u>No. Miles</u>
1. Mike Kelley	43
2. Robby Timberlake	43
3. James Livermore	37
4. Bobby Cunningham	35
5. John Trompler	34
6. Terry Barker	33
7. Sherill Easterling	33
8. H. B. Hartman	33
9. Don Kephart	30
Steve Stallings	30

SIXTH ANNUAL PALO DURO MARATHON AND FOUR MILE RUN  
"The Southwest's Most Scenic Course"

Sponsored by the West Texas Running Club,  
The Hub, and Jockey International

DATE: Saturday, January 9, 1982

TIME: Marathon 11:00 a.m. - 4 Mile 11:30 a.m.

LOCATION: As shown on the map, the sign-in table will be located near the SE end of Palo Duro Canyon State Park. This will also be the starting location for the Marathon.

ENTRY FEE: \$5.00 all divisions of Marathon.

\$5.00 for 4-Mile open, 30-39, 30 & above, and 40 & above.

\$3.00 for 4-Mile 12 & under, 13-15, and High School Divisions.

There will be a Late Registration Fee of \$1:00 for all runners whose entry has not been received by January 8.

COURSE: MARATHON: The course is located entirely within beautiful Palo Duro Canyon State Park. It will consist of 3 miles out and back and four laps around a looped course. The course will be entirely on asphalt roads and is undulating. High and low elevation points on the loop are approximately 2,880 and 2,765 feet. The Canyon offers a relatively sheltered location. Temperatures in the Canyon normally average several degrees warmer than on the table land above. The Canyon also offers some protection on a windy day. The course is certified by the AAU standards committee.

FOUR MILE: Will be run around the same loop that the marathoners will use, but will not complete a full loop.

VICTORS AWARD, MEN'S

Opponents Defeated

1. Cliff McCurdy 199  
2. Steve Stallings 177  
3. John Trompler 136  
4. Bobby Cunningham 128  
5. Robert Guadardo 123  
6. H. B. Hartman 121  
7. Herbert Perez 115  
8. Doug Hale 111  
9. Gary Jenkins 109

VICTORS AWARD, WOMEN'S

Opponents Defeated

1. Donna Repman 98  
2. Sherill Easterling 81  
3. Mary Ann Whitten 77  
4. Paula Harrison 41  
5. Cheri Livermore 29

DIVISIONS:

	<u>Marathon</u>	<u>4-Mile</u>	<u>Female</u>
	Open	12 & Under	12 & Under
	High School	13 - 15	13 - 15
	30 - 39	High School	High School
	40 - 49	Open	Open
	50 & Over	30 - 39	30 & Above
	Ladies	40 & Above	

AWARDS:

Marathon - First place overall - Champion's Trophy  
First place each division - runners watch  
Trophies to first six places each division

4-Mile - Trophies to first six places in High School, Open men, 30-39, 40 and above divisions.

Trophies to first three places in Open women, 30 and over  
Medals to first six places in 12 and under, 13-15 divisions

Additional medal awards may be given in each division depending upon the number of entries.

T-shirts to all competitors in both races except for the following 4-Mile divisions: 12 and under, 13-15 and High School. T-shirts for the 12 and under, 13-15 and High School divisions may be purchased for \$2.00.

COME ON OUT TO THE RACES!  
We'll keep you posted on these standings in the coming months, so

A further note...in the Recruiter's Award department, Sherill Easterling is leading with 5, James Livermore has 3, and several members are tied at 1.

**WAIVER OF RESPONSIBILITY**

In consideration of my entry acceptance in the West Texas Running Club's Palo Duro Canyon Marathon and Four-Mile Run to be held on January 9, 1982, I do hereby, for myself, my heirs and executors, release and forever discharge any and all rights and claims for damages which I may have or which may accrue to me against the West Texas Running Club, The Hub, Jockey International, The State of Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, and The State of Texas of their respective officers, agents and employees, for any and all damages which may be suffered by me in connection with my participation in said run.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

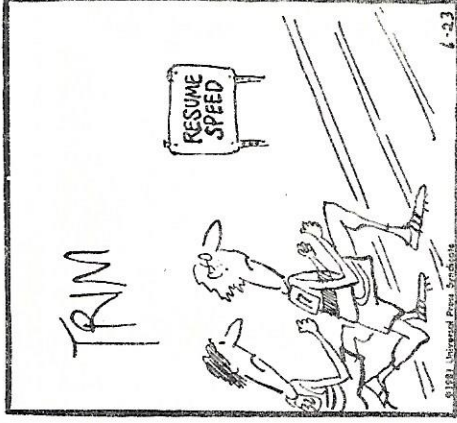
Signature of Parent or Guardian, if a minor \_\_\_\_\_

Please enter me in the Palo Duro Canyon \_\_\_\_\_ Marathon \_\_\_\_\_ Four Mile Run (Check One) on January 9, 1982. My entry fee and waiver of responsibility are enclosed. PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ AGE \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
COMPETING IN (DIVISION) \_\_\_\_\_ T-SHIRT SIZE \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks or money orders payable to "The West Texas Running Club".  
Mail entry blank with entry fee and signed waiver of responsibility to:

Bob Dunbar  
6526 Fulton  
Amarillo, Texas 79109

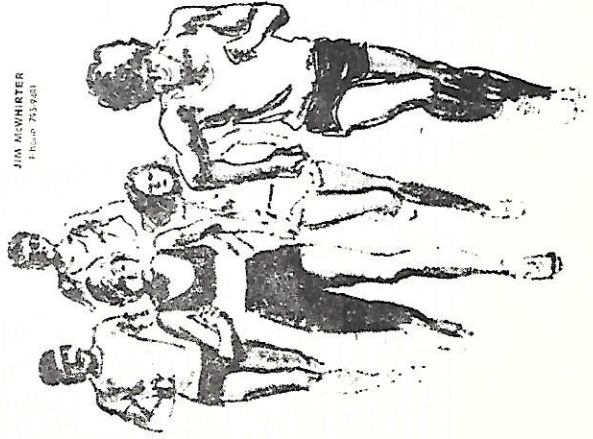


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# Running Commentary

by Joe Henderson

On the face of it, it makes no sense to run marathons.

What is a marathon, anyway? Twenty-six miles, 385 yards. Forty-two kilometers, 193 meters. The people who devised this race didn't have the good sense to make it an even distance, in either the mile or the metric system.

What purpose does running a marathon serve? I'm skeptical whenever anyone tells me, "it makes me feel so healthy." Maybe some of the early training makes a runner healthy. But as George Sheehan and others have written, health is a stage you pass through on the way to getting racing fit. Much of the later, more serious training for marathons and the race itself should carry a "Caution: may be hazardous to your health!" warning.

An Eastern podiatrist, a marathoner himself, told me recently, "I know without looking at the race schedule if there has been a marathon over the weekend. Starting on Monday morning and continuing all week, my office is filled with the casualties of the race."

We can't be going to these lengths because it makes us feel more alive and energetic, either. The hollow-eyed, glazed stare of a runner in the 26th-mile, post-collapse-point "survival shuffle" is proof this can't be true. So are the fanatics who hang limply on each other, too weak to stand alone.

It's absurd to think we run marathons because we like to travel, because we're running too hard and with too much concentration to know whether we're passing through a park or the city dump. Anyway, most marathon courses don't go anywhere except back to where they started.

Well, then, do we do it for the competition, the chance to be a winner, to earn prizes? Not in the usual meanings of these words. Not one marathoner in a hundred is rewarded for placing well, or runs for that reason, or knows or cares as much about the winner as he does about himself.

Maybe that's the point of marathon-ing. So many people are running the distance now because it means something to them personally. It's a big athletic goal they can reach with their own sweat, not second-hand through a TV screen. Whether the goal has any

emphasize the event, there are 50 asking for details on how to build up to that distance and how to enter races.

The marathon is meaningful because it gives a focus to the long-distance sport in general and to individual running careers in particular. It is the only distance above 10,000 meters with a history going back many centuries, with legends of its own and with an Olympic tradition. It is an "ultimate" toward which an everyday runner can climb. Marathon runners don't just run marathons. They race at shorter and sometimes longer distances, and they train for all of their races.

When promoters create a marathon, they form more than a single race. A full program of races often grows up in the area to supplement the big one, because the marathoners aren't satisfied with one race a year. The shorter races in turn serve as developmental steps for would-be marathoners and as ends for non-marathoners. Runners create races and racing opportunities create new runners.

The first goal of the new marathoner is finishing. And to finish, he has to train longer than before. This training is a sneaky way of exposing him to other good but not so obvious things about running: the passively adjusting sensations of runs beyond a half-hour, the habit of maintaining a demanding schedule, the temporary stress and ultimate satisfaction of sub-marathon races, the support of a group on long training runs.

Once the ambition of "I just want to finish" is satisfied, the new goal becomes time—improving one's own best time, running a time which all marathon runners understand and appreciate, a time which has no intrinsic value but as much meaning as we place upon it.

Times are important because everyone who runs can have one, and because the prospect of improving it is a driving force which keeps many marathoners running.

Boston Marathon officials have caused a brouhaha by applying rigid qualifying standards to the race. The decision was made to limit the size of the race field, and I can find fault with this way of doing it.

But the entry limits have had a good side-effect. Will Cloney and Jack Sample of the sponsoring Boston AA are absolutely right when they say, "Our standards have helped raise the level of marathoning in this country." They have caused runners to work harder and aim harder. •

purpose is irrelevant so long as it has meaning.

This was Mark Twain's definition of play—any activity which has meaning but no purpose. We forget sometimes that marathoning is just play—a sport, a game. And we waste too much time trying to find the purpose in it and to explain it in purposeful, practical terms.

Maybe it's time to admit that running 26.22 miles is as irrational and illogical as batting a fuzzy ball back and forth across a fence, chasing a little white ball across a pasture, or committing assault and battery between two sets of goal posts. None of these games serves any great purpose, none has any great importance to the survival of mankind, but they all have great meaning to the people involved. That's all we should ask of our play.

Marathoning has whatever meaning we runners, by ourselves and as a group, decide to give it. And we've decided to give it more than any other event in long-distance running—perhaps more than all the other races combined.

No other race gets a special issue of *RUN* devoted to it, and the marathon has two each year (this month's and the June review of the Boston race). We cater to the marathoners by listing every race they can run and by publishing all the men's and women's times under certain liberal standards. Yet we've never thought of doing the same for, say, the 15-kilometer run because it doesn't carry the same meaning as the marathon.

By mid-February, the same letters which have arrived every year that we've published Marathon Yearbooks will come again. They'll read, "Why do you give so much emphasis to the marathon? The race is overrated, and you are responsible."

I thought this was true myself once, and I said it in print. I thought if we gave as much attention to 15 kilometers as to the marathon, it would take on similar importance. I was' wrong. That was as naive as thinking the women's shot put could become as much a glamor event as the mile run.

The marathon is special to long-distance runners, and it will stay that way. Evidence of this is in the mail I read. For every letter telling us to de-

