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WALKER OF THE WEEK

When 9 year old **Angus Hay** had his first walk with the Victorian Race Walking Club in April 2013, he recorded the rather inauspicious time of 8:56 for the U9 1km. When you look at Angus now, as a 12 year old, you would hardly recognize him as the same walker. He laboured through a series of disqualifications in that first season as he tried to master the technique and, to his credit, he was successful. During this last winter season, he has regularly broken his PBs week by week and is showing the benefits of hard work and determination. Yesterday he competed in the U16 1500m walk at the School Sport Victoria Schools Championships at Lakeside Stadium in Albert Park, coming 4th in a PB **8:32.43**. Well done Angus - you are my Walker of the Week.





Angus Hay - then (2009) and now (2016)

WHAT'S COMING UP

- Athletics Victoria Shield continues next Saturday 22 October with Zone vs Zone competitions for the 4 metropolitan regions. As per the AV website, venues for this week are as shown below. Walks this week are 3000m and 1500m.
 - Blue Zone vs Red Zone, Ballan Park, Frankston
 - ° Yellow Zone vs White Zone, Moonee Valley Athletics Track, Aberfeldie
 - Ballarat Zone, Llanberris Reserve, Ballarat
 - Geelong Zone, Landy Field, Geelong
 - Bendigo Zone, La Trobe University Track, Bendigo

It's a bit different this year in that competitors should now pre-enter events via the AV website. Victorian walkers can check out the full AV summer calendar at http://athsvic.org.au/wp-content/uploads/Summer-Calendar-2016-17-3.pdf.

• The 2016 Hong Kong MTR Racewalking Carnival will be held on Sunday 23rd October in Hong Kong. Good luck to Aussies Tyler Jones and Zoe Hunt. See http://www.hkaaa.com/en/comp_details.php?id=78)

- The inaugural African Centurion 24 Hour Qualifying Walk is to held on Robben Island in South Africa this coming weekend. We have a large field including an amazing eleven walkers from the Isle of Man Suzannah Corkill, Janette Morgan, Chris Cale, Robbie Callister, Richard Gerrard, Vinny Lynch, Pete Miller, James Quirk, Dave Walker and adopted Manxies Werner Alberts and Philip Vermeulen. The entry list at http://www.africancenturion.com/athletes.html reads a bit like a Who's Who of centurion walking. Good luck to Australian centurion John Kilmartin!
- The 21st World Masters T&F Champs start in just over one week's time in Perth (see http://www.perth2016.com) and will run from 26th October until 6th November. Full entry list at http://www.perth2016.com/the-event/list-of-entrants/. Walks are scheduled on the following dates

Wed 26 October
Thu 27 October
Mon 31 October
Fri 4 November

Thu 27 October
Mon 31 October
Solom Walks Women
10km Road Walks
20km Road Walks

Looking further ahead, AA, AV and VRWC will be conducting a Walk Judging Seminar on Saturday 10th December 2016 in Melbourne. The Seminar is open to those interested in becoming Walk Judges and for existing Judges to upgrade. Details as follows

Venue: Blackmans Hotel, St Kilda Rd, Melbourne

Date: Saturday 10th December, 2016

9.00am: Registration

9.30am-12.00pm: General seminar for level 1-3 with Bob Cruise and Zoe Eastwood-Bryson

12.00pm-1.00pm: Lunch

1.00pm: Exams (bring a laptop)

No late or on the day applications. Contact Diane Lowden for an application form ($\underline{\text{dilowden@virginbroadband.com.au}}$)

Registrations close with Diane on 25th November 2016

A further reminder that registrations are now open for our annual VRWC Falls Creek Summer Racewalk Camp. It will
run from Friday 30th December 2016 to Thursday 12th January 2017. See http://www.vrwc.org.au/vrwc-fallscreek.shtml for
further details. We already have 13 of our 24 available places booked so don't leave it too much longer.

AV SHIELD ROUND 2, AROUND VICTORIA, SATURDAY 15 OCTOBER

One final results set to finish reporting on Round 1 with the Ballarat zone from Llanberris Reserve in Ballarat.

AV Shield Round 1, Ballarat Zone, Llanberris Reserve, Ballarat, Saturday 9 October

3000m Walk

1.	Dowie, Ellen	W99	EUREKA ATHLETIC	18:08.93
2.	McLennan, Phillip	M68	WENDOUREE ATHLET	19:23.24
3.	Mclennan, Stephen	M64	WENDOUREE ATHLET	19:27.22

1500m Walk

1. Peart, Alanna W03 BALLARAT YCW HAR 7:30.00

And now onto Round 2 which was held last Saturday in our 7 regions. The walk distances on offer were 5000m and 3000m walks and conditions were generally very windy but dry. Being longer distance walks, the number of walkers was down overall as expected.

AV Shield Round 2, Red Zone, Tom Kelly Reserve, Doncaster, Saturday 15 October

Doncaster saw the largest 5000m field with **Adam Garganis** in control with 23:20.0. Special mentions to masters walkers **James Christmass** (PB 23:32.4) and **Donna-Marie Elms** (PB 30:18.0) who are in fine form ahead of the World Masters in Perth. On the 3000m front, **Emmet Brasier** returned to walking mode after a quiet winter with a very good 13:46.3, ahead of **Michelle Laufer** 15:17.8.

5000m Walk

1.	Garganis, Adam	M19	COLLINGWOOD	23:20.0	
2.	Christmass, James	M49	INVITATIONAL	23:32.4	PB 0:12
3.	McDonough, Aaron	M44	PRESTON ATHL	25:07.6	
4.	Smyth, David	M47	COLLINGWOOD	28:03.1	
5.	Elms, Donna-Marie	W55	PRESTON ATHL	30:18.0	
6.	Hawkins, Trenton	M37	PRESTON ATHL	30:27.2	
7.	Brown, Tammarah	W17	RICHMOND HAR	46:56.1	
8.	Campbell, Donna	W46	PRESTON ATHL	48:01.9	
	McMahon, Dylan	M16	DIAMOND VALL	DQ	

3000m Walk

1.	Brasier, Emmet	M18	DIAMOND VALL	13:46.3
2.	Laufer, Michelle	W47	COLLINGWOOD	15:17.8
3.	Dynes, William	M14	DIAMOND VALL	17:23.0
4.	Keirl, Bernie	M53	DIAMOND VALL	18:08.5
5.	Reid, Ross	M62	COLLINGWOOD	18:14.4
6.	Lazar, Dennis	M60	DIAMOND VALL	19:44.4
7.	McLennan, Liam	M11	DONCASTER AT	21:43.9
8.	McLennan, Laura	W40	DONCASTER AT	21:56.9
9.	Brasier, Caitlin	W26	DIAMOND VALL	22:29.5
10.	Rudston-Brown, Caitlyn	W15	WHITTLESEA C	24:07.3

AV Shield Round 2, Yellow Zone, Newport Park Athletics Facility, Williamstown, Saturday 15 October

Former NZ Olympian **Scott Nelson** was the standout at Williamstown with 15:53.85 for the 3000m. U14 walker **Heath Beveridge** also walked excellently for a big PB of 17:02.28. And well done to **Madeleine Feain** who led the 5000m walkers home with 32:46.7.

5000m V	Walk				
1.	Feain, Madeleine	W	KEILOR ST BERNAR	32:46.70	
2.	Lewis, Leandar	M	WYNDHAM TRACK AN	38:50.50	
3.	Kunig, Krystal	\mathbf{W}	KEILOR ST BERNAR	40:03.60	
4.	Margiolis, Joanna	W	ATHLETICS ESSENDON	42:40.70	
3000m V	Walk				
1.	Nelson, Scott	M	WYNDHAM TRACK AN	15:53.85	
2.	Kennedy, Paul	M	KEILOR ST BERNAR	16:22.23	
3.	Beveridge, Heath	M	WESTERN ATHLETICS	17:02.28	PB 0:21
4.	Erickson, Tim	M	COBURG HARRIERS	17:54.13	
5.	Knox, Duncan	M	ATHLETICS ESSENDON	18:54.71	
6.	Abfalter, Maria	W	KEILOR ST BERNAR	19:02.13	
7.	Anderson, Brian	M	ATHLETICS ESSENDON	19:05.80	
8.	Dunstone, Phillip	M	WESTERN ATHLETICS	19:32.25	
9.	Kapetanovic, Tania	W	KEILOR ST BERNAR	20:07.78	

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Thanks to Gerard Feain for some great photos.

10. McGoughan, Tracy

11. Hodgart, Janice

12. Cashin, Brenda





KEILOR ST BERNAR

WESTERN ATHLETICS

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20:27.71

21:44.02

24:28.97



Scott Nelson (left) and Heath Beveridge (right) in action in Williamstown last Saturday (photos Gerard Feain)

AV Shield Round 2, White Zone, Bill Sewart Athletics Track, East Burwood, Saturday 15 October

Much smaller than normal fields in the White Zone at East Burwood where **Jason Kozica** (26:11.4) and **Sandra Geisler** (27:49.7) were best in the 5000m and **Russ Dickenson** (18:47.6) and **Lee Taylor** (21:18.7) were best in the 3000m.

5000m V	5000m Walk					
1.	Kozica, Jason	M87	ST KEVINS ATHLET	26:11.4		
2.	Evans, Simon	M60	BOX HILL ATHLETI	27:18.9		
3.	Geisler, Sandra	W77	RINGWOOD ATHLETI	27:49.7		
4.	Muldoon, Wendy	W71	ATHLETICS NUNAWA	28:26.4		
5.	Knight, Cassandra	W94	BOX HILL ATHLETI	29:14.9		
6.	Rosenbrock, Carolyn	W62	ATHLETICS NUNAWA	29:55.5		
7.	McCann, Adam	M76	ATHLETICS NUNAWA	39:39.2		
3000m V	3000m Walk					
1.	Dickenson, Russ	M45	VICTORIAN MASTER	18:47.6		
2.	Taylor, Lee	W01	YARRA RANGES ATH	21:18.7		
3.	Molnar, Joanne	W61	ATHLETICS WAVERLEY	23:37.8		
4.	Meager, Sharron	W59	BOX HILL ATHLETI	25:30.7		

AV Shield Round 2, Ballarat Zone, Llanberris Reserve, Ballarat, Saturday 15 October

Alas, only 1 walker in action in Ballarat according to the results, but well done to **Ellen Dowie** who was just 3 secs outside her PB.

5000m Walk

1. Dowie, Ellen W99 EUREKA ATHLETIC 31:21.67

AV Shield Round 2, Bendigo Zone, La Trobe University Track, Bendigo, Saturday 16 October

Bendigo Walkers Club coach **Paul Rance** dusted off the racing shoes before the WMA champs in Perth with an impressive 28:52.85 in the 5000m while Zahra Hayes took out the 3000m with **15:31.11**.

5000m	5000m Walk					
1.	Paul Rance	M58	UNATTACHED	28:52.85		
3000m	Walk					
1.	Zahra Hayes	W15	SOUTH BENDIGO	15:31.11		
2.	Amanda Heard	W21	EAGLEHAWK	16:33.78		
3.	Peter Curtis	M22	SOUTH BENDIGO	16:42.38		
4.	Barbara Bryant	W62	EAGLEHAWK	17:26.32		
5.	Madison Hill	W16	SOUTH BENDIGO	18:03.66		
6.	John Carter	M66	SOUTH BENDIGO	22:10.87		
7.	John Watson	M66	BENDIGO HARRIERS	23:14.51		
	Ebony Whiley	W21	EAGLEHAWK	DNF		

Alas, no results yet from Cranbourne or Geelong. Check later at http://athsvic.org.au/events/competitions/avcompetitions/av-shield/.

AV Shield Round 2, Blue Zone, Casey Fields, Cranbourne East, Saturday 15 October

AV Shield Round 2, Geelong Zone, Landy Field, Geelong, Saturday 15 October

BRWC JARED TALLENT 1.5KM HANDICAP, LAKE WENDOUREE, BALLARAT, SUNDAY 16 OCTOBER

Thanks to Kerrie Peart for the latest news from the Ballarat Race Walking Club in country Victoria. She reports:

It is not every day you get to say you raced against an Olympic Champion. It was certainly the case for our BRWC walkers this weekend, when racing royalty, aka **Jared Tallent**, came to try his luck at winning the race in his honour. However it was young **Jorja Tallent** who began strongly off scratch to show a clean pair of heels to hold off the field, taking 1st place in 10:46. The fast finishing **Scott Peart** and **Kayla Bridges** have continued to improve over the past few races, and both set new PB's when chasing down Jorja, finishing 2nd and 3rd respectively. **Fraser Saunder** and **James Pendred** also set new PB's.

With impeccable speed and style, Jared produced a great display of race walking to the crowd who had gathered to watch the star in action. Alas it was to no avail, as Jared was only able to pass his former mentor **Daryl Biggin** in the last stage of the race. It is to Jared's credit, he takes time out of his busy schedule to return to the BRWC (which he does regularly), sharing his medals with the crowd, and joining in the race and chatting to the kids, as well as attending Ballarat Little Athletics the day before. Jared is truly an inspiration to us all - young and old.

1.5km Jared Tallent Handicap

1.	Jorja Tallent	10:46	First one
2.	Scott Peart	8:51	PB 0.14
3.	Kayla Bridges	9:34	PB 0.02
4.	Fraser Saunder	8:12	PB 0.15
5.	Keelan Perry	10:23	
6.	James Pendred	9:54	PB 1.25
7.	Brodie Tallent	10:41	First one
8.	Mia Darlow	10:23	
9.	Alanna Peart	7:46	
10.	Jared Tallent	6:34	
11.	Daryl Biggin	9:44	





Jared with the BRWC group on Sunday morning and with handicap winner Jorja Tallent (photos Kerrie Peart)

SCHOOL SPORT VICTORIA SECONDARY T&F CHAMPIONSHIPS, ALBERT PARK, MONDAY 17 OCTOBER

The School Sport Victoria Secondary Schools Championships were held yesterday at Lakeside Stadium in Albert Park, with 1500m walks for U15 and U20. Well done to winners **Kyle Swan** (6:09.42), **Alanna Peart** (7:24.2), **Hayden Walmsley** (6:53.96) and **Bec Henderson** (approx 6:48).

Boys U16-20 1500m Walk

1.	Kyle Swan	17	Melbourne HS	6:09.42	PB 0:11
2.	Reese Walmsley	18	Rowville SC	6:36.81	PB 0:08
	Max Houliston	20	Oberon HS	DQ	
	Emmett Braiser	18	Viewbank C	DQ	
	Christopher McMahon	20	Oberon HS	DQ	
Girls U1	16-20 1500m Walk				
1.	Alanna Peart	13	Ballarat HS	7:24.02	
2.	Charlotte Hay	13	Brentwood SC	7:35.18	
3.	Bree Ferguson	16	Grovedale C	8:28.99	
4.	Taylor Lee	16	Glen Waverley SC	8:39.40	
5.	Camille Nightingale	16	Mordialloc C	12:30.18	
	Annie Vasili	17	Melbourne GC	DQ	
Boys U1	2-15 1500m Walk				
1.	Hayden Walmsley	15	Rowville SC	6:53.96	Eq PB
2.	Nikola Mandic	13	Fountain Gate SC	7:06.29	
3.	Joseph Rickard	15	Mornington SC	8:24.60	
4.	Angus Hay	13	Brentwood SC	8:32.43	PB 0:12
5.	Brenton O'Brien	15	Wanganui Park SC	8:39.19	

6. 7.	Ethan Wright Brady Ferguson	15 13	Viewbank C Grovedale C	8:42.05 9:45.18	
	Tyler Davis	14	Ballarat HS	DQ	
	Peter Panopoulos	13	Northcote HS	DQ	
ls U12-15 1500m Walk					

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1.	Bec Henderson	15	Berwick SC	6:48 (approx)
2.	Zahra Hayes	15	Rochester SC	7:09.37
3.	Chloe Karagiorgos	15	Wantirna C	7:18.17 PB 0:02
4.	Jasmin Hass	14	Ringwood SC	7:50.71 PB 0:19
5.	Carissa Brook	13	Catholic Coll Bendigo	8:00.34
6.	Jasmine Colbert	13	Berwick SC	8:13.36
7.	Anika Jones	14	Ballarat HS	8:30.27
8.	Charlotte Holmes	13	St Helena SC	8:36.64
9.	Amaliya Taylor	13	Bellarine SC	8:50.01
10.	Prue Crook	14	Buckley Park C	9:44.95
	Grace Young	13	Northcote HS	DQ





Rebecca Henderson, Kyle Swan, Reese and Hayden Walmsley, Chloe Karagiorgos and Zahra Hayes (photo Cathy Henderson)

BENDIGO WALKERS CLUB REPORT

Thanks to Paul Rance for the results and race reports for the last couple of walks in Bendigo, country Victoria.

Bendigo Walkers Club Road Walks, Lake Neangar, Bendigo, Wednesday 5 October

On Wednesday 5th October, the Bendigo Walkers Club's 2016 competition re-commenced after a short recess following the Winter Season, with 0.8km and 4km sealed handicap events being held. In the 0.8km event Oscar Fox scored a strong victory with his younger sister Amber Fox 2nd and Caitlyn Tozer 3rd, all 3 place getters producing personal best efforts.

The 4km race saw Jennie Payne produce a personal best to secure a narrow victory over Annette Curtis, also with a PB, with Bill Lotherington in 3rd place.

4km Handicap Walk			0.8km H	Iandicap Walk	
1.	Jennie Payne	24.49	1.	Oscar Fox	4.45
2.	Annette Curtis	27.50	2.	Amber Fox	5.36
3.	Bill Lotherington	28.31	3.	Caitlyn Tozer	5.41
4.	Barb Bryant	23.15	4.	Peter Curtis	3.45
5.	Paul Rance	22.18	5.	Sheridan Commons	5.10
6.	Norm West	33.26	6.	Ebony Whiley	4.02
7.	Zahra Hayes	21.19	7.	John Carter	5.52
8.	Geoff Major	35.21			

Bendigo Walkers Club Track Walks, La Trobe University Track, Bendigo, Wednesday 12 October

1200m and 2400m handicap events were held last Wednesday 12th October. In the 1200m, current U9 State Little Athletics champion **Jasmine Murphy** raced to a strong victory, with **Amber Fox** in 2nd place with a PB and Jasmine's older sister **Charlotte Murphy** taking 3rd place and fastest time, while **Oscar Fox** and **Caitlyn Tozer** also produced personal bests to finish close up.

The 2400m saw the same two athletes from the previous week taking a 1-2 finish, with **Jennie Payne** showing excellent form leading into the World Masters Championships to win for the 2^{nd} week in succession and **Annette Curtis** once again close up in 2^{nd} place, both athletes producing PBs. **Peter Curtis** took 3^{nd} place just in front of **Carissa Brook**, with Carissa also walking to a PB while **Zahra Hayes** took fastest time honours.

2400m Handicap Walk		1200m l	Handicap Walk		
1.	Jennie Payne	14.12	1.	Jasmine Murphy	7.27
2.	Annette Curtis	14.46	2.	Amber Fox	8.13
3.	Peter Curtis	12.47	3.	Charlotte Murphy	7.06
4.	Carissa Brook	13.18	4.	Oscar Fox	7.09
5.	Barb Bryant	13.26	5.	Sheridan Commons	8.04
6.	Norm West	19.20	6.	Caityln Tozer	8.44
7.	Zahra Hayes	12.22			
8.	Madison Hill	14.29			
9.	John Carter	18.17			
10.	Annette Major	16.19			
11.	Geoff Major	21.52			

SAMA TRACK WALKS SA ATHLETICS STADIUM.MILE END, ADELAIDE, WEDNESDAY 12 OCTOBER 2016

And now to other races from around Australia. Thanks to Colin Hainsworth for this week's results from the South Australian Masters in Adelaide - cool and calm conditions. Biggest effort of the night probably came from **Kim Mottrom** – 1000m walk in 4:03, 800m run in 2:34, 5000m run in 19:26 and finally a 3000m walk in 13:27. Not too shabby at all!

1000m V	Valk			
1.	Marie Maxted	06:02	W56	72.04%
2.	Kerry Goode	06:40	W41	57.59%
3.	Cherie Rothery	06:32	W46	61.17%
4.	Peter Fullager	06:37	M73	73.38%
5.	David Robertson	08:42	M83	64.39%
6.	Graham Harrison	07:43	M73	62.92%
7.	Kim Mottrom	04:41	M32	71.81%
8.	Rhiannon Lovegrove	05:22		
9.	Harry Hayford	08:14	M64	53.07%
3000m Walk				
1.	Marie Maxted	17:35	W56	78.42%
2.	Gil McIntosh	19:31	M66	71.97%
3.	Kim Mottrom	13:28	M32	78.76%
4.	Richard Moyle	22:52	M60	57.67%
5.	Dave Fallon	24:31	M64	56.05%
6.	Graham Harrison	21:38	M73	70.65%
7.	Rhiannon Lovegrove	15:54		
8.	Colin Hainsworth	24:53	M86	74.84%
9.	David Robertson	25:09	M83	70.35%
10.	Bill Starr	23:15	M74	66.61%

ACT WALKERS CLUB TRACK WALKS, AIS TRACK, BRUCE, THURSDAY 13 OCTOBER

Thanks to Robin Whyte for this week's resuls from the ACT Racewalking Club in Canberra. Good to see Rio Olympian **Brendon Reading** back in action with a fast 8:11 for the 2000m.

2000m V	Walk		1200m	walk	
1.	Brendon Reading	8:11	1.	Sidney Shaw	06:48
2.	Connor Frew	8:51	2.	Harry Baker	08:21
3.	Callum Burns	9:19	3.	Wendy Kupkee	08:56
4.	Gabby Hunt	9:51			
5.	Mitchell Baker	9:54			
6.	Spencer Burns	10:24			
7.	Laura Burns	10:24			

8.	Ann Staunton-Jugovic	10:35
9.	Hannah Manning	10:49
10.	Peter Baker	10:57
11.	Kate Black	11:48
12.	Robin Whyte	12:19
13.	Bryan Thomas	13:38
14.	Ruth Baussmann	14:23
15.	Ella Baker	14:26
16.	Rod Gilchrist	14:27
17.	Jennifer Gilchrist	14:51
18.	Sheryl Greathead	16:03
19.	Margaret McSpadden	16:44
20.	Val Chesterton	16:45
21.	Robert Kennelly	17:36
22.	Jo Klemke	19:15
23.	Gina Etienne	19:15

NSW ALL SCHOOLS CHAMPIONSHIPS, SOPAC, SYDNEY, 13-16 OCTOBER

I counted 59 names in the results for last weekend's NSW All Schools Championships in Sydney. The U14, U15 and U16 3000m walks were first up on Friday evening, with fastest overall going to ACT's **Mitchell Baker** (U16 14:04.50) and **Alannah Pitcher** (U14 14:44.00).

Girls 30	00m Walk 15 Years, Friday	v 14 O	ctober	
1.	Bolton, Hannah	13	Narara Valley High	15:49.35
2.	McMillen, Abbey	15	Killarney He	16:26.85
3.	Lee, Janaya	15	Arndell Angl	16:33.76
4.	Pengilley, Teegan	15	Mt Saint Joseph	16:44.84
5.	Parker, Hannah	14	Monte Saint Angelo	17:09.96
6.	Jennings, Rose	15	South Sydney High	17:15.40
7.	Lee, Davina	15	Hawkesbury High	19:30.89
	Brennan, Elise	14	Internationa	DNF
Boys 300	00m Walk 15 Years, Friday	: 14 O	ctober	
1.	Baker, Mitchell	15	Australian C	14:04.50
2.	Tebbutt, Oscar	15	Henry Kendall High	14:47.78
3.	Dwyer-Hall, Blake	15	Doonside Tec	15:43.56
4.	McGinniskin, Jack	14	West Wallsend High	16:27.71
5.	Mavin, Harrison	15	Northern Bea	16:58.75
Cirls 30	00m Walk 14 Years, Friday	v 14 O	ctoher	
1.	Mills, Haley	13	Plc Sydney Croydon	16:24.01
2.	Robertson, Brittany	14	St Patricks	16:39.25
3.	Hardy, Renee	13	Windsor High School	17:08.09
4.	Johnston, Lily	14	Turramurra High	18:09.44
5.	McManus-Barrett, Caitlin	14	Sydney Girls	18:29.55
6.	Rigney, Paige	14	St Peters Tuggerah	19:01.52
7.	Blake, Tanisha	14	Gorokan High	21:21.21
, .	Vesper, Danielle	13	Berkley Vale High	DNF
Davis 200	00m Walls 14 Vagus Fuidas	. 14 ().	atah au	
1.	00m Walk 14 Years, Friday Blaskett, Hayden	14	Killarney He	15:44.73
2.	Smit, James	14	Pacific Hill	19:51.33
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	00m Walk 13 Years, Friday			
1.	Pitcher, Allanah	13	Terrigal High	14:44.99
2.	Blanch, Emma	13	Caringbah High	15:49.21
3.	Dagher, Sophia	13	Westfields S	16:51.95
4.	Hill, Gabriella	13	Home Schooling	17:08.22
5.	Stanley, Casey	12	Peakhurst High	17:26.03
6.	Thomson, Olivia	12	Mercy Cathol	17:49.15
7.	Martin, Brooke	13	St Agnes Hig	18:09.33
8.	Adra, Amani	12	East Hills G	19:21.39
9.	Scholle, Saskia	13	German Inter	19:58.88
10.	Lee, Dana	13	Hawkesbury High	19:59.06

11.	Lee, Paige	12	Hawkesbury High	20:59.08
Boys 30	00m Walk 13 Years, Frid	ay 14 C	October	
1.	Kemp, Joel	13	Berkley Vale High	15:05.13
2.	Leerberg, Martin	13	Killara High School	15:29.79
3.	Carrothers, Dion	13	Mater Maria	16:42.20
4.	Walter, James	13	Barker College	17:42.49
5.	Davis, George	13	Epping Boys High	18:33.92
6.	Beasley, Jarrod	13	Westfields S	18:48.71
7.	Tebbutt, Archie	12	Henry Kendall High	18:57.74
8.	Murphy, Sam	13	Newington College	19:18.16

The U20, U18 and U17 5000m walks were contested on Saturday, with ACT's Connor Frew (23:14.05) and Chelsea Goodhew (26:12.29) fastest overall.

Girls 50	Girls 5000m Walk 19 Years, Saturday 15 October							
1.	Grujoski, Ally	17	Olsh Kensington	32:39.90				
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Boys 50	Boys 5000m Walk 19 Years, Saturday 15 October							
1.	Chung, Thomas	18	Trinity Grammar	41:26.72				
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	00m Walk 17 Years, Satur			26.42.20				
1.	Goodhew, Chelsea	17	St Pauls Booragul	26:12.29				
2.	McDonald, Jasmyn	17	Carlingford High	26:15.98				
3.	Francis, Lucy	17	Pymble Ladie	27:10.86				
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	00m Walk 17 Years, Satur							
1.	Bedford, Kyle	16	Emmaus Catho	24:50.81				
2.	Thomson, Ryan	16	Emmaus Catho	24:57.87				
3.	Barendregt, Travis	16	St. Clare Ha	26:54.47				
4.	McGinniskin, Cory	17	West Wallsend High	32:12.67				
Cirls 50	00m Walk 16 Years, Satur	day 15	Octobor					
1.	O'Neill, Molly	16	Lambton High	27:25.10				
2.	Henry, Amy	16	Penshurst Gi	31:58.72				
	3.		1 THEHILD OF					
3.	Blake, Tanisha	14	Gorokan High	37:24.87				
Boys 50	00m Walk 16 Years, Satur	dav 15	October					
1.	Frew, Connor	16	Australian C	23:14.05				
2.	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	16	Kincumber High	23:56.30				
	Fraser, Timothy	16	Australian C	24:23.45				
4.	Burns, Callum	16	Australian C	24:53.08				
٦.	Nagle, Dylan	16	Pendle Hill High	DO				
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ATHLETICS ACT SUMMER SERIES NO 2, AIS ATHLETICS TRACK, BRUCE, FRIDAY 14 OCTOBER 2016

With a number of the ACT walkers in Sydney last weekend for the NSW All Schools Champs, only 2 walkers in action on Friday evening in Canberra. Well done to **Matthew Griggs** on a big 3000m PB with 14:12.32.

3000m Walk

1. Matthew Griggs Weston Creek 14:12.32 PB 0:21

1500m Walk

1. Ellen Vahey NCG 9:02.42

WA STATE ALL SCHOOLS CHAMPIONSHIPS, WA ATHLETICS STADIUM, PERTH, 14-16 OCTOBER

The Western Australian All Schools Championships were also contested last weekend, with U14, U16 and U18 divisions on offer. Best efforts to **Declan Tingay** (5000m 24:20.61) and **Ben Reid** (U16 3000m 14:52.23 and U18 5000m 25:58.27).

Girls 3000m Walk U14

1.	Ireland, Hannah	03	ROCKINGHAM	17:12.80
2.	Ralston, Kate	04	ATHLETICS WA	17:57.73
3.	Morales, Richelle	03	ATHLETICS WA	19:14.02
4.	D'Alton, Kayla	03	RIDGEWOOD	24:44.06

Boys 30	00m Walk U14 Davies, Owen Gallagher, Lachlan	03 04	UNIVERSITY OF WA RIDGEWOOD	26:53.11 DQ
Girls 30	00m Walk U16			
1.	Gallagher, Caitlin	02	RIDGEWOOD	19:47.65
Boys 30	00m Walk U16			
1.	Reid, Benjamin	01	ATHLETICS WA	14:52.23
2.	Anderton, Cooper	02	BUNBURY	15:24.70
3.	Millard, Thomas	01	ROCKINGHAM	16:56.16
Girls 50	00m Walk U18			
1.	Jackson, Hayley	99	ATHLETICS WA	28:58.66
Boys 50	00m Walk U18			
1.	Tingay, Declan	99	ATHLETICS WA	24:20.61
2.	Reid, Benjamin	01	ATHLETICS WA	25:58.27
3.	Mann, Bradley	99	RIDGEWOOD	28:59.85
4.	Millard, Thomas	01	ROCKINGHAM	30:40.61

ATHLETICS SA CLUB DAY, SA ATHLETICS STADIUM, MILE END, ADELAIDE, SATURDAY 15 OCTOBER

South Australian walkers stared their Athletics SA season on Saturday with a Club Day at the Mile End stadium, wins going to **Tristan Camilleri** (14:53.52) and **Toby Wilks** (7:19.70).

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1.	Tristan Camilleri	M	COASTAL DISTRICTS	14:53.52
2.	Alix Harlington	M	NORTHERN DISTRICTS	15:15.88
3.	Jayden Goode	M	NORTHERN DISTRICTS	15:17.18
4.	Samantha Findlay	F	SOUTHERN	15:55.91
5.	Rhiannon Lovegrove	F	PORT ADELAIDE	16:00.75
6.	Bethany Cross	F	PEMBROKE	16:18.25
7.	Anna Cross	F	PEMBROKE	16:27.13
8.	Jake Vidler	M	SOUTHERN	17:10.30
9.	Mathew Bruniges	M	SOUTHERN	18:07.99
10.	Mia Wilks	F	UNA	19:38.47
11.	Talisha Skein	F	TEA TREE GULLY	20:55.52
12.	Eloise Sulicich	F	WESTERN DISTRICT	21:47.38
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1500m Walk

1.	Toby Wilks	M	UNA	7:19.70
2.	Kiera Ross	F	ATHLETICS SA	8:44.57
3.	Hayley Goode	F	NORTHERN DISTRICTS	9:06.36
4.	Olivia Phillips	F	UNA	10:06.72
5.	aleesah vidler	F	SOUTHERN	10:19.83

QMA TRACK WALKS, QSAC, BRISBANE, SATURDAY 15 OCTOBER

Only a small walks field in the weekly Queensland Masters T&F meet in Brisbane last Saturday.

5000m Walk

1.	Peter Bennett	M60	Brisbane	25:15.33	88.82%
2.	Patrick Sela	M77	GC & Sthrn	37:10.44	71.92%
3.	Noela McKinven	W74	Brisbane	41:51.29	67.33%
	Russell Grigg	M89	Brisbane	DNF	
	Dean Nipperess	M45	GC & Sthrn	DNF	

SOUTH COAST 10-19 YRS T&F TRIALS, GOLD COAST CITY ATHLETIC TRACK, PARKWOOD, 6-7 SEPT 2016

When I reported on **Katie Hayward**'s wonderful 5000m time of 22:23.87 in last week's newsletter, it was picked up by marciadalmondo who reported that it was in fact a time that put's 15 year old Katie at the number one spot in the World U18 ranking list (see http://omarchador.blogspot.com.au/2016/10/katie-hayward-jovem-australiana-em.html). But I have since found out that Katie did even faster the month before in the South Coast T&F Trials on the weekend of 6-7 September with a time of **22:18.74**. Wow!

Girls 13	3-15 3000m Walk			
1.	Schofield, Amelia	13	SC 2150	15:06.57
2.	Hannigan, Caitlin	14	SC 5367	15:07.97
3.	Schofield, Isabella	14	SC 2150	18:24.59
4.	Wales, Amelia	14	SC 1745	DNF
Girls 16	5-17 5000m Walk			
1.	Hayward, Katie	16	SC 5771	22:18.74
2.	Mulcaster, Bridie	16	SC 5378	30:27.11
3.	Hammans, Tiffany	17	SC 1759	31:52.92

3RD RÓBERT MÄRCZ INTERNATIONAL RACEWALK MEET, PÉCS, HUNGARY, SUNDAY 16 OCTOBER

Emmanuel Tardi was ain the Hungarian city of Pecs, 200km in the south of Budapest, for the 3rd staging of the Róbert Märcz International Racewalk Meet. It was well supported by the locals with three Hungarian olympian walkers were on the start line, including the organizer Miklos Srp. The lap was 1km long, a little longer than last year, when everybody walked in a shorter race, and the start of main event were at 11:00 in a rainy conditions.

In the men's race, **Tomasz Bagdany** led for the first half of the race before Olympian **Bence Venyercsan** caught him and went on to win in a time of 42:56. In the women's race, **Anett Torma** led for the first half before Olympian **Rita Recsei** broke away, going on to win with 48:50.

1. Bence VENYERCSAN HUN 96 42:56 2. Tomasz BAGDANY HUN 95 43:35 3. Balint SAROSI HUN 00 43:56 4. Miklos SRP HUN 93 44:51 5. Donat BURGER HUN 97 46:50 6. Bruno ROZMAN SRB 01 49:07 7. Laszlo VENYERCSAN HUN 71 52:06 8. István CSABA HUN 59 61:20 10km Men 1. Rita RECSEI HUN 96 48:50 2. Anett TORMA HUN 84 49:33 3. Eszter SZARKA HUN 85 52:34 5km Men 1. Daniel HORVATH HUN 00 25:25 2. Jurica STANKO SRB 99 26:25 3. Benjamin SOLTESZ HUN 00 33:26 4. Emmanuel TARDI FRA 67 36:27
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1. Daphne DIMANOPULOSZ HUN 99 25:49
2. Anna Mária HORNYAK HUN 00 26:18
3. Eli PEVEC SRB 01 26:25
4. Kata Tunde TATAI HUN 99 28:29
5. Bianka BALOGH HUN 99 30:07
6. Dora ELEK HUN 98 30:52
3km Men
1. Norbert TÓTH HUN 01 13:37
2. Máté VARGA HUN 02 15:02
3. Kresimimir HARTL SRB 02 15:41
4. Levente GONDA HUN 03 16:09
5. Leon BANK HUN 03 16:35
6. Bálint SZENTMARJAI HUN 03 17:34

7.	Laszlo Adam PASZTOHY	HUN	03	20:17
3km Wo	men			
1.	Kata SZÉKELY	HUN	02	16:26
2.	Tiziana SPILLER	HUN	03	16:44
3.	Katalin TÓTH	HUN	02	16:51
4.	Dóra CSÖRGO	HUN	01	17:15
5.	Klara KRENEK	SRB	01	17:22
6.	Bernadett REPASI	HUN	02	17:28
7.	Elizabet KOCSI	HUN	02	17:28
8.	Dorottya TAMÁS	HUN	03	17:52
9.	Demetria BENKE	HUN	02	18:17
10.	Viktória DOMBI	HUN	02	18:39
11.	Orsolya EGYED	HUN	02	18:54
12.	Boglarka MOLNAR	HUN	03	19:10
13.	Anna JEZSOVICZKI	HUN	02	19:18







Bence Venyercsan, Annet Torma and Rita Recsei (photos Emmanuel Tardi)

 $\label{lem:more of Emmanuel Solution} More of Emmanuel's photos at $$ \underline{\text{https://www.facebook.com/emmanuel.tardi/media_set?} $$ \underline{\text{set=a.10209429466007730.1073741909.1657411914\&type=3}}.$

ITALIAN U18 ROADWALK CHAMPIONSHIPS, GROTTAMMARE, ITALY, SUNDAY 16 OCTOBER

The last leg of the Italian Clubs Championship of Road Walk, along with the 10km U18 Italian Roadwalk Championships, were held in Grottammare on Sunday. The U18 titles went to **Davide Marchesi** (45:20) and **Anthea Mirabello** (52:14). The Open 20km races went to **Gianluca Picchiottino** (1:29:17) and **Nicole Colombi** (1:38:32) while the U20 20km races went to **Attlio Trapasso** (1:34:30) and **Diana Cacciotti** (1:39:49). Well reported in http://www.marciadalmondo.com/eng/dettagli news.aspx?id=2584.

Full results at http://www.marciadalmondo.com/admin/pdf/risultati/16102016158Grottammare2016.pdf. Huge numbers overall – racewalking is indeed healthy in Italy! This report is restricted to the first 10 in each division.

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	pen Men	1006	ATL LIDEDTA C DUNNED CLINODNO	11-20-17
1. 2.	PICCHIOTTINO Gianluca	1996	ATL LIBERTAS RUNNERS LIVORNO	1h29:17
	RENO' Giovanni	1991	C.U.S. PARMA	1h30:57
3.	FORTUNATO Francesco	1994	ASD ENTERPRISE SPORT & SERVICE	1h37:46
4.	ZAUPA Alberto	1995	ATLETICA SCHIO	1h37:50
5.	VERDE Vincenzo	1982	ASD ENTERPRISE SPORT & SERVICE	1h38:02
6.	MONTOLEONE Luca	1990	A.S.D. FRANCESCO FRANCIA	1h38:29
7.	PATIERNO Anthony	1995	ASD SPECTEC DUFERCO CARISPEZIA	1h41:50
8.	CAPOGROSSI Luca	1996	G.S. AMLETO MONTI	1h44:02
9.	QUACQUARELLI Giuseppe	1993	AMATORI ATL. ACQUAVIVA	1h45:32
10.	ROMANELLI Andrea	1986	TOSCANA ATLETICA FUTURA	1h47:11
20km O	pen Women			
1.	COLOMBI Nicole	1995	ATL. BRESCIA 1950	1h38:32
2.	CACCIOTTI Diana	1995	A.S.D. ACSI ITALIA ATLETICA	1h39:49
3.	SANSONI Adelaide	1982	U.S. QUERCIA TRENTINGRANA	1h42:33
4.	CANI Lisa	1996	A.S. LA FRATELLANZA 1874	1h47:41
5.	GRAFEO Sascia	1992	ATL. LIBERTAS ARCS CUS PERUGIA	1h47:52
6.	MORETTI Gladys	1991	ATL. BERGAMO 1959 CREBERG	1h49:27
7.	STACH Marta	1995	ATL. BRESCIA 1950	1h49:59
8.	IMBESI Giulia	1996	GA ARISTIDE COIN VENEZIA 1949	1h53:02
9.	SBERNARDORI Elena	1991	ATL. BRESCIA 1950	1h54:20
10.	CARACCIA Roberta	1990	ATL. BRESCIA 1950	2h02:24
20km U				
1.	TRAPASSO Attilio	1998	C.S. GIOVANILE CZ LIDO	1h34:30
2.	CICALO' Stefano	1998	ATL VALERIA	1h35:00
3.	PANTERA Giuseppe	1998	FIAMME GIALLE G. SIMONI	1h36:10
4.	MOROTTI Marco	1997	ATL. RICCARDI MILANO 1946	1h37:03
5.	COZZA Cesare	1997	A.S. LA FRATELLANZA 1874	1h40:52
6.	VITANGELI Giacomo	1998	ATLETICA FIRENZE MARATHON S.S.	1h41:54
7.	COPPINI Niccolo'	1997	ATLETICA FIRENZE MARATHON S.S.	1h43:39
8.	GRILLO Ettore	1997	ATLETICA FIRENZE MARATHON S.S.	1h44:10
9.	MICHELETTI Juriy	1998	ATL. BERGAMO 1959 CREBERG	1h44:16
10.	MINTO Michele	1998	G.S.SELF ATL. MONTANARI GRUZZA	1h49:27
20km U	20 Women			
1.	CIABINI Giada Francesca	1997	TOSCANA ATL.EMPOLI NISSAN	1h42:51
2.	BARCELLA Lidia	1997	BRACCO ATLETICA	1h45:44
3.	RUSSO Annalisa	1998	A.S.D. ASTRO 2000 BN-AGROPOLI	1h48:16
4.	FORESTI Beatrice	1998	ATL. BERGAMO 1959 CREBERG	1h53:49
5.	ANDREOSE Beatrice	1998	G.S. FIAMME ORO PADOVA	1h59:26
6.		1998	ATL. BERGAMO 1959 CREBERG	1h59:31
7.	BUCCI Fabiana	1998	A.S.D.AMAT.ATLETICA SERAFINI	2h01:23
8.	ORLANDI Virginia	1998	ATL. BRESCIA 1950	2h03:49
9.	MARCHESI Cristiana	1997	ATL. BERGAMO 1959 CREBERG	2h03:54
	PARMA Andrea Noemi	1998	ATL. BERGAMO 1959 CREBERG	2h11:48
	18 Men – Italian Championshi	•	ATTI DIGGADDIANT 1222 1214	45.00
1.	MARCHESI Davide	1999	ATL. RICCARDI MILANO 1946	45:20
2.	ALBERGA Alfonso	1999	AMATORI ATL. ACQUAVIVA	45:26
3.	FANELLI Nicolas	1999	ATL. AMATORI CISTERNINO	45:47
4.	CHIRIVI' Diego	1999	C.U.S. TORINO	46:02
5.	ORSONI Riccardo	2000	C.U.S. PARMA	46:27
6.	GIULIANI Giorgio	2000	C.U.S. TORINO	47:42
7.	MAGISTRI Luca	1999	FIAMME GIALLE G. SIMONI	48:21

8. CI	ECERE Francesco	2000	ATL. AMATORI CISTERNINO	48:27
9. R0	OMANZI Emanuele	1999	FIAMME GIALLE G. SIMONI	49:27
10. D	ISARO' Michele	1999	G.S. FIAMME ORO PADOVA	49:31
	Women – Italian Champions			
	IRABELLO Anthea	1999	FIAMME GIALLE G. SIMONI	52:14
	IRABELLO Angelica	1999	FIAMME GIALLE G. SIMONI	52:25
-	ASTRONICOLA Alessia	2000	ALTERATLETICA LOCOROTONDO	53:00
	ENTINI Alessandra	2000	A.S.D. ATLETICA DON MILANI	53:27
5. CI	UNI Chiara	1999	ATL. BRESCIA 1950	53:33
	NI Francesca Azzurra	1999	ASSI GIGLIO ROSSO FIRENZE	54:45
7. D	ISABATO Valeria	1999	ASSI GIGLIO ROSSO FIRENZE	54:48
8. G	IORDANI Vittoria	2000	U.S. QUERCIA TRENTINGRANA	55:18
9. Bo	OSIO Samanta	2000	ASD INTERFLUMINA E' PIU' POMI'	55:19
10. V	ERTERAMO Chiara	1999	C.U.S. TORINO	55:21
5km U16 B				
	RECO Carmine	2001	A.S.D. ATLETICA DON MILANI	25:13
	APODIFOGLIO Jacopo	2002	POLISPORTIVA TETHYS CHIETI	25:44
	OCONSOLE Lorenzo	2002	FIAMMA OLIMPIA PALO	25:48
	IARFAGLIA Rocco Luigi	2002	ECOSPORT SB. 2000 MONTE ASC	25:49
	ONCETTI Alberto	2001	ATL. SANGIORGESE R.ROCCHETTI	26:01
	ISARO Enrico	2002	G.S. FIAMME ORO PADOVA	26:15
	OMANZI Francesco	2002	FIAMME GIALLE G. SIMONI	26:18
	ICCI Edoardo	2002	FIAMME GIALLE G. SIMONI	27:06
	ANTOZZI Francesco	2002	FIAMME GIALLE G. SIMONI	27:27
10. C	ATENA Samuele	2001	FIAMME GIALLE G. SIMONI	27:41
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4km U16 G		2002	DOLICHOPTIVA TETLING CHIETI	20:48
	I FABIO Angela	2002	POLISPORTIVA TETHYS CHIETI	
	ENEVIERI Angelica	2002	FIAMME GIALLE G. SIMONI	21:05
-	CCINI Chiara	2001	ATL.GROSSETO BANCA D .MAREMMA	21:06
	AGLIENTE Cristina	2001	A.S.D. ATLETICA DON MILANI	21:09
	ERINI Ginevra	2001	ATL.GROSSETO BANCA D .MAREMMA	21:20
	IGLIARDI Ilaria	2002	FIAMME GIALLE G. SIMONI	21:36
	I GRAZIA Roberta	2002	ETNATLETICA SAN PIETRO CLARENZ	21:59
	ERTINI Simona	2001	A.S.D. FRANCESCO FRANCIA	22:10
	INCI Veronica	2002	A.S.D. ATLETICA DON MILANI	22:20
10. M	ATTA Sofia	2002	FIAMME GIALLE G. SIMONI	22:33

UKRAINIAN U23/U20/U18 ROAD CHAMPIONSHIPS, IVANO-FRANKIVSK, UKRAINE, 15-15 OCTOBER

Last weekend saw a big two days of racing in Ivano-Frankivsk in the Ukraine, with Saturday featuring U23 20km, U20 10km and U18 10km/5km chammpionships and Sunday featuring U23 50km championships for men and women. Although the full results can be found at http://www.marciadalmondo.com/admin/pdf/risultati/16102016732Ivano2016.pdf, it's all Ukrainian to me. Luckily, marciadalmondo reported on the meet (see http://www.marciadalmondo.com/eng/dettagli_news.aspx?id=2583) so we do have English names for the main walkers and I have reproduced them below.

20km N	Ien U23				
1.	Serhiy Svitlychnyy	UKR	1994	1:27:38	
2.	Dmitry Lukyanchuk	UKR	1997	1:30:56	
3.	Oleg Padus	UKR	1995	1:50:32	
20km W	Vomen U23				
1.	Olena Mizernyuk	UKR	1995	1:34:59	
2.	Marina Filyuk	UKR	1995	1:38:56	
3.	Rusalina Povoroznyuk	UKR	1995	1:39:47	
10km Men U20					
1.	Victor Shutyak	UKR	1998	42:57	
2.	Edward Zabuzhko	UKR	1998	43:06	
3.	Oleg Svystun	UKR	1997	44:24	
10km W	Vomen U20				
1.	Povoroznyuk Kristina	UKR	1997	50:47	
2.	Darya Khusainova	UKR	1998	52:22	

3.	Irina Chernukha	UKR	1998	53:14	
10km M	Ien U18				
1.	Mykyta Kolyada	UKR	2000	44:00	
2.	Viktor Kononenko	UKR	1999	46:18	
3.	Synyuk Andriy	UKR	1999	47:45	
5km Wo	omen U18				
1.	Jana Farina	UKR	1999	26:00	
2.	Yuliya Kotyk	UKR	2000	26:21	
3.	Yevheniya Sychok	UKR	2000	26:30	
50km N	Ien U23 and U20				
1.	Andriy Hrechkovskyy	UKR	1993	3:53:04	
2.	Maryan Zakalnytskyy	UKR	1994	3:56:30	
3.	Valeriy Litanyuk	UKR	1994	3:58:33	
50km W	50km Women U23 e U20				
1.	Kseniya Radko	UKR	1994	4:39:09	
2.	Vasilyna Vitovschyk	UKR	1990	4:44:35	

SOUTH AFRICAN 50KM CHAMPIONSHIP MEET, YOUNGSFIELD MILITARY BASE, CAPE TOWN, SAT 8 OCT

The South African Men's 50km and Women's 30km national championships were held at the Youngsfield Military Base in Cape Town last Saturday alonside the Interprovincial Racewalking Championships.

With Marc Mundell not yet racing after his efforts in Rio, the 50km title went to 28 year old **Mtunzi Mnisi** with a 4 min PB time of 4:33:56 (he walked 4:38:01 in this event last year). In the women's 30km, **Yvonne Irmscher** was best with the time of 3:21:05, winning by only 4 secs from **Babongile Memela** with 3:21:09. The 20km walk winners were SA champion and Olympic rep **Lebogang Shange** (a very easy 1:30:58 for him!) and **Natalie Le Roux** (1:51:11). Lots of walkers overall.

Lots of veterans racing in the 5km and 10km age groups – check them out for yourself in the results link below.

 $Excellently\ reported\ at\ \underline{http://omarchador.blogspot.com.au/2016/10/campeonatos-da-africa-do-sul-de-50-km.html}.$ $Photos\ at\ \underline{http://imagesa.photoshelter.com/index/G0000gAdxIaQ1rWI/I0000wegxVwwOeFY}.$

 $Results: \underline{http://www.athletics.org.za/Documents/Results/ASA50kmInterprovincialRaceWalkingChampionships2016-FinalResu1.pdf.}$

50km O	pen Men (National Champions	ship)				
1.	Mnisi Mtunzi	28	AGN	4:33:56		
2.	Khanyile Nhlanhla	45	KZNA	4:48:15		
3.	Qhanqiso Thembile	49	KZNA	4:49:24		
4.	Manamela Jeuffry	27	CGA	5:13:33		
	Hlongwa Wiseman	29	KZNA	DNF		
	Sim Edmund	33	Singapore	DNF		
30km O	pen Women (National Champi	onship)				
1.	Irmscher Yvonne	54	KZNA	3:21:05		
2.	Memela Babongile	36	KZNA	3:21:09		
3.	Everitt Cheryl	49	CGA	3:27:49		
20km O	20km Open Men					
1.	Shange Lebogang	26	CGA	1:30:58		
2.	Chauque Mthembi	Sen	AFS	1:31:55		
3.	Ndebele Sizwe	22	AGN	1:32:06		
4.	Mavandla Mzwakhe	22	CGA	1:35:07		
5.	Khwela Louis	23	CGA	1:44:27		
6.	Plaatjies Siyanda	26	WPA	2:01:09		
7.	Van Rooyen Johannes	Sen	ASWD	2:03:20		
20km O	20km Open Women					
1.	Le Roux Natalie	34	KZNA-I	1:51:11		
2.	De Winnaar Udelle	20	CGA	2:05:18		
3.	Mokhele Nthatisi	23	CGA	2:08:11		
4.	Mazibuko Buyisiwe	20	CGA	2:08:44		
5.	Klink Chanice	20	AGN	2:12:15		

10km U	J20 Men			
1.		19	AGN	46:08
2.	Hlongwane Xolani Vusi	18	CGA	48:59
3.	Polile Kamahelo	18	CGA	49:51
4.	Benzane Jabulani	18	CGA	53:41
5.	Carelse Bradley	18	ASWD	54:27
٥.	Cureise Bradiey	10	NOWD	31.27
	J20 Women	1.7	, CNIII	55.05
1.		17	ACNW	57:25
2.	Msheba Palesa	16	AGN	62:19
3.	Matseba Whitney	19	AGN	76:35
10km U	J18 Boys (first 5)			
1.	Francois Jacobs	16	BOL	48:21
2.	Hanru Colling	17	BOL	48:29
3.	Van Wyk Elwich	17	ASWD	48:41
4.	Molete Tumelo	17	CGA	54:39
5.	Farmer Antonio	15	ASWD	57:52
5km U1	18 Girls			
1.	Noeline Rossouw	17	BOL	27:41
2.	Hilda Du Toit	16	BOL	27:45
3.	Lesejane Idah Koketso	16	CGA	33:34
٥.	Deseguire Taun Tronesso	10	CGH	33.31
	16 Boys (first 5)			
1.	Ngake Kgosi	15	CGA	25:19
2.	Eckley Gerhard	15	WPA	26:10
3.	Ncacu Akhona	15	WPA	26:22
4.	Nhlapo Vincent	15	AGN	26:22
5.	Van Aarde Gert	14	ACNW	27:23
5km U1	16 Girls (first 5)			
1.	Van Rensburg Nolene	15	ASWD	26:25
2.	Geldenhuys Moné	15	ASWD	27:33
3.	Msheba Dimakatso	15	AGN	30:19
4.	Eksteen Moesha	14	BOL	31:12
5.	Coetzee Yunisha	14	BOL	32:08
3km U1	14 Boys (first 5)			
1.	Aweries Durando	13	ASWD	15:25
2.	Colling Juan	13	BOL	15:27
3.	Walters Tiaano	13	BOL	15:47
4.	Nyivana Ondela Alex	13	CGA	15:47
5.	Pieterse Charlton	13	WPA	16:53
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	14 Girls (first 5)	10	ACITIES	15.00
1.	Webb Shane	12	ASWD	17:03
2.	Khola Keitumetse	13	CGA	17:24
3.	Toerien Nikita	12	WPA	17:27
4.	Booysen Eleanor	12	ASWD	18:59
5.	Gertze Alvida	12	WPA	19:25

MEMORIAL "PYOTR POCHYNCHUK", GRODNO, BELARUS, SATURDAY 8 OCTOBER

Back a week to the border town of Grodno, Belarus, where local walkers competed alongside walkers from neighboring Lithuania and Poland in a meet commemorating the great Olympic medalist race walker Pyotr Pochynchuk (silver in 1980 Olympic 20km) who tragically died 1991, aged only 37. My report is taken from http://omarchador.blogspot.com.au/2016/10/memorial-pyotr-pochynchuk-em-grodno.html.

The races took place in the main square of the city under mild temperatures and sunny skies. The men's 20km was won by Belarussian Olympian Aleksandr Liahovic with 1:23:14, followed by Lithuanians Genadij Kozlovskiy with 1:24:05 and Artur Mastianica with 1:25:10, both personal bests. The women's 10km was won by Lithuanian Monika Vaiciukeviciute in a PB of 44.38 ahead of Belarussians Anastasia Rarovskaja 45.40 and Viktoria Rasczupkina 47.59. Other good performances from the U20 10km winner Dmitriy Lukjanchuk (42.10) and the U18 5km winner Nikita Kolyada (20:39). The veterans races saw lots of well known names from years past, such as Evgueniy Misiulia, Viktor Ginko, Olga Kardapolceva and Bohdan Bulakovski who competed in

the Moscow Games in 1980 alongside Pochynchuk. Overall the meet was attended by 151 walkers with the younger agegroups boasting the biggest fields. The main results follow.

20km M	len			
1.	Aleksandr Liahovic	1989	BLR	1.23.14
2.	Gennadiy Kozlovskiy	1991	LIT	1.24.05
3.	Artur Mastianica	1992	LIT	1.25.10
4.	Vladimir Kolesnik	1992	BLR	1.25.43
5.	Dmitriy Diubin	1990	BLR	1.33.29
6.	Kamil Komarovski	1995	POL	1.33.34
7.	Robert Golavski	1998	POL	1.34.43
	Daniel Choecki	1995	POL	DNF
10km W	/omen			
1.	Monika Vaiciukeviciute	1996	LIT	44.38
2.	Anastasia Rarovskaja	1996	BLR	45.40
3.	Viktoria Rashchupkina	1995	BLR	47.59
4.	Emilia Gzeziak	1998	POL	52.20
10km U	20 Men			
1.	Dmitriy Lukjanchuk	1997	BLR	42.19
2.	Stanislav Kuzmic	1998	BLR	46.19
3.	Jakub Kujavski	1999	POL	51.37
5km U2	0 Women			
1.	Natalia Molchanova	1997	BLR	24.29
2.	Kornelia Pszestszelska	1998	POL	27.49
3.	Viktoria Elozo	1998	BLR	29.14
5km U1	8 Men			
1.	Nikita Koliada	2000	BLR	20.39
2.	Ruslan Udodov	1999	BLR	21.05
3.	Aleksandr Kislaks	2000	BLR	22.27
3km U1	8 Women			
1.	Olga Lukashevic	2000	BLR	14.32
2.	Ksenija Kudrec	1999	BLR	14.49
3.	Alesia Belegova	2000	BLR	15.06

97TH NATIONAL SPORTS FESTIVAL, ASAN, SOUTH KOREA, 9-12 OCTOBER

The 97th annual Korean National Sports Festival, which took place over 4 days a week ago in Asan, some 95km south of Seoul, saw around 20,000 athletes representing 16 cities and provinces and competing in 45 sports. The president of South Korea, Park Geun-Hye, who opened the Festival, said that sport plays a key role for the country's unity, believing that the positive mindset of its practitioners will help the country face the challenges that lie ahead. He added that the country can become a sports power and that the Olympic Winter Games in 2018, to be held in Pyeongchang, will be a success and an opportunity the country to show the world its culture and creativity.

The 20km walk events were won by the Olympians **Hyunsub Kim** (1:24:55) and **Yeongeun Jeon** (1:36:14) while the U20 10km walks were won by **Yunhaw Song** (41:29) and **Hayeong Han** (49:38).

20 km W	alk Men, 11 October			
1.	Kim Hyun-Sub	KOR	1985	1:24:55
2.	Choe Byeong-Kwang	KOR	1991	1:25:29
3.	Kim Nak-Hyun	KOR	1995	1:25:56
4.	Byun Young-Jun	KOR	1984	1:26:42
5.	Park Chil-Sung	KOR	1982	1:27:29
6.	Kim Dae-Ro	KOR	1988	1:27:32
7.	Joo Hyun-Myong	KOR	1997	1:27:43
8.	Kang Kil-Dong	KOR	1992	1:31:04
9.	Choi Byeong-Ho	KOR	1995	1:34:06
20 km W	Valk Women, 11 October			
1.	Jeon Yang-Eun	KOR	1988	1:36:14
2.	Weon Aseas-Byeol	KOR	1990	1:39:25
3.	Kim Min-Jit	KOR	1997	1:42:32

	4.	Lee Jeong-Eun	KOR	1994	1:46:21
	5.	Lee Bo-Ram	KOR	1996	1:48:36
	6.	Seo Ji-Youn	KOR		1:50:01
	7.	Kim Yeo-Jin	KOR	1993	1:55:11
10k	m Hi	igh School Walk (U20) Men			
	1.	SONG YUNHAW	KOR	41:29	
	2.	KIM MINGUE	KOR	41:30	
	3.	LM DONGMIN	KOR	42:29	
	4.	LA KYUNGMIN	KOR	42:59	
	5.	KIM YONGHWAN	KOR	43:50	
	6.	LIM CHAEWHAN	KOR	44:47	
	7.	KIM JAEYOUNG	KOR	45:19	
	8.	LA KYUNGJIN	KOR	46:06	
	9.	KWON MINSU	KOR	46:13	
	10.	KIM SUHONG	KOR	48:19	
	11.	HAM TAEGYEONG	KOR	49:38	
	12.	KIM GYUNGHOON	KOR	49:46	
	13.	KIM JUNSIK	KOR	50:20	
	14.	JEONG CHANYEOP	KOR	56:33	
10k	m Hi	igh School Walk (U20) Wom	ien		
	1.	HAN HA-YEONG	KOR	49:38	
	2.	KIM LEEHYEON	KOR	49:56	
	3.	JEON DAYOUNG	KOR	50:09	
	4.	KIM CHAEHYEON	KOR	50:28	
	5.	HAN CHAERIN	KOR	50:37	
	6.	CHEON MINJI	KOR	52:33	
	7.	JEONG UI-JI	KOR	53:36	
	8.	YOO DABIN	KOR	54:53	
	9.	KIM SEUNGHYE	KOR	59:01	
	10.	KIM NANA	KOR	1:02:55	
	11.	SON BIN	KOR	1:04:44	

71ST KOKUTAI (NATIONAL SPORTS FESTIVAL), KITAKAMI, JAPAN, 7 - 11 OCTOBER

In last week's newsletter, I reported on the men's 10,000m walk at the National Sports Festival of Japanin Kitakami. The full results set has been published since then so here for completeness are the full results sets.

The standard was huge in the men's 10,000m track walk with **Eiki Takahashi** winning in 38:21.88, ahead of **Daisuke Matsunaga** (38:40.22) and **Kai Kobayashi** (39:49.18). The women's 5000m track walk also saaw a superb winning time with Kumiko Okada recording 21:24.94. There was also an U19 Men's 5000m which was won by **Ryutaro Yamamoto** with 19:56.66.

10,000m	walk Men, 9 October					
1.	Eiki Takahashi	JPN	92	38:21.88		
2.	Daisuke Matsunaga	JPN	95	38:40.22		
3.	Kai Kobayashi	JPN	93	39:49.18		
4.	Toshikazu Yamanishi	JPN	96	39:55.80		
5.	Takayuki Tanii	JPN	83	40:30.98		
6.	Kota Yamada	JPN	94	40:44.75		
7.	Takeshi Okuma	JPN	83	40:45.98		
8.	Yuya Suganami	JPN	95	40:47.65		
9.	Yuki Ito	JPN	92	41:28.44		
10.	Yuki Kurumisawa	JPN	95	41:39.13		
11.	Koichiro Morioka	JPN	85	41:57.09		
12.	Ryota Shiojima	JPN	94	42:01.11		
13.	Takahiro Hiwada	JPN	95	42:18.09		
14.	Kohei Kowaki	JPN	96	42:43.42		
15.	Hayato Takata	JPN	97	43:16.78		
16.	Shoshi Kai	JPN	88	43:39.70		
17.	Takuto Terada	JPN	97	43:43.12		
18.	Hideto Nakahara	JPN	97	43:47.80		
5000m Walk Women, 10 October						
1.	Kumiko Okada	JPN	91	21:24.94		
2.	Nanako Fujii	JPN		22:14.52		

3.	Mizuka Takayama	JPN	96	22:20.36		
4.	Rena Goto	JPN	95	22:26.49		
5.	Yukiho Mizoguchi	JPN	97	22:45.57		
6.	Chisa Todokoro	JPN	98	22:47.69		
7.	Yumi Yoshida	JPN	99	22:52.62		
8.	Saori Nishimura	JPN	98	22:56.10		
9.	Nami Kumagai	JPN	96	22:58.22		
10.	Sayori Matsumoto	JPN	97	23:28.26		
11.	Serena Sonoda	JPN	98	23:40.28		
12.	Nanako Morimoto	JPN	99	23:41.13		
5000m WalkU19 Men , 10 October						
1.	Ryutaro Yamamoto	JPN	98	19:56.66		
2.	Masatora Kawano	JPN	98	20:02.38		
3.	Atsuto Kawada	JPN	98	20:27.46		
4.	Katsuji Suzuki	JPN		20:33.49		

The Japanese season will finish with the 55th All Japan Race Walking Carnival which will take place on Sunday 23rd October in Takahata. See preview at http://www.marciadalmondo.com/eng/dettagli news.aspx?id=2577.

OUT AND ABOUT

- Russia's **Tatyana Lysenko** has been stripped of her 2012 Olympic gold medal in the hammer throw after the former world champion **tested positive for steroids** in re-tests of her sample, the International Olympic Committee (IOC) said last Tuesday. The double world champion, who now competes under the name Beloborodova, had already been banned by the IAAF for doping earlier this year. Lysenko, 33, also served a two-year ban from 2007-09 for using steroids, missing the 2008 Olympics, and now faces a lifetime suspension from the sport. See http://www.supersport.com/athletics/article.aspx?ld=3740004.
- Russian race walkers Elmira Alembekova, Ivan Noskov, Mikhail Ryzhov, Vera Sokolova and Denis Strelkov all tested positive to EPO in out of competition tests run by the IAAF in June 2015 in Saransk. It was announced last Thursday that they have lost their appeal to the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) and have had four year bans confirmed. Alembekova won 20km European gold in 2014, Ryzhov claimed 50km silver at the 2013 World Championships, Noskov won 2014 European 50km bronze, Strelkov was a bronze medallist in the 20km walk at the European Championships two years ago, while Sokolova the 2003 World Youth Champion won the European Cup in May last year. Alas, most of them will get to keep those medals as those performances pre-date the drugs failure. Shame about that! See http://www.all-athletics.com/en-us/2016-10-13/russian-doping-scandal-five-walkers-banned-using-epo.
- Well done to 2016 World Race Walking Teams Championships walker **Kyle Swan** for his 35:19 10km run in last weekend's the Melbourne Marathon 10km first in his age group and 27th overall in very windy and tough conditions.
- Bendigo Walkers Club walker Michael Gillies Smith is interviewed about his forthcoming walk from Chewton in Central Victoria to our nation's capital city Canberra to present legislation to our parliamentarians to prevent Australia going to war without parliamentary approval. See http://www.abc.net.au/news/2016-10-11/man-walks-to-parliament-with-war-legislation/7923024.
- **Jared Tallent** expresses an interest in helping in the fight against drugs in sport once his career ends http://www.thecourier.com.au/story/4230693/wada-involvement-on-vocal-tallents-radar/?cs=63.
- Spectators at the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games will be able to watch four gold medal events live from the venue for free. The Organising Committee has revealed fans will not be charged at the road cycling, time trial, marathon and race walking events, which are all due be held on the Currumbin beachfront. See http://www.insidethegames.biz/articles/1042689/gold-coast-2018-make-four-commonwealth-games-medal-events-available-to-fans-for-free?utm_source=internal&utm_medium=vr&utm_campaign=tsb.
- Walks were prominently featured at the England Athletics Vounteer awards last weekend.
 - National Walks Coach Andi Drake won prestigious England Athletics Dave Sunderland award, named after the highly regarded endurance running coach who died of cancer early in 2014. This annual award is given to a coach who has shown commitment to self-development in coaching endurance athletes. Well deserved!
 - Callum Wilkinson was awarded the Ron Pickering Memorial Award for the U20 Age Group Athlete of the Year, the award also including a cash award.
 - Tom Bosworth was there in his capacity as an Olympian Ambassador and Gemma Bridge was an invited guest due to her selection for the Manchester International.

David Millett from Marshall Milton Keynes AC, well known to many in the walks community, was awarded Coach
of the Year.

Read all about it at http://www.englandathletics.org/england-athletics-news/congratulations-to-our-2016-national-volunteer-award-winners.



Andi receives his award at the England Athletics Awards (photo facebook)

- David Miller writes a telling piece in the New York Times on the TUEs. "As the Fancy Bears hack shows, the practice of obtaining T.U.E.s ostensibly to treat disorders like asthma and allergies is common among world-class athletes, not just in running and cycling, but in rowing, hockey, tennis and even golf. It is possible that all the T.U.E.s revealed in the WADA leak were for legitimate medical reasons, but the system is open to abuse." See http://www.nytimes.com/2016/10/16/opinion/sunday/how-to-get-away-with-doping.html? r=2.
- Russia is by no means out of the woods itself on the drugs issue. International Ski Federation (FIS) President Gian-Franco
 Kasper has not ruled out cancelling all future events scheduled for Russia, pending the outcomes of the ongoing
 investigations into state-sponsored doping. See http://www.insidethegames.biz/articles/1042740/fis-to-consider-stripping-russia-of-skiing-events-pending-outcomes-of-doping-investigations.
- Finally, former WADA director general Harri Syväsalmi believes Norway's dominant skiing team are operating in a "grey area" following failed drugs tests by two of their leading cross country skiers. It seems to be a case of pushing the drugs envelope as far as possible to get enhanced performance yet just ski under the drugs testers' radar. See http://www.insidethegames.biz/articles/1042732/norwegian-skiing-team-accused-of-operating-in-a-grey-area-by-former-wada-official.

MARCIADALMONDO AND OMARCHADOR ROUNDUP

Marciadalmondo had 11 press releases this week

- Tue 18 Oct Ana Cabecinha's coach Paulo Murta awarded the prestigious "Excellence in Coaching" award in Funchal. http://www.marciadalmondo.com/eng/dettagli_news.aspx?id=2586
- Mon 17 Oct Andres Chocho interviews Erica de Sena http://www.marciadalmondo.com/eng/dettagli_news.aspx?id=2585
- Sun 16 Oct 10km U18 victories to Davide Marchesi and Anthea Mirabello in Italian champs in Grottammare http://www.marciadalmondo.com/eng/dettagli_news.aspx?id=2584
- Sun 16 Oct Results of Ukrainian U23 Road Championships in Ivano-Frankivsk http://www.marciadalmondo.com/eng/dettagli news.aspx?id=2583
- Sat 15 Oct Results of 97th Korean Sports Festival in Asan

http://www.marciadalmondo.com/eng/dettagli_news.aspx?id=2582

- Fri 14 Oct Preview of last major walks meet of year in Grottammare, Italy, this weekend http://www.marciadalmondo.com/eng/dettagli_news.aspx?id=2581
- Fri 14 Oct Final leg of 'Five Races Trophy' to be held in Trieste later this month in memory of Rodolfo Crasso http://www.marciadalmondo.com/eng/dettagli_news.aspx?id=2580
- Fri 14 Oct Russian walkers Alembekova, Sokolova, Noskov, Ryzhov and Strelkov lose their CAS appeals, get 4 year bans http://www.marciadalmondo.com/eng/dettagli_news.aspx?id=2579
- Thu 13 Oct History section of website updated with amended World Cup results as a result of Russian drugs bans http://www.marciadalmondo.com/eng/dettagli news.aspx?id=2578
- Wed 12 Oct Preview of 55th All Japan Race Walking Event which will take place on 23rd October in Takahata http://www.marciadalmondo.com/eng/dettagli_news.aspx?id=2577
- Mon 10 Oct Results of Japanese National Sport Festival in Kokutai http://www.marciadalmondo.com/eng/dettagli-news.aspx?id=2576

and Omarchador had 13 press releases.

- Mon 17 Oct 5 Russian walkers lose CAS appeals and start 4 year bans http://omarchador.blogspot.com.au/2016/10/mais-cinco-marchadores-russos-suspensos.html
- Mon 17 Oct Tatiana de Moraes and Paulo Cesar Bestel win Brazilian U18 championships http://omarchador.blogspot.com.au/2016/10/tatiana-de-morais-e-paulo-cesar-bestel.html
- Sun 16 Oct Australian walker Katie Hayward leads world U18 rankings with 5000m walk time of 22:23.87 http://omarchador.blogspot.com.au/2016/10/katie-hayward-jovem-australiana-em.html
- Sat 15 Oct Results of 2000m/1000m walks in Amora, Portugal last weekend http://omarchador.blogspot.com.au/2016/10/marcha-integrou-programa-da-seixaliada.html
- Sat 15 Oct Results of 71st Festival of Sport in Japan http://omarchador.blogspot.com.au/2016/10/japao-com-expressivos-resultados-no.html
- Fri 14 Oct Preview of Ukrainian walk championship sin Ivano-Frankivsk this weekend http://omarchador.blogspot.com.au/2016/10/ivano-frankivsk-recebe-os-campeonatos.html
- Fri 14 Oct Results of Memorial "Pyotr Pochynchuk" in Grodno, Belarus, last weekend http://omarchador.blogspot.com.au/2016/10/memorial-pyotr-pochynchuk-em-grodno.html
- Thu 13 Oct Results of 97th annual Sports Festival in South Korea last weekend http://omarchador.blogspot.com.au/2016/10/provas-de-marcha-na-festa-do-desporto.html
- Thu 13 Oct Results of Italian U16 championships in Cles http://omarchador.blogspot.com.au/2016/10/campeonatos-italianos-de-sub-16-em-cles.html
- Wed 12 Oct Results of South African 50km championship and Regional Championships last weekend http://omarchador.blogspot.com.au/2016/10/campeonatos-da-africa-do-sul-de-50-km.html
- Wed 12 Oct Mannozzi and Taylor-Talcott win USA 40km championships http://omarchador.blogspot.com.au/2016/10/mannozzi-e-taylor-talcott-vencem.html
- Tue 11 Oct Results of 2nd annual walks meet in Lesse, France http://omarchador.blogspot.com.au/2016/10/lisses-organizou-2-grande-premio-de.html
- Tue 11 Oct Walk results from Brasilian U18 North-NorthEast Trophy Meet in Natal http://omarchador.blogspot.com.au/2016/10/erivania-cruz-e-ryenn-matheus-os.html

CORIO LITTLE ATHLETICS CELEBRATES 50 YEARS

Overseas readers of this newsletter may wonder about Little Athletics, as it features pretty regularly in the Australian results section.

Little Athletics is an Australian activity program that involves modified athletics events for children aged 5 to 15 (or 16 in ACT, NSW, Qld and SA). The concept was kicked off by Trevor Billingham, a young Australian athletics enthusiast from Geelong, Victoria, in 1964. By 1967, there were more than 35 Little Athletics clubs in Victoria, and the decision was made to start the Victorian Little Athletics Association (VLAA). Soon after the formation of the VLAA, other states expressed interest in Little Athletics. In February 1968, a year after the formation of the VLAA, Western Australia held its first Little Athletics meet at Perry Lakes Stadium. In 1972, the states of Victoria, New South Wales, Northern Territory and Western Australia became the founding members of The Australian Little Athletics Union (ALAU), which was formed in Perth. By 1974, Tasmania, Australian Capital Territory, South Australia and Queensland had all joined the ALAU. Lots more info at https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Little Athletics.

As they say, the rest is history. Now Australia boasts a vibrant competition that sees well over 100,000 children competing each weekend across all our State and Territories. It has been a huge success story and nearly all our international athletes, walkers included, started their athletics careers as a young child in LA's.

And next Saturday, at Goldsworthy Reserve in Geelong, the Corio Little Athletics Centre will celebrate its 50th anniversary. And one of the stalwarts of that venue is **Harold Boddy**, former Corio and VRWC walker, long time walks coach and former Geelong Walkers Club President. Congratulations to Harold and the other people who drive our LA program. I did my years of service at the Fawkner and Coburg venues when our own sons were growing up and I have seen first hand what a wonderful concept it is.

More about Corio's anniversary at http://www.geelongadvertiser.com.au/sport/local-sport/corio-little-athletics-centre-celebrates-50th-anniversary/news-story/b653401e059329e654fb72bb80fb644e.



Seth Mccleish, Paul Turner, Molly Derbyshire, Sadie Derbyshire, Bob Pitcher, Olivia Lasky, Harold Boddy, Emily Wall and Kelvin Gray. Picture: Peter Ristevski (photo http://www.geelongadvertiser.com.au/)

VRWC RUNNERS WORLD KEW WINTER SEASON WINNERS

Neil Ryan of Runners World Kew approached VRWC early in the 2009 winter season with an offer of some club sponsorship. While we have our Points and Handicap awards, the awards are not necessarily won by our BEST walkers as they are influenced by participation rates. So, after various discussions, it was decided to institute Runners World Winter and Summer Season Awards. You can read all about how the awards are administered and see past winners at http://www.vrwc.org.au/vrwcrunners-world.shtml.

The committee has finished voting on its short list of nominees and I have been advised that our Winter Season winners are

MEN SENIOR Pramesh Prasad
WOMEN SENIOR Simone McInnes
MEN JUNIOR Adam Garganis
WOMEN JUNIOR Phillipa Huse

Well done to all four club members. We hope to present you with your cheques and Runners World Kew vouchers on Sunday 27th November at our VRWC Summer Championships day at Middle Park.

We thank Neil for his ongoing support and recommend that all club members should return the favour and shop at Runners World Kew for all their sporting needs.









Pramesh, Simone, Adam and Philippa in action during the 2016 winter season

DATES...DATES

As usual, I finish with a list of upcoming events on the local, national and international fronts. Let me know of any errors/omissions.

2016/2017 Australian/Victorian Key Dates

Oct 22 (Sat), 2016

Nov 4-8, 2016

Dec 2-4, 2016

Dec 11 (Sun), 2016

AV Shield (Round 3 – Zone vs Zone), Melbourne, VIC

Victorian Schools T&F Championships, Albert Park, VIC

Australian Schools T&F Championships, Canberra, ACT

Australian 50km Championship, Fawkner Park, Melbourne, VIC

Jan 26-28, 2017 Victorian Country Track & Field Championships, Casey Fields, Casey, VIC Feb 19 (Sun), 2017 Australian 20km Summer Roadwalk Championships, Adelaide, SA

Feb 24-26, 2017 Victorian Junior and Open Track & Field Championships (Weekend 1), Albert Park, VIC Mar 3-5, 2017 Victorian Junior and Open Track & Field Championships (Weekend 2), Albert Park, VIC

Mar 7, 2017 Coburg 6 Hour Run/Walk Championships, Coburg, VIC Mar 25-26, 2017 Victorian Masters Championships , Doncaster, VIC

Mar 26 - Apr 2, 2017
Apr 22-23, 2017
Australian Open and Junior T&F Champs, SOPAC, Sydney, NSW
Australian Centurions 24 Hour Championships, Coburg, VIC
Australian Masters T&F Championships, Darwin, NT
Jun 11, 2017
51st LBG Racewalking Carnival, Canberra, ACT

2016/2017 International Dates

Sun 23 Oct, 2016 2016 Hong Kong MTR Racewalking Carnival, Hong Kong (10km)

See http://www.hkaaa.com/en/comp_details.php?id=78)

Oct 26 -Nov 6, 2016

Nov 9-13, 2-16

21st World Masters T&F Champs Stadia, Perth, Australia. See http://www.perth2016.com
Pan Pacific Masters Games, Gold Coast, QLD. See http://mastersgames.com.au/ppmg/

Mar 18-25, 2017 World Masters Athletics Indoor Championships, Daegu South Korea

April 8, 2017 Podebrady Race Walk Meet, CZE. See http://www.podebrady-walking.cz/en/
April 21-30, 2017 World Masters Games 2017, Auckland, NZ. See www.worldmastersgames2017.co.nz

April 23, 2017 Naumburg Racewalking Carnival, GER May 21, 2017 European Race Walking Cup, Podebrady, CZE

July 12-16, 2017 10th World Youth T&F Championships, Niarobi, Kenya – THIS IS THE FINAL EDITION

August 5-13, 2017 16th IAAF World Championships in Athletics, London, UK. See http://www.london2017athletics.com/.

August 19-30, 2017 29th Summer Universiade, Taipei, Taiwan

Looking Further Ahead Apr 4-15, 2018 XXI Commonwealth Games, Gold Coast, QLD (racewalks on the program). See http://www.gc2018.com May 2018 28th IAAF World Race Walking Team Championships, TBA (It has been taken away from Cheboksary)

16th World Junior T&F Championships, Tampere, Finland July 2018

TBA, 2018 22nd World Masters Athletics T&F Championships, Malaga, Spain

2019 17th IAAF World Championships in Athletics, Doha, Qatar

July 2019 30th Summer Universiade, Brasilia, Brazil

32nd Olympic Games, Tokyo

July 2020 Aug 2021 18th IAAF World Championships in Athletics, Eugene, USA

July 18-30, 2022 XXII Commonwealth Games, Durban, South Africa

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