

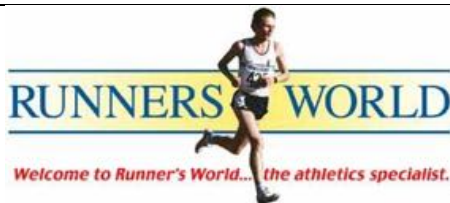


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## VALE ROBIN WHYTE: 1942 - 2022

*Tim Erickson pays tribute to a fierce competitor, a committed worker for race walking and a cherished friend*

I was saddened to hear of the passing of Australian racewalking legend **Robin Whyte** on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2022, after a long battle with cancer.

Robin, born 24<sup>th</sup> February 1942, was a well-known and highly respected Australia's racewalker, competing first for NSW, and then for the ACT, in a career that spanned some 60 years.

He was one of many young and talented walkers to come out of Sydney in the early 1960s. The first racing reference I can find is his 7<sup>th</sup> place finish (in a time of 1:47:06) in the 1964 Olympic 20km Trial, held at Centennial Park in Sydney, in July of that year.

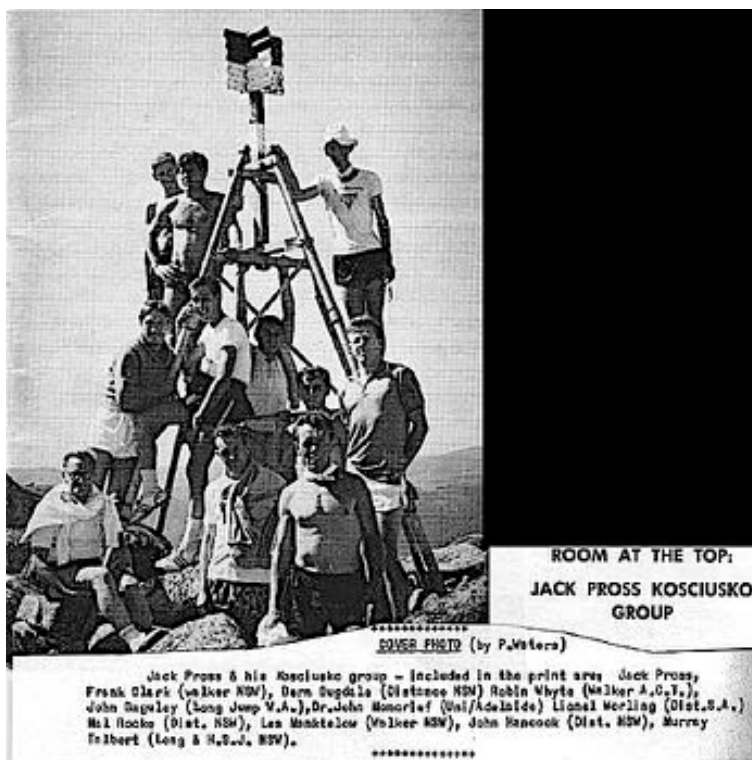
From that point on, he was a regular finisher in the various NSW, Australian and AFORWC championships on offer each year.

In the mid 1960's, Robin moved to Canberra and immediately saw the need to develop racewalking in what was then a fledgling athletics environment. In October 1966 he, Peter Waddell, Nigel Crew and Tony Andrews, created a new specialist racewalking club, ACTAWC, and successfully applied for Federation membership.

From then on, although Robin still raced in the various NSW championships, his designation was always as an ACT walker.

By 1967, Robin's walking had improved to such an extent that he won his first medals - 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the 1967 Glover Shield 10km in Brisbane (49:52) and 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the NSW 50km Championship. 1967 also saw the inaugural Lake Burley Griffin 20 Mile walk, in which Robin came 4<sup>th</sup> (2:59:03), only losing his second place position in the final couple of miles.

A tall walker with a long raking stride, he found his niche in the longer distances. Over the next 8 years, he won either gold or silver in every NSW 50km championship and reduced his 50km PB to a very respectable 4:29:57.



My oldest photo of Robin, dating from 1965 (photo from Frank Clark). Robin is top left.

1968 NSW 50km	1	Robin Whyte	5.01.56
1969 NSW 50km	1	Robin Whyte	4.43.00
1970 NSW 50km	2	Robin Whyte	4.44.08
1971 NSW 50km	2	Robin Whyte	4.28.55
1972 NSW 50km	2	Robin Whyte	4.53.14
1973 NSW 50km	1	Robin Whyte	4.34.57
1974 NSW 50km	1	Robin Whyte	
1975 NSW 50km	1	Robin Whyte	4.29.57



*Robin, second from left, in a 1970 Australian Championship*

**Lake Burley Griffin ... Robin's domain**

The other event that he made his own was the annual LBG 20 Mile walk in Canberra. After his fourth place in 1967, he embarked on a streak that is unlikely to be matched on the Australian walking front. He started in every LBG 20 Miler from its inception in 1967 until his final start in 2018. Of the 52 starts, he failed to finish on only 5 occasions – a DNF in 1969 and DQs in 1982, 2005, 2016 and 2018. He medaled on two occasions: bronze in 1973 (2:46:13) and silver in 1975 (a PB 2:42:12) and he was a regular top 6 finisher for many years.



*June 2016 marked the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first Lake Burley Griffin Carnival in Canberra. To mark the occasion, the camera captured three of the original 20 Mile walkers: Robin, Harry Summers (VIC) and Bob Gardiner (VIC), along with Deanna Rahill (NSW) who had competed in the inaugural women's 2 Mile walk*

**On the fringe of selection**

By the early 1970s, he was amongst our best walkers. He took silver in the 1972 Glover Shield 10km in Brisbane (48:36), bronze in the 1973 Alexander Cup 20km in Sydney (1:39:12) and bronze in the 1975 Alexander Cup 20km in Melbourne (1:37:35).

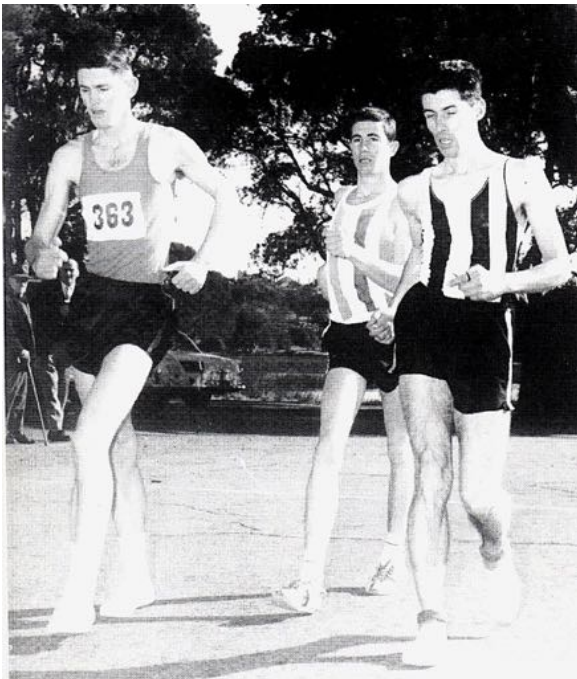
1973 saw him win his first Australian Championship, the 50km in Brisbane. Walking on a very tough and hilly course that was anything up to a mile over-distance, his winning time of **4:52:18** did not really reflect the quality of his walk.

He contested the Commonwealth Games and Olympic racewalking trials when they came along, and he was usually in the top 4 or 5, but never quite high enough or fast enough to earn a berth in any Australian team. A typical example was the 20 Mile walk trial for the 1974 Commonwealth Games, held in Canberra in September 1973, The first 4 places read as follows

**Commonwealth Games Trial, Canberra, Saturday 22 Sept 1973**

1.	Peter Fullager	SA	2:37:09
2.	Ian Hodgkinson	WA	2:39:04
3.	Ross Haywood	VIC	2:43:00
4.	Robin Whyte	ACT	2:45:36

Peter Fullager, Ian Hodgkinson and Ross Haywood were all selected for the 1974 Commonwealth Games, but it was Robin who would have been next in line.



*Robin leads with Peter Waddell from Eddie Dawkins, in a NSW 20km championship in the '60s.*

*(Photo: estate of Peter Waddell)*

of **4:30:08** only a few seconds outside his PB. For each of us, it was our first international vest and was a wonderful trip that left lasting memories.

Robin continued to race nationally after this, and he medaled in further NSW 50km championships (1<sup>st</sup> in 1977 and 2<sup>nd</sup> in 1978), as well as walking in the annual LBG 20 Miler, but his time at the top had come to an end, as younger and faster walkers appeared on the scene.

His next opportunity would be the 1976 Olympics and he started to string some good performances together. A 5 minute PB and 2<sup>nd</sup> place finish in the 1975 LBG 20 Miler (2:42:12), a gold medal and another 5 minute PB in the 1975 NSW 50km championship (4:29.57), a big PB in the 1976 Australian 3000m Track Walk Championship (13:10.2) and a silver in the 1976 Glover Shield 10km (a PB 47:59.8) indicated that he had stepped up to a new level.

He was second to Ross Haywood in the 1976 Olympic 20km Trial, held in Melbourne in April of that year, but his finishing time of 1:38:11 was not deemed to be fast enough and Ross was our only 1976 Olympic walk rep.

#### **Selection at last – Malmo 1976**

There was one further chance of an international vest that year, as the IAAF was hosting its own replacement 50km world championship, in lieu of the Olympic 50km walk which had been removed. No trial would be held - selections would be at the selectors' discretion. Willi Sawall (4:12:20.6) and Tim Erickson (4:20:41.5) were well ahead of the opposition, while Robin had the next best 50km time (4:29:59.2), done in winning the NSW 50km Championship the previous year.

Finally, Robin's many years of hard work were rewarded and he was selected as part of a 3 man team, alongside Willi and me, to represent Australia at the IAAF 50km World Championship in Malmö, Sweden. There he finished a creditable 29<sup>th</sup>, his time



*Robin (far left) competing in the 1978 Commonwealth Games 30km walk trial at Fishermans Bend in Melbourne*

#### **From racer to administrator**

Although he remained a regular member of ACT walking teams at the various national championships, he now turned his attention to administration, taking on the role of chief organiser for the LBG Carnival. Under his leadership, the event grew into Australia's premier racewalking carnival, with total entries around the 300 mark throughout the nineties and early 2000's. He would don the ACTRWC vest and race the 20 miler, then oversee the administration of the carnival for the rest of the day, then rush into the evening presentations clutching the results sheets and ready to oversee that final important part of the weekend's activities.

He was awarded life membership of Racewalking Australia in 2001 and, at the time of his passing, was still serving the Federation in the role of Patron.



### **The call of the 'Century'**

His introduction to the world of long distance walking was in 1978 when the annual Australian Centurions qualifying event was held in Gosford in NSW. On that occasion, Robin walked the first half with John Smith (who was successful and became C16) and was well on schedule for a successful finish until he withdrew for an hour's rest in the early hours of the Sunday morning - he had completed 110.96km in 13:39:44. He did not return to the track and thus missed his window of opportunity. It would be 18 years until he tried again, this time successfully.

His next attempt was in October 1996 when the George Knott Athletics Track in Clifton Hill, Melbourne, was chosen for the annual Australian Centurions qualifying event. Robin started at a brisk pace (2:45 per lap) which he maintained until the 50 mile mark, walked in continuous rain. At 90km he took his only break for the entire race - a 5 minute rest to change into dry clothes. Then he was off again, maintaining a pace of between 3:00 and 3:30 for the remainder of the race. He was determined not to stop, remembering what had happened the previous time in Gosford. There was never any real likelihood of him retiring and it was a very pleased walker who crossed the line just after 10:30 AM on the Sunday morning. His feet were a mess, with bloodied shoes, and he had to be helped from the track - but this was a small price to pay and only a temporary inconvenience when compared with the great achievement of walking 100 miles inside 24 hours. With his walk, he became Australian Centurion number 29 in a time of **20:37:12**. Just over 3 hours later, Merv Lockyer also finished to become Australian Centurion number 30.



*Robin completes 100 miles in Melbourne in 1996 in pouring rain*

Three years later, in September 1999, he fronted for the annual Australian Centurions qualifying walk, this time at the Coburg Athletics Track in Melbourne. This was our best ever Centurion finish with 7 qualifiers, 5 of them new. Robin was the fourth of the group to finish with a time of **21:34:48**.



*1999 - Robin is one of 7 centurion finishers  
Back: Herbert Neubacher, Gerrit de Jong, Gerald Manderson  
Front: Jill Green, Robin, Carol Baird and Sandra Brown*

### **A long stride for long distances**

Four months later, in January 2000, he was back in action in the annual Coastal Classic 12 Hour Event in Gosford. Showing wonderful form, he won with a new event record of **98.12 km**. This time stood for many years as the Gosford Coastal Classic record and lasted for 11 years as the M55 Australian 12 Hour Record until finally bettered.

In September 2000, he snared his third Australian Centurion finish at the annual qualifying event at Coburg. Aged 58, he strolled through the 100 miles in a time of **22:29:32**.

From then on, he restricted his endeavours to 12 Hour and 6 Hour walks. The Coastal Classic was obviously his favourite event as he competed in it every January until 2007, nearly always finishing in the first 3 and consistently walking around or above 90 km.

He made a welcome return in the 2005 Australian Centurion 24 Hour event at Coburg, taking second place in the inaugural Australian 100km championship with a time of **13:57:09**.

A couple of years later, in August 2007, he entered the 12 Hour event at the Australian 48 Hour Championships carnival on the Gold Coast, Queensland. Not really expecting anything special given his current level of training, he surprised even himself with his performance, passing the 50 Mile mark in 10:53:50 and covering a final 12 Hour distance of 88.301 km to set two new M65 Australian records. His long stride was perfect for the long distances and he covered the miles quickly and seemingly without undue effort.

### **A last burst of records**

Robin's appearances in the long distance events were now less frequent as his other activities took precedence, but he did make the occasional foray onto the track, usually to set some new age group record or another. His last major long distance walk was in the 2017 Australian Centurions qualifier in Melbourne, when he set three M75 records: 6 Hours (49.406km), 50 Miles (10:55:16) and 12 Hours (85.997km). They will take some beating!

He loved to compete, and he was in attendance at every ACTRWC club race. My stats indicate he toed the start line in 40 races in 2017, in 37 races in 2018 and in 33 races in 2019.



*Left: August 2007 - Robin sets new M65 records in Queensland  
Right: April 2017 – Robin sets new M75 records at Coburg*

Sadly, this was to come to an end in 2019, when Robin was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. A long and complex operation was followed by many months of chemotherapy. But Robin was never one to shirk from a challenge and he faced the uncertain prognosis with quiet strength and grace.

He finally lost his battle in the early hours of Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2022, aged 80 years.

We have lost one of our most well known and highly respected walkers and walk administrators. His quiet demeanour and personal charm endeared him to us all and we will all miss him, especially come the annual LBG Carnival.

Rest easy, old mate.

**Tim Erickson**  
**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2022**

*\*EDITOR'S NOTE:* The news of Robin Whyte's death has affected people from across the Australian race walking spectrum. West Australian **Terry Jones** recalls: "My own personal friendship with Robin goes back more than 50 years, and especially the seven years I lived in Canberra, when Robin, Peter Waddell and myself trained together several times most weeks."

Dual Olympian **Bob Gardiner** – who raced Robin in that famous inaugural LBG 20 miles in 1967 – describes the news as “a shock and a great loss to ACT and all walking.”

**Peter Vysma** says of Robin that he “will be sadly missed at the Canberra Carnival. I have never known the carnival without Robin. He was always at The Committee meetings and as a competitor on the day.”

A 60+ year involvement of such depth in our sport is bound to draw many such sentiments and recollections. It will not be forgotten by many that, during those rebuilding years of the early to mid-1970s, Robin Whyte stood out as one of our top national competitors. And the Lake Burley Griffin carnival alone would not have become the institution it is but for Robin’s dedication over so many years. Hopefully he can be emulated. He will not be replaced.



Left: Start of the first LBG 20 miles in 1967. Robin indicated by arrow. (Photo: The Australian Race Walker)

Right: 50 years on. He must have known every metre of that lake path! (Photo: Andrew Finch-Canberra Times)

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## \*\* WALKER OF THE WEEK \*\*



(Photo: Monash University)

Joint WsOTW this time around are **Bec Henderson** and **Andrew Jamieson**, who staked their claims last Saturday on opposite sides of the globe.

**Bec**, part of a 12-strong Australian contingent contesting the WA Race Walking Tour Gold 20km in La Coruña (ESP), battled brutally hot conditions to be our best performer on the day, finishing 12th in **1:36:47**. This was just over a minute shy of achieving her first-ever international top-10 finish, which will surely come.

The ever-amazing **Andrew**, for his part, continues to re-write the Masters record books. On this occasion, his 57:36 set new Australian, Victorian and VRWC M75 records for the road 10km at Middle Park. With the season still young, it’s safe to assume that he ain’t done yet!

Congratulations, Bec and Andy ... you’re inspirations to us all!



### \*\* Honourable mentions:

- **Katie Hayward** (QLD) ... 15<sup>th</sup> at La Coruña, just 34secs behind Bec, in her best performance for some time.
- **Corey Dickson** (VIC) ... posted his first sub-21min for the road 5km. His 2<sup>nd</sup> HM for this award in a week.
- **Ela Uzun** (VIC, 11yo) ... added two more Club records (including one of Jemima’s) to a CV that’ll soon weigh more than she does.
- **Julia Baldy** (VIC, 9yo) ... a massive 1:31 PB in the VRWC 1.5km, recording a quick 8:10.

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# CLUB NEWS and RESULTS

## \*\* Racing this weekend

This week sees the second of our back-to-back 12km-10km points races, and it’s a relief that we finally have our 2km course back (no matter that the ‘freed’ section needs a little TLC) with the Canberra races approaching in two weeks’ time. We now feel that the Winter road season has begun for real!



**VRWC Points races – Saturday 4 June,  
Middle Park**

2:15pm      12km Open  
                  10km Open  
                  5km Open

2:30pm      3km Open  
                  1.5km Open

Enter by no later than 11.59pm, Wednesday 1  
June  
<http://vrwc.org.au/wp1/>

**\* VRWC RACING UNIFORM \*  
FINAL REMINDER**

As of **Saturday 4 June**, (i.e. this Saturday) **all** members must wear the **new VRWC racing uniform**, which has been available for the past 18 months. (Old uniforms and RWV tops are no longer acceptable.)

Members who do not comply after that date will receive **no points and no finish time**.

\* Don't be caught out – get yours before race start on Saturday!

VRWC Committee

**55<sup>TH</sup> LBG CARNIVAL**

**\*URGENT CALL FOR LAP SCORERS, TIMEKEEPERS !**

Many thanks to those who have volunteered to take on roles among the many official duties required to make the Carnival a success for our athletes.

We still have a serious shortfall of **lap scorers** and **timekeepers** in the following events:

2.10pm	Girls U16 3km	<i>At least 2 required</i>
2.40pm	U18 5km	<i>At least 5 required</i>
3.10pm	Open 5km	<i>At least 7 required</i>

If you can help with any of these duties, please follow the link below:

<http://vrwc.org.au/wp1/55th-lbg-volunteers/>

Many thanks!  
Stu

**VRWC Club points races #3, Saturday 28 May – Middle Park**



Perfect conditions greeted the 39 walkers who fronted the starter on Saturday. Especially gratifying was the re-opening of the northern arm of the 2km course at last. While some GP structures were still in place and the road had, therefore, yet to be cleaned of mud and surface debris, a bit of broom work soon made the course usable for everyone wanting to stretch out in their search for faster times.

Taking full advantage of the absence of excessive turns was **Andrew Jamieson**, who blitzed the 10km race in **57:36** to break his own Club and Bob Gardiner's M75 AMA and VMA records ... a wonderful result from a superb athlete.

**Kevin Cassidy** also appreciated the longer laps to have a good 12km hit-out, while **Kylie Irshad** and **Pramesh Prasad** tested themselves out well over 10km.

In the 5km, **Corey Dickson** continued on his speedy way to break through for his first sub-21min time in **20:48**, shaking off **Marcus Wakim** who settled down for his own creditable **22:22**. **Eden Morgan's 24:07**, a 3-sec PB, won him the handicap in a competitive field.

Club treasurer **Karyn O'Neill** found the keys to the safe and dug out a handicap win for herself with **35:36**, while **Madeleine Feain** had a big PB performance to take line honours in the Women's 5km with her **25:19**.

*Three girls, three big PB's. Julia, Madeleine and Mietta attack the clock.*

**12km race**

1 Kevin

Cassidy

MMasters

1:05:29

**Hcp pl.**

1

**10km race**

1 Kylie  
Emily

Irshad  
Smith

FMasters  
FU16

1:00:58  
DQ

1  
-

1	Pramesh Prasad	MMasters	54:15	2	
2	Andrew Jamieson	MMasters	57:36	1	AMA, VMA, Club M75 recs
	Geromi Tucker	MU20	Ab	-	

**5km race**

1	Madeleine Feain	FSenior	25:19	5	PB 0:30
2	Ariana Pashutina	FU16	27:05	6	
3	Maddison Nash	FU16	27:14	2	
4	Grace Louey	FU20	29:47	3	
5	Heather Carr	FMasters	31:45	4	
6	Karyn O'Neill	FMasters	35:36	1	

1	Corey Dickson	MU20	20:48	3	PB 0:28
2	Marcus Wakim	MU16	22:22	2	
3	Eden Morgan	MU18	24:07	1	PB 0:03
4	Alejandro Stephens	MSenior	28:01	5	
5	Terry O'Neill	MMasters	31:29	6	
6	Geoff Barrow	MMasters	37:04	4	
	Andrew Cochran	MMasters	Ab	-	



*Relishing the full course: Terry, Corey, Marcus, Andrew, Grace and Karyn*



*Geoff, Pramesh, Kevin, Alejandro and Eden*

In the shorter races, it was Jemima Montag's turn to surrender one of her Club records to **Ela Uzun**, who relieved her of her U13 3km mark while eclipsing her own U12 with **14:27**, a 22-sec PB. **Mietta Morgan**, not to be outdone, smashed her own



PB by 36secs to take the handicap with her **16:35**. **Mya McClure**, in her first VRWC season, has slotted right into our program and on this occasion clocked a very promising **16:16**, while **Daniel Pashutin** wasn't far off his own PB with **15:59**.

In a day of impressive performances, especially eye-catching was that of **Julia Baldy**, whose 1.5km in **8:10** made her the biggest improver on the day. A PB of 1:31 over so short a distance is an amazing result from one of Fran Attard's committed young squad members. **Haris Ali** has struck an improvement seam of his own, ripping over half a minute from his previous best with **10:26** to add to last week's big PB.

Finally, it was a pleasure to welcome the latest member of the Morgan clan, **Anouk**, who had her first race with us for a very good **13:22** in the 1.5km. Wishing you lots of racing fun, Anouk!

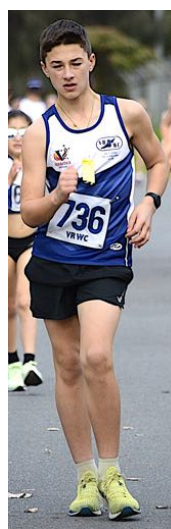
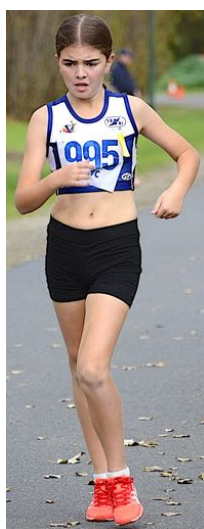
### 3km race

1	Ela	Uzun	FU12	14:27	2	PB 0:22, Club U12, U13 recs
2	Mya	McClure	FU12	16:16		NPT
3	Mietta	Morgan	FU14	16:35	1	PB 0:36
4	Havana	Ali	FU12	16:54	3	PB 0:08
5	Amelia	Vernal	U16	19:36		NPT
6	Merilyn	Thompson	FMasters	21:03	4	
1	Daniel	Pashutin	MU14	15:59	1	
2	Levi	Robertson	MU12	18:11		NPT
3	Steven	Haverly	MMasters	26:55		YN
	Ralph	Bennett	MMasters	DQ		-
	Damian	Baldy	MU12	DQ		-

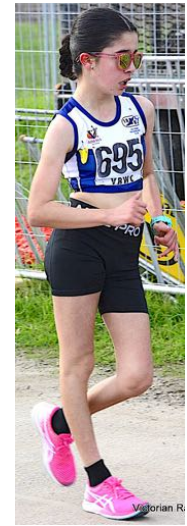
### 1.5km race

1	Julia	Baldy	FU10	8:10	1	PB 1:31
2	Jaida	Robertson	FU10	9:43	2	
3	Zoe	Bowkett	FU10	10:00	3	
4	Anouk	Morgan	FU10	13:22		NPT
	Violet	Froon	FU12	Ab		-
1	Beau	McKinnon	MU12	9:12	2	
2	Haris	Ali	MU10	10:26	1	PB 0:34
3	Tate	Jardine	MU12	11:13	3	
4	Aydin	Uzun	MU10	13:53	4	

(NPT – No previous time      YN – Yellow number)



*Beau, Mya, Levi, Daniel and Merilyn in action*



Good efforts on show from Anouk, Haris, Zoe, Tate and Ela

Once again, many thanks to the judges, officials and helpers whose work made for a successful day's racing. Apologies if your name was omitted – we appreciated your contribution.

- Manager** Mark Donahoo
- Referee:** Terry Swan
- Recorders** Mark Donahoo, Bass Wakim, Debbie Nash, Alla Pashutin, Donna Dickson,
- Judges:** Kathleen Marsh (Chief), Gordon Loughnan, Stu Cooper, Shane Dickson, David Cash, Di Lowden, Peter Price
- Set up & Pack up:** Stu Cooper, Madeleine Feain, Terry Swan,
- Course sweepers:** Peter Price, Bass Wakim
- Bike rider** Tim Erickson
- Photos** Terry Swan
- Walkers:** 39

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## AROUND THE COUNTRY

### QUEENSLAND Oceania Invitational U20 meet, Saturday 28 May – QSAC, Brisbane

Results from Queensland Athletics website. (Photo *courtesy Robin Wales*):

<b>Men 5000m</b>		
1. Sam McCure	QLD	23:51.78
<b>Women 5000m</b>		
1. Olivia Sandery	SA	22:56.23
2. Mia Bergh	QLD	28:24.35
3. Lyla Williams	NSW	30:37.41
4. Natasha Flahey	QLD	33:27.29



Olivia Sandery was given good competition by Sam McCure at the Oceania Invitational

## QUEENSLAND QRWC Handicap races #3, Sunday 29 May – Logan River Parklands

Thanks to Robyn Wales for these results:

### A Grade 10km

**Men:** (1) Ignacio Jimenez **SB** 49.35 (2) Argenis Guevara **SB** 1.02.27 (3) Peter Bennett 1.14.27

**Women:** (1) Torryn Fisher **SB** 1.07.20 (2) Jasmine McRoberts **SB** 1.09.14 (3) Jennifer Stuckey **SB** 1.10.13 (4) Joy Dale **SB** 1.20.37 (5) Noela McKinven **SB** 1.26.28

### B Grade 5km

**Men:** (1) Kai Dale **SB** 30.56 (2) Bailey Housden 32.15 (3) Patrick Sela **SB** 42.17

**Women:** (1) Anika Clarke 27.35 (2) Lyla Williams **SB** 27.58 (3) Lily Goulding **SB** 32.06 (4) Lily Housden **SB** 32.30 (5) Taylah Morris 34.30 (6) Phoebe Chadwick 35.08

### C Grade 3km

**Women:** (1) Destinee Pickvance Yee 17.44 (2) Skye Presland **SB** 18.51 (3) Siaan Fisher **SB** 18.52. Maya Barron DNF

### D Grade 2km

**Men:** (1) Lachlan Moore **SB** 11.07 (2) Hunter Sibenaler 15.02

**Women:** (1) Makenna Clarke 11.15 (2) Kiara Waterman **SB** 13.03 (3) Pippa Anderson **SB** 13.05 (4) Freya Williams 14.39 (5) Tully Fisher 16.10

### F Grade 1km

**Men:** Dylan Moore 7.34

**Women:** (1) Isabella Welch 5.52 (2) Amelia Chisholm **SB** 7.04 (3) Willow Nelisi 7.34

## SOUTH AUSTRALIA SARWC Club c'ship results, 28 May – South Parklands, Adelaide

Adelaide's run of fine weather hit the buffers last Saturday. **Kim Mottrom** reports that the temperature was 13°C and very wet, with some very heavy showers leaving some cold, damp yet tough athletes to claim Club championship medals.

### Open 25km

Kim Mottrom 1:59:47 PB

### Over 35 25km

Peter Crump 2:41:40

### Over 50 15km

Greg Metha 1:37:36

### Under 18 10km

Nellie Langford 0:54:10

### Under 16 6km

Sebastian Richards 0:31:00 PB

### Under 12 3km

Orlando Grantham 0:19:24

Liliana Templer 0:20:29 PB

Senna Cook 0:22:37 PB

### Non Championship Events

#### Open 10km

Sam Findlay 0:54:12

#### Open 6km

Alix Harlington 0:34:10

Rhiannon Lovegrove 0:35:13

Di Camilleri 0:51:48

#### Open 3km

Daisy Braithwaite 0:19:24

Liz Downs 0:22:10

#### Open 2km

Kristy Templer 0:18:00 PB



The previous weekend, Athletics South Australia held their annual Athlete Of The Year presentations. The Summer and Winter U20 AOTY award went to **Olivia Sandery**, **Kim Mottrom** won the O35 AOTY while **Nellie Langford** claimed the U18 award. Well done, SA walkers!



*Kim and Olivia – ASA Athletes of the Year, with presenter Clare Woods*

## TASMANIA TRWC results, Saturday 28 May – Wentworth Park, Hobart

The latest TRWC results, courtesy of **David Moore**:

<b>1km</b>				<b>5km</b>			
1. Adele Woodward	OVA	6:36		1. Will Bottle	Newstead	22:30	
2. Isla Direen	Huon LA	8:11		2. Sam Lindsay	Newstead	24:06	
<b>3km</b>				3. Eugene Gerlach	TMA	37:07	
1. Oliver Morgan	OVA	14:54		4. Ron Foster	TMA	40:00	
2. Wayne Fletcher	NSAC	25:08					
2. Dave Moore	TMA	28:38					

## WESTERN AUSTRALIA WARWC handicap events, 29 May – Wilson, Perth

**Terry Jones** reports that the weather at Wilson was fine, cool and calm – perfect for racing!

<b>6K H'cap</b>			<b>2K H'cap</b>	
John Ronan	29.17		Linkin Lawrence	12.57
Karyn Tolardo	38.31		Lachlan Nichols	11.54
Marcela Ruiz	46.18		Kaytee Bogaers	10.54
Ben Reid	33.52		Sophia Nichols	15.19
Andrew Duncan	33.53		Dylan Sardelich	13.37
			Sylvia Byers	20.11
<b>4K H'cap</b>			Karyn Tolardo	13.00
Emily Bogaers	35.16		Andrew Duncan	11.11
Ashlyn Spence	23.59		Hunter Sardelich	DQ
Glenys Duncan	38.15			



## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

### SPAIN: 35<sup>th</sup> Gran Premio Cantones de La Coruna, Saturday 28 May – La Coruna

Tough conditions prevailed in La Coruna, (particularly in the earlier women's race), with a notable feature being the number of DNFs in both races, as well as the comparative slowness of the times.

Best performed Aussie was **Bec Henderson** whose 12<sup>th</sup> in **1:36:47** would be her best international result to date. As an experienced triathlete, Bec has strong adaptive powers to cope with testing conditions. Close behind, **Katie Hayward's** 15<sup>th</sup> in

**1:37:21** showed she could also tough it out in the heat. **Clara Smith** saw it through after her Muscat disappointment for a creditable 26<sup>th</sup> place. Unfortunately **Jemima Montag** had a disappointing day, stopping at 14km after being in medal contention in the first half.

A huge field of 101 started the Men's race. It was hard going for all the Aussie lads, but all eight finished, with **Declan Tingay** managing a top 30 spot in **1:23:58** for our best placing. While **Kyle Swan** would be disappointed at finishing 47<sup>th</sup>, his time was a step up from his Muscat race and is another hard hit-out under the belt with the big ones coming up. **Carl, Will Mitchell, Tyler, Dylan** and **Tim** all gained valuable experience against top competition that will stand them in good stead for the future.

Below is *World Athletics*' report on both races:

## **Qieyang and Martin claim race walk crowns in La Coruna**

*(Report by Nicola Maggio - reprinted from World Athletics website)*

China's **Qieyang Shenjie** and Spain's **Alvaro Martin** captured respective 20km race walk victories at the 35th Gran Premio Cantones de La Coruña, a **World Athletics Race Walking Tour Gold** event, held on Saturday (28) in Spain's northwest coastal city.

While Olympic and world medallist Qieyang enjoyed an overwhelming win in 1:27:50, European champion Martin fought hard to defeat his compatriot Diego Garcia inside the closing kilometre, 1:19:58 and 1:20:00 their respective clockings.

### **Qieyang destroys all opposition**

Likely due to the warm temperature at the start of the event, the women's race kicked off quite cautiously at a steady 4:28 per kilometre pace. Right from the start, six women formed a leading group: Qieyang, Australia's **Jemima Montag**, Peru's **Kimberly Garcia**, Colombia's **Sandra Arenas** and the Spanish duo of the current European champion **Maria Perez** and **Laura Garcia-Caro**.

The opening 5km was reached in 22:20 and shortly afterwards the world silver medallist Qieyang picked up her pace to cover the following two laps in 4:15, with only the Peruvian Garcia for company. Another 4:11 lap by the 31-year-old Qieyang was decisive and saw her leave Garcia well behind.

Qieyang led through half way in 43:44 and had an eight-second advantage over Garcia, herself 16 seconds ahead of Montag. Way back, local star Perez travelled 44 seconds behind the leader but 13 seconds clear of her compatriot Garcia-Caro, while Olympic silver medallist Arenas had begun to falter, already 1:25 behind Qieyang.

With the win all but secured, Qieyang eased her pace and covered the next laps in the 4:21/4:23 range, which proved to be more than enough to keep Garcia at bay. Meanwhile, Montag was a lonesome third, 41 seconds in arrears, with Perez in fourth another 20 seconds adrift. The Australian then dropped out during the 14th lap.

With 5km to go, Qieyang remained a solid leader having built a 22-second margin on Garcia. European champion Perez was a distant third, 1:16 behind the leader, while Garcia-Caro lost another full minute on her fellow Spaniard. Over the closing laps Qieyang kept on her triumphal walk, even slowing her pace to 4:28 splits but still strengthening her lead over her pursuers.

**Qieyang** clocked **1:27:50** at the tape to grab her second win in Cantones after her 2018 success. The Chinese athlete had a massive 48-second advantage on Garcia (1:28:38), with Perez completing the classy podium, recording a 1:29:33 performance. Arenas was never a factor and decided to drop out of the race shortly after midway.

1.	Shijie QIEYANG	CHN	1:27:50	27.	Gemma MORA	ESP	1:46:29
2.	Kimberly GARCÍA LEÓN	PER	1:28:38	28.	Laura Monje MARTINEZ	ESP	1:49:56
3.	María PÉREZ	ESP	1:29:33	29.	Erika KELLY	GBR	1:50:36
4.	Laura GARCÍA-CARO	ESP	1:31:25	30.	Georgina RUIZ	ESP	1:51:16
5.	Maocuo LI	CHN	1:31:43	31.	Iria RIVAS IGLESIAS	ESP	1:59:35
6.	Haiying JI	CHN	1:32:22	32.	Iria TEIJEIRO	ESP	2:01:38
7.	Viviane LYRA	BRA	1:32:56		Sandra Lorena ARENAS	COL	DNF
8.	Johana ORDÓÑEZ	ECU	1:33:44		<b>Jemima MONTAG</b>	<b>AUS</b>	<b>DNF</b>
9.	Ayşe TEKDAL	TUR	1:35:41		Bianca Maria DITTRICH	GER	DNF
10.	Cristina MONTESINOS	ESP	1:35:44		Antia CHAMOSA	ESP	DNF
11.	Eloise TERREC	FRA	1:36:24		Carmen ESCARIZ	ESP	DNF
12.	<b>Rebecca HENDERSON</b>	<b>AUS</b>	<b>1:36:47</b>		Lucia REDONDO	ESP	DNF
13.	Heather LEWIS	GBR	1:36:54		Alicia SÁNCHEZ	ESP	DNF
14.	Lidia SANCHEZ-PUEBLA	ESP	1:36:57		Irene VAZQUEZ	ESP	DNF
15.	<b>Katie HAYWARD</b>	<b>AUS</b>	<b>1:37:21</b>		Celia VILCHEZ	ESP	DNF
16.	Robyn STEVENS	USA	1:38:02		Noelia VARGAS	CRC	DNF
17.	. PRIYANKA	IND	1:38:10		Abigail JENNINGS	GBR	DNF
18.	Angela CASTRO	BOL	1:38:22		Mirna ORTÍZ	GUA	DNF
19.	Mayra Karen QUISPE	BOL	1:39:59		Bhawna JAT	IND	DNF
20.	Alexandrina MIHAI	ITA	1:42:20		. RAVINA	IND	DNF
21.	Jeanethe MAMANI	BOL	1:42:45		Evelyn INGA	PER	DNF
22.	Gabriela DE SOUSA	BRA	1:43:01		Inês HENRIQUES	POR	DNF
23.	Dana Paola ACEVES	MEX	1:44:06		Vitória OLIVEIRA	POR	DNF
24.	Eva RICO RUFAS	ESP	1:44:31		Maria SANTOS BERNARDO	POR	DNF
25.	Kate VEALE	IRL	1:45:13		Rachelle DE ORBETA	PUR	DNF
26.	<b>Clara SMITH</b>	<b>AUS</b>	<b>1:45:32</b>		Kader DOST	TUR	DNF



*“It may not be the most media-friendly moment that the networks pick up, but some of us feel deeply rewarded for our effort, seeing the excitement reflected in the faces of the apprentice walkers who have previously worn, perhaps some for the first time, a walker bib that they will keep with affection, and to which they now add a surely incomprehensible dedication in Chinese from a new ‘benchmark’ in their sport that they have just met.”*

*“A moment that they may remember with nostalgia the day they are the ones on the other side of the fence.”*

*- Jorge Blanco (from Marcia dal Mondo Friends FB page)*

### **Martin leads local 1-2 result**

Held in much more favourable weather conditions with the temperature having dropped sharply, the men's event opened with a slow first kilometre in 4:11 but the trio of India's **Suraj Panwar**, China's **Xianghong He** and Italy's **Gianluca Picchiottino** soon began to increase their rhythm. All the favourites, such as Brazil's **Caio Bonfim** and the Spanish duo of **Martin** and **Garcia**, were in close attendance.

The 5km checkpoint was reached in a moderate 20:16, with Bonfim and Ecuador's **Brian Pintado** in the lead. The following laps didn't witness any major changes, with a large group of no less than 22 race walkers travelling together. Peru's **Cesar Rodriguez** and Bonfim were taking on most of the pacing duties, to go through half way in a moderate 40:46.

It was then that Martin and Garcia moved to the head for the first time, much to the delight of the home crowd, to walk at Bonfim's shoulder. The 11th kilometre became the first 1000m section covered in under 4:00, which whittled down the lead group to nine: Bonfim, Rodriguez, Germany's **Christopher Linke**, the Ecuadorian trio of Pintado, **Jordy Jimenez** and David Hurtado, and the Spanish triumvirate of Martin, Garcia and Tokyo Olympics 50km fourth-place finisher **Marc Tur**.

Pintado, the winner at the Rio Maior event earlier this month, seemed determined to bounce back from his recent DNF in the Madrid 10km a fortnight ago and stepped up the pace to record successive splits of 3:56 and 3:57, which proved to be too fast for Tur and Jimenez.

With the clock reading 58 minutes it was Garcia who took the lead but that was short lived and Bonfim returned to the front to go through 15km in 1:00:39. That came after a quick 3:55 lap by the leading quintet comprising the Brazilian, Hurtado, Rodriguez, Martin and Garcia.

Garcia began to push hard and it became clear that the podium would be made up by the two Spaniards and Bonfim as Hurtado and Rodriguez began to lose ground.

Following a brisk 3:52 antepenultimate lap, the closing two circuits promised to be thrilling and they really were as Martin, a fine fourth at the Tokyo Olympics, tried to break away from Garcia, but the latter didn't let his compatriot get away, the pair clocking 3:49 for the penultimate lap.

Martin led with Garcia tucked behind at the bell, but with some 700m left the 28-year-old **Martin** managed at last to get rid of Garcia to cross the finish line in **1:19:58**, a couple of seconds ahead of his rival, with Bonfim securing third place.

"Major championships aside, Cantones is the best race walking event worldwide so I'm ecstatic to win here again after my 2017 victory," said Martin. "It's very nice to have two Spaniards battling for the win in front of our home crowd."

Asked about his ambitions for the World Athletics Championships Oregon22, he said adamantly: "Last year at the Olympics three Spanish walkers came fourth in our respective events, so this year we'll be looking for revenge."

Martin now plans a training stint at the altitude of Sierra Nevada before travelling to Colorado three weeks prior to the World Championships to continue his build-up for Oregon, where he will be contesting the 20km event.

1.	Álvaro MARTÍN	ESP	1:19:58	52.	Hélder SANTOS	POR	1:27:40
2.	Diego GARCÍA CARRERA	ESP	1:20:00	53.	Georgiy SHEIKO	KAZ	1:27:40
3.	Caio BONFIM	BRA	1:20:14	54.	Juned KHAN	IND	1:27:41
4.	David HURTADO	ECU	1:20:31	55.	Nick CHRISTIE	USA	1:27:54
5.	Brian Daniel PINTADO	ECU	1:20:38	56.	Juan CALDERON	CRC	1:28:32
6.	César Augusto RODRÍGUEZ	PER	1:20:45	57.	<b>Carl GIBBONS</b>	<b>AUS</b>	<b>1:28:55</b>
7.	Christopher LINKE	GER	1:20:54	58.	Suraj PANWAR	IND	1:29:08
8.	Manuel BERMÚDEZ	ESP	1:21:02	59.	Johannes FRENZL	GER	1:30:08
9.	Francesco FORTUNATO	ITA	1:21:28	60.	Aythamy A. GONZALEZ	ESP	1:30:18
10.	Jordy Rafael JIMÉNEZ	ECU	1:21:44	61.	Juan Manuel CANO	ARG	1:30:20
11.	Marc TUR	ESP	1:21:45	62.	Xianghong HE	CHN	1:31:20
12.	Alberto AMEZCUA	ESP	1:21:57	63.	<b>Will THOMPSON</b>	<b>AUS</b>	<b>1:32:03</b>
13.	Andrea COSI	ITA	1:21:59	64.	<b>Mitchell BAKER</b>	<b>AUS</b>	<b>1:33:01</b>
14.	Kevin CAMPION	FRA	1:22:01	65.	<b>Tyler JONES</b>	<b>AUS</b>	<b>1:33:23</b>



15.	Wenchao NIU	CHN	1:22:11	66.	Juriy MICHELETTI	ITA	1:33:35
16.	Lihong CUI	CHN	1:22:16	<b>67.</b>	<b>Dylan RICHARDSON</b>	<b>AUS</b>	<b>1:33:56</b>
17.	Iván LÓPEZ	ESP	1:22:24	68.	Ettore GRILLO	ITA	1:36:55
18.	Kaihua WANG	CHN	1:22:48	69.	Kevin CERRO	ESP	1:37:34
19.	José Oswaldo CALEL	GUA	1:22:51	70.	Joe MOONEY	IRL	1:38:39
20.	Saul MENA	MEX	1:23:20	71.	Jinson Octavio CALDERÓN	ECU	1:38:40
21.	Amit MISHRA	IND	1:23:21	72.	George WILKINSON	GBR	1:39:19
22.	Yangben ZHAXI	CHN	1:23:30	73.	Christian ROJAS	COL	1:39:52
23.	Juan José SOTO	COL	1:23:32	74.	Samuel Geovanni ALDAS	ECU	1:42:19
24.	Álvaro LÓPEZ	ESP	1:23:35	<b>75.</b>	<b>Tim FRASER</b>	<b>AUS</b>	<b>1:45:44</b>
25.	Luis Henry CAMPOS	PER	1:23:35		Evan DUNFEE	CAN	DNF
26.	José Eduardo ORTIZ	GUA	1:23:37		João VIEIRA	POR	DNF
27.	Paul MCGRATH	ESP	1:23:43		Karl JUNGHANNß	GER	DNF
28.	Jun ZHANG	CHN	1:23:48		José Alessandro B. BAGIO	BRA	DNF
<b>29.</b>	<b>Declan TINGAY</b>	<b>AUS</b>	<b>1:23:58</b>		Gonzalo Antonio BUSTAN	ECU	DNF
30.	Michele ANTONELLI	ITA	1:24:09		Andrés CHOCHO	ECU	DNF
31.	Riccardo ORSONI	ITA	1:24:34		Miroslav ÚRADNÍK	SVK	DNF
32.	Gianluca PICCHIOTTINO	ITA	1:24:35		Daniel CHAMOSA	ESP	DNF
33.	Leo KÖPP	GER	1:25:04		Daniel DE LUCAS C.	ESP	DNF
34.	José Alejandro BARRONDO	GUA	1:25:06		Jose Luis HIDALGO	ESP	DNF
35.	Yassir CABRERA	PAN	1:25:13		Jorge LÓPEZ	ESP	DNF
36.	Daniel Goni BALLESTEROS	ESP	1:25:17		Jose MESTRE	ESP	DNF
37.	Matheus CORREA	BRA	1:25:31		José Manuel PÉREZ	ESP	DNF
38.	Jhon Alexander C.	COL	1:25:38		Daniel KING	GBR	DNF
39.	Cristhian JUÁREZ LÓPEZ	MEX	1:25:38		Dominic KING	GBR	DNF
40.	Hagen POHLE	GER	1:25:53		Callum WILKINSON	GBR	DNF
41.	Salih KORKMAZ	TUR	1:25:59		Érick Bernabé BARRONDO	GUA	DNF
42.	Oscar PATÍN	ECU	1:26:00		Andrea AGRUSTI	ITA	DNF
43.	Narcis Stefan MIHĂILĂ	ROU	1:26:25		Stefano CHIESA	ITA	DNF
44.	Abdülselam İMUK	TUR	1:26:37		Gustavo Israel SOLIS	MEX	DNF
45.	César CORDOVA F.	MEX	1:26:44		Paulo MARTINS	POR	DNF
46.	Oisin LANE	IRL	1:26:45		Selman ILHAN	TUR	DNF
<b>47.</b>	<b>Kyle SWAN</b>	<b>AUS</b>	<b>1:26:46</b>		Erwan GARROUTY	FRA	DNF
48.	Anderson CALLEJAS	COL	1:27:22		Cesar Alberto HERRERA	COL	DNF
49.	Javier MENA	ECU	1:27:23		Jhonatan Javier AMORES	ECU	DNF
50.	Tom BOSWORTH	GBR	1:27:27		Nathaniel SEILER	GER	DQ
51.	Lucas MAZZO	BRA	1:27:35				

## FRANCE: French 20km & 35km championships, Sunday 29 May - Gien

**Emmanuel Tardi** reports from the French national road championships, in which he was judging:

I was one of the judges in Gien (130km to the south of Paris) for the national 20 and 35km (Men, Women Masters, U23) championships.

The races took place on a 1k loop around a gymnasium. 35k started at 8am, 20k men started at 8:15am, 20k women started at 10.15am.

Good weather, fresh in the morning , a little hot at the end of races with little wind .

In the 35km, **Dominik Cerny** (from Slovakia) and **Vincentainer** (from Brazil) led for all the race. **Lucie Auffret** easily won the French title for women, but for men, it was a battle between **Mayer** and **Andrieu**. **Gabriel Bordier** won the men 20k. In the women's 20km, **Beretta** and **Moutard** walked together the first 6km, then **Moutard** sped up and won.

### 20 km femmes

<b>1</b>	MOUTARD Camille	ESF/01	Athle 21	<b>1h33'17"</b>
<b>2</b>	BERETTA Clemence	SEF/97	Athletic Vosges Entente Clubs	<b>1h35'04"</b>
<b>3</b>	MANARESI Marion	ESF/00	Ac Romorantin	<b>1h41'53"</b>
<b>4</b>	DENISSELLE Vanessa	MAF/84	Val-de-reuil Ac	<b>1h43'02"</b>
<b>5</b>	PERRICHON Julia	ESF/01	Entente Athletique Grenoble 38	<b>1h45'31"</b>
<b>6</b>	MOLIST Lucille	ESF/01	Cs Bourgoin-jallieu	<b>1h48'08"</b>
<b>7</b>	DUCLOS Adele	ESF/00	Athle 91	<b>1h49'05"</b>
<b>8</b>	JOUAN Christele	MAF/75	Rouen Normandie Athletisme	<b>1h49'09"</b>
<b>9</b>	PESLERBE Bertille	SEF/98	Ea Pays De Broceliande	<b>1h51'03"</b>
<b>10</b>	VIDALINC Celia	SEF/96	Clermont Auvergne Athletisme	<b>1h52'21"</b>
<b>11</b>	BRAY Violaine	MAF/71	Cjf Saint-malo	<b>1h52'29"</b>
<b>12</b>	MILLE Angele	ESF/01	Grac Athletisme	<b>1h54'36"</b>
<b>13</b>	PICARD Axelle	SEF/99	Nancy Athletisme Metropole	<b>1h54'49"</b>
<b>14</b>	ANDREANI Celia	SEF/99	Csm La Seyne	<b>1h54'57"</b>
<b>15</b>	GARNATZ Aude	SEF/99	Caen Athletic Club	<b>1h55'19"</b>
<b>16</b>	KLIPFEL Emma	ESF/01	Nancy Athletisme Metropole	<b>1h55'28"</b>
<b>17</b>	BIZARD Lucie	SEF/90	Stade Francais	<b>1h55'37"</b>
<b>18</b>	FRANCHIN Celia	MAF/87	Grand Paris Seine Oise	<b>1h56'09"</b>

19	ROULAND Marion	SEF/90	Stade Dieppois	1h59'43"
20	NARGUET Sandrine	MAF/77	Alsace Nord Athletisme	1h59'52"
21	BODIN Alexia	ESF/01	Grac Athletisme	2h01'44"
22	FROMENTIN Nathalie	MAF/70	Stade Dieppois	2h02'22"
23	RAES-MAURE Chloe	MAF/76	Neubourg Ac	2h02'33"
24	BARRITAUULT Lea	SEF/96	Athletic Trois Tours	2h14'26"

#### 20 km hommes

1	BORDIER Gabriel	SEM/97	Us St Berthevin	1h24'02"
2	DUC Matteo	ESM/01	As Aix-les-bains	1h27'16"
3	MADLINE-DEGY Martin	ESM/01	Ecla Albi	1h28'27"
4	ROBICHON Alexis	ESM/00	Ac Roche-sur-yon	1h28'57"
5	MAATTANEN Jaakko (Fin)	SEM/		1h29'55"
6	HUE Aymeric	ESM/01	Ec Orleans Cercle Jules Ferry	1h32'07"
7	VALLEE Kyrian	SEM/94	Blagnac Sc	1h33'03"
8	LECAPLAIN Maxime	SEM/94	Pays Saint-lois Athletisme	1h33'17"
9	BAZZO BORTOT Symon	SEM/96	Nouveau St Amand Etudiant Cl	1h34'04"
10	BEAUVAL Florent	ESM/00	Stade Sottevillais 76	1h34'44"
11	CROSNIER Alexis	SEM/99	Vineuil Sports	1h36'08"
12	DELAUNAY Sebastien	MAM/74	Ca Du Pays Saumurois	1h37'14"
13	FESSELIER Fabian	SEM/94	Caen Athletic Club	1h37'54"
14	LANDRON Roland	MAM/78	Ca Beglais	1h38'07"
15	PETER Florian	ESM/02	As Aix-les-bains	1h39'04"
16	DREVILLE Lucas	ESM/02	Beauvais Oise Union Club	1h39'26"
17	LEGENTIL Laurent	SEM/88	Dynamic Aulnay Club	1h42'15"
18	BONTEMPS Sebastien	SEM/90	Gien Athle Marathon	1h42'53"
19	BESSONIER Raphael	ESM/00	Aj Blois-onzain	1h42'53"
20	GERBAUD-BLIN Pierre	SEM/95	Ec Orleans Cercle Jules Ferry	1h44'25"
21	DENONCIN David	SEM/88	As Villejuif -asv	1h45'50"
22	SWAIEH Meftah	MAM/72	Ea Mondeville Herouville	1h46'46"
23	DE NEVE Nicolas	SEM/93	Coquelicot 42	1h48'22"
24	LE BONNIEC Philippe	MAM/66	Stade Langonnais Athletisme	1h48'40"
25	MILLE Olivier	MAM/72	Grac Athletisme	1h49'47"
26	TROADEC Matthieu	SEM/94	Dynamic Aulnay Club	1h50'08"
27	DURAND-PICHARD David	MAM/72	Athletisme Metz Metropole	1h50'42"
28	COIS Steeve	SEM/89	Asc Le Havre	1h50'49"
29	FRITSCH Serge	MAM/64	Athletic Sud Vendee	1h51'54"
30	PICHAUD Maxime	ESM/02	Entente Des Mauges	1h53'50"
31	PEREZ ALFRANCA G. (Esp)	MAM/83	Sco Ste-marguerite Marseille	1h55'28"
32	ROBIDOU Philippe	MAM/59	Athle Pays De Fougeres	1h55'42"
33	BROU Florent	SEM/93	Ac Paris-joinville	1h57'17"
34	MAURE Rene-Jean	MAM/65	Neubourg Ac	2h00'01"
35	PASQUET Eric	MAM/72	Ouest Vendee Athletisme	2h04'51"
-	THENIERE Mickael	SEM/88	Asc Le Havre	DQ



20km podium: Duc, Bordier, Madeline-Degy



Start of the 35km. Cerny already leading.

(Photos: Emmanuel Tardi)

#### 35 km femmes

1	LUIZE VINCENTAINER M. (Bra)	SEF/		3h05'51"
2	AUFFRET Lucie	SEF/88	Entente Franconville Cesame	3h14'12"
3	TORMA Anett (Hun)	SEF/		3h24'39"
4	CHAMPALOU Lucie	SEF/90	Athletic Trois Tours	3h25'52"
5	DEMON Sonia	MAF/72	Efs Reims	3h29'36"

6	CASALE Maeva	SEF/97	Ca Balma	3h39'55"
7	GUILLARD Caroline	MAF/71	Saran Loiret Athletic Club	3h55'55"
<b>35 km hommes</b>				
1	CERNY Dominik (Svk)	SEM/97		2h37'19"
2	DIAS NOGUEIRA Rudney (Bra)	SEM/		2h45'22"
3	BATISTA GONCALVES M (Bra)	SEM/		2h46'54"
4	ANDRIEU Hugo	SEM/92	Uavh Aubagne	2h47'29"
5	MAYER Florian	SEM/96	Athletic Vosges Entente Clubs	2h48'47"
6	PEREIRA LIMA Diego (Bra)	SEM/		2h51'23"
7	MARTIN Come	SEM/95	Annecy Haute Savoie A.	2h56'18"
8	BOUTRAIS Andy	SEM/91	Spn Vernon	3h20'18"
9	BONNOMET Arthur	ESM/00	Efs Reims	3h25'40"
10	VAN HILLE Dominique	MAM/77	Nice Cote D'azur Athletisme	3h30'28"
11	LACHE Cyrille	MAM/65	Ca Balma	3h36'32"
12	PERRAUD Mickael	MAM/76	Ouest Vendee Athletisme	3h43'44"
13	BOLLINGER Vincent	MAM/84	Dynamic Aulnay Club	3h57'10"

(See also <http://omarchador.blogspot.com/2022/05/campeonatos-de-franca-de-35-km-e-20-km.htm>)

## UNITED KINGDOM: Guernsey Walk results for May 2022 – various locations, Guernsey

**Rob Elliott** reports on a busy month of racing on the Channel island of Guernsey:

### **\*\* Late win for Stuart in Pender trophy**

**Stuart Le Noury** continues to dominate the local race walk scene with two Championship wins and a late win in the Sean Pender 2,000 metres handicap track walk. He seemed well out of contention with a lap to go but with 200m left there was a possibility he could catch the two left in from of him. Coming into the final 30 metres he moved into the lead to pip long time leader Mick Le Sauvage by four seconds, followed by Kevin Le Noury.

#### ***Sunday May 1<sup>st</sup>, Sarnia Walking Club - Championship 4, 5km road walk Les Amarreurs, Guernsey***

1 Stuart Le Noury M35 27.58  
2 Kevin Le Noury M60 35.20  
3 Mick Le Sauvage M80 39.39

#### ***Sunday May 15<sup>th</sup>, Sean Pender Trophy - 2,000 metres handicap track walk Footes Lane, Guernsey***

1 Stuart Le Noury M35 15.45 (watch time) / 5.30 (handicap) / 10.15 (actual time)  
2 Mick Le Sauvage M80 15.49 / 0.30 / 15.19  
3 Kevin Le Noury M60 15.57 / 2.00 / 13.57  
4 Dave Dorey M75 16.57 / 0.00 / 16.57

#### ***Sunday May 29<sup>th</sup>, Sarnia Walking Club - Championship 5 - 3,000 m track walk Footes Lane, Guernsey***

1 Stuart Le Noury M35 15.39  
2 Kevin Le Noury M60 20.46  
3 Mick Le Sauvage M80 23.10

## MARCIADALMONDO & O MARCHADOR ROUNDUP

The Italian walking website **Marcia Dal Mondo** has a list of new reports in its news section, covering local and international races and other items of interest.

- 29/05/2022 - Digressions in La Coruna [http://www.marciadalmondo.com/eng/dettagli\\_news.aspx?id=4387](http://www.marciadalmondo.com/eng/dettagli_news.aspx?id=4387) Nicola takes us behind the race walking scenes, in this fascinating Galician city.
- 28/05/2022 - La Coruna (ESP): 35th Cantones de la Coruna [http://www.marciadalmondo.com/eng/dettagli\\_news.aspx?id=4386](http://www.marciadalmondo.com/eng/dettagli_news.aspx?id=4386)
- 26/05/2022 - Julia Takacs (ESP) says goodbye to competitions and hangs up her shoes. [http://www.marciadalmondo.com/eng/dettagli\\_news.aspx?id=4385](http://www.marciadalmondo.com/eng/dettagli_news.aspx?id=4385)



The Portuguese race walking blog **O Marchador** contains reports on many of the same races as Marcia Dal Mondo. The page has dozens of links to articles on race walking, featuring both domestic events and those from abroad.

- Monday, May 30, 2022 - Marchadores do CO Pechão and ADR Água de Pena with the best marks in the 2022 club qualification. <http://omarchador.blogspot.com/2022/05/marchadores-do-co-pechao-e-adr-agua-de.html>
- Sunday, May 29, 2022 - The Spaniard Álvaro Martín triumphed in the 20 km march of A Coruña <http://omarchador.blogspot.com/2022/05/o-espanhol-alvaro-martin-triunfou-nos.html>
- Sunday, May 29, 2022 - Chinese Shijie Qieyang dominated the 20 km A Coruña march <http://omarchador.blogspot.com/2022/05/chinesa-shijie-qieyang-dominou-os-20-km.html>
- Saturday, May 28, 2022 - French Championships 35 km and 20 km March in Gien on Sunday <http://omarchador.blogspot.com/2022/05/campeonatos-de-franca-de-35-km-e-20-km.htm>

*Note: The O Marchador blog is written in Portuguese. To access an English version, open the page in Google Chrome – if you haven't already – at <https://omarchador.blogspot.com>, then right click on any empty space (not on text) on the page. A window will appear with the option to translate the page. Click on it, and the page should reload in English.*

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## WHAT'S UP AHEAD?

### Victorian & National Key Dates – 2022

Sat 4 Jun 2022	<b>VRWC Club events</b> – Middle Park
Sun 12 Jun 2022	<b>55<sup>th</sup> Annual Lake Burley Griffin Carnival</b> – Mt Stromlo, Canberra ACT
Sun 26 Jun	<b>AV Schools c'ships, AV 15km c'ships &amp; VRWC c'ships</b> – Middle Park
Sun 11 Sep 2022	<b>AA &amp; RWA Road walking c'ships; VRWC Centenary celebration</b> – Middle Park

(NOTE: Full details of the VRWC 2022 Winter Road season fixture available at <http://www.vrwc.org.au/vrwcw22.shtml> )

### International Dates

Jun 29 – Jul 10, 2022	<b>23<sup>rd</sup> World Masters T&amp;F Championships</b> – Tampere, FIN
Jul 15 – 24, 2022	<b>18<sup>th</sup> World Athletics Championships</b> – Eugene OR, USA
Jul 22 – Aug 7, 2022	<b>XXII Commonwealth Games</b> – Birmingham, GBR
Aug 1- 6, 2022	<b>19<sup>th</sup> World Athletics U20 T&amp;F Championships</b> – Cali, COLOMBIA
Aug 11 – 21, 2022	<b>European Athletics Championships</b> – Munich, GER
TBA, 2023	<b>24<sup>th</sup> World Masters T&amp;F Championships</b> – Gothenburg, SWE
TBA, 2023	<b>World University Summer Games</b> – Chengdu, CHN (postponed from 2020 and 2022)
Aug 2023 (TBC)	<b>19<sup>th</sup> World Athletics Championships</b> – Budapest, HUN

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