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CLUB NEWS and RESULTS

** VICS HOLD PB & RANKINGS PARTY IN TAICANG



Corey – 49 to 32



Will (31) – 15 to 10; Rhydian – 8 to 3



Kyle – 6 to 4

Taicang, China – which probably holds the unofficial title for the fastest 20km racing conditions in the world – was certainly a happy hunting ground last Sunday morning for VRWC walkers in terms of PBs and all-time Australian rankings.

Six Club members joined eight interstate compatriots to take on many of the world's elite in this WA Gold Tour event. Those fortunate enough to watch the races (either live or via a Chinese streaming service) would have been impressed by what they witnessed. Thanks to **David Tarbotton** who posted this table of times, PBs and rankings on his FB page:

- 1:18:33 **Rhydian Cowley** (PB by 57 seconds) moves from #8 to #3 Australian all-time
- 1:18:59 **Kyle Swan** (PB 25 seconds) moves from #6 to #4 Australian all-time
- 1:20:34 **Will Thompson** (PB by 1:22 minutes) moves from #15 to #10 Australian all-time
- 1:25:41 **Corey Dickson** (PB by 3:06 minutes) moves from #49 to #32 Australian all-time

Equally impressive were the Victorians' interstate squad mates who also climbed the rankings ladder in Taicang:

- 1:21:01 **Tim Fraser ACT** (PB by 62 seconds) moves from #16 to #12 Australian all-time
- 1:23:20 **Carl Gibbons NSW** (PB by 3:05 minutes) moves from #33 to #19 Australian all-time
- 1:27:57 **Jack McGinniskin NSW** (PB by 4:08 minutes) now #45* Australian all-time

Declan Tingay (WA), in injury recovery mode, finished with a very creditable **1:20.00**. **Dylan Richardson (NSW)** was unfortunate to be sent 'directly to jail' for 2:00, finishing with an official **1:27.59**.



The men underway in Taicang. From left, visible Aussies are Carl, Mitch, Tim, Corey, Kyle, Will and Rhydian.

(Photo: Nicola Maggio)

A smaller contingent of women contested the event, with **Bec Henderson** coming achingly close to an automatic Paris qualifier with her **1:29.54**. **Hannah Mison (NSW)** achieved a 6-sec PB with her **1:35.21**, while **Lizzie McMillen (NSW)** added another international to her experience log in clocking **1:37.40**. **Alanna Peart** was the tail light of the day, but she has had minimum experience with the 20km distance and is rebuilding after injury, so her **1:39.08** can be considered a sign of better things to come.



The women's turn. Aussies L-R: Hannah B, Lizzie, Tayla (behind woman in blue), Bec and Alanna.

(Photo: Nicola Maggio)

Commiserations to **Mitch Baker (ACT)** and **Hannah Bolton (NSW)**, both of whom ended up on the wrong side of TR54, as well as to **Tayla Billington (QLD)**. Bigger commiserations, however, to **Allanah Pitcher (NSW)** whose trip was ruined by a gastric bug that put her in hospital. We wish Allanah a full recovery so that she can concentrate on her next racing goals.

*See *Around The Country* for updated Australian all-time 20km men's rankings. Full race results in *International News*.

** VRWC ANNUAL FEES

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WINTER FIXTURE UPDATE

The date and venue for the **Australian Masters (AMA) 20km road championships** are now confirmed. This event will be held on **Sunday 25 August**, in Adelaide. Competitors may race in Adelaide on the day, or as postal entrants at whichever venue they can access (e.g. RWA 20km c'ship in Melbourne, or WMA c'ship in Gothenberg SWE)

Contact George White for further details – gwhite@adam.com.au

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VICTORIA - METRO & REGIONAL



The younger competitors had generally pleasant conditions for their AV walking championships at Lakeside on Sunday, with only the odd chilly wind gust to contend with. While **Riley Coughlan** and **Ela Uzun** were in a class of their own, both the 5000m and 3000m races (mixed gender and age groups) saw some good contests with a number of PBs being set.

**** AV 5000m Walk U20-U17 championships, Sunday 3 March – Lakeside Stadium**

The modest field of 7 that joined in 5000m combat produced an impressive exhibition of competitive racing and sound technique. Clear winners were **Riley Coughlan (20:54.69)**, a second shy of his PB) and **Maddison Nash** who smashed hers by 27 secs for **24:23.57**. A tight duel between **Scott Peart** and **Sam Lindsay** (TAS) saw the Launceston ace gradually pull away in the second half to clock **22:08.74** to Scott's **22:27.05**.

Men U20 5000m walk

1 Scott Peart	Ballarat YCW	22:27.05
2 Eden Morgan	Knox AC	23:03.22

Women U20 5000m walk

1 Maddison Nash	Knox AC	24:23.57*
2 Emily Smith	Knox AC	28:23.67

Men U18 5000m walk			Women U18 5000m walk		
1 Riley Coughlan	Knox AC	20:54.69	1 Ariana Pashutina	Knox AC	28:25.79
Men U17 5000m walk					
1 Samuel Lindsay <i>inv.</i>	TAS	22:08.74			

**** AV 3000m Walk U16-U14 championships, Sunday 3 March – Lakeside Stadium**

Engaging battles were on show among the 15 entrants in the combined 3000m race, behind **Ela Uzun** whose **13:43.34** was a mere 7 secs shy of her own State record. **Mya McClure** was clearly the fastest of the rest, clocking **14:45.96**, while **Matilda Read** and **Hannah Matthews** (who ripped over a minute from her PB) were locked together for most of the race before Matilda used her speed to seal the U15 win. **Lucy Johns** equalled her PB in easily taking the U16 title in **16:28.21**.

Max Davidson, having his best season by far, took the U16 boys title with a 15 sec PB of **14:16.47**. Max didn't have it all his own way, however, having to shake off a determined **Angus Shuttleworth** whose PB of **14:25.17** won him the U14 gold – we look forward to seeing more battles between these two. Another big improver was **Lewis McLennan** who got two 2nds ... silver in the U14 and second biggest PB margin of the day!

Boys U16 3000m walk			Girls U16 3000m walk		
1 Max Davidson	Diamond Vly	14:16.47*	1 Lucy Johns	Diamond Vly	16:28.21*
2 Hamish McLennan	Doncaster AC	18:24.69	2 Mietta Morgan	Knox AC	17:25.40
			3 Caetlin Ashby <i>inv.</i>	NSW	17:47.88
Boys U15 3000m walk			Girls U15 3000m walk		
1 Jaime Hvalica	Diamond Vly	16:33.90	1 Matilda Read	Wellington	16:02.07
			2 Hannah Matthews	Knox AC	16:09.56*
			3 Charlise McQueen	Eaglehawk	18:01.53*
Boys U14 3000m walk			Girls U14 3000m walk		
1 Angus Shuttleworth	Knox AC	14:25.17*	1 Ela Uzun	Essendon AC	13:43.34
2 Lewis McLennan	Doncaster AC	16:00.16*	2 Mya McClure	Whittlesea	14:45.96
3 Tate Jardine	Essendon AC	21:30.42	3 Havana Ali	Essendon AC	16:10.53

***PBs** – 5000m: Maddison 0:27 3000m: Hannah 1:06, Lewis 0:48, Angus 0:35, Max 0:14, Charlise 0:05, Lucy eq.

PHOTOS: Thanks to **Kerrie Peart**, who sent a package of images from the AV titles which, sadly, could not be edited in time for inclusion this week. Look for a gallery of them in the next issue.

With the AV track titles now done, the young brigade's attention now turns to the Little Athletics T&F championships to be held next weekend. Details below:



LAVic State T&F championships

The weekend of 9 & 10 March sees the **Little Athletics Victoria State championships** being held at Casey Fields. The walks will be held from 8.30 until 10.52am on Saturday. See the draft program at <https://lavic.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/Draft-Timetable-State-Track-and-Field-Champs-2024.pdf>



The **Victorian Masters T&F championships** will be held on **Saturday 16** and **Sunday 17 March**, at Tom Kelly track, Doncaster. For walks scheduling, see the draft program at <https://athsvic.wenginepowered.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/Vic-Masters-TT-DRAFT.pdf>



AROUND THE COUNTRY

** NATIONAL MEN'S 20KM RANKINGS - updated

Following last Sunday's Gold Tour event in Taicang (CHN), below is an updated ranking of the all-time best Australian Men's 20km results. Those whose performances advanced them after Taicang are listed in bold type.

1	1:17:33	Nathan Deakes	V	Cixi City, CHN	23 Apr 2005
2	1:18:30	Declan Tingay	W	Budapest, HUN	19 Aug 2023
3	1:18:33	Rhydian Cowley	V	Taicang, CHN	3 Mar 2024
4	1:18:59	Kyle Swan	V	Taicang, CHN	3 Mar 2024
5	1:19:15	Luke Adams	N	Cheboksary, RUS	10 May 2008
6	1:19:15	Jared Tallent	V	Hobart	13 Feb 2010
7	1:19:22	Dave Smith	V	Hobart	19 Jul 1987
8	1:19:28	Dane Bird-Smith	Q	London, GBR	13 Aug 2017
9	1:19:33	Nick A'Hern	N	Melbourne	15 Dec 1990
10	1:20:34	Will Thompson	V	Taicang, CHN	3 Mar 2024
11	1:20:43	Andrew Jachno	V	Brisbane	26 Aug 1990
12	1:20:49	Dion Russell	V	Melbourne	19 Mar 1999
13	1:21:01	Tim Fraser	A	Taicang, CHN	3 Mar 2024
14	1:21:19	Simon Baker	V	Canberra	27 Aug 1988
15	1:21:23	Adam Rutter	N	Taicang, CHN	30 Mar 2012
16	1:21:36	Willi Sawall	V	Melbourne	4 Jul 1982
17	1:22:08	Chris Erickson	V	Nomi, JPN	15 Mar 2015
18	1:23:10	Michael Hosking	V	Adelaide	11 Feb 2018
19	1:23:20	Carl Gibbons	N	Taicang, CHN	3 Mar 2024
20	1:23:58	Mitchell Baker	A	Nomi, JPN	15 Mar 2023
21	1:24:10	Tyler Jones	N	Adelaide	13 Feb 2022
22	1:24:11	Liam Murphy	S	Adelaide	26 Jul 2003
23	1:24:11	Dylan Richardson	N	Nomi, JPN	15 Mar 2023
24	1:24:20	Duane Cousins	V	Melbourne	19 Mar 1999
25	1:24:25	Ian Rayson	N	Sydney	13 Nov 2011
26	1:24:34	Brent Vallance	N	Naumburg, GER	23 May 1998
27	1:24:37	Brendon Reading	A	Adelaide	19 Feb 2017
28	1:24:54	Paul (Copeland) van Kopplen	V	Melbourne	10 Nov 1991
29	1:24:56	Darren Bown	S	Sydney	6 Mar 2005
30	1:25:02	Troy Sundstrom	N	Melbourne	19 Mar 1999
31	1:25:31	Steve Beecroft	V	Canberra	28 Jan 1994
32	1:25:34	Mike Harvey	V	Melbourne	25 Aug 1990
33	1:25:41	Corey Dickson	V	Taicang, CHN	3 Mar 2024
34	1:26:20	Adam Garganis	V	Adelaide	11 Feb 2018
35	1:26:33	Mark Donahoo	V	Melbourne	22 May 1994
36	1:26:40	Tom Barnes	V	Melbourne	24 Aug 2008
37	1:26:50	Sean Fitzsimons	W	Melbourne	11 Dec 2011
38	1:27:12	Tim Erickson	V	Melbourne	14 Dec 1980
39	1:27:14	Nathan Brill	V	Adelaide	21 Feb 2016
40	1:27:19	Dominic McGrath	V	Melbourne	19 Mar 1999
41	1:27:20	Daniel (Thorne) Walters	V	Melbourne	16 Dec 2001
42	1:27:29	Bill Dyer	V	Melbourne	22 Jun 1985
43	1:27:35	Michael McCagh	W	Canberra	28 Jan 2007
44	1:27:42	Brad Malcolm	V	Melbourne	19 Jul 1998
45	1:27:57	Jack McGinniskin	N	Taicang, CHN	3 Mar 2024
46	1:28:18	Mike Woods	N	Bergen, NOR	24 Sep 1983
47	1:28:23	Brad Aiton	Q	Nomi, JPN	16 Mar 2014
48	1:28:25	Rob McFadden	S	Canberra	27 Aug 1988
49	1:28:29	Steve Hausfeld	N	Richmond	9 Apr 1988
50	1:28:29	Shane Pearson	Q	Melbourne	27 Feb 1997
51	1:29:08	Marcus Dwyer	V	Melbourne	19 Jul 1998
52	1:29:12	Noel Freeman	V	Melbourne	6 Apr 1968
53	1:29:13	Ian Waters	V	Melbourne	19 Dec 1993
54	1:29:22	Rohan Best	T	Hobart	4 Aug 1990
55	1:29:24	Jesse Osborne	V	Hobart	24 Feb 2013
56	1:29:29	Nick Dewar	Q	Hobart	2 Feb 2014
57	1:29:34	Craig Brill	V	Melbourne	15 Nov 1992
58	1:29:40	Travis Harbour	V	Melbourne	27 Feb 1997
59	1:29:41	Doug Connolly	N	Sydney	21 Jul 2001

60	1:29:48	Martin Richardson	V	Melbourne	5 Feb 1984
61	1:29:51	Mark Blackwood	V	Melbourne	1 Sep 1996
62	1:29:55	Craig Jeffery	V	Melbourne	26 Mar 1992
63	1:29:55	Tristan Camilleri	S	Melbourne	27 Mar 2021
64	1:30:04	Jon Gawley	N	Geelong	1 Aug 1998
65	1:30:07	Ricky Cooke	T	Adelaide	4 Mar 1992
66	1:30:22	Greg Robertson	T	Melbourne	25 Aug 1991
67	1:30:28	Ross Haywood	V	Melbourne	5 Feb 1978
68	1:30:36	Mark Thomas	V	Melbourne	22 May 1994
69	1:30:51	Paul Woodhouse	N	Richmond	9 Apr 1988

** WALKER OF THE WEEK **

It's another 3-way tie this week, with the successful trio chosen on their results in the Chinese Race walking Grand Prix 20km in Taicang. The common factor between **Jack McGinniskin (NSW)**, **Corey Dickson (VIC)** and **Carl Gibbons (NSW)** is not just each man's big climb up the Australian all-time rankings, but the sheer size of the PB improvement that got him there.



Jack was the biggest improver, and the only rankings debutant. His time of **1:27:57** – a 4:08 PB – has thrust him well up into 45th on the list and will have given him a ton of confidence. **Corey's 1:25:41**, which tore 3:06 from his previous best, vaulted him 17 places, from 49th to 32nd and confirms his return to prominence. Meanwhile, Carl – who has doubtless searched for a foothold in the 20km since the erasure of 'his' 35km distance – found it in Taicang, his 3:05 PB of **1:23:20** giving him a huge leg-up from 33rd to 19th.

Congratulations, lads. 2024 is already shaping as a memorable year for you and we hope it continues to do so.

*Honourable mentions:

- **Rhydian Cowley** and **Kyle Swan (VIC)** – leapt into outright 3rd and 4th on the national 20km rankings.
- **Bec Henderson (VIC)** – inched closer to an automatic Olympic qualifying time in Taicang.
- **Hannah Matthews (VIC)** – took more than a minute from her PB in the AV U14 3000m championship in taking silver.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA ASA interclub results, 2 March – Mile End stadium

Conditions at Mile End were Good on Saturday, 26c but not too warm. 4 PB's and some other quick times were recorded among the field. Results courtesy of **Kim Mottrom**.

Open 3000m

Kim Mottrom	14:12.85	
Sebastian Richards	14:14.35	
Cooper Rech	14:18.31	PB 0:15
Daisy Braithwaite	15:14.01	
Angelina Legrand	15:46.45	
Melissa Grantham	16:52.97	PB 0:10
Rhiannon Lovegrove	17:55.34	
Liam Freundt	18:12.34	PB 0:04
Jasmine Crabb	18:29.10	PB 0:52
Peter Crump	18:38.04	
Orlando Grantham	23:19.92	
Alex McEwan	25:05.67	

David Moore reports:

Mid-week Masters now provides the only opportunity for our Walkers to compete at 3 & 5000m in the lead up to State & AMA Championships, with no walks included for the last 3 scheduled Athletics South Interclub competitions.

Results

3000m Walk

1. Wayne Fletcher NS 28:12

5000m Walk

1. Oliver Morgan SB 24:14

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Australian Race walking Statistician still needed

As yet we have had no expressions of interest in taking over this important role. Therefore, **Kim Mottrom** is prepared to continue as statistician until the end of this Summer season – but not beyond.

It's likely that some of our readers, although skilled in data entry and statistics, might be interested but are unfamiliar with the website or its function. **Tim Erickson** gave a brief summary of the site's history and function (as well as minimum requirements for applicants) in the last issue. We urge interested readers to visit racewalkaustralia.com and familiarize themselves with what it contains, and to contact Tim at terick@melbpc.org.au or at tim.erickson02@gmail.com with any questions they may have.

Please be assured that doing so does **not** lock you into a commitment to take the job on ... by all means, go on a fact-finding tour first. Then, if the role appeals to you and you can commit the time, let Tim know.

This site has become a valuable go-to resource for keeping the Australian race walking community up to speed with the latest race results, PBs, walkers' careers and clubs, records set, age percentiles and other information. For my part I've found it indispensable for keeping up with PBs and birthdates of walkers (for race and record age groups etc).

Please have a look at the website (homepage shown below), if you're not already familiar with it. Then, if you want to investigate further, please contact Tim.

Stu Cooper



INTERNATIONAL NEWS

CHINA: Chinese Race Walking Grand Prix (WA Tour Gold meet) , 3-9 March - Taicang

Jun Zhang and Stano, side by side in Taicang, timed in the 20 km at 1:17:26

(reprinted from O [Marchador](#) – Monday 4 March)

In a journey of great brilliance for the discipline of race walking in Taicang, China (3/3), the «Gold» event of the «World Race Walking Tour», there was a side-by-side finish in the men's 20 km with the Chinese **Jun Zhang**, Asian champion in Jakarta-2018, victorious in the race, and the Italian **Massimo Stano**, Olympic champion in Tokyo-2020 (Sapporo-2021), both recording the mark of **1:17:26**.

For Jun Zhang, a 25-year-old athlete, ranked 8th in the 20 km in Sapporo, the record constitutes a new personal record, his best being 1:17:38 achieved in April last year also in Taicang. China's record is 1:16:54 since Huangshan-2021 and belongs to **Kaihua Wang**, who was 10th in the race classification on the "tour" and 26th overall.

In the case of Stano, second placed, the mark represents a new Italian record, something that was not expected and that made him extremely happy, removing 19 seconds from the previous record that already belonged to him, with 1:17:45 since A Coruña- 2019.

In third place, and also with a new national record, was the Brazilian **Caio Bonfim**, with **1:17:44**, improving by 3 seconds the mark achieved in the Budapest 2023 world championships, which also earned him the bronze medal.

While the timer was still at 1 hour and 17 minutes, two more athletes completed the race, the Chinese **Yandong Li**, with **1:17:4**, and **Zhaozhao Wang**, with **1:17:48**. At a very high global level, no less than 17 athletes fell below 1 hour and 20 minutes.

The men's race had 58 participants, bringing together grand prix and tour athletes, and started at 8 am with a temperature of around 4 degrees Celsius.

Zhenxia Ma and Jiayu Yang finish as a pair

In the women's 20 km race in Taicang, China (3/3), counting for the «World Race Walking Tour», the power of the Chinese walkers and the high level records achieved were very impressive, with **Zhenxia Ma** declared the winner, and **Jiayu Yang**, second placed, finishing side by side (as happened in the men's race) and obtaining **1:26:07**.

Zhenxia Ma, 25 years old, already with young world titles (under-18 in Cali-2015 and under-20 in Bydgoszcz-2016, among others) and ranked 7th in the world championships in Budapest-2023, achieved a new record personal (previously, 1:26:43 in Huanshan-2023), surpassing the goal Jiayu Yang, the current world record holder (1:23:49 in Huangshan-2021) and victorious in the London 2017 world championship.

Completing the podium was the illustrious **Hong Liu**, Olympic champion (Rio-2016) and multiple world champion, with **1:26:47**. Reference also goes to the fourth and fifth classified in the general classification, also Chinese **Shijie Qieyang**, with **1:27:05**, and **Haiying Ji**, with **1:27:19**.

Counting towards the classification of the «tour», mention should be made of the 5th position of Frenchwoman **Clémence Beretta** (11th overall), with **1:28:44**, breaking yet another absolute (open) record for her country (the third this year).

In a race participated by 35 athletes (3 withdrew and 1 disqualified), 19 achieved better times than 1 hour and 30 minutes.

Men 20km World Tour placings

1.	Jun ZHANG	CHN	1:17:26
2.	Massimo STANO	ITA	1:17:26
3.	Caio BONFIM	BRA	1:17:44
4.	Zhaozhao WANG	CHN	1:17:48
5.	Rhydian COWLEY	AUS	1:18:33
6.	Haifeng QIAN	CHN	1:18:51
7.	Kyle SWAN	AUS	1:18:59
8.	Declan TINGAY	AUS	1:20:00
9.	Will THOMPSON	AUS	1:20:34
10.	Kaihua WANG	CHN	1:20:40
11.	Marius ŽIŪKAS	LTU	1:20:51
12.	Tim FRASER	AUS	1:21:01
13.	Carl GIBBONS	AUS	1:23:20
14.	Brendan BOYCE	IRL	1:24:37
15.	Corey DICKSON	AUS	1:25:41
16.	Jack MCGINNISKIN	AUS	1:27:57
17.	Dylan RICHARDSON	AUS	1:27:59
18.	Chun Hung TSE	HKG	1:40:35
	Xianghong HE	CHN	DNF
	Perseus KARLSTRÖM	SWE	DNF
	Mitchell BAKER	AUS	DQ
	Man Kit CHIN	HKG	DQ

(51 finishers)

Women 20km World Tour placings

1.	Zhenxia MA	CHN	1:26:07
2.	Jiayu YANG	CHN	1:26:07
3.	Hong LIU	CHN	1:26:47
4.	Shijie QIEYANG	CHN	1:27:05
5.	Clémence BERETTA	FRA	1:28:44
6.	Liuqing YANG	CHN	1:29:20
7.	. PRIYANKA	IND	1:29:48
8.	Rebecca HENDERSON	AUS	1:29:54
9.	Johana ORDÓÑEZ	ECU	1:33:42
10.	Hannah MISON	AUS	1:35:21
11.	Elizabeth MCMILLEN	AUS	1:37:40
12.	Alanna PEART	AUS	1:39:08
	Tayla-Paige BILLINGTON	AUS	DNF
	Hannah BOLTON	AUS	DQ

(31 finishers)

FRANCE: French Indoor Championships, 2 March - Miramas

Thanks to **Emmanuel Tardi** for these results and report:

It was our national Indoor Championship last Saturday in Miramas (near Marseille.) In the men's event, **Aurélien Quinion** won easily as in 2023).

The women's event was won by **Chloé Le Roch**. (She is in the U18 age group but she chose to compete in the main event.) She realised a new PB (**12'39'58"**). It is the U20 and U18 national indoor record and the 4th French all-time best performance (behind Stey, Menuet and Beretta). **Lena Auvray** won the junior race in a good **13'21"**.

Most of our main walkers were not in this championship because they prepare for the national 20km in two weeks.



Quinion



Auvray



LaRoche

(Photos: Emmanuel Tardi)

5000m TCM

1	QUINION Aurelien	SEM/93	Ac St Gratien-Sannois	19'11''54
2	MADÉLINE-DEGY Martin	SEM/01	Blagnac Sc	19'41''45
3	DREVILLE Lucas	ESM/02	Vga Compiègne	19'48''49
4	HUE Aymeric	SEM/01	Ec Orleans Cercle Jules Ferry	20'10''91
5	LEBRETON Kilian	SEM/00	Ta Rennes	20'41''67
6	RODRIGUEZ Remi	MAM/89	Clermont Auvergne Athletisme	20'45''53
7	BAZZO BORTOT Symon	SEM/96	As Raismes	20'59''56
8	BATIFOL Ellis	ESM/03	Asvel Villeurbanne	21'01''71
9	VALLEE Kyrian	SEM/94	Blagnac Sc	21'26''98
10	ANDRIEU Hugo	SEM/92	Uavh Aubagne	21'41''31
11	CROSNIER Alexis	SEM/99	Aix Athle Provence	21'47''99
12	GAUDRE Martin	ESM/04	Herbauges Athle 44	22'22''31
13	DELAUNAY Sebastien	MAM/74	Cap Saumur	22'44''98
14	GARREAU Faustin	ESM/03	Afa Feyzin-Venissieux	23'07''54
-	PETER Florian	ESM/02	Aix-Les-Bains	DQ
-	DURAND Dimitri	ESM/02	Montpellier Athletic	DQ

3000m TCF

1	LE ROCH Chloe	CAF/07	Cjf Saint-Malo	12'39''58
2	LAGRANGE Nelly	ESF/04	Union Perpignan	13'21''00
3	MILLE Agathe	ESF/04	Grac Renwez	13'35''68
4	ROTTIER Marine	SEF/00	La Postillonne Longjumeau	13'38''53
5	DENISSELLE Vanessa	MAF/84	Val-De-Reuil Ac	13'53''86
6	MASSON Liv	ESF/03	Stade Bordelais Athletisme	13'54''84
7	VIDALINC Celia	SEF/96	Stade Clermontois	14'01''94

8	MOLIST Lucille	SEF/01	Ea Gillonnay-La Cote	14'04''19
9	DUCLOS Adele	SEF/00	Athle 91	14'06''73
10	MILLE Angele	SEF/01	Grac Renwez	14'06''79
11	PICARD Axelle	SEF/99	St Max Essey Club Athlé	14'10''06
12	TRICOT-LAPIERE Blanche	ESF/04	Ac Villeneuve D'ascq	14'25''52
13	THEOLIER Lily	SEF/00	Annecy Haute Savoie	14'59''95
14	ADLER Mathilde	SEF/01	Asptt Lille	15'03''79
15	CHATREFOU Cassandra	ESF/02	Csme Athletisme	15'55''23
-	BOUQUIN Rachel	ESF/04	Racing Club Nantais	DQ
5000m JUM				
1	CHENUET Quentin	JUM/05	Saran Loiret Athletic Club	20'47''90
2	ELLUL Hugo	JUM/05	Stade Olympique Calais Athlet	21'35''04
3	PICART Bastien	JUM/06	Cote De Jade Athlé	22'57''58
4	PETIOT Simon	JUM/05	Ac Secteur Monistrol	23'56''33
5	DELBOS Remi	JUM/06	Us Bazas	24'16''20
6	BABIN Noe	JUM/06	Stade Niortais	24'33''50
7	THOMAS Anatole	JUM/06	Dole Ac	25'04''16
-	PETER Anthony	JUM/06	Ca Ambilly	DQ
3000m JUF				
1	AUVRAY Lena	JUF/06	La Vigilante Fougères	13'21''10
2	MERBITZ Marine	JUF/06	Fc Sochaux Montbeliard	13'46''26
3	CHEZE Emelie	JUF/06	Uao 31	13'56''92
4	GUILLARD Lisa	JUF/06	Entente Angevine Athletisme*	13'58''96
5	LANDRON Capucine	JUF/06	Ca Beglais	14'15''29
6	HANNOT Juliette	JUF/06	As Tourlaville	14'25''42
7	ZIAT Alicia	JUF/05	Grand Angouleme Athletisme	14'42''30
8	WROBLEWSKI Marie	JUF/06	Us Talence	14'58''30
9	BELIN Eline	JUF/06	Ao Arnay le duc	15'01''82
10	BOURIGAULT Jade	JUF/05	Ac Villeneuve D'ascq	15'25''01
11	HALIMI Maia	JUF/06	Grenoble Uc	15'49''45
12	MENEZ Anaïs	JUF/06	Tregor Goelo Athletisme	16'11''44
13	CORCELLE Margot	JUF/06	Cote De Jade Athlé	16'45''10
14	AMOUSSOU Diane	JUF/06	Union Saint Bruno	18'20''17
5000m JUM				
1	RABREAU Clement	CAM/07	Val-De-Reuil Ac	22'30''04
2	ABBES Nourredine	CAM/08	Athle 11	24'18''00
3	HENNEGUIER Teo	CAM/07	Asptt Lille Met	24'24''67
4	LAQUITTANT Victor	CAM/07	Acp Ancenis	24'44''84
5	PHILIPPARIE Leo	CAM/07	As Libourne	24'45''86
6	MORIN Sacha	CAM/07	Stade Lavallois	24'54''66
7	DULAK Clement	CAM/07	Athletic Club Salonais	25'16''76
8	LEBRETON Julien	CAM/08	Amberieu Ac	25'32''82
9	BESLU Lucas	CAM/08	Lb Chateauroux	25'33''40
10	TOUBOUL Timeo	CAM/07	Athletic Club Salonais	26'34''79
11	HALAISE Liam	CAM/07	Beauvais Oise Uc	26'35''24
12	FRELECHOUX-TRONSCORF Y.	CAM/07	As Marck	26'38''48
13	BOUTAULT Giovanny	CAM/07	Es Trelissac	27'19''75
14	PAGES Benjamin	CAM/07	Evolution Sportive	27'20''09
-	GAVART Leo	CAM/08	Cote De Jade Athlé	AB
-	LEMONNIER Leo	CAM/07	Caen Athletic Club	AB
3000m CAF				
1	COSQUERIC Yaelle	CAF/07	Ulac Pays Fouesnantais	14'22''08
2	VEGA GONZALEZ Irene (ESP)	CAF/07	Avia Club Athletisme	14'27''22
3	LEBEAU Julia	CAF/08	Racing Club Nantais	14'34''79
4	MERLE Emilie	CAF/08	Autun Running	14'58''02
5	CALAS Anouk	CAF/07	Eba	15'08''08
6	MACABEY Zoe	CAF/08	Asptt Dijon Athletisme	15'14''91
7	CHARPENTIER Lison	CAF/08	Ac Romorantin	15'23''95
8	BRAS Clara	CAF/07	Evreux Ac	15'26''28
8	PONCET Violette	CAF/08	Ac Ondaine Firminy	15'26''28
10	MARIE Peggy	CAF/07	Rcn Sainte Luce	15'45''58
11	CHATARD Laure	CAF/07	Stadoceste Tarbes	15'56''73
12	OULD BOUALI Juliette	CAF/07	Esme Us Deuil	16'10''86
13	GUERNIER Camille	CAF/07	St Max Essey Club Athlé	16'28''63
-	FENOUILLERE Clea	CAF/07	Ba Coutances	DQ
-	CZOCHRA Mathilde	CAF/07	Ca Brive	AB

Paul McGrath and Cristina Montesinos are proclaimed Spanish marching champions

(Reprinted from *The Observator** – Feb 26 2024)

The athletes **Paul McGrath** and **Cristina Montesinos** have been proclaimed Spanish 20-kilometer champions this Sunday in the National Road Walking Championship held in Zaragoza, an event in which both have achieved their first absolute national title and the Olympic minimum for be in the Paris 2024 Games.

Taking advantage of the alleged poor state of form of the defending champion, the 20 km and 35 km world champion **Álvaro Martín**, and the absence of the champion in the last five editions, the also double gold in Budapest **María Pérez**, the young man from Gavana Paul McGrath and Cristina Montesinos from Tarragona sealed the direct preselection places for the World Team Walking Championships in Antalya, the European Championships in Rome and the Olympic Games.

The quintet formed by Montesinos, **Raquel González**, **Laura García-Caro**, **Lidia Sánchez-Puebla** and **Paula Juárez** distanced themselves from the beginning, but at kilometer 2 Montesinos began to line up their rivals. Only González, at a distance of between two and six seconds, was able to keep up with her.

The one from Terrassa passed the halfway point of the test in 44:27 and crossed the finish line with a personal best of **1:28:43**, which places her as the eighth Spanish walker of all time. Her two podium companions, Laura García-Caro (**1:29:03**) and Raquel González (**1:29:07**), also obtained direct preselection for Antalya and the World Athletics Olympic minimum – which alone does not guarantee them their presence in Paris, with María Pérez already automatically preselected.

In the absolute men's event, **Miguel Ángel López**, current European champion of the 35 km walk, took the lead in the first kilometer. Little by little, the candidates fell away, but Paul McGrath hit the first blow shortly before reaching the halfway point of the test; Álvaro Martín and the two-time European medalist **Diego García Carrera** caught up with Miguel Ángel López at km 10, who ended up abandoning.

The current European under-23 champion was left alone with Martín until km 15, when the Catalan began to put more and more land in the way to end up reaching the finish line in a time of **1:17:55** which, in addition to surpassing his personal best for more than three minutes (previously 1:21:03) became the new Spanish Under-23 record. McGrath also won his third consecutive Spanish champion title in the Under-23 category. Martín, who was already automatically preselected for Rome and Paris, won the silver (**1:18:35**) and Diego García, the bronze (**1:19:36**).

Women Open 20km

1.	Cristina MONTESINOS	ESP	1:28:43
2.	Laura GARCÍA-CARO	ESP	1:29:03
3.	Raquel GONZÁLEZ	ESP	1:29:07
4.	Paula JUAREZ	ESP	1:29:51
5.	Antia CHAMOSA	ESP	1:31:41
6.	Lidia SANCHEZ-PUEBLA	ESP	1:33:18
7.	Lucia REDONDO	ESP	1:33:26
8.	Ana PULGARIN CARDENO	ESP	1:35:44
9.	Carolina COSTA	POR	1:36:02
10.	Mar JUÁREZ	ESP	1:36:42
11.	Celia FERRARI	ESP	1:36:53
12.	Kate VEALE	IRL	1:37:35
13.	Mireia URRUTIA	ESP	1:38:28
14.	Laura Monje MARTINEZ	ESP	1:39:07
15.	Amanda CANO	ESP	1:39:56
16.	Beatriz CANTERO	ESP	1:40:05
17.	Georgina RUIZ	ESP	1:40:37
18.	Silvia VILLAR NIETO	ESP	1:40:58
19.	Joana PONTES	POR	1:41:09
20.	Irene VAZQUEZ	ESP	1:42:10
21.	Andrea CAB. CARCELLER	ESP	1:42:48
22.	Alba PEREZ NIETO	ESP	1:43:52
23.	Alicia VÁZQUEZ	ESP	1:44:44
24.	Sandra MILLAN ROMEO	ESP	1:46:10
25.	Maria MOYA	ESP	1:46:28
26.	Noa RODR. IZQUIERDO	ESP	1:47:22
27.	Sara AMMOUR	ESP	1:48:05
28.	Marta NOG. FERNANDEZ	ESP	1:49:35
29.	Iria TEIJEIRO	ESP	1:49:37
30.	Iria Andrea HER. CABEZAS	ESP	1:52:00
31.	Olga CABRERA	ESP	1:52:45
32.	Alexia DONA. PALOMERO	ESP	1:53:53
33.	Ruth RUEDA	ESP	1:56:22
34.	Elena DÍAZ	ESP	1:56:36

Men Open 20km

1.	Paul MCGRATH	ESP	1:17:55
2.	Álvaro MARTÍN	ESP	1:18:35
3.	Diego GARCÍA CARRERA	ESP	1:19:36
4.	Alberto AMEZCUA	ESP	1:19:44
5.	Álvaro LÓPEZ	ESP	1:20:49
6.	Marc TUR	ESP	1:21:14
7.	Iván LÓPEZ	ESP	1:21:53
8.	José Manuel PÉREZ	ESP	1:22:38
9.	Nathaniel SEILER	GER	1:22:47
10.	Manuel BERMÚDEZ	ESP	1:22:55
11.	Daniel CHAMOSA	ESP	1:23:57
12.	Joe MOONEY	IRL	1:25:20
13.	Pablo RODRIGUEZ ROJAS	ESP	1:25:26
14.	José I. ALEDO ROMERA	ESP	1:26:16
15.	Oscar MARTINEZ	ESP	1:27:21
16.	Pablo PASTOR	ESP	1:27:46
17.	Gabriel ALVARADO	NCA	1:28:57
18.	Caballero HODEI	ESP	1:29:07
19.	Matthew GLENNON	IRL	1:30:25
20.	Daniel DE L. CHANQUET	ESP	1:30:58
21.	David MORAL	ESP	1:31:36
22.	Hugo ANDRIEU	FRA	1:31:40
23.	Daniel LÓPEZ	ESP	1:33:28
24.	Guillermo SANTIDRIAN	ESP	1:33:46
25.	Daniel JIMENO	ESP	1:34:23
26.	Jorge TONDA	ESP	1:35:37
27.	Rubén LISTE HURTADO	ESP	1:35:49
28.	Franklin Eduardo MINCHALA	ESP	1:35:56
29.	Alejandro BAÑ. GUILLÉN	ESP	1:36:26
30.	Marcos PEREZ MARTINEZ	ESP	1:37:29
31.	Javier PÉREZ OSORIO	ESP	1:38:34
32.	Mario BASSAS GARRITY	ESP	1:39:40
33.	Francesco RODRIGUEZ	ESP	1:40:11
34.	Carlos MUÑOZ	ESP	1:40:46

35.	Jennifer HERRERA	ESP	1:57:16
36.	Eva SALCEDO	ESP	1:57:30
37.	Nerea AMOROS	ESP	1:57:46
38.	Macarena MARTÍN	ESP	1:59:09
39.	Paula GOMEZ	ESP	2:00:30
40.	Noelia RODRIGUEZ	ESP	2:01:36
	Veronica ESPINO	ESP	DNF
	Ainhoa PINEDO	ESP	DNF
	Virginia MARTÍN	ESP	DNF

35.	Josep OBRADOR	ESP	1:43:24
	David KENNY	IRL	DNF
	David HURTADO	ECU	DNF
	Miguel Ángel LÓPEZ	ESP	DNF
	Daniel Goni BALLESTEROS	ESP	DNF
	Iván PAJUELO	ESP	DNF
	João VIEIRA	POR	DNF
	Kevin CAMPION	FRA	DQ

Women 10km U20

1.	Aldara MEILÁN	ESP	45:04
2.	Griselda SERRET	ESP	46:13
3.	Júlia SUÁREZ PIZÀ	ESP	47:38
4.	Claudia VENTURA	ESP	47:53
5.	Elvira BARRON	ESP	49:35
6.	Laura RIOS	ESP	51:23
7.	Erika DURO ROMERA	ESP	52:08
8.	Isabel GARCÍA	ESP	52:19
9.	Lydia BALLESTEROS	ESP	52:29
10.	Maria BONILLA	ESP	53:38
11.	Andrea MARTIN	ESP	54:05
12.	Marta NARANJO LOZANO	ESP	54:41
13.	Emma ALMENAR GARCIA	ESP	54:46
14.	Andrea PEREZ	ESP	54:50
15.	Maria JIMENEZ IBAÑEZ	ESP	54:58
16.	Alexia GONZALEZ	ESP	55:34
17.	Maria DC S. BARTOLOME	ESP	55:39
18.	Iratxe ALONSO	ESP	56:51
19.	Marina PAJON	ESP	56:52

Men 10km U20

1.	Daniel MONFORT	ESP	41:42
2.	Miguel ESPIN. OLIVARES	ESP	42:21
3.	Daniel MORILLA GARCIA	ESP	43:38
4.	Pablo POSTIGO GABARRO	ESP	42:58
5.	Javier DE ARR. CASTILLA	ESP	43:10
6.	Ivan MOLINA ESPARTERO	ESP	43:17
7.	Pedro CALLADO	ESP	43:41
8.	Pablo GONZÁLEZ	ESP	43:54
9.	Joan QUEROL	ESP	44:25
10.	Lluc SERRAT ALEMANY	ESP	45:37
11.	Urien FERN. GALIÑANES	ESP	46:32
12.	Elies BALLESTER TATARET	ESP	46:56
13.	Javier POSTIGO	ESP	47:24
14.	Ruben Teijeiro GAMEZ	ESP	47:37
	Miguel GARZON JIMENEZ	ESP	DNF

Women 10km U18

1.	Gina TORRES	ESP	49:57
2.	Nara PASTOR MARÍN	ESP	51:24
3.	Claudia M. MARDOMINGO	ESP	51:53
4.	Irene VEGA GONZALEZ	ESP	52:19
5.	Sara SOSPEDRA	ESP	53:08
6.	Africa CARRASCO	ESP	54:11
7.	Estela ORTIZ HINOJOSA	ESP	54:18
8.	Helena DÍAZ	ESP	54:43
9.	María JESÚS SANCHEZ	ESP	55:08
10.	Miruna CRINA	ESP	55:11
11.	Ana GUZMAN	ESP	55:28
12.	Icia ARES BETANZOS	ESP	55:28
13.	Naia AUBIA GARCIA	ESP	55:31
14.	Esther YEPES	ESP	56:18
15.	Zaira RIBERA	ESP	56:20
16.	Noa ABELLEIRA	ESP	56:32
17.	Laura ZARATE	ESP	56:33
18.	Daniela ARAGON	ESP	

Men 10km U18

1.	Cesar HIDALGO	ESP	43:40
2.	Pablo ZÁRATE	ESP	46:05
3.	Eloi ANTON	ESP	46:10
4.	Oriol LOPEZ	ESP	46:15
5.	Juan Carlos GARCIA	ESP	46:24
6.	Andres GONZALEZ	ESP	47:57
7.	Nicolas COLLAZO	ESP	47:47
8.	Igancio CARABALLO	ESP	48:36
9.	Santiago GUARDIOLA	ESP	48:42
10.	Mateo PUERTAS	ESP	48:51
	Miguel DE ARR. CASTILLA	ESP	DQ

Women 5km U16

1.	Aixa HIDALGO LLAMAS	ESP	25:14
2.	Ana GONZALEZ	ESP	25:29
3.	Marta BAUTISTA	ESP	25:44
4.	Diana LOPEZ	ESP	26:00
5.	Paula Elvira MORENO	ESP	26:37
6.	Celia PONGA	ESP	26:37
7.	Pilar MONFORT	ESP	26:53
8.	Estela MUNOZ	ESP	26:53
9.	Marta DIEZ	ESP	26:57
10.	Noa ESCOBAR	ESP	26:57
11.	Laura VIGUERAS	ESP	26:58
12.	Melissa BIDOUEH	ESP	27:00
13.	Carla FERNANDEZ	ESP	27:01
14.	Marta GARCIA	ESP	27:01
15.	Maria RODRIGUEZ	ESP	27:12
16.	Angela ROMO MARTIN	ESP	27:20
17.	Daniela GAITAN	ESP	27:21

Men 5km U16

1.	Marc SUÁREZ	ESP	22:32
2.	Gabriel GONZÁLEZ	ESP	22:46
3.	Abel PUJOL	ESP	23:05
4.	Bru FLORES	ESP	23:55
5.	Marcos LOPEZ LOPEZ	ESP	23:58
6.	Hugo RUEDA	ESP	24:02
7.	Jorge RUIZ	ESP	24:23

18. Clara LACOMA ESP 27:24
 19. Emma LOPEZ URBANO ESP 27:27

(*<https://observatorial.com/news/sports/711774/paul-mcgrath-and-cristina-montesinos-are-proclaimed-spanish-marching-champions/>*)

UNITED KINGDOM: ERWL Fixture 2: Ron Powell walks 24 February - Enfield

Thanks to **Ron Wallwork** who has sent us the latest Enfield League results:

It was a crisp, dry and sunny morning for the second race of the year and the turnout of 25 the best for some time. Some familiar faces were missing, but five newcomers to the League received a warm welcome and seemed to enjoy the experience. Prior to the start there was warm applause in memory of Ken Livermore, Mick Barnbrook and Bob Watts, who all passed away recently. For Abigail Jennings fresh from yet another national title success indoors the previous week, it was more of a time trial than a race, but nevertheless a good workout. It was good to see Carl Lawton back on the roadside and Gary Smith back in action.

10km

1 Abigail Jennings	<i>Aldershot FD</i>	51.27 W4
2 Colin Harle	<i>Belgrave H</i>	62.23 M65
3 Maureen Noel	<i>Belgrave H</i>	64.39 W60
4 Mike George	<i>unattached</i>	66.52 M55
5 John Arthur	<i>Ilford AC</i>	67.46 M60
6 Susan Payne	<i>Aldershot FD</i>	71.53 W60
7 Katherine Smith	<i>Aldershot FD</i>	74.03 W60

3km

1 Tregan Checheku-Boarmah	<i>B & Brom HAC.</i>	18.17 u15B
2 Lily Ann Cooper	<i>Nkt Joggers</i>	22.46 u13G
<i>Trejan went on to complete 4km in 23.28</i>		

2km

1 Grace Andrews	<i>Aldershot FD</i>	13.19 u13G
2 Luke Eperon	<i>B & Brom HAC</i>	13.21 u13B
3 Tafara Nyoni	<i>Aldershot FD</i>	15.02 u13G

5km

1 Chik Ha Kwok	<i>Metros RC</i>	31.53 W45
2 Man Biu Lam	<i>Metros RC</i>	32.46 M65
3 Suzanne Bailey	<i>Nkt Joggers</i>	37.27 W60
4 Sheila Leavy	<i>North Herts</i>	40.10 W70
5 David Ainsworth ©	<i>Ilford AC</i>	47.21

M75

B Race Results

10km

1 Trevor Jones	<i>Steyning AC</i>	60.52 M65
2 Ian Richards	<i>Steyning AC</i>	62.00 M75
3 John Borgars ©	<i>Loughton AC</i>	71.31 M75
4 Sue Barnett	<i>Enfield HAC</i>	72.09 W70

8km

1 David Hoben	<i>Surrey WC</i>	64.16 M70
2 Chris Flint ©	<i>Surrey WC</i>	65.04 M75

5km

1 Gary Smith ©	<i>Enfield HAC</i>	41.11 M65
2 Shaheda Arthur	<i>Ilford AC</i>	52.27 W60

Timekeeper/Recorders: Phil Welch, George Wilkinson, Tony Wilkinson & Tracey Wilkinson

Judges: Elizabeth & Simon Benson, Peter Cassidy & Shaun Lightman

Race Organiser: Tracey Wilkinson *J/Runner:* D.Annetts. *Volunteers:* John Hall



Photo by Dave Annetts

Virtual Result

10km

1 Mark Williams	<i>Birchfield H</i>	57.32 M55
2 Cath Duhig ©	<i>CA Millennium</i>	69.37 W65

5km

1 Jessica Wilton	<i>Ashford AC</i>	28.38 U20W
2 Chris Hobbs	<i>Ashford AC</i>	32.35 M65

3 Marco Bernatzki SuS Schalke 96 71.57 M50
 4 Ken Connor Lancashire WC 72.33 M55
 5 Paul Gaston Surrey WC 73.00 M75

3 Ron Penfold Steyning AC 38.18 M80
 4 Mick Graham Belgrave H 39.00 M70
 5 Karen Williams Birchfield H 40.38 W70
 6 Tony Perkins © Ilford AC 50.14 M70

MARCIADALMONDO & O MARCHADOR ROUNDUP

Marcia Dal Mondo is no longer presenting news items, but will continue to post local (Italian) and international results until December 31. These are regularly updated and can be perused at <http://www.marciadalmondo.com/eng/risultati.aspx?anno=2023> , along with many other items of interest.

The Portuguese race walking blog **O Marchador** continues to post news reports and results. The page has dozens of links to articles on race walking, featuring both domestic events and those from abroad.

- Monday, March 4, 2024 - National Under-23 indoor track (Pombal 2024): Tiago Ramos breaks championship record. Inês Mendes wins in the women’s. <https://omarchador.blogspot.com/2024/03/nacional-sub-23-em-pista-coberta-pombal.html>
- Sunday, March 3, 2024 - 1987, Portugal debuts in the Walking World Cup <https://omarchador.blogspot.com/2024/03/1987-portugal-estrela-se-na-taca-do.html> More on Portugal’s race walking history ... 13 years after the sport’s re-emergence there.
- Sunday, March 3, 2024 - VIRTUS World and European Indoor Championships - Reims 2024 (results) <https://omarchador.blogspot.com/2024/02/campeonatos-do-mundo-e-da-europa-em.html> VIRTUS is the organization for athletes with intellectual disabilities.
- Friday, March 1, 2024 - Track Athletics Championships (2024) in Victoria, Australia – results <https://omarchador.blogspot.com/2024/03/campeonatos-de-atletismo-de-pista-2024.html>



An impressive montage of shots from last week’s AV Open 5000m championships (Montage: O Marchador)

- Thursday, February 29, 2024 - Young Spanish marchers shine in the championships in Zaragoza 2024 (results) <https://omarchador.blogspot.com/2024/02/jovens-marchadores-nos-campeonatos-de.html>

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.

OTHER NEWS

- Beijing to host 2027 World Athletics Championships <https://www.reuters.com/sports/athletics/beijing-host-2027-world-championships-2024-02-28/> The Chinese capital gets its second turn in 12 years after rival bidder, Rome, pulls out. *O Marchador* reports the announcement as follows:

Beijing, the capital of China, was the city chosen to host the World Athletics Championships in 2027, by decision of the Executive Council of World Athletics, which governs the sport, in its 234th session, held in the Scottish city of Glasgow.

Sebastian Coe, president of WA, congratulated Beijing on the success of holding the 15th edition in the city in 2015, hosting the event 12 years later, in a country with a population of 1.4 billion people and is "one of the largest sports markets in the world".

Initially, there was the possibility of choosing Istanbul and also Rome, which would celebrate the 20th anniversary of the 2007 World Cup, but financial reasons led to such purposes being discarded.



WHAT'S UP AHEAD?

Victorian & National Key Dates – 2024

Sat 9-Sun 10 Mar 2024	LAVic State T&F c'ships – Casey Fields
Sat 16-Sun 17 Mar 2024	Victorian Masters T&F c'ships – Doncaster
Fri 29 Mar-Mon 1 Apr 2024	Aust. Masters T&F c'ships – Hobart TAS
Thu 11-Fri 19 Apr 2024	AA Aust Athletics c'ahips – Adelaide SA
Sun 28 Apr 2024	AV 10,000m Track walk c'ship (VRWC Winter season start) – Mentone

International Dates

Sun 21 Apr 2024	WA Race walking Teams c'ship – Antalya TUR
Sat 4 May 2024	3rd Korzienowski Warsaw Race walking Cup (WA Gold) – Warsaw POL
Sat 11 May 2024	31st Grande Premio Internacional de Rio Maior em Marcia Atletica (WA Gold) – Rio Maior POR
Sat 18 May 2024	XXXVII Gran Premio Cantones da A Coruna de Marcha (WA Gold) – La Coruna ESP
Sun 26 May 2024	III Gran Premio Internacional Finetwork Madrid Marcha (WA Gold) – Madrid ESP
26 Jul- 11 Aug 2024	XXXIII Summer Olympics – Paris, FRA
13-25 Aug 2024	24th World Masters T&F Championships – Gothenburg, SWE
20-24 Aug 2024	WA World Junior T&F Championships – Lima, PER
13-21 Sep 2025	20th World Athletics Championships – Tokyo, JPN
30 Oct-15 Nov 2026	Youth Olympic Games – Dakar SEN

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