



Official Newsletter of the RANDOLPH ROADRUNNERS (AVA44)

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Next Meeting – September 20, 2016
SEE BELOW FOR JUNE DETAILS
A member of the American Volkssport
Association (AVA) & the International
Federation of Popular Sports (IVV)
The Public is always welcome

**Randolph Roadrunners
Volkssport Club**
A Walking Club Established 1980
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www.randolphroadrunners.info

AVA Website

www.ava.org

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www.walktexas.org

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Renewal Time

The following membership renewals are currently due: :

Ann & Jennifer Angell, Steve & Kathy Feinstein, Olga Flores, Young H. Forst, Russell Leigon, Lidia Martinez, Ariana Ramirez, Charlie & Nancy Redd, Anthony & Marcelle Schneider, Peggy Seifert, Regina Smith, Norma VonKriegenbergh, Cary Weldy, Marisa Alvarez, The DeAnda Family, Chris & Ellen King, Neil Bute, Nelson Karaklis, Bert Pickell, Michael Cantu, Nicole Davis and Susan Medlin.

To renew your RR membership, fill out the application attached or print off of our website:

www.RandolphRoadrunners.info and send it with \$4 for 1 year or \$10 for 3 years, to Caryl Swann c/o RR, PO Box 2744, Universal City, TX 78148.

Remember: Lifetime Memberships are available for \$30 per person.

Welcome new members!

Robert Basaldua	San Antonio
Kendra Sanger	San Antonio
Sarah & Ryan Kuchta	San Antonio
Robert Bruce	Schertz
Gina & Mackenzie Acree	Helotes
Susan Green	San Antonio
Stephen Thayer	San Antonio
Leah Lukasik	San Antonio
JC & Vi Berbiglia	Helotes
Katie Tyrell	San Antonio
Amber Ramsey	San Antonio

NO RR MEETING in August--

The September club meeting will be held September 20 - meeting starts at 7:00 pm with a "meet and greet" at 6:30 at the Esplanade Gardens in Converse.

From the Desk of the Pres-

The next RR walk is the Taco Cabana Summer Sunrise Walk: Aug. 13 at 6:30 a.m. on Blanco Rd. & 1604. Workers are still needed for the 2nd and 3rd shifts

at check point 2. Contact

ellenott@sbcglobal.net

More information on the YREs will be in the September newsletter. A bike will be sanctioned again on the Leon Creek Greenbelt, by requests received.

Plans for the IML, *International Marching League*, are underway. John Ives will be the Roadrunner key person along with Susan Medlin, SWRD. The RRs will be the sponsoring club.



A special "Thank You" to all who helped with the 40th anniversary celebration in Fredericksburg in June: Mike & Kathy Schwencke, Pat Roberts, John Ives, Pat Gunter, Darlene Oner, Randy & Margie Baker, Susan Medlin, Mike Hermes... (I'm sorry if I missed anyone!). Many thanks to the sponsors for their generous donations; HEB, SAS and Sore No More. It was a wonderful, successful weekend thanks to our many hard workers.



As of August 1st, Pat Roberts will be coordinating the Schertz YRE walks. A “Thank you” to Herb Laing who has been the keeper of that walk box for the last few years. Thank you Herb! Wishing you safe and fun travels this Fall.

After a delicious dinner at Raffles on 19 July, the 22 RR's who attended thought that this restaurant would be a good place for the 2016 RR Christmas party.



Susan Medlin and I will represent the AVA at the *It's Time Texas* Summit on August 1st and 2nd at the Henry B. Gonzales Convention Center in San Antonio. This summit will explore ways to make Texans healthier by having workshops, speakers, networking, exhibits, etc.

The Trans Canada train trip for the fall of 2018 is in the planning stages by Walking Adventures International. If there's anyone thinking about the trip for 2018, please let me know; I have information I can share. Walking Adventures just wants to know if there is an interest in it. Once a certain number of refundable early bird deposits are received a trip schedule is planned. A great selling point for volksmarchers is there will be sanctioned events on this trip! Happy wandering,
Ellen



Pat Roberts, Mike Hermes and Ellen Ott represented the Roadrunners at Barney

Smith's 95th birthday party at the Toilet Seat Lid museum on 25 May.



Tales from the Trails

Enchanted Rock - By: Ellen Ott
For Mother's Day, Mike asked me what I'd like to do and I said going on a walk would be great. He asked two of his daughters, Colleen and Bridget, to go with us to Enchanted Rock. I had never been there. Since it's a volksmarch, I agreed.

Mike and Bridget did the Summit Trail while Colleen and I decided to take a leisurely stroll on the Loop Trail. After 1-1/2 hours following the yellow arrows, I asked a couple if they knew how much farther it was to the finish. They said "two more miles." After another half hour I asked another couple if the end was in sight, and they said "two more miles." Colleen and I looked at each other knowing we walked two hours, my Fitbit said five miles and we were following the yellow arrows. We finally saw a park ranger and asked him how much farther to the finish. He said "two more miles." I asked him what went wrong. We were informed that the Loop Trail was four miles if we stayed on the road and six miles if the yellow trail over the rocks and creeks was followed. Two and a half hours through a heavy drizzle and we finally finished!
Moral of the story: don't assume you know where you are going; follow the route directions or you, too, will be going "two more miles."



“Stepping Out of Bounds”

It's not too soon to be planning for the 20th AVA Biennial Convention at the Billings Hotel and Convention Center.

We are proposing the following convention events in Billings:

- Walk, Buffalo, Wyoming
- Walk, Little Bighorn Battlefield National Monument
- Walk, Billings Yellowstone River
- Walk, Billings Brewery Tour
- Walk, Billings Swords Rimrock Park
- Bike, Billings
- Swim, Billings Hotel
- Walk, Red Lodge, Montana
- Walk, Cody, Wyoming

Online info at the Convention Web Site: 2017AVAConvention.org
Volunteer Sign-Up: Volunteer Tab on the web site will direct you to the appropriate volunteer sign-up link

General Contact Information: Email – info@2017AVAConvention.org
•Message Phone - +1-303-785-6177
•Sign up for Email Newsletter: newsletter@2017AVAConvention.org
Or go to the Newsletter Tab on the web site.

Kudos to the following walkers:

Taken from the Aug/Sept TAW:

EVENTS:	
10 events	Wayne Klucas
75 events	Kathy Schwencke
100 events	Jacqueline Lytle
150 events	Mike Schwencke
250 events	Darren Alton
375 events	Susan Alton
475 events	Caryl Swann
500 events	Susan Medlin
525 events	Nancy Paulson
575 events	Anthony Paulson
650 events	James Tree
1350 events	Theodore Cieslak
3900 events	Patricia Gunter

DISTANCE:	
500 km	Marianne Fletcher
1000km	Jacqueline Lytle
1500km	Deanna Repp
3500km	Susan Alton
5500km	Anthony Paulson
14000km	James Tree





An INVITATION to all Volkssporters –
Take Part in the TVA Weekend in Granbury...WHERE TEXAS HISTORY LIVES

5-6-7 August 2016

Walkin' Granbury
AVA sanctioned Traditional Walk hosted by the Hood County Hummers, AVA-718/TEX-83

- TVA Business Meeting
- TVA Board of Directors Meeting
- Featured YREs
- Workshops
- BBQ Brisket Dinner Social
- Times and Locations Are Outlined in the TVA Weekend Events Schedule

OFFICIAL TVA LODGING:
Plantation Inn, 1451 E. Pearl ST, Granbury, TX 76048
Telephone 817.573.8846
Reservations 1-800.422.2402
or plantationgranbury@yahoo.com
Reservations need to be made 30-days in advance. Mention the TVA group.
Special TVA Rates
Plantation Inn \$65
All rates are subject to applicable taxes and service charge
Other Granbury Two Star Hotels
Comfort Suites, 817.579.5559
Quality Inn & Suites, 817.573.4411
Days Inn Granbury, 817.573.2611

HOOD COUNTY HUMMERS FEATURED YREs

Friday/5 August: Featured YRE #Y1340, Glen Rose – Historic Glen Rose Walk. 11km/6km
Details: *AVA Starting Point 2016*, page 585
Starting Point: Brookshire's Foods & Pharmacy. 607 SW Big Bend Trail, Glen Rose, TX 76043-4424
Registration: 5:00pm to 6:00pm
Distance from Church Family Center: 17.09mi/26mins
Saturday/6 August: Traditional Walk SW16/104927. Granbury, TX. Walkin' Granbury. 10km/5km

Details at www.ava.org:
Events/Search Events/Texas/Traditional Events Only

Starting Point: First Presbyterian Church Family Center, 300 West Bridge Street, Granbury TX 76048-2121

Registration: 7:00am – 10:00am.
Finish by 1:00pm
Sunday/7 August: Featured YRE #Y0382, Granbury – Historic Granbury Walk. 11km/6km/5km
Details: *AVA Starting Point 2016*, See page 586

Starting Point: Hilton Garden Inn. 635 E. Pearl ST. Granbury, TX 76048-2220
Registration: 7:30am to 8:00am
Distance from Church Family Center: 0.76mi/4mins

HOOD COUNTY HUMMERS YREs TO DO ON YOUR OWN
YRE #Y1830, Cleburne – Historic & Park Walk. 11km/6km
Details: *AVA Starting Point 2016*, See page 577

Starting Point: HEB Supermarket, 600 W. Henderson ST. Cleburne, TX 76033-4830

Distance from Church Family Center: 27.99mi/45mins
YRE #Y0204, Stephenville – The Texas Erath County Walk. 11km/6km.
Details: *AVA Starting Point 2016*, See page 614.

Starting Point: Super 8 Motel, 921 S. Second AVE, Stephenville, TX 76401-5151

Distance from Church Family Center: 31.09mi/40mins



Traditional Events:
8/6/2016 - 8/6/2016 - Walk
Event Number: 104927 10km & 5km
Start: 300 West Bridge Street
Event City: Granbury - TVA Meeting with AVA/TVA Event
Host Club: Hood County Hummers
Event Website: www.walktx.org/hoodcountyhummers
More Details: [Click here for directions, ratings, etc.](#)

Write for more information to:
1408 East Apache Trail
Granbury, Tx 76048
Contact: Sonny Byington, (817) 437 - 2882
E-Mail: sonnyraeb@gmail.com
Club Website:

www.walktx.org/HoodCountyHummers/

8/13/2016 - 8/13/2016 - Walk
Event Number: 104948 10km/5km
Start: Taco Cabana #251 1130 N Loop 1604W (Blanco and 1604)

Event City: San Antonio - August Sunrise Event
Host Club: Randolph Roadrunners
Event Website: randolphroadrunners.info
More Details: [Click here for directions, ratings, etc.](#)

Write for more information to:
11906 Pepperidge Cove
San Antonio, Tx 78213
Contact: Ellen Ott, (210) 723 - 8574
E-Mail: ellenott@sbcglobal.net
Club Website: www.randolphroadrunners.info



2016 VCSWTX Summer SunRise Schedule-Featured YREs & Traditional Events

August:
SAT/06 – TVA Meeting at Granbury, Texas.
TVA-HCH Traditional Walk hosted by Hood County Hummers, AVA-718
SAT/13 – RRR San Antonio, Traditional Walk #104948
(Taco Cabana at Loop-1604 at Blanco)
SAT/20 – KVT Kerrville, YREs
Choice: All start at Inn of the Hills
Bridge Walk #Y1193,
Downtown Walk#Y0026, Residential Walk #Y0027,
Schreiner University Walk #Y0821, Guadalupe River Trail Walk #Y1365 and
Hunt YRE Hill Country Walk #Y0684. Last two have a different start location.
SAT/27 – NBW New Braunfels, Featured YRE #Y614 Don Flick Memorial Walk

*All Summer Featured YRE Walks are scheduled to be staffed from 7:00 am to 10:00 am (Three Hours Only). *All Traditional Events have published start times and staffing. For details check Event Brochures/Fliers OR *Starting Point 2016*



June RR Meeting at the Oblate Center.
 *Photos courtesy of Martin Callahan



Jenny Hay PhD, Speaker from Office of Historic Preservation City of S.A.



Ellen Ott presenting Dr. Hay with AVA New Walker Program.

RANDOLPH ROADRUNNERS

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RANDOLPH ROADRUNNERS APPLICATION

PO Box 2744, Universal City TX 78148-1744

Please check applicable box (es):

Renewal New Member Family member(s) included (see instructions below) DATE _____

Name _____

NEW MEMBER FEE: \$4.00 for 1 year
 \$10.00 for three years

Address _____

This fee applies to the primary member. Additional family members require a \$2.00 fee per individual.

_____ Apt No. _____

RENEWAL FEE: \$4.00 for one year
 \$10.00 for three years

City _____ State _____ Zip code _____

This renewal fee includes each family member who paid \$2.00 with the original application.

Telephone number _____

If the \$2.00 fee was not paid with the original application, add family members now by including \$2.00 for each person.

E-mail address _____

Lifetime membership for (1) one person is available for a \$30 fee.

Family members _____

AVA Volkssport Associate Yes No

Amount submitted \$ _____

Eager to serve as club officer _____ or committee chair _____