



Official Newsletter of the RANDOLPH ROADRUNNERS (AVA44)

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Next Meeting – July 20, 2017

A member of the American Volkssport Association (AVA) & the International Federation of Popular Sports (IVV)
The Public is always welcome

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A Walking Club Established 1980
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Renewal Time

The following membership renewals are currently due:
Karen Boyle, Bob & Sharon Burhorn, Sarah & Devon Reveria, Janis Witt, Glenn Brucks, Don & Geri Kraft, Jim & Jackie Lytle, Miriam Solis, Gina & Mackenzie Acree, JC & Vi Berbiglia, Stephen Brian, Robert Bruce, Susan Green, Leah Lukasik, Amber Ramsey, Hermina & Byron Simpson, Stephen Thayer and Katie Tyrell.

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 Member!

Lorraine Adams	Helotes
Sam Klein	San Antonio
Judi Hunt	San Antonio
Linda Canas	San Antonio
Michelle Nooner	San Antonio
Laurie Stiteler	San Antonio
Jerry & Melissa Ozunega	San Antonio
Cindy Hildner	San Antonio
Sabine Ward	LaVernia

**NO RR MEETING IN JUNE!!!
We now meet the 3rd Thursday of every month.**

Universal City Library
100 Northview Drive
Universal City, TX 78148
The next club meeting will be held **July 20**. The meet & greet starts at 6:30 p.m – general meeting at 7 p.m. The July meeting will be a pot luck meeting. Bring your own drink (ice tea, soda, etc.) Dessert will be provided. A program speaker will be announced at a later date.

From the Desk of the Pres--

We are looking for a person or persons to volunteer as the Sales person for the

Roadrunners. Joanne Forinash has been our Sales person for forever and is ready and willing to pass the baton on and train a club member to take over the position. Call Joanne if you have any questions at 210-493-8543 or email her at sjforinash@yahoo.com.

NO JULY NEWSLETTER!



JUNE 23, 2017

Gonzales Main Street Walk

The town of Gonzales is having their annual Main Street Concert series every Friday in June. Music, food booths and games on Confederate square in downtown Gonzales. Most festivities start at 6 p.m.

Our Gonzales YRE will be featured on 23 June at the Main Street Concert from 5 – 9. The Roadrunners will have an easy-up in Confederate square. *More info to follow.*



**Kudos to the Following Roadrunners:
Taken from June/July TAW EVENTS AWARDED:**

125 events	Elaine Talarski
300 events	Darren Medlin
375 events	Marta Knappe
375 events	Reuben Knappe, Jr.
525 events	Caryl Swann
900 events	Shirley Conrad

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2000 events	Joanne Forinash
2200 events	John White
2600 events	Patricia Heller
2600 events	Mary Quandt
4100 events	Patricia Gunter

DISTANCE AWARDED:

500 km	Lorraine Adams
3500 km	John Ives
3500 km	Marta Knape
3500 km	Reuben Knape, Jr.
6000 km	Susan Medlin
11000 km	Shirley Conrad
25000 km	Mary Quandt

It always puts a smile on my face when I see the Roadrunner accomplishments. Keep up the great work... I mean walks! – Ellen

**TALES FROM THE TRAIL
In Touch with History in
Montgomery, Alabama**

By Susan Alton

During our two-week vacation throughout the Southeast, we visited four state Capitols. Friday, May 5, we were in Montgomery, Alabama. The temperature was 53 degrees when we started and, with the wind chill, it felt like 38. It did not warm up during our 10k walk.

The Volksmarch started downtown at Embassy Suites Hotel. To start, we exited the hotel, went past the train station, down some stairs, through Riverfront Tunnel out onto Montgomery's Riverfront Walk.

The Riverfront Tunnel was built in the 19th century to facilitate the movement of cotton and other goods, under the railroad tracks, to the Alabama River. Where we were standing used to be a cotton slide. The cotton slide was used to slide heavy bales of cotton from the streets above to the steamboats waiting below.

In the park by the river is a beautiful tile mural. But looks can be deceiving. If you look at each individual tile that makes up the mosaic, you will see each tile is its own work of art. Together all the tiles make up the big mosaic.



We walked along the River Walk to a four-story elevator that would take us up to a bridge overlook of the train station. From the train station, we headed to Wright Brothers Park. Yes, those Wright brothers, the ones who invented flying. They operated a civilian flight school in Montgomery to train pilots for war.

Our walk took us over Cottage Hill, then into downtown where we passed the Rosa Parks Museum and Library on the site where she had been arrested, the Davis Theater (built in 1930), and Troy University. We turned the corner and made our way to Dexter Avenue and our first view of the Capitol.

Dexter Avenue from the Court Street Fountain up toward the capitol is undergoing a major renovation called the Market District. Almost every old building is being gutted and rebuilt.

We hiked up and down hills, all over downtown Montgomery. In a park, we found a historical marker on Montgomery's Slave Depots. In another flag and historical plaza, we found six bas-relief panels, each with its own history marker underneath. There is so much detail in each display about the history of Montgomery. Wow!



The Civil Rights Movement was born in Montgomery with Rosa Parks refusing to give up her seat and move to the back of a bus. Besides the Rosa Parks Museum, we saw Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s church, and saw where the march from Selma to Montgomery passed through on the way to the capital.



The state capital was in between four times so we did a self-guided tour. Unique to this capital are a pair of three-story spiral stairways in the original entrance hall. Otherwise, compared to other state Capitols we've seen, this one was quite plain.



We finished our Capitol tour and continued to see Old Alabama Town and the Montgomery "Biscuits" Baseball Stadium. (Montgomery's baseball team has one of the weirder team names, right up there with New Orleans "Babycakes" and the Lansing "Lugnuts.")

We were completely chilled at the end of this walk. An enticing billboard advertising Tucker's Pecan Store tempted Bob in. He came out with Chocolate Honey Pecans and Pecan Bark which we wolfed down to restore our energy. That's our story and we're sticking to it!

As for the history, we passed so many historic sites and markers. Our knowledge of the domestic slave trade, antebellum times, cotton merchandising, the first White House of

the Confederacy, the Selma-to-Montgomery Civil Rights March, and the importance of the railroad and Alabama River all expanded greatly on this walk.



Fun, Fitness, Friendship

Wayne Holloway - Many of you were at the California Volkssport Association meeting on May 6 when we received word that Wayne Holloway had died that morning.

The burial will be a private service for family only, at the Sacramento Valley National Cemetery in Dixon, CA. There will be a Celebration of Life Memorial Service on Saturday, June 17, at 2:00 pm.:

Church of the Nazarene
6040 Mother Lode Drive
Placerville, CA - 95667

All Volkssporters/friends of Wayne and Grace, are invited to attend. Please pass this information on to all your Club members; copy and paste into your Club Newsletter.

Wayne's family has requested that you not send flowers, and that memorial contributions be made to the American Volkssport Association. If you send a donation to AVA, please address it attention of Henry Rosales, marked in memory of Wayne Holloway, and Henry will see that it gets used appropriately, and not just dumped into the general fund.

Phil Jones, President
California Volkssport Association

NEC Meeting

The next NEC meeting will be Wednesday, June 7th, 2017 from 11:00a.m. – 1:45p.m. in Billings, Montana preceding the convention. The meeting room will be Parlor 1001. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

The AVA General Membership meeting will be on Wednesday, June 7th, 2017 from 2:00p.m. -5:00p.m., Thursday, June 8th from 2:30p.m. – 5:30p.m. and Friday, June 9th, from 2:00p.m. – 5:30p.m. The meeting room will be the Stillwater Room. All meetings will be at the Red Lion Hotel and Convention Center, 1223 Mullowney Lane, Billings, Montana.



We have reached our \$60,000 goal!!! Your kind donations will continue to bring Fun, Fitness, and Friendship for future generations. Don't forget our fundraising campaign will continue through May 31st. THANK YOU!!

Special thanks to our Big Give matching donors:

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20th Biennial Convention

We have 21 spots for workshops during the convention. Some of them will be done twice. Our tentative schedule and brief description of each one is located on the Convention web site on the Business Tab. Just scroll down to Thursday. During the pre-registration, we asked everyone to indicate their preferences so we could estimate how many would attend each. Using that we have put together a tentative schedule. I'm very excited about all the workshops we have planned and hope you will be able to attend the ones you are interested in, as we have many great topics scheduled. They include information for the clubs, such as all about Headquarters Operations, Club Operations Training and Trailmaster Training. We have Tai Chi, Experience an Event, Using your passport by Walking Adventures International,

News Media Relations, Couch to 5K, Meetup, Volksmarching in Self Defense, and one of the most popular; the History of Billings.

We are inaugurating the AVA Tech Bar to provide continuous information about those improvements, supplementing with our technical experts as their time allows. Here is how it will flesh out. The AVA Tech Bar will be available whenever you have a few minutes between other stuff that is going on. For the complete tentative schedule check out the Business Tab on the convention web site. The AVA Tech Bar will be open on Wednesday from 1pm to 7pm, Thursday from 8am to 6pm, and Friday from 8am to 11am. It will be in the Rosebud room, which is at the back of the restaurant, so purchase your favorite beverage and Come On In! There are four continuously running presentations: The New AVA Database; Building and Maintaining a Web Site; the Online Start Box; and the new Electronic Sanction Request. Additionally, as time permits, our tech experts (Hector, Frank, Mike, Chris) will be on hand when they have time between their other duties. We hope you have an exceedingly great time. See you soon.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns drop us an email at: info@2017AVAConvention.org See you in June.

Sherry Sayers, Convention Chairperson
20th AVA Biennial Convention
1020 Parkway Ln.
Woodland Park, CO 80863
Chairperson@2017AVAConvention.org

Traditional Events:

6/3/17 - For Those of Us in the San Antonio area who can't Go to Billings for the AVA Convention: On Saturday June 3, I will have the walk Box for the Universal City YRE [#Y0156](https://www.facebook.com/Y0156) at the AVA Headquarters 1001 Pat Booker Road from 7-10 AM. This will be conducted as a YRE. For those of us kindred souls who love BBQ and People, The American Legion Post #593 is having a benefit BBQ Dinner for a Legion Sister at 326 W. Legion Drive, Converse, TX 78109 from 11 AM until we sell out! Brisket & Sausage, Potato Salad, Beans and all the trimmings, All for only \$10 Dollars a

Plate. Drinks of your choice and deserts available. POC: Michael Schuman, Tel: 210-204-6886 or alamocity60@yahoo.com

Hope 2CU there! - Rick White

6/17/2017 - 6/17/2017 - Guided Bike
Event Number: 107673 13km/25km
Start: Onion Creek Greenbelt
Event City: Austin - Bike with WoTSC 2017 #6

Host Club: Whatever of Texas Sporting Club

More Details: [Click here for directions, ratings, etc.](#)

Write for more information to:

21 Lowe, Quemado, TX 78877

Contact: Clay Baulch, (210) 204 - 9301

E-Mail: btcotx@gmail.com



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6/24/2017 - 6/24/2017 - Walk
Event Number: 108018 10/5 km
Start: Bandera City Park
Event City: Bandera - Bandera River Fest Walk

Host Club: Hill Country Volkssportverein

More Details: [Click here for directions, ratings, etc.](#)

Write for more information to:

102 Edgewood Drive
 Comfort, TX 78013

Contact: John Bohnert, (830) 496 - 1746

E-Mail: tinabohnert@gmail.com

**Tour De Castrovile Walk
 4/1/17**



Martin Callahan and Dolly (left) and Rudy next to a field of bluebonnets near the



Left to right, Doug Eide with Rudy (left) and Dolly, John and Mari Hoyt under the finish banner at the beginning of the walk trail in Castroville Regional Park.



Suzanne Markgraf (left) and Audrey Vertucci along the walk trail in front of a field of flowers at the Poppy House.



John and Mari Hoyt, Doug Eide with Rudy (left) and Dolly, Susan & Darren Medlin in front of the Vance Hotel and Store built in 1849, part of the Landmark Inn Complex.

**Raymond Rimkus Park
 Walk - 3/25/17**



The start point for the Raymond Rimkus Park Walk in Leon Valley 25 March 2017.



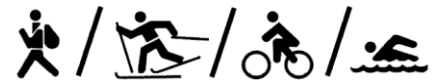
Joanne and Carlen Forinash working at the finish table.



Martin Callahan with Dolly stop for a picture in a field of blue bonnet flowers on the grounds of the Oak Hills Terrace Elementary School near the check point.



Dee Repp with Hogarth at the first check point.



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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 _____
Apt No. _____

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

City _____ State _____ Zip code _____

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

Telephone number _____

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

E-mail address _____

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

Family members _____

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

Amount submitted \$ _____

AVA Volkssport Associate Yes No

Eager to serve as club officer _____ or committee chair _____