



Official Newsletter of the RANDOLPH ROADRUNNERS (AVA44)

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Next Meeting – May 19, 2009
7:00 p.m. at the Universal City Library,
100 Northview Dr., Universal City
A member of the American Volkssport
Association (AVA) & the International
Federation of Popular Sports (IVV)
The Public is always welcome

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Volkssport Club
A Walking Club Established 1980
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1-800-830-WALK

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swrd@gvtc.com

Renewal Time

The following membership renewals are currently due: ,
Oralia Smith, Glenda Wall, Susan Davis, Wanda Ortiz, Lulle & James Gough, Sue Andriola, Helga Anderson, Alice Felder, Mary Ellen Watters, Ron Rundberg and Rick White.

Please send in your renewal fees now. We value your membership. To renew your membership, fill out a renewal application attached or print one from the following website address: www.geocities.com/RandolphRoadrunners/membership.html and send it with your fees to Nancy Paulson c/o the club address.

WELCOME --- Members!

Tom & Linda Elms Cibolo
Welcome Back!

MEETING PLACE & DATE:

The RR club meetings held at the Universal City Library, 100 Northview Drive which is one block west of the AVA with the side of the library on Pat Booker Rd. Our next meeting is 4/21/09. We will meet on the third (3rd) Tuesday of each month until further notice.

F.Y.I.....

Any volunteer interested in doing the worker's walk for the May 15th Beethoven Walk in King William, please contact Nancy or Tony Paulson 210-658-8324. The tentative date for the worker's walk is Mother's Day, Sunday, May 10th at 8 am depending on the response received by the Paulsons.

A sanctioned AVA walk will be available on May 26th in conjunction with the Society of Military Comptrollers VW convention downtown at the convention center. Walkers can start at 8 am or later. For information, contact David Toth, 521-8684, or E-mail dntoth@scbglobal.net

AVA News:

From John Ferguson's Family

The following was received from David Ferguson, John's son. If you have stories to share, please send them to the AVA National Headquarters. You can mail them to 1001 Pat Booker Rd, Suite 101, Universal City, TX 78148 or email them to avahq@ava.org or fax them to 210-659-1212.

Good day to you all,

I am David Ferguson and as you already know my Father, John Ferguson, passed away last week.

I met so many of his friends and co-hikers at the visitation and funeral.

Please write me with any stories you wish to share with my family and pass the word along to others.

I thank you for all your support.

David

AVA Vice President

By vote of the National Executive Council, Lynn Clark, former AVA President and IVV Vice President was selected to fill the position of Vice President for the remainder of the term.

New State Bars

Just a reminder that the AVA has added Brazil, China and Slovakia to our list of country bars. Watch the Merchandise Store on the web and the **Checkpoint** for information as others are added.

On-Line Store

After many changes and much testing, the on-line store is up and running once again. Please give it a try.

Welcome Home!

Tom Elms recently returned from Germany and will be volunteering at the AVA National Headquarters. Part of his "job" will be work on the museum.



Martin Callahan, Indie & Tina Bohnert, Old Tunnel Wildlife Management Area Walk



Carol Shaner & Ellen Ott - Old Tunnel Wildlife Mgmt. Area Walk



Martin Callahan - Ft. Sam Fiesta Event



Don & Bilita VanCleave - Ft. Sam Fiesta Event

***All Event Photos are provided courtesy of Martin Callahan**



**CANADIAN VOLKSSPORT CONVENTION
NORTH BAY, ON.
May 22-24th 2009**

Dear Fellow walkers!

We are extending our warmest welcome to each and everyone to come and participate at the Canadian Volkssport Convention taking place in **an oasis of nature** in North Bay Ontario, Gateway to the North. It is still time to send in your registration and plan to visit this gorgeous and serene part of Ontario. North Bay has lots to offer as well as a variety of accommodations for every budget and preference. You can visit their website at

www.cityofnorthbay.ca.

We hope you will take this opportunity to come, visit our beautiful Blue Sky Region and walk "In the footsteps of the Voyageurs" theme of our convention.

We have prepared lots of activities in and around North Bay for your enjoyment (visit our website at www.gatewaywalkers.ca) and you can check all the SEAS or YRE you could do on your way up north by visiting the Canadian Volkssport Federation website at www.walks.ca

If you intend to arrive earlier and walk the pre convention walk in Callander, birthplace of the Dionne's (1934) first quintuplets, make sure to attend the mayor's BBQ offered to all walkers visiting his city. Kindly let me know (by phone or email) if you intend to walk this historical village on Friday May 22, 2009.

Hope you will plan to make this venture to this rugged natural beauty of the Canadian Shield and the awe-inspiring backdrop of Lake Nipissing. Happy trails,
Michelle Michael, president of club Volkssport Gateway Walkers

Tin Star Ranch Event

Come along and make a family outing by joining the Fredericksburg Walking Club, Volkssportsverein Fredericksburg, on Saturday June 13. Choose a 5K or 10K walk through The Tin Star Ranch and the beautiful Texas Hill Country. Also available is the Lady Bird Johnson Community Pool for a swim event. Founded in 1976 the Fredericksburg Walking Club is the first Volkssportsverein Club in the United States and in Texas.

Tin Star Ranch is a 370 acre ranch that is one of Fredericksburg's finest attractions. There are five 1800's style guesthouses and an old west town reflecting exact replicas of historic buildings from the frontier days. See Judge Roy Bean's Jersey Lily Saloon, the Alamo, and others. The back of each of these buildings is part of an official Single Action Shooting (SAS) range. The town is built on a hill with breathtaking views of the surrounding pastures and hillsides.

Both walks will begin at the Longhorn Saloon and take walkers through the street of Old Town past the Alamo and out into the beautiful Texas Hill Country on both paved and unpaved country roads. Walkers will see longhorn cattle, western artifacts and wagons of the old west. When you finish your walk purchase a hamburger lunch at the Longhorn Saloon and continue to enjoy your family outing looking around the old city and the grounds of The Tin Star Ranch.

This event is held regardless of weather conditions. Swim, walk, jog or run at your own pace. The swim event is 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m., finished by 1 p.m. The walk event is 8 a.m. - noon, finished by 3 p.m. Pets are welcome but must be kept on a leash and with the owner at all times. For information and directions contact (830) 992-2053

trjcole@austin.rr.com
or the Fredericksburg Walking Club website: www.walktx.org/AVA1 .
Come join us for this fun filled day!



Martin Callahan & Indi with a prize egg at Comfort Easter walk



Mike Hermes at Checkpoint - Comfort Easter walk

Coming Texas Events:

5/2/2009 - 5/3/2009 - Walk
Event Number: 83386 10km/5km
Start: Bastrop State Park Refectory
Event City: Bastrop - Bastrop State Park Lost Pines XVIII
Host Club: Colorado River Walkers
Event Website:
www.coloradoriverwalkers.org
More Details: [Click here for directions, ratings, etc.](#)
Write for more information to:
 1215 Inks Avenue
 Austin, TX 78702
Contact: Jo Ann Fries, (512) 480 - 0291
E-Mail: joannwoolf@aol.com
Club Website:
www.coloradoriverwalkers.org/

5/3/2009 - 5/3/2009 - Walk
Event Number: 83528 10km/5km
 5/3/2009 - 5/3/2009 - Boating
Event Number: 83527 1500m
Start: Bear Creek Scout Reservation
Event City: Hunt - Late Spring Oddfest
Host Club: BTC Oddsports Club
Event Website:
More Details: [Click here for directions, ratings, etc.](#)
Write for more information to:
 6438 Hill Creek Dr.
 San Antonio, TX 78256
Contact: Clay Baulch, (210) 204 - 9301
E-Mail: btco@satx.rr.com
Club Website:
[faculty.sulross.edu/cbaulch/index_file/s/Page615.htm](http://faculty.sulross.edu/cbaulch/index_file/Page615.htm)

5/9/2009 - 5/9/2009 - Walk
Event Number: 83612 14/10/6 km
Start: City Park Gazebo
Event City: Cameron
Host Club: Trotting Texas Turtles
Event Website:
More Details: [Click here for directions, ratings, etc.](#)
Write for more information to:
 712 Ridge Street
 Copperas Cove, TX 765223137
Contact: Beverly/Karl Kittinger, (254) 547 - 1403
E-Mail: walkabout@hotmail.com
Club Website:
www.walktx.org/ttt2.html

5/15/2009 - 5/15/2009 - Walk
Event Number: 83721 10km/5km
Start: Beethoven Maennerchor Halle Und Garten
Event City: San Antonio - King William Walk
Host Club: Randolph Roadrunners
Event Website:
www.geocities.com/randolphroadrunners/
More Details: [Click here for directions, ratings, etc.](#)
Write for more information to:
 120 Thomas Edison Drive
 Schertz, TX 781541019
Contact: Nancy and Tony Paulson, (210) 658 - 8324
E-Mail: nantony6@hotmail.com
Club Website:
www.geocities.com/randolphroadrunners/

5/16/2009 - 5/16/2009 - Walk
Event Number: 83335 10km/5km
Start: Hilton Garden Inn

Event City: Granbury
Host Club: Hood County Hummers
Event Website:
www.walktx.org/hoodcountyhumeurs
More Details: [Click here for directions, ratings, etc.](#)
Write for more information to:
 3113 San Gabriel Ct.
 Granbury, TX 76048
Contact: Bruce Bartlett, (972) 567 - 3278
E-Mail: bbartlet@airmail.net
Club Website:
www.walktx.org/HoodCountyHummers/

5/16/2009 - 5/16/2009 - Swim
Event Number: 83336 300m
Start: YMCA
Event City: Granbury - 300m Swim #1
 5/16/2009 - 5/16/2009 - Swim
Event Number: 83337 300m
Start: YMCA
Event City: Granbury - 300m Swim #2

Host Club: Hood County Hummers
Event Website:
www.walktx.org/hoodcountyhumeurs/
More Details: [Click here for directions, ratings, etc.](#)
Write for more information to:
 3113 San Gabriel Ct.
 Granbury, TX 76048
Contact: Bruce Bartlett, (972) 567 - 3278
E-Mail: bbartlet@airmail.net
Club Website:
www.walktx.org/HoodCountyHummers/

5/16/2009 - 5/16/2009 - Walk
Event Number: 83739 10km
Start: Roger Soler's Sports
Event City: Helotes
Host Club: Trinity Trekkers
Event Website:
More Details: [Click here for directions, ratings, etc.](#)
Write for more information to:
 8463 Romney
 San Antonio, TX 78254
Contact: David N. Toth, (210) 521 - 8684
E-Mail: trintrek@sbcglobal.net
Club Website:

5/16/2009 - 5/16/2009 - Walk
Event Number: 83763 10km/5km
Start: Brazos Bend State Park
Event City: Needville - Brazos Bend State Park Walk

Host Club: Houston Happy Hikers
Event Website:
houstonhappyhikers.org
More Details: [Click here for directions, ratings, etc.](#)
Write for more information to:
 P. O. Box 101
 Orchard, TX 77464
Contact: Catherine Kellner, (979) 478 - 6203
 E-
Mail: hohpresident@houstonhappyhikers.org
Club Website:
www.houstonhappyhikers.org/

5/31/2009 - 5/31/2009 - Walk
Event Number: 83697 10km/5km
Start: Pearl Brewery
Event City: San Antonio
Host Club: Texas Wanderers
Event Website:
More Details: [Click here for directions, ratings, etc.](#)
Write for more information to:
 102 Wildridge Trail
 Universal City, TX 78148
Contact: Gerald Kamicka, (210) 658 - 2160
 E-Mail: GeraldK726@aol.com
Club Website:
www.walktx.org/TexasWanderers



Carpooling to Events-
 If anyone is interested in carpooling to any of the walks or meetings, please contact David Toth, 521-8684, or E-mail dntoth@scbglobal.net. It's never too early to start planning for the Dallas AVA convention in June, 2009!

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

Address _____

Apt No. _____

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

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

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Telephone number _____

AVA Volkssport Associate Yes / No

E-mail address _____

Family members _____

Eager to serve as club officer _____ committee chair _____

Amount submitted \$ _____