

## Official Newsletter of the RANDOLPH ROADRUNNERS (AVA44)

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Next Meeting – June 16, 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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http://walktexas.org/

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### Renewal Time

The following membership renewals are currently due: ,
Oralia Smith, Glenda Wall,
Susan Davis, Wanda Ortiz, Lulle &
James Gough, Sue Andriola, Ron
Rundberg, Rick White, John &
Dorothy Creswell, Raul & Susan
Soto, Pat Gunter, Sharon Readinger
and Diane Duesterhoeft.

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: <a href="https://www.geocities.com/RandolphRoadrunners/membership.html">www.geocities.com/RandolphRoadrunners/membership.html</a> and send it with your fees to Nancy Paulson c/o the club address.

#### WELCOME --- Members!

Edna Molina San Antonio Marjorie Molina San Antonio

#### **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 6/16/09. We will meet on the third (3<sup>rd</sup>) Tuesday of each month until further notice.

#### Beethoven Walk Event

Many thanks to some great volunteers: Larry Cook, Ellen Ott, Totsy Miller, Suzy Krisak, Heinz Johnson, David Toth, Alan & Gloria Mick, Kathy Carson, Carol Shaner, Suzanne Markgraf, Audrey Vertucci, Rick White, Chara Plizga, Tom & Linda Elms, Joanne & Carlen Forinash, Pat Roberts and Herb Laing. We had great weather, great walkers and great volunteers!

# AVA News: Club Tips By Bob Wright

Bob shares 33+ years of experience, research, and insights about building stronger volkssport clubs, better IVV

events, and greater participation. If you've got tips to share or a topic to suggest, then contact Bob Wright at <a href="mailto:rwright2@jhu.edu">rwright2@jhu.edu</a> or 43224 Cardston Place, Leesburg, VA 20176. Include an evening phone number for any follow-up.

**101 Places to Advertise Your Club and Events** Where do you advertise? All of the usual places? Have you explored all of the possibilities?

### **The Usual Places**

After you've been volkssporting a while, you learn the places where other volkssporters go to find out about events. The AVA provides information in *The American Wanderer* and at <a href="www.ava.org">www.ava.org</a>. Yearround and seasonal event information is printed in *Starting Point*. Some AVA regions and state associations have their own websites and publications.

Club newsletters and websites are a great place to publicize your own and others' events.

At events, other clubs distribute their brochures. Some clubs also advertise their next event(s) — a way to encourage walkers to return. Clubs sometimes put them in start boxes at year-round and seasonal events. And don't forget the national WalkList list service (found in "related links" – online forums on the AVA website). Check out your AVA region or state association for one too.

#### **The Less Usual Places**

You could stop there, but what about the millions of walkers who don't know about volkssports yet?

Sure, some of them find us through web searches. But that still leaves a lot of other potential walkers that you could reach out and touch.

Do you use these other forms to advertise your events and club?

Bulletin boards and brochure racks in local libraries, recreation and

Community centers, fitness centers and gyms, athletic shoe stores, grocery stores, and coffee shops.

Local weekly newspapers—they are more interested in your news. If you have a big special event, your regional paper would be interested.

Regional magazines that focus on families, fitness, and health.

Web sites for the local visitors center, local businesses that share our interest in fitness such as non-chain athletic shoe stores, community/homeowners associations, and community sites.

#### **Some Unusual Places**

Ready to go all out? Reach out to national publications that cater to walkers. Check regional and state travel magazines.

#### One final note:

Pay attention to deadlines and standards for submissions. Publications can be very strict. If you're late, you may have missed a golden opportunity.

Did I list 101 places? Well, no and yes. Not 101 categories, but when you add up all the places on your list (such as the 3 Starbucks, 5 libraries, 3 recreation centers,) you'll be well over 100!



Frank Chappell, Martin Callahan & John Bohnert at Beethoven Hall



Maypole dance at Beethoven Maennerchor Halle und Garten – Beethoven/King William Event



Suzanne Markgraf & Audrey Vertucci at Guenter Haus checkpoint – Beethoven Event.



Tom & Linda Elms at bandstand checkpoint – Beethoven Event



Beethoven Maennerchor Halle und Garten Orchestra



Martin Callahan & Stephanie Menteer – Beethoven Event.



Joanne & Carlin Forinash at Cameron walk



Martin Callahan & Indy at Cameron walk

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

### Coming Texas Events:

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: Gerald K726@aol.com Club Website:

www.walktx.org/TexasWanderers

6/13/2009 - 6/13/2009 - Swim **Event Number:** 83931 300meters **Start:** Swimming Pool@Lady Bird

Johnson Park

**Event City:** Fredericksburg **Host Club:** Volkssportverein

Friedrichsburg **Event Website:** 

More Details: Click here for directions, ratings, etc. Write for more information to: 157 Bell Mtn Rd Willow City, TX 78675 Contact: Steve & Donna Wood, (830) 685 - 3873 E-Mail:lazywoodstx@yahoo.com **Club Website:** www.walktx.org/AVA1 6/13/2009 - 6/13/2009 - Walk Event Number: 83929 10km/5km **Start:** Tin Star Ranch **Event City:** Fredericksburg Host Club: Volkssportverein Friedrichsburg **Event Website:** More Details: Click here for directions, ratings, etc. Write for more information to: 157 Bell Mtn Rd Willow City, TX 78675 Contact: Steve & Donna Wood. (830) 685 - 3873 E-Mail:lazywoodstx@yahoo.com **Club Website:** www.walktx.org/AVA1 6/22/2009 - 6/25/2009 - Walk **Event Number: 83295** 10km/5km

Start: Renaissance Dallas-Richardson Hotel **Event City:** Fort Worth - ITC Station

- Biennial AVA Convention Walk in Downtown Fort Worth

Host Club: 2009 AVA Convention

**Event Website:** 

www.ava.org/clubs/AVA2009Conven

tion/index.htm

More Details: Click here for directions, ratings, etc.

Write for more information to:

3321 Dartmoor Dr. Dallas, TX 75229

Contact: Helen Bateman, (214) 732 -

E-Mail: helenbateman@earthlink.net

6/22/2009 - 6/25/2009 - Walk Event Number: 83296 16km/10km/5km Start: Renaissance Dallas-Richardson Hotel

**Event City:** Dallas - White Rock Station - Biennial AVA Convention Walk - Dallas White Rock Lake Host Club: 2009 AVA Convention

**Event Website:** 

www.ava.org/clubs/AVA2009Conven

tion/index.htm

More Details: Click here for directions, ratings, etc.

Write for more information to:

3321 Dartmoor Dr. Dallas, TX 75229

Contact: Helen Bateman, (214) 732 -

3419

E-Mail:helenbateman@earthlink.net

6/22/2009 - 6/25/2009 - Walk Event Number: 83297

11km/6km

Start: Renaissance Dallas-

Richardson Hotel

**Event City:** Dallas - Cityplace Station - Biennial AVA Convention Walk -

Dallas Uptown

**Host Club:** 2009 AVA Convention

**Event Website:** 

www.ava.org/clubs/AVA2009Conven

tion/index.htm

More Details: Click here for directions, ratings, etc.

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6/22/2009 - 6/25/2009 - Walk Event Number: 83294

10km/5km

**Start:** Renaissance Dallas Richardson

Hotel

Event City: Dallas - Union Station -Biennial AVA Convention Walk in

Downtown Dallas

Host Club: 2009 AVA Convention

**Event Website:** 

www.ava.org/clubs/AVA2009Conven

tion/index.htm

More Details: Click here for directions, ratings, etc.

Write for more information to:

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Contact: Helen Bateman, (214) 732 -

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E-Mail:helenbateman@earthlink.net

6/26/2009 - 6/26/2009 - Walk Event Number: 83298

10km/5km

**Start:** Renaissance Dallas-

Richardson Hotel

**Event City:** Richardson - Galatyn Park Station - President's Walk **Host Club:** 2009 AVA Convention

**Event Website:** 

www.ava.org/clubs/AVA2009Conven

tion/index.htm

More Details: Click here for directions, ratings, etc.

Write for more information to:

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Contact: Helen Bateman, (214) 732 -

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E-Mail: helenbateman@earthlink.net

7/11/2009 - 7/11/2009 - Walk

Event Number: 83963 10km/5km

Start: Taco Cabana #251

**Event City:** San Antonio - Sunrise

**Host Club:** Randolph Roadrunners

**Event Website:** 

geocities.com/randolphroadrunners

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.geocities.com/randolphroadrunn

ers/

7/11/2009 - 7/11/2009 - Swim Event Number: 84000 300 meters

**Start:** The Ravinia Apartments **Event City:** San Antonio - Sunrise

Event

**Host Club:** Randolph Roadrunners

**Event Website:** 

www.geocities.com/randolphroadrunn

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:** 

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ers/

7/18/2009 - 7/18/2009 - Walk

Event Number: 83941 10km/5km

**Start:** Custer Park Pavilion **Event City:** Richardson

Host Club: Plano Walking Club

More Details: Click here for

directions, ratings, etc.

Write for more information to:

704 South Grove Road Richardson, TX 75081

Contact: Kitty Simmons, (972) 231 -

E-Mail:ktsimms@sbcglobal.net

**Club Website:** 

www.walktx.org/planowalkingclub

RR MEMBER REMINDER: There will be no newsletter published for the month of July.

**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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Please check applicable box (	es):		•				
☐ Renewal	☐ New Member	☐ Fam	ily member(s) included (see instructions below) DATE				
Name			NEW MEMBER FEE:	\$4.00 for 1 year			
			\$10.00 for three years				
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					\$10.00 fe	or three years	
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City	State	Zip Code	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.				
Telephone number							
				AVA Volksspor	t Associate	Yes / No	
E-mail address			_				
Family members			Eager to serve as club officer_	committee of	chair		
Amount submitted \$			-				