# ROADRUNNER

#### Official Newsletter of the RANDOLPH ROADRUNNERS (AVA44)

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Next Meeting – 10/13/21
A member of the American Volkssport
Association (AVA) & the International
Federation of Popular Sports (IVV)
The Public is always welcome

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www.randolphroadrunners.info AVA Website: www.ava.org TVA Website: www.walktexas.org

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#### Renewal Time

The following membership renewals are currently due:
The Ellison Family, Brenda
Dever-Armstrong, Dorothy Creswell,
Raul & Susan Soto, Janice Connor,
William Hamilton, Joan Lyman,
Linda Canas, Laurie Stiteler, Patricia
Gunter and Gregory Young. To
renew your RR membership, fill out the attached application or print it off 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.



OCTOBER 2021 NATIONAL VOLKSSPORT MONTH PATCH

NEW!! - RR Club Meetings: Starting October, new club meeting day at 6:30 P.M. on the 2nd Wednesday of every month at: Universal City Library, 100 Northview Drive, Universal City, TX 78148.

Next meeting date: Wednesday, October 13, 2021.

From the Desk of the Pres-The following RR events are scheduled for 2021:

9 October
26 Nov.
11 Dec.
Marquis Trail Head-Rim
Southside Lions Park
Boerne Christmas walk

Friedrich Park YRE and CrownRidge YRE are now ready in the start box at the Drury Inn at I -10 and 1604 along with the Eisenhower Park YRE, Salado-1604 YRE and the Leon Creek YRE walk and bike.

Any questions, please call Ellen at: 210-723-8574

"Thank you" to the folks who worked the Gonzales walk on Saturday September 18th:

Pat Gunter, Darlene Oner, Kathy and Mike Schwencke, Mike Hermes, Jill Troyer, Ted Cielak and John Ives. We had 59 walkers who all seemed to enjoy the town.



## CONVENTION COMMITTEE – JOHN McCLELLAN

Planning continues for hosting the 2023 IVV Olympiad in San Antonio, Texas. AVA: America's Walking Club! will be hosting the first Olympiad ever to be held in North America!

Save The Dates! Our joint event – the IVV Olympiad and the existing IML Texas Trail Round Up, will take place back-to back from 19-23 FEB and 24-26 FEB 2023. That's a whole week of fantastic walks (from 5k – 42k), bikes and swims, in a once-in-a-lifetime international atmosphere. America's Walking Club is bringing together the two largest international walking federations to bring these events to the USA. Who are they you ask?

### $\label{eq:continuous_problem} \begin{tabular}{ll} The INTERNATIONALER \\ VOLKSSPORTVERBAND-or \\ \end{tabular}$

International Federation of Popular Sports (IVV) – is the governing organization for volkssports, internationally, comprised of 3 geographic regions (Europe, Asia &the Americas), 31 national members and 10 countries with single (club) members.

America's Walking Club and all our member clubs are part of the IVV.

The IML Walking Association

(known until 2006 as the International Marching League) is a non-profit organization which promotes recreational walking in the form of international non-competitive multi-day walking events or "marches" in its member countries. There are 29 member nations holding IML events. including the United States with events hosted in Arlington, VA and San Antonio, TX.

#### **Olympiad Facebook Page!**

Please go to

www.facebook.com/2023IVVOlympiad USA and "like" us! Invite your volkssporting friends and fellow club members to like us. Help us build awareness and excitement as we move towards 2023! Look for the latest on the joint Olympiad/IML events and answers to questions you may have.



Tales from the Trails – Columbia River Volkssport Association walking weekend in Bend, Oregon. - Friday, September 17, 2021

By: Susan Alton

The walk was a 10k Volksmarch along the Metolius River starting at Wizard Falls Fish Hatchery near Camp Sherman, Oregon. This walk was part of our Columbia River Volkssport Association walking weekend in Bend, Oregon.

When we started the walk, it was about 43 degrees, cloudy, and smoky. Sometime overnight Thursday, the smoke had rolled in from the West or there was an inversion that kept the smoke close to the ground.



Bob Alton along the river trail.

Our walk was so easy compared to Misery Ridge at Smith Rocks State Park. There were minimal elevation gains along the Metolius River. At times, we had to veer away from the river due to private property. Overall, it was a very nice walk. We walked up one side of the Metolius River, crossed a bridge, and walked down the other side.



Wizard Falls on the Metolius River

About three-quarters of the way on our hike, I hit the wall. Even though I had been drinking water, and had a granola bar, my body didn't want to keep going. We made it back to the truck and hightailed it to the General Store in Camp Sherman for lunch. There were a few people waiting outside at picnic tables for their food. After ordering, we shopped a little in the store.

After lunch, we were going to do the 10k Tumalo Falls hike. I was still beat. Instead, Bob wanted to go to Tumalo State Park Day Use Area to do a 29k (18 mile) bike ride around high desert farmland. He had his bike in the back of the pick-up. I dropped him off. Then, I went back to the 5th wheel to shower and change clothes for our Meet & Mingle that night. When I was done, I went back and picked Bob up.

The Meet & Mingle theme was Dessert in the Desert. Four dessert stations were set up around the room: warm apple pie with ice cream (also pumpkin pie), a cookie and brownie table, a table with cakes, and a beverage table. We had such a nice time getting to know Nancy from Sacramento, California, and Jan from Longview, Washington.

We are so thankful to the Columbia River Volkssport Association for planning and bringing this wonderful walking weekend to fruition. Thank you for all the work that was put into this event!

**2021 VOLKSSPORTING CLUBS OF SOUTHWEST TEXAS CALENDAR – Check before you** walk due to COVID-19 **Published 1 August 2021** October 2021:

SAT/02 – (2) HCV Bandera walk & VVF Hill Country Natural Area YRE Big Bend weekend: TUE/05 to SUN/10 - WTX \*Window

Trail, \*Blue Creek Trail, \*Mule Ears Trail, \*7 Spectacular Shorties (all at Big Bend)

SAT/09 –RRR Marquis Trail Head-Rim SAT/16 -TXW cancelled SAT/23 - SAP Coastal Weekend SAT/30 & SUN/31-HCV Waring/Fish Fry on Sunday only.



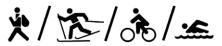
#### November 2021:

SAT/06 & SUN/07 NBW Wurstfest FRI/12 – CRW Featured YRE Georgetown (afternoon) TVA Weekend SAT/13 – CRW Canyon of the Eagles Walk and TVA Meeting

SUN/14 - CRW Featured YRE Round Rock (morning) TVA Weekend SAT/20 - SAP TBD FRI/26 – AVA Opt Out: All clubs

SAT/27 – HCV Comfort Christmas

To find information on the events listed here; go to ava.org, click on Events, click on Search Events, select the State (Texas), either a YRE or Traditional walk, the time period and hit Enter. Walks within the next 90 days should have additional information on the website. If not, please call the POC for more details.



#### Texas Traditional Events for October, 2021: (Please check the AVA website for any changes or cancellations)

10/5/2021 - 10/10/2021 - Walk Event Number: 118871 5k/10k**Start:** Big Bend Resort and Adventures

**Event City:** The Window Trail, Big Bend National Park - The Window Trail Host Club: West Texas Trail Walkers **Event Website:** 

www.westtexastrailwalkers.org More Details: Click here for directions, ratings, etc.

#### Write for more information to:

12527 Fern Creek San Antonio, TX 78253

Contact: Susan Medlin, (210) 325-

3523

E-Mail:sueammed@aol.com **Club Website:** 

www.westtexastrailwalkers.org/Home. html

10/5/2021 - 10/10/2021 - Walk **Event Number:** 118872 5k/20k **Start:** Big Bend Resort and Adventures

Motel

**Event City:** The Blue Creek Trail, Big Bend National Park - The Blue Creek Trail

Host Club: West Texas Trail Walkers **Event Website:** 

www.westtexastrailwalkers.org More Details: Click here for directions, ratings, etc.

Write for more information to:

1635 Windmill Lane Mesquite, TX 75149

Contact: Dianne Duke, (214) 368-9730

E-Mail:d.w.duke@live.com

**Club Website:** 

www.westtexastrailwalkers.org/Home.h tml

10/5/2021 - 10/10/2021 - Walk **Event Number:** 118873 6k, 10k, 14k **Start:** Big Bend Resort and Adventures

**Event City:** Fresno Divide Trail, Big Bend Ranch State Park - Fresno Divide Trail

**Host Club:** West Texas Trail Walkers **Event Website:** 

www.westtexastrailwalkers.org More Details: Click here for directions, ratings, etc.

Write for more information to: 2334 Saharah Dr., Garland, TX 75044 Contact: Helen Hull, (972) 530-1026 E-Mail:helenthehun@yahoo.com **Club Website:** 

www.westtexastrailwalkers.org/Home.h tml

10/5/2021 - 10/10/2021 - Walk Event Number: 118874 6k/10k **Start:** Big Bend Resort and Adventures Motel

Event City: Mule Ears Trail, Big Bend National Park - Mule Ears Trail Host Club: West Texas Trail Walkers **Event Website:** 

www.westtexastrailwalkers.org More Details: Click here for directions, ratings, etc.

Write for more information to:

P. O. Box 1

Turkey, TX 79261

Contact: Berdelle Johnson, (806) 676-8344

E-Mail:mosomi@aol.com **Club Website:** 

www.westtexastrailwalkers.org/Home.h tml

10/5/2021 - 10/10/2021 - Walk Event Number: 118875 2k up to

**Start:** Big Bend Resort and Adventures Motel

Event City: Terlingua, TX - The Spectacular Shorties - Big Bend Area **Host Club:** West Texas Trail Walkers **Event Website:** 

www.westtexastrailwalkers.org More Details: Click here for directions, ratings, etc.

Write for more information to: 8819 LONDON HEIGHTS SAN ANTONIO, TX 78254 Contact: Susan Noonan, (210) 286-8897

E-Mail: susan.noonan@gmail.com **Club Website:** 

www.westtexastrailwalkers.org/Home.h <u>tml</u>

10/8/2021 - 10/8/2021 - Guided Walk Event Number: 119348 10km Start: Palo Duro Canyon State Park Lighthouse Trailhead

Event City: Canyon - Palo Duro Canyon State Park

**Host Club:** International Wanderers **More Details:** 

Click here for directions, ratings, etc.

Write for more information to:

PO Box 871000

Vancouver, WA 98682

**Contact:** Sierra Suits. (360) 260-9393 E-Mail: sierra@walkingadventures.com **Club Website:** 

www.walkingadventures.com

10/9/2021 - 10/9/2021 - Walk Event Number: 118940 5k/10k Start: Marquis Trail Head. NOT the trail head behind the shops on Vance Jackson

**Event City:** San Antonio - Marquis

Trailhead/Rim

**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

10/16/2021 - 10/16/2021 - Walk Event Number: 118949 Start: Brady's Coffee Shop **Event City:** Tyler - Rose Festival Host Club: East Texas Trekkers, Inc. **Event Website:** www.WalkTexas.org/EastTexasTrekker

**More Details:** 

Click here for directions, ratings, etc.

Write for more information to: 2334 SAHARAH DR

GARLAND, TX 75044

Contact: Helen Hull, (972) 530-1026 E-Mail:helenthehun@yahoo.com **Club Website:** 

www.Walktx.org/EastTexasTrekkers/

10/23/2021 - 10/23/2021 - Walk **Event Number:** 118895 10 km/ 6 km **Start:** Thomas Place Community Center

**Event City:** Fort Worth - Arlington Heights

**Host Club:** Tarrant County Walkers **Event Website:** 

www.walktx.org/TarrantCountyWalker

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#### **More Details:**

Click here for directions, ratings, etc.

Write for more information to:

917 Forest Oaks Lane Hurst, TX 76053

Contact: Brooke Hudson, (817) 944-

5191

E-Mail:brooke\_hudson@hotmail.com

**Club Website:** 

 $\underline{www.walktx.org/TarrantCountyWalker}$ 

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10/30/2021 - 10/30/2021 - Walk **Event Number:** 118997 10k/5k **Start:** Mesquite City Lake Park

Pavilion

**Event City:** Mesquite - Meet Me in

Mesquite

Host Club: Dallas Trekkers, Inc.

**Event Website:** 

www.DallasTrekkers.org

**More Details:** 

Click here for directions, ratings, etc.

Write for more information to:

1134 Thistle Dr., Mesquite, Tx 75149 **Contact:** Deborah Carter, (214) 549-

0851

 $\hbox{\bf E-Mail:} \underline{debwalk@earthlink.net}$ 

Club Website: www.dallastrekkers.org

10/30/2021 - 10/31/2021 - Walk **Event Number:** 119051 10K/5K

Start: Waring VFD Hall

Event City: Waring - Green Zoeller

Lane Trail

Host Club: Hill Country Volkssportverein More Details:

Click here for directions, ratings, etc.

Write for more information to:

P O Box 822, Comfort, Texas 78013 **Contact:** John Bohnert, (830) 431-2850

E-Mail: tinabohnert@gmail.com



10/30/2021 - 10/31/2021 - Walk **Event Number:** 119052 10K/5K

**Start:** Waring VFD Hall

Event City: Waring - Orange Welfare

Cafe Trail

**Host Club:** Hill Country

Volkssportverein **More Details:** 

Click here for directions, ratings, etc.

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## Universal City SunRise Walk 7/17/21



John Ives, Pat Gunter and Ellen Ott at the registration and start point.



Workers and walkers at Taco Cabana start



Gayle Weinraub, Taylor Annino with Kona and Audrey Vertucci on the walk route.



UC Mural along the walk route.

#### \*All Walk Photos Courtesy of Martin Callahan

#### RANDOLPH ROADRUNNERS

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		RANDOLPH ROADRUNNERS APPLICATION PO Box 2744, Universal City TX 78148-1744	
Please check applicable box (e ☐ Renewal	s):   New Member	☐ Family member(s) included (see instructions below)	DATE
Name		<b>NEW MEMBER FEE:</b> \$4.00 for 1 \$10.00	) for three years
Address		This fee applies to the primary member. Additional family members require a \$2.00 fee per individual.  RENEWAL FEE: \$4.00 for one year	
City State	Zip code	\$10.00 for three years This renewal fee includes each family member w application.	who paid \$2.00 with the original
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 a	vailable for a \$30 fee.
Family members		AVA Volkssport Associate	
Amount submitted \$		Eager to serve as club officer or committee chair	