



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

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Next Meeting – To be Announced

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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*Club Website*

[www.randolphroadrunners.info](http://www.randolphroadrunners.info)

*AVA Website*

[www.ava.org](http://www.ava.org)

*TVA Website*

[www.walktexas.org](http://www.walktexas.org)

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**Renewal Time**

The following membership renewals are currently due:

Susan Fine, Samantha Goldstein, Glenda Parra, Heather Hedquist, Bart Marlal, Rebecca Rozmus, Debbie Lindsey, Jerry Rehmar, Andy & Cindy Welch, Howard & Lynn Tidwell, Lisa DeLuna, Laura Burress, Clare Vail, Sandra Machuca, Ian McCollum, Steve & Rita Anderson, Donna & Steve Crary, Beverly Ferreira, Linda & James Gavin, Denise Lasater, Ruth & Gabby McLain, Stephanie Porter, Connie & Jim Tree, Phyllis Wiggins and Sharon Winston. To renew your RR membership, fill out the application attached or print it off our website:

[www.RandolphRoadrunners.info](http://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.

**RR Club Meetings:**

We meet at 6:30 P.M. on the 3rd Thursday of every month at: Universal City Library, 100 Northview Drive, Universal City, TX 78148. Our next meeting date is to be determined.



**From the Desk of the Pres--**

The Roadrunners have a new seasonal event that starts 1 February. Register at the Drury Inn at 1604 and I-10 and drive to the start at 3104 N Loop 1604 W. It starts at the Salado Creek Trail at 1604 which is between Bitters Rd. and NW Military on the south side of 1604.

There are 2 - 5km trails... one goes north toward Eisenhower Park and the other goes south and east toward Inwood. Also, the Rodeway Inn has had another name change to Hillview

Inn.

Any questions can be directed to me.

Ellen at: [ellenott@sbcglobal.net](mailto:ellenott@sbcglobal.net)

**F.Y.I.: AVA Special Programs available-2021:**

- Rockin' Around the clock
- Little free Libraries
- Airports Celebrating American Flight
- Carousels Across America
- Great Lakes
- Appalachian Trail
- Border Crossings
- Mayflower Anniversary Walks
- Olympic
- Walk USA A - Z
- Walk with America's Veterans
- Walking U.S. -50 states/51 capitals

**The following RR events are scheduled for 2021:**

- 13 February Historic Gonzales
- 14 March Crownridge Pi Day
- 14 May Beethoven/King William
- 17 July Taco Cabana - UC
- 14 August Taco Cabana - StoneOak
- 9 October a featured YRE
- 11 Dec. Boerne Christmas

**2021 VOLKSSPORTING CLUBS OF SOUTHWEST TEXAS CALENDAR –**

**Check before you walk due to COVID-19**

**February 2021:**

- FRI/05 – TVA Mtg San Antonio
- SAT/06 – TVA Mtg San Antonio  
( 6 Feb Zoom TVA meeting)
- SUN/07 – TVA Mtg San Antonio
- SAT/13 – RRR Historic Gonzales
- SAT/20 – CRW - TBD
- FRI/26 – 5 TTR YREs
- SAT/27 – 5 TTR YREs
- SUN/28 –5 TTR YREs

**March 2021:**

- SAT/06 – HCV Center Point
- SAT/13 – VVF Llano LEAF Festival
- SAT/20 – KVT - TBD
- SAT/27 –NBW Spring Walk

**CRW – Colorado River Walkers**

**HCV** – Hill Country Volkssportverein  
**KVT** – Kerrville Trailblazers  
**NBW** – NB Marsch-und Wandergruppe  
**RRR** – Randolph Roadrunners  
**TTR** – Texas Trail Roundup  
**TVA** – Texas Volkssport Association  
**VVF** – Volkssportverein  
 Fredericksburg



**Susan A. Medlin**

Deputy, Southwest Region  
 Texas Volkssport Association President  
 Texas Trail Roundup President  
 210-325-3523 [sueammed@aol.com](mailto:sueammed@aol.com)

To find information on the events listed here; go to [ava.org](http://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.



**Executive Director - Henry Rosales**

**AVA NATIONAL OFFICE RELOCATION UPDATE**

Thank you to all for your patience while we relocated. We are now operating out of the new offices and look forward to your visit soon! Our office hours are Monday – Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. The offices will remain closed on Fridays to offset personnel costs until further notice.  
 1008 S. Alamo St. San Antonio, TX 78210.



**AVA WILL HOST THE 2023 IVV OLYMPIAD!**

Congratulations to all our clubs, members and volunteers! The AVA has

been selected to host the 2023 Olympiad in San Antonio, Texas! This event is a game changer for the AVA and will bring much needed local and national exposure to the AVA! The planning for this major event will begin soon. If you are interested in serving on the planning committee, contact Henry at [henry@ava.org](mailto:henry@ava.org). Please put Olympiad Committee on the subject line. Special thanks to the current and former AVA President's for paving this path to our future.

**Virtual Online Walking Programs 2021: A New Adventure Every Quarter**



Qtr 1: Kindness Around the Globe  
 Qtr 2: National Parks of America  
 Qtr 3: Global Cuisine  
 Qtr 4: Get Fit on Route 66

Virtual Walking Programs/Virtual Online Programs use Computer-Generated Maps to create Routes... in many far and exciting places, allowing you to convert your Steps to move along a Route. The Routes may take you far away, through Jungles or across Mountains, or even across Oceans... places you couldn't actually Walk.

By signing up for AVA'S VOP 2021: A New Adventure Every Quarter, you will get instructions on setting up your Walking account. You then either sync your pedometer, Apple Watch, Fitbit, SmartPhone, etc., or enter your Steps manually. You can follow your place on the Route, learn interesting facts along the way, and see others that are either ahead of you or behind you on the Route.

Registration also includes joining your US Regional Team and helping them win the Regional Traveling Trophy Challenge. What Steps count, you ask? Every Step you take, whether a Volkswalk, a walk in the park or your neighborhood, shopping for groceries or at the Mall... even walking in your living room with an exercise program or while rooting for your favorite Team during a ballgame! All Steps count!

Join now to get in on the fun. Information will be sent to you once you join. The Registration Link is: [http://cb.ava.org/2021\\_VOP.php](http://cb.ava.org/2021_VOP.php)

Cost for the 2021 VOP Program includes all quarterly walks/programs. \$35.00/no T-Shirt, or \$41.00 (plus shipping)/includes T-Shirt  
 For additional questions now or after you join, email Jan at [vop@AVA.org](mailto:vop@AVA.org)



22<sup>nd</sup> AVA BIENNIAL CONVENTION  
 MADISON, WI | JUNE 26 - JULY 3, 2021

**AVA CONVENTION JUNE 29- JULY 3, 2021 ONLINE REGISTRATION OPENED JANUARY 11, 2021**

Pardon the delay with the 2021 convention registration. Special thanks to Jeff Giddings who has worked many hours creating and editing the registration system so it can be easily modified to use for future events like IML's, the Olympiad and other major AVA events!

Online registration for the 2021 convention will open on Monday, January 11th, 2021. Attendees have the option to pay online or send a check to the AVA. Should you need help registering online please contact Hector at [hector@ava.org](mailto:hector@ava.org). If you have questions about payments please contact Marian at [marian@ava.org](mailto:marian@ava.org) or feel free to call the office at 210-659-2112.

**CONVENTION CANCELLATION-REFUND POLICY**

The AVA is moving forward with the planning of the 2021 convention. Be assured we will take all precautions possible to ensure the safety of our attendees. In case the convention must be cancelled due to Covid-19, government restrictions, natural disasters, or any other unforeseeable circumstance which prohibits the AVA from hosting the convention, everyone who has registered will receive a full refund. The full refund applies only to circumstances beyond our control and does not supersede the AVA convention refund policy in the registration form in the absence of these circumstances.

## PACK YOUR BAGS AND BOOK YOUR STAY AT THE SHERATON HOTEL!

The Madison Concourse Hotel in Madison, WI is almost completely booked! We are excited and happy to learn that we will see many of you at the 2021 AVA Convention. If you plan to attend our convention and have not made your hotel reservations yet, consider staying at the Sheraton Madison Hotel, located just a short drive from the Monona Terrace Convention Center and downtown Madison.

The AVA has secured a second block of rooms at a discounted group rate of **\$114** per night. Please note, the Sheraton is not a full-service hotel and continental breakfast will not be included.

Complimentary parking is included with your stay. To make your reservations please call the number below and ask for the **2021 Biennial Convention** block. To receive our discounted group rate, make sure to book your reservations before **May 29, 2021**. After this date, our group rate will close. **For reservations dial: 1 (888) 625-4988.**

Sheraton Madison Hotel  
706 John Nolen Drive  
Madison, WI 53713



### Texas Traditional Events - February, 2021:

(check the AVA website for any changes or cancellations)

2/13/2021 - 2/13/2021 - Walk  
**Event Number:** 118647 10/5km  
**Start:** Gonzales Chamber of Commerce/ Old Jail House  
**Event City:** Gonzales - Historic Gonzales

**Host Club:** Randolph Roadrunners  
**Event Website:**  
[randolphroadrunners.info](http://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](mailto:ellenott@sbcglobal.net)  
[www.randolphroadrunners.info](http://www.randolphroadrunners.info)



2/20/2021 - 2/20/2021 - Walk  
**Event Number:** 118686 5k/10k  
**Start:** Austin High Tennis Center, 1717 W. Cesar Chavez St, Austin, TX 78703  
**Event City:** Austin - Johnson and Butler Trails  
**Host Club:** Colorado River Walkers  
**More Details:** [Click here for directions, ratings, etc.](#)

**Write for more information to:**

3109 Rogge Ln  
Austin, Tx 78723  
**Contact:** Carol Obianwu, (512) 771-9566

**E-Mail:** [cobianwu@utexas.edu](mailto:cobianwu@utexas.edu)

**Club Website:**

[www.coloradoriverwalkers.org/](http://www.coloradoriverwalkers.org/)

2/20/2021 - 2/20/2021 - Walk  
**Event Number:** 118654 6/10 km  
**Start:** Dallas Black Dance Theatre  
**Event City:** Dallas - Black History Celebration

**Host Club:** Dallas Trekkers, Inc.

**Event Website:**

[www.DallasTrekkers.org](http://www.DallasTrekkers.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](mailto:helenthehun@yahoo.com)  
**Club Website:** [www.dallastrekkers.org](http://www.dallastrekkers.org)

### Villages of Westcreek Featured YRE 1/2/21



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



Susan Medlin (with Yoda) at the walk registration and Start in her dining room.



Susan & Joe Noonan with Q-tip starting the walk.



Martin Callahan and Rudy at the start/finish point.



Mike Phillips with Molly & Diane Duesterhoeft with Rony after the walk.



Gerry Kamicka, Robert Theis, Linda Goodman with Rudy and Michael Marke on the walk route.



A view of the rollercoasters at Sea World On the walk.



Gayle Weinraub with Rudy along the walk trail.

**RANDOLPH ROADRUNNERS**  
 PO Box 2744  
 Universal City TX 78148-1744

**RANDOLPH ROADRUNNERS APPLICATION**  
 PO Box 2744, Universal City TX 78148-1744

Please check applicable box (es):

Renewal  New Member

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Family members \_\_\_\_\_

Amount submitted \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Family member(s) included (see instructions below) DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

**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.

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

AVA Volkssport Associate  Yes  No

Eager to serve as club officer \_\_\_\_\_ or committee chair \_\_\_\_\_