



Official Newsletter of the RANDOLPH ROADRUNNERS (AVA44)

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Next Meeting – 1/10/23
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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AVA Website: www.ava.org

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Renewal Time

The following membership renewals are currently due:

September 1: Nancy & Tony Paulson.

October 1: Perry Rawson, John & Jean King, Louise Menchaca.

November 1: Claudette Barnett and Mary Quandt.

December 1: Shirley Banez, Debra Engler, Katie Gutierrez, Mike & Ginny Jones, Rueben & Marta Knape, Andy Thomas, Betty Walters and Sandra Wilkinson.

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 Suzanne Markgraf c/o: RR, PO Box 2744, Universal City, TX 78148. **Remember:** Lifetime Memberships are available for \$30 per person.

The next RR club meeting will be held January 10 at 6:30 p.m.

There is no meeting in December. Meetings are held the 2nd Wednesday of every month at the Universal City Library, 100 Northview Drive, Universal City, TX 78148.

From the Desk of the Pres-- Upcoming events:

December 10, Boerne Christmas Walk Luther Hall at St. John's Lutheran Church. Pancake and sausage breakfast.



December 11 - Volkssport Christmas Party - 3630 Hunters Circle, San Antonio, 78230. From 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. All local clubs are invited. It's a pot

luck dinner. Signup sheet - Pick your dish and let me know. Attendees are requested to bring a canned/boxed food item to donate to the local food bank.

2023:

January 7 walk starting at the Quarry Corner Bakery with one single Alamo Heights route.

February 11 walk at Del Webb and this year's theme is Chocolate.

Olympiad – February 19-23

IML – February 24-26

The RR's will have the Saturday Check Point at Roosevelt Park all day for the IML. Please let me know if you can volunteer.

March 14, Tuesday, is Pi Day. A pseudo Pi day on Sunday March 12 will be held for those who work on Tuesdays. The walks will be Hardberger Park/Land Bridge with start in the Wal-Mart parking lot behind Starbucks.

OST Centennial - New Orleans - 23 -25 March 2023 for information, goggle OST100 centennial - there will be a sign-up sheet so the committee knows how much food to have. The conference is free for the meals and lectures. There are 2 yrs in New Orleans. The schedule for the weekend is also on their web site. I have been to 4 of these conferences and Pat Gunter has been to 2 of them. They are well planned and very informative.



TEXAS VOLKSSPORT ASSOCIATION

Texas Volkssport Association

[November 19](#)

They've been everywhere! --254 counties!

Congratulations to Sheri Logan, Brooke Hudson, Eveline Evans, Helen Hull, and Deborah Carter who received

certificates for completing the Texas counties program this year. They have walked an AVA-sanctioned walk in all 254 counties.

At the recent TVA meeting, Helen and Deborah attended and received their certificates, and cake was served. Gary Sheppard, president of the Texas County Walkers, presented the certificates.



AVA Is Looking For Volunteers For Our Membership Committee Membership Committee - Karen Kaufman, Chair

We are looking for open minded and progressive thinking members who see the way forward to the future of the AVA membership at all levels.

If you are interested, please send an email to membership@ava.org with your name, your Region (and Club), email, phone number (contact time AM, Aft, PM and time zone), and include a brief paragraph about yourself and why you are interested in joining the committee. Thank you!

2023 Centurion Achievement Challenge Accounting Specialist - Marian Devaul

The 2023 program begins January 1, 2023. You must be an AVA Associate Member (annual or lifetime) to participate in the Challenge. Eligible participants may register for the 2023 Challenge between October 1, 2022 and September 30, 2023 using the official registration form. Please mail forms to AVA, 1008 S. Alamo St, San Antonio, TX 78210, or e-mail to: marian@ava.org

Download the form from the following link:
https://cb.ava.org/Centurion/2023/Centurion_Challenge_2023.pdf



Host Hotel-La Quinta By Wyndham San Antonio Riverwalk Hotel

This hotel will be the location for registration and packet pickup for all IVV Olympiad and IML Texas Trail Roundup events. However, this hotel is almost at capacity but does have a limited number of rooms. If unable to reserve rooms through the link, please call 800-753-3757 to make a reservation.

Want to know what's going on at San Antonio's beloved River walk while you're here for the 2023 IVV Olympiad and IML Texas Trail Roundup? Just visit www.sanantonioriverwalk.com during the week of the Olympiad to find out about the exciting events happening!

There's still time to register to walk with us at the 2023 IVV Olympiad and IML Texas Trail Roundup.
<https://ivvolympiad2023.org/>

Like Us On The Olympiad Facebook Page!

Please go to www.facebook.com/2023IVVOlympiadUSA 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.

A Tale from the Trails –

By: Susan Alton –an excerpt taken from her Travel Bug blog

We Conquer the 5 km Dutcher Trail North Volksmarch in Billings, Montana - Friday, June 10 to Saturday, June 11, 2022.

On **Saturday, June 11**, we decided to walk the 5 km Dutcher Trail North Volksmarch. We would also have done the south 5 km Dutcher Trail but it was closed due to highway construction. We parked in the Upper Level Parking next to MetraPark arena to start.



This walk followed the Jim Dutcher Trail (paved) to Two Moon Park along the Yellowstone River.



Most of our 5km was in Two Moon Park. We hiked around the trails there and hiked down to the Yellowstone River.



Another view of the Yellowstone River

We walked back to the truck and ate lunch at The Tippy Cow Cafe. This restaurant had a comfortable interior and great service. We each had enough food for two to three people on our plates. Recommendation if you eat here: share a menu item!

From The Tippy Cow, we headed east to Pompey's Pillar National Monument. This National Monument chronicles the uses of this part of Montana.

Over the years, many Native Americans left their drawings on the rocks here. On July 25, 1806, Captain William Clark, part of the Corps of Discovery, left his signature on Pompey's Pillar on his return route down the Yellowstone River. He named the Pillar Pompey in honor of Sacagawea's son.

Outdoor exhibits are frequent along the trails and at the pillar. The museum had indoor exhibits as well. The Visitor Center/Museum/Gift Shop is built so that when you enter the building, you can see through the building to Pompey's Pillar.

We had been getting forecasts all day that big thunderstorms were coming our way. Flooding of the Yellowstone River in Billings may happen tomorrow or the next day. The Billings KOA Holiday is located next to the Yellowstone River. Yellowstone National Park is getting record rainfall and any rainfall there will come this way! We had some cause for concern.



But another fun day is now recorded! Thank you to the Woodland Wanderers Volksmarch Club for putting this walk together.



Texas Traditional and Featured Events for

December, 2022: (Please check the AVA website for any changes or cancellations)

12/3/2022 - 12/3/2022 - Walk

Event Number: 123276

Event City: Johnson City - Lights Spectacular

Host Club: Volkssportverein Friedrichsburg

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

Club Website: www.walktx.org/AVA1

12/4/2022 - 12/4/2022 - Walk

Event Number: 123798

Event City: Buda - Buda Fest

Host Club: Kyle Amvets Walkers

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

12/10/2022 - 12/10/2022 - Walk

Event Number: 122740

Event City: Boerne, Texas - Boerne

Christmas Walk

Host Club: Randolph Roadrunners

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

Club Website:

www.randolphroadrunners.info

12/17/2022 - 12/17/2022 - Walk

Event Number: 123838

Event City: Montgomery - Fernland Historical Park

Host Club: Houston Happy Hikers

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

Club Website:

www.houstonhappyhikers.com



Waring Halloween Walk- October 29, 2022



Joanne and Carlen Fornish at Waring Hall.



Mike Schwencke at the start point.



John and Tina Bohnert – walk sponsors.



Jelin Hoh and Jackie Lytle at Camp Capers on the walk route.



Spooky trees along the trail on Ave. C



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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

\$10.00 for three years

Address _____

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

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

Telephone number _____

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

by _____

E-mail address _____

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

Family members _____

AVA Volkssport Associate

Yes

No

Amount submitted \$ _____

Eager to serve as club officer _____ or committee chair _____