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Veteran Favorites Dominate Olympic Walking Races

Walking races at the 1988 Olympic Games in Seoul were marked by tremendous performances but few surprises. In the 20 Km, Czechoslavakia's Josef Pribilinec blistered the field over the final 5 Km to win in an Olympic record 1:19:57. At 50, the diminuative Vyacheslav Ivanenko, of the USSR, finally bettered the GDR's dominant duo of Ronald Weigel and Hartwig Gauder to take the gold, also in record time–3:38:29. The six medalists in the two races were almost identical to last year's World Championships in Rome. Weigel competed in the 20 as well as the 50, taking second in both and preventing Spain's Jose Marin from returning to the medal stand at 20. The order was different, but the faces the same.

Pribilinec, who could not match Damilano's finish in Rome last year was the master this time, but not by much. Pulling out all the stops, he covered the final 5 Km in 19:18 (near 6:10 per mile), but was still only 3 seconds clear of the determined at the finish. Damilano, the 1980 gold medalist was equally determined, but had already dropped 8 seconds off the pace at 15 km, and trailed by 17 seconds at the finish. The other great veteran of the '80s, Marin, was not up to such a finish, but bested the rest of the field for fourth.

A very quick early pace in the race didn't seem to discourage many as a group of 18 went through 5 Km in 20:08. A second group of 10, including Tim Lewis, was just 14 seconds back. Gary Morgan and Jim Heiring went through in 20:25, but must have been a little disouraged to see nearly 30 competitors in front of them at that pace.

Although the pace slowed somewhat the second 5, some of the pretenders were already dropping away and the lead group was cut to seven. They hit 10 Km in 40:37. In addition to Pribilinec, Damilano, and Marin, this group included 1984 titlist Ernesto Canto, 1987 World Cup titlist Carlos Mercenario, Czechoslavakia's Roman Mrazek, and Alexei Perchine of the USSR. Pavol Blazek, Daniel Plaza, Carlos Mattiolli, and Axel Noack were just 6 seconds back. Weigel was biding his time, going through with Canada's Guillaume Leblanc in 40:48. The three U.S. walkers were together, nearly 2 minutes off the pace of the leaders.

By 15 Km, Weigel had caught up, and together with Pribilinec and Canto moved away from the others. In order to do that, he put a 19:51 for the 5 kilometers, Pribilinec and Canto having increased the pace at the front considerably. Damilano was now 8 seconds back and had been joined by 1987 World Indoor 3 Km Champion,

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Mikhail Schennikov. The young Soviet ace had covered 5 Km in 19:56 to get into contention. Marin and Mrazek were another 3 seconds back, with Mercenario, Noack, and Giovanni DeBendeictis just 4 seconds behind them. So despite the very fast and quickening pace, 10 walkers were still in contention for the medals with 5 Km to go.

Pribilinec, the 1983 World Champion, proved too strong for the others. Canto was disqualified, as in last year's World Championships, in trying to keep pace. The others could not quite do it. The Czech, who missed the World Cup race in New York last year with injury has come back as strong as ever. Damilano and Marin, the 1985 World Cup winner, continue to confound the experts who always seem to think their best racing is behind them. Both have been incontention throughout the '80s, and obviously weren't ready to concede anything this year. Canto, on top of the world in the early '80's, continues to have style problems, suffering his second straight DQ in a major race. Schennikov and Mercenario, who finished just behind him, are both very young and may be the faces of the future.

For the U.S., Gary Morgan had a personal best with 1:27:26 and Jim Heiring, beset by injuries the last 2 years, challenged him all the way, finishing just 4 seconds back with his best 20 in long while. But, they were only 37th and 38th. Tim Lewis simply did not have a good day, faading badly over the second half to finish 44th. Last year Tim was 13th in the World Cup with a brilliant 1:22:34 (ahead of Mrazek, who finished fifth in these Olympics) and 19th in the World Championships. So while we continue to improve our level and depth of performance, we also seem to lose ground to the rest of the world. Comments on that later. On the other hand, Canada's Guillaume Leblanc, who missed all of last year with a career-threatening knee injury, continued his string of outstanding performances in international races with a tenth place finish, a level he has been able to reach consistently over the last 5 years.

1. Josef Pribilinec, Czechoslavakia 1:19:57 (20:08, 40:37, 60:39) 2. Ronald Weigel, GDR 1:20:00 (20:08, 40:48, 60:39) 3. Maurizio Damilano, Italy 1:20:14 (20:08, 40:37, 60:47) 4. Jose Marin, Spain 1:20:34 (20:08, 40:37, 60:50) 5. Roman Mrazek, Czech. 1:20:43 (20:08, 40:37, 60:50) 6. Mikhail Schennikov, USSR 1:20:47 (20:47, 40:50, 60:47) 7. Carlos Mercenario, Mexico 1:20:53 (20:23, 40:37, 60:54) 8. Axel Noack, GDR 1:21:14 (20:51, 40:43, 60:54) 9. Giovanni DeBenedictis, Italy 1:21:16 (20:08, 40:57, 61:13) 10. Guillaume Leblanc, Canada 1:21:29 (20:08, 40:48, 61:13) 11. Simon Baker, Australia 1:21:47 (20:08, 40:57, 61:07) 12. Daniel Plaza, Spain 1:21:53 (20:49, 40:43, 61:13) 13. Ian McCombie, Gr. Brit. 1:22:03 (20:51, 40:48, 61:32) 14. Alexei Perchine, USSR 1:22:32 (20:08, 40:37, 61:42) 15. Pavol Balzek, Czech. 1:22:39 (20:08, 40:43, 61:13) 16. Martial Fesselier, France 17. Jimmy McDonald, Ireland 1:22:45 18. Theirry Toutain, France 1:22:55 19. Carol Mattioli, Italy 1:22:58 20. Jean-Claude Corre, France 1:23;09 21. Sandor Urbanik, Hungary 1:23:16 22. Erling Andersen, Norway 1:23:30 23. Ricardo Pueyo, Spain

1:23:40 24. Chris Maddocks, Gr. Brit. 1:23:46 25. Stefan Johanson, Sweden 1:23:51 16. Hirofumi Sakai, Japan 1:24:08 27. Yevgeniy Missioulla, USSR 1:24:39 28, Andrew Jachno, Australia 1:24:52 29. Jose Urbano, Portugal 1:24:56 30. Jan Staaf, Sweden 1:24:59 31. Jose Pinto, Portugal 1:26:33 32. Abdelouahab, Algeria 1:26:33 33. Hector Moreno, Col. 1:27:06 34. Mohamed Bouhalla, Algeria 1:27:10 35. Godfried DeJonckheere, Belg. 1:27:14 36. Sdislaw Szlapkin, Poland 1:27:23 37. Gary Morgan, USA 1:27:26 (20:25, 42:34, 63:59) 38. Jim Heiring, USA 1:27:30 (20:25, 42:34, 64:12) 39. Helder Oliveira, Port. 1:27:39 40. Santiago Fonseca, Honduras 1:27:41 41. Baojim Li, China 1:27:57 42. Reima Salonen, Finland 1:28 25 (a real dissapointment) 43. Lyubomir Ivanov, Bulgaria 1:28:43 44. Tim Lewis, USA 1:31:00 (20:22, 42:48, 65:28) 46. Pil-Hwa Chung, Korea 1:32:23 47. Tadahiro Kosaka, Japan 1:32:46 48. Lopez Valladares, Honduras 1:37:09 49. Hyong-Oh, Jung, Korea 1:40:09 DQ--Ernesto Canto, Mex. (20:08, 40:37, 60:39); Joel Sanchez, Mexico (20:51, 41:07); Marc Sowa, Lux. (21:23, 42:53, 56:04) DNF--Querubin Moreno, Col. (20:49, 41:25)

At 50, Ivanov has been in the shadow of Weigel and Gauder, who have been trading international wins at the distance for the past 6 years, challenging them until the last few kilometers, but unable to match their finish. On this day he was the master. He started to make his move with 15 kilometers to go and after pulling slightly clear of Weigel at 40 Km was able to gradually increase his lead to the finish.

At the start, Mexico's Martin Bermudez, the 1979 World Cup champion, and Hernan Andrade moved quickly to the front. At 5 Km they had a 22:27 and a 16 second lead. Everyone else was apparently keying on the favorites, as a group of 25 walkers followed. It was another 18 seconds back to the next group. The pace, though not spectacularly fast for a race at this level, slowed somewhat, but the Mexican duo continued to lead. They went through 10 km in 45:23 with a 13 second lead. Andrade made a move at that point and opened up 30 seconds on Bermudez as he passed 15 Km in 1:07:35. Bermudex led the pack by 7 seconds. Bermudez then made a move of his own, and at 20 Km Andrade led in 1:29:47. Bermudez in 1:30:01 led the pack by 32 seconds.

When Andrade was disqualified, Bermudez continued to press the pace, dropping under 22 minutes for his next 5. Reaching the halfway point in l:5l:58, he led the pack, now down to 20, which indluded Marco Evoniuk, by a minute. Bermudez and many of those in the pack who may have thought they were hanging on to a hot pace, probably didn't realize that the real racing had yet to begin.

Bermudex continued to lead at 30, which he passed in 2:14:25. But those following had forged a 21:32 5 Km and were only 6 seconds back. Amazingly enough, there were still 11 walkers in that group. The pace dropped to 21:19 for the next 5, and six others went through 35 with Bermudez in 2:35:50. This group included the three medalist to be, Alexandr Potachev of the USSR, Hungarian Sandor Urbanik, and ubiquitous Jose Marin. Dietmar Meisch and Bo Gustafsson were not far back.

At that point, Ivanenko decided it was time to decide who really wanted to race on this day. One would have thought that his 20:39 over the next 5, a really unbelievable pace after 35 kilometers at near record pace, would have blown the race wide open. Not so. Weigel and Gauder were only 3 seconds down at 40; Potachev and Marin had dropped just 14 seconds off the pace. No one, including Marin, could live at that pace, but he came close and his 20:53 did open things up.

With 5 kilometers to go, Marin had 3:17:22, Weigel 3:17:40, and Gauder 3:17:43. Gauder was just 5 seconds ahead of the determined Potachev. Marin slowed still more, but not much, to the finish and was never threatened by Weigel. He had covered his final 20 Km in 1:23:39 and his final 15 in 1:02:39. Everyone else slowed markedly over the last 5, not surprising.

Marco Evoniuk hung on very well after his game effort to stay on the lead. (He was still only 40 seconds back at 30 kilometers.) His 3:56:55 for 22nd place was 2 seconds under his own American best. Carl Schueler, walking a slower early pace, was close to his own personal best as he finished one place back of Marco in 3:57:44. Andy Kaestner was under 2 hours at the halfway point, but must have been a bit disouraged to have only one competitor behind him at that pace and he was unable to match his great Trials performance. Another great performance for Canada, as Francois LaPointe finished 14th in 3:48:15.

1. Vyacheslav Ivanenko 3:38:29 (22:43, 45:36, 1:08:12, 1:30:33, 1:52:59, 2:14:31, 2:35:50, 2:56:29, 3:17:22) 2. Ronald Weigel, GDR 3:38:56 (same and then 2:56:32, 3:17:40) 3. Hartwig Gauder, GDR 3:39:45 (same 2:56:32, 3:17:43) 4. Alexander Potashev 3:41:00 (same 2:56:43, 3:17:48) 5. Jose Marin, Spain 3:43:03 (same (2:56:43, 3:18:43) 6. Simon Baker, Australia 3:44:07 ((1:53:19, 2:15:12, 2:36:46, 2:58:22, 3:20:40) 7. Bo Gustafsson, Sweden 3:44:49 (2:36:09, 2:58:08, 3:21:34) 8. Rafaello Ducceschi, Italy 3:45:43 (2:36:46, 2:58:48, 3:22:16) 9. Dietmar Meisch, GDR 3:46:31 (2:36:08, 2:56:22, 3:221:18) 10. Pavol Szikora, Czech. 3:47:04 (2:15:21, 2:37:49, 2:59:13, 3:22:29) 11. Giovanni Perricelli, Italy 3:47:14 (23:01, 46:14, 1:09:13, 1:32:12, 1:55:00, 2:17:32, 2:39:54, 3:00:21, 3:23:16) 12. Pavol Blazek, Czech. 3:47:31 (2:14:54, 2:36:36, 2:59:46, 3:23:58) 13. Jorge Llopart, Spain 3:48:09 (2:14:54, 2:37:25, 2:59:26, 3:22:52) 14. Francois LaPointe, Canada 3:48:15 (2:16:08, 2:37:49, 3:00:53, 3:24:11) 15. Martin Bermudez, Mexico 3:49:22 (22:27, 45:23, l:08:05, l:30:01, 1:5l:58, 2:14:25, 2:35:50, 2:48:29, 3:22:39) 16. Alain Lemercier, France (2:14:31, 2:36:21, 2:58:31, 3:211:58) 17. Roman Mrazek, Czech. 3:50:46 18. Reima Salonen, Fin. 3:51:36 19. Andrew Jachno, Australia 3:53:23 20. Stefan Johansson, Swed. 3:53:34 21. Jose Pinto, Portugal 3:55:57 22. Marco Evoniuk, USA 3:56:55 (2:15:06, 2:39:13, 3:05:03, 3:31:23) 23. Carl Schueler, USA 3:57:44 (23:20, 45:35, 1:09:46, 1:33:00, 1:56:14, 2:19:42, 2:43:33, 3:06:37, 3:35:29) 24. Jacek Bednarek, Poland 3:58:31 25. Manuel alcade, Spain 3:59:13 26. Vitali Popovitch, USSR 3:59:23 27. Leslie Morton, GB 3:59:30 28. Paul Blagg, GB 4:00:07 29. Baojin Li, CHina 4:00:07 30. Hector Moreno, Col. 4:01:31 31. Tadahiro Kosaka, Japan 4:03:12 32. Sandro Bellucci, Italy 4:04:56 33. Arturo Bravo, Mexico 4:08:08 34. Andy Kaestner, USA 4:12:49 35. William Sawe, Kenya 4:25:24 DQ--Hernan Andrade, Mex. 1:29:47 at 20, Erling andersen, Nor. 2:58:54 at 35; Godfried DeJonckheere, Belg. 1:30:33 at 20; Jean-Marie Neff, France, 1:54:03 at 25. DNF--Eric Neisse, France 3:02:52 at 40; Sandor Urbanki, Hung. 2:57:40 at 40; Jan Staaf, Sweden 2:41:30 at 35.

Unofficial team scores (using World Cup scoring for those with three in the race): 20 Km--l. Czechoslavakia 53 2. Italy 46 3. Spain 42 4. USSR 38 5. France 32 6. Portugal 13 6. USA 13
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Can. 48:43 5 Km, Enhorna, Swed., July 28--1. Monica Gunnarsson 22:35 3. Anne Jansson 23:09 10 Km, Enhorna, July 31--1. Monica Gunnarsson, 47:03 2. Anne Jansson 48:15 10 Km, Moscow, May 2--1. Vera Manalova 46:08 2. Galina Salyayeva 47:11 3. Svetlana Kasina 47:15 Soviet Jr. 5 Km Championship, Bryansk, july 6--1. Tatyana Titova 22:37.12 2. Anna Nikitina 23:00 10 Km, Kiev, USSR, Aug. 20--1. Vera Manalova 44:38 5 m, Nikolayev, USSR, May 13--1. Olympiade Ivanova 22:31 10 Km, Kiev, USSR, Aug. 21--1. L. Juhnovits 47:05 5 Km, Odessa, USSR, Aug. 121--1. Tamara Kovalenko 21:04 5 Km, Sumy, USSR, Aug. 26--1. R. Sinyavina 22:24 Soviet 10 Km Championship, Kiev, Jyly 30--1. Yelena Nikolayeva 43:37 2. Nadezda Ryaskina 44:08 3. Vera Mokolaova 44;09 4. Yelena Rodionova 44:14 5. Tamara Kovalenko 44:29 6. Lyubov Kolesnikova 44:51 7. ?, 45:05 8. Valentina Smer 45:14 9. Nika Galyanina 45:32 10. Sada Eidikite 45:36 11. Tamara Torsina 45:44 12. Irina Sumak 45:44 13. Galina Kitsma 45:46 14. Yelena Veremeitsuk 45:50 15. Yelena Saiko 45:50 16. Ruzine Ivoilova 45:54 17. Leonarda Yuhnevits 45:55 18. Vera Osipova 45:59 19. Nina Stokrova 46:02 20. Rimma Makarova 46:05 21. Galina Salyayeva 46:09 22. Ludmilla Lyubomirova 46:15 23. Olga Osoka 46:16 24. Marta Zintsina 46:24 25. Natalya Yermolenko 46:40 26. Taryana Petrova 46:53 27. Marina Kozneva 47:01 28. Natalya Storozenko 47:03 29. Olga Leonenko 47:13 30. Valentina Tsybuleskaya 47:44 10 Km, Pihtipudas, Fin., July 19--1. Natalia Serbinenko, USSR 46:05 2. Sari Essayeh 46:13 Finnish 5 Km Championhsip, Hameenlinna, Aug. 6--1. Sari Essayah 22:15 10 Km, Stalowa Wola, Pol., April 30--1. Musua 47:21 2. Anna Bak 48:17 5 Km, Ceseanatico, Italy, July 14--1. Orsani 22:46 2. Pagani 22:57 3. Ann Peel, Can. 23:27 4. Pascal Grand, Can 24:04 5 Km, Karl-Marx Stadt, GDR, July 15--1. Kathrin Born 21:44 2. Simone Thust 22:59 5 Km, Puerto Pollensa, Spain, March 20--1. Maria Diaz 22:45 10 Km, Bucharest, Rom., June 19--1. Katburkina, USSR 43:26 2. Kovalenko, USSR 44:10 3. Papuc 46:05 4. Oprea 47:11 10 Km, Sofia, Blug., June 16--1. Dana Vavracova 46:18 2. Dshiqhowa 46:32 10 Km, Szeged, Hung., July 10--1. Rosza 45:38 100 Km, Roubaiz, France, June 25--1. Annie v.d. Meer, Holland 11:28:31 20 Km, Mogilev, USSR, Sept. 3--1. N. Ryasyina 1:32:33 2. V. Mokolova 1:34:03 3. Osyka 1:35:42

Men: 20 Km, Moscow, May 2--1. Vitali Popovits 1:22:06 2. Yevgeni Saikin 1:22:13 3. Mikhail Schennikov 1:22:37 4. Oleg Trosin 1:23:19 Jr. 10 Km, Championship, Bryansk, July 7--1. Yuri Mostovik 41:11 2. Fanis Sashutidinov 42:46 20 Km Championship, Kiev, July 30--1. Mikhail Schennikov 1:19:08 2. Igor Missoula 1:19:16 3. Viktor Mostovik 1:19:47 4. Sergei Protsisin 1:20:06 5. Valdas Kazlauskas 1:20:08 6. Georgi Kornev 1:20:14 7. Franz Kostyukevits 1:20:50 8. Artur Sumak 1:20:53 9. Nikolai Vinnitsenko 1:22:01 10. Vyatcheslov Smirnov 1:22:04 11. Yevgeni Saikin 1:22:07 12. Vladimir Drutsik 1:22:09 13. Antanas Grigaliunas 1:22:55 14. Valdimir Bolotov 1:22:56 15. Vladimir Ostrowski 1:23:00 16. Vyatceslav Tserepanov 1:23:55 17. German Skurygin 1:24:02 18. Igor Plotnikov 1:24:48 (28th at 1:26:00) 5 Km, Imatra, Fin. July 28--1. Reima Salonen 19:36 Finnish 20 Km, Championship, Hameenlinna, Aug. 5--1. Reima Salonen 1:24:28 2. Kari Ahonen 1:24:54 20 Km, Warsaw, June 19--1. Zdislaw Szlapkin 1:20:52 2. Zbigniew Sadlej 1:24:17 3. Jacek Bednarek 1:25:46 10 Km, Lublin, Pol., Aug. 6--1. Zdislaw Szlapkin 39:49 20 Km, Grudziadz, Pol., Aug. 13--1. Zdislaw Szlapkin 1:25:12 2. Jan Klos 1:25:57 3. Zbigniew Sadlej 1:26:43 35 Km, Sulmona, Italy, June 26--1. DeGaetano 2:46:38 20 Km, Senigallia, Italy, June 26--1. Maurizio Damilano 1:22:07 2. Walter Arena 1:22:10 3. Carlo Mattioli 1:22:10 4. Sergio Spagnulo 1:24:24 5. Massimo Quiriconi 1:24:32 6. Sandro Bellucci 1:24:54 7. Guiseppe De Gaetano 1:25:12 8. Bruno Penocchio 1:25:30 10 Km, Lomello, Italy, June 10--1. Josef Pribilinec, Czech. 39:13 100 Miles, Leicester, July 29-30--1. Dirk Timmermanns

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Domestic results

Casimiro Alongi Memorial International Racewalks, Dearborn, Mich., Sept. 25: 20 Km--1. Tim Berrett, England 1:25:09 2. Giorgio Damilano, Italy 1:27:30 3. Peirluigi Fiorella, Italy 1:30:43 4. Victor Sanchez, Mexico 1:34:20 5. Herman Nelson 1:34:32 6. Pablo Vidales, Mex. 1:35:21 7. Michael Stauch 1:36:38 8. Mike Rohl 1:37:53 9. Dan O'Brien 1:38:15 10. Jose Sachnez, Mex. 1:38:17 11. Mark Green 1:38:35 12. Michel Lafrotune, Can. 1:39:46 13. Nadeem Moghal, Can. 1:47:56 14. Paul Guimond, Can. 1:50:10 10 Km--1. Robert G + Briggs 45:57 2. Dave Lawrence 59:28 3. Doug Fournier 49:39 4. John Jorgenson 49:53 5. Robert Campbell 59:57 Jr. 10 Km--1. James Kilburn 48:01 2. David Doherty 48:11 3. Robert Cole 50:36 4. Thomas Krasnoff 51:40 5. Jeff Cassin 52:10 Master's 10 Km--1. Jaan Roos, Can. 48:30 2. Victor Sipes 50:12 3. John Elwarner 50:47 4. Max Green 50:58 5. Terry McHoskey 53:10 6. Sal Corrallo 55:00 7. Gerald Bocci 55:32 8. Bernie Finch 56:19 9. Gordon Roberts 56:45 10. Patric Dugan 57:10 11. Walter Lubzik 57:28 12. Ellis Boal 57:44 13. Greg Wittig 59:11 14. Max Gould, Can. (over 70) 60:55 15. Ron Turner, Can. 62:44 Women's 5 Km--1. Graciela Mendoza, Mex. 22:54 2. Debbi Lawrence 23:01 3. Monica Gunnarsson, Swed. 23:03 4. Victoria Herazo 24:02 5. Ann Peel, Can. 24:04 6. Alison Baker, Can. 24:10 7. Janice McCaffrey, Can. 24:15 8. Deb Powell, Can. 24:23 9. Wendy Sharp 24:28 10. Louise Aubin, Can. 24:53 11. Lora Rigutto 25:14 Women's 5 Km masters--1. Jeanne Bocci 28:50 2. Roberta Boyle 29:40 3. Marilyn Morehead 30:04 Women's 5 Km, Junior--1l. Jennifer Zalewski 24:48 2. Dierdre Collier 25:10 3. Erica Charlton, Can. 26:35 4. Vicki Markeall, Can. 26:38 5. Dawn Williams 28:25 Women's Senior 5 Km--1. Mary Howell 25:51 2. Susan Travellin 26:55 3. Lilian Whalen, Can. 26:59 4. Gayle Johnson, Columbus 27:00 5. Diane Podsiadlik 30:00 6. Kathy Schneider 30:23 7. Cathi Sullivan 30:32 Men's 3 Km--1. David Thomas 15:32 2. Duane Travis 16:27 3. Raji Taweel 16:59 4. Michael Abran 17:01 5. Will Anderson 17:11 6. Eddie Starke 17:12 Women's 3 Km--1. Leslee Kerwin, Can. 15:33 2. Maud Gunnarsson, Swed. 16:05 3. Maria Gunnarsson, Swed. 16:13 4. Andrea Nranian 16:27 5. Kelli Ackman 17:09 6. Sharon Anderson 17:23 7. Jody Williams 17:29 20 Km (actually about 11.5 miles), Lowell, Mass., Sept. 5--1. Phil McGaw 1:35:28 2. Robert Keating 1:39:19 3. Robert Hersey 1:40:01 4. Dick Ruquist 1:42:19 5. Tom Knatt 1:44:10 6. Justin Kuo 1:46:01 7. Pierre deVillliers 1:47:44 8. Bob Falciola 1:48:44 9. Dennis Hunt 1:56:32 Master's 3 Mile, Boston, Oct. 2--1. Tom Knatt 24:04 2. Richard Ruquist 24:07 3. George Lattarulo 26:49 4. Paul Schell 27:55 5. Joseph Kay 28:26 6. Dennis Hunt 29:08 7. Robert Morse29:53

8. Emily Hewitt 29:56 9. John Gray 29:59 10. Charles Mansbach 30:10 (49 racewalk finishers, plus thousands of recreational walkers.) 5 Km, Dearborn, Mich., Oct. 8--1. Andrea Nranian 28:26 2. Roberta Boyle 29:46 Men: 1. Robert Campbell 28:36 10 Km, Columbus, Ohio, Oct. 8--1. JoAnn Nedelco, Cal. 53:48 (1st Women over 40) 2. Gayle Johnson 56:01 3. Tom Rogers 61:55 4. Tim Bailey 66:01 5. Nick Besch 72:39 (1st male over 40) 6. Kaye Hutchins 75:01 7. Clair Duckham (age 82) 77:00 5 Km, St. Paul, Minn., Sept. 24--1. Andrew Norberg 25:41 2. Stephen Brink 27:36 3. Mark Koenig and George Realmuto 28:39 Women: 1. Jara Struve 30:30 10 Km, same place--1. Michael Lund 55:17 2. Gary Getty 58:18 Women: 1. Sue Klappa 53:00 1 Mile, Houston, July 22--1. Mike Kleinhenz 8:06.1 2. Craig Bunch 8:06.2 3. Ed Skulski 8:27 4. Lisa Chumbley 8:53.2 5. Sydnie Kleinhenz 9:03 1 Mile, Houston, Aug. 12--1. Dave Gwyn 7:57 2. David Lloyd 10:21 5 Km, Milano, Tex., Sept.10--1. John Knifton 22:31 2. Adam Pawlik 23:47 3. Robert Rhode 26:22 3. Dave Gwyn 27:13 5. William Adams 27:16 6. Cecil Kilpatrick 29:37 Women: 1. Cindy Lee Arbeldide 29:36 2. Lisa Chumbley (age 12) 31:05 1 Hour, Denver, Sept. 18--1. Martha Iverson 6 mi 886 yds 2. Bernie Finch 6 mi 735 3. Debby VanOrden and Bob DiCarlo 6 mi 503 5. Dennis Crock 6 mi 436 6. Barbara Hilger 6 mi 346 7. Nancy Severson 6 mi 116 5 Km, BOulder, Col.--1. Bill Hutchinson 26:07 2. Martha Iverson 26:50 3. Bob DiCarlo 27:57 4. Shirley Olgeirson 29:21 5. Klaus Timmerhaus 29:45 6. Lorraine Green 30:35 5 Km, Denver, Sept. 11 (unjudged)--1. Bob DiCarlo 25:35 2. Nancy Severson 26:00 3. Eric DeMillard 26:07 4. Debby VanOrden 26:53 5. Bob Carlson 27:06 6. Barbara Hilger 27:09 7. Dave Davies 30::17 (52 finishers) 5 Km, Denvers, Sept. 2--1. Ray Franks 25:44 2. Bob Newman 27:10 3. Bob Carlson 28:57 5 Km, Los Angeles, Sept. 3 (track)--1. Victoria Herazo 24:08 2. Carl Warrell 26:41 3. Carlos Santin 27:52 4. Bob Meador 28:11 5. Joan Smith 29:41 30 Km, Los Angeles, Sept. 10--Men 30-39: 1. Carl Warrell 3:01:50 Men 40-49: 1. David Snyder 3:02:41 WOmen 30-39: 1. Joan Smith 3:15:57 Women 50-60: 1. Jill Latham 3:15:38 5 Km, Los Angeles, Sept.18: Women--1. Victoria Herazo 24:02 2. Franciene Bustos 28:40 3. Joan Smith 29:16 4. Donna Cunningham 29:27 (1st over 40) 5. Jill Latham 29:34 (1st over 50) 6. Shiela Smith 29:46 (2nd over 50) Men--1. Larry Walker 22:05 (1st over 40) 2. Nelsen Funes 22:35 3. Jim Coots 24:42 (2nd over 40) 4. Ari Cortez 26:13 5. Brian LaBounty 26:29 7. Richard Oliver 26:42 (1st over 50) 8. Jesus Orendain 27:06 (3rd over 40) 9. Christian Holtz 27:08 10. Dave Snyder 27:09 (4th over 40) 11. Richard Nester 27:10 12. Bob Meador 27:11 (2nd over 50) 13. Jesus Orendain, Jr. 27:51 (1st under 20) 14. Ted Greiner 27:59 (3rd over 50). . . Mel Grantham 30:57 (1st over 60) Golden Gate 10 Km Championships, San Francisco, Sept. 25--1. David Marchese 49:02 2. Kim Wilkinson 50:48 (1st woman) 3. Chuck Marut 51:55 (1st over 50) 4. JoAnn Nedelco 53:45 (1st woman over 40) 5. Mary Baribeau 56:21 6. Lance Wright 57:14 7. Bob Fine 57:23 8. Bob Craig 57:23 (both over 55) 9. Cindy Paffumi 58:00 10. Mike Harris 58:54 11. Brierly Reybine 59:06 12. John Murphy 59:27 2 Mile, Bereley, Cal., Sept. 17--1. Chuck Marut (50) 15:59 2. Fred Dunn (59) 17:40 3. Vic Crosetti (63) 18:25 4. George Peter (60) 19:45 5 Km, Pebble Beach, Cal., Sept. 3--1. P. Andreotti, Italy 24:23 2. Kim Wilkinson 24:41 3. Mary Baribeau 27:16 4. Lance Wright 27:23 5. George Peter 28:50 6. B. Mihamoto 29:51 10 Km, Salem, Oregon, Sept. 10--1. Randy Jacobs 47:47 2. Colin Peters 47:52 3. Josef Barbuzynski 47:55 4. John Hanan 55:01 5. David McNayr 59:49 6. Bob Brewer 61:44 Women: 1. Karla Snyder 61:31 4 Mile, Seattle, Sept. 4--1. Allen James 30:21 2. Steve Renard 31:42 3. Tony Englehardt 35:12 4. Randy Pasco 36:58 5. Blake Surina36:59 6. Doug Ermini 40:14 Over 50: 1. Jim Bryan 36:53 2. Paul Kaald 37:26 2.8 Miles, Seattle, Sept. 1--1. Allen James 21:18 2. Glenn Tachiyama 22:07 3. Stan Chraminski 22:48 4. Doug Ermini 25:29 5. Randy Pasco 25:50 6. Daniele [illegible]

Glenn Tachiyama 1:49:19 2. Allen James 1:49:19 3. Stan Chraminski 2:00:06 4. Doug Ermini 2:07:35 10 Km, Bellevue, Wash., Sept. 18--1. Paul Kaald 58:07 2. Bev LaVeck 60:12 5 Km, Seattle, Sept. 18--1. Glenn Tachiyama 23:15 10 Km, same place--1. Bob Novak 55:10

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MORE OLYMPICS STUFF

How do we assess the U.S. performance in Seoul? Probably not what most people were hoping for, but certainly better than we have done in some international competitions in the past--at least on the basis of times. In the 50, Marco Evoniuk and Carl Schueler walked as well as they ever have. Gary Morgan had a personal best and Jim Heiring was closer to his best of several years ago than we might have hoped, considering his injury problems. For whatever reason, Tim Lewis was below par, but he has certainly proven his capability to perform well internationally in the past. Andy Kaestner was not that far off his best.

But, not to fault these athletes and their efforts, the fact remains that for some reason we seem to continually lose ground to the rest of the world. While times improve and we have greater depth, we are not keeping pace with similar improvements elsewhere. Go back to 1964 and Tokyo. Ken Mathews won in 1:29:34 and we had Ron Zinn just 3 minutes back in sixth, and just a minute and a half out of second. Four years later, Rudy Haluza would have had a medal at 20, but for a running Mexican, and Larry Young got the bronze at 50, with Goetz Klopfer tenth. (Tom Dooley was 17th at 20, as was your editor in 1964.) Four years later, Young repeated his bronze, just 4 and 1/2 minutes out of first (in 4:00:46) and also got 10th in the 20. Dooley moved up to 15th at 20, and Bill Weigle was 17th at 50. In World Cup competition, Ron Laird was twice third at 20--in 1967 and 1973. Just 4 years ago, Schueler was sixth at 50 and Evoniuk seventh at 20, recognizing that the Eastern Europeans were not there. Why suddenly, despite sincere efforts on the part of our athletes and performances that certainly exceed those of the past is the gap growing and more people filling it?

Obviously, the sport has grown and more people are participating, but tht doesn't tell us why the newcomers seem to be able to quickly move ahead of us. National coach Martin Rudow, when asked by Southern California Racewalking News about the disappointment of our results and what we need to do, replied:

"If I could encapsulate it in a word or a phrase, it wouldbe more intensive training--more training toward the higher stages of the anaerobic threshold. Now this is not the only answer. There are a lot of answers. I would like to step back and take a philosophic look at the whole program, but from my special perspective, I fell that it is necessary to train harder. The quantity may be there, but the specific efforts neede are not. When you are doing hard training, to do it correctly, to get the most out of it, you have to take chances. You have to be willing to go over your head, get fatigure--even not be able to finish a workout occasionally. You have to go into races thay way. To race well, you have to be familar with intensive anaerobic effort where you push the limits."

When asked about the "amazing times" and if "the judging had anything to do with them", Martin said:

"For the most part, the athletes walked well. There were only a few who were definitely questionable. In the 20 Km, there weren't enough judges to do the job the lasst kilometer. The walkers went together in a pack for 18 km and then accelerated. In our country, we would have had three judges at the finish to make sure anyone who got gross was disqualified. I will say that Ivanenko looked fabulous in the 50. On the other hand, I would have DQ'd Ron Weigel. Everybody loves Weigel and he is a great guy, but I think he should have been disqualified from both races. (Ed. Weigel has had some trouble with the judges in the past.)

As to the reference to the "amazing times", your editor didn't see them as such, although the depth was impressive. Although the Olympic records were shattered, world best were not matched. Weigel has gone under 3:39 twice in the past and 15 or 20 athletes have ben under 1:20 before, including Ernesto Canto's 1:18:40 on the track four years ago.

I'm sure most of you picked up on the outstanding TV coverage. It was so good, I know of at least three letters to NBC sports, including the following one from your editor.

Mr. Bob Costas
NBC Sports
30 Rockefeller Plaza
New York, NY 10020

Dear Bob,

You were right, but your sarcasm was really not appreciated. Indeed some of us had "waited all day" for results of the 50 Km race walk, as you stated at 12:30 am on Friday, Sept. 30. As does any sport, even this oft maligned and misunderstood event has its fans--and its superb athletes. It really doesn't deserve a put down on national TV from a person I thought was rather sensitive.

I can appreciate that not everything in the Olympic arena can be covered and that you have sound marketing reasons for what you do cover. Thus, I suppose, making any mention of racewalking is a bonus. But, I can't excuse off-hand remarks that serve to degrade a legitimate sport.

For obscure reasons, I had harbored some hope that there might be a live cut to the Stadium at about 9:40 pm EST, the time I figured the 50 Km race should be finishing. Hope springs eternal, you know. Track is, after all the premier sport of the Games, and one would think that any gold medal finish occurring during prime time, which few did, would deserve a minute or so anyway. But, of course, I saw nothing. So, being an 8 to 5 person in need of rest, I was in bed by the time you did "recognize" the event. Thus, my remarks are based on what I heard from my wife. Forgive me if she erred in her description of the coverage, but I consider her a reliable source.

I suppose one should be thankful for the few seconds that were shown, but why couldn't you treat it like any other event. No gold medalist is less worthy than another, and, as an announcer, you have no right to even hint that an event is somehow without merit. It's grossly unfair to the athletes involved, as well as the sport, and shows a very insensitive attitude to the degree of accomplishment.

Stop and think for a moment about what these athletes do. For 31 miles, they walk at nearly 7 minutes a mile, a pace most people on running fitness programs can't maintain for even a mile. Their level of fitness matches that of marathon runners, road cyclists

rowers--any other athletes in the Games. They are worthy of the same positive coverage you afford these other athletes--certainly not off-handed remarks that seem to suggest "no one should really care about this, but we'll show you anyway."

Actually, there was a very nice story available on the 50 Km walk. Gauder, Weigel, and Ivanenko have been the dominant athletes in the event for several years, but the diminutive Soviet, who has an interesting background, is always relegated to third, not quite able to match the pace of the GDR athletes over the final 5 Km. Now in the Olympic arena, he has finally overcome them for the gold. (See New York Times of May 1, 1987 for a little background on how Ivanenko, a Siberian textile worker, got into the sport. Michael Janofsky was at least willing to interview a race walker.)

To top it off, I am told, you switched to about 10 minutes of Greg Louganis performing at the Improv. What in the world did that have to do with the Olympics? I admire Greg Louganis and rejoiced in his performances off the board and platform, but when I tune into watch the Olympic Games, I expect to see athletic performances from those Games--not gratuitous theatrical performances. How can you justify such coverage at a time when there were live events going on all over Seoul?

Overall, I was not pleased with NBC's coverage of track and field. (And I'm not blaming you personally for that.) But on the same evening as the walk (Sep. 29), I was anticipating live coverage of the 1500 meter semifinals, which were going off at 10:40 EST. Nothing. Women's hurdle finals at 11:10. Nothing. Although I realize the time difference was a real problem, with most track events contested after midnight on the East Coast, I really feel that I wasn't much tuned in to what was happening in the T&F events (except through USA Today). Those of us who work all day were pretty much confined to the 7:30 to midnight coverage. Certainly we hoped to see those events that were scheduled in that slot. And even when you did cover everything on the final night of track and field, it took two commercial breaks, both at critical moments in the race, to get through the 5000 meters. Come on, it's just a 13-minute race--you could show it all, then catch up with commercials.

I could also go on about too much in the way of personality pieces and too little of the actual competition, a gripe I always had with ABC, as well. Far and away the best Olympic TV coverage I have ever seen was in Tokyo in 1964 (the Japanese coverage), where they had three channels tuned to events from morning to midnight and showed the marathon from start to finish without interruption. I realize commercial television can't do that and the mass audience probably wouldn't accept it (at least that's the perception), but there should be some point between.

But that's all another story you might pass on to your boss. In the meantime, I hope in the future you will be more sensitive to all athletes. I really think you owe an apology to the 50 Km racewalk medalists and to the race walking community in general for the way you handled coverage of the event.

Sincerely,

Jack Mortland
U.S. Olympic Team, 1964
Editor, Ohio Racewalker

Don and Debbi Lawrence sent the following letter to Michael Weisman, NBC Executive Producer:

We would like to express our sincere dissatisfaction with the coverage of the Olympic racewalks. THis sport is gaining in popularity. Millions of Americans across the country are walking for fitness, and many are engaged in this form of exercise for competition. The Olympic racewalking athletes represent an "Olympic dream" for many of these fintess buffs. THis walking segment of the public is interested and excited about racewalking!

At the Seoul Olympics, our sport did not get the respect that one of the most grueling of athletic events should. The 20 Km event was scheduled for showing at 11:50 pm EDT, and never made the slot. The 50 Km finish was aired, for a few brief moments during the "wee hours" of the night. However, clown-like background music and the sarcasm of Bob Costas crushed the potential excitement. This is true disappointment.

The 50 Km event is longer than the marathon, and the athletes are on the course nearly twice as long to complete the distance. Racewalking requires as much stamina and streength as many other major events in the Olympics. We are athletes ourselves, and know the dedication necessary to obtain berths on international and Olympic teams.

Please televise the national and international level racewalks, or at least give results and include the Americans. We wish our sport to grow, and with your support, it will.

Let's give the public something that they deserve to see. . .a few respectable minutes of the sport that represents a majority of the television audience--walking!

And Jim Hanley, an old reliable in supporting the sport against the many slings and arrows that come its way, sent the following:

Oct. 1, 1988

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Right up there with the Korean boxing delegation attacking a referee and Ben Johnson's taking steroids, NBC's treatment of the race walkers during the 1988 Olympic Games was clearly a scandal.

The 20 Km. Walk "coverage" consisted of the winner hitting the tape and an announcement of the three medal winners (two of whose names were badly mispronounced!) Since this race came on a day when only three track & field finals were scheduled, one might have thought that athletes going for medals would be getting more air time than meaningless qualifying heats in other events. Wrong!

The 50 Km. "coverage" was worse. Bob Costas

commented: "Here's a result you've been waiting up late for---the race walk." Comedy music then followed as Viacheslav Ivanenko hit the tape. Costas added something like, "well, he didn't set a world record, but at least he walked like a man!"

No mention was made of how our American athletes did, and no mention was made of the fact that the top ELEVEN finishers smashed the Olympic record.

Ivanenko averaged about 7 minutes per mile for the 31 mile, 121 yard long race---an incredible feat. (I'd like to see Costas run one mile that fast!)

To walk such times, race walkers must average about 15 miles per day in training for about 8 years or more. The dedication and self-sacrifice needed to attain such performances deserve praise and respect---not ridicule.

Bob Costas demonstrated very unprofessional conduct and surprising ignorance. He owes these magnificent athletes an apology.

And Bob, many of America's 55 million recreational walkers did stay up late just to see what happened in the 50 Km. walk. Unfortunately, you didn't tell us.

Yes, NBC gets my award for the most disgraceful conduct during the games.

LAKE PLACID YOUTH RACEWALK CAMP
by Gene Dix

TAC/USA officials took a bold step in the direction of youth development in race walking by supporting a race walk camp for young walkers, 10 to 14 years old. The camp was held at the Olympic Training Center (OTC) in Lake Placid, NY, August 29-September 3.

Bari Garner-Holman, youth athletics committee representative to the TAC Track and Field Committee, has championed the cause of youth race walking successfully during the past three years.

With the assistance of Bob Ryan, a race walk coach in Lake Placid, a camp proposal was developed. It was approved by the proper race walk committees and TAC/USA. Gloria Chadwick of the OTC was gracious in accommodating the young walkers and their chaperon coach or parent.

Five days of stretching exercises and walk workouts on track and road under the scrutiny of Sue Liers and Bob Ryan helped eliminate faults and improve the technique of the eleven youths who attended. The invitation to the camp was based on race walking potential and academic achievment. Taking their meals in the same dining room with figure skaters, skiers, the US youth hockey team and the USSR youth hockey team was no big deal to the young walkers. They adjusted quickly, they learned quickly.

A camp for eleven race walkers may seem insignificant. It is not. The message carried back by the parents, coaches and athletes to their home communities should stimulate walkers at the club level. This was only the first step. With imagination and creativity at the coming TAC convention in Phoenix, let us extend the possibilities of the camp concept to other sections of the country.

Youth participants at the race walk camp were: Neil and Sean Albert of Paramus, NJ; Melissa Baker of Shoreham, NY; Chris Braudis of Columbia, MO; Lisa Frank of Napa, CA; Tim Martin of Centerwich, NY; Diana and Kara Mc Geever of Lake Ronkonkoma, NY; Sean Ryan of Lake Placid, NY; Scott Stewart of Loveland, CO; and Dulce Wassil of Albuquerque, NM.

FROM HEEL TO TOE

One more thing on the Olympic front--and it's good news--great news! The women's 10 Km walk will be an official part of the 1992 Olympic program and a fixture thereafter. People eventually wake up, but it's sad it has to take them so long. . We really seemed to have trouble with the results from the National Masters Championships in Orlando. Now we find that we omitted the 20 Km in the 70-74 age group. The race was won by Canada's venerable Max Gould in 2:11:49, with Don Johnson second in 2:17:00 and Harry Drazin third in 2:37:24. . .Monterey's Giulio dePetra, the Italian consul there, competed in the European Master's Championships with notable success--silver medals in the 75-59 division at both 5 and 20 Km. His times were 23:21 and 2:09:04

LOOKING BACK

20 Years Ago (From the Oct. 1968 ORW)--The Mexico Olympics saw an excellent performance by the U.S. racewalking contingent. In the 20 Km, Soviet ace Vladimir Golubnichiy won his second Olympic gold in 1:33:59 (remember the altitude slows times), holding off local favorite Jose Pedraza, who finished in a near flat out run in 1:34:00 to the cheers of his countrymen and consternation of the judges, who apparently feared for their heads. Nikolai Smaga, USSR, was third in 1:34:03 and Rudy Haluza a brilliant fourth for the U.S. in 1:35:01. Tom Dooley was 17th in 1:40:08, and a sick Ron Laird 25th. At 50, East Germany's Christoph Hohne was unchallenged, as he overcame the altitude and extreme heat to win by 10 minutes in 4:20:14. Antal Kiss of Hungary was second and Larry Young third ina gutty 4:31:56. Eighth at the mid-point, Larry was able to hold his pace and move through the second half. Goets Klopfer passed three men in the final 5 Km to take 10th in 4:39:14. Dave Romansky, also sick, was a distant 26th.

15 Years Ago (From the October 1973 ORW)--With Hans-Georg Reiman and Karl-Heinz Stadtmuller taking one-two at 20 Km, East Germany swept to victory in the Lugano (World) Cup. That performance gave them a nine-point edge on the Soviets, which held up through a strong Soviet performance in the 50 for a final four-point margin. Italy was third, West Germany fourth, and the U.S. fifth. Reimann won in 1:29:31 to his teamate's 1:29:36. Ron Laird outdueled Nikolai Smaga to capture his second Lugano bronze in 1:30:45. With Todd Scully seventh in 1:32:23 and Jerry Brown 14th in 1:34:05, the U.S. was third after the 20. The 50 went to West Germany's Olympic champion Bernd Kannenberg in 3:56:51, with Otto Bartsch (USSR) and Christoph Hohne

Floyd Godwin 4:23:48 in 20th, and Bill Weigle 4:28:40 in 24th. . .East Germany also captured the Lugano-Chiasso Relay, an annual affair in Switzerland. The U.S. was sixth in this one as ROn Laird ran into stomach problems on the first leg, and, after spending much time in the bushes, struggled in 16 minutes back of the leaders. . .Shaul Ladany won the 100 miler in Columbia, Missouri in 19:38:26, with Chuck Hunter, John Markon, and John Argo also going all the way. . .Jerry Brown captured the National 30 Km in COlumbia, his third championship of the year, finishing in 2:28:12. Floyd Godwin was a minute and a half back, and a promising newcomer, Dan O'Connor, edged Augie Hirt for third, another 10 minutes back. . .The day before, Ellen Minkow won the women's 10 Km title, also in Columbia, with 56:19.

10 Years Ago (From the Oct. 1978 ORW)--Allen Price won the National 100 miler in record time--18:57:01--with Paul Hendricks second in 19:10:37. The race saw a record 10 finishers, including the first woman Centurion in this country, Elsie McGarvey, who finished in 22:52:31. Leonard Busen and Bob Chapin joined the two leaders in finishing under 20 hours. . .The U.S. defeated Canada in a dual meet, which included races at 10 and 30 Km. The 30 went to Canada's Marcel Jobin in 2:19:33, but the U.S. took the next three spots--Dan O'Connor 2:24:05, Marco Evoniuk 2:24:05, and Carl Schueler 2:33:54. Jim Heiring (44:44) led a U.S. sweep of the 10, with Ron Daniel doing 46:32 and Pete Doyle 47:56. . .In San Francisco, Neal Pyke set an American 1 Hour record, covering 8 miles 1081 yards. The old record was 8 mi 746 by Ron Laird, a mark that Wayne Glusker missed by only 15 yards in second place. Tom Dooley was just a yard behind Wayne.

5 Years Ago (From the Oct. 1983 ORW)--In World Cup competition, the Soviet men and CHinese women prevailed. In the women's 10 Km, the Chinese edged the Soviets by two points, with Youg Ju Xu taking individual honors in 45:14, a world best at the time. Natalia Shripova was second and Aussies Sue Cook and Sally Pierson third and fourth. Maryanne Torrellas was the first U.S. finisher with 47:52 in 16th, and the team finished eighth. In the 20, Josef Pribilinec drew away from Ernesto Canto in the final 5 Km to win by 11 seconds in 1:19:30. Anatoiliy Solomin, USSR, was just 3 seconds in back of Canto, and Maurizio Damilano came fourth. Jim Heiring was 16th in 1:24:51 and Todd Scully 24th in 1:27:29. Tim Lewis went under 1:30 (1:28:57) for the first time in 34th. . .Mexico's Raul Gonzalez took command of the 50 early and drew steadily away to win in 3:45:37. Sergei Jung and Viktor Dorovski took the other medals to sew up the team title for the USSR. Italy and Mexico were well back in second and third, as the East Germans did not compete. Dan O'Connor led the U.S. in the 50 with a 4:09:50 in 18th. Tom Edwards finished 23rd in 4:13:30. The U.S. team placed ninth of 14 teams. . .That was in Bergen, Norway. A week later, Raul Gonzalez won the ALongi Memorial 20 Km in Dearborn in a relaxed 1:27:55, with Carl Schueler second in 1:29:05

IT'S RACING YOU WANT? HERE THEY ARE

Sat. Oct. 29--5 Mile, Tacoma, Wash. (F)
    5 and 10 Km, Albuquerque, NM (Q)
    Northeast AC 15 Km, Sterling, Mass., 10 am (V)
Sun. Oct. 30--25 Km, Houston (K)
    5 Km, Hollywood, Florida (S)
    5, 20, and 50 Km, Columbus, Ohio, 8 am (H)
Sun. Nov. 6--10 Km, Austin, Texas (R)
    15 Km, Atlanta (T)

Sat. Nov. 12--10 Km, Miami (S)
    5 Km, Yorba Linda, Cal., 8:15 am (D)
Sun. Nov. 13--5 Km, Riverside, Cal., 8 am (D)
    5 Km, Los Angeles, 8 am (D)
Sun. Nov. 13--15 Km, Schnectady, N.Y. 10:30 am (O)
Sat. Nov. 19--4 Mile, Ft. Worth, Texas (K)
Sun. Nov. 20--5 Km, Seattle (F)
    5 Km, Niagara Falls (B)
Sun. Nov. 27--35 Km, Houston, Texas (K)
    5 Km, Niagara Falls, N.Y., 12 noon (B)
Sun. Dec. 4--10 Km, Coconut Grove, Florida (S)
    National TAC Junior 1 hour, Tucson, Arizona (Y)
Sun. Dec. 11--5 Km, Miami (S)
Sun. Dec. 18--**National TAC 100 Km and Gulf Association 50 Km, Houston, Texas, 6 am (K)**
    10 Km, Weston, Florida (S)
    5, 10, and 15 Km, Seattle, 1 pm (F)

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