McGovern crushes Morgan in 10 Km

Niagara Falls, N.Y., July 13—Dave McGovern seems to have found a new gear and is taking full advantage of it. Following his great third place finish in the National 20 Km last month, which landed him on the U.S. World Championships team, Dave scored an easy win over Gary Morgan in the National 10 Km today in 42:23.

Nearly a minute behind in second was Gary Morgan, who finished ahead of McGovern in that 20 Km. Newcomer to the country, Andrzej Chylinski continued to impress, finishing right behind Morgan. Curt Clausen had an excellent race in fourth, indicating he will be a threat in the upcoming Olympic year.

In the women's race, Canada's Janice McCaffrey was brilliant, winning in 45:51 and finishing eighth overall. Canadians occupied the first four places as the top U.S. ladies did not appear. Zofia Wolan, who still hopes to have U.S. citizenship in time to be considered for the Olympic team next year, was the first U.S. finisher.

Leading the masters was Nick Bdera in 46:26, which placed him 11th overall. Max Green had another tremendous race, winning the 55-59 division in 50:23 and finishing fourth among all masters (25th among all walkers).

The results:

Why did Perlov get the red flag? Andrei Perlov (left), USSR, during his final lap of the 50 Km at the World Cup in San Jose. Appears the judges made a good call in disqualifying him. At right, the winner of the race after Perlov’s DQ, Mexico’s Carlos Mercenario, also during the last lap, looks flawless. (Lew Jones Photos) At the bottom is Irina Strakhova (left), USSR, women’s World Cup winner at 10 Km and Carl Schueler carrying the flag in the opening ceremonies. (Sportsfoto by John Allen)

### Other Results

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>State</th>
<th>Distance</th>
<th>Finisher</th>
<th>Time</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Maine</td>
<td>3 Km</td>
<td>Bangor</td>
<td>2:14</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Maine</td>
<td>5 K</td>
<td>same place</td>
<td>16:22</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Maine</td>
<td>3 K</td>
<td>same place</td>
<td>16:22</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Maine</td>
<td>5 K</td>
<td>same place</td>
<td>16:22</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Maine</td>
<td>3 K</td>
<td>same place</td>
<td>16:22</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Maine</td>
<td>5 K</td>
<td>same place</td>
<td>16:22</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### State 5 K, same place

1. Kevin Eastler 16:22
2. Tim Seaman, UW-Parkside 14:44.93
3. Paul Tavares, UW-Parkside 14:46.38
4. Sean Albert, New Jersey Striders 14:58.55
5. Kristopher Hilsabeck, SC Roadrunners 14:58.76
6. Bob Ullman 15:00.01
7. Justin Kuo 15:00.04
8. Debbie Iden 15:00.06
9. Dave Wilson 15:00.09
10. Frederick Welsh 15:00.12

### Maine State 5 K

1. Kevin Eastler 15:41.6
2. Robert Carver 15:43.3
3. Steve Vaitones 15:45.4
4. Dick Burgger 15:47.3
5. Phil McGaw 15:49.6
6. John Elwarner 15:50.0
7. John Elwarner 15:50.2
8. Gary Morgan 15:52.3
9. Steve Vaitones 15:53.1
10. Mark Eastman 15:54.6

### Maine State 5 K, same place

1. Kevin Eastler 15:41.6
2. Robert Carver 15:43.3
3. Steve Vaitones 15:45.4
4. Dick Burgger 15:47.3
5. Phil McGaw 15:49.6
6. John Elwarner 15:50.0
7. John Elwarner 15:50.2
8. Gary Morgan 15:52.3
9. Steve Vaitones 15:53.1
10. Mark Eastman 15:54.6

### Maine State 5 K, same place

1. Kevin Eastler 15:41.6
2. Robert Carver 15:43.3
3. Steve Vaitones 15:45.4
4. Dick Burgger 15:47.3
5. Phil McGaw 15:49.6
6. John Elwarner 15:50.0
7. John Elwarner 15:50.2
8. Gary Morgan 15:52.3
9. Steve Vaitones 15:53.1
10. Mark Eastman 15:54.6
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Race</th>
<th>Distance</th>
<th>Time</th>
<th>Finisher</th>
<th>Age Group</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>40-44</td>
<td>7:40</td>
<td>Breezer</td>
<td>R. Daniel</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>50-54</td>
<td>8:10</td>
<td>Breezer</td>
<td>R. Daniel</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>70-74</td>
<td>9:40</td>
<td>Breezer</td>
<td>R. Daniel</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>30-35</td>
<td>5:40</td>
<td>Breezer</td>
<td>R. Daniel</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>40-44</td>
<td>6:10</td>
<td>Breezer</td>
<td>R. Daniel</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>50-54</td>
<td>7:40</td>
<td>Breezer</td>
<td>R. Daniel</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>70-74</td>
<td>9:10</td>
<td>Breezer</td>
<td>R. Daniel</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>30-35</td>
<td>4:40</td>
<td>Breezer</td>
<td>R. Daniel</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>40-44</td>
<td>5:10</td>
<td>Breezer</td>
<td>R. Daniel</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>50-54</td>
<td>6:40</td>
<td>Breezer</td>
<td>R. Daniel</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>70-74</td>
<td>8:10</td>
<td>Breezer</td>
<td>R. Daniel</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**1990 National Postal 1 Hour Results**

FOR THOSE SEEKING COMPETITION—TRY A FEW OF THESE

Thu. Aug. 8  2 Mile, New Orleans, 6:30 pm (V)
Sat. Aug. 10  10 Km, Asbury Park, N.J., 8:30 am (A)
Sat. Aug. 17  5 Km, Dearborn, Michigan, 9 am (J)
Sun. Aug. 18  3 Mile, Miami, 8 am (Q)
Thu. Aug. 22  2 Mile, New Orleans, 6:30 pm (V)
Sat. Aug. 24  5 Km, Miami, 7:30 am (Q)
        Pac. Assoc. 15 Km, Oakland, Cal. (K)

JULY 1991

Mon. Aug. 26  10 Km, Eaton, Ohio, 1:30 pm (U)
Sat. Aug. 31  5 Km, Kenner, Louisiana, 8 am (V)
Sun. Sept. 1  10 Mile Relay Walk (2-person), Long Branch, N.J. (A)
Thu. Sept. 4  8 Km, Clinton, Iowa (D)
Sat. Sept. 14  5 Km, Dearborn, Michigan, 9 am (J)
Sun. Sept. 15  North American Nasters 15 Km, Albuquerque (G)
Sun. Sept. 21  2.8 Mile, Seattle, 6 pm (C)
Sat. Sept. 28  8 Km, Overland Park, Kan., 8 am (E)
 Sat. Sept. 7  1 Hour, Detroit (F)
Sun. Sept. 8  5 Km, Miami, 7:30 am (Q)
Sun. Sept. 14  5 Km, Harahan, Louisiana, 6 pm (V)
Sat. Sept. 15  10 Km, Salem, Oregon, 8:30 am (S)
Sat. Sept. 21  5 and 10 Km, Dearborn, Mich., 9 am (J)
Sun. Sept. 29  National TAC 40 Km, Lincroft, N.J. (A)
Sat. Oct. 5  3, 5, and 10 Km, Los Angeles, 5:50 pm (B)
Sat. Oct. 5  National TAC 5 Km (all categories), Raleigh, NC (W)
Sun. Oct. 6  100 Mile (track), Columbia, Missouri, 12 noon (M)
Sun. Oct. 6  Ontario Track Championships, 20 Km men, 10 Km Women,
         Brockville (BB)
        8 Km, Birch State Park, Florida, 7:30 am (Q)
        2 Mile, Kenosha, WI (I)
Sat. Sept. 28  Met. 5 Km Championship, New York City, 10 am (R)
        5 Km, Libertyville, IL (AA)
Sun. Sept. 29  5 Km, New Orleans, 8 am (V)
Sat. Oct. 5  5 Km, New Orleans, 6 pm (V)
       2 Hour, Snellville, Georgia (H)
Sun. Sept. 29  Alongi Memorial International 20 Km, Women’s 10 Km,
        assorted other races, Dearborn, Mich., (J)
        3, 5, and 15 Km, 1 Hour, Kenosha, WI (I)
Thu. Oct. 3  Portland Marathon, Portland, Oregon (S)
Sat. Oct. 5  2.8 Mile, Seattle, 6 pm (C)
Sun. Oct. 6  10 Km, Salem, Oregon, 8:30 am (S)
         5 Mile, Coconut Grove, Florida, 8 am (Q)
         North American Masters 20 Km, Midland, Texas (CC)
         10 Km, Salem, Oregon, 9:40 am (S)
         Met. 15 Km, New York City, 9 am (Z)

Contacts
   A—Elliott Denman, 28 N. Locust, West Long Branch, NY 07764
   B—Elaine Ward, 1000 San Pasqual #35, Pasadena, CA 91106
   C—Bev LaVeck, 6633 Windermere, Seattle, WA 98115
   D—Nancy Anderson, 1123 S. 7th St., Clinton, IA 52732
   E—Heartland Racewalkers, P.O. Box 11141, Shawnee Mission, KS 66207
   F—Bob Carlson, 2261 Glencoe St., Denver, CO 80207
   G—Gene Dix, 2301 El Nido Court NW, Albuquerque, NM 87104
   H—Barbara Waddle, 2327 Redfield Dr., Norcross, GA 30071
   J—Mike DeWitt, 4230 27th St., Kenosha, WI 53144
   K—Frank Alongi, 26530 Woodshire, Dearborn Heights, MI 48127
FROM HEEL TO TOE

Harry Siitonen sends the following report from Finland, where he is enjoying a sabattical. "Finland’s long-time world class racewalker, Reima Salonen, has retired from the sport and is now a commercial fisherman, operating out of his home city of Turku. But another promising young racewalker has stepped into Salonen’s shoes. He is Valentin Kononen who walked his personal best of 1:23:01 in a 20 Km race at Imatra in late June. Kononen improved on his previous best by more than 2 minutes and defeated second place Risto Nurmi by more than 4 minutes. He will be representing Finland at the World Championships in Tokyo in the 50 Km, but before that he will race in the 20 Km at the prestigious Kaleva Games in Helsinki in late July." Speaking of the World Championships (August 24 to Sept. 1 in Tokyo) the U.S. team will include Tim Lewis, Gary Morgan, and Dave McGovern at 20 Km, Carl Schueler at 50, and Debbi Lawrence, Lynn Weik, and Victoria Herazo at 10. McGovern and Doug Fournier represented the U.S. at the World University Games in July, along with Weik and Sara Standley at 10 (no results have arrived here yet). Tim Seaman and Gretchen Easler were on a Junior National team competing at various places in July. The team for the Pan American Games in Havana, August 2-18 is Curtis Fisher and Tim Lewis at 20, Marco Evoniuk and Paul Wick at 50, and Lynn Weik and Debbi Lawrence at 10.

From Bonnie Triola: "We’d like to share our experience of a fantastic racewalk/healthwalk which was sponsored by the Niagara Walkers Club. On June 22, 1991 Howard "Jake" Jacobson, coach to Olympians, former national coach, conducted a day long seminar for walkers of all levels of ability. The seminar included video filming and analysis of each individual participant. Actual critiques, demonstrations, drills, and races involving the participants were interspersed with lectures and demonstrations on technique, nutrition, speed training, strength training, flexibility, stretching, and race strategy. For many of the walkers, this was the first opportunity to work with a professional coach. Coach Jacobson offered much help and encouragement to all walkers. The day passed much too quickly and we left with a real walking high. As racewalking and healthwalking are becoming the most popular fitness activities in this country, we felt we would be remiss in not sharing this splendid experience with other walkers."

The Malek Issue

As we had reported in race coverage, Paul Malek was disqualified in the final stages of the National 50 Km (and World Cup qualifier). Later we published a memo from Bob Bowman that Paul had refused to leave the course after repeated notices by the Chief Judge and could be subject to disciplinary action. It is only fair that we publish Paul’s side of the story, which we received in a letter dated June 12. (As noted in the June issue, we did not have space to run it then, for which we apologized.) Here is Paul’s letter:

"I read with interest pages of your newsletter sent to me by friends with your comments regarding my disqualification in the National 50 Km in March. Actually, the red paddle came in the last leg of the final lap, with about 3 minutes to go in the race. I was notified only once (there was hardly time for "repeated" notices) and continued the short distance to the finish because there was some reason to believe that the paddle was in error.

"I wonder why, then, in your May issue you chose to bring the matter up again, apparently on the basis of a casual conversation months after the event. (Ed. As noted it was in a memo from Bob Bowman, dated May 11.) The story has swelled with the telling and I am unhappy to find that rather than the 16-year veteran who had the misfortune to be disqualified in the final minutes of a PR effort in a qualifying race, I have been cast as a renegade walker endangering the chances of other walkers. This is hardly the case. In years of national competition, including two on the national team, I have never had a "run-in" with a judge, never been disqualified from a 50 Km race, and in my one disqualification from a 20 Km race left the course quite peacefully. Gossip can ruin any reputation, however, and it seems time to set this matter straight and to put it to rest. This is what happened.

"In the race, I received four visual warning paddles in the first 30 Km, resulting in one disqualification on the board. In the next two hours, I received no additional paddles and no additional marks on the board. My coach, teammates, and friends, both in and out of the race, who were watching for me agree on the next point: going into the final lap, I had one mark on the board that had been there for hours and I had had no additional contact with judges in the form of warnings or red paddles. The course was laid out in three legs or loops, with the final loop 500 to 700 meters from the finish, and it was as I made the turn into the final loop of the final lap that the Chief Judge presented me with the red paddle.

"Given the information I had up to this point, I determined that this notification could be a mistake and I thought it prudent to finish the race. I was completely alone on the course at this point and in no position to "pace" or interfere with other walkers. Although I did pass several officials on my way in, no one communicated to me by word or gesture that I was to leave the course. The Chief Judge gave me no other notice.

"I do understand that a walker should leave the course upon presentation of a red paddle. However, in the circumstances, I honestly believed that an error had been made, given not only the lack of recent warning paddles and the single mark..."
on the board, but also my splits. These showed no acceleration or pace change that would indicate that my form in the final few laps of the race was different from that with which the judges by their silence indicated was legal for the previous 20 Km.

Finishing not only protected my PR time in this important race in the case of a judging mix-up, it protected the race itself from being compromised if a mistake had been made. "As it happens, I was not informed that an error had been made, my disqualification stands, and my time is not official. After extensive video, photographic, and strategic analysis, I still do not fully understand why or when I was DQ'd, but I consider the event past and am focusing my training on the future. I have not been informed that I am "subject to further disciplinary action" by racewalk officials, and I hope that in the future writers such as yourself can refrain from making these kinds of threats in print."

1991 OLYMPIC TRIALS INFORMATION (from Lori Maynard)
The 1992 U.S. Olympic Track and Field Trials Official Entry Form and Entry Information are now available from:

New Orleans Organizing Committee
601 Loyola Ave., Suite 214
Poydras Plaza Mall
New Orleans, LA 70113
(504) 484-1992

The Athletics Congress/USA
Special Events Department
P.O. Box 6060
Indianapolis, IN 46206-6060
(317) 261-0500

The International Competition Committee, meeting in New York on June 13 approved the criteria for US Olympic Track and Field Trials qualifying race walks. In keeping with the format in the US Olympic Trials brochure, the Qualifying Regulations pertaining to the women's 10 Km race walk and the men's 20 and 50 Km race walks are as follows:

Qualifying Rules

A qualifying mark for the 1992 US Olympic Track & Field Trials must be made in a race or meet sanctioned by The Athletics Congress/USA and conducted under conditions required for recognition of national and world records by TAC and the International Amateur Athletic Federation. Proof of qualifying mark and conduct of race may be required. In addition, these rules must be followed:

Race Size: Any women's 10 Km and men's 20 Km must have a minimum of five bona fide competitors. A men's 50 Km must have at least four.

Courses: In order for qualifying times to be accepted, besides being TAC/USA sanctioned, the race must be conducted on a track or on a road course certified by TAC/USA methods (certification number may be requested). Each race must have a minimum of four TAC/USA certified judges (TAC Official registration numbers may be requested), who should be listed on the results sheet.

Results: All race results with provisional or automatic qualifying times should be sent to 1992 US Olympic Track and Field Trials, 601 Loyola Avenue, Suite 214, Poydras Plaza Mall, New Orleans, LA 70113. A copy of the results must also be sent as soon as possible to Steve Vaitones, 90 Summit St., Waltham, MA 02154.

Eligibility, Qualifying Periods, and other Qualifying Regulations are contained in the Trials brochure.

ANDRZEJ CHYLINSKI
(As promised last month, a letter from Rich Torrellas that casts further light on the Polish/US walker who has been doing so well the past two months. Rich's letter is dated May 21, but reached us just too late for the May issue, and did not find a spot in last month's crowded issue.)

"I read your last issue of the Ohio Race Walker with some amusement when you inquired about Andrzej Chylinski. Who was he? Well, it makes interesting reading.

"It seems that in January of 1991, he sent a letter to the top level of TAC along with his "dossier" inquiring about the possibility of coming to this country and competing. After several months of waiting, he sent another letter to Gary Westerfield, who he had met in Poland in 1988.

"Gary received the letter on Monday, April 15, and immediately gave me a call. He read the young man's letter to me over the phone. According to the letter, Andrzej had been born in New York City in 1960 when his parents were on assignment to the U.N. as journalists. At the age of two, he and his parents had returned to Poland. After much red tape, he had applied for, and received, a U.S. passport, as was his right as a natural born citizen, in August of 1990. From that point on, his dream had been to travel to the U.S. and represent his country of birth in international competition.

"Feeling his urgency, I first called the National TAC Office to confirm the official rules for eligibility for representing the U.S. These I had FAX'ed to Andrzej on April 16, along with the date of our next competition on April 21. (His original desire had been to compete at 50 Km.) From this point, everything seemed to happen at "light" speed.

"On late April 18, he sent a return FAX from Poland responding to mine of April 15. It arrived too late for me to pick it up since mine are sent to a location in town. Departing on a 7 am flight on April 19, I was unable to retrieve the previous day's FAX, which, I later found out, was simply a thank you for responding to him so quickly. It also contained additional information about his background.

"I was awakened the morning of April 20 at the Holiday Inn in San Jose with an urgent phone call from home. It seems that my baby sitter had received a call from the FAX reception location indicating that I now had not one but two FAX's. The latter one was very important. It was FAX'ed to me in San Jose. To
my utter surprise, the FAX sent on April 19 said “Please pick me up at San Jose Airport at 17:55 hours from flight 287”. In a 24-hour period from April 18 to April 19, he must have decided that this was the time to uproot himself!

“After a short investigation, I found out that flight 287 was an American Airlines flight out of Dallas-Fort Worth. To his relief, there was a friendly face at the airport and one that he remembered from that 1988 trip to Poland. With his hands raised in triumph and fatigue, one could almost read his mind... FREEDOM. He had arrived after 33 hours of travelling (Warsaw--Frankfurt--Dallas-Fort Worth-San Jose) to race a 20 Km only 14 hours away and tell his wife to deal with.

“With some minor argument, I convinced the meet directors to allow him to compete. (Both Chairman Bruce Douglass and Duffy Mahoney at TAC had given the go ahead to me verbally.) The end result we all know.

“he is now living his dream in Colorado Springs temporarily residing with “Olympic God” Carl Schueler. His 20 Km PR is 1:26:50. Andrzej’s goal will be the 50 Km Olympic Trials in 1992.”

LOOKING BACK

25 Years Ago (From the June and July 1966 ORWs)—Rudy Haluza dominated some steamy races in the midwest in June. He won the National 10 Km at Stagg Field in Chicago in very sultry weather with a 46:52, some 40 seconds ahead of Don DeNovo, who led at the mile in 6:53. Jack Blackburn beat OTC teammate Jack Mortland for third, 48:20 to 48:38, with Ron Laird nearly a minute further back. Ron Daniel and Larry Young followed. Six days later on a sizzling, shadeless parking lot in McKeosport, Pa., Haluza took the 20 in 1:36:16, after DeNovo again took the early lead. Laird was much tougher this time and finished second in 1:37:48. Mortland just beat Daniel for third. Bob Kitchen, Bob Bowman, Blackburn, and Young were next. Blackburn won the Ohio AAU i Mile in 6:50:3, some 8 seconds ahead of Mortland. Mortland took the Ron Zinn 10 Km on a dusty Chicago track in 47:38, a minute ahead of Matt Rutyna. The National 2 Mile went to Laird in 13:52:6, ahead of DeNovo, Daniel, and Young. In July, Daniel overcame temperatures of 95 in the shade, with no shade on the course, to win the National 30 Km in Columbia, Missouri. His 2:14:37 looks slow, but just finishing was an accomplishment. Young was about 4 minutes back in second with Mortland third. Early leader, Laird, wound up in 13th in over 4 hours.

10 Years Ago (From the June and July 1981 ORWs)—Overcoming a drizzle and seattle chill, Vince O’Sullivan won the National 50 Km in 4:12:11, controlling the race all the way. Jim Heiring was a lonely second in 4:15:29, nearly 6 minutes ahead of Ray Sharp. Tim Lewis overcame high temperature and humidity to take the Junior 10 Km National in 50:56. The race was in Knoxville. Mica Comstock, Andy Liles, and James Mann followed. In Mexico’s Race Walking Week, Valeri Sunutsov, USSR, beat Canada’s Marcel Jobin in the 50, 3:54:14 to 3:56:23. Ernesto Canto won the 20 Km in 1:23:17 ahead of Andrzej Perlov, who we see in full flight on page 2 of this issue... The annual races in Naumburg, East Germany went to Uwe Dunkel in 3:45:56 and Czech Josef Pribil in 1:21:56. In the National 15 Km in Niagara Falls, Todd Scully prevailed in 1:08:56 and Susan Liers-Westfield won the women’s race in 1:15:27. Canada’s Helmut Boeck, Pete Timmons, and Tim Lewis trailed Scully. Canada’s Joanne Bender was second in the women’s race. Liers-Westfield also won the 10 Km title in 49:54. Evan Fox won the Maccabiah Games 3 Km in 13:18:27.

5 Years Ago (From the June and July 1986 ORWs)—Canada’s Guillaume Leblanc won the Canadian International 20 Km in a quick 1:23:17, pulling away from Mexico’s Ernesto Canto in the final 5 Km. Canto had 1:23:32, Mexico’s Martin Bermudez 1:23:44, and Tim Lewis 1:23:55. Bermudez won a 30 Km 3 days later in 2:14:34, as Marco Evonluk took fourth in 2:18:06. Lynn Weik (50:12) beat Susan Liers and Debbi Lawrence in a women’s 10 Km... A month later, Lewis defended his national 20 Km title in Eugene, winning in 1:23:22. Carl Schueler was just 23 seconds back and Ray Sharp finished third in 1:23:46. Michael Studeck, Dan O’Connor, and Curtis Fisher followed. Lawrence won the Women’s National 10 in 50:29, ahead of Teresa Vail, Susan Liers, and Gwen Robertson. Carl Schueler won the National 30 Km in New York City in 2:29:02, with Richard Fenton nearly 7 minutes back... Ron Laird was named to the National Track & Field Hall of Fame, the first walker so honored (and still the only walker)... Canadians took four of the first seven places in the National 10 Km in Niagara Falls, with Paul Turpin winning in 42:45. Gary Morgan was second in 43:17, just ahead of Daniel Levesque. Mel McGinnis was fourth and Dave McGovern fifth. Canada’s Deborah Powell was the first woman in 49:52, 11 seconds ahead of Debbi Lawrence... Curt Clausen won the National Junior 10 Km in 47:38:44, followed by Doug Fournier and Jeff Salvage. The women’s 5 Km went to Kerry Bratton in 26:13:45.