

Race Results

2003 New Orleans Mardi Gras Marathon (6000+ runners) -2/15

Bill Werling 2:17:37
9th Age Group for 1/2 marathon

Todd Davison 3:20:56 1
0th Age Group & 57th overall

Chattahoochee Challenge 10K (February 15)

Cee Crowe 51:16

Chatachooche Road Runners 10K (March 1)

Cee Crowe 48:44

Charles Harris Run for Leukemia 10K (March 80)

75 Ann Akers 47:43
338 Bonnie Hancock 1:00:49
56 Paul Harwart 38:14
123 Todd Davison 40:37
307 Normer Adams 45:28
333 Steve Hancock 46:08
692 Bill Werling 54:00

Gate River Run 15K, Jacksonville FL (March 8)

122 Dave Olson 56:57
285 Trish Vlastnik 1:03:23
294 Mark Hamilton 1:03:31
423 Bill Fuller 1:05:45
456 Bryony Fuller 1:06:15
4th in Age Group

788 Cynthia Maerz 1:10:38
821 Rachel Olson 1:10:57
935 Scott Allen 1:12:00
1416 Mary C. Crofton 1:15:54
1518 Tom Crofton 1:16:36
2320 Lynn Fairley 1:22:03
3795 George Martin 1:30:10
3804 Rene Flaherty 1:30:11
3888 Jane Hamilton 1:30:40
4240 Marino Fuentes 1:32:36
4708 Jan Stewart 1:35:41
4816 Ann Henderson 1:36:25
6008 Cathy Olson 1:48:28
6009 Mary Ann Crofton 1:48:28
6616 Dave Gulick 2:03:38

Whistlestop Duathlon (4K/30K/4K) - Birmingham AL

5 Gary Pretzer 1:35:38
14 Mark Mascara 1:36:57
1 Beth Wiggins 1:42:16
3 Daniel Twineham 1:37:29
1 David Piet 1:48:06

Powerman Duathlon (8K/60K/8K) - Birmingham AL

4 Rachel Olson 3:23:39
24 Todd Davison 3:12:23

Boston Marathon

Bill Fuller 3:38:33



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UPCOMING EVENTS:

PTCRC CLUB MEETING, MARCH 3RD • JACKSONVILLE GATE RIVER RUN, SAT. MARCH 8 • GRAND PRIX MARCH 15 – PICK A POINT
APRIL PTCRC MEETING AT PARTNERS PIZZA, TUESDAY THE 8TH • GRAND PRIX APRIL 12 – CONSISTENCY RUN

LEGACY

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I'm writing this column somewhere over Virginia or North Carolina on my way to Peachtree City returning from the RRCA Convention held in Arlington, Virginia. My impression of the RRCA at this point in time is a mixed bag. The confusion I observed at the main business meeting was again accompanied by a lack of communication to the clubs and the club members attending the convention. However, the vast, vast majority of clubs in attendance want the same major things as the PTCRC; mainly, insurance for our club races and activities and a dues structure as in years past. The insurance question is no longer a question for 2003. The RRCA has funds to provide the needed insurance coverage for all of 2003. Great news since our Classic Race takes place in October. Also, the clubs voiced their opinions (for quite a long time) during the business meeting that we want our dues structure based upon households and not individual members. This was the major disagreement which led 44 clubs not to renew with the RRCA in 2003, instead creating a new national entity known as the AARC. More good news, there were five new directors elected who are solid and strong and likely to make some quick changes. This newly elected group were all endorsed by the new AARC group.

Other points from the convention concerning membership:

- 743 clubs were invoiced for membership in 2003
- 70 of those clubs are newly formed running clubs
- 583 clubs have renewed as of April 1, 2003 (78.5%)



- 44 clubs chose not to renew - a loss of \$156,000 as a result
 - 101 other clubs have not renewed, but have not joined the AARC - a loss of \$90,000
- Business Plan to cut costs for the remainder of 2003:
- Staff of 5 reduced to 3 (2 full-time and 1 part-time)
 - "Footnotes" magazine will not be published again until RRCA is financially sound
 - The 2003 Convention was completely underwritten by the Montgomery County Runners and the 2004 Convention will be done on this same model.
 - RRCA Board travel is frozen except for board meetings
 - 2003 budget was approved which should return RRCA to solid financial position, planning for paying off all previous debts. Many programs are slashed as a result until RRCA is back in the "black".
 - Attempting to get the 101 clubs who have not yet renewed for 2003 to renew

Thanks to the PTCRC for allowing me to attend the convention and learn first hand the direction the RRCA is heading and how that direction may impact the future of our club.

I look forward to seeing you at the Run for Alex 5K on April 19th and our own Kids Fun Run May 3rd at the Fredrick Brown Amphitheater. If you have yet to sign up to help in the Kids Fun Run, just show up that morning and Teri Besch will find a job just right for you.

Our next monthly scheduled meeting will be Monday May 5th at the Wyndham Conference Center. See you there.

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PTC Runners Take Honors at Gate River Run

The largest PTC group ever, did the "road trip" to the Jacksonville "Gate River Run" 15K USATF National Championship on March 8. Twenty-six runners, accompanied by five spouses and friends made the drive down to north Florida for a great showing from the Peachtree City Running Club. Most spent the entire weekend at Jacksonville Beach, relaxing both before and after the race, at several of the many local eating and drinking establishments.

Two of the club members received top honors in this race of over 7,500 runners. Dave Olson won his age group in a time of 56:57, and Trish Vlastnik also brought home the top spot in her age group with a 63:23. Many of the others did very well, on this challenging course, which includes



the infamous Matthews Bridge over the St. Johns River, at the 8-mile mark.



The Florida Striders running club again generously hosted the PTC crew, at their pre- and post-race tent. As always they provided a place to change, "private" port-a-potties, and plenty of food and drink at the end. Our "sister club" in Florida hosts the friendliest post-race party of the entire race and many new friendships were added to the ones already existing. Thanks also to the Jacksonville Track Club, which puts on this great event every year.

The River Run course goes through the downtown area and then into the old, south-bank section of Jacksonville, with



the streets lined alternately with cheering crowds and Azaleas in bloom. It is north Florida's largest race and many of the PTC runners are already making plans for a return to next year.

captions:

Upcoming Events:

Kid's Fun Run

Saturday, May 3rd 2003

Frederick Brown Amphitheater,
Peachtree City

Ages 12 and Under

Tot Trot Ages 4 and Under

1K Ages 5-6

1 Mile Ages 7-12

Awards to 1st place boy and girl for each age group (ages 5-12)

No entry fee.—Registration form signed by parent or legal guardian required.

Registration begins at 8:00 a.m.

Call Teri Besch at 770 487-9215 with questions or to volunteer.

Lots of door prizes – Must be present to win.

PTCRC Golf Tournament

The PTCRC 2nd Annual Golf Tournament is scheduled for Saturday, June 14th, 12:00 noon at Flat Creek Club. An on-line application is available at the club activities website. Just enter the information and submit. Cost is \$10.00 plus green fees/cart. For info call Roy Robison at 770-631-4715 or email at croyrunn@bellsouth.net.

From One of the Editors, Joe Wassell

As editors we get to choose the content of your newsletter. If no one contributes, then our readers are forced to accept what we decide to publish. You may not find it newsworthy or particularly relevant, but hopefully you will find it at least mildly entertaining and sometimes amusing.



FRIENDSHIPS FORMED, MADE AND LOST.

I recently attended the Road Runners Club of America national convention. Each year one of the highlights of the convention is the awards banquet. You get to hear some amazing stories and speakers reflecting on all aspects of our sport. It usually is a time to reflect on what running really means. I always find myself thinking back over 23 years of running about many different and wonderful accomplishments.

So in this issue I chose to reflect on what I consider to be the greatest aspect of this sport we all enjoy. It concerns friendships formed, made, and lost. Each of us who have been doing this for many years have our own unique stories about people we have met along the way, places we have seen, and friendships made.

I have included in this issue my most prized running possession that I have received in this sport. It is a poem that was written to me by my closest friend, David the individual most responsible for starting me on this 23 year journey that is not yet complete. I first met David in July 1980 and we ran together only from October to March, six short months. However, the friendship formed and the bonds established have remained strong to this date. Our wives have also developed a special relationship, tying our families together as only true friendship can. The poem included in this issue illustrates this better than anything I could write and shows the true joys and rewards that running can provide. When people ask me why I run, my first

response always involves the pleasure of the many friendships formed and lost, and the great people I have had the fortune to meet along the way. For those of you just getting started, the running club offers you the opportunity to experience the same joys and pleasures that 20+ years have afforded me.

Editors Note: The poem was written over 20 years ago. It revolves around a bike path in upstate New York that was a favorite running route of Dave and I while living there. I chose to include it in our newsletter because it reminds me of running along the cart paths of Peachtree City. I hope you enjoy it.

RANKS OF THE RUNNING CLUB'S PROFESSIONAL ATHLETES GROWS

A new "Professional" athlete joins the PTC Running Club. Congratulations to Dave Olson for joining the ranks of the "professional" athletes. Dave at age 52, just won his first official prize money when he finished as the 3rd male overall and first master in the Leprechaun 10K held in Dublin Georgia. Dave's time of 37:19 was good enough to bring home prize money of \$250.00. I understand Dave has photocopied his check and is having it framed for all to see. His wife Cathy also completed the same race and finished 2nd in her age group. With daughter Rachel, and accomplished runner and triathlete in her own right, the Olson's are surely the first family of runners in the Peachtree City Running Club. Dave also finished 3rd in his age group at the Cooper River Bridge Run 10K Race in Charleston on April 5th in a time of 37:16. He won no money but did receive a neat silver engraved plate.

Trish Vlastnik finished 2nd Grand Master overall in her age group in Charleston and received a somewhat bigger silver engraved plate and a check for \$500.00!



The Bike Path

*Seemingly endless and distant -
The narrow path continues on.
Four padded shoes touch ground -
Keeping a beat to a rhythmic song.*

*Warming the air with deep driven breaths
We plunged ahead to meet the goal;
And to keep our minds off our task
We spoke of secrets in our soul.*

*Boots, Bernice, - the children too,
Were often on our run.
Thought of now and future life
Passed beneath the sun.*

*I'll miss the joy of sharing him
When at last he leaves;
This friendship grew so rapidly
Our lives began to weave.*

*Our shoes are old and wearing thin
And sorely need replaced;
Perhaps I'll keep mine in a box
To remember when we raced.*

*The miles ahead are always there
Waiting to pass behind;
And as you take them in your stride
I hope that you will find:*

That people are able when they think they are
And fortune favors the bold;**
So grab at every "marathon"
Before you get too old.*

*As for me - i'll still pursue
Those things in life I like;
And of you i'll often think
When i jog the path of bikes.*

*Vergil humo
** Juvenal



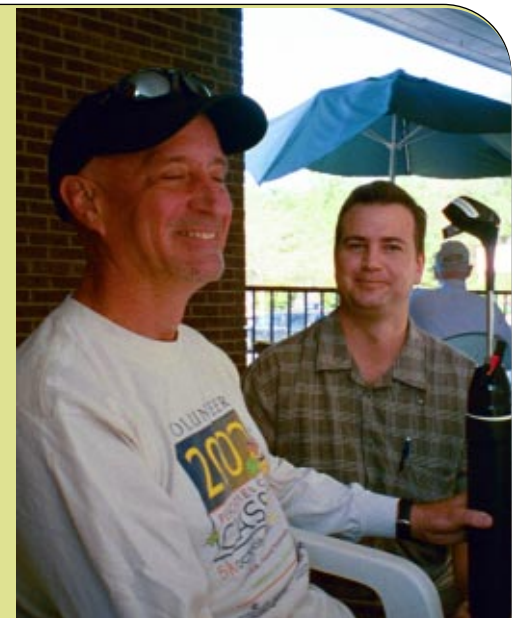
PTCRC 2003 Grand Prix - Event 4



PLACE	PARTICIPANT	TIME OUT	OVERALL	TIME BACK	DIFFERENCE	PTS.
AGE 49 AND BELOW MEN						
1	MARK HAMILTON	19:35:00	39:10:00	19:35:00	0:00:00	100
2	GARY PRETZER	19:37:00	39:13:00	19:36:00	0:01:00	90
3	BRAD GRAF	19:35:00	39:08:00	19:33:00	0:02:00	80
4	SCOTT ALLEN	21:28:00	42:51:00	21:23:00	0:05:00	70
5	CAL DALEY	26:46:00	53:48:00	27:02:00	0:16:00	60
6	STEVE DORSEY	17:14:00	34:46:00	17:32:00	0:18:00	50
7	ED FINUCAN	18:53:00	37:24:00	18:31:00	0:22:00	40
8	RICHARD HORNING	17:30:00	34:36:00	17:06:00	0:24:00	30
9	MIKE NORMAN	18:53:00	37:15:00	18:22:00	0:31:00	20
10	BILL ANDERSON	18:53:00	37:12:00	18:19:00	0:34:00	10
11	MIKE WARREN	18:53:00	37:11:00	18:18:00	0:35:00	5
12	BOB DALTON	16:39:00	33:56:00	17:17:00	0:38:00	5
13	PAT BURTON	20:34:00	42:23:00	21:49:00	1:15:00	5
14	MARK WARD	25:36:00	57:40:00	32:04:00	6:28:00	5
AGE 50 AND ABOVE MEN						
1	DAN TWINEHAM	19:37:00	39:12:00	19:35:00	0:02:00	100
2	LYNN FAIRLEY	21:28:00	42:52:00	21:24:00	0:04:00	90
3	VIC CRANE	21:32:00	43:11:00	21:39:00	0:07:00	80
4	BILL MCBRIDE	23:06:00	46:04:00	22:58:00	0:08:00	70
5	JOHN WATERHOUSE	21:28:00	42:46:00	21:18:00	0:10:00	60
6	RON KEMPTON	19:09:00	38:32:00	19:23:00	0:14:00	50
7	NORMER ADAMS	21:21:00	42:57:00	21:36:00	0:15:00	40
8	BILL WERLING	27:14:00	53:57:00	26:43:00	0:31:00	30
9	LOU BOONE	21:28:00	42:22:00	20:54:00	0:34:00	20
10	MARION FUENTES	27:14:00	53:50:00	26:36:00	0:38:00	10
11	BILL FULLER	19:50:00	40:49:00	20:59:00	1:09:00	5
12	GEORGE MARTIN	20:34:00	42:21:00	21:47:00	1:13:00	5
13	DICK ALLIS	20:42:00	43:00:00	22:18:00	1:36:00	5
14	JIM CROWLEY	29:49:00	55:51:00	26:02:00	3:47:00	5
15	WILLIAM JOHNSTON	24:46:00	53:31:00	28:45:00	3:59:00	5
V	JOE WASSSELL					5
V	BOB TROMBLY					5
V	DAN AHERN					5
V	GENE SEDLACKO					5
V	ROY ROBISON					5
V	SAM DILLINGHAM					5
AGE 47 AND BELOW WOMEN						
1	ROSE KEMPTON	19:09:00	38:28:00	19:19:00	0:10:00	100
2	MICHELLE BINKLEY	23:06:00	46:01:00	22:55:00	0:11:00	90
3	ANN BLAUM	23:06:00	46:00:00	22:54:00	0:12:00	80
4	MARGIE DAM	26:46:00	53:52:00	27:06:00	0:20:00	70
4	AMY STITT	21:39:00	43:38:00	21:59:00	0:20:00	70
5	JAN BANKIERIS	21:38:00	42:49:00	21:11:00	0:27:00	60
6	JANE HAMILTON	27:14:00	53:56:00	26:42:00	0:32:00	50
7	SHANNON PHILLIPS	17:00:00	34:42:00	17:42:00	0:42:00	40
7	LISA MATHEWS	22:54:00	46:30:00	23:36:00	0:42:00	40
AGE 48 AND ABOVE WOMEN						
1	MARTHA BOONE	21:03:00	42:18:00	21:15:00	0:12:00	100
2	TRISH VLASTNIK	26:46:00	53:47:00	27:01:00	0:15:00	90
3	SUSAN BERSCHINSKI	26:42:00	53:54:00	27:12:00	0:30:00	80
4	CATHY OLSON	26:42:00	53:59:00	27:17:00	0:35:00	70
5	ANN HENDERSON	20:36:00	42:19:00	21:43:00	1:07:00	60
6	SHEILA WALLISER	25:35:00	52:43:00	27:08:00	1:33:00	50
7	TERI BESCH	36:20:00	72:19:00	32:36:00	3:44:00	40
8	PATSEY BICKFORD	25:35:00	57:39:00	32:04:00	6:29:00	30
V	JAN DILLINGHAM					5

Grand Prix Overall Standings

PLACE	NAME	PTS.	EVENTS
MEN - 49 & BELOW			
1	MARK HAMILTON	290	4
2	SCOTT ALLEN	280	4
3	BRAD GRAF	190	3
4	BOB DALTON	185	4
5	VERN SCHMITZ	160	3
6	ED FINUCAN	155	4
6	GARY PRETZER	155	4
7	STEVE HANCOCK	110	3
8	RICHARD MAGEE	95	2
9	CHUCK STALZERT	90	1
10	STEVE DORSEY	85	3
11	GARY MEYER	75	2
11	MIKE WARREN	75	2
12	BILL ANDERSON	70	2
13	CAL DALEY	65	2
14	JERRY SHOEMAKER	45	2
15	STEVE SWOPE	40	1
16	TODD DAVISON	30	2
16	PRINCE WHATLEY	30	1
16	MICHAEL RAYMOND	30	1
16	RICHARD HORNING	30	1
17	MIKE NORMAN	20	1
18	PAUL HARWART	10	2
18	MARK WARD	10	2
19	FRED PORT	5	1
19	MARK MASCARA	5	1
19	ROBBIE HOLLISTER	5	1
19	PAT BURTON	5	1
MEN - 50 & ABOVE			
1	LYNN FAIRLEY	265	4
2	RON KEMPTON	210	3
3	BILL FULLER	175	3
3	NORMER ADAMS	175	4
4	VIC CRANE	165	3
5	GARY HEIDBRINK	160	2
6	JOHN WATERHOUSE	145	3
7	DAN TWINEHAM	135	3
8	DAVID OLSON	105	3
9	BILL JOHNSTON	100	4
10	BILL MCBRIDE	95	3
11	CHUCK GARWOOD	90	3
11	DAVE PIET	90	3
11	DAN AHERN	90	4
12	TOM CROFTON	85	2
12	LOU BOONE	85	4
13	MARION FUENTES	70	4
14	DOUG DOUNTZ	60	1
15	JIM CROWLEY	50	3
16	BILL WERLING	45	4
17	JULES DESGAIN	40	3
18	SAM DILLINGHAM	35	5
19	RICHARD ALLIS	20	4
19	GEORGE MARTIN	20	4
19	JOE WASSSELL	20	4
19	ROY ROBISON	20	4
19	GENE SEDLACKO	20	4
20	BEN GOSS	10	2
20	DAVE GULICK	10	2
21	BOB SMITH	5	1
21	DENNIS KOEHLER	5	1
21	BOB TROMBLY	5	1
WOMEN - 47 & BELOW			
1	MARGIE DAM	320	
2	LISA MATHEWS	260	
2	MICHELLE BINKLEY	260	
3	ROSE KEMPTON	250	
4	ANN BLAUM	210	
5	SHANNON PHILLIPS	190	
5	JAN BANKIERIS	190	
6	AMY STITT	150	
7	ANN SHOEMAKER	125	
8	JANE HAMILTON	105	
9	BONNIE HANCOCK	65	
10	MELISSA ANDERSON	50	
11	JENNIFER COOK	40	
12	ANNE PORT	30	
12	RENE FLAHERTY	30	
13	SUE BOZGOZ	20	
14	KIM GARWOOD	15	
15	MARGIE SWART	10	
WOMEN - 48 & ABOVE			
1	MARTHA BOONE	340	
2	TRISH VLASTNIK	320	
3	CATHY OLSON	280	
4	TERI BESCH	230	
5	SHEILA WALLISER	200	
6	SUSAN BERSCHINSKI	180	
7	MARY ANN CROFTON	130	
8	PATSEY BICKFORD	120	
9	ANN HENDERSON	110	
10	SUSAN MILLS	100	
11	PAMELA CRANE	60	
12	JAN STEWART	30	
13	SANDY TUMAN	20	
14	JAN DILLINGHAM	15	
15	CAROLYN GULICK	10	



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