AND RESULTS

olympic Games - 1972, 1976, 1980

*Commonwealth Games - 1974, 1978, 1982



DETAILS
OF

Marathon Championship

Venues

ABERFELDIE, ALTONA, BALLARAT, CAULFIELD, COLLINGWOOD, CROYDON, EAST BURWOOD, FRANKSTON, GEELONG, MENTONE, SPRINGVALE-NOBLE PARK.

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VVAC WINTER CHAMPIONSHIPS HELD GLENHUNTLY 16TH JUNE - 1984.

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MY WEEKEND AWAY WITH THE VICTORIAN TEAM FOR

THE 2ND WANG AUSTRALIAN MARATHON , SYDNEY by Iris Cook

It was with a sigh of relief that I sighted the airport at 8.30am with barely half an hour to my flight - it had been the usual hectic morning getting my family ready and organising two of my sons off on a scout weekend. On arrival at the airport, I met my team manager Clyde Riddoch and the other Victorian team members, then I bade farewell to my family and boarded the plane to Sydney.

We arrived at our hotel, the Sheraton-Wentworth about 11am, but were told our rooms would not be available for about an hour, so I went off for a run. The beautiful Botanic Gardens were just a street away and it was lovely to relax in there looking at Sydney's sights before settling in at the hotel. After lunch, the women's team, Barbara Fay, Nanette Gage and myself decided to go sightseeing and get some fresh air rather than go on the organised bus trip to see the marathon course. (We were glad we didn't because it took 2½ hours because of the slow traffic! Besides which, we knew we would be seeing the course in the morning anyway!) We walked down to the Opera House and along Circular Quay, where we were entertained by all the buskers, especially the young boys doing rap dancing. Then we caught a ferry across the harbour to Manly and strolled up through the shops to the surf beach and back. Every other person was walking along eating the largest ice-creams I had ever seen. We resisted the temptation and bought some bananas instead! A pleasant evening was spent with some of the team members walking up to the "Rocks" and having dinner in a Spaghetti Restaurant.

The following morning, we were taken by bus to the start of the race, next to the North Sydney Oval. On arrival, everyone charged out to find the toilets and what a shock met our eyes - queues 20 or 30 deep at every toilet: I warmed up first, thinking the problem would improve later, but the situation got ridiculously worse for the runners, so every tree, shrub or fence in sight got a watering:

The race was started on time by Nifty Neville. However, unfortunately, no time was allowed for the poor officials holding back the mass of $3\frac{1}{2}$ thousand runners to get off the course; it left me with a sick feeling in the stomach when I could hear the official near me screaming at the top of his voice as everyone hurtled past him! The first part of the course was downhill, traffic free and very interesting as it wound through the streets of St. Leonards and North Sydney. We then ran across Sydney Harbour Bridge with its fine views across the city. Coming off the bridge, the course went past famous places such as the Rocks (the oldest part of the city), Circular Quay, where the ferries and hydrofoils leave the harbour every 30 minutes, and the Opera House. A few hills made this section even more interesting. We went through the Royal Botanic Gardens right up to Mrs. Nacquarie's Point and back down through the park again. It was here that one got a view for the first time of how everyone else was doing in the field. The course then went through Woolloomooloo and down through King's Cross and it was after that point that the course ceased to be scenic. A long straight, seemingly endless road, with traffic roaring past on the right, took us towards Botany Bay. I remember looking longingly at the pleasant green golf course on the left of us and wishing we could stride across them away from the awful noise. "Still, never mind, "I thought, "it will be nice when we get to the sea", and I searched in the far distance for the blue waters of Botany Bay but could see nothing but traffic! Coming into the Botany Bay area, we went through industrial, housing and shopping areas - not quite what I had imagined! Somewhere around this point, the course ceased to be enjoyable for me. The traffic got worse and even though there seemed to be officials everywhere doing a great job, the traffic was nevertheless a hazard. I can't remember where exactly, but at one place there was honking of horns in your ears, fumes from the exhausts in your faces and unbelievable sights met your eyes! One of which was a bus pulling up alongside me as I was approaching a bus-stop. Would I slow down and let it come past and then run around it, thereby risking getting run down by the fast-moving traffic or would I continue on? I chose the latter, and the bus pulled up suddenly a few feet from me and an elderly couple got out. On seeing the oncoming runners, he

The Wang Marathon continued by Tris Cook

scruffed back his wife and said, "Mind dear, you'll get run down!" At another point, when we were doing a turnaround, there seemed to be traffic on all sides of us!

The course wound on uninterestingly with fumes everywhere and one horrid smell of which I couldn't identify, which nearly choked me. Then we hit a headwind on the last long stretch. Tiredness had crept in and thoughts were only of sighting the Sydney Athletic Field. The last kilometre seemed extremely long and I couldn't believe it when I rounded a corner and saw runners strung out way ahead on yet another long stretch with the stadium lights in the distance:

A steep ramp had to be negotiated into the stadium, which wasn't as bad as I had been told, and then it was all over as the tremendous crowd lifted you over that last 130 metres or so to the finish. It would be hard not to find a finishing burst on that last straight with that terrific atmosphere, supportive crowds, superb track and enthusiastic announcer on the P.A. So through the finish at last, where a medal was placed over your head and a bottle of Gatorade placed in your hands. Officials led you to the recovery area where fruit and cold drinks were provided. Several small exercise mats (like trampolines) were available which helped relieve tired and sore muscles. Also, tents labelled "Massage", "Physiotherapy" and "Chiropractors" were on hand if needed.

However, a few seats would have been welcomed by most runners whilst waiting for their mates to come in.

Later back at the hotel, we were all shocked to hear the news that Nanette had been taken to hospital after collapsing at 41kms.! Apparently, she had suffered very badly from dehydration and overheating of the body and ended up having 9 intravenous drips of electrolyte and a night's rest in hospital. After attending a function at the hotel, we all called in to see Nanette at the hospital and were relieved to see her looking so cheerful after her ordeal.

We went from the hospital to the airport, where we all had a nice meal together - incidentally, the first meal since the race - seven hours before!! A good flight back with another meal on board and so ended a rather hectic but pleasant weekend, made even more enjoyable by the friendly team members.

CONGRATULATIONS!

What a wonderful lady!

Margaret Bennet, at the age of 59 years, ran her first marathon in 4 hours 54 minutes - the Sri Chinmoy on July 1st at Dromana. Jack, her best mate, paced her all the way. Congratulations!

ANNE'S 50 MILER

by Tony Bradshaw

She'd run three miles then walk a lap, To Lady Anne I'll doff me cap, She ran her race with proper plan, Assisted by our Stan the Man.

She reached her goal with perfect pace, Perhaps it was her perfect race, Just more than eight for fifty mile, Let's give her ten for perfect style.

Her even tempo hardly changed As around Hagenauers she ranged, Supported by her helpers' smiles, Who'll be there for her hundred miles.

Congratulations Anne Callaghan:

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THE POPULATION PROBLEM

Organisers of the Little Athletics Summer Competition are so concerned about the numbers of children they have to cope with each Saturday morning, that they have appealed to athletes in particular, to make a real attempt to limit their families to help the situation in the future. One concerned athlete, desperately trying to do the right thing by the Little Athletics organisation, has written this letter to his doctor.

Dear Doctor,

I wish to apply for an operation to make me sterile. After having been married for 7 years and having 7 children, I have come to the conclusion that contraceptives are totally useless.

After getting married, I was advised to use the "Rhythm Method". Despite trying to Tango and Samba, my wife fell pregnant, and I ruptured myself doing the Cha-Cha.

Another doctor suggested using the "Safe Period". At the time, we were living with the in-laws and we had to wait 3 weeks for a safe period when the house was empty. Needless to say, this didn't work.

A lady of several years experience informed me that if we made love whilst breast feeding, we would be allright. It's hardly Foster's Lager, but I did finish up with a clear skin, silky hair and felt very healthy and my wife was pregnant.

Another old wives' tale we heard was that if my wife jumped up and down after sex, this would prevent pregnancy. After constant breast-feeding, including two earlier attempts, my wife jumped up and down, but she would finish up with two black eyes and eventually she knocked herself unconscious.

I asked the chemist about the "Sheath". He demonstrated how easy it was to use, so I got a packet. My wife fell pregnant again, which didn't really surprise me, as I failed to see how a Sheath stretched over a thumb as the chemist showed, can prevent babies.

A coil was then supplied, and after several attempts to fit it, we realised we had a left-hand thread and my wife is definitely a right-hand screw.

The "Dutch Cap" came next, and we were hopeful of this as it didn't interfere with our sex life at all, but alas, it gave my wife severe headaches. We were given the largest size available, but alas, it was still too tight across her forehead.

Finally, we tried "The Pill". At first it kept falling out, then we realised we were doing it wrong. My wife then started putting it between her knees. This stopped me getting anywhere near her. This did work for a while until the night she forgot the pill.

You must appreciate my problem. If this operation is unsuccessful, I will have to revert to oral sex. Although just talking about it can never be a substitute for the real thing.

Yours faithfully,

Sean O'Toole and Fanny O'Toole.

REG BARLOW turns 80

Reg Barlow, Veteran A.C. member, recently ran 80 laps of the Box Hill track to celebrate his 80th Birthday. Ask Reg Barlow when he plans to stop running and his answer is generally, "When I get old". The distance he ran was one lap for every year, about 30 kilometres. The man who won two world veteran titles at 71 and 75 years of age does it easily. "While I feel well enough and fit enough, I'll keep running", he said last week. "It's nice to be still winning races at my age". Just this year, he won the Australian 1500m. title and the Victorian Championships, took out the 10,000 metre event and the three mile run.Congratulations!

NIKE * AVON OLYMPIC MARATHON TRIAL

incorporating the AUSTRALIAN VETERANS MARATHON CHAMPIONSHIP

VIC. VETERANS A.C. RESULTS - 1754 finishers

Veteran Category winners:

M55	2nd place	Vin O'Brien	2.58.31
M60	Ist place	Gordon McKeown	2.57.49
M60	2nd place	Rolet deCastella	3.13.28
W40	1st place	Dot Browne	2.47.47
W45	3rd place	Anno Callaghan	3.57.01
W50	2nd place	Rowena Barker	3.40.51

However, many veterans that competed are not members of their State Veterans Athletic Clubs so the Australian Veterans Championship Awards were slightly different.

W50 1st place Rowena Barker 3.40.51	M35 .2nd M35 3rd M55 2nd M60 1st M60 2nd W35 2nd W40 1st W45 1st	place place place place place place place place place	Barry Ryder Carl Stevenson Saul Bakaitis Vin O'Brien Gordon McKeown Rolet deCastella Iris Cook Dot Browne Anne Callaghan	2.36.24 2.31.05 2.33.56 2.58.31 2.57.49 3.13.28 2.53.15 PB 2.47.47 3.57.01
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TEAM AWARDS

The Victorian men won the Open Team category award (Rob Wallace, Graeme Kennedy & Glenn Henry); the Victorian women won the Open Team category award (Megan Sloane, Dot Browne & Barbara Byrnes) and our veteran women took out the Team Award for veteran women (Dot Browne, Iris Cook and Chris Setterfield)

INDIVIDUAL VETERAN RESULTS: giving overall placing & time

SWIM TIPS FOR THE WALKING WOUNDED by Dot Browne-

"Stress fracture in the right foot. No running for 6 weeks."
Devastation.

Okay, into the bike-riding and swimming.

Disaster.

However, think positive !.

Alan (Mouse) Irwin had already filled me in on the best swim locations with his "Chlorinated Boredom" article, so I was in business.

However, some tips for the unwary!

TIP NO.1:

State p Awar Two piece bathers are a definite no-no. I started off the first session with the usual beach bikini affairs and lost the lot on the first dive. I wondered why the fellas swimming towards me in the same lane suddenly started threshing with bulging eyes and gulping water, until I realised my top was cunningly concealing my navel. I hoped the underwater photographers weren't operating that day.

TIP NO. 2:

For God's sake, get your goggles right. I started off lap one with one eye round near my right ear and wondered why the black line on the bottom had the wobbles.

TIP NO.3:

Look where you're going. If you don't, you'll end up right up the backside of some old lady who floats a few metres between strokes and get tangled up in her fat dimply legs.

TIP NO.4:

The helpful pool manager told me the clue for running injuries was to wear a life-jacket and try running in deep water. Made sense. Uses the same muscles but no jarring. Five minutes later, I was togged up and ready to go. I leapt in the deep end, arms up, and disappeared down to the bottom, while the life-jacket stayed on top. The pool manager was last seen peering down into the bobbing life-jacket, wondering where the hell I'd gone. So Tip No.4 is: Hang on to the bottom of your life-jacket when you jump in.

Incidentally, the other thing about this running in water is that your lap times are not all that great. I knew I was slow over 50 metres, but this was ridiculous. Would you believe, 12 minutes for 50 metres?

TIP NO.5:

Don't let the fast fellas get the better of you. Some smart aleck males like to show off and pass you in the lane, kicking you in the face as the cut in too soon. Right. You wait! Time your next lap so that you're swimming in the opposite direction next time down. Organise your overarm strokes and line him up so that you punch him right between the sockets as you pass. Bullseye. All totally accidental of course.

TIP NO.6:

Get a haircut. Essential if you want to avoid the "Who turned the lights out" sensation when you come up gasping at the end of the lane.

TIP NO.7:

Avoid "Aerobics in Water" classes like the plague. The fat ladies cause waves. These sessions seem to attract the grossly overweight, because they can hide their spare tyres below the water line. It's simply a matter of standing in waist-deep water and doing arm exercises to music. Perfect because their powdered faces and perms. remain intact.

TIP NO.8:

Avoid amorous couples having sly underwater gropes. Without goggles, they are unaware of how well you can see underwater, and the excitement will fog yours. Heavy breathing underwater is also not recommended.

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SWIM TIPS FOR THE WALKING WOUNDED continued

TIP NO. 9:

Swimming among the ice-bergs is fine for overweight masochists. However runners have a low percentage of body fat, so if you're swimming for long enough to obtain aerobic benefit, say, 25 minutes, outdoors is out. Leave the cold water to brass monkeys who know a good welder.

TIP NO.10

Avoid swimming squad training times. It's demoralising. I can handle 100's in, say 2 minutes, but I find it hard to cope with the under 12's in the next lane churning out 1.15's. I realize that, aquatically, I am the equivalent of an 8 minute miler, so I will never again ridicule an overweight jogger plodding around the tan.

TIP NO.11:

Whatever style you choose, no matter how ridiculous you think you look, doing it is better than doing nothing, so go for it; and this also applies to swimming.

However, the worst feature of swimming is that it's totally antisocial. If you prop at the end of a lane and throw out the old one-liners, such as, "Come here often?", "Haven't I seen you somewhere before?" or "What's a nice boy like you doing in a dive like this?", you'll find your smooth talking will get you absolutely no-where. They'll just stare blankly at you through their fogged-up goggles then take off down the lane.

Except for once. Just once I got a reaction.

I was doing laps on my back, just kicking, no arms, trying to get my legs going. I had crunched my head so many times at the end of the lane, that recently, I had taken to putting my hand out when I was nearing the end, to stop the head impact.

This one time, I made contact allright. Not with the tiles, but with a delightful handful. A fella had been propped up the end of the pool. "Oooooooo!" he yelped, "this has definite possibilities!"

Finally, it always amazes me how many huge magnified bandaids are lying on the bottom; I wouldn't be the least surprised to see the odd arm or leg lying there one day, come adrift when all the bandaids came off.

HOW TO CURE	YOUR DRINKING PROBLEM submi	tted by Mike Hoare
Problems	Reason or Possible Cause	Suggested Remedy
1. Drink fails to give any satisfaction or taste. Front of shirt wet.	Mouth not open while drink- ing or glass applied to the wrong part of the face.	Buy another pot & practise in front of a mirror. Continue with as many pots as is necessary until drinking technique is perfected.
2. Drink fails to give any satisfaction or taste. Beer usually pale and clear.	Glass empty.	Find someone who will buy you another pot.
3. Feet cold and wet.	Glass being held at wrong angle.	Turn glass the other way so that the open end is pointing upwards.
4. Feet warm & wet.	Loss of self control.	Go & stand next to the nearest dog. After a while complain to the owner & demand a

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	8. Dennis Cain 9. Ted McCoy	36.52 37.07	<u>W50</u> : 1. Jean Albury 41.13
	10. Owen McGlone 11. Frank Plant	37.36 39.25 40.52	W60: 1. Bettina Woodburn 53.45
	12. Graham Bonnett 13. Colin Herbert	45.49	*******
M45:	1. Jim Seymon 2. Trevor Vincent 3. Neil Beachley 4. John Smith 5. Graham Salthouse 6. John Gosbell 7. Greg Mauldon 8. Ian Buchanan 9. George Simons 10. Mike Hoare 11. Mike Hall	33.38 34.12 35.36 38.06 38.09 39.47 42.33 43.18 44.07 46.17 46.34	74 finishers in cool, windy conditions. Thanks to all our members who turned up to support our club event. Club Marathon Championship certificates and medals were also presented on this day. Thanks to Bob Seers, Dot Browne and Wendy Greaves, who organised the event, and to Peter and Marge
<u>M50</u> :	1. Brian Rycroft 2. Bill Hughes 3. Ray Callaghan 4. Keith Graham 5. Roy Stanway	36.53 36.57 37.27 37.46 37.52	Colthup who put the measuring wheel over the course the day before to make sure the distance was correct. A really enjoyable day was had
	6. Tom Davison	37.52 38.41	by all members.
M55:	1. Merv Woodgate 2. Gordon Gourlay 3. Jim Thompson 4. Ron Farnill 5. John Dibbs 6. Tom Albury 7. Alan Caldwell	40.01 45.19 46.34 46.57 48.03 48.31 49.37	M65: 1. Ted McDonald .41.35 2. Bob Turnbull .44.23 3. Sam Stapleton .50.16 4. Andy Smith .54.59 5. Harry Logan .61.37
<u>M60</u> :	1. Gordon McKeown 2. Peter Colthup 3. Doug Orr 4. Noel LeRossignol 5. Sid Nightingdale	38.53 45.05 45.15 47.55 49.37	

We came back to earth with a thump that night when the rain had settled in and our clothes and sleeping bags were still soggy from earlier rock pools. A hearty breakfast helped lighten the rucksacks and we set off with renewed energy to reach the snowy River and begin our trip along the river in our canoes. We were able to laugh at the potentially danger ous mishaps we had survived and looked forward to giving our legs a rest

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Confessions of an Outwood Bound Grandmother - continued by Peg Smith We paired up and set off in our canoes, revelling in the joy of the adventure. As we approached the first rapids, we waited until each 10cance was through before the next one entered. As we waited at the bottom, the last couple hit a submerged rock. Unfortunately, a badly wounded knee needed stitching. After this was done by one of the group, the patient was taken out. The next three days would be too tough for anyone with such an injury. We were shown how to run through the rapids. *iere* for? e other This is called "bumming" - moving along in a sitting position. The feet ist, a have to be held high so they will not jam under rocks. It is too dangerous to go head first. The camp area was next to the river on the cleanest, whitest sand that ogracan be imagined; while we waited for the return of some of the group of from their errand of mercy, we swam, fished, sunbathed and for the first nds of time, dried our clothes. We were learning how satisfying the most simple things are. The next day, in spite of the mishap, we were confident as we started ealise paddling down the river, and as the days went on, the rapids provided us with spills and thrills. There was no one in the group who did not - and elmet, feel amazed at what they were capable of. The scenery of that wildergroup ned ness area is truly magnificent. Part of the course involves a solo time, where everyone is separated and spends two nights alone, Special rations are issued and no reading matter is allowed. Our group did not have this experience because of the earlier delay. Those of us who had been initially apprehensive felt that after all our "near-misses" doing solo would have been a "Soda". d dur-The last night camping proved to me that I had changed. As a red-bellied of black snake settled where we had erected our bivvie, we just shooed it b and away and settled down that night to sleep without stirring. We were driven to a motel in Buchan, where, after a wonderful hot shower group. we put on clean clothes for our final dinner together. Our nine days ters together have been an experience I would not have missed for all the lable. tea in China, fine RESULTS OF THE WALK CHAMPIONSHIPS HELD AT ALBERT PARK - 29/7/84 develop MEN'S 20KM WALK

M70:1. Tom Daintry 2.08.17
2. Ralph Field 2.11.25
3. Vin Mead 2.22.45
4. Frank Scully 2.23.55 MEN'S 20KM WALK M40:1. Dan Reavey 1.10.11 2. George Paton 1.16.35 3. John Salter my ry me. 4. Fred Harrison 1.58.53 the clif 145:1. Bob Gardiner 1.05.42 y lines M85:1. Gus Theobald 2.27.33 of our M50:1. Ken Walters 2. Alan Taylor 1.54.34 . WOMEN'S 10KM WALK 1.56.39 about W40:1. Penny Hall 3. Alan Barling morn-2. Bernadette McGrath 64.26 3. Lyn Schickert 155:1. Gordon Gourlay 2.08.16 er. We 2. Vic Harley W45:1. Joan Hooper 2. Marlene Stanway ddle

M60:1. George Nevitt 2.07.34 2. John McBride 2.16.19

M65:1. Lindsay McGregor 2.46.29

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> World record holder Ray Callaghan with 20 laps in 20.17 at East Burwood on 28/6/84 (It's true! Read "Around the Grounds" - June '84) was trying to activate a lethargic Croydon crowd and finally instructed us, "If you want to be in it, see Judy Walters and have a dollar in your hand "..... Silence! Ray, in near despair, "Step out here Judy, so they can see what you look like". Judy steps forward and immediately Tony Bradshaw shouts, "A dollar-fifty!" Judy reckons she wouldn't be worth \$1 let alone \$1.50c after she's done 20 laps.

W60:1. Betty Newman

GOOD VALUE by Stan Miskin

2. Esther Thomson

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RESULTS OF THE VETERANS VICTORIAN MARATHON CHAMPIONSHIP HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE MITA MARATHON VICTORIAN CHAMPIONSHIP ON 15 JULY 84 Veterans results only given with placings in the various age categories 259 finishers, 109 of these were V.A.C. MEMBERS. Cverall placings

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also given. Conditions icy cold but little wind.
M35: I. Carl Stevenson(9)
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     2. Saul Bakaitis (15)
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     3. Paul Boehm (19)
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4. Neil Rowlerson (24) 2.37.31
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6. Jack Fredrickson(79)
     5. David Birks (28)
     6. John Castle (46)
                                                7. Ken Fraser (107)
8. Bill Fulton (118)
9. Hamish Bell (121)
     7. Eric Greaves (49)
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     8. David Olney (52) 2.48.15
9. Charlie Mallia (90) 2.56.13
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        Ian Heafield (159)
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    12. Ray Standish (171)
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    13. Paul Davies (172)
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19. Michael Hooper (221) 3.33.32
    17. Louis Waser (236)
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2. Geoff Molloy (11) 2.29.14
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     3. Gabriel Carmona(18) 2.34.26
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     4. Bruce Watt (32)
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    5. Clive Davies (34)
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3. Hank vanWijngaarden 2.49.37
     6. Kevin Vallence (36) 2.42.25
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     7. Leo Jones (40)
     8. Bob Schickert (42)
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23. Chris Woolgar (148) 3.11.31
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        Barry Wyatt (160)
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        Frank Biviano (165)
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   29. Bill Goldsmith (193)3.23.57
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   31. Cec. McKeown (212) 3.29.24
32. Graham Stevens (231)3.40.36
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                                                       3. Doug Orr (211)
                                                      4. Peter Colthup (230)
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    33. Frank Plant (244) 3.51.38
                                                       5. Henry Slack (242) 3.48.07
   34. Kelvin Robertson(248)3.54.12
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   35. Paul Mullins (253) 4.04.48
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W45:1. Marg Smith (138)

W50:1. Jean Albury (157)

2. Anne Callaghan (243) 3.51.28

2. Shirley Young (184) 3.21.42

W35:1. Iris Cook (72)

W40:1. Claire Bowker(170) 3.17.31

2. Judy Peters (237) 3.42.48

ROAD RUNNERS' SENSATIONS

When the nature lovers are lifting their eyes to the heavens, or at least the hills, and studying at their leisure forests and ferns, flora and fauna, the road-runner is confined to a tar or gravel Human Sanctuary and carefully watches where he puts his feet.

His or her swift passage and the downward position of his or her head limits communing with Nature to the occasional glimpse of a darting magpie, or a basking lizard on the quieter roads. Unlike the followers of Hairy! Butler who roam into alien territory and turn over rocks and pry into holes, the runners! specimens lay there slain, deformed, victims of radial power.

By "sensations", I mean the interpretation and identification, through sight and smell, of those pieces of fur, feathers, skins, and even fins, splattered across the roadway.

Most of the fauna have only wandered on to the road in search of the other side. Instead, they have become sacrifices to semi, four-wheel-drive, or other vehicular might.

"Little things, that run, and quail, And die, in silence and despair! Little things, that fight, and fail, And fall, on sea, and earth and air!"

(James Stephens)

Naturalists tell us that our holidaying Antipodeans drive over, past, alongside and through over 1400 species of birds, reptiles and mammals.

Sightings of road-casualty creatures can enliven many a run. Although defunct, the surrounding countryside, their habitat, gives a clue to their previous existence and, alas no more, life-style.

Spotting the Splot adds interest. Ascertaining the cause of every lump, hump, bump or discolouration takes the mind off offending engineeers and roadmakers who allow holes and hollows to exist. Keen runners, scanning the roadways like a radar beacon for pitfalls for the unwary, have all the attributes of good "spotters", acute vision and concentration. Perhaps one day their services will be conscripted to assist in counts of endangered will-life. For the time being, the practice of counting squashed "bunnies" or "birds" could be more encouraging than counting passing competitors.

The runner has a decided advantage in being close to the remnants or remains of these non-survivors which are unmercifully decimated. Ascertaining the species adds another dimension to road-racing.

"Now the animal
Is dead and dumb and done.
Nevermore to peep again, creep again, leap again,
Eat or sleep or drink again.

Oh, what fun"
...said Walter de la Mare in an indictment on hunting. It applies equally to some motorists, although most wild life deaths are accidental.

I suppose we're all vunerable. These flattened losers were part of the passing parade too.

by Betti Woodburn, from a runner's point of view! and with apologies to Squashed Critters of the Australian Roads, C.Morris, Rigoy, 1982. (an amazing road guide and nature booklet)

Towards the end of June last year, a well-credentialled Croydon Vet. invited me to join in on a Tuesday nights run. As I had only commenced jogging a few weeks earlier, I was most reluctant to accept. However, due to the regard I had for the friend inviting me, I decided to have a go. I was very nervous with some embarrassment about running against seasoned performers. I needn't have been, as I was greeted and welcomed by people I hadn't met before, but wish I had. The feeling of being welcome and the friendliness had replaced the formalities which I feared. Since that first night when I pushed my'heaving bulk' around 16 laps of the Croydon track, I have developed a great love for running and the people in the sport. A year passes and a lot happens. I feel younger, I'm much fitter, lighter, healthier, faster, more tolerant, enjoying life more and feeling like I am achieving something again in my life.

The bottom line to all this is simple. Here is one person who had a

The bottom line to all this is simple. Here is one person who had a kind friend invite me to join in with one of the greatest groups of people known to mankind, the Victorian Veterans Athletic Club. I am sure, if there is a friend in a similar situation as myself, an invitation to join our marvellous association would be greatly appreciated in the long term. Sometimes, embarrassment or lack of confidence can prohibit someone from making the first step, but as I had found, a friend asking certainly can overcome some personal barriers. I can vouch for this and I often try to get people along to our gatherings. One day, I may reward someone as I have been rewarded.

MARATHONS by

by Ernie Jeffs

Twenty six miles is a long, long way,
If it takes two hours or it takes all day,
It's hard on your legs, your mind and your feet,
But if you finish O.K., then victory is sweet.

You hope for a day that is free of the sun, Yet fine and mild with no wind for the run. A course that is flat and a surface that is kind, No hollows, no hills, no traffic to mind.

Scores of competitors with varying speeds, Go through their paces with varying needs. Some drink water at allocated spots, Others are dogged by many toilet stops.

The first few miles are full of bright talk, Will I run all the way or will I walk? Can I bear the pressure and the strain, Will I fight to the line in nagging pain?

The middle miles are quiet, heads are down, Some bearing smiles, others a frown.

Am I in time with the training I've had, Will I keep up this rhythm or will I go bad?

After twenty, it sorts out the crowd, Finish this one for your record so proud. Blisters and cramp, can give you a fright, Even when the line in nearly in sight.

Keep up your battle, both trier and champ, Marathoners are made with one special stamp. They're strong in the legs and body and mind, Athletes more determined are hard to find.

Whether you finish up front or back with the rest, You should get a medal to pin on your chest. To go through this test is effort extreme, And the emotional kick is nearing supreme.

RESULTS OF V.A.A. ROAD CHAMPIONSHIPS AT BRIGHTON ON JUNE 17TH 1984

Veterans A.C. Results - 10KM

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RESULTS OF WOMENS 6KM C.C.C. AT BRIMBANK PARK, KEILOR ON 21/7/84

Dot Browne	22.08	Shirley Young	28.39
Iris Cook	22.42	Jo McGarity	28.44
Jean Albury	26.58	Merrilyn Tait	36.32
Ronnie Black	27 30		

FITTODE by David Gordon GP, submitted by Tom Roberts

I sit in my surgery, my weight is just right,
Tobacco forbidden, bed early each night,
But both my feet ache from jogging this morning,
A pain in my calf that comes on without warning,
From a muscle I pulled at squash last weekend.
At the same time a disc went when I tried to bend.

My finger a cricket ball hit and did crack it,
Three stitches are over my brow - tennis raquet,
While sitting in comfort just opposite me,
Is a five foot six patient, who weighs sixteen-three,
He eats like a horse and drinks beer like a fish,
Never does exercise, smokes fortyish.

He's come for a check-up, and says he feels great, How can I tell him to start losing weight? Give up his smoking and drinking each night? Begin to do sport? I haven't the right! As I sit in my chair, my mind starts to roam. What a bloody example! I wish he'd go home!

("FIttode" is reprinted from "Prescriptions" a collection of verses from his medical experiences, by Dr.David Gordon, a British G.P.)

RESULTS OF 8KM CROSS COUNTRY V.A.A. RUN AT THE WARRAGUL BOG

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4KM CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIP - WOMEN			
Dot Browne Iris Cook Chris Hildebrand	15.43 16.02 17.20	Shirley Young Marg Brown Glenda Humphreys Judy Peters Marlene Stanway AT BRIGHTON - 17TH JUN	
Veteran Womens Results			
Dot Browne Jean Albury Jan Morrey Glenda Humphreys Joe McGarity Judy Peters	42.40	Shirley Young Marg Brown Judy Wines Clare McKerr Merrilyn Tait	44.28 44.02 45.06 54.36 57.10
RESULTS OF V.A.A. 16KM.C.C.C. AT BRIMBANK PARK - 21ST JULY'84			
Tony Cook Kevin Solomon Tom Gray Gary Hyde Doug LeBas Ken Bunning Fred Brooks Richard Humphreys Mick Whiteoak Eric Greaves Fred Smith			64.35 64.40 65.41 66.04 67.09 68.24 69.46 70.45 71.55 72.16 73.11 73.54 75.44 76.03 81.52 85.36