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#### **EDITORIAL**

You don't win the Comrades by taking the lead early (unless your name is Alberto Salazar). And you don't win it by changing your shoes either – not once, but twice.

Despite the presence of a talented international contingent, including two former champions, the 89<sup>th</sup> Comrades Marathon between Pietermaritzburg and Durban was a triumph for South African men, who took the first three places – the first time this has happened since 1992.

Bongmusa Mthembu, who was second behind Ludwick Mamabolo in the last "down" run two years ago, but did not finish last year's "up" run, took the title this time in 5:28:34, followed by Mamobolo in 5:33:14 and Gift Kelehe in 5:34:39. There were seven South Africans in the top ten, with triple champion Stephen Muzhingi (ZIM) finishing fourth. At times the men's race looked like a game of musical chairs as the lead among the top five changed constantly.

In the women's race the once indomitable Nurgalieva twins, although finishing second and third, were reduced to constant walking, accompanied by frequent glances over their shoulders, after the last big ascent, Cowie's Hill, 18 km from the finish. Spectators who have become used to their dominant performances over the past eleven years, during which they took ten titles between them, were shocked to see them lying prone on the grass at the finish for many minutes before Olesya was taken away on a stretcher.

They were beaten soundly by Briton Eleanor Greenwood, who in the last down run finished only 72 seconds behind Elena Nurgalieva (after leading at halfway). Greenwood's 6:18:15 was almost 10 minutes slower than in 2012, but she turned a deficit of more than four minutes at halfway into a win of more than five minutes as the twins wilted under the effects of their fast early pace and the warm conditions.

The first South African woman was not the favoured Charné Bosman, who dropped out after  $4\frac{1}{2}$  hours of running after being in fifth for most of the race until then, but Caroline Wostmann, who was sixth in 6:51:43. Bosman fainted and collapsed, possibly caused by medication she has been taking for a thyroid gland problem.

For many South Africans, though, the most heart-warming performance of the day came from 48-year-old Zola Pieterse, who finished seventh in 6:55:55. Pieterse, a two-time world cross-country champion who still holds the world junior records for the mile, 2000 m and 3000 m, dedicated the race to fellow Bloemfontein resident Pierre Korkie, who has been held captive by al-Qaeda for more than a year in Yemen. Korkie was her coach in the late eighties and she – with hundreds of other participants following her example – wore a yellow ribbon to show solidarity with Korkie.

At the finish she called it "probably the hardest race of my life. I knew I was in great form, but you never know with this distance. But every time I suffered, I thought of Pierre and then felt better again."

The race started in the usual fashion with a number of over-confident runners storming off in the darkness from in front of the Pietermaritzburg City Hall, hoping to win the "hot spot" prizes on offer along the way. The real contenders were biding their time in several large groups further down the field.

After 65 minutes of running Charles Soza (ZIM), Elmore Sibanda (ZIM) and Anele Dlamini were leading, with Swedish star Jonas Buud, second last year, about six minutes in arrears and South African marathon record holder Gert Thys in seventh. Another Zimbabwean, Peter Tadziripa, was leading the main chasing group of about twenty runners.

Sibanda pulled away soon after, with Soza following him at a distance. Soza drew even with 1:45:40 on the clock and after running together with his rival for two minutes, moved decisively away. At this stage Buud had been joined by Russia's Vasiliy Larkin, whose 6:18:26 in St. Petersburg was by far the fastest 100 km in the world last year.

Between Buud and Larkin was a group of twenty that contained many of the main contenders, among them 2012 winner Ludwick Mamabolo, Muzhingi, Rufus Photo, Mthembu, Joseph Mphuthi, Butiki Jantjies and Petros Sosibo. Nine-time winner Bruce Fordyce, doing TV commentary, said: "The winner will come from this group."

On the steep climb up Inchanga Thys, who has been very inconsistent in his forays over the ultra distances, with a fourth position in the 2012 Two Oceans, but also DNFs in the 2011 and 2013 Two Oceans, as well as the 2012 and 2013 Comrades, was 35 seconds behind Soza, with Collin Parura (ZIM) third, Elias Mabane fourth and Mike Fokoroni (ZIM) fifth.

Soza reached halfway at Drummond in 2:36:25, with Thys second 23 seconds behind and Parura third, just over 5 minutes behind the South African. Three-time Two Oceans winner Marko Mambo (ZIM) was fifth behind Fokoroni, but more than six minutes behind the leader. Photo, ninth last year, was 14<sup>th</sup> and Mthembu 15<sup>th</sup> – almost 10 minutes behind Soza. Mphuthi was even further back in 18<sup>th</sup>.

On the steep 6 km climb out of Drummond towards Botha's Hill Thys gained on the leader with every stride and passed him at 2:44, pulling away easily and running with determination etched on his face. Earlier in the race he had stopped to change his shoes and he seemed to be running without trouble, as he did in the 2012 race, when he led by more than 5 minutes at Drummond – even though no other runner since Salazar in 1994 had led the race so early and still won.

In that race, after he had boasted beforehand that he would run under 5 hours, he started walking before the clock showed 3 hours. This time he lasted a while longer – if one does not count his second stop to change shoes yet again! It seemed to be planned, because his helpers even had a chair ready for him to sit on.

With Fordyce saying he could not believe what he was seeing, Thys sat down after 3 hours 15 minutes of running and pulled on another pair of new shoes. (Fortunately he remembered to also transfer his timing chip.) He resumed running, but three minutes later stopped again to fiddle with his shoes, then resumed once more, but much slower now.

He was still 90 seconds ahead of his closest rival, but the signs were ominous.

And, as expected, his lead did not last long. Mphuthi was gaining steadily, cutting through the field, and moved into third, followed by a group of eight that included Muzhingi (10<sup>th</sup> last year), Photo (9<sup>th</sup> last year), Mamabolo, Leboka Noto (LES) and Mthembu.

Thys was walking at intervals and had lost his rhythm. At 3:55 the group passed him and shortly afterwards he sat down on the railing at the side of the road and pulled off one shoe. He then dejectedly walked to the other side of the road and got into a vehicle.

At almost the same time Mambo, who had been looking impressive, stopped and sank to the ground with a severe cramp in his leg. His race, like that of Thys, was run.

Mphuthi, who finished seventh last year, was now in the lead, but behind him Photo had shaken off his rivals and caught Mphuthi with 21 km to go. His long, loping stride took him into the lead – but there was danger coming from behind.

His massive thighs eating up the ground, Mthembu went ahead just after 4:20 – only to see Photo spurting past to claim the last hot spot. But that was also the end of his challenge and from there Mthembu ran unchallenged to the finish.

Behind him a furious battle raged between Muzhingi and Kelehe, brother of 2001 winner Andrew, as they stormed up the tree-lined incline of Cowie's Hill. They traded surges – and shared a water bottle – after cresting the hill and hauled in Photo, who joined the battle. The lead changed many times and it was only after  $4\frac{1}{2}$  hours of running that Kelehe and Muzhingi could break free.

Mamabolo, running easily, was now fifth, followed by Mphuthi, Sepitle Phaladi, William Mokwalakwala and Latudi Makofane. Buud, who was only 13<sup>th</sup> at the top of Cowie's Hill, had started his push for the finish and was seventh.

Muzhingi was working hard and finally got rid of Kelehe just before 5 hours of running on the last, short but very steep, hill of the race. But none of them could withstand the charge of the defending down run champion. Mamabolo was looking as relaxed as if he had started the race an hour ago. He first sped past Kelehe, then Photo, and then Muzhingi.

But he had left it too late and although he looked the freshest of the top five, he was still 4:40 behind Mthembu at the finish. After the race Mthembu, who has improved each year on the last three down runs – from third in 5:37:49 in 2010 to second in 5:32:40 in 2012 and now first – thanked his coach, Willie Mtolo, who himself was second in the 1989 down run after a torrid battle with Sam Tshabalala.

In the last few kilometres Kelehe rallied to go pas Photo and Muzhingi to claim third.

It was the first time since 1992, when Jetman Msutu, Mark Page and Shaun Meiklejohn finished in that order that South Africans took the top three positions. (Charl Mattheus was first across the line, but was disqualified after a positive drug test.)

Buud, a strong favourite to win who said beforehand that "this is THE race, the one everyone wants to win", finished seventh, almost 10 minutes behind the winner. He was fourth and second in the last two up runs and is clearly a better up runner – a fact borne out by his seven consecutive wins in the Swiss Alpine Marathon.

Larkin clearly found the tough course difficult to handle and just missed out on the tenth and last gold medal, finishing 19 seconds behind Makofane. (Larkin's brilliant 100 km time last year is not the second fastest of all time, as the TV commentators repeatedly said, but the seventh fastest. Also, he is 22 and not 23.)

In the women's race the Nurgalieva twins went out fast and at halfway was more than 4 minutes ahead of Greenwood and 15 minutes ahead of Bosman, who was then still looking strong. Camille Herron (USA) was in fourth, 2:22 behind Greenwood. Irinia Antropova (RUS), who was third last year, was sixth and Pieterse seventh.

The twins stretched their lead to almost 9 minutes after 58 km, but the first sign of trouble appeared on Cowie's Hill, when Olesya started walking. But soon afterwards Elena also slowed and at the top of the hill they were together again. Greenwood, in the meantime, was working her way steadily up the hill – where, two years ago, she was the one doing the walking.

There was no sign of that this time and when she went over the top she had reduced the gap to less than 8 minutes. Over the next hour the Nurgalievas' pace dropped alarmingly and both of them walked at times, looking exhausted. They kept on moving, however, but there was no stopping the slender Britsh runner, who lives in Canada. At 7 km to go she was only 2:45 behind and looked unstoppable.

At 5 minutes past 6 hours Greenwood overtook Elena without a glance, after having disposed of Olesya a few minutes earlier. From there on Elena stopped a few times, often turning completely around to look for her sister. They would finish 1:33 apart in what is by far their slowest times for the down run.

At Cowie's Hill Herron was still fourth, but she would drop out soon afterwards. Jo Meek (GBR) had moved into sixth, with Frida Södermark (SWE) seventh and Pieterse eighth. Over the last few kilometres Pieterse was passed by Wostmann to finish as the second South African.

Afterwards Greenwood, who showed little sign of fatigue, said her win was "a dream come true". She said she had been "tormented" by her narrow loss in 2012 and had done more speed work for this year's race. She added that "the downhill is to my advantage", but for the 2015 up run "I'll train to be an uphill runner".

Leonid Shvetsov (RUS), who holds both the up and down run records, finished in 8:26:21. Four-time winner Alan Robb achieved his 41<sup>st</sup> medal in 8:43:20, while triple winner Vladimir Kotov (BLR) was third in the masters category (50-59) won by another former champion, Meiklejohn.

□ In the Prefontaine Classic meeting in Eugene, part of the IAAF Diamond League, Johan Cronjé continued his record-breaking form of last year when he surpassed Johan Fourie's 27-year-old SA record for the mile with a time of 3:50.70. Fourie ran his 3:50.82 in Port Elizabeth on 11 March 1987. Last year Cronjé twice broke Johan Landsman's 19-year-old 1500-metre record of 3:33.56, first with 3:33.46 in Doha and then with 3:31.93 in Rieti. Cronjé was ninth



Sisters René and Christine Kalmer at the Freihofer's Run for Women 5 km in Albany, New York, this weekend. [Photograph supplied]

in the Bowerman Mile, won by Ayanleh Suleiman (DJI) in 3:47.32 – the world's fastest mile since 2007. (Interestingly, the three SA record holders share the same first name, Johan.)

 $\Box$  In the Freihofer's Run for Women 5 km in Albany, USA, René Kalmer finished ninth in a PB of 16:12, the ninth fastest time ever by a South Afican. Sister Christine was  $13^{th}$  in 16:38 and Nolene Conrad  $15^{th}$  in 16:53, both PBs. The Kalmers won the sister/sister award.

 $\Box$  The Voet of the Wine Route 10 km (results in last week's DRR) was not on 24 May, but on Sunday, 25 May. Also, the second man in the Love Run 10 km is not Bafana Bude, but Bafana Dube.

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#### INCLUDED IN THIS ISSUE:

- \* Comrades Marathon, Pietermaritzburg to Durban
- \* The Fast & Flat 10 km, Bellville
- \* Pick 'n Pay Brackenfell Half Marathon, Brackenfell
- \* Wilderness Half Marathon & 10 km, Hoekwil
- \* XC: Gauteng North League Meeting, Pretoria; WP League Meeting, Youngsfield

# **International highlights:**

- \* Bolder BOULDER 10 km & International Team Challenge, Boulder, USA
- \* Tamarack Ottawa Race Weekend, Ottawa, CAN
- \* Bupa Westminster Miles, London, GBR
- \* 100 km del Passatore, Faenza, ITA
- \* Track: Prefontaine Classic, Eugene, USA; IAAF World Relays, Nassau, BAH; World Challenge Beijing, Beijing, CHN

#### **NEWS**

#### STARLING PLUMBERS 10 KM IS SHORT

In last week's *Distance Running Results* it was mentioned that the Race Time Bias (RTB) calculation for the Starling Plumbers Half Marathon in Mount Edgecombe showed a figure of -1.89 sec/km, well within the allowable limit of -5 sec/km, despite some very fast times.

In an e-mail to DRR well-known course measurer Norrie Williamson pointed out that the half-marathon route was validated the day before the event, but the 10 km was not. He said the course was 200 m short last year (DRR did not receive the 2013 results). No RTB calculation for the 10 km was made because three of the six runners in the results received are unknown to DRR and no other times could be found for them.

On Williamson's suggestion, the calculation was made for the three runners for whom previous performances were available and this resulted in a figure of -11 sec/km – more than twice the limit. This confirmed that the course is still short, and these times will not be used for statistical purposes.

#### **ROAD RUNNING**

#### **Comrades Marathon** (89<sup>th</sup>)

Pietermaritzburg to Durban, 1 June

(Distance: 89.28 km. Certified point-to-point downhill course, dropping from 670 m to sea level, but very hilly. Highest point: 870 m. Finishers: 9556 men + 2427 women = 11 983 total. Weather: About 11 °C at the start, very warm and humid later.)

Note 1: Zola Pieterse is not listed as the first veteran, presumably because she was not wearing age tags (a Comrades rule requirement). – Ed.

Note 2: Unfortunately the hot spot prizes were not available. – Ed.

#### MEN

1. Bongmusa Mthembu 5:28:34 R350 000 + R175 000i + R15 000ii

2.	Ludwick Mamabolo	5:33:14	R175 000
3.	Gift Kelehe	5:34:39	R130 000
4.	Stephen Muzhingi (ZIM)	5:35:18	R65 000
5.	Rufus Photo	5:35:30	R50 000
6.	Mncedisi Mkhize	5:36:06	R30 000
7.	Jonas Buud (SWE)	5:38:17	R25 000
8.	Manoko William Mokwalakwala	5:39:29	R22 000
9.	Prodigal Khumalo (ZIM)	5:39:36	R18 500
10.	Latudi Makofane	5:40:41	R16 500
11.	Vasiliy Larkin (RUS)	5:41:00	
12.	Lucas Nonyana ,	5:44:40	
13.	•	5:45:46	
	Dibate Charles Tjiane	5:46:18	
	Siphiwe Ndlela	5:46:36	
16.		5:49:03	
	Temo Rampuku (LES)	5:49:58	
18.	Peter Muthubi	5:54:03	
19.	Leboka Ernest Noto (LES)	5:54:51	
20.	Thabo Nkuna	5:56:19	
21.	Bethuel Netshifhefhe	5:56:47	
	Lovemore Chabata (ZIM)	5:58:41	
23.		5:59:38	
24.		6:00:02	
	Godfrey Sesenyamotse	6:00:48	
26.		6:01:47	
27.		6:01:47	
28.	David Ramafothole	6:02:30	
29.		6:02:56	
30.		6:04:44	
31.	Sanele Ndlela	6:04:44	
32.	David Gatebe	6:05:12	
33.	Lebohang Mahloane	6:05:48	
34.	Craig Cynkin	6:05:57	
35.		6:06:25	
36.	Michael Wardian (USA)	6:08:23	
37.		6:10:15	
38.		6:11:52	
39.		6:12:48	
40.		6:13:28	
41.	Mthetho Mntungwa	6:13:51	
42.	Knowledge Mokhele	6:14:37	
43.	Malusi Dlomo	6:14:51	
44.	Mbuyiseli Mema	6:14:54	
45.	Ernest Mokoo	6:15:31	
46.	Zwelithini Vaphi	6:15:39	
47.	Mziwenkosi Mjaja	6:16:11	
48.	Ayanda Mlotshwa	6:16:12	
49.	Patrick Kanyane	6:16:34	
50.	Teboho Sello (LES)	6:16:35	
51.	Delani Mkhize	6:16:55	
52.	Victor Ngubelanga	6:17:47	
52.	Butiki Jantjies	6:17:47	
54.	Eric Ngubane	6:18:13	
55.	Ian Sharman (GBR)	6:18:42	
56.	Maboko Sathekge	6:19:35	
57.	Khulekani Ngubane	6:19:59	
58.	Kirsten Leemans	6:20:02	

85. Imraan Paya (MAW)       6:36:39         86. Dumsani Dlamini       6:36:51         87. Best Ngwenya       6:37:14         88. Gregory Bishop       6:37:38         89. Thomas Nkuna       6:37:42         90. Innocent Nyawose       6:37:59         91. Jaco Barnard       6:38:01	59. 60. 61. 62. 63. 64. 65. 66. 71. 72. 73. 74. 75. 78. 79. 80. 81. 82. 83. 84.	Ruben Setumu Mkhonzeni Basi Petoro Gaebetse Petrus Moeletsane Phillip Shezi Albert Phungula Luzuko Mdeliswa Justice Nkosi Nkosinathi Ngcongo Xolani Bunge Mosongo Mokoatsi Donald Mohlahlo Mthokozisi Mbokombela Nathaniel Moiketsi Nqamulela Gumede Thanda Mthembu Richard Dlamini Reuben Maapola Mila Pasiya Simthembile Sibezani Sylvestor Maindi (KEN) Nthibi Nolo Sfiso Cili Mkanyiseli Mazeka Jabulani Nkabinde Ntheleng Mosime	6:20:34 6:21:27 6:21:35 6:22:14 6:23:21 6:24:44 6:25:20 6:25:30 6:25:57 6:26:53 6:27:34 6:28:25 6:28:32 6:28:32 6:28:58 6:30:41 6:31:07 6:31:29 6:33:06 6:34:34 6:35:02 6:35:45 6:36:01 6:36:07 6:36:25 6:36:35
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DNF: Gert Thys, Marko Mambo (ZIM), Joseph Mphuthi, Elmore Sibanda (ZIM), Claude Moshiywa, Moges Taye Mamo (ETH), Kanie Simons

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ii = incentive as first runner from Kwazulu-Natal

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<b>40-</b> 4	Jonas Buud (SWE)	5:38:17	R12 000
2.	Leboka Ernest Noto (LES)	5:54:51	R6000
3.	Bethuel Netshifhefhe	5:56:47	R3000
4.	Shingirai Badza (ZIM)	6:02:56	KSOOO
5.	Michael Wardian (USA)	6:08:23	
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1.	Shaun Meiklejohn	6:39:15	R9000
2.	Reform Ndlovu	6:45:44	R4500
3.	Vladimir Kotov	6:47:20	R3000
60+			
1.	Peter Erasmus	8:08:36	R8000
2.	Sam Damane	8:58:38	R6000
3.	Peter Sebola	9:04:47	R2000
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1.	MEN (Same prize money as men) Eleanor Greenwood (GBR)	6:18:15	R350 000 (no incentives)
2.	Elena Nurgalieva (RUS)	6:23:18	K330 000 (110 Incentives)
3.	Olesya Nurgalieva (RUS)	6:24:51	
3. 4.	Irina Antropova (RUS)	6:34:08	
<del>4</del> . 5.	Jo Meek (GBR)	6:47:02	
5. 6.	Caroline Wostmann	6:51:43	R30 000 + R175 000i
7.	Zola Pieterse	6:55:55	K30 000 1 K173 0001
8.	Frida Södermark (SWE)	6:57:33	
9.	Martinique Potgieter	7:00:46	
10.	Julanie Basson	7:02:50	
11.	Salome Cooper	7:06:03	
12.	Sophia Sundberg (SWE)	7:06:12	
13.	Fikile Mbuthuma	7:08:26	R15 000ii
14.	Kerry-Ann Marshall	7:08:57	
15.	Tina Major (AUS)	7:12:04	
16.	Riana van Niekerk	7:14:52	
17.	Lesley Train Austin	7:15:55	
18.	Lindy-Lee Fölscher	7:20:51	
19.	Ursula Turck	7:25:13	
20.	Melanie Banyard	7:36:44	
21.	Nonsikelelo Mbambo	7:38:09	
22.	Avril Halstead	7:38:54	
23.	Patricia Bahlmann	7:40:09	
24.	Ronel van Graan	7:40:53	
25.	Sarah Wilson	7:43:31	
26.	Ann Ashworth	7:43:48	
27.	Zelda Breytenbach	7:45:59	
28.	Mary-Anne Nieuwoudt	7:46:24	
29.	Stephanie Smith	7:46:56	
30.	Sarah Gray	7:47:37	
31.	Martine Baker	7:50:28	
32.	Nokholo Hlezupondo	7:51:26	
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37.	Nadine Breytenbach	7:59:45	
37. 38.	Karen Sobrino	8:09:48	
39.	Carly Kent	8:11:08	
40.	Kate Rees	8:13:20	
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98.	Vanessa Bowman	8:43:40
99.	Danielle Adlam	8:43:42
100.	Jenni Kruse	8:43:42
13	2. Amy Sproston (USA)	8:52:20

DNF: Thabita Tsatsa (ZIM), Alemtsehay Hailu Kakissa (ETH), Marina Zhalybina (RUS), Charné Bosman, Camille Herron (USA)

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#### 40-49:

1.	Tina Major (AUS)	7:12:04
2.	Lesley Train Austin	7:15:55
3.	Ursula Turck	7:25:13
4.	Ronel van Graan	7:40:53
5.	Zelda Breytenbach	7:45:59
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1.	Motlatsi Mohlamonyane	8:30:27
2.	Jane Mudau	8:33:26
3.	Rita van Wyk	8:39:09
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1.	Jacqueline Millett (GBR)	9:57:34
2.	Patricia Shaw	9:57:52
3.	Gloudien Spies	10:33:08

#### The Fast & Flat 10 km

Bellville, 31 May

(Certified loop course. Weather: cold with mist.)

<u>Note</u>: Zintle Xiniwe was first across the finish line in the women's race, but was disqualified for not starting at the proper starting line. Nancy Will set a new Western Province record for grandmasters (45:00), while Elmarie Coetzee, who was denied a masters list leader in the Brackenfell Half Marathon because of a too long course (see results below), got one here (40:10) – as did grandmaster Muhammad Kriel (3:35) and junior Pamela Moyikwa (35:07). – Ed.

#### MEN

- 1. Unathi Nteta (AAC) 30:11 (R1000)
- 2. Akhona Makila (VOB) 30:11 [correct] (R800)
- 3. Nkosinathi Madyo (Ned) 30:29 (R600)

Veterans: 1. Tsungai Mwanengeni (ZIM/NBMC) 30:42 (R200); 2. Graham Katzen (Itheko) 31:44 (R150); 3. Xolile Macanda (Gugs) 32:32 (R100). Masters: 1. Tobias Philander (Itheko) 35:09 (R200); 2. Eric Coetzee (Ind) 35:23 (R100); 3. Pikkie du Plessis (Edge) 39:43 (R50). G'masters: 1. Muhammad Kriel (Ommie) 38:35 (R200); 2. William Hendricks (Eerste) 45:31 (R100); 3. Paul Fortuin (VOB) 47:02 (R50). Juniors: 1. Anthony Timoteus (UWC) 30:51 (R200); 2. Heinrich Wagner (NBMC) 31:39 (R150); 3. Granwil Katzen (Itheko) 32:46 (R100).

WOMEN (Same prize money as men)

- 1. Pamela Moyikwa (VOB) 35:07 (1<sup>st</sup> jun)
- 2. Bulelwa Simae (Ned) 35:23
- 3. Danette Smith (NBMC) 37:50

**Veterans:** 1. Sandra van Graan (Edge) 39:24; 2. Sheryl de Lange (NBMC) 41:08; 3. Chantal Simpson (Ned) 42:08. **Masters:** 1. Elmarie Coetzee (NBMC) 40:10; 2. Mariëtte Strauss (Tyger) 41:51; 3. Olga Howard (Celtic) 43:06. **G'masters:** 1. Nancy Will (Pine) 45:00 (WP rec); 2. Helen du Plessis (Tyger) 48:31; 3. Pixie Sparg (Celtic) 51:30. **Juniors:** 1. Pamela Moyikwa (VOB) 35:07; 2. Busisiwe Gwala (VOB) 39:41; 3. Lolita Kievieto (UWC) 40:11.

# Pick 'n Pay Brackenfell Half Marathon

Brackenfell, 17 May

(Distance: 21.1 km; certified loop course, hilly in second half. Finishers: 1361 [up from 1090 last year].)

Note 1: The winner is probably Sibusiso Madikizela, who runs for the Manoni club. DRR has corrected the spelling of some names. The results were received from the race organisers. – Fd.

Note 2: The GPS watches of a number of athletes who DRR spoke to indicated the course to be between 300 m and 400 m too long. This means approx. 72 sec at a 4 min/km pace (for an extra 300 m). The error cost at least one athlete (Elmarie Coetzee in the masters category; fourth overall) a list leader. – Ed.

MEN					
1	Sibusiso	Manoni	Temp	22	1:05:56
2	Mthandazo	Qhina	Nedbank	35	1:06:41
3	Tsungai	Mwanengeni	ZIM/NBMC	40	1:07:37
4	Bernard	Rukadza	ZIM/Gugs	32	1:08:18
5	Peter	Tsawayo	ZIM/Gugs	33	1:09:41
6	Siviwe	Nkombi	Itheko	25	1:11:04
7	A.N. Other		Khayelitsha		1:11:37
8	Phumlani	Nxusani	Nedbank		1:12:50
9	Manfred	Samuels	Helderberg Harriers	23	1:12:52
10	Anele	Ndzuta	Khayelitsha	35	1:13:13
WOMEN					
WON	1FN				
WON 1		Seti	Itheko	33	1:25:20
WON 1 2	Nomvuyisi	Seti Hall	Itheko Carbineers	33 30	1:25:20 1:26:04
1 2		Seti Hall Stoltz	Itheko Carbineers Durbac	33 30 37	1:25:20 1:26:04 1:29:57
1	Nomvuyisi Candyce	Hall	Carbineers	30	1:26:04
1 2 3	Nomvuyisi Candyce Liesl	Hall Stoltz	Carbineers Durbac	30 37	1:26:04 1:29:57
1 2 3 4	Nomvuyisi Candyce Liesl Elmarie	Hall Stoltz Coetzee	Carbineers Durbac NBMC	30 37 50	1:26:04 1:29:57 1:30:19
1 2 3 4 5	Nomvuyisi Candyce Liesl Elmarie Helene	Hall Stoltz Coetzee Roux	Carbineers Durbac NBMC NBMC	30 37 50 30	1:26:04 1:29:57 1:30:19 1:30:59
1 2 3 4 5 6	Nomvuyisi Candyce Liesl Elmarie Helene Busisiwe	Hall Stoltz Coetzee Roux Matiwane	Carbineers Durbac NBMC NBMC Celtics	30 37 50 30 39	1:26:04 1:29:57 1:30:19 1:30:59 1:32:34
1 2 3 4 5 6 7	Nomvuyisi Candyce Liesl Elmarie Helene Busisiwe Marlize	Hall Stoltz Coetzee Roux Matiwane Vienings	Carbineers Durbac NBMC NBMC Celtics Tygerberg	30 37 50 30 39 38	1:26:04 1:29:57 1:30:19 1:30:59 1:32:34 1:32:50

#### Wilderness Half Marathon & 10 km

Hoekwil, 24 May

(Distances: 21.1 km & 10 km; out-and-back courses. Finishers: half marathon – 127 [up from 106 last year]; 10 km – 180 [same as last year].)

# Half marathon

MEI	N				
1	Gershwil	Jacobs	Nedbank	23	1:14:38
2	Lindile	Tokota	Nedbank	46	1:18:18
3	Melikhaya	Msizi	KMC	30	1:23:32

4 5 6 7 8 9	Ashwell Rodney Hermanus Elrick Anton Whayn Marshall	Clooco Halom Jonkerman Spiers Chevalier Windwaai Richenberg	Mosselbay Harriers Outeniqua Harriers Nedbank Rainbow Nedbank Sedgefield Striders Knysna Marathon	17 30 54 51 49 35 37	1:26:21 1:29:59 1:32:44 1:34:33 1:35:25 1:35:31 1:36:46
WON 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10	MEN Annatjie Charmaine Alexa Alison Susan Janet Carla Tiani Carike Candice	Botes Lamprecht de Villiers Jordaan Leppan Woodhead Coetzee Claassen Jacobs Kelton	Nedbank Nedbank Ind Nedbank Ind Plett AC Nedbank Ind Nedbank Outeniqua Harriers	56 30 31 47 49 34 25 23 37 26	1:43:32 1:45:31 1:51:17 1:54:27 1:58:09 1:58:33 2:01:42 2:02:27 2:02:31 2:06:38
10 I MEN 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10		Paatjies Maqaussa Pieterse Boome Gugushe Heyns Ntshiniyabo van Wyk Konstabel Botha	Nedbank Military Sport Nedbank KMC Plett AC Mosselbaai Harriers Outeniqua Harriers Plett AC Nedbank KMC	26 18 25 18 35 16 40 18 18 21	33:16 35:37 36:32 37:46 37:57 39:13 40:19 41:01 41:03 41:18
WON 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10	MEN Lisl Lana Nancy Renee Macnita Marie Liz Clarisha Karen Anique	Grobler Theunissen Cloete Moll Samuels Wolmarans Mills Pieterse le Roux le Roux	KMVC Nedbank Ind Nedbank KMC Nedbank KMC Nedbank KMC Mosselbay Harriers Ind Ind	38 41 27 44 17 55 35 15 47 20	44:41 46:16 47:13 48:47 49:32 50:35 51:49 52:29 56:25 56:25

# **CROSS-COUNTRY**

# **Gauteng North League Meeting** (5<sup>th</sup>) Pretoria, 24 May

Note: All distances are 4 km except where indicated otherwise. – Ed.

SR.	MEN (8 km)			
1	Precious	Mashele	Transnet	25:09
2	Sikhumbuzo	Seme	Transnet	25:10
3	George	Mofokena	Transnet	25:19

4 5 6 7 8 9	Willem Bafana Motsamai Mpho Rapelang Anele Sello	Ndzhukula Dube Motone Makofane Kgaje Sonqibido Lekalakala	Individual Transnet Transnet TUT Transnet Transnet Ikhozi	25:34 25:51 25:57 26:19 26:19 26:38 26:41
SR. N 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10	MEN Motsamai Pheeha Thabang Frans Ben Gino Andy Charles Martin Mathews	Motone Victor Madiba Makola Mutisu Nkoe Mukona Malatji Nkoe Matsetela	Transnet Monaco Born 2 Run Transnet Themba Prestige Nissan Transnet Monaco TUT Nedbank	12:41 13:06 13:08 13:09 13:10 13:25 13:38 13:48 13:59 14:39
1 2 3 MEN	40 (8 km) Piet Fritz Mattheus 45 (8 km)	Mosebedi Coetzee Matsetela	Transnet Individual Individual	29:07 29:56 33:22
1 2 3 MFN	Fanie Leon Andre 50 (8 km)	Van Vuuren Matthee Erasmus	Centak New Balance Individual	30:22 32:12 34:27
1 2 3	Piet Rob Japie 55 (8 km)	Lotter Hudson Badenhorst	ACRW Irene ACRW	32:29 33:17 34:05
1 2 3	Johnie Hendrik Wilbie 60 (6 km)	Jonker Smith Venter	Denel Overkruin Overkruin	36:03 38:09 38:58
1 2 3	Andre Chris Johan 65 (6 km)	Smith Callaghan Britz	PMK Enduro ACRW	30:24 31:05 34:08
1 2 3	Don Steve Harry 80 (6 km)	Charles Otto Van der Merwe	Nedbank AS Eagles Bronkhorstspruit	25:19 27:31 28:57
1 MEN	Dion	Heigers	ACRW	43:54
1 2 3	Moses Jacob Tebogo 1EN (8 km)	Dirane Tseko Segalagala	Themba Prestige TUT Hunter	12:38 12:44 12:55
1 2 3	Nathan Tshepo Phumlani 5 17 (6 km)	Hutton Leeto Mthembu	Amandasig TUT Rosina Sedibane	25:45 26:00 26:03
1 2	Kwanele Ikageng	Mthembu Gaurekgwe	Prestige College Vorentoe	19:48 20:02

3	Maurice	Van Wyk	Overkruin	21:03
SR. V 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	WOMEN (8 km Andrea Kataza Prudence Simangele Nandipha Mariska Patience Nthabiseng Penelope	) Steyn Shipalana Zwane Mabuza Dywili Steinbach Khumalo Tshehla Mataidobou	Cycle Lab TUT Transnet Transnet Transnet New Balance TUT Monaco Ikhozi	30:06 30:37 31:11 31:15 31:54 32:36 32:40 34:35 37:10
SR. V 1 2 3 4 5 6	WOMEN Thitshaamba Thembi Anuscha Palesa Kathryn Sune	Ravhandalala Baloyi Nice Madca Thomas Van Wyk	TUT TUT Tuks TUT New Balance VTM	14:15 14:23 14:38 15:50 17:46 18:53
1 2 3	IEN 40 Ronel Seanette Christelle IEN 45	Thomas Van Rooyen Ferreira	Boxer GNMA Montana	15:03 17:11 21:26
1 2 3 WOM	Canie Lettie Hanna IEN 50	Cullen Saayman Van Tonder	Individual Nedbank Akasia	18:14 19:00 20:24
1 2 3	Adri Janet Teresa IEN 55	Van Dyk Van der Merwe Le Roux	Individual New Balance VTM	20:00 22:08 25:08
1 2 3	Christa Elsie Roshinee 1EN 60	Mouton Mokone Moodley	Agape Temba Prestige PMMC	21:25 24:37 25:58
1 2 WOM	Rina Vere IEN 65	Pretorius Moorhouse	SABS Phobians	22:28 25:31
1	Ella 1EN 75 Antoinette 1EN 23	Smith Van Rooyen	PMK Transnet	<ul><li>23:59</li><li>27:33</li></ul>
1 2 3	Murendwa Happiness Alicia VOMEN (6 km)	Davhana Mkhize Labuschagne	TUT Tuks Wonderboom	14:55 15:27 15:51
1 2 3	Marne Thandeka Simone S 17	Mentz Manzana Verwey	Centurion Prestige College Eldoraigne	21:59 23:02 23:18
1 2 3	Lethabo Lize Sibongile	Seema Botha Hlanjwa	Tuks Centurion Tuks	15:10 15:23 15:42

# **WP League Meeting** (4<sup>th</sup>) Youngsfield, 24 May

Note: All distances are 4 km except where indicated otherwise. – Ed.

SR. 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10	MEN (12 km Xolisa Heinrich Wanda Andrew Duran Phumlani Enver Christopher Marks Lwandile	Batala Camphor Roro Louw Byman Nxusani Pedro	VOB NBMC Itheko Easterns Itheko Nedbank NBMC NBMC NBMC No Club	39:02 39:05 39:07 39:15 39:26 40:02 40:03 40:55 41:21 41:22
SR. 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10	MEN Akhona Xolisa Vuyolwethu Emiele Duwayne Enver Duran Danzil Bulelani Envor	Makila Batala Mbukushe Paulsen Philander Pedro Faro Paulse Bhebha Rhodas	VOB Harare Gugs NBMC UWC NBMC UWC Easterns VOB Easterns	13:36 13:44 13:57 13:57 14:03 14:06 14:08 14:16 14:17 14:21
1 2 3 MA: 1 2 3	TERAN MEN ( Xolile Sabelo Shawn STER MEN (8 Eric Chris Julian IASTER MEN Clive Awie Christian	Macanda Ngcwama Abrahams km) Coetzee Mitchell Paul	Gugs Celtic Harriers Itheko  No Club Celtic Harriers Defence WP  Edgemead Helderberg Harr VOB	28:33 28:49 28:59 30:31 30:58 31:36 32:24 33:07 37:18
U.1 1 2 3	9 (8 km) Bruce-Lynn		WCSS UWC UWC Eerste River Eerste River VOB	25:57 26:01 26:19 19:31 19:33 19:45
SR. 1 2 3 4 5	WOMEN (8 I Bulelwa Amy Candyce Leigh Busisiwe	km) Simae Abrahams Hall Barrow Matiwane	Nedbank WP UWC Carbineers UCT Celtic Harriers	32:57 33:31 33:38 34:01 34:22

6 7 8 9 10	Leanda Sheryl Anneline Patricia Mariëtte	du Bruyn de Lange Roffey Adams Strauss	CPUT NBMC NBMC Itheko Tygerberg	34:58 35:11 35:27 35:41 37:42
SR 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10	. WOMEN Lee-Shay Anel Adri Anneline Anja Annika Madelé Nocwaka Alicia Nontando	Willemse Terblanche Meyer Roffey Wolstenholme Almendro du Plessis Mthetho Hartnick Mabusela	Velocity Celtic Harriers UCT NBMC Durbanville Bellville Edgemead VOB Helderberg Harr Gugs	17:52 18:08 18:25 18:26 18:51 19:02 19:22 19:27 19:37 19:41
1 2 3	TERAN WOM Wilna Sheryl Ursula STER WOME	Eybers de Lange Frans	Strand NBMC NBMC	17:33 18:26 18:51
1 2 3	Mariëtte Olga Bev 1ASTER WON	Strauss Howard Charters	Tygerberg Celtic Harriers VOB	18:58 19:27 19:56
1 2 3	Nancy Pixie Theresa .9 (6 km)	Will Sparg Isaacs	Pinelands Celtic Harriers VOB	21:33 23:28 24:11
1 2 3 U.1	Annie Pamela Lolita	Bothma Moyikwa Kievieto	Nedbank VOB UWC	22:35 22:52 25:22
1 2 3	Hayley Assnique Lauren	Preen Robinson Jonathan	Hout Bay Harriers Bellville VOB	16:41 17:28 17:46

#### **INTERNATIONAL**

International results and news with acknowledgement to *Race Results Weekly, Athletics International, e-Track Newsletter, Running USA Wire,* Ken Nakamura, Wim van Hemert, the IAAF and various other websites. South Africans' performances are highlighted in yellow.

# **ROAD RUNNING**

# **Bolder BOULDER 10 km** (36th) & International Team Challenge (17th)

Boulder, USA, 26 May

(Certified point-to-point course for citizen and elite runners with slight elevation gain; Boulder is at high altitide [1655 m].)

# INTERNATIONAL TEAM CHALLENGE MEN (extended gun times) Individuals:

1. Afewerki Berhane, ERI 29:11.4 \$4000+ 2. Allan Kiprono, KEN 29:13.1 3000+ 3. Solomon Deksisa, ETH 29:21.7 2250

- 4. Juan Luis Barrios, MEX 29:30.3 1000 \$500 5. Samson Gebreyohannes, ERI 29:48.1 1050 ... 9. Ryan Hall, USA Red 30:13.0 800
- Teams (cross-country scoring):
- 1. ERITREA, 16 points (1-5-10) \$15,000
- 2. ETHIOPIA, 24 points (3-6-15) 10,000
- 3. USA RED, 32 points (9-11-12) 17,500+
- 4. KENYA, 40 points (2-16-22) 6,000
- 5. MEXICO, 47 points (4-18-25) 4,000

# INTERNATIONAL TEAM CHALLENGE WOMEN (extended gun times)

#### Individuals:

- 1. Mamitu Daska, ETH 32:21.7 \$4750+
- 2. Shalane Flanagan, USA Red 33:05.2 6500+
- 3. Risper Gesabwa, KEN 33:39.3 2000
- 4. Deena Kastor (40+), USA Red 33:59.0 2500+
- 5. Ines Melchor, PER 34:19.4 800 ... 16. Sara Hall, USA Red 35:25.3 ... 20. René Kalmer, RSA 35:57.5 ... 24. Nolene Conrad, RSA 36:41.2 ... 26. Christine Kalmer, RSA 37:25.0
- Teams (cross-country scoring):
- 1. ETHIOPIA, 15 points (1-6-8) \$15,000
- 2. KENYA, 22 points (3-7-12) 10,000
- 3. USA RED, 11 points (2-4-16) 17,500
- 4. ERITREA, 34 points (9-10-15) 6,000
- 5. PERU, 36 points (5-14-17) 4,000
- 6. USA BLUE, 49 points (11-13-25)
- 7. USA WHITE, 61 points (18-21-22)
- 8. MEXICO, 69 points
- 9. SOUTH AFRICA, 70 points
- +) Includes time and/or training fund bonus

#### **Tamarack Ottawa Race Weekend**

Ottawa, CAN, 24 & 25 May

(Distances: 42.195 km [IAAF certified loop course with negligible start/finish separation] & 10 km [out-and-back course with negligible start/finish separation; early start for elite women].)

<u>Note</u>: In the marathon, Ethiopia's Yemane Tsegay ran the fastest time ever on Canadian soil, good for US\$40 000 in prize money and bonuses. – Ed.

#### Scotiabank Ottawa Marathon (40th) (25 May)

(Canadian Marathon Championships)

#### MEN (gun times)

- 1. Yemane Tsegay, ETH 2:06:54 CR USD 20,000 + 10,000\* + 10,000^
- 2. Mulugeta Wami, ETH 2:08:18 12,000 3. Ishmael Bushendich, KEN 2:08:35 10,000

### WOMEN (gun times)

- 1. Tigist Tufa, ETH 2:24:31 CR USD 20,000 + 10,000\*
- 2. Meseret Tolwak, ETH 2:27:26 12,000

<ol><li>Agnes Kiprop, KEN</li></ol>	2:28:05	10,000
4. Etalemahu Kidane, ETH	2:29:00	5,000
5. Makda Harun, ETH	2:29:30	4,000

- \*) Course record bonus
- ^) CAN all-comers record bonus + Hyundai Sante Fe SUV

# Lowertown Brewery Ottawa 10 km (28th) (24 May)

MEN (gun times)

<ol> <li>Wilson Kiprop, KEN</li> </ol>	28:01 U	SD 6000
2. David Kogei, KEN	28:07	3500
3. Geoffrey Mutai, KEN	28:09	2000
4. Edwin Kipyego, KEN	28:22	1200
5. Kinde Atanaw, ETH	28:29	1000
8. Gladwin Mzazi, RSA	29:28	500

#### ALL-WOMEN'S ELITE RACE (gun times)

Note: The women started 4 minutes, 10 seconds ahead of the men --Ed.

<ol> <li>Mary Keitany, KEN</li> </ol>	31:22 C	R USD 6000	+ 2000* -	+ 4000 <i>′</i>
2. Ruti Aga, ETH	32:21	3500		
2 Canalina Kilal KENI	22.21	2000		

- 3. Caroline Kilel, KEN
   32:31
   2000

   4. Lucy Macharia, KEN
   32:40
   1200

   5. Asmae Leghzaoui, MAR
   32:48
   1000
- \*) Course record bonus
- ^) Gender challenge bonus

### **Bupa Westminster Miles** (2nd)

(British Athletics Road Mile Championships)

The Mall, London, GBR, 24 May

(Distance: 1 mile; J-shaped course around the perimeter of St. James's Park, finishing in front of Buckingham Palace)

#### SR. MEN

- 1. Chris O'Hare, Edinburgh AC, 4:06
- 2. Chris Warburton, Notts AC, 4:07
- 3. Jonny Hay, Aldershot, Farnham & District, 4:07

#### SR. WOMEN

- 1. Alison Leonard, Blackburn, 4:35
- 2. Helen Clitheroe, 1974, Preston, 4:35
- 3. Charlene Thomas, Wakefield, 4:37
- ... 5. Julia Bleasdale, Hillingdon, 4:39

#### **ULTRA/MOUNTAIN/TRAIL RUNNING**

#### 100 km del Passatore (42nd)

Faenza, ITA, 24 May

<u>Note</u>: Giorgio Calcaterra got his 9th consecutive victory here, but had to beat back a strong challenge from Hermann Achmüller. – Ed.

#### MEN (gun times)

- 1. Giorgio Calcaterra, 1972, ITA 7:05:06 € 1000 + 300i
- 2. Hermann Achmüller, 1971, ITA 7:08:40 600 + 250i

3. Daniele Palladino, ITA 7:12:29 400 + 200i

# i) Earned time incentive bonus

# WOMEN (gun times)

1. Marija Vrajic, CRO 7:51:43 € 1000 + 500i 2. Veronika Jurisic, CRO 8:13:10 600 + 250i 3. Neza Mravlje, SLO 8:30:51 400 + 200i

i) Earned time incentive bonus

#### **TRACK**

# **Prefontaine Classic** (40th)

(3rd stop of Diamond League) Eugene, USA, 30 & 31 May

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MEN 800 (31):  1 Nijel Amos 2 Mohamed Aman 3 Abubaker Kaki 4 Pierre-Ambroise Bosse 5 Adam Kszczot 6 Marcin Lewandowski 7 David Rudisha 8 Andrew Osagie 9 Alfred Kipketer 10 Duane Solomon Bram Som	BOT ETH SUD FRA POL POL KEN GBR KEN USA NED	1:43.63 1:43.99 1:44.09 1:44.44 1:44.65 1:44.79 1:44.87 1:45.37 1:46.15 1:47.40 DNF	
<ol> <li>mile (31):</li> <li>Ayanleh Souleiman</li> <li>Silas Kiplagat</li> <li>Aman Wote</li> <li>Abdelaati Iguider</li> <li>James Magut</li> <li>Collins Cheboi</li> <li>Asbel Kiprop</li> <li>Matthew Centrowitz</li> <li>Johan Cronje</li> <li>Bethwel Birgen</li> <li>Taoufik Makhloufi</li> <li>Mekonnen Gebremedhin</li> <li>Henrik Ingebrigtsen</li> <li>Will Leer</li> </ol>	DJI KEN ETH MAR KEN KEN USA RSA KEN ALG ETH NOR USA	3:47.32 3:47.88 3:48.60 3:49.09 3:49.43 3:50.26 3:50.26 3:50.53 3:50.70 3:51.12 3:52.16 3:53.22 3:53.62 3:56.72	NR NR
5000 (31): 1 Caleb Ndiku 2 Yenew Alamirew 3 Edwin Soi 4 Albert Rop 5 Isiah Koech 6 John Kipkoech 7 Hagos Gebrhiwet	KEN ETH KEN BRN KEN KEN ETH	13:01.71 13:02.91 13:04.92 13:06.12 13:07.55 13:11.02 13:13.19	

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13:14.23

9 Chris Derrick 10 Hassan Mead 11 Ben True 12 Collis Birmingham 14 Bernard Lagat	USA USA USA AUS USA	13:15.55 13:19.57 13:25.11 13:27.17 13:31.23	
10000 (30):  1 Galen Rupp 2 Paul Tanui 3 Bedan Karoki 4 Stephen Sambu 5 Emmanuel Bett 6 Kenneth Kipkemoi 7 El Hassan El Abbassi 8 Teklemariam Medhin Welc 9 Birhan Nebebew 10 Timothy Toroitich 11 Goitom Kifle 12 Bouabdellah Tahri 13 Samuel Chelanga	USA KEN KEN KEN KEN MAR Beslasie ERI ETH UGA ERI FRA KEN	26:44.36 26:49.41 26:52.36 26:54.61 27:21.61 27:30.94 27:32.96 27:38.83 27:42.89 27:43.27 27:43.30 27:57.52 27:59.74	AR
WOMEN 1500 (31):  1 Hellen Obiri 2 Abeba Aregawi 3 Faith Kipyegon 4 Jenny Simpson 5 Sifan Hassan 6 Eunice Sum 7 Brenda Martinez 8 Laura Weightman 9 Zoe Buckman 10 Treniere Moser 11 Siham Hilali 12 Hannah England 13 Elise Cranny Phoebe Wright	KEN SWE KEN USA NED KEN USA GBR AUS USA MAR GBR USA USA	3:57.05 3:57.57 3:58.01 3:58.28 3:59.38 4:01.54 4:02.52 4:02.72 4:04.09 4:04.74 4:05.46 4:07.40 4:13.38 DNF	NR
2 miles (31):  1 Mercy Cherono  2 Viola Kibiwot  3 Mimi Belete  4 Shannon Rowbury  5 Sally Kipyego  6 Belaynesh Oljira  7 Margaret Muriuki  8 Betsy Saina  9 Jordan Hasay  10 Buze Diriba  11 Maryam Jamal  12 Renata Pliś	KEN KEN BRN USA KEN ETH KEN KEN USA ETH BRN POL	9:13.27 9:13.48 9:13.85 9:20.25 9:22.10 9:23.32 9:24.89 9:26.63 9:35.05 9:40.01 9:40.04 9:42.23	AR AR
3000 s/chase (31): 1 Sofia Assefa 2 Hiwot Ayalew 3 Emma Coburn 4 Etenesh Diro	ETH ETH USA ETH	9:11.39 9:12.89 9:17.84 9:25.69	

5	Purity Kirui	KEN	9:29.18
6	Lydia Chepkurui	KEN	9:32.03
7	Fancy Cherotich	KEN	9:41.02
8	Gesa-Felicitas Krause	GER	9:42.95
9	Ashley Higginson	USA	9:50.12
10	Habiba Ghribi	TUN	9:53.29
11	Eilish McColgan	GBR	10:15.59
	Milcah Chemos	KEN	DNF

### **IAAF World Relays** (1st)

Nassau, BAH, 24-25 May

(Prize money indicated in USD; each final had 8-deep prize money: USD 50,000-30,000-20,000-12,000-10,000-8,000-6,000-4,000. World records were worth a USD 50,000 bonus.)

<u>Note</u>: A third world record of 1:18.63 was set by the Jamaican men's team in the 4x200. – Ed.

#### MEN

4x800 (24):

1. KEN, 7:08.40 WL

[Ferguson Cheruiyot Rotich, 1:46.00; Sammy Kibet Kirongo, 1:45.70; Job Koech Kinyor, 1:47.90; Alfred Kipketer, 1:49.09]

2. POL, 7:08.69 NR

[Karol Konieczny, 1:49.90; Szymon Krawczyk, 1:49.10; Marcin Lewandowski, 1:45.90; Adam Kszczot, 1:44.79]

3. USA, 7:09.06

[Michael Rutt, 1:48.60; Robby Andrews, 1:47.20; Brandon Johnson, 1:48.10; Duane Solomon, 1:45.16]

4. AUS, 7:11.48 AR

[Joshua Ralph, Ryan Gregson, Jordy Williamsz, Jared West]

5. ESP, 7:19.90

[Kevin Lopez, Luis Alberto Marco, Alejandro Rodriguez, Francisco Roldan]

#### 4x1500 (25):

1. KEN, 14:22.22 WR (USD 50,000 bonus)

[Collins Cheboi, 3:38.60; Silas Kiplagat, 3:32.50; James Magut, 3:38.80; Asbel Kiprop, 3:32.32]

2. USA, 14:40.80 AR

[Pat Casey, 3:38.20; David Torrence, 3:36.60; Will Leer, 3:39.30; Leo Manzano, 3:46.70]

3. ETH, 14:41.22 NR

[Mekonnen Gebremedhin, Soresa Fida, Zebene Alemayehu, Aman Wote]

4. AUS, 14:46.04 NR

[Ryan Gregson, Sam Mcentee, Collis Birmingham, Jordy Williamsz]

5. ESP, 15:00.69

[Adel Mechaal, Alvaro Rodriguez, Carlos Alonso, Alberto Imedio]

#### WOMEN

#### 4x800 (25):

1. USA, 8:01.58

[Chanelle Price, 2:01.00; Geena Lara, 2:02.80; Ajee' Wilson, 1:59.10; Brenda Martinez, 1:58.68]

2. KEN, 8:04.28 AR

[Janeth Jepkosgei, 2:03.80; Agatha Jeruto Kimaswai, 2:01.70; Sylvia Chemutai Chesebe, 2:00.40; Eunice Sum, 1:59.18]

3. RUS, 8:08.19

[Irina Maracheva, Elena Koboleva, Tatyana Myazina, Svetlana Rogozina]

4. AUS, 8:13.26

[Brittany McGowan, Zoe Buzkman, Selma Kajan, Melissa Duncan]

5. JAM, 8:17.22 NR

[Yanique Malcolm, Simoya Campbell, Chrisann Gordon, Natoya Goule]

#### 4x1500 (24):

1. KEN, 16:33.58 WR (USD 50,000 bonus)

[Mercy Cherono, 4:07.50; Faith Kipyegon, 4:08.50; Irene Jelagat, 4:10.50; Hellen Obiri, 4:07.08]

2. USA, 16:55.33 AR

[Heather Kampf, 4:09.20; Katie Mackey, Kate Grace, Brenda Martinez (split data clearly wrong for last 3 runners]

3. AUS, 17:08.65 AR

[Zoe Buckman, Bridey Delaney, Brittany McGowan, Melissa Duncan]

4. ROU, 17:51.48 NR

[Claudia Bobocea, Florina Pierdevara, Anca Maria Bunea, Lenuta Peronela Simiuc]

# **World Challenge Beijing**

(IAAF World Challenge) Beijing, CHN, 21 May

#### MEN

#### 800:

- 1. André Olivier, RSA, 1:44.88
- 2. Erik Sowinski, USA, 1:45.68
- 3. Edwin Kiplagat Melly, KEN, 1:45.87
- 4. Teng Haining, CHN, 1:46.32 NR
- 5. Tyler Mulder, USA, 1:46.80

#### 3000 s/chase:

- 1. Paul Kipsiele Koech, KEN, 8:06.04
- 2. Jairus Kipchoge Birech, KEN, 8:06.55
- 3. Jonathan Muia Ndiku, KEN, 8:10.72
- 4. Hillary Kipsang Yego, KEN, 8:15.05
- 5. Bernard Mbugua Nganga, KEN, 8:17.29

#### WOMEN

#### 1500:

- 1. Rababe Arafi, MAR, 4:02.71 PB
- 2. Gudaf Tsegay, 1997, ETH, 4:02.83 PB/WYL/WJL
- 3. Luiza Gega, ALB, 4:03.12 NR
- 4. Tamara Tverdostup, UKR, 4:08.16
- 5. Kaila McKnight, AUS, 4:09.20

#### 3000 s/chase:

- 1. Purity Cherotich Kirui, KEN, 9:25.68
- 2. Salima Elouali Alami, MAR, 9:27.84 PB
- 3. Birtukan Adamu, ETH, 9:32.35
- 4. Gladys Jerotich Kipkemoi, KEN, 9:42.88
- 5. Fancy Cherotich, KEN, 9:51.89

#### **BACKGROUND**

#### **GUN TIMES NEEDED AT ALL TIMES**

The Association of Road Racing Statisticians (ARRS) has always campaigned for the availability of gun times (in contrast to chip times) for road races, and does not recognise any records unless they are gun times. This article was written by Ken Young in *The Analytical Distance Runner* about the difficulty statisticians often have to obtain gun times.

The Sydney Morning Herald Half Marathon (18 May 2014) managed to get a gun time for a V80 men's mark but claimed it was too difficult to obtain gun times for the top few elite finishers. This means that Michael Shelley's (AUS) 1:03:17 (net) will not be recognized nor will Nicole Chapple's (AUS) 1:11:24 (net). Race timing companies in most other countries around the world seem to have little difficulty in producing gun times when requested. It is unfortunate that a major race with prize money would have such low regard for seeing that their elite athletes receive proper recognition for their performances.

The Capital City (Edinburgh SCO) Marathon has provided race results for only the top three men and women (in both the marathon and half marathon), claiming that it is respecting the privacy of its runners by not releasing their results to the general public. I guess the right to privacy does not extend to the top three finishers.

Individual "race" events certainly have the right to opt out of the international record-keeping system if they so desire but in all honesty, they should clearly state on their race website, that marks achieved in their race will not be eligible for recognition as records or inclusion in rankings. Yeah, right. As a matter of clarification, the ARRS is only interested in gun times as far as ARRS records and rankings are concerned.

If race organizations choose to base awards on net times or an ouija board, that is their prerogative.

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#### **STATS TIME**

Here is our last list of performances in the 25 km – the senior women. Because so many of the times of the top ten are aided, the next five athletes with times on standard courses are added.

#### 25 KM: ALL-TIME TOP 10 WOMEN

1:27:26a	Colleen de Reuck	Pinetown	30-Jan-94
1:31:15	Nicole Fuller	Germiston	11-Jan-95
1:32:18	Tanith Maxwell	Berlyn	05-May-13
1:32:53a	Helen Lucre	Pinetown	25-Jan-87
1:33:12a	Cary-Ann Cave	Pinetown	27-Jan-08
1:33:23	Debbie van Rensburg	Durban	05-Feb-89
1:33:47	De Reuck-2	Durban	05-Feb-89
1:33:57*	Blanche Moila	Hillcrest	26-Jul-81
1:34:09a	Helen Lucre	Pinetown	27-Jan-85
1:34:11	Louisa Leballo	Pretoria	07-May-11
1:34:57a	Suzette Botha	Pinetown	29-Jan-12
1:35:08	Zelda Gresse	Germiston	19-Jan-83
1:35:17	René Kalmer	Johannesburg	23-Jan-11
1:35:32	Kalmer-2	Johannesburg	22-Jan-12
1:36:01	Sonja Laxton	Germiston	16-Jan-85
1:36:06	Ann Blunden	Secunda	13-Apr-85
1:36:33	Annette Falkson	Secunda	11-Apr-87

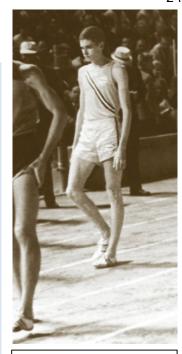
<sup>\*)</sup> Moila ran the same time in Durban on 5 February 1989.

#### THIS MONTH IN HISTORY

We continue our look back at the history of the mile. – Ed.

### 50 years ago: 5 June 1964

The mile at the world-famous Compton Invitational meeting in Los Angeles was "somewhat anticlimactic", wrote Cordner Nelson in Track & Field News, after the magnificent 5000metre race in which Bob Schul, who would become Olympic champion a few months later, set an American record in beating Kiwi Bill Baillie. Bert Nelson, Cordner's brother, called it "the best race I've ever seen". Yet the mile would be remembered far longer – not because until that point it was the deepest race ever in the USA, with eight runners under 4 minutes, but because the athlete in eighth place was only one month past his 17th birthday. Despite stumbling into the infield after being bumped by another runner on the second lap, Jim Ryun from East High School in Wichita, Kansas, up against some of the best milers in the US, became the first high schooler to run a dream mile with his 3:59.0. His splits were 59.2, 62.3, 61.3 and a blistering 56.2. Three months later he would make the US team for the Olympics in Tokyo, beating three of the runners ahead of him in LA.



A pensive and nervous young Jim Ryun goes to the starting line of the Compton Invitational mile . [Track & Field News]

#### **SOUTH AFRICAN ROAD LIST LEADERS FOR 2014**

This section lists the best South African performance for each of the age categories over the distances recognised by the IAAF for record purposes. Note that the categories are not closed, i.e. athletes are included in younger age categories if their times qualify. Changes from the previous list are shown in red. Please send me any amendments. World leaders are shown in the senior category, on a grey background. World records are shown in green. – Ed.

#### MEN

<u>Open</u>				
10 km	29:00	Kgosi Samuel Tsosane	Sasolburg	01 Feb
	27:39 Wilso	on Kiprono (KEN)		
	26:44	Leonard Patrick Komon	(KEN) 2010	
15 km	44:29	Lusapho April	Port Elizabeth	01 Mar
	43:04 Ben T	rue (USA)		
	41:13	Leonard Patrick Komon		
21.1 km	60:47	Stephen Mokoka	Copenhagen	29 Mar
	59:08 Geoffrey Kamworor (KEN)			
	58:23	Zersenay Tadese (ERI)	2010	
25 km	81:09	Sikhumbuso Seme	Pretoria	10 May
	80:18A	George Ntshiliza	Somerset East	22 Mar
	71:50	Sammy Kosgei (KEN) 2	2010	
	71:18p	Dennis Kipruto Kimetto	(KEN)	
30 km	1:40:20	Anthony Godongwana	Camps Bay	05 Jan
	1:28:52	Yuma Hattori (JPN)		
	87:49**	Haile Gebrselassie (ETH	H) 2009	
Marathon	2:10:21	Benedict Moeng	Xiamen	02 Jan
	2:04:29	Wilson Kipsang (KEN)		
	2:03:38	Patrick Makau (KEN) 20	011	

2:03:23p Wilson Kipsang (KEN) 2013 100 km 6:13:33 Takahiro Sunada (JPN) 1998

\*\*) The ARRS does not recognise records set at intermediate points in a longer race.

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Veterans (40+	.)			
10 km	30:31	Gert Thys	Goodwood	01 Mar
10 KIII	28:51	Paulo Catarino (POR) 2		OI Mai
15 km	49:22	Graham Katzen	Ravensmead	26 Apr
13 KIII	44:14	Pierre Levisse (FRA) 19		20 Api
21.1.1				01 Mar
21.1 km	67:40	Gert Thys	Wellington	01 May
	62:28	John Campbell (NZL) 1		
25 km	82:29	Shadrack Hoff	Pretoria	10 May
	76:49	Martin Mondragon (ME)	X) 1994	
30 km	1:48:05	Graham Katzen	Parow	30 Mar
	1:35:28	Geraldo Antonio da Silv	/a (BRA) 2002	
Marathon	2:25:39	Sandile Makhaye	Pietermaritzburg	23 Feb
	2:08:46	Andres Espinosa (MEX)		
100 km		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		
100 Km	6:18:24	Mario Ardemagni (ITA)	2004	
	0.10.24	Mario Ardemagni (11A)	2004	
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<u>Masters</u> (50+)		Tabina Dhilandar	Bellville	12 / 0 / 0
10 km	35:07	Tobias Philander		12 Apr
	[35:00	Vladimir Kotov (BLR)	Cape Town	08 Mar]
	30:35	Tecwyn Davies (GBR) 1		
15 km	54:47	Daniel Mothibe	Kempton Park	22 Jan
	47:52	Titus Mamabolo (RSA)	1991	
21.1 km	77:07	Dan Mothibe	Pretoria	15 Feb
	66:42	Martin Rees (GBR) 200	3	
25 km	1:45:51	Victor Phetoe	Pretoria	10 May
	95:40A	Shaun Meiklejohn	Pinetown	26 Jan
30 km	1:59:56	Sollie van Rooyen	Parow	30 Mar
Marathon	2:46:35	Daniel Mothibe	Pretoria	23 Feb
r lar acrion	2:42:57A	Thomas Lizo	East London	01 Mar
	2:19:29	Titus Mamabolo (RSA)		OI Mai
100 km	2.13.23	Titus Marriabolo (KSA)	1991	
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<u>Grandmasters</u>				
10 km	38:35	Muhammad Kriel	Bellville	31 May
15 km	59:25	Muhammad Kriel	Ravensmead	26 Apr
21.1 km	87:09	Mike Hirst	Vereeniging	02 Mar
25 km	2:01:18	Petrus Ratshikakala	Pretoria	10 May
	2:00:34A	Mbekiseni Mchunu	Pinetown	26 Jan
30 km	2:09:56	Muhammad Kriel	Parow	30 Mar
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15 km	49:38	Granwin Katzen	Ravensmead	26 Apr
	42:25	Moses Mosop (KEN) 20		
21.1 km	71:46	Tshwanelo Mojokeng	Sasolburg	01 Feb
	59:16	Samuel Wanjiru (KEN)	2005	

WOMEN				
<u>Open</u>		5		
10 km	32:27	Lebo Phalula	Port Elizabeth	03 May
	31:16	Margaret Wangari Muri		
1 E Juna	30:21	Paula Radcliffe (GBR) 2		06 105
15 km	53:54 47:00	Kim Laxton	Germiston	06 Apr
	46:28	Shalane Flanagan (USA Tirunesh Dibaba (ETH)		
21.1 km	71:53	René Kalmer	Copenhagen	29 Mar
ZI.I KIII	66:19	Joyce Chepkirui (KEN)	Copermagen	23 11101
	65:50	Mary Keitany (KEN) 20	11	
25 km	1:44:00	Marli van Staden	Pretoria	10 May
25 Km	97:30A	Cary-Ann Smith	Pinetown	26 Jan
	79:53	Mary Keitany (KEN) 20		20 34
30 km	2:01:11	Zintle Xiniwe	Parow	30 Mar
	1:44:19	Yuka Takashima (JPN)		
	1:38:49	Mizuki Noguchi (JPN) 2	.005	
Marathon	2:46:52	Kim Laxton	Xiamen	02 Jan
	2:43:34A	Tanith Maxwell	Brighton	06 Apr
	2:18:57A	Rita Jeptoo (KEN)		
	2:15:25	Paula Radcliffe (GBR) 2	2003	
100 km				
	6:33:11	Tomoe Abe (JPN) 2000		
Veterans (40+	-			
10 km	38:25	Ronel Thomas	•	06 Apr
	32:14	Priscilla Welch (GBR) 1		
15 km	63:42	Sheryl de Lange	Ravensmead	26 Apr
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21.1 km	83:10	Suzette Botha	Mount Edgecombe	25 May
25 km	69:56 1:47:39	Irina Permitina (RUS) 2 Michelle Mee		10 May
25 KIII	82:13	Mizuki Noguchi (JPN) 2	Pretoria	10 May
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Marathon	2:59:42	Zola Pieterse	Charleston	18 Jan
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Masters (50+)	)			
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	34:44	Tatyana Pozdniakova (	UKR) 2005	•
15 km	62:16	Judy Bird	Constantia	08 Mar
	54:33	Shirley Matson (USA) 1	1991	
21.1 km	89:34	Judy Bird	Johannesburg	09 Feb
	76:07	Tatyana Pozdniakova (	UKR) 2006	
25 km	2:01:43	Ansa Strydom	Pretoria	10 May
	1:55:22A	Janette Schierz-Crusius	sSomerset East	22 Mar
30 km	2:13:07	Elmarie Coetzee	Parow	30 Mar
Marathon	3:09:05	Marie Bruwer	Vereeniging	02 Mar
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<u>Grandmasters</u>		Margia Causadass	Dowt Elizabeth	26 ^
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15 km	64:22	Margie Saunders	Port Elizabeth	01 Mar

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	1:09:05	Delilah Asiago (KEN) 1991		

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