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# **EDITORIAL**

Another brilliant run by Olympic champion Eliud Kipchoge took him to victory in yesterday's 44th BMW Berlin Marathon after a tough battle with newcomer Guye Adola -- during which an irritated Kipchoge in the latter stages on a few occasions exchanged words with his rival and gestured to him not to run so close to his shoulder and also motioned to him to take the lead. Kipchoge finally moved away from the Ethiopian at the 40 km aid station after Adola had earlier, at 37 km, opened a gap of about 20 m. By the 38 km mark, Kipchoge had nearly caught up, and Adola surged again. Kipchoge waited again to react. At 40km, he deliberately picked up his bottle on the left side of the roadway, took a sip, threw the bottle away, then left Adola behind. The Ethiopian's body seemed to slump, and he could not respond to Kipchoge's move. Unfortunately, the cat and mouse game the two leaders played in the final 5 km segment cost them valuable time. They "only" split 15:04 through 40 km and this, coupled with the sometimes heavy rain that fell earlier, the wet road and high humidity, put paid to any chances that the world record -- which was the unequivocally stated aim of the top three, Kipchoge, Kenenisa Bekele and Wilson Kipsang -- would be broken.

Kipchoge crossed the line in 2:03:32, the fastest time in the world this year, followed by Adola in a world debut record of 2:03:46. The women's race went to Gladys Cherono in 2:20:23. It was the second time winning in Berlin for both athletes.



The two runners pictured in DRR 17:36 are Thulani Sibisi, Two Oceans winner in 1986, and Ernest Seleke, SA's first sub-2:10 (and 2:11!) marathoner in 1984. John Brimble got it right. The photograph was sent by Bob de la Motte.

After a first 5 km segment in 14:28, faster than Dennis Kimetto's 14:42 in his world record race in 2014, the next three 5 km splits were 14:36, 14:40 and 14:34. Halfway went by in 1:01:29, well off the 1:00:45 that Kipchoge had requested, but the leaders remained right on world record pace and well under Kimetto's actual split of 1:01:45. Interestingly, Kipchoge already knew that it would not be a record day. "After five kilometers I knew it was not possible," Kipchoge later told the media. "I could see how the road was (with so many puddles)... That's when I realised that the world record was not possible."

The 25 km split was 1:12:50, with Bekele having already fallen behind in the 23rd kilometre -- plagued by muscle problems due to the cold and slippery road, according to his manager as reported by *Race Results Weekly*. Bekele, who won last year in an exciting battle with Kipsang, dropped out after 30 km. Kipsang was the next casualty. After picking up his drink at the fluid station before the 30 km mark, he ran over the timing mat, then abruptly stopped with the last pacemaker, his friend Sammy Kitwara. He was seen later on the TV broadcast throwing up at the side of the road after speaking with his manager, who said that the cold and wet conditions were the problem.

Adola, who has a half-marathon best of 59:06, was proving to be a formidable opponent for the mighty Kipchoge, a man who had only lost one marathon in eight starts. At 35 km (1:42:04) the world record was improbably still within reach.

Kipchoge, who ran the final two kilometers alone, most of it smiling, was pleased with his win. "This was my hardest marathon ever," he said. "I still felt confident when Adola went ahead of me. The conditions were not easy and I still think I am capable of breaking the world record."

Cherono had to overcome a strong challenge from Kenyan compatriot Valary Aiyabei and Ethiopians Ruti Aga and Amane Beriso. Aga got second in 2:20:41, a huge personal best, and Aiyabei ended up third in 2:20:53, shaving about a minute from her best time.

Kipchoge has now run six sub-2:05 marathons (seven when counting his Monza run), two behind Kipsang's eight. The average of Kipchoge's top five marathons is 2:03:47, two seconds slower than Kipsang. The average for the ten fastest performances in Berlin improved from 2:03:35 to 2:03:28 -- it is the only marathon with an average under 2:04; London is second with 2:04:34. The women's average for Berlin is now 2:19:52; London is still tops with 2:18:26.

Locally, the FNB Joburg 10 km CityRun was won by Thabang Mosiako in 29:52 (with Stephen Mokoka second) and Glenrose Xaba in 35:40.

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# **ROAD RUNNING**

# **FNB Joburg 10 km CityRun**

Johannesburg, 24 September

(Loop course at altitude. Finishers: 10 775 [up from 8880 last year].)

# MEN (gun times)

- 1. Thabang Mosiako (Ned), 22, 29:52
- 2. Stephen Mokoka (Boxer), 32, 30:16
- 3. Gladwin Sibabalwe Mzazi (Boxer), 29, 30:36
- 4. Mbongeni Nxazozo (Boxer), 37, 30:38
- 5. Lesiba Precious Mashele (Ned), 26, 30:42
- 6. Xolisa Tyali (Trans), 28, 30:47
- 7. Lebenya Nkoka (LES/Ned), 34, 30:50
- 8. Lucky Modike Mohale (Boxer), 32, 30:53
- 9. David Manja (Ned), 26, 30:55
- 10. Joel Mmone (Ned), 29, 31:11

# WOMEN (gun times)

- 1. Glenrose Xaba (Boxer), 22, 35:40
- 2. Nolene Conrad (KPMG), 32, 36:13
- 3. Rhudo Monderwa (ZIM/Ned), 25, 36:41
- 4. Rutendo Nyahora (ZIM/Ned), 28, 36:57
- 5. Mapaseka Makhanya (Olifants), 30, 37:17
- 6. Christine Kalmer (KPMG), 31, 37:35
- 7. Maria Shai (Boxer), 30, 37:42
- 8. Lebogang Phalula (Boxer), 34, 37:53
- 9. Marelise Retief (Boxer), 31, 37:58
- 10. Rachel Leistra (Ind), 20, 38:21

# MSA Multisport Triple F 10 km (1st)

Wynberg, Cape Town, 24 September

(Certified out-and-back course with loop at far end. Finishers: 1546.)

# MEN

- 1. Siboniso Soldaka (CPUT) 30:51 (R2000)
- 2. Sibusiso Madikizela (MSA) 31:16 (R1500)
- 3. Ashley Smith (MSA) 31:18 (R1000)

(Prize money in the categories for veterans, masters and g'masters was the same: R500, R400, R300.)

**Veterans:** 1. Tsungai Mwanengeni (ZIM/Gugs) 33:48; 2. Gareth Berning (VOB) 34:09; 3. Lee Weaver (SANDF) 37:38. **Masters:** 1. Johnny Persents (WR) 35:33; 2. Peter Wrensch (Carb) 39:34; 3. Shamiel Dramat (Top) 40:51. **G'masters:** 1. Mochamat Kriel (Ommie) 38:49; 2. Goodman Mpukane (Gugs) 41:46; 3. Gemjikile Tom (Eskom) 42:57.

**G/g'masters:** 1. Jimmy Morris (Forest) 43:24 (R500); 2. Dave Kennett (VOB) 57:34. **Juniors:** 1. Gershwin Aziza (SH) 34:15 (R1000); 2. Franklin September (Velo) 35:07 (R800); 3. Nashief Stemmet (SH) 35:32 (R600).

# WOMEN (Same prize money as men)

- 1. Fortunate Chidzivo (ZIM/Ned) 36:40
- 2. Vuyiseka Nkumenge (Ned) 37:41
- 3. Bulelwa Simae (Ned) 37:54 (1st vet)

**Veterans:** 1. Bulelwa Simae (Ned) 37:54; 2. Busisiwe Matiwane (Ned) 42:42; 3. Marietjie Coetzer (Durb) 43:03. **Masters:** 1. Obertina Kanyongo (ZIM/Ned) 42:14; 2. Bev Charters (VOB) 45:41; 3. Roldah Orrie (Itheko) 49:01. **G'masters:** 1. Nancy Will (Pine) 44:54; 2. Charmaine Cupido (Ned) 47:30; 3. Theresa Isaacs (VOB) 53:03. **G/g'masters:** 1. Marietha Herbert (Bell) 53:11; 2. Pixie Sparg (Celtic) 56:12. **Juniors:** 1. Laila Abuzaid (Good) 42:57; 2. Razaan Kamaldien (Carb) 43:18; 3. Caity Schlehmeyer (Lange) 44:22.

# Legends Ultramarathon, Half Marathon & 10 km

East London, 24 September

(Distances: 68 km -- certified point-to-point course from Bisho to East London with a drop of 7.9 m/km from start [544 m above sea level] to finish [6 m above sea level] and a S/F separation of 49.2 km [72% of race distance]; 21.1 km -- certified, five laps at sea level; 10 km -- one lap at sea level with 1.5 km out and back at start and finish. Finishers: ultramarathon -- 235; half-marathon -- 487; 10 km -- 212.)

<u>Note 1</u>: While the routes for the two longer races are certified and were run correctly, the route for the 10 km was changed at the last moment because of road works and the actual distance is uncertain. The times should be regarded with caution for statistical purposes. -- Fd.

Note 2: Thanks to Pieter de Jager for the category results and detailed information about the routes (which he measured). -- Ed.

### **Ultramarathon**

MFN

- 1. Lyno Muchena (ZIM/Phant) 4:07:44
- 2. Siphiwo Nicholas Ndlela (Ned) 4:08:33
- 3. Delani Mkhize (Ned) 4:13:30
- 4. Charles Tjiane (ME) 4:14:12 (1st vet)
- 5. Luzuko Moeliswa (AF) 4:21:56

**Veterans:** 1. Charles Tjiane (ME) 4:14:12; 2. Mpesela Ntlotsoeu (LES/ME) 4:29:49; 3. Skhumbuzo Dlamini (ME) 4:34:12. **Masters:** 1. Mzoli Mpalala (OM) 5:12:20; 2. Bhisho Nombewu (Ned) 6:15:50; 3. Fikile Gqamane (Balekani) 7:20:55. **G'masters:** 1. Sonny Leopeng (RAC) 6:02:38; 2. Don Charles (Ned) 6:22:52; 3. Sam Damane (B2R) 7:28:37.

### WOMEN

- 1. Ann Ashworth (TomTom) 4:58:29
- 2. Emmah Mathibela (Ned) 5:23:14
- 3. Monica Kativhu (ZIM/Ned) 5:24:31
- 4. Samukeliso Moyo (ZIM/Ned) 6:03:24 (1st vet)
- 5. Maureen Dladla (Maluti) 6:05:30

**Veterans:** 1. Samukeliso Moyo (ZIM/Ned) 6:03:24; 2. Ntombi Sipika (RG) 7:32:33; 3. Mandy Morgan (B2R) 7:42:30. **Masters:** 1. Jacqueline Buyelwa (Ned) 6:52:15. **G'masters:** 1. Ithumeng Boshoe (Sunning) 8:33:13.

# Half marathon

MEN

- 1. Silindise Gubese (Pantina) 1:06:31
- 2. Lukhanyo Ngxoko (B2R) 1:06:34
- 3. Lungile Gongga (Ned) 1:08:50
- 4. Vuyo Madikiza (EMC) 1:09:11
- 5. Zongamele Dyubeni (RRR) 1:09:23 (1st vet)

**Veterans:** 1. Zongamele Dyubeni (RRR) 1:09:23; 2. Siyabulelo Madlavana (B2R) 1:10:26; 3. Peter Masia (RAC) 1:17:04. **Masters:** 1. Makaya Masumpa (B2R) 1:15:56; 2. Abram

Ndhlebe (OM) 1:16:08; 3. Desmond Zibi (AAA) 1:17:25. **G'masters:** 1. Charl Pienaar (O Selb) 1:39:24; 2. Mpumelelo Maci (Buffs) 1:43:18; 3. Donald Mancasa (Walmer) 1:49:57. **Juniors:** 1. Siphamandla ? (Phakama) 1:16:56; 2. Luxolo Shushu (B2R) 1:19:14; 3. Luzuko Sitaki (Cheetah) 1:22:55.

# WOMEN

- 1. Jenet Mbhele (Umzim) 1:17:35
- 2. Liziwe Mabona (AMPA) 1:19:47
- 3. Stephanie Smith (B2R) 1:20:01
- 4. Ntombesintu Mfunzi (Ned) 1:22:08
- 5. Caryn Lategan (B2R) 1:29:40

**Veterans:** 1. Weziwe Dlavana (Hlazo) 1:46:41; 2. Janet Kieck (B2R) 1:49:02; 3. Berenice Timothy (B2R) 1:52:24. **Masters:** 1. Sarah Mahlangu (Sunning) 1:36:37; 2. Sharon Wood (RWFL) 1:37:06; 3. Sherae Kreusch (B2R) 1:47:03. **G'masters:** 1. Michelle Whittington (O Selb) 2:04:11; 2. Gillian Bowman (Ox St) 2:28:02; 3. Janette Samuels (Queens) 3:07:37. **Juniors:** 1. Danieke de Kock (B2R) 1:42:25; 2. Zikhona Bici (Hlazo) 1:48:05; 3. Nomakhosi Ntliziyo (Ind) 1:48:25.

# 10 km

# MEN

- 1. Melikhaya Frans (Ikhamva) 30:07
- 2. Amos Nyongo (Ikhanva) 30:12
- 3. Mariano Eesou (Madibaz) 30:42
- 4. Zuko Kupiso (Ind) 31:41
- 5. Zolani Mabongo (Ikhanva) 31:42

**Masters:** 1. Hendrick Erasmus (Queens) 38:13. **G'masters:** 1. Themba Bhelwana (Ox St) 44:48. **Juniors:** 1. Lithobe Menzeleleli (B2R) 34:09.

# WOMEN

- 1. Hanlie Botha (Ind) 36:01
- 2. Siphokazi Nojoko (Mother) 40:31
- 3. Andrea Ranger (O Selb) 40:47
- 4. Zandile Menze (OM) 44:15
- 5. Zandile Rubushe (Rain) 44:27

**Veterans:** 1. Michelle Conroy (B2R) 46:13. **Masters:** 1. Vaness Jones (B2R) 61:55. **G'masters:** 1. Helene Nel (ELP) 77:28. **Juniors:** 1. Natasha Magaga (Mother) 49:17.

# Bophelong Half Marathon & 10 km

Mamelodi, Pretoria, 23 September (Distances: 21.1 km & 10 km)

# Half marathon

MEN

1 Steve Ngqola (Monaco) 67:37; 2 Ignicious Mmushi (PMK) 71:15; 3 Frans Mogashoa (Wingate) 71:50.

**Veterans:** 1 Enoch Skosana (Nedbank) 79:09. **Masters:** 1 Nic Shelver (Magnolia) 1:42:50. **G'masters:** 1 Temba Ngcaku (ACE) 97:16. **G/g'masters:** 1 Ian MacFadyen (Irene) 1:57:57.

### WOMEN

1 Tegan Edwards (Vitality) 92:46; 2 Sunette Schoonraad (Nedbank) 1:42:04; 3 Susan Rossouw (CSIR) 1:42:50 (1st vet).

**Veterans:** 1 Susan Rossouw (CSIR) 1:42:50. **Masters:** 1 Margaret Chamberlain (Phobians) 2:01:34. **G'masters:** 1 Bertha Schack (Akasia) 2:34:21.

# 10 km

MFN

1 Africa Mailola (Nedbank) 30:38; 2 Justice Ramalivhana (Medihelp) 34:49; 3 Josias Mahlangu (Temp) 35:21.

**Veterans:** 1 George Mnisi (Denel) 43:43. **Masters:** 1 Jannie Theron (Vitality) 51:51. **G'masters:** 1 Louwrens Smit (Irene) 49:52. **G/g'masters:** 1 Andries v.d. Merwe (Transnet) 56:56. **80+:** 1 Ken Nurden (Agape) 55:14.

### WOMEN

1 Celeste van Tonder (Temp) 50:38; 2 Joey Cloete (Irene) 51:50; 3 Annelize Theron (Vitality) 52:28 (1st mast).

**Masters:** 1 Annelize Theron (Vitality) 52:28. **G'masters:** 1 Joey Cloete (Irene) 51:50. **G/g'masters:** 1 Dot van Heerden (Fit 2000) n/t.

# **Caltex Sole Destroyer Half Marathon** (25th)

East London, 17 September

(Distance: 21.1 km; hilly point-to-point course, mostly on gravel. Finishers: 531.)

Note: Well-known Eastern Cape runner Sharon Eldridge has completed all 25 races. -- Ed.

### MEN

- 1. Luthando Hejana (RG), 28, 1:11:36
- 2. Vusumsi Zondo (Ox St), 22, 1:11:42
- 3. Athenkosi Skweza (RU), 25, 1:20:46
- 4. Edumisa Mtoli (Ned), 25, 1:21:41
- 5. Doran Fritz (Ned), 44, 1:22:45

# WOMEN

- 1. Cherise Sims (Madibaz), 24, 1:33:00
- 2. Ingrid Webber (O Selb), 36, 1:40:06
- 3. Karen Davis (B2R), 40, 1:43:31
- 4. Pakama Ramontseng (Advent), 41, 1:44:50
- 5. Melanie Elsdon (Ox St), 37, 1:44:56

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15. Sharon Eldridge (O Selb), 55, 2:02:42

# Vaal River City Marathon, Half Marathon & 10 km (1st)

Vanderbijlpark, 17 September

(Distances: 42.195 km, 21.1 km & 10 km; loop courses)

# Marathon

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1	Lucas Raseruthe	36	LES/32Gi	2:28:38	R10 000
2	Pita Makhoali	26	Rand Water AC	2:29:10	R5000
3	Mmanoko Mokwalakwala	40	Miway Warriors	2:31:30	R1000
Ve	terans:				
1	Mmanoko Mokwalakwala	40	Miway Warriors	2:31:30	R5000
2	Shadrack Hoff	44	Maxed Elite	2:34:13	R1000

Ma	sters:				
1	Reginald Ngobese	50	32Gi	2:46:09	R1000
G'r	masters:				
1	Marius Carstens	60	Team Vitality	3:15:33	R500
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2	Jeannie Jordaan	37	Modern Athlete	3:22:45	
3	Vicky Hansen	36	Wanderers AC	3:22:45	
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	Disebo Thebapelo	40	Ranu Water AC	3.47.40	
1	Louise Goosen	52	Kempton RR	4:09:36	
G'r	masters:				
1	Petra Myburgh	68	Striders AC	4:55:40	
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<b>па</b> МЕ					
1	David Manja	26	Nedbank	1:07:27	R5000
2	Sibusiso Nzima	30	Nedbank	1:08:12	R2500
3	Phillimon Tebogo Mathiba	25	Nedbank	1:08:22	R500
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ve	terans: Tsotang Maine	43	LES/Nedbank	1:10:36	R2500
2	Johannes Kekana	45 45	Maxed Elite	1:11:35	R500
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1	Christoffel van Heerden	58	Krugersdorp RR	1:30:14	R750
G'r	masters:				
1	Jeffrey Gcelu	62	Ubank	1:37:45	R350
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1	Mamorallo Tjoka	32	ZIM/Nedbank	1:23:20	
2	Andronica Mokgotla	28	Nedbank	1:26:47	
3	Tebogo Masehla	38	Nedbank	1:29:15	
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1 2	Maria Vilakazi Salome Cooper	41	Run Walk For Life Born 2 Run AC	1:31:09	
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1	Leonor Erwee	51	Miway Warriors	1:35:04	
G′r	masters:		•		
1	Cecilia Makhaya	61	Anglo American AC	2:29:52	
10	km				
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1	Pharson Magagane	31	ZIM/Nedbank	31:08	R500
2	Jacob Malefo	25	Nedbank	31:27	R300
3	Blessed Ncube	27	Take It Easy	31:28	R200
۷e	terans:				
1	Xolele Damba	42	Orange Farm AC	36:29	R200
2	Sifiso Mamba	41	Midrand Striders	36:31	R150
Ma	sters:				
1	Joseph Mabodla	52	Colossus AC	39:31	R75

<b>G'</b> 1	<b>masters:</b> Madibo Mafobokoala	62	Nedbank	49:45	R75
WOMEN (Same prize money as men)  1 Rachael Leijdekkers 39 Edenvale RRW 41:10  2 Lindiwe Lorraine Mthombeni 43 Sasolburg AC 44:28  3 Rose Jijana 32 Nedbank 44:36					
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# **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**

# **BMW Berlin Marathon** (44th)

(An Abbott World Marathon Majors event/IAAF Gold Label Road Race)

Berlin, GER, 24 September

(Distance: 42.195 km; AIMS-certified loop course)

# MEN (gun times)

1. Eliud Kipchoge, KEN	2:03:32 WL € 40,000 + 30,000i
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2. Guye Adola, ETH	2:03:46 DB* 20,000 + 15,000i
3. Mosinet Geremew, ETH	2:06:12 PB 15,000
4. Felix Kandie, KEN	2:06:13 12,000
5. Vincent Kipruto, KEN	2:06:14 10,000
6. Yuta Shitara, JPN	2:09:03 PB 7,500
7. Hiroaki Sano, JPN	2:11:24 5,000
8. Ryan Vail, USA	2:12:40 4,000
9. Liam Adams, AUS	2:12:52 PB 3,000
10. Jonny Mellor, GBR	2:12:57 PB 2,000
Kenenisa Bekele, ETH	DNF (last split 30 km 1:28:24)
Wilson Kipsang, KEN	DNF (last split 30 km 1:27:26)
Sammy Kitwara, KEN	DNF (pace)
Gideon Kipketer, KEN	DNF (pace)
Geoffrey Ronoh, KEN	DNF (pace)
Jacob Kendagor, KEN	DNF (pace)
Philipp Pflieger, GER	DNF (last split 30 km 1:33:39)

- \*) World record for a debut on a record-standard course
- i) Earned time bonus

# Splits for men's leaders:

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5 km	14:28	14:28
10 km	29:04	14:36
15 km	43:44	14:40
20 km	58:18	14:34
25 km	1:12:50	14:32

30 km 1:27:24 14:34 35 km 1:42:04 14:40 40 km 1:57:08 15:04 Half 1:01:29

WOMEN (gun times)

1. Gladys Cherono, KEN 2:20:23 € 40,000 + 15,000i 2. Ruti Aga, ETH 2:20:41 PB 20,000 3. Valary Aiyabei, KEN 2:20:53 PB 15,000 4. Helen Tola, ETH 2:22:51 PB 12,000 5. Anna Hahner, GER 2:28:32 10,000 6. Catherine Bertone (1972), ITA 2:28:34 WR 4549 7,500

7. Sonia Samuels, GBR 2:29:34 5,000
8. Azucena Diaz, ESP 2:30:31 PB 4,000
9. Catarina Ribeiro, POR 2:33:13 3,000

10. Kim Dillen, NED 2:33:24 PB 2,000

Amane Beriso, ETH DNF (last split 30 km in 1:39:27)
Maja Neuenschwander, SUI DNF (last split 25 km in 1:30:01)
Lily Partridge, GBR DNF (last split 25 km in 1:29:39)
Anna Incerti, ITA DNF (last split 25 km in 1:45:41)

i) Earned time bonus

# **Le Lion 2017** (35th)

Belfort to Montbéliard, FRA, 24 September (Distance: 21.1 km; point-to-point course)

# MEN (gun times)

- 1. Wilson TOO, KEN, 1:00:58
- 2. Dominic KIPTARUS, KEN, 1:01:08
- 3. Masresha BISETEGN, ETH, 1:01:49
- 4. Nathan AYEKO, UGA, 1:01:51
- 5. Felician MUHITIRA, RWA, 1:01:57

### WOMEN

- 1. Dalila GOSA, BRN, 1:12:30
- 2. Gebiyanesh GEDAMU, ETH, 1:12:36

# Dam tot Damloop (33rd)

Amsterdam to Zaandam, NED, 17 September

(Distance: 10 miles; point-to-point course with no elevation change)

# MEN (gun times)

Birhanu Legese, ETH
 Yenew Alamirew, ETH
 Jiksa Tadesse, ETH
 45:38 PB
 45:45 PB
 45:51 PB

# ALL-WOMEN EARLY START (gun times)

1. Mercyline Chelangat, KEN 53:08 PB

2. Sofia Assefa, ETH 53:13 PB

3. Risa Takenaka, JPN 53:15

### **Wachau Half Marathon**

Spits to Krems, AUT, 17 September

(Distance: 21.1 km; flat point-to-point course along the Donau River)

# MEN (gun times)

Peter Cheruiyot Kirui, 1988, KEN 1:00:45
 Wilson Cheruiyot, 1987, KEN 1:01:03
 Hillary Kimaiyo, 1994, KEN 1:01:05
 Benard Bett, 1993, KEN 1:01:49
 Luka Lobuwan, 1988, KEN 1:02:24

# WOMEN (aun times)

1. Polline Njeru, 1988, KEN 1:10:38 2. Stellah Barsosio, 1993, KEN 1:10:57 3. Viola Jelegat, 1990, KEN 1:13:04

# American Association for Cancer Research Rock 'n' Roll Philadelphia Half Marathon (40th)

Philadelphia, USA, 17 September

(Distances: 21.1 km; certified, flat, out-and-back course along the Schuykill River)

# MEN (gun times\*)

Galen Rupp, 31, Portland, OR
 Martin Hehir, 24, Philadelphia, PA
 Gebrekidan Abadi, 32, Boulder, CO (ETH) 1:04:05

# WOMEN (gun times\*)

1. Meseret Defar, 33, ETH 1:08:46 \$2500 2. Caroline Rotich, 33, Santa Fe, NM (KEN) 1:09:41 1150 3. Jordan Hasay, 25, Portland, OR 1:10:42 500 4. Buzunesh Deba, 30, Bronx, NY (ETH) 1:11:43 250 5. Reia Iwade, 22, JPN 1:14:00 100 6. Alia Gray, 28, Boulder, CO 1:15:16 7. Miyuki Uehara, 21, JPN 1:15:30 8. Melanie Myrand, 31, CAN 1:17:12

\*) In some cases, net times were listed as slower than gun times (which is impossible), so the slower time was used.

# **Beijing International Marathon** (37th)

(IAAF Gold Label Road Race)

Beijing, CHN, 17 September

(Distance: 42.195 km; flat point-to-point course from Tian'anmen Square to National Stadium [the "Bird's Nest"])

# MEN

1. Salah-Eddine Bounasr, MAR 2:11:18 USD 20,000^
2. Girmay Birhanu Gebru, ETH 2:11:26 10,000^
3. Stephen Chemlany, KEN 2:11:50 6,000^

^) Prize money reduced for slow times

# WOMEN

1. Meselech Tsegaye Beyene, ETH 2:27:44 USD 20,000^ 2. Rebecca Kangogo Chesir, KEN 2:30:31 10,000^ 3. Rahma Tusa Chota, ETH 2:33:22 6,000^

### Great Alaska Mile Series - Kodiak

Kodiak, USA, 16 September

(Distance: 1 mile)

<u>Note</u>: Race Results Weekly reports that Alaska native Trevor Dunbar organized this two-race series with the goal of seeing the first-ever sub-4:00 mile in the state of Alaska (outdoors). That goal was achieved by Kyle Merber in the West Anchorage race (see results below), but then Ben Blankenship improved on Merber's time here in Kodiak three days later. Also, Blankenship's mark is the fastest mile, indoors or outdoors, in the state of Alaska. --Ed.

### MEN

- 1. Ben Blankenship, Nike Oregon Track Club, 3:57.85 MR
- 2. Colby Alexander, Hoka NJ-NY Track Club, 4:00.46
- 3. Garrett Heath, Brooks Beats, 4:01.76
- 4. Kyle Merber, Hoka NJ-NY Track Club, 4:03.18
- 5. Trevor Dunbar, Nike, 4:03.82

# **Great Alaska Mile Series - West Anchorage**

West Anchorage, USA, 13 September

(Distance: 1 mile at West High School track [track has no curb but was coned on the turns].)

# MEN

- 1. Kyle Merber, Hoka NJ-NY Track Club, 3:59.36 MR
- 2. Ben Blankenship, Nike Oregon Track Club, 3:59.67
- 3. Colby Alexander, Hoka NJ-NY Track Club, 4:00.01
- 4. Trevor Dunbar, Nike, 4:02.21

# Half Marathon Buenos Aires (29th)

Buenos Aires, ARG, 10 September

(Distance: 21.1 km; out and back course at sea level)

# MEN (gun times)

- 1. Paul Kipchumba Lonyangata, KEN, 1:01:28
- 2. Simon Kiruthi Muthoni, KEN, 1:02:33
- 3. Clement Kiprono Langat, KEN, 1:04:16
- 4. Damiao Ancelmo De Souza, BRA, 1:04:25
- 5. Ulises Ambrocio, PER, 1:04:26 PB

### WOMEN

- 1. Florencia Borelli, ARG, 1:11:58 NR/CR/ACR
- 2. Angela Jemesunde Tanui, KEN, 1:12:01
- 3. Esther Chesang Kakuri, KEN, 1:12:25
- 4. Hirut Alemayehu Gebremikal, ETH, 1:13:55
- 5. Andrea Aparecida Hessel, BRA, 1:15:27

# **CROSS-COUNTRY**

# **Mountain Dew Gator Cross Country Invitational**

Gainesville, USA, 23 September

MEN (8 km) - 1. Gilbert BOIT, SO Tennessee Tech (KEN), 24:30.9; 2. David TOO, SO Florida A&M (KEN), 24:51.6; 3. Festus KEMBOI, SO Florida A&M (KEN), 25:03.8.

WOMEN (5 km) - 1. Eden MEYER, SR North Florida, 17:09.4; 2. Sherilene GELDERBLOM, SO FIU (RSA), 17:21.2; 3. Purity SANGA, FR Tennessee Tech (KEN), 17:46.8.

### **STATS TIME**

This week we include a list of the top ten SA men in the marathon for 2017. As the list is extracted directly from my database, it may not yet include performances shown in results elsewhere in this issue, or in the last issue. Secondary performances by the top three are also listed.

# 2017 MARATHON: TOP 10 MEN

2:10:51	Desmond Mokgobu	12	Rotterdam	09 Apr
2:11:41	Lusapho April	5	Hannover	09 Apr
2:12:50	Elroy Gelant	5	Cape Town	17 Sep
2:13:20	Xolisa Tyali	8	Cape Town	17 Sep
2:15:41	Melikhaya Frans	10	Cape Town	17 Sep
216:14	Mokgobu-2	21	London	06 Aug
2:16:53	Stephen Lesego Mokoka	34	Tokyo	26 Feb
2:18:05	Gladwin Mzazi	11	Cape Town	17 Sep
2:18:52	Lungile Gongqa	12	Mumbai	16 Jan
2:21:02	Michael Mazibuko	14	Cape Town	17 Sep
2:21:15	Lutendo Mapoto	1	Polokwane	29 Apr

# THIS MONTH IN HISTORY

# 24 years ago: 18 September 1993

The Sole Destroyer in East London was one of the "tough races" that came into being in the early 1990s. Named after Chris Sole, who was a pupil at Cambridge High School and later belonged to Oxford Striders, the first race -- then called the Hi-Tec Half Marathon -- was held on this day. The demanding route, often used by Sole for training runs, went through the hills and valleys of the Horseshoe area. The winners of the first race were Makaya Masumpa in 70:15 and Diane Sandford, both from Oxford Striders. There were 211 finishers. The 25th running of the race was held recently (results elsewhere in this issue). Sole scored multiple wins in another tough event, the Table Mountain Race in Cape Town. [Thanks to Karen Zimmerman and Tony Viljoen's *Road Running: The Border Story* for some of this information.]

# **SOUTH AFRICAN ROAD LIST LEADERS FOR 2017**

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	28:18	Elroy Gelant	Bellville	03 Jun
	27:10	Bernard Kimeli (KEN)		
	26:44	Leonard Patrick Komon (KE	EN) 2010	
15 km	44:47	Gladwin Mzazi	Pretoria	19 Aug
	42:00	Matthew Kimeli Kipkorir (K	EN)	
	41:13	Leonard Patrick Komon (KE		
21.1 km	61:21	Stephen Mokoka	Port Elizabeth	24 Jun
	58:40	Abraham Cheroben (KEN)		
	58:23	Zersenay Tadese (ERI) 201	10	
25 km	81:36A	- 1	Pinetown	29 Jan
	74:27	Dathan Ritzenhain (USA)		
	71:18	Dennis Kipruto Kimetto (Ki		
30 km	90:54	Melikhaya Frans	Uitenhage	04 Mar
	90:17	Yuichiro Ueno (JPN)		
	87:13**	Eliud Kipchoge (KEN) 2016		
	87:13**	Stanley Biwott (KEN) 2016		
Marathon	2:10:51	Desmond Mokgobu	Rotterdam	09 Apr
	2:03:58	Wilson Kipsang (KEN)		
	2:02:57	Dennis Kimetto (KEN) 2014		
100 km	7:42:28	Simphiwe Vellem	•	22 Jul
	6:13:33	Takahiro Sunada (JPN) 199	98	

 $\ensuremath{^{**}}\xspace$  ) The ARRS does not recognise records set at intermediate points in a longer race.

Veterans (40+	+)			
10 km	31:45	Mzwanele Maphekula	Port Elizabeth	22 Apr
4-1	28:51	Paulo Catarino (POR) 2003		
15 km	48:58	Johannes Kekana	Leondale	19 Mar
	44:14	Pierre Levisse (FRA) 1992		
21.1 km	67:16	Simon Mpholo	Port Elizabeth	24 Jun
	62:28	John Campbell (NZL) 1990	) & Nelson Chirchir (	(KEN) 1996
25 km	85:54	Shadrack Hoff	Pretoria	06 May
	76:49	Martin Mondragon (MEX) 1	.994	
30 km	1:38:16	Mzwanele Maphekula	Uitenhage	04 Mar
	1:35:28	Geraldo Antonio da Silva (	BRA) 2002	
Marathon	2:23:41	William Mokwalakwala	Centurion	01 May
	2:08:46	Andres Espinosa (MEX) 20	03	
100 km	11:04:47	Johannes Joseph	Cape Town	22 Jul
	6:18:24	Mario Ardemagni (ITA) 200	04	
Masters (50+)	)			
10 km	33:20	Makaya Masumpa	Port Elizabeth	22 Apr
	30:35	Tecwyn Davies (GBR) 1988	8	
15 km	52:48	Reginald Ngobese	Vanderbijlpark	08 Feb
	47:52	Titus Mamabolo (RSA) 199	)1	
21.1 km	73:02	Makaya Masumpa	Port Elizabeth	24 Jun
	66:42	Martin Rees (GBR) 2003		
25 km	97:58A	Basie Bonaparte	Somerset East	18 Mar
	98:49	Joseph Ndlovu	Pretoria	06 May
30 km	1:57:25	Steve Motau	Camps Bay	08 Jan
Marathon	2:33:15	Reginald Ngobese	Sasolburg	04 Feb
	2:19:29	Titus Mamabolo (RSA) 199		
100 km	11:08:36	Hilton Murray	Cape Town	22 Jul
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Grandmasters	s (60+)			
10 km	38:05	Mochamat Kriel	Pinelands	25 Feb
	32:48	Martin Rees (GBR) 2013		
15 km	60:24	Mochamat Kriel	Ravensmead	18 Mar
	54:32	Cees Stolwijk (NED) 2013		
21.1 km	87:51	Thomas Moses	Port Elizabeth	24 Jun
25 km	71:31 1:54:07A	Martin Rees (GBR) 2013 Devilliers Oberholzer	Pinetown	29 Jan
25 KIII	1:58:06	Theo Bohnen	Pretoria	06 May
	94:01	Doug Winn (USA) 2010		,
30 km	2:10:11	Kosie Botha	Parow	26 Mar
	1:57:07	Ed Whitlock (CAN) 1994		
Marathon	3:04:53 2:36:30	Gideon Radebe	Cape Town	17 Sep
100 km	12:52:48	Yoshihisa Hosaka (JPN) 20 Ratlali Finger	Cape Town	22 Jul
100 KIII	12.32.40	Racian i niger	cape rown	22 Jul
Great grandm	asters (70+	)		
10 km	42:35	Pele Tshikundamalema	Pretoria	18 Feb
	37:33	Ed Whitlock (CAN) 2004		
15 km	64:04	Jeff Smith	Constantia	11 Mar
21.1 km	58:19 95:36	Ed Whitlock (CAN) 2001 Elias Raphulu	Pretoria	08 Apr
ZI.I KIII	82:23	Ed Whitlock (CAN) 2001	Frecoria	оо Арі
25 km	1:56:09	Elias Raphulu	Pretoria	06 May
	99:59	Clive Davies (USA) 1985		,
30 km	2:46:08	Tamsanqa Jusayi	Uitenhage	04 Mar
Manakhara	2:00:56	Ed Whitlock (CAN) 2001	Cambuudan	01 M
Marathon	3:37:53 2:54:49	Elias Raphulu Ed Whitlock (CAN) 2004	Centurion	01 May
100 km	14:57:07	Donald Ross-Watt	Cape Town	22 Jul
<u>Juniors</u>				
10 km	30:17	Kabelo Seboko	Benoni	29 Jan
15 km	27:52 49:31	Richard Chelimo (KEN) 199 Sivuyile Selani	Port Elizabeth	25 Mar
13 KIII	42:25	Moses Mosop (KEN) 2004	FOIL LIIZabetii	23 Mai
21.1 km	68:26	Aphelele Nkonyana	Port Elizabeth	24 Jun
	59:16	Samuel Wanjiru (KEN) 200	5	
WOMEN Open				
10 km	32:22	Dominique Scott-Efurd	Boston	25 June
	29:43	Joyciline Jepkosgei (KEN)	2000	
	30:21 Mx		}	
		Joyciline Jepkosgei (KEN)		
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15 km	53:59A 55:48	Dominique Scott-Efurd Annie Bothma	Camps Bay Eersterivier	08 Jan 08 Jul
	45:37	Joyciline Jepkosgei (KEN)	Leisterivier	00 Jul
		x Florence Kiplagat (KEN) 2	2015	
	45:37p Mx	Joyciline Jepkosgei (KEN)		
		o Lornah Kiplagat (NED) 20		<b>.</b>
21.1 km	72:31	Cornelia Joubert	Port Elizabeth	24 Jun
	64:52 65:09 Mx	Joyciline Jepkosgei (KEN) Florence Kiplagat (KEN) 20	15	
		Peres Jepchirchir (KEN) 20		
		Joyciline Jepkosgei (KEN)	= -	
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25 km	66:25 Wo 90:21A 1:40:31 84:36	Lornah Kiplagat (NED) 200 Jenna Challenor Jenna Challenor Alphine Tuliamuk (USA)	7 Pinetown Durban	29 Jan 19 Mar
30 km	79:53 Mx 82:47 Wo 1:54:43 1:46:24 1:38:49 Mx	Mary Keitany (KEN) 2010 Paula Radcliffe (GBR) 2005 Ntombesintu Mfunzi Ami Utsunomiya (JPN) Mizuki Noguchi (JPN) 200 Ax Aberu Kebede (ETH) 2016	Uitenhage 5	04 Mar
Marathon	1:39:11 W 2:36:47 2:17:01 2:15:25 M	o Mary Keitany (KEN) 2011 Irvette van Zyl Mary Keitany (KEN) < Paula Radcliffe (GBR) 2003	Cape Town	17 Sep
100 km	2:17:42 W 9:42:24 6:33:11	o Paula Radcliffe (GBR) 2005 Rowen Gloyne (vet) Tomoe Abe (JPN) 2000	Cape Town	22 Jul
Veterans (40+	.)			
10 km	36:40 32:14	Bulelwa Simae Priscilla Welch (GBR) 1985	Bellville	03 Jun
15 km	56:36	Charné Bosman	Pretoria	19 Aug
21.1 km	49:35 80:02 69:56	Priscilla Welch (GBR) 1985 Bulelwa Simae Irina Permitina (RUS) 2009	Port Elizabeth	24 Jun
25 km	1:48:53A 1:49:32 82:13	Shani Silver Maria Vilakazi Mizuki Noguchi (JPN) 2005	Pinetown Pretoria	29 Jan 06 May
30 km	2:02:35	Ulrica Stander	Camps Bay	08 Jan
Marathon	1:51:37 2:54:09	Mieke Pullen (NED) 2001 Ulrica Stander	Cape Town	17 Sep
100 km	2:26:51 9:42:24 7:00:27	Priscilla Welch (GBR) 1987 Rowen Gloyne Normi Sakurai (JPN) 2007	Cape Town	22 Jul
Masters (50+)				
10 km	38:43 34:44	Judy Bird Tatyana Pozdniakova (UKR	Cape Town	02 Apr
15 km	64:28 54:33	Elmarie Coetzee Shirley Matson (USA) 1991	Constantia	11 Mar
21.1 km	92:01 76:07	Christine Claasen Tatyana Pozdniakova (UKR	Port Elizabeth	13 May
25 km	2:05:56A 2:07:29	Roshini Natasen Ansa Strydom	Pinetown Pretoria	29 Jan 06 May
30 km	2:16:59	Christine Claasen	Uitenhage	00 May 04 Mar
Marathon	3:18:52	Jane Mudau	Durban	09 Apr
100 km	2:31:05 14:27:46	Tatyana Pozdniakova (UKR Cynthia Jooste	) 2005 Cape Town	22 Jul
<u>Grandmasters</u> 10 km	42:08	Margie Saunders	Port Elizabeth	19 Aug
15 km	38:56 66:11	Lidia Zentner (GER) 2015 Margie Saunders Vethage Martin (USA) 2011	Port Elizabeth	25 Mar
21.1 km	61:25 93:02	Kathryn Martin (USA) 2011 Nancy Will	Port Elizabeth	24 Jun
25 km	84:56 2:16:25	Bernadine Portenski (NZL) Val Watson	Pretoria	06 May

30 km Marathon 100 km	1:58:24 2:25:27 2:17:11 3:26:99 3:01:30	Gloria Brown (USA) 1994 Margie Saunders Barbara Miller (USA) 1999 Nancy Will Bernadine Portenski (NZL)	Uitenhage Durban 2010	04 Mar 09 Apr
Great grandm	asters (70+	)		
10 km	49:38	Veronica van Niekerk	Cape Town	02 Apr
20 1011	44:09	Lavinia Petrie (AUS) 2014	cape roun	02 / Ip.
15 km	85:37	Annetjie Greyvenstein	Pretoria	19 Aug
	72:52	Jo Klein (NED) 2004		
21.1 km	1:55:21	Veronica van Niekerk	Wellington	01 May
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25 km	2:18:20	Corry Davidson (USA) 100	1	
30 km	2:18:20	Gerry Davidson (USA) 1993 Veronica van Niekerk	Camps Bay	08 Jan
JO KIII	2:47:08	Myra Rhodes (USA) 2002	Camps Day	oo Jan
Marathon	4:28:29	Veronica van Niekerk	Cape Town	17 Sep
	3:35:29	Helga Miketta (GER) 2013		
100 km		. ,		
<u>Juniors</u>				
10 km	35:23	Nicole Louw	Pietermaritzburg	20 Aug
15 km	31:42 63:04	Zola Pieterse (RSA) 1984 Razaan Kamaldien	Eersterivier	08 Jul
13 KIII	49:40	Ines Chenonge (KEN) 2001		06 Jui
21.1 km	98:46	Georgina Janisch	Pretoria	08 Apr
	1:09:05	Delilah Asiago (KEN) 1991		55 / IP.
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