



Race Walking Record

March 2022

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World Athletics Race Walking Tour
Gold Standard – Podebrady (CZE)

NEWS

DATES

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UKA Publish 2022 Fixture Calendar – Further Update

UKA have published the fixture list for 2022 and listed below are the events that include a race walk, which has been further updated with additional information.

Date	Event	Venue
8-9 Jan.	England Athletics Indoor Walks	E.I.S. Sheffield
5 Feb.	England Athletics Winter RW Championships	Leeds Beckett Uni.
25-27 Feb.	British Athletics Indoor Championships	N.I.A. Birmingham
5-6 Mar.	British Masters Indoor Championships	Lee Valley
19 Mar.	Molly Barnett including EA U20/Sen 10,000m	Coventry
30 Apr.	BA 20km World Championship trial	Leeds
24-26 Jun.	UK Athletics Outdoor Championships	Manchester
16-17 Jul.	England Athletics U20/U23 Championships	Bedford
30-31 Jul.	England Athletics Senior Championships	Bedford
17 Aug.	Manchester International	Manchester
27-28 Aug.	England Athletics U15/U17 Championships	Bedford
17 Sept.	English Schools Championships	Bedford
23 Oct.	UKA 35km Race Walking Championships	Leeds, Brownlee

200 club

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Mar. 22 Jack Thomas John Sales David Ratcliffe

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April

10 th	B	Sarnia WC Championship 2	Delancey Park
16 th	B	Enfield League/LICC Track	Lee Valley
18 th	A	Easter Monday Open Meeting 3000m	Tonbridge
24 th	B	Sarnia WC Championship 3	Cambridge Park
26 th	A	South Yorkshire League 2	Millhouses Park
30 th	A	British Athletics 20km Trial for World Champs	Leeds

May

1 st	B	Sarnia WC Championship 4	Vale
2 nd	A	Hampshire County Champs & Open	Portsmouth

RANKINGS

Commonwealth Ranking Lists

An update from Mark Wall: The Women's lists is a very thin offering, if you consider 48:00 (a modest time by any measure: top 88 at 10,000m and 98 at 10km, in the world 2021) especially when a woman just weeks short of her 49th birthday makes it).

The men are a muddier affair. Several athletes have competed at 20km in the period but do not have a commensurate 10km/10,000m performance. Some of these would by logic appear due to their split times (Callum Wilkinson a prime example with a 10th at Sapporo).

So, Australia is likely to field at least two if not three in each race, Wales would hope for two women on the start line. If Callum recovers from surgery well, I can see him toeing the line, as for the rest of the UK? They need to meet the standards and rank highly enough in the team to merit selection. Africans and Indians? We await what happens. Gathimba would seem a logical selection (3rd in 2018 and 3rd at the 2022 World Team Championships in Oman).

Women's 10,000m from August 1st, 2021 (to 48:00)

Perf.	Athlete	Born	Country	Date	Note
42:39.2h	Jemima Montag	1998	AUS	22/01/2022	1170 (a)
44:27.8	Katie Hayward	2000	AUS	30/03/2022	1105 (b)
44:40.1	Rebecca Henderson	2001	AUS	30/03/2022	1097
45:21.7	Bethan Davies	1990	WAL	15/08/2021	1073 (d)
45:24.1h	Olivia Sandery	2003	AUS	15/01/2022	1072 (c)
45:36.1h	Clara Smith	1998	AUS	22/01/2022	1065
45:59.5	Heather Lewis	1993	WAL	19/03/2022	1055 (d)
46:41.0	Kelly Ruddock	1973	AUS	30/03/2022	1028

- (a) Automatic selection having met the national standard (44:30.00) and won the trial.
- (b) Likely selection on the basis of 2nd in the trial and met the national standard.
- (c) Commonwealth Games clashes with World Junior Championships in Cali, Columbia.
- (d) Met the national Standard

Men's 10,000m from August 1st, 2021 (to 43:00)

Perf.	Athlete	Born	Country	Date	Notes
39:01.3h	Declan Tingay	1999	AUS	22/01/2022	1170 (a)
39:22.0h	Kyle Swan	1999	AUS	22/01/2022	1155 (b)
40:12.0	Wayne Snyman	1985	RSA	02/04/2022	(d)
40:28.1h	Rhydian Cowley	1991	AUS	22/01/2022	1108
40:35.2h	Quentin Rew	1984	NZL	16/01/2022	1103
41:00.3h	Will Thompson	2002	AUS	22/01/2022	1085
41:30.8h	Mitchell Baker	2001	AUS	22/01/2022	1064
41:38.0	Evan Dunfee	1990	CAN	17/10/2021	1060 (c)
41:39.0h	Tyler Jones	1998	AUS	22/02/2011	1058
42:11.0	Tom Bosworth	1990	ENG	02/04/2022	(d)
42:26.2h	Carl Gibbons	1996	AUS	15/01/2022	1025
42:05.2	Cameron Corbishley	1997	ENG	06/03/2021	1009
42:58.6	Tim Fraser	2000	AUS	22/02/2002	1003

- (a) Likely selection on the basis of met the national standard.
- (b) Automatic selection having met the national standard (39:30.00) and won the trial.
- (c) Commonwealth lead in 2021
- (d) Enroute to 20km in Podebrady.

Men's 10,000m Top 2 Commonwealth performances in 2021

Perf.	Athlete	Born	Country	Date	Notes
38:39.7	Evan Dunfee	1990	CAN	12/06/2021	1186
39:05.8	Callum Wilkinson	1997	ENG	06/03/2021	1167

RANKINGS

UK Indoor Rankings (Winter 2021/2022)

Women's Indoor 3000m to 18:00

Perf.	Athlete	AG	Club	Venue	Date
13:17.36	Bethan Davies	SEN	Cardiff A.A.C.	Cardiff	19/12
14:24.14	Hannah Hopper	U20	Cambridge Hs.	Birmingham	27/02
14:24.64	Erika Kelly	SEN	Northern (IOM)	Birmingham	27/02
14:24.71	Abigail Jennings	U23	Aldershot F & D	Birmingham	27/02
14:54.70	Abby Hughes	U20	Taunton AC	Cardiff	19/12
14:54.79	Jasmine Nichols	SEN	Leicester WC	Sheffield	09/01
14:57.98	Gracie Griffiths	U17	Pembrokeshire Hs.	Cardiff	19/12
15:39.37	Natalie Myers	SEN	2 DASH	Birmingham	27/02
15:50.42	Grazia Manzotti	V50	Tonbridge AC	Lee Valley	02/04
15:54.68	Mia Dunwell	U20	Northern (IOM)	Birmingham	27/02
15:56.12	Melanie Peddle	V50	Loughton AC	Lee Valley	05/03
16:01.46	Millie Morris	U20	Ashford AC	Birmingham	27/02
16:13.72	Abigail Smith	U20	Blackheath & B	Birmingham	27/02
16:40.66	Beatrice Fury	U23	Medway & Maid.	Cardiff	19/12
16:42.40	Jacqueline Benson	U23	Ashford AC	Birmingham	27/02
16:46.55	Carolyn Derbyshire	V40	Nuneaton Hs.	Lee Valley	05/03
16:46.94	Megan Stratton-T	U23	Swansea Hs.	Cardiff	19/12

Resident Non-UK Athletes

16:37.74	Erika Pontarollo	SEN	Hyde Park Hs.	Sheffield	09/01
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Men's Indoor 3000m to 16:00

Perf.	Athlete	AG	Club	Venue	Date
12:27.27	Christopher Snook	U23	Aldershot F & D	Birmingham	27/02
12:41.43	Tom Partington	SEN	Manx Harriers	Birmingham	27/02
13:15.66	Luc Legon	SEN	Bexley AC	Birmingham	27/02
14:03.79	David Annetts	V55	North Herts RR	Lee Valley	02/04
14:38.03	Christian Hopper	U20	Cambridge Hs.	Sheffield	09/01

Resident Non-UK Athletes

15:43.19	Francisco Reis	V60	Surrey WC	Braga (POR)	21/02
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International Results

Podebrady (CZE) Walking Meeting – World Athletics Race Walking Tour – Gold Standard (Sat. 2nd Apr.)

Caio Bonfim and Valeria Ortuno took top honours and led a number of athletes under the World Athletics Championships qualifying standards at the Podebrady Walking meeting – the first Gold level event in this year's **World Athletics Race Walking Tour**.

Brazil's Bonfim, the 2017 world bronze medallist, moved away from his rivals in the closing kilometres to equal the meeting record of 1:18:54 and triumph ahead of Sweden's 2019 world bronze medallist Perseus Karlstrom – who had set that meeting record last year – and Ireland's European U23 silver medallist David Kenny in the men's 20km race.

Mexico's Ortuno made her break earlier on in the women's 20km race and maintained that momentum, recording 1:29:25 to finish half a minute clear of Germany's Saskia Feige and Ecuador's Johana Ordonez. As well as kicking off the Gold calendar in the 2022 World Athletics Race Walking Tour, Saturday's meeting also marked the 90th anniversary of the race walk competition in the Czech spa town.

Just four weeks after his 35km win at the World Athletics Race Walking Team Championships Muscat 22, Karlstrom returned to Podebrady to defend his 20km title, with wins in 2020 and 2016 also featuring on his CV.

Bonfim, meanwhile, was looking to go one better than his runner-up spot at the South American Race Walking Championships in Lima in February and build on his eighth-place finish over 35km in Muscat.

Karlstrom was part of the lead group that passed 5km in 19:52 and 10km in 39:40. Bonfim had been bidding his time a few seconds back off the front of the pack but was to the fore as 7km was reached in 27:53. Four athletes forged ahead, with Bonfim and Karlstrom joined by Kenny and Ecuador's Brian Pintado through the 10km mark.

The group had split by 13km, with Kenny and Bonfim together ahead of Karlstrom, and Pintado just off the pace.

Karlstrom was the next to fall back but he battled on, determined not to let Kenny and Bonfim out of his sight – the leaders passing 15km in 59:24, seven seconds ahead of Karlstrom. As Bonfim moved away over the next kilometre, Karlstrom caught Kenny and they looked locked in battle for the runner-up spot. Bonfim was 18 seconds ahead at 17km – 1:07:13 to 1:07:31 – and had stretched his lead to 28 seconds with two kilometres to go, as Karlstrom made a bid to drop Kenny.

Bonfim was unchallenged as he secured success in 1:18:54, just seven seconds off his own national record recorded in La Coruna in 2019, while Karlstrom managed to hold off Kenny – 1:19:42 to 1:19:44 – with the Irish walker letting out a roar as he crossed the finish line and saw his time, having taken more than three minutes off his PB.

Pintado finished fourth in a PB of 1:19:47, while Spain's Alberto Amezcua joined them in dipping under 80 minutes with 1:19:58 for fifth. A total of 12 athletes finished under the 1:21:00 entry standard for July's World Athletics Championships Oregon22.

In the women's race, Ortuno had been joined by Spain's Olympic fourth-place finisher Maria Perez at the front of a six-strong group that passed the 5km point in 22:16. But over the next few kilometres Perez's red cards resulted in a two-minute penalty and she was later disqualified.

That left Ortuno to do battle with her compatriot Alegna Gonzalez, the fourth-place finisher at the World Athletics Race Walking Team Championships in Muscat who was fifth, one place behind Perez, in Tokyo.

They were side-by-side at the 10km mark, when the clock showed 44:23, with Ordonez and Feige a few seconds back. When Gonzalez dropped out a couple of kilometres later, Ortuno remained in control, although her closest challengers had closed the gap to five seconds.

Ortuno could not be caught, however, and was 10 seconds ahead of Ordonez at 15km (1:06:43), with Feige a further 15 seconds behind. While Ortuno, who placed 47th at the Olympics in Tokyo, remained ahead, Feige was fiercely giving chase and was four seconds off Ordonez with a kilometre to go.

Like Bonfim in the men's race, Ortuno had a clear path to victory with her win secured in 1:29:25, but half a minute back was a competitive clash for the runner up spot. Feige pipped Ordonez by just a single second as they clocked respective PBs of 1:29:57 and 1:29:58.

Italy's Valentina Trapletti finished fourth in 1:30:49, while Czech Republic's Eliska Martinkova (1:30:53 PB) and Tereza Durdiakova (1:31:09) were fifth and sixth on home soil – the top five all under the entry standard for Oregon.

After racing in Podebrady for the fourth time and claiming her first win, Ortuno said: "I am very happy. First place and the time for the World Championships in Oregon. My first win here, it's amazing for me." Despite the cold conditions, she added: "I like this weather, it's good for the race."

In the international team competition, Czech Republic claimed top spot ahead of France and Italy. In the men's match, Italy won ahead of Slovakia and France.

A number of athletes in the U20 races are targeting this year's World Athletics U20 Championships Cali 22 and that resulted in some competitive action and fast times. Mexico's 16-year-old Angel Vazquez Montes improved his PB to 42:15 to win the U20 men's 10km race walk ahead of Czech Republic's Adam Zajicek (42:19) and Jaromir Moravek (42:36), while the U20 women's title was claimed by Mexico's 17-year-old Karla Ximena Serrano, who clocked 45:20 to take exactly two minutes off her previous best. Finland's Heta Veikkola was second in 46:02 and Costa Rica's Sharon Lisseth Herrera Soto third in 46:04.

Jess Whittington for World Athletics

Report from England Team Manager Verity Snook: April 2nd started very cold, snowy, and blustery weather conditions (windchill -2) in contrast to the previous spring warm weather of Coventry. Having recovered from the April fools' journey that the London EasyJet Gatwick flight cancellation saw Noel Carmody, Hannah Hopper and

Verity Snook race up country to Birmingham to fly to Prague a little later than planned.

Men's 20km: Tom Bosworth and Cameron Corbishley started sensibly from the gun. Tom racing well for the first 3km but started to feel that the power and energy did not match his effort. Not injured or visibly unwell, he passed 5km respectably but found he coasted to 10km where he withdraw with pace dropping. A technically sound good 5km 20:37; finished 10km in respectable 42:11. Cameron's raced a rollercoaster paced 20km, strong technique, he went through 10km in a respectable 44:42. Cam finished with a season's best, improving on Oman in a negative split of 88:12. Cam finished strongly in 43rd place. There were 65 finishers from 75 starters.



In the **Junior Ladies 10km**, Hannah Hopper in her first outing wearing an England vest, performed reasonably consistently, passing 5km in 25:42 a substantial road personal best, racing hard in a small group, Hannah was able to respond and take advantage of a good field until she was dropped slightly but she kept her focus and finished in a massive personal best of 51:19 (negative split) in 22nd place out of 35 finishers from 40 starters.



Senior Ladies 20km: sole British representative Heather Lewis representing Wales, raced very consistently. Responded immediately to judges' advice early on, technically settled and walked with both a strong technique and speed passing 10km in 46:46, continued to drive hard resulting in a personal best of 94:02. Heather finished in a credible 16th, where there were 45 finishers from 49 starters.



Women's 20km Result

Pos	Athlete	Nation	Perf	Notes
1	Valeria ORTUÑO	MEX	1:29:25	SB
2	Saskia FEIGE	GER	1:29:57	PB
3	Johana ORDÓÑEZ	ECU	1:29:58	PB
4	Valentina TRAPLETTI	ITA	1:30:49	SB
5	Eliška MARTÍNKOVÁ	CZE	1:30:53	PB
6	Tereza ĎURDIAKOVÁ	CZE	1:31:09	SB
7	Ana CABECINHA	POR	1:31:21	SB
8	Camille MOUTARD	FRA	1:31:29	PB
9	Sofia RAMOS RODRÍGUEZ	MEX	1:31:41	PB
10	Sandra Viviana GALVIS	COL	1:32:02	SB
11	Clémence BERETTA	FRA	1:32:02	PB
12	Robyn STEVENS	USA	1:32:15	PB
13	Rachelle DE ORBETA	PUR	1:33:06	NR
14	Eloise TERREC	FRA	1:33:46	PB
15	Noelia VARGAS	CRC	1:33:57	SB
16	Heather LEWIS	WAL	1:34:02	PB
17	Galina YAKUSHEVA	KAZ	1:35:44	PB
18	Marion MANARESI	FRA	1:36:28	PB
19	Maria SANTOS BERNARDO	POR	1:36:35	SB
20	Rita RÉCSEI	HUN	1:36:41	SB
21	Joana PONTES	POR	1:36:41	SB
22	Enni NURMI	FIN	1:37:07	SB
23	Agnieszka ELLWARD	POL	1:37:13	SB
24	Monika VAICIUKEVIČIŪTĖ	LTU	1:37:16	SB
25	Elisa NEUVONEN	FIN	1:37:43	SB
26	Simona BERTINI	ITA	1:38:36	PB
27	Beatrice FORESTI	ITA	1:39:42	PB
28	Adriana ORNELAS	POR	1:39:54	PB
29	Klaudia ŽÁRSKA	SVK	1:40:11	PB
30	Anna FERRARI	ITA	1:40:38	PB
31	Emilia LEHMEYER	GER	1:41:47	SB
32	Kate VEALE	IRL	1:41:54	SB
33	Sara AMMOUR	ESP	1:42:08	PB
34	Adrija MEŠKAUSKAITĖ	LTU	1:42:11	SB PZ
35	Rocio Estefanía SÁNCHEZ	MEX	1:43:01	PB
36	Austėja KAVALIAUSKAITĖ	LTU	1:43:07	SB
37	Marine ROTTIER	FRA	1:46:05	SB
38	Valéria BIRÓNÉ DR MOLNÁR	HUN	1:48:55	SB
39	Hana BURZALOVÁ	SVK	1:49:55	
40	Štěpánka POHLOVÁ	CZE	1:51:26	SB
41	Jana ZIKMUNDOVÁ	CZE	1:52:25	SB
42	Marion ROULAND	FRA	1:55:48	PB
43	Michaela BAKLIKOVÁ	CZE	1:57:00	PB
44	Nathalie FROMENTIN	FRA	1:59:59	SB
45	Lenka BOROVIČKOVÁ	CZE	2:03:03	SB
	Alegna GONZÁLEZ	MEX	DNF	
	Dóra CSÖRGŐ	HUN	DNF	
	María PÉREZ	ESP	DQ	TR 54.7.5

Men's 20km Result

Pos	Athlete	Nation	Perf	Notes
1	Caio BONFIM	BRA	1:18:54	=MR
2	Perseus KARLSTRÖM	SWE	1:19:42	SB
3	David KENNY	IRL	1:19:44	PB
4	Brian Daniel PINTADO	ECU	1:19:47	PB
5	Alberto AMEZCUA	ESP	1:19:58	SB
6	Andres OLIVAS NÚÑEZ	MEX	1:20:31	SB
7	Nils BREMBACH	GER	1:20:32	PB
8	José MONTANA	COL	1:20:34	SB
9	Wayne SNYMAN	RSA	1:20:39	SB
10	Miguel Ángel LÓPEZ	ESP	1:20:41	SB
11	Jesus CALDERON	MEX	1:20:49	PB
12	Karl JUNGHANNß	GER	1:20:53	PB
13	Eider ARÉVALO	COL	1:21:20	SB
14	Julio César SALAZAR	MEX	1:21:34	
15	Andrea AGRUSTI	ITA	1:21:35	PB

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16	Matteo GIUPPONI	ITA	1:21:51	SB	7	Elvina CARRÉ	FRA	48:23	PB
17	Gianluca PICCHIOTTINO	ITA	1:22:11		8	Giulia GABRIELE	ITA	48:28	PB
18	Aleksi OJALA	FIN	1:22:41	PB PZ	9	Ana DELAHAIE	FRA	48:34	PB
19	Nick CHRISTIE	USA	1:22:44	PB	10	Tiziana SPILLER	HUN	48:39	SB
20	César CÓRDOVA FERNÁNDEZ	MEX	1:22:48	PB	11	Anita LAIOLO	ITA	48:49	PB
21	Francesco FORTUNATO	ITA	1:22:57	SB	12	Agathe MILLE	FRA	48:50	PB
22	Oscar PATÍN	ECU	1:23:09	PB	13	Lena SONNTAG	GER	48:55	PB
23	Dan NEHNEVAJ	USA	1:23:10	PB	14	Terézia KURUCOVÁ	SVK	49:40	
24	Juan José SOTO	COL	1:23:14	PB	15	Silvia PARENTE	ITA	49:47	PB
25	Teodorico CAPORASO	ITA	1:23:15	SB	16	Martina SCIANNAMEA	ITA	49:55	PB
26	Diego PINZON	COL	1:23:26	PB	17	Karin DEVALDOVÁ	SVK	50:21	
27	Aurelien QUINION	FRA	1:23:32	SB PZ	18	Emilie LAURENS	FRA	50:26	PB
28	Alex WRIGHT	IRL	1:23:45	SB	19	Juliette SAINT-MARTIN	FRA	50:28	PB
29	Hagen POHLE	GER	1:23:49	SB	20	Liv MASSON	FRA	50:29	PB
30	Miroslav ÚRADNÍK	SVK	1:23:52	SB	21	Judit ERDŐS	HUN	51:16	SB
31	Dominik ČERNÝ	SVK	1:24:00	SB	22	Hannah HOPPER	GBR	51:19	PB
32	Christian ROJAS	COL	1:25:14	PB	23	Julia SCHMIDT	GER	52:32	PB
33	Brendan BOYCE	IRL	1:25:59	SB	24	Ellen SEISTO	FIN	52:36	SB
34	Raivo SAULGRIEZIS	LAT	1:26:07	PB	25	Akvilė ORLIUKAITĖ	LTU	53:30	
35	Jorge RUIZ	COL	1:26:16	SB	26	Stanislava HAKULINOVÁ	SVK	54:06	SB
36	Vít HLAVÁČ	CZE	1:26:27	PB	27	Klára HLAVÁČOVÁ	CZE	54:52	PB
37	Oisín LANE	IRL	1:27:06	PB	28	Ruth MONAGHAN	IRL	56:08	PB
38	Kenny Martin PEREZ	COL	1:27:10	SB	29	Asia CILINI	ITA	56:40	
39	Mattéo DUC	FRA	1:27:13	PB	30	Katka NEDVÍDKOVÁ	CZE	56:48	PB
40	Yassir CABRERA	PAN	1:27:40	SB	31	Lucy STEFFEN	GER	57:22	PB
41	Juriy MICHELETTI	ITA	1:27:59	SB	32	Lea Anika OBENAUŠ	GER	57:48	PB
42	Jerry JOKINEN	FIN	1:28:00	PB	33	Aiva BIELEVIČIŪTĖ	LTU	59:00	PB
43	Cameron CORBISHLEY	ENG	1:28:12	SB	34	Štěpánka ŠLICHTOVÁ	CZE	61:02	PB
44	Remi RODRIGUEZ	FRA	1:28:24	PB		Dorottya MÉSZÁROS	HUN	DNF	
45	Bryan LUGO	COL	1:28:39	PB PZ	Junior Men's 10km Result				
46	Paulo MARTINS	POR	1:29:10		Pos	Athlete	Nation	Perf	Notes
47	Mattia BRAGGIO	ITA	1:29:13	PB	1	Angel Vazquez MONTES	MEX	42:15	PB
48	Gabriele GAMBA	ITA	1:29:31	SB	2	Adam ZAJÍČEK	CZE	42:19	PB
49	Kyrian VALLEE	FRA	1:29:31	PB	3	Jaromír MORÁVEK	CZE	42:36	SB
50	Norbert TÓTH	HUN	1:29:40		4	Tiago RAMOS	POR	42:55	NR
51	Dimitri DURAND	FRA	1:29:44		5	Emiliano BRIGANTE	ITA	43:26	NR
52	Lukáš GDULA	CZE	1:29:44	SB	6	Frederick WEIGEL	GER	43:26	PB
53	Joe MOONEY	IRL	1:29:47	PB	7	Ellis BATIFOL	FRA	43:43	PB
54	Lucas DREVILLE	FRA	1:29:51	PB	8	Leo BENJELLOUN-TOUIMI	FRA	44:15	PB
55	Lauri JOUKAS	FIN	1:30:06	PB	9	Giuseppe DISABATO	ITA	44:21	PB
56	Dávid TOKODI	HUN	1:30:36	SB	10	Guilherme RODRIGUES	POR	44:47	
57	Francesco BENVENUTO	ITA	1:30:42		11	Jakub BÁTOVSKÝ	SVK	45:01	PB
58	Martin NEDVÍDEK	CZE	1:33:32	PB	12	Erwan GARROUTY	FRA	45:14	PB
59	Milan RÍZEK	SVK	1:35:41	SB	13	Magnus GRÆSLI	NOR	45:19	PB
60	Stefano CICALO'	ITA	1:35:59	SB	14	Salvatore MANERA	ITA	45:35	PB PZ
61	Florian PETER	FRA	1:36:11	PB	15	Nick Joel RICHARDT	GER	45:47	PB
62	Devidas BALEVICIUS	LTU	1:38:30	PB	16	Giuseppe Gaetano DINO	ITA	45:48	PB
63	Deimantas KUKIS	LTU	1:39:04	PB	17	Matteo ARISI	ITA	46:04	PB
64	Rostislav KOLÁŘ	CZE	1:41:13	SB	18	Pietro BOZZOLAN	ITA	46:05	PB
65	Josef SMOLA	CZE	1:53:51	SB	19	Jake O'BRIEN	IRL	46:11	PB
	Martin SCHWING	FRA	DNF	PZ	20	Jassam ABU EL WAFA	GER	46:14	PB
	Alexandr MALYSA	CZE	DNF		21	Ignas DUMBLIAUSKAS	LTU	46:20	PB
	Martin MADELINE-DEGY	FRA	DNF		22	Raivo LINIŅŠ	LAT	46:33	PB
	Tom BOSWORTH	ENG	DNF		23	Lukas LASEVIČIUS	LTU	46:43	PB
	Daniel KOVÁČ	SVK	DNF		24	Cristian SERRA	ITA	46:46	PB
	Ryan GOGNIES	FRA	DNF		25	Arvid KOCKEL	GER	46:49	PB
	Raouf DRISSI	TUN	DQ	TR 54.7.5	26	Taurus Jokūbas GRINCEVIČIUS	LTU	47:02	
	Tomasz BAGDÁNY	HUN	DQ	TR 54.7.5	27	Marco DRUSIAN	ITA	47:05	PB
	Luis Manuel CORCHETE	ESP	DQ	TR 54.7.5	28	Michal DUDA	SVK	47:17	
Junior Women's 10km Result					29	Thomas BORZI	ITA	47:23	PB
Pos	Athlete	Nation	Perf	Notes	30	Faustin GARREAU	FRA	47:30	PZ
1	Karla Ximena SERRANO	MEX	45:20	MR PB	31	Filip KRESTIANKO	SVK	48:04	PB
2	Heta VEIKKOLA	FIN	46:02	PB	32	Robert HURDÁLEK	CZE	48:21	PB
3	Sharon Lisseth HERRERA SOTO	CRC	46:04	PB	33	Cristian IMPROTA	ITA	48:30	PB
4	Alexandrina MIHAI	ITA	46:57	PB	34	Leon BÁNK	HUN	48:33	PB
5	Giada TRAINA	ITA	46:58	PB	35	Roman HANYK	CZE	48:45	SB
6	Vittoria DI DATO	ITA	47:49	PB	36	Tamás KONCZVALD	HUN	48:55	SB

37	Matteo BROCCOLETTI	ITA	49:44	PB
38	Joshua HOFFMANN	GER	50:12	PB
39	Federico CIASCETTI	ITA	50:33	SB
40	Andreas DØSKE	NOR	50:57	SB
41	Benjámín BOR	HUN	52:11	PB
42	Anthony PETER	FRA	52:24	PB
42	Alessio CIRIOTTI	ITA	52:42	
	Matthew GLENNON	IRL	DNF	

Two-time Olympian and Belgrave stalwart Eric Hall dies aged 89



Eric Hall (left) with Stan Vickers (Belgrave Harriers)

One of Britain's finest race walkers during a golden era for the discipline, Eric Hall represented his country in two Olympics and was a member of Belgrave Harriers for a staggering 73 years.

Hall was also Belgrave's oldest member when he died on March 20 aged 89 after a period of declining health.

Hall developed his appetite for race walking by going for long walks with his family on Sunday afternoons. As a teenager he began training with competitive race walkers and was inspired by the 1948 Olympics in London.

Leaving school, he started a lifelong job outside athletics as a customs and excise officer but after rising through the ranks as a race walker he took three weeks of unpaid leave from work in 1956 to try to make that year's Melbourne Olympics.

Only 24, he finished runner-up to Don Thompson in the National 50km and later that year on a hot day in Melbourne finished ninth.

In 1957 he became the first Belgravian to win the Race Walking Association National 20 miles title but in 1958 he was controversially left out of the British team for the European Championships in Stockholm.

Hall finished runner-up to his friend and training partner Stan Vickers at the trial and Vickers went on to win gold in Stockholm by nearly two minutes whereas Hall was left at home.

At the Rome Games in 1960 Hall had another shot at the Olympics and this time completed in the 20km event, placing 10th as Vickers took bronze.

It was a golden era for British race walking too as Thompson famously took gold in the 50km in Rome with Ken Matthews winning another Olympic race walks title – this time over 20km – four years later in Tokyo.

Hall was elected a life member of Belgrave Harriers in 1957 and was named president in 1999.

In a detailed tribute, which you can [read here](#), Belgrave said: "Very many years ago Jack Crump, the Secretary of the British Amateur Athletic Board, found cause to say of Eric that he was 'Gentlemanly, modest, temperamentally and technically a perfect walker'.

"Well over 60 years later we can not only confirm those qualities but add that Eric was generous in the extreme and a great friend to many, in all walks of our club and sport."

Source: Jason Henderson (Athletics Weekly)

National Championships

Molly Barnett Open, inc. England Athletics Senior 10,000, Championships, Warwick University, Coventry (Sat.19th Mar.)

Cameron Corbishley (Medway and Maidstone; Coach: Andi Drake) and Abigail Jennings (Aldershot Farnham & District, Coach: Verity Snook) took the England Athletics 10,000m Race Walk titles.

Two weeks after he represented Great Britain in the World Race Walking Team Championships in Oman, Muscat over 20km, Corbishley became the 2022 England 10,000m champion with 42:49.47 in windy conditions. The early pace in the men's race was set by Welsh athlete Guy Thomas and Chris Snook (Aldershot Farnham & District, Verity Snook) with Corbishley sitting in 3rd place. Corbishley first passed Snook and was closing on Thomas when he was taken into the Penalty Zone to serve a 1 minute penalty. However, Corbishley then picked up the pace to take the title. Behind him, Snook took the silver medal in 44:21.49. Thomas was 3rd in the race 45:03.72, with Tom Partington (Manx Harriers, Coach: Steve Partington) taking the bronze medal in the England Championships in 45:55.75. Christian Hopper (Cambridge Harriers, Coach: Noel Carmody) was the first under 20 athlete in 49:37.36 a new personal best.

Abigail Jennings took the England Women's Championships in 51:28.28. The early leader in the England Women's championship race was Erika Kelly (Northern Isle of Man AC, Coach: Tom Craggs) who was chasing the Isle of Man qualifying time for the Commonwealth Games. She was walking alongside Ireland's Kate Veale for the first half of the race but dropped out shortly after the halfway mark. This left the way clear for Jennings to take the England title in a new personal best. Hannah Hopper (Cambridge Harriers, Coach: Noel Carmody) took the England silver medal in 53:14.06 ahead of Emily Ghose (Tonbridge AC, Coach: Noel Carmody) in 56:45.38. The overall race was won by Wales's Heather Lewis in 45:59.45 who just got inside the Welsh Commonwealth Games Standard of 46:00.00.

In the supporting 5000m for U17 athletes Ellis Simmonds (2DASH, Coach: Helen Elleker) took the men's title in 27:12.67. Mia Dunwell (Northern, Isle of Man, Coach: Steve Partington) won the women's race in 26:35.11.

Mixed 2000m

Pos	Athlete	AG	Club	Perf.
1	Timothy Perry	U13B	Northern (IOM) AC	11:46.27 [PB]
2	Aimee Thursfield	U13G	Wolv. & Bilston AC	15:02.47
	Megan Chantrell	U13G	Aberdare Valley AAC	DQ TR 54.7.5

Men & Boys 5000m

Pos	Athlete	AG	Club	Perf.
1	Ellis Simmonds	U17M	Derbyshire & S. Yorkshire	27:12.57
2	Steve Uttley	M60	Ilford Athletic Club	29:15.44
3	Jonathan Ellerton	U17M	Blackheath & Bromley HAC	29:48.75 [PB]
4	Hardeep Minhas	M60	Leicester Walking Club	32:01.04 [+30]
5	Colin Vesty	M55	Leicester Walking Club	35:17.78 [PZ]
	Daniel Mckerlich	U23M	Cardiff A.A.C.	DQ TR 54.7.5

Women & Girls 5000m



Pos	Athlete	AG	Club	Perf.
1	Mia Dunwell	U20W	Northern (IOM) AC	26:35.11
2	Gracie Griffiths	U17W	Pembrokeshire Harriers	26:59.85 [PZ]
3	Abby Hughes	U20W	Taunton Athletic Club	27:56.25 [PZ]
3	Katie Stringer	U20W	Medway & Maidstone AC	27:56.25 [PB]
5	Shannon Thomas	U23W	Swansea Harriers	28:15.59 [PB]
6	Carolyn Derbyshire	W40	Nuneaton Harriers	29:23.43
7	Marie Jackson	W60	Manx Harriers	29:51.02
8	Noel Blatchford	W70	Abingdon Athletic Club	34:45.02 [SB]

Men's 10,000m



Pos	Athlete	AG	Club	Perf.
1	Cameron Corbishley	SENM	Medway & Maidstone Hs	42:49.97 [SB]
2	Christopher Snook	U23M	Aldershot Farnham & Dist.	44:21.49
3	Guy Thomas	SENM	Tonbridge Athletic Club	45:03.72 [PZ]
4	Tom Partington	SENM	Manx Harriers	45:55.75
5	George Wilkinson	U23M	Enfield & Haringey AC	46:26.71 [SB]
6	Luc Legon	SENM	Bexley Athletic Club	47:24.27 [PB]
7	Christian Hopper	U20M	Cambridge Harriers	49:37.36 [PB]
8	David Annetts	M50	North Herts Road Runners	50:35.27 [SB]
9	Matthew Crane	U23M	Bexley Athletic Club	51:20.61 [PB]
10	Neil Wade	SENM	Manx Harriers	56:46.95 [PB]
	David Walsh	M60	Redhill Road Runners	DQ TR 54.7.5

Women's 10,000m



Pos	Athlete	AG	Club	Perf.
1	Heather Lewis	SENW	Pembrokeshire Harriers	45:59.45 [PB]
2	Bethan Davies	SENW	Cardiff A.A.C.	47:35.68 [SB]
3	Kate Veale	SENW	West Waterford AC/IRL	48:27.84 [PB]
4	Abigail Jennings	U23W	Aldershot Farnham & Dist.	51:28.28 [PB]
5	Hannah Hopper	U20W	Cambridge Harriers	53:14.06 [PB]
6	Emily Ghose	SENW	Tonbridge Athletic Club	56:45.38 [PB]
7	Grazia Manzotti	W50	Tonbridge Athletic Club	56:51.40 [PB]
8	Jacqueline Benson	U23W	Ashford Athletic Club	57:34.09 [PB]
9	Michele Turner	W45	Manx Harriers	59:15.81
	Isabelle Bridge	U23W	Blackheath & Bromley HAC	DNF
	Erika Kelly	SENW	Northern (IOM) AC	DNF

Bill Wright R.I.P

Like many race walking newcomers Bill entered the sport via family connections as his father Percy Wright was an established Belgrave Harriers race walker. Bill followed in his footsteps by signing for the Bels. Percy was a talented cartoonist who drew pictures of race walkers, so Bill could be in a collection somewhere! Bill moved on to join Southend-on-Sea AC who then had several "big name" race walkers. Bill had to work hard to even make a scoring 4 (all races needed 4 scorers in such times) - but he did, even in National Championships, as his collection of medals/plaques/certificates/prizes proves.

Bill resided at Basildon and taught at Hornchurch College of Further Education. He regularly trained with 1968 Olympian John Webb. John recalls travelling to Market Bosworth with Bill for a race which was part of a local festival. It started with a lap around a cow field, before an out-and-back stretch on country lanes and then finishing with another circuit of a cow field. In past decades there were many such local enjoyable races which top walkers used to support. Bill and Janice often talked about that Market Bosworth race. They used to be members of a health club at Bosworth Hall, and Bill would go out for a training walk from there - avoiding the cowpats! While in Basildon Bill spent a year working for Carreras Tobacco Co. He talked about when he was given 200 cigarettes for the honour of representing the firm in the annual Tobacco Trades Athletics Championships. When he left Basildon, the cigarettes were left behind!

Bill, who achieved Welsh International status, regularly supported the Principality's Championships. In 1976 on Cwmbrian track he became their 10,000 metres senior champion in 51:29. A year later he was silver medallist at the same distance as John Eddershaw broke the tape. Earlier in 1969 he was a bronze medallist at 3,000 metres as 1st & 2nd places went to Roy Hart & Dave Rosser respectively (both Commonwealth Games representatives in their time). His Welsh senior appearance came in a Home Countries International over 10,000 metres at a rainy Aldersley Track (Wolverhampton) in 1976 when he clocked a respectable 51:41.2. It was 2-a-side and involving Ken Carter & Dennis Holly (England), Alan Buchanan & Graham Scott (Scotland) and John Eddershaw & Bill Wright (Wales).

When Bill moved to Nuneaton, he joined Nuneaton Harriers AC for whom he enjoyed successful times in Midland Area races. He established himself as a respected coach in which capacity his "know how" was passed on to many others. Bill was very proud to see Andy Penn compete in both the Olympic and Commonwealth Games. The 1992 Barcelona Olympics meant as much to him, maybe more, than being Honorary Treasurer. As an experienced judge he officiated at International level having been put forward by Welsh Athletics.

He was prominent in the administration of our athletics discipline when serving 29 years as our Race Walking Association's Honorary Treasurer. In the RWA centenary publication "A Hundred Years Afoot" it's written that Bill's the only Association office holder to fill the same position continuously for over a quarter of a century. He was elected an esteemed RWA Life Member and served an active 1995/96 term of President.

Among other sporting interests is football where he'd been a loyal supporter of Nuneaton Borough FC in good times and bad (often the latter). Once in a higher position in a now names National League they've slipped to the 7th tier Southern League Premier Central Division. But whatever league Bill wanted them to do well, and he cheered them when playing both home and away.



Domestic 'A' Permit Races

England Masters AA Area Indoor Challenge, Lee Valley Athletics Centre (Sun. 13th Mar.)

Women's 2000m

Pos	Athlete	AG	Club/Masters Club	Perf.
1	Melanie Peddle	W50	Loughton/Eastern Masters	10:15.26 [iPB]
2	Grazia Manzotti	W50	Tonbridge AC/SCVAC	10:25.01 [iPB]
3	Carolyn Derbyshire	W40	Nuneaton/Midland Masters	10:56.25 [iSB]
4	Rachel Lawless	W60	Ilford AC/Eastern Masters	11:56.06 [iPB]
5	Fiona Bishop	W60	Woking AC/Veterans AC	14:44.42 [iSB]
6	Geraldine Legon	W60	Bexley AC/SCVAC	14:44.65 [iSB]

Men's 2000m

Pos	Athlete	AG	Club/Masters Club	Perf.
1	David Annetts	M55	North Herts/Veterans AC	09:15.17 [iSB]
2	Mark Ashby	M55	Cambridge Hs./SCVAC	11:23.38 [iPB]
3	Adam Hills	M40	Bedford Hs./Eastern Masters	11:23.92 [iSB]
4	Stuart Bennett	M60	Ilford AC/Veterans AC	11:46.13 [iSB]
5	Colin Harle	M60	Belgrave Hs./Eastern Masters	11:48.27 [iSB]
6	Richard Emsley	M70	Desborough/Midland Masters	11:49.46 [iSB]
7	Hardeep Minhas	M60	Leicester/Midland Masters	11:53.88 [iSB]

Manx Harriers Track 10,000m Walk, Douglas (Sun. 27th Mar.)

Lovely unseasonably warm morning for the 10,000m and supporting race.

Mixed 10,000m

Pos	Athlete	AG	Club	Perf.
1	Tom Partington	SENM	Manx Harriers	43:40.8 [PB]
2	Erika Kelly	SENW	Northern (IOM) AC	49:49.8 [SB]
3	Mia Dunwell	U20W	Northern (IOM) AC	56:51.7 [SB]
4	Tony Edwards	M55	Manx Harriers	56:55.6 [PB]
5	Phil Swales	M55	Northern (IOM) AC	64:57.7 [PB]

Mixed Junior 2,000m

Pos	Athlete	AG	Club	Perf.
1	Tim Perry	U13B	Northern (IOM) AC	11:02.5 [PB]
2	Molly Swales	U15G	Northern (IOM) AC	13:13.3 [PB]
3	Fynn Gleave	U11B	Manx Harriers	14:33.1
4	Noah Sykes	U11B	Northern (IOM) AC	14:33.4

Domestic 'B' Permit Races

Sarnia Walking Club Championships Race One, 5km Road Walk, Saumarez Park, Guernsey (Sun. 6th Mar.)

A cold morning greeted the walkers for the first Championship race of 2022 on the paths at Saumarez Park, *reports Rob Elliott*. Taking his usual spot at the head the field Stuart Le Noury crossed the line in 27.24. Donna Allan took second place in 32.52. Third place went to Kevin Le Noury. Mick Le Sauvage got the better of Dave Dorey after trailing him for the first of four laps for fourth place.

In the handicap section of the race Kevin Le Noury and Mick Le Sauvage tied for first place with Donna Allan narrowly ahead of Dave Dorey.

Mixed 5km

Pos	Athlete	AG	Club	Perf.
1	Stuart Le Noury	M35	Sarnia Walking Club	27:24
2	Donna Allen	W45	Sarnia Walking Club	32:52
3	Kevin Le Noury	M60	Sarnia Walking Club	36:08
4	Mick le Sauvage	M80	Sarnia Walking Club	40:08
5	Dave Dorey	M75	Sarnia Walking Club	41:56

2022 ERWL Fourth Fixture

LICC 1km, 3km & 5km

Note: 5km time limit of 38 minutes

Saturday 16th April starting at 12 Noon

Lee Valley Athletic Centre, N9 OAR

Online Entries only by 12th April to: www.entry4sports.co.uk

Enfield Race Walking League, 5 Mile, Donkey Lane, Enfield (Sat. 12th Mar.)

It was good to see Stephen Crane (N° 65) back in action after a long absence, *reports Ron Wallwork*. He was the league runner-up in 2007 and 2008. Stephen's father Peter and brother David are also Leaguers, the latter winning the League in 2018.



A well done to Kathy Smith on her PB and 14 year old Christopher Stone making his debut.

Credit to David Annetts, Stuart Bennett, Melanie Peddle and Fiona Bishop who doubled up competing in the England Masters AA Area Challenge the following day at Lee Valley.

Mixed 5 Mile

Pos	Athlete	AG	Club	Perf.
1	George Wilkinson	U23M	Enfield & Haringey AC	38:41
2	Dave Annetts	M55	North Herts Road Runners	40:30
3	Stephan Crane	M40	Surrey Walking Club	40:48
4	Dave Walsh	M60	Enfield & Haringey AC	47:51
5	Graham Chapman	M65	Headington Road Runners	50:07
6	Jonathan Ellerton	U17M	Blackheath & Bromley HAC	50:15
7	Colin Harle	M60	Belgrave Harriers	50:22
8	John Arthur	M60	Ilford Athletic Club	50:31
9	Maureen Noel	W55	Belgrave Harriers	51:32
10	Stuart Bennett	M60	Ilford Athletic Club	52:01
11	John Borgars	M75	Loughton Athletic Club	53:31
12	John Ralph	M65	Enfield & Haringey AC	55:11
13	Noel Blatchford	W70	Abingdon Athletic Club	55:21
14	Andrew Tweed	M70	Unattached	56:04
15	Fiona Bishop	W60	Woking Athletic Club	56:16
16	Kathy Smith	W55	Aldershot Farnham & Dist.	57:44
17	Tom Casserley	M80	Enfield & Haringey AC	59:06
18	David Hoben	M65	Surrey Walking Club	60:42
19	Diana Braverman	W70	Enfield & Haringey AC	61:00
20	Malcom Blackwood	M75	Trent Park Runners	61:42
21	Paul Firmage	M65	Ryston Runners AC	67:19

4 Miles

Pos	Athlete	AG	Club	Perf.
1	Shaheda Arthur	W60	Ilford Athletic Club	69:11

3 Miles

Pos	Athlete	AG	Club	Perf.
1	Melanie Peddle	W50	Loughton Athletic Club	28:28
2	Amalia da Silva	W55	Belgrave Harriers	34:57
3	Terry Braverman	M75	Enfield & Haringey AC	42:59

2 Miles

Pos	Athlete	AG	Club	Perf.
1	Christopher Stone	U15B	Blackheath & Bromley HAC	20:12

