



TOLEDO ROADRUNNERS

The Toledo Roadrunner Club (TRRC), an affiliate of the Roadrunners Club of America, is a non-profit club open to anyone with an interest in jogging and/or running regardless of sex, race, age or ability. Whether you're a fitness jogger, fun runner, competitive runner or a combination of all three, you're invited to join the TRRC. We have "fun runs", prediction jogs, and races every weekend with distances for the beginning jogger and the seasoned distance runner.

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ARTHUR S. JOHNSON IS 1978 EDITOR OF TRRC NEWSLETTER

This first edition of the TRRC Newsletter for 1978 is edited by "Art" Johnson who is appealing for items for future issues. Race Directors will be instructed to prepare an item for the Newsletter on the results of their event, but we need items of events, trips to runs in other places, personal news, etc. from all our members. Please send them to: Arthur S. Johnson, 2520 Aldringham Road, Toledo, Ohio 43606 - Telephone (419) 536-0939

I'm sure all of the TRRC members will join me in thanking Lou Wagner for being editor for the past two years. We have all enjoyed his stories and race information.

MEMBERSHIP LIST - "NAMES WITHHELD UPON REQUEST"

Starting with the February NEWSLETTER we'll be listing names, ages and addresses of our members - new and renewals. This is to better acquaint our members with each other and provide running partners where applicable. If you don't wish to have your name listed contact Lou or Diane Wagner after 6:00 PM at 826-9136.

6th Annual "SWANTON 13" on FEBRUARY 5th.

Lou Wagner is rolling out the sixth edition of his 13-mile road race on Sunday, February 5th. This is a race of contrasts. From the comfort of St. Richard's Church Hall on Brookside Dr. to the rigors of the elements Lou invariably turns up for us. But Lou has increased the trophy groupings this year in both the 13 and 3 mile races. There will also be a drawing for merchandise awards for all entrants. Registration starts at 12:30 for the 2:00 PM race; entry fee is \$2.00.

HEARTWATCHERS MARATHON HAS NEW DATE

The Marathon will be held one week sooner, on March 12, in 1978. As usual relays will play a big role at Heartwatchers, so get your 3 and 6 person teams together and raise money for the Heart Association. Last year we raised 1465.00 for Heart research. If you don't plan on running you can participate by helping at one of the many volunteer jobs necessary to put on a race of this size, (registration, timers, waterstops, finish line and results). Member, Dr. William Rowe, was first to volunteer as finish line physician. Call Fred Fineske - 893-7504 or Sy Mah 472-8505.

FEBRUARY MEETING - FEB. 4

The February meeting will be held at Schafer's Smorgasbord, 4311 Heatherdowns. Dinner will begin at 6:30 with the meeting at 7:30. Prices, including beverage and dessert, are \$4.00 adults and \$2.00 children 3-10. Milage patches and runner of the year will be awarded at this meeting.

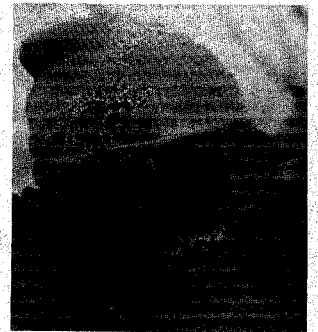
HANAK PLACES IN TRRC 50-MILE

Frank Hanak was third of three finishers in the TRRC's annual 50-Mile run at Secor Park on a frigid day-after-Christmas. The temperature was 3° under cloudy sky with a brisk NW wind when the 10 registered runners began twelve 4+ mile loops of the Tupelo-Bancroft-Wolfinger course at Secor Park. A one mile "tail" at the beginning was almost the hardest part of the race, because it gave the runners a taste of the subzero chill factor before they could get warmed up. Jack Schendel suffered a frost bitten nose which in later weeks peeled and is now pink and tender - but it didn't stop Jack from completing his planned marathon distance.

Park Barner (33) the well known ultra marathon runner from Enola, Pa. running his third TRRC 50-miler, regained the championship he lost to Paul Anderson last year. His time was 6:35:20. His time for the marathon distance was 3:23. Rick Brenner, (32) of Maryville, MO. finished in 7:20:00 (3:23:43) and Frank Hanak (31) finished in 7:25:18 (3:32:43).

Altogether 9 runners finished marathons with the fastest being 3:11 by Eric Jones (30) of Flint, Mi. Jill Robarge completed the marathon in 4:10:30 on her way to a total of 30 miles.

Race Director Char Petiniot and others including Shirley Taylor and Diane Hires, who spent most of the day out in the cold assisting the runners, deserve the thanks of the runners who, after all, were just jogging around keeping warm. The three 50-mile finishers were taken out to eat at Sweden House after the race.



PEARSON PARK 10KM RUN, SKATE AND MOVIE

If it had not been for Mike and Laura Bellg, two of the three advertised events scheduled for January 8th at Pearson Park would not have come off. The skating could very well have been changed to swimming in the slush on the ponds, but none seemed inclined. The film "Marathon" about the Olympic marathon trials, was saved only when Mike and Laura drove back to Toledo to find a replacement projector bulb.

The running events proved, however, that joggers are intrepid souls. The rain that had been falling all day turned to snow as the thermometer headed down below freezing. The area around the shelter house and most of the bicycle trail were slushy puddles. Yet 15 entered the 5 km. run and 33 the 10km. run, and very soon

those 96 feet which had been tip-toeing around in a vain effort to stay dry, were sloshing through the water and snow drifts in carefree abandon. And the predicted times indicated that the conditions did not hinder significantly.

In the 5km. Dorothy Russel got first choice of a merchandise prize by finishing 27 sec. off her prediction. Second was Ken Behan (1:45); third, Kent Kasse (2:12) and fourth, Terri and Marianne LaPoint.

Chuck Sprandel and Mark Hessel tied for first in the 10 km. only 3 sec. off prediction. Kathy Kazor was second 14 sec. off; Mike Cameron 25 sec. and Dick Jones, 34 sec. off. Race Directors Diane Hires and Jeaneen Bonkowski kept a pleasant fire going in the Pearson Park shelter house.

STORMI-ANN GUNTSCH HAS NEW SISTER

Stormi-Ann Guntsch of Montrose, Michigan, finisher at 9 years of age in the 1977 Glass City Marathon, reports that she has a new baby sister who has been named Windi-Sue. Perhaps it will not be long before we find Windi-Sue's name among the finishers of the GMC!

JOHN WILLIAMS AND FAMILY OFF TO MASSACHUSETTS

We're sorry to see John and Sue Williams and their running son, Jeff, leave Toledo. For those of us who didn't get to say goodbye, we wish them all the best!

John missed a lot of our Sunday morning runs - for a good reason. He was associate pastor of Monroe Street United Methodist Church. He was also a member of the Board of Planned Parenthood League, a counselor at Rescue Inc., a suicide prevention counseling service, and former president of the Human Relations Advisory Board of the Toledo Public Schools.

The Williamses will be living in Framingham, Mass., a name that should ring a bell with any Boston Marathoner. Framingham is 6.75 miles from the marathon start at Hopkinton. John says he'll be looking for a lot of us from Toledo!

Those who ran the Brookside course daily preparing for Glass City will especially miss him this spring. All those miles won't be the same without his conversation and sense of humor.

A final work, and a clean one from Bob Gantz, the Brookside wit: "John, you have to do more than pray to finish. . . ."

Good Luck, John, Sue, Jeff and Steve. We'll miss you.
(Diane Hires)

DAVE PEELE BECOMES A MASTER - WATCH OUT!

Dave Peele, one of our Michigan members from Ann Arbor became 40 years old on January 21st. He celebrated by running 40 miles: a 9-mile loop, two 15-mile loops, and the last mile up and down the highest hill in Ann Arbor. The next day, at Dave Mason's run, Dave Peele, a well known sandbagger, said he would probably just jog the course. He came in around 57 or 58 minutes for the 10 miles. The good wishes of the 30 to 39 year olds were noticeably more enthusiastic than those of the 40 to 49 crowd!