

USA Race Walking Grand Prix

I reassumed the Grand Prix Coordinator duties this year. Significant issues with the Series continue to exist. No one seems interested in making the changes necessary to alleviate them.

- Online entries: Many of the races still do not use the USATF entry system. This makes pre-race publicity almost impossible and brands our Series as amateur in a sport that should be professional.
- Results: Many of the races still are scored manually and results are routinely not delivered to USATF or the GP Coordinator in a timely fashion or consistent with accepted results reporting formats for individuals and teams. This make scoring the Series difficult and makes post-race publicity nearly impossible.
- Scoring: The Masters events are supposed to be Age Graded. There does not exist an up to date calculator with the current scoring tables for RW events build anywhere. There are updated scoring tables, but no explanation of the mathematical formula has ever been provided. The available calculators fail to offer an option for scoring the 1 Hour event in any manner. It is still TBD how this will be resolved for the 2016 Masters division in the Series.

Solutions offered:

- Online entries through the USATF entry system will be mandatory for all Series events in 2017 and going forward for all standalone Series events. This will be the only method of entry permitted. Entries will close 1 calendar week before the race so that publicity can be done.
- Results: All races will use computerized scoring starting in 2017. All results will be emailed to the GP Coordinator within 2 hours of the last finisher and will include compiled team scoring. Without this, the event will not be scored in the Series.
- Scoring: A working calculator with updated scoring tables for all events in the Masters Series will be provided, or the Masters Series will not be scored.

USATF Race Walking Website

I assumed the duties of updating and maintaining the USATF Race Walking Website content at the same time as the Grand Prix. There have been many ongoing challenges there as well. These challenges are completely and 100% a result of a lack of professional behavior by the USATF staff. Simply, there is no real interest in updating our content at all. This is nothing new, it has been going on since the website was first designed. USATF has a list of priorities and taking care of the needs of the Race Walking Committee is simply at the bottom of the list. The newly hired staff seem nice and helpful when they do reply, but the follow through is not there and many requests for content changes and event listings were never completed.

High School Race Walking

The 2015-16 High School Race Walking season rank as one of the best since statistics were tabulated starting in 2000. Included below are the highlights of the year. These are the athletes that USATF needs to guide through the process to becoming International level athletes & who have the potential to become medal winners.

- Second year that the event was listed as part of the HS Rankings in Track & Field News for the Mile. 5 deep lists for Indoors and Overall were printed and posted online.
- The Boys saw the 2nd highest number of ranked performances across all events for both the Indoor and Outdoor seasons.
- The Girls had the 5th highest number of ranked performances Indoors and 4th highest number Outdoors.
- Highest number of ranked Boys & Girls at 1500m Outdoors.
- States with Ranked Athletes - 10 Indoors & 16 Outdoors
- HS Records set at the following distances:

Indoor 1500m

Junior:	6:35.16	3/5/16	Lauren Harris	Sachem East, NY
---------	---------	--------	---------------	-----------------

Indoor Mile

Freshman:	6:43.88	3/13/16	Juan Moscoso	Longwood, FL
-----------	---------	---------	--------------	--------------

National:	6:57.36	3/12/16	Lauren Harris	Sachem East, NY
-----------	---------	---------	---------------	-----------------

NSAF Meet:	6:57.36	3/12/16	Lauren Harris	Sachem East, NY
------------	---------	---------	---------------	-----------------

Junior:	6:57.36	3/12/16	Lauren Harris	Sachem East, NY
---------	---------	---------	---------------	-----------------

Outdoor 1500m

Freshman:	6:22.34	6/17/16	Juan Moscoso	Longwood, FL
-----------	---------	---------	--------------	--------------

National:	6:52.23	6/17/16	Lauren Harris	Sachem East, NY
-----------	---------	---------	---------------	-----------------

Meet:	6:52.23	6/17/16	Lauren Harris	Sachem East, NY
-------	---------	---------	---------------	-----------------

Junior:	6:52.23	6/17/16	Lauren Harris	Sachem East, NY
---------	---------	---------	---------------	-----------------

Outdoor 10000m

Senior:	49:31.88	7/19/16	Anali Cisneros	Elgin, IL
---------	----------	---------	----------------	-----------

- All-time Ranked Performances:

1500m Indoors

Boys

5:55.49	Cameron Haught (17 Yellow Springs, OH)
---------	--

6:22.86	AJ Gruttadauro (16 Brockport, NY)
---------	-----------------------------------

Girls

6:35.16	Lauren Harris (17 Sachem East, NY)
---------	------------------------------------

6:49.32	MariaAngelica Garcia (16 North Rockland, NY)
---------	--

6:54.68	Anali Cisneros (16 Elgin, IL)
---------	-------------------------------

6:55.54	Kelsey Jordan (17 Westhampton Beach, NY)
---------	--

6:56.40	Amelia Cuomo (17 Brewster, NY)
---------	--------------------------------

6:59.72	Nayeli Cisneros (17 Elgin, IL)
---------	--------------------------------

Mile Indoors

Boys

6:15.77	Cameron Haught (17 Yellow Springs, OH)
---------	--

Girls

6:57.36	Lauren Harris (17 Sachem East, NY)
---------	------------------------------------

7:11.14	Anali Cisneros (16 Elgin, IL)
---------	-------------------------------

7:15.38	MariaAngelica Garcia (16 North Rockland, NY)
---------	--

7:23.92	Kayla Allen (17 Lewiston, ME)
---------	-------------------------------

3000m Indoors

Boys

12:49.66	Cameron Haught (17 Yellow Springs, OH)
----------	--

13:41.11	AJ Gruttadauro (16 Brockport, NY)
----------	-----------------------------------

14:30.54	Juan Moscoso (19 Longwood, FL)
----------	--------------------------------

Girls

14:37.40	Kayla Allen (17 Lewiston, ME)
----------	-------------------------------

14:50.7	Taylor Ewert (20 Beavercreek, OH)
---------	-----------------------------------

15:05.17	Maeghan Allen (17 Arlington, MA)
----------	----------------------------------

15:29.51	Tara Mandel (17 Farmingdale, NY)
----------	----------------------------------

15:29.78	Melissa Endy (17 Westfield, NJ)
----------	---------------------------------

1500m Outdoors

Boys

6:19.56	AJ Gruttadauro (16 Brockport, NY)
---------	-----------------------------------

6:22.34	Juan Moscoso (19 Longwood, FL)
---------	--------------------------------

6:32.16	Spencer Dunn (16 Edward Little, ME)
---------	-------------------------------------

Girls

6:23.32	Lauren Harris (17 Sachem East, NY)
---------	------------------------------------

6:53.80	Amy Petrocelli (17 Hauppauge, NY)
---------	-----------------------------------

6:55.31	Kelsey Jordan (17 Westhampton Beach, NY)
---------	--

6:56.28	MariaAngelica Garcia (16 North Rockland, NY)
---------	--

6:57.76	Elisabeth Barnett (16 Bay Shore, NY)
---------	--------------------------------------

Mile Outdoors

Girls

6:52.23	Lauren Harris (17 Sachem East, NY)
---------	------------------------------------

7:29.42	MariaAngelica Garcia (16 North Rockland, NY)
---------	--

3000m Outdoors

Girls

14:35.80	Anali Cisneros (16 Elgin, IL)
----------	-------------------------------

14:46.35	Amberly Melendez (16 Edinburg, TX)
----------	------------------------------------

5000m Outdoors

Girls

24:33.17	Anali Cisneros (16 Elgin, IL)
----------	-------------------------------

10000m Outdoors

Boys

43:55.0	Cameron Haught (17 Yellow Springs, OH)
---------	--

46:33.0	AJ Gruttadauro (16 Brockport, NY)
---------	-----------------------------------

Girls

49:31.88	Anali Cisneros (16 Elgin, IL)
----------	-------------------------------

52:29.0	Kayla Allen (17 Lewiston, ME)
---------	-------------------------------

- New State Records set at the following distances in their respective states:
 - 1500m Indoors – 10
 - Mile Indoors – 5
 - 3000m Indoors – 6
 - 1500m Outdoors – 3
 - Mile Outdoors – 4
 - 3000m Outdoors – 9
 - 5000m Outdoors – 2
 - 10000m Outdoors - 3
- Work between the NC and SC Associations with the NSAF has helped to change the NB Outdoor Nationals Championship distance from 1 Mile to 3000m to give HS athletes experience racing at longer distances to prepare for Collegiate, National and International level competition.
- Both NC and SC Associations are working with their respective HS Coaches Associations to add the Race Walk into the program of events contested at their State Championships. Georgia is a future possibility to add the event, if their work continues as well.

2016 Performance Lists

M20km

Rank	Name	Team	Time	Location	Event	Date
1	John Nunn	US Army	1:25:37	Salem, OR	Olympic Trials	6/30
	- Nunn		1:26:12	St Louis, MO	USA Team Trials	4/3
2	Trevor Barron	NYAC	1:27:28	Salem, OR	Olympic Trials	6/30
3	Nick Christie	UNA	1:27:44	Salem, OR	Olympic Trials	6/30
4	Emmanuel Corvera	UNA	1:28:58	Santee, CA	Santee Trials Invite	2/21
	- Corvera		1:29:07	St Louis, MO	USA Team Trials	4/3
	- Christie		1:29:47	St Louis, MO	USA Team Trials	4/3
	- Corvera		1:29:56	Rome, ITA	World Team	5/7
5	John Cody Risch	Q Elite	1:30:16	St Louis, MO	USA Team Trials	4/3
	- Corvera		1:30:31	Salem, OR	Olympic Trials	6/30
6	Anthony Peters	St Ambrose	1:31:19	Rome, ITA	World Team	5/7
	- Risch		1:31:48	Salem, OR	Olympic Trials	6/30
7	Matt Forgues	UNA	1:33:16	Salem, OR	Olympic Trials	6/30
	- Peters		1:33:34	St Louis, MO	USA Team Trials	4/3
8	Michael Mannozi	Shore AC	1:33:40	Salem, OR	Olympic Trials	6/30
	- Peters		1:34:54	Salem, OR	Olympic Trials	6/30
	- Forgues		1:35:00	St Louis, MO	USA Team Trials	4/3
	- Peters		1:35:04.77	San Salvador, ELS	NACAC U23	7/17
	- Forgues		1:35:42	Rome, ITA	World Team	5/7
9	Joel Pfahler	UNA	1:38:10	Salem, OR	Olympic Trials	6/30
10	Steven Washburn	UNA	1:38:55	Sydney, AUS	NSW Team Walks	5/20
	- Pfahler		1:40:05	Kenosha, WI	PAC Spring Walks	4/26
11	Matt De Witt	Parkside AC	1:40:29	St Louis, MO	USA Team Trials	4/3
12	Jonathan Hallman	Shore AC	1:40:40	Salem, OR	Olympic Trials	6/30
13	Richard Luettchau	Shore AC	1:41:00	Salem, OR	Olympic Trials	6/30
	- Pfahler		1:41:45	St Louis, MO	USA Team Trials	4/3
	- Mannozi		1:42:38	Toronto, CAN	Art Key	5/29
	- De Witt		1:44:49	Salem, OR	Olympic Trials	6/30
14	Dave Talcott	Shore AC	1:45:01	Whiting, NJ	20km Masters	4/9
	- Pfahler		1:45:31	Toronto, CAN	Art Key	5/29
	- Talcott		1:45:58	St Louis, MO	USA Team Trials	4/3
	- Washburn		1:46:21.86	San Salvador, ELS	NACAC U23	7/17
	- Talcott		1:46:10	Salem, OR	Olympic Trials	6/30
15	Ian Whatley	Warrior TC	1:46:22	St Louis, MO	USA Team Trials	4/3
16	Pablo Gomez	Chicago Walkers	1:46:37	St Louis, MO	USA Team Trials	4/3
	- De Witt		1:46:59	Rome, ITA	World Team	5/7
17	Doug Hutcherson	Central Methodist	1:47:57	St Louis, MO	USA Team Trials	4/3
	- Talcott		1:48:33	Naumburg, GER	Naumburg	5/22
18	David Swarts	Pegasus AC	1:49:00	Whiting, NJ	20km Masters	4/9
	- Swarts		1:49:00	Kenosha, WI	PAC Spring Walks	4/26
	- Hallman		1:49:40	Toronto, CAN	Art Key	5/29
	- Whatley		1:50:04	Salem, OR	Olympic Trials	6/30
	- Swarts		1:50:14	St Louis, MO	USA Team Trials	4/3
	- Swarts		1:50:32	Salem, OR	Olympic Trials	6/30
19	Emilio Mancha	Elgin Sharks	1:50:54	St Louis, MO	USA Team Trials	4/3
20	Cameron Haught	SWOTC	1:52:46	Dayton, OH	Mortland	4/17
21	John Soucheck	Shore AC	1:54:53	Whiting, NJ	20km Masters	4/9
22	Dan O'Brien	Pegasus AC	1:57:51	St Louis, MO	USA Team Trials	4/3
23	Mark Green	Pegasus AC	1:58:10	Whiting, NJ	20km Masters	4/9
	U23					
	U20					

W20km

Rank	Name	Team	Time	Location	Event	Date
1	Maria Michta-Coffey	Oiselle/WalkUSA	1:30:49	Nomi, JPN	IAAF RW Challenge	3/20
2	Miranda Melville	Skechers/NYAC	1:31:42	Nomi, JPN	IAAF RW Challenge	3/20
	- Michta-Coffey		1:33:36	Rio de Janeiro, BRA	Olympic Games	8/19
	- Michta-Coffey		1:33:41	Salem, OR	Olympic Trials	6/30
	- Melville		1:34:10	Rome, ITA	World Team	5/7
	- Melville		1:34:12	Salem, OR	Olympic Trials	6/30
	- Michta-Coffey		1:34:46	St Louis, MO	USA Team Trials	4/3
	- Melville		1:35:48	Rio de Janeiro, BRA	Olympic Games	8/19
	- Melville		1:37:21	St Louis, MO	USA Team Trials	4/3
3	Erin Gray	Boweman TC	1:37:42	St Louis, MO	USA Team Trials	4/3
4	Katie Burnett	UNA	1:39:41	St Louis, MO	USA Team Trials	4/3
	- Burnett		1:41:13	Salem, OR	Olympic Trials	6/30
5	Theresa Vaill	Pegasus AC	1:41:39	Kenosha, WI	PAC Spring Walks	4/26
6	Robyn Stevens	Skechers/Wolfpack RC	1:41:44	St Louis, MO	USA Team Trials	4/3
	- Burnett		1:43:05	Monterrey, MEX	Mexican Champs	6/3
7	Sam Cohen	WRRT	1:43:09	Kenosha, WI	PAC Spring Walks	4/26
	- Burnett		1:43:22	Rome, ITA	World Team	5/7
	- Cohen		1:43:41	Salem, OR	Olympic Trials	6/30
8	Melissa Moeller	UNA	1:44:13	Salem, OR	Olympic Trials	6/30
	- Stevens		1:44:32	Santee, CA	Santee Trials Invite	2/21
9	Molly Josephs	MoBap	1:45:05	St Louis, MO	USA Team Trials	4/3
10	Erin Taylor-Talcott	ShoreAC	1:45:51	St Louis, MO	USA Team Trials	4/3
11	Susan Randall	ShoreAC	1:45:55	Dudince, SVK	IAAF RW Challenge	3/19
	- Moeller		1:46:28	Kenosha, WI	PAC Spring Walks	4/26
	- Josephs		1:46:34	Salem, OR	Olympic Trials	6/30
	- Michta-Coffey		1:46:42.8	Farmingville, NY	USATF-LI	5/22
12	Loretta Schuellein-McGovern	WCR	1:46:43.3	Farmingville, NY	USATF-LI	5/22
	- Gray		1:46:51	Rome, ITA	World Team	5/7
13	Jennifer Lopez	St Ambrose	1:47:07	St Louis, MO	USA Team Trials	4/3
	- Moeller		1:47:09	St Louis, MO	USA Team Trials	4/3
	- Randall		1:47:36	St Louis, MO	USA Team Trials	4/3
	- Randall		1:47:57	Kenosha, WI	PAC Spring Walks	4/26
	- Taylor-Talcott		1:48:05	Salem, OR	Olympic Trials	6/30
	- Cohen		1:48:10	St Louis, MO	USA Team Trials	4/3
14	Katie Michta	WalkUSA	1:48:11	St Louis, MO	USA Team Trials	4/3
15	Stephanie Casey	UNA	1:48:36.7	Banks, OR	USATF Oregon	5/1
16	Chelsea Conway	ShoreAC	1:48:45	Whiting, NJ	20km Masters	4/9
	- Lopez		1:49:46	Salem, OR	Olympic Trials	6/30
	- Casey		1:49:47.4	Portland, OR	OR Last Chance	6/5
	- Stevens		1:50:24	Chihuahua, MX	IAAF RW Challenge	3/6
17	Jill Cobb	SWOTC	1:50:30	Salem, OR	Olympic Trials	6/30
	- Schuellein-McGovern		1:50:37	Whiting, NJ	20km Masters	4/9
	- Schuellein-McGovern		1:50:46	Salem, OR	Olympic Trials	6/30
	- Stevens		1:52:08	Salem, OR	Olympic Trials	6/30
	- Melville		1:52:34	Santee, CA	Santee Trials Invite	2/21
	- Michta		1:52:43	Salem, OR	Olympic Trials	6/30
	- Randall		1:53:59	Salem, OR	Olympic Trials	6/30
	- Casey		1:57:14	Beaverton, OR	RWNW 20k	3/20
	U23					
	U20					

M50km

Rank	Name	Team	Time	Location	Event	Date
1	John Nunn	US Army	4:03:21	Santee, CA	50km OT	2/21
	- Nunn		4:16:15	Rio de Janeiro, BRA	Olympic Games	8/19
2	Nick Christie	UNA	4:22:31	Santee, CA	50km OT	2/21
	- Christie		4:24:55	Rome, ITA	World Team	5/8
3	Steven Washburn	UNA	4:28:20	Rome, ITA	World Team	5/8
4	Michael Mannozi	Shore AC	4:31:47	Santee, CA	50km OT	2/21
5	Matthew Forgues	Maine RW	4:33:59	Santee, CA	50km OT	2/21
	- Mannozi		4:39:33	Rome, ITA	World Team	5/8
	- Washburn		4:40:42	Santee, CA	50km OT	2/21
6	Ian Whatley	Warriors TC	4:48:36.2	Greenville, SC	SC Open	3/19
	- Whatley		4:53:06	Santee, CA	50km OT	2/21
7	Jonathan Matthews	Shore AC	5:03:26	Santee, CA	50km OT	2/21
8	Pablo Gomez	Chicago Walkers	5:05:14	Santee, CA	50km OT	2/21
9	Dave Talcott	Shore AC	5:21:29	Santee, CA	50km OT	2/21
10	Omar Nash	SWOhioTC	5:23:59	Santee, CA	50km OT	2/21
11	Dave McGovern	WCR	5:31:25	Santee, CA	50km OT	2/21
	U23					

W50km

Rank	Name	Team	Time	Location	Event	Date
1	Erin Taylor-Talcott	Shore AC	4:44:26	Santee, CA	50km Champs	2/21
	- Taylor-Talcott		4:51:08	Rome, ITA	World Team	5/8
2	Loretta Schuellein-McGovern	WCR	5:15:55	Santee, CA	50km Champs	2/21
3	Susan Armenta	ARC RC	5:27:41	Santee, CA	50km Champs	2/21
4	Kathryn Grimes	RW NW	5:53:06	Santee, CA	50km Champs	2/21

Submitted by Michael Roth