

Message from the WMRA President - Bruno Gozzelino

What is the future for mountain running and the WMRA?

Mountain Running is now well established as a worldwide sport and branch of traditional athletics and it is continually growing in popularity among athletes all around the world.

It is now clear that mountain running is recognised as a modern and precious

part of athletics which helps improve the athletes' performances in all endurance races. However, "mountain running is mountain running" and it should not be confused with trail running, sky running, snowshoe running, skyscrapers ascent or other similar activities with different names. It is important to distinguish mountain running from these other activities. Trail is an attractive and important movement that will probably become more popular in the future around the world but it is running or walking by persons of all the ages on track of different distances and surfaces (path,



From left to right: Raimondo Balicco (WMRA Director of Competition), Norma Hughes (WMRA Honorary Consultant), Bashir Hussain (WMRA Secretary), Paul Hardy (IAAF Competition Director), Erhan Basoglu (WMRA Director of Marketing), Wolfgang Munzel (WMRA Director of Organisation), David Okeyo (Chairman of IAAF Cross Country Committee), Galia Pulaheva (WMRA At-Large Director), Bruno Gozzelino (WMRA President), Sean Wallace-Jones (Senior Manager at IAAF), Nancy Hobbs (WMRA Treasurer) and Tomo Sarf (WMRA Director of Development). Photo: Norma Hughes

grass, sand, rocks, and so on), but trail running is not mountain running! Sky running is an interesting commercial activity where participants can win large amounts of money. Some competitors are ex-international mountain runners who, at the end of their international athletic mountain running career, start in this event with the intention of winning money. The people that normally practice sky running are usually older runners with the exception of a few younger top runners who have not come from traditional mountain running. Sky running attracts media coverage due to the fact that participants walk or run on the top of the mountains at high altitude and sometimes competing in close to extreme conditions, but sky running is not mountain running!

Mountain running – at the moment – takes place in spring and summer not in winter in the snow. Snowshoe running is not mountain running! Skyscrapers ascent is a "commercial show," everyone understands that a skyscraper is not a mountain! Once again this activity can be useful for an athlete to win some money and of course money is important but the purist athletes that really have a passion for the sport of mountain running don't use their energy and enthusiasm for this kind of activity, instead, they prefer to compete in organized mountain races. Money cannot change skyscrapers into mountains! Skyscrapers ascent running is not mountain running! Of course, WMRA is not against the fact that athletes receive prize money in mountain running competition but what must be clear is that the LOC, media and, above of all, sponsors understand that mountain running is an athletic discipline not to be confused with these other activities. Having a clear definition of mountain running makes it easier to approach sponsors and to improve opportunities to attract money into our sport for competitors. Also, I believe that athletes can help this situation by choosing mountain running and not being present in events that are not athletics, not mountain running! Mountain Running has clear characteristics: it is, first of all, running in the mountain on clear, fixed and marked tracks with parameters that are very clear. It is not about survival, not an extreme activity; mountain runners don't need special support or equipment, runners cannot drink or have assistance along the full track but only under clearly defined conditions; mountain running is not a dangerous sport; the distance of the races are fixed; the track race is clearly signed and marked and the athletes do not choose their own route on the track.

This is mountain running, an official part of athletics! Mountain running respects nature and the environment that the runner competes in. Our sport helps us to understand the conditions in the mountains and to live in harmony with them.

Finally, in our sport of mountain running there is doping control: this is

another very important difference from many of the other running activities I have mentioned.

Mountain running tries to attract young athletes as one of its main goals but also understands that the Masters is an important movement and WMRA is very well linked with WMA.

also able to run in cross country, in the marathon, in 10km races or steeplechase Mountain running is recognized as a true test of endurance, ability, skills and wise preparation and to many athletes it is considered to be the best practice to excel in all types of distance races. There have been many athletes who have been champion mountain runners and also

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one such athlete who as well as being a top class mountain runner won the marathon race at the Seoul Olympics in 1988 and also the Boston Marathon. The World Mountain Running Association has worked solidly for thirty years in order to achieve important results for our sport.

The WMRA has excellent relationships with IAAF and all the Area Continental Athletic Associations and valuable contact with many National Athletic Federations. The WMRA stage an annual World Mountain Running Championships and also organize a full mountain running Calendar every year. The WMRA are always ready to introduce a new kind of event into our sport and at the moment council members are looking into the possibility of introducing a world relay event into the calendar, possibly in 2013.

These outcomes are the consequence of the enthusiasm and passion of a group of people (WMRA Council members and a lot of people around the world), who work for free, without receiving any financial gain! It is important to remember this aspect!

The WMRA budget is only a very small budget but at the heart of mountain running are these dedicated people who support the wonderful values and principles of our sport!

What then is the future of mountain running and the WMRA? One possibility is that the discipline of mountain running could eventually become fully integrated into the body of the IAAF and an IAAF Mountain Running Committee would be created. The WMRA Council would of course be fully supportive of this course of action and would cease to exist from this point onwards.

However, until the timing is right for these circumstances the WMRA will continue to carry on as normal counting on the full backing of the IAAF, Area Continental Athletic Associations and each National Athletic Federations. The WMRA expresses its gratitude to the IAAF and its associated bodies for this support.

One thing is clear: mountain running is a sport that goes on developing, getting more popular and stronger every year. I would like to thank everyone for their hard work, the officials and race organizers, the coaches and the athletes. I know that everyone who is involved in mountain running has a passion and love for our sport! This is very important for WMRA and for mountain running!

The WMRA cannot predict what will happen to its organization in the future but certainly the WMRA President and Council members are ready to do their best!

And there is no question about the future of mountain running - our beautiful sport is here to stay!

Bruno Gozzelino (President WMRA)

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MESSAGE FROM MR LAMINE DIACK - IAAF PRESIDENT

Dear Friends.

It is always a pleasure for me to write these few words for the WMRA annual Newsletter:

2011 was another year of excellent competitions and was also marked by the participation of new countries, either as organisers or competing athletes. The continuing expansion of Mountain Running was demonstrated by the success of the 27th World Mountain Running Championships in Tirana, Albania. The fact that

this event was honoured with the presence of both the President of Albania and the Minister of Sport, shows the impact that athletics can have and the fact that this exciting competition saw no fewer than eleven nations take medals is ample proof that Mountain Running is a dynamic and growing sport.

This is particularly satisfying as we prepare to celebrate the IAAF Centenary, in the knowledge that our sport, whilst steeped in history, is able to develop disciplines that are attracting growing numbers of participants from an increasing number of nations.

I am delighted to see that both the quality and number of competitions organised by the WMRA continues to expand and I am sure that we will see many more great competitions in 2012 and in the years to come, as the passionate work of the WMRA President and Board bears its fruits.

I wish you all much success in your endeavours and a year of wonderful competitions. Lamine Diack

IAAF President

NEW IAAF GENERAL SECRETARY - ESSAR GABRIEL

Since the first of November 2011, the IAAF has a new General Secretary. Essar Gabriel has taken over the reins from Pierre Weiss, who has now retired. Essar Gabriel, who is 45 years old and of French nationality, has a wealth of experience at the highest administrative levels of sport. He comes to the IAAF after four years with the International Olympic Committee, where he was Head of the Youth Olympic Games.



Photo: IAAF

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Prior to this, Gabriel worked as a sports consultant, following two years as the Chief Operating Officer and Deputy CEO of the Paris 2012 Olympic Games Bid Committee. From 2001-2003, he played a major role as the CEO of one of the most successful ever IAAF World Championships in Paris.

His earlier experience also includes working as the Director of the International Media Centre for the FIFA World Cup, France 98 and as a Venue Manager for the Sydney 2000 Summer Olympic Games Organizing Committee.

MESSAGE FROM CHAIRMAN IAAF CROSS COUNTRY COMMITTEE

It gives me great pleasure to associate myself with the World Mountain Running Association (WMRA) as the Chairman of the IAAF Cross Country Committee.

The Association has worked very tirelessly to bring this particular sport to where it is today under the patronage of Mr. Bruno Gozzelino, President, WMRA and his entire council members.

I want to take this opportunity to appeal to all IAAF Member Federations to support the mountain running just as any other sport in athletics because the mountain running builds endurance and speed which are the key factors in athletics.

I attended the WMRA Board meeting on I4th January, 2012 in Monaco in my capacity as the Chairman of the IAAF Cross Country Committee and I enjoyed and learnt a lot of ideas and ideologies regarding the mountain running. The council members are very humorous, knowledgeable and have what it takes as far as mountain running is concerned. I want to take this opportunity once again to thank Mr. Lamine Diack, IAAF President, Mr. Essar Gabriel, IAAF General Secretary, Mr. Paul Hardy, IAAF Competitions Director, Mr. Sean Wallace – Jones, IAAF Senior Manager Road Running and Mr. Bruno Gozzelino, President, WMRA for the support they have always given to the organization of mountain running as well as cross country.

David S. Okeyo, MBS, HSC

Chairman - IAAF Cross Country Committee



Photo: Patrizia Longo

THANK YOU, PIERRE WEISS

At the end of December 2011 the lengthy and successful career of Pierre Weiss as IAAF General Secretary ended: he had decided to call it a day and resigned from his post!

Pierre Weiss held the following positions inside IAAF: Assistant to General Secretary from 1985 until 1987;

General Director from 1991 until 2006; General Secretary, 2006 until 2011. Worldwide, everyone who works for athletics knows Pierre Weiss. He was always available to everybody and loves athletics. He was always very busy but he is a person able to do and to think about a hundred things at the same time and he never forgot one promise: if anyone asked Pierre a question he always gave a reply! As for mountain running and for WMRA Pierre Weiss was - and is — a fantastic friend, always.

Personally, I have been involved in the mountain running family since 1989 -1990 (for a World Seminar in Italy at Bardonecchia and then as General Secretary of LOC World Mountain Running Trophy 1992 in Italy, Susa Valley). I officially started to work for WMRA in 1997 as WMRA Secretary and since 2009 as President: I cannot imagine the mountain running movement without Pierre Weiss!

From my first moment in this role Pierre was the point of reference for my activity and for the WMRA policy. Many people have helped mountain running around the world and in all Continents but Pierre Weiss will remain in the history of mountain running as one of the most important individuals within our sport! He has helped our discipline in all situations and in view of everybody around the world: Pierre believed that mountain running is an important part of athletics and —although he had many more important tasks to perform — he never forgot mountain running.

I will not forget all the friendships which I have been able to build in mountain running in more than 20 years but I hope that there may be another possibility in which Pierre Weiss will be able to help our discipline of athletics and WMRA in the future.

Mountain running, our Sport, is a marvelous one, comprised of exceptional athletes and wonderful officials and coaches in all parts of the world! To be able to work with such people, the IAAF and people like Pierre Weiss is the best thing about it.

I am not able to find enough words to thank Pierre Weiss for everything but I, personally, and the whole of the WMRA hope that his assistance and support to mountain running will not finish here!

Bruno Gozzelino WMRA President

NANCY HOBBS AWARDED WOMEN'S TRAILBLAZER AWARD

Finally, the WMRA is delighted to announce Nancy Hobbs (WMRA Treasurer) was awarded the USA Women's Trailblazer Award for her outstanding contributions to the sport in January 2012.



Photo: Keith Ladzinski

FAREWELL TO NORMA HUGHES AND A WELCOME TO ADRIAN WOODS

A special presentation was made to Norma Hughes for all her contributions and excellent work over the years and in particular for the contributions in compiling and editing the WMRA Newsletter. Norma has been in a tremendous stalwart in the development of mountain running not least in the support of husband Danny's dedication to mountain running worldwide over 25 years.



Bruno Gozzelino congratulating Norma Hughes for her contributions to Mountain Running Photo: Nancy Hobbs

Norma has recently

decided to retire from her duties in production of the Newsletter and has handed over the reins to Welshman Adrian Woods. Adrian was previously a Marketing Director and more recently General Secretary of the WMRA. He competed for Wales in the 1997 World Mountain Running Championships held in the Czech Republic and has a great love of the sport.



Bruno Gozzelino and Adrian Woods Photo: Sharon Woods

INTRODUCING DR SONJA AMBROSY

Dr Sonja Ambrosy has been the medical Advisor to the WMRA Anti-Doping Commission since 2007. She is responsible for checking the TUE

applications (THERAPEUTIC USE EXEMPTIONS) for athletes who compete in mountain races, which come under the umbrella of WMRA and are held at international Level (for example World Championships, Challenge, Grand Prix Race Series of races) TUE application forms can be send to Dr Sonja Ambrosy via email: sonja.ambrosy@gmx.de.



If you have any questions concerning

the use of medication in and out of competition please contact Sonja directly.

Sonja has been a mountain runner and long distance runner (up to the marathon) and has competed since she was 13 years old. She has participating in many international mountain races and championships representing Germany. She stopped competing in 2000.

Dr Sonja Ambrosy specializes in Internal medicine.

6TH WMRA INTERNATIONAL YOUTH CHALLENGE

Gorenja vas (SLO)

25th June 2011

The 6th International Youth Mountain Running Challenge 2011 was held in Gorenja Vas in Slovenia. A record 13 countries competed (with a total of 75 athletes: 39 boys and 36 girls) on a very runnable mainly grass course which the athletes enjoyed.

Host Country Slovenia had much to celebrate in the girl's race as Lea Einfalt raced to victory in 14 minutes and 6 seconds. She was followed home by Russian Ekaterina Ivonina (in 14 minutes and 18 seconds) who was also the silver medallist in 2010. Slovenia also took the bronze medal with local runner Katja Stanonik (in 14 minutes and 27 seconds) running an impressive race.

The 2010 winner, Ffion Price of Wales, had opened an early lead but was pulled back on the second half of the first lap and eventually finished in fifth position (in 14 minutes and 58 seconds).

The boy's race was a much tighter affair with less than a minute separating the top 14 runners.

Nekagenet Crippa (ITA) broke away at the start but he too suffered the fate of starting too hard and had to settle for fourth. Polish runner Rafal Matuszczak was the first to pass the Italian and he held on from a strong chasing group to take victory (in 15 minutes and 1 second) by three seconds from Russian Konstantin Galiullin (in 15 minutes and 4 seconds).

Marcin Zychski (POL) took the bronze medal (in 15 minutes and 9 seconds) and with their third runner in twelfth position this was enough to give Poland the team with 16 points

The competition was opened by WMRA President Bruno Gozzelino in the presence of Janez Aljancic the Vice-President of the Slovenian Athletics Federation and the Mayor of Gorenja vas - Poljane, Milan Cadez.





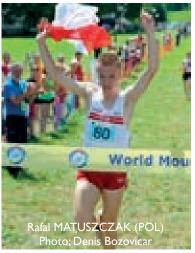
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Teams:

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8TH WORLD LONG DISTANCE MOUNTAIN RUNNING CHALLENGE

Podbrdo, Slovenia

18th June 2011

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405 runners from 18 Nations started the 8th WMRA World Long Distance Mountain Running Challenge in Podbrdo, Slovenia: 320 men and 85 women. The race was linked with the 10th Gorski Maraton štirih obcin (GM4O), a race of 37,5-kilometer mountain track with 2500m ascent and 2800m descent. It took a home boy to prevent a clean sweep from a Scottish trio. Mitja Kosovelj beat the competition by more than a four minute margin with the time of three hours, 22 minutes and 32 seconds. Second to the finish line was Thomas Owens of Scotland (3:26:59), and the bronze medal went to his younger countryman Robbie Simpson (3:29:05). The podium was just a step away from another Scotsman Jehtro Lennox (3:33:21). The top finishers in the women's race turned out to be an Anglo-Irish affair. Englishwomen Philippa Maddams grabbed gold with 4:08:46, Ireland took second place with Karen Alexander (4:16:21), while bronze went to her English neighbour Helen Fines (4:19:14).

Full results on the event web page or the results page of www.wmra.info





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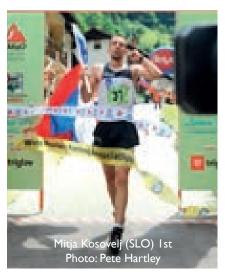
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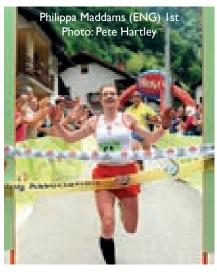
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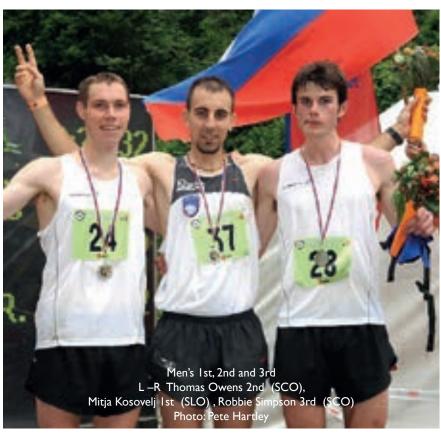
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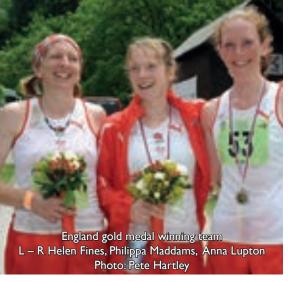


































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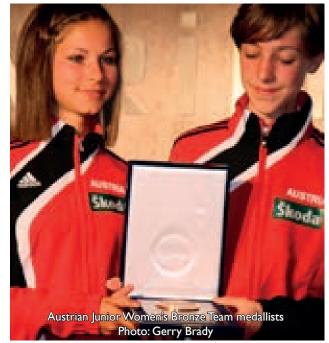






























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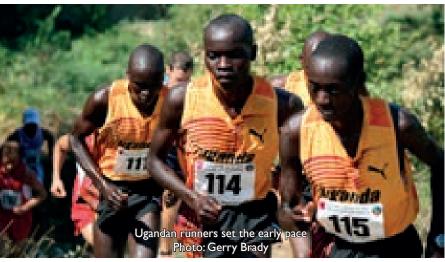














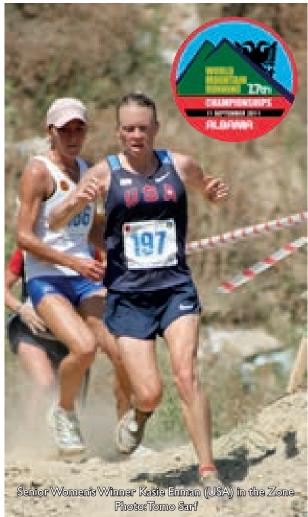




















27th World Mountain Running Championships

Tirana - Albania 11th September 2011



Eleven nations took medals at the 27th World Mountain Running Championships held Albania. The athletes will reflect on their wonderful experiences in the hospitable host city of Tirana. A tremendous welcome from the Albanian President and Minister of Sport was backed up with five hours of live television coverage. The elite mountain runners from across the world were treated to an insight into the culture of Albania and the impressive landscapes it has to offer, which included having the highest average altitude in Europe- perhaps a perfect fitting for the sport of mountain running!

In the Senior Men's Race a fierce early pace was set by four of the Ugandan team as they surged up the first circuit in the top 3 places. It was an experienced contingent as Martin Torotitch had taken silver in 2008 and James Kibet Bronze in 2009, but it was the younger Ugandan Thomas Ayeko who pushed on for most of the race. Always close behind them was European legend Ahmet Arslan (TUR) and Max King (USA) as the Italian team packed well preferring a steady start in the blast furnace of the Albanian forest, As the race progressed the Italian team moved up the field as the Ugandan's started to suffer and slow in the midday heat. It was heat exhaustion that got the better of the leader Ayeko

as he ground to a halt less than 1000m from the finish. It was 31 year old, Max King (USA), who finished fastest winning from five times European Champion Ahmet Arslan (TUR).

Italian twins, Martin and Bernard De Matteis finished 3rd and 4th with Marco De Gasperi backing them up in 5th and Gabriele Abate in 14th, showing Italian strength as they repeated their many previous victories.

Turkey won the silver medals with France taking the team bronze award. The Senior Women's race was expected to be closely contested and it was the USA again taking top honours with Kasie Enman impressing with a I minute and 8 second victory. Two of the pre-race favourites took silver and bronze. Russia's Elena Rukhlyada and European Champion, Marie-Laure Dumerques from France joined Kasie on the podium. Italy again showed their strength in depth taking 7th, 8th and 9th positions to take the gold, Czech Republic took silver and Great Britain and Northern Ireland took the bronze team award.

The Junior Men's race saw a fast and furious start by the Turkish team as they attempted to dominate with 4 runners in the top 6 after the first climb. Always to the fore was the Columbian athlete Saul Padua Rodriguez as he bided his time on the first lap. On completing the second circuit the Columbian was forcing the pace and looked to be heading to victory, but Turkey's Adem Karagoz pulled away on the descent for a comfortable victory. Rodriguez took second and Turkey's Murat Orak third. Turkey dominated the Team with an impressive 12 points to Poland's 22 with Italy taking the bronze medals on 32 points. Slovenian Lea Einfalt impressed as she took the world title in the Junior Women's Race leading

her team-mates to Bronze team medals. Turkey and Romanian also made the Podium for individual medallists with Cesminaz Yilmaz taking Silver and Denisa Ionela Dragomir the Bronze. Turkey impressed with their team strength yet again with 2nd and 4th places to take the Gold team medals with Romania taking Silver



Three wise men, Wolfgang Munzel, Raimondo Balicco and Otto Klappert. Photo: Nancy Hobbs

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In front of the European Athletics President Hans Jorg Wirz, nine countries won medals at the 10th European Mountain Running Championships held in Bursa – Uludag, Turkey, in which 26 countries took part. WMRA President and EA Technical Delegate for the event, Bruno Gozzelino, congratulated the City of Bursa and its Governor for its excellent organisation of the event and the Turkish Athletic Federation TAF and the European Athletics Association for hosting the event. TAF President Mehmet Terzi was present throughout the Championships. The uphill races were held on a course which was a

true test of mountain running skill, finishing at

the ski station of Uludag, on a day when temperatures reached 30 degrees. Host nation Turkey, dominated the event, winning nine medals in total. In the senior men's race, Turkish athlete, Ahmet Arslan made it five European Mountain Running Championship wins, as he finished 45 seconds in front of Gabriele Abate from Italy. The bronze medal went to Jose Gasper of Portugal. The three individual medal winners were also team medal winners, with Italy taking the gold medal (12 points), followed by Turkey with silver

10th European Mountain Running Championships

Bursa-Uludag (TUR) - 10th July 2011



Ahmet Arslan, Senior Winner Photo: LOC

(34 points) just in front of Portugal in bronze (36 points). Martina Strahl of Switzerland won the Gold medal in the senior women's race repeating her win from 2009. Close behind in silver was Italian Antonella Confortola with Lucija Krkoc from Slovenia completing the podium in bronze medal position. Confortola lead the Italian team to the team gold medal with 22 points, with Russia (28 points) in silver and Switzerland (38 points) in bronze medal position

Turkey dominated the junior men's race, taking all three places on the podium with Nuri Komur in gold, Sonmex Dag in silver and

Murat Orak in bronze, giving them the lowest possible team score and gold medal. The junior men's team silver medal was won by the Czech Republic with 39 points, just beating Italy in bronze medal position with 43 points. The junior women's race was won by Denisa Dragomir of Romania, who repeated her win from last year, followed by the Turkish runners Yasemin Can and Sevilay Eytemis. Turkey won the team medals; Romania won silver and Austria bronze

2ND COMMONWEALTH MOUNTAIN RUNNING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Llanberis, Snowdonia, Wales

24th September 2011

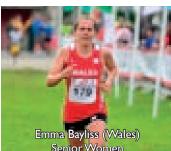


Llanberis (Snowdon) was the host town for some memorable Mountain races that saw England clinch all the gold medals in the 2nd Commonwealth Championships.

After an ominously rainy morning, the clouds gave way to glorious sunshine as the runners went through the testing damp course. James McMullan was the first man to cross the line in the Men's race, while the Women's gold medal went to prerace favourite Lizzie Adams who had placed 5th in the recent World Mountain Running championships in Albania earlier in the month.

Runners from thirteen Commonwealth Countries started the race at the foot of Mount Snowdon, a well know venue for international mountain running events – they included England, Scotland, Kenya, Australia, Malawi, Canada, New Zealand, Isle of Man, Northern Ireland, Sierra Leone, Republic of South Africa, Gambia and host Country, Wales.











James McMullan (England) Senior Men's Winner









MEN

Leading Individual Results

1.	James McMullen (England)	50:03
2.	Robbie Simpson (Scotland)	50:20
3.	Joe Symonds (Scotland)	50:31
4.	Francis Khanje (Malawi)	51:54
5.	Rob Samuel (Wales)	51:56
6.	Andres Jones (Wales)	52:02
7.	Tom Cornthwaite (England)	52:25
8.	Chris Smith (England)	52:30
9.	Billy Burns (England)	52:44
10.	Richard Phillips (Wales)	53:06

Men's Team Result:

- I. England 16 pts (win on countback)
- 2. Scotland 16 pts
- 3. Wales 21 pts
- 4. Australia 57 pts
- 6. Canada 65 pts

WOMEN

Leading Individual Results

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١.	Lizzie Adams (England)	43:37
2.	Tracey Brindley (Scotland)	43:56
3.	Mary Wilkinson (England)	44:15
4.	Olivia Walwyn-Bush (England)	44:41
5.	Victoria Wilkinson (England)	45:15
6.	Sarah Tunstall (England)	45:17
7.	Catriona Buchanan (Scotland)	45:36
8.	Vivian Kiplagat (Kenya)	45:44
9.	Jackie Lee (Wales)	47:34
10.	Claire Ward (Scotland)	47:52

Women's Team Results:

- I. England 8 pts
- 2. Scotland 19 pts
- 3. Wales 35 pts
- 4. Australia 44 pts
- 5. Canada 75pts





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13th WMRA GRAND PRIX 2011 FINAL RESULTS



	MEN	born	nat.	1	2	3	4	5	6	total
1	ARSLAN Ahmet	86	TUR			100	85	102	120	407
2	SCHNEIDER David	81	SUI		100	85			102	287
3	DEMATTEIS Martin	86	ITA	100				90		190
4	ABATE Gabriele	79	ITA	70				29	90	189
5	KOSOVELJ Mitja	84	SLO	45			24	37	78	184
6	DEMATTEIS Bernard	86	ITA	85				84		169
7	EDWARDS Orlando	75	GBR		24	65		7	54	150
8	KOVACS Adam	86	HUN					54	84	138
9	ZAGO Didier	78	FRA		65			72		137
10	BALDACCINI Alex	88	ITA	55				8	72	135
11	OSBORNE Adam	76	GBR		30	45	35		23	133
12	KRUPICKA Robert	78	CZE			75	55			130
13	RANCON Julien	80	FRA		75			48		123
14	ALIČ Simon	71	SLO			70			48	118
15	CAGNATI Luca	90	ITA	16					60	76
16	LECHLEITNER Simon	79	AUT				45	26		71
17	TRILER Klemen	77	SLO			50	14			64
18	ZEILER Timo	81	GER		35		20			55
19	GUTIERREZ Simon	66	USA		27		27			54
20	LAMOVEC Peter	84	SLO	8		35			0	43
21	MIHELIČ Luka	92	SLO			27	3		5	35
22	TERAŽ Franci	62	SLO			12			13	25
23	MLAKAR Gregor	88	SLO			16			8	24
24	GERLEI Tamas	69	HUN			10	9		0	19
25	TROJER Andrej	71	SLO			5			2	7

	WOMEN	born	nat.	1	2	3	4	5	6	total
1	KRKOČ Lucija	88	SLO	100		100	85		120	405
2	CONFORTOLA Antonella	75	ITA	65			100	60	102	327
3	CLAYTON Emma	88	ENG	85	65		A5_	48	66	264
4	JESKA Lauren	74	ENG	60		<i>7</i> 5	30		60	225
5	KOSOVELJ Mateja	88	SLO				60	72	78	210
6	SCHORNA Pavla	80	CZE					84	90	174
7	KAPUSCINSKI Marion	67	AUT			65	35		42	142
8	DRAGOMIR Denisa	92	ROM			85	55			140
9	GAGGI Alice	87	ITA	<i>75</i>				54		129
10	PANTHEON Adelaide	91	FRA		85			7		92
11	TUŠAR Mihaela	66	SLO			55			32	87
12	TROBEC Urša	67	SLO			60			26	86
13	OUAHMANE Mina	72	FRA		7	27	27		17	78
14	ERHOLTZ Brandy	77	USA				70	6		76
15	BELOTTI Valentina	80	ITA	45				29		74
16	ZUPAN Špela	87	SLO			50			21	71
17	LILLEHOV Thea	77	AUT	0		24			29	53
18	HREN Petra	90	SLO			20			11	31
19	HREN Katja	94	SLO			9			8	17

14th WMRA GRAND PRIX 2012 CALENDAR OF RACES

The rules for 2012 remain the same whilst the total final prize fund provided by the WMRA has been increased to 18,000 Euros

1			32. Int. Montée Du Grand-	Willer-sur-	
	Thu.	17. May	Ballon	Thur	FRA
2	Sun.	29. July	14. Int. Grintovec MR Race	Kamnik	SLO
3	Sun.	5. Aug.	4. Mayrhofen Harakiri Run	Mayrhofen	AUT
4				Ponte di	
	Sun.	2. Sept.	28. World Championships	Legno	ITA
5	Sun.	23. Sept.	1. Int. Uludag MR race	Bursa	TUR



Ahmet Arslan (TUR) 1st Photo: LOC



Lucija Krkoc (SLO) 1st Photo: LOC











8th NACAC (North American Central American Caribbean)

Mountain Running Championships

Aijijc, Jalisko, Mexico - 17th July 2011

Joe Gray of the United States won the men's race in a new course record of I hour I6 minutes and 44 seconds. Ranulfo Sanchez of Mexico finished in second place and for the second year in a row, the Canadian men's team won the North American Central American and Caribbean Championships (NACAC) Mountain Running Championships. Led by James Gosselin in third position, the Canadian men beat the host Mexican squad by a single point.

The U.S. Women swept the podium, easily winning the team title over Mexico with Maria Dalzot, gold, finishing the race in the time of I hour 47 minutes and 04 seconds; Christian Lundy was second and Amber Moran third.

This is the eighth consecutive year that the NACAC Mountain Championship have been held with the event rotating being the U.S., Mexico, and Canada. This year's Championship was held in conjunction with the 9th Annual Carrera de La Chupinaya mountain race. The course is 13.8K (8.5-mile) of mainly technical singletrack done in one loop. The race starts at 5,020 feet elevation and climbs up to 7,875 feet at about 7K before descending back to the start.



Leading Results:

Men:

	Joseph GRAY (USA)	1:16:44
2	Ranulfo SÁNCHEZ (MEX A)	1:19:06
3	James GOSSELIN (CAN)	1:21:20
4	Kristopher SWANSON (CAN)	1:24:09
5	Juan Carlos CARERA (MEX A)	1:24:11
6	Paul CHAFE (CAN)	1:25:31

Teams:

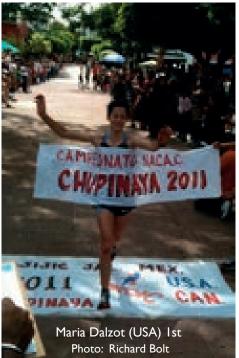
I. CAN - 13 pts; 2. MEX - 14 pts

Women:

1	Maria DALZOT (USA)	1:47:04
2	Christine LUNDY (USA)	1:48:05
3	Amber MORAN (USA)	1:51:29
4	Marcela CAMARENA	
	SÁNCHEZ (MEX)	1:59:50
5	Gina LUCREZI (USA)	2:00:28
6	América ROMERO	
	GUTIÉRREZ Local	2:02:15
6	María Emilia GONZÁLEZ	
	DURÁN (MEX)	2:03:35

Teams:

1. USA - 6 pts; 2. MEX - 17 pts





6th South American (Consudatle) Mountain Running Championships

Caracas, Venezuela – 7th August 2011

Ecuador and Venezuela took the individual gold medals in the men's and women's races respectively at the 6th CONSUDATLE Mountain Running Championships which took place in Caracas, in the vicinity of Parque Nacional Warairarepano.

At the end of the 12 km men's race, the victory and gold medal was netted by Ecuadorean Pedro Ramos in a time of 1 hour 0 minutes and 4 seconds. He was trailed in second place by Colombian Jhon Jairo Vargas with Venezuelan Pedro José Puentes taking third. In the women's race, Venezuelan Jaimes Mileydis finished the 8 km course in a time of 52 minutes and 9 seconds to secure the gold medal ahead of fellow team mates Yaritza Saavedra in second and Rosa Méndez in third. Host Country Venezuela won both team prizes.

Leading Results:

Men: (Course: 8km; Ascent: 1100m

	RAMOS Pedro (ECU)	1:00:04
2	VARGAS Jhon Jairo (COL)	1:00:49
3	PUENTES Pedro Jose (VEN)	1:01:17
4	GUILLEN Neido (VEN)	1:02:29
5	GUILLEN Rafael (VEN)	1:03:30
6	PUENTES FIGUEROA	
	Pedro Luis (VEN)	1:06:11
	MEDINA Aristidis (VEN)	1:07:16
8	FIGUEREDO DE ASSI Naval (BRA)	1:09:01
9	DE OLIVEIRA CHAGAS Fabio (BRA)	1:10:53
10	DOS ANJOS Israel (BRA)	1:22:14

Women: (Course 8km, Ascent: 1100m)

VV	romen: (Course 8km, Ascent: 1100m)	
	JAIMES Mileydy (VEN)	52:09
2	SAAVEDRA Yaritza (VEN)	53:52
3	MENDEZ Rosa (VEN)	57:24
4	PALACIOS Marisol (VEN)	58:45
5	ALVES Maria Lucia (BRA)	59:37
6	ALUISIO MESQUITA Luiza (BRA)	1:01:36
7	FELIZ DOS SANTOS Jucimira (BRA)	1:07:28

Mens Teams: I. VEN - 12 pts; 2. BRA - 27 pts Womens Teams: I. VEN - 6 pts; 2. BRA - 18 pts





3rd African Mountain Running Championships

(7th Obudu Ranch International Mountain Race)

Obudu Ranch Park, Cross River State, Nigeria - 26th November 2011

The third African Mountain Running Championships was once again linked with the 7th Obudu Ranch International Mountain Race. More than 160 runners took part with 5 African Countries competing in the African Championships. Ethiopian male runners made a clean sweep of top cash prizes and for the third year running an Ethiopian won the race, but this time it was through 22 year old, Mesfin Hunegnaewai brushing aside the challenge of 135 other male runners and crossing the finishing line in a record time of 41.50. His compatriots Atsedy Tsegay and Azmeraw Beke came second and third in times of 42.12 minutes and 42.30 minutes respectively.

In the female category the Ethiopians also dominated, with 18 year old Yalew Genet coming first in a time of 48.45 minutes while Ayelewu Wuda Yimer, also of Ethiopia, placed second in a time of 49.10 minutes. Margaret Wangari of Kenya, placed third. The cash prize for the runners in the male and female category was the same with each of the gold medallists receiving \$50,000; the silver medallists \$20,000, and bronze medallists \$9,000.

Ugandan, Geofrey Kosuro, and Nigerian, Dung Janet, were crowned African Champions for 2011, leading their Nations to win the African title in the Team list

The authorities of Nigeria including the Governor of Cross River State, Sen. Liyel Imoke CON have officially announced their candidature to organize the 30th World Mountain Running Championships in 2014 on the occasion of the tenth edition of the race.



Results 7th Obudo Ranch International Race

Men (Course 11km)

MESFIN Hunegnaew Alemu ETH 41:50
 TESFAYE, Atsedy Tsegay ETH 42:12
 MOLALIGN Azmeraw Bekele ETH 42:30

Women (Course 11km)
I GENETYalew ETH

GENET Yalew ETH
 YIMER Ayelew Wude ETH
 WANGARI Margaret KEN
 48:45
 49:10
 49:52

Results 3rd African AC Championships

Men (Course 11km)

KUSURO Geofrey UGA
 MACDONALD Ondara KEN
 AYEKO Thomas UGA
 Teams:

I. UGA – 8 pts; 2. ERI – 18 pts; 3. NGR - 39 pts; 4. EGY - 48 pts.

Women (Course 11km)

1. DUNG Janet NGR 58:20 2. MATHEW Nancy NGR 1.11:45 3. OLULUDI Aderonke NGR 1.13:16

Teams: I. NGR – 6 pts;









4th African AC Mountain Running Championships

8th Obudu Ranch International Mountain Race Obudu Ranch, Cross River State, Nigeria -17th November 2012

Senior Men and Women - individual and team



11th World Masters Mountain Running Championships

17th September 2011 – Paluzza (Italy)

The 11th edition of WMRA/WMA World Masters Mountain Running Championships was a great success with over 870 participating athletes represented from 29 Countries.

The following six Champions in 2011 retained their World Champion titles won the previous year in Poland: Georg Gross (GER-M70), Bruno Baggia (ITA-M75), Ivana Sekyrova (CZE-W35), Blanka Paulu (CZE-W55), Marianne Spronk (GER-W60), Maria Marcibalova (SVK-W75. The new Champions in 2011 included Massimo Galliano (ITA-M35), Antonio Molinari (ITA-M40), Craig Roberts (ENG-M45), Claudio Amati (ITA-M50), Leonid Tikhonov (RUS-M55), Aurelio Moscato (ITA-M60), Alfred Fruet (ITA-M65), Maria Pia Chemello (ITA-W40), Tracey Jayne Greenway (ENG-W45), Mags Greenan (IRL-W50), Charlotte Plener (GER-W65), Barbel Berghaus (GER-W70), In the team category Italy dominated the event by winning 10 gold medals

and it was only Germany who was able to defeat Italy in two of the categories (W50 and W60) by winning the gold medals.

At the closing ceremony the WMRA flag was lowered and presented to the German delegation, led by the Mayor of Bühlertal where the next edition of WMRA/WMA World Masters Mountain Running Championships will be held on Saturday May 19, 2012.





Results Summary: Mens Results M35-39 GALLIANO Massimo ITA 47:52 M45-49 ROBERTS Craig GBR M50-54 AMATI Claudio ITA

M40-44 MOLINARI Antonio ITA 49:12 49:23 51:08 M55-59 TIKHONOV Leonid RUS 41:01 M60-64 MOSCATO Aurelio ITA 43:55 M65-69 FRUET Alfred ITA 34.48 M70-74 GROß Georg GER 37:39 M75+ BAGGIA Bruno ITA 40:44

Women	s Results	
M35-39	SEKYROVA Ivana CZE	57:38
M40-44	CHEMELLO Maria Pia ITA	59:53
M45-49	GREENWAY	
	TraceyJayne GBR	1:01:30
M50-54	HEILIG-DUVENTÄSTER	
	Mari GER	1:01:44
M55-59	PAULU Blanka CZE	49:30
M60-64	SPRONK Marianne GER	56:35
M65-69	PLENER Charlotte GER	42:16
M70-74	BERGHAUS Bärbel GER	50:43
M75+	MARCIBALOVA	
	Maria SVK	57:50

Mens Team Results:

W35	ITA	6
W40	ITA	6
W45	ITA	\Box
W50	ITA	\Box
W55	ITA	\Box
W60	ITA	10

Womens Team Results:

W35	ITA	17
W40	ITA	9
W45	ITA	17
W50	GER	16
W55	ITA	12
W60	GER	8







28th World Mountain Running Championships

Temù, Ponte di Legno / Tonale, Vallecamonica (Italia) Sunday 2nd September 2012







12th World Masters Mountain Running Championships

Bühlertal (Germany) - Saturday 19th May 2012



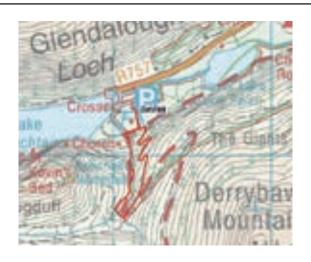




7th WMRA International Youth Cup

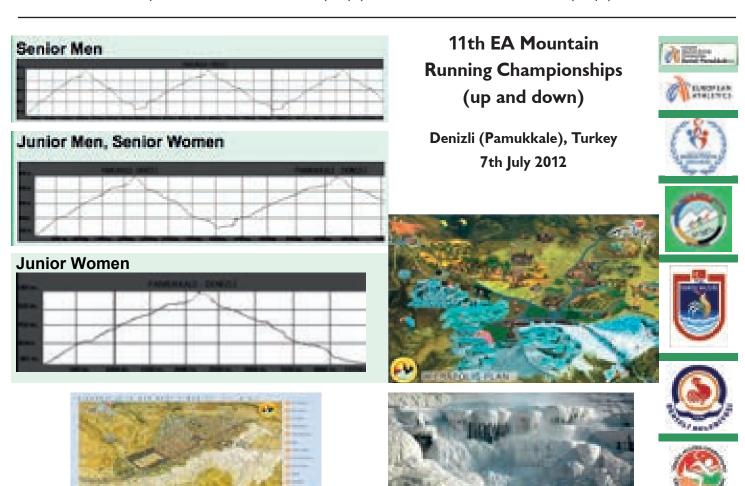
Glendalough, County Wicklow, Ireland 24th June 2012





Both races start and finish in the same location with a 110 metres run-in to the start of the lap and 110 metres back to the finish. The lap is 1,660 metres with 95 metres ascent. The start is at an altitude of 146m and the highest point is at 235m.

Boys: 5,200m with 285m climb (3 laps) Girls: 3,540m with 190m climb (2 laps)





4th Balkan
Mountain Running Championships
Nova Zagora, Bulgaria - 7th June 2012







9th WMRA Long Distance Mountain Running Challenge

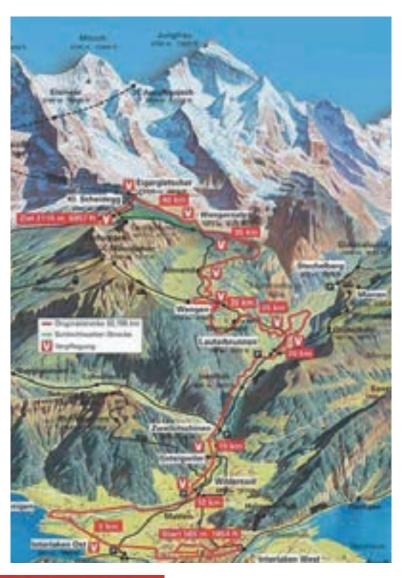
Jungfrau Marathon, Interlaken, Switzerland 8th - 9th September 2012

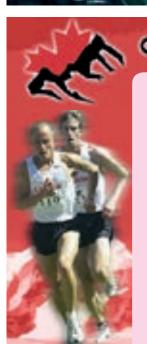
A great experience and an adventure - the idea of the Jungfrau Marathon

After the start a 3 km loop through Interlaken the course goes along the beautiful lake Brienz. The first 10 km are flat, like at a city marathon. At the old wooden bridge in Wilderswil the runner is confronted with the first ascent of the marathon. The course goes further into the valley and reaches Lauterbrunnen - a very impressive place with it's 400 metre high cliffs and 72 waterfalls. The last flat loop of 6 km shows the competitor the prettiness of the Lauterbrunnen valley. Now kilometre 26 is reached and the strong ascents begin. It takes 26 turns to Wengen at 1274 metre above sea level is reached. But there are still 12 km and a altitude and difference of 1'000 metres to go...

Mettlenalp, Wengernalp is reached, the trees fade away and the impressive mountains Eiger, Mönch and Jungfrau get nearer and nearer. We are now above 1600 metres. At km 40 we reach the highlight: the moraine on which every runners pulse beats as high as possible. The last km goes down and after 42,195 km the finish line on the Kleine Scheidegg is reached.







Canadian Trail & Mountain Running Association

9th NACAC Mountain Running Championships (uphill)

Whistler,
British Columbia
CANADA

21st July 2012



7th CONSUDATLE
Mountain Running
Championships

Aratoca, (Santader) COLOMBIA 11th August 2012





Nova Zagora

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WMRA Calendar 2012 - International Mountain Running Races

WMRA Events and World Championships 2012

Date	Event	Place / Venue	Country
19th May	12th WMRA/WMA Master World Mountain Running Championships	Buhlertal	GER
24th June	7th WMRA International Youth Cup	Glendalough	IRL
2nd September	28th WMRA World Mountain Running Championships (uphill)	Temù - Ponte di Legno / Tonale (Valle Camonica)	ITA
8th – 9th September	9th WMRA Long Distance Mountain Running Challenge	Interlaken	SUI

IAAF Area Championships 2012

/th July	11th EA Mountain Running Championships (up and down)	Denizli (Pamukkale)	TUR
21st July	9th NACAC Mountain Running Championships (uphill)	Whistler, British Columbia	CAN
11th August	7th CONSUDATLE Mountain Running Championships	Aratoca (Santader)	COL
17th November	4th AAC Mountain Running Championships	Obudu Ranch (Cross River State)	NGR

Other Championships 2012

7th June

1st July	4th EVAA European Master Mountain Running Championships	Bludenz	AUT

4th Balkan Mountain Running Championships

14th WMRA Grand Prix 2012

17th May	32nd La Montée du Grand Ballon / 1st G.P. race	Willer sur Thur/Goldbach	FRA
29th July	14th Gorski tek na Grintovec / 2nd G.P. race	Kamnik	SLO
5th August	4th Mayrhofen Harakiri Run / 3rd G.P. race	Mayrhofen	AUT
2nd September	28th WMRA World Mountain Running Championships (uphill) 4th G.P. race	Temù - Ponte di Legno / Tonale (Valle Camonica)	ITA
23rd September	1st Bursa – Uludag International mountain race / 5th G.P. race – Final G.P.	Bursa	TUR

WMRA International 'Associate Member' Races 2012

19th - 20th May	28th Intern. Gamperney Berglauf	Grabs	SUI
16th June	11th GM40 - Gorski Maraton Štirich Obcin (km. 38)	Podbrdo	SLO
15th July	13th Chiavenna – Lagunc (Vertical Kilometre)	Chiavenna (Sondrio)	ITA
18th August	Skaala race	Loen - City Stryn	NOR
18th August	57th Pikes Peak Ascent (km. 21)	Manitou Springs	USA
19th August	57th Pikes Peak Marathon (km. 42)	Manitou Springs	USA
30th September	39th Hochfelln Berglauf	Bergen	GER
6th October	33rd Smarna Gora International mountain race	Ljublijana	SLO
21st October	55th Trofeo "E. Vanoni" (relay international male - 3 athletes) 29th Trofeo "E. Vanoni" (relay international female - 2 athletes)	Morbegno (Sondrio)	ITA



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