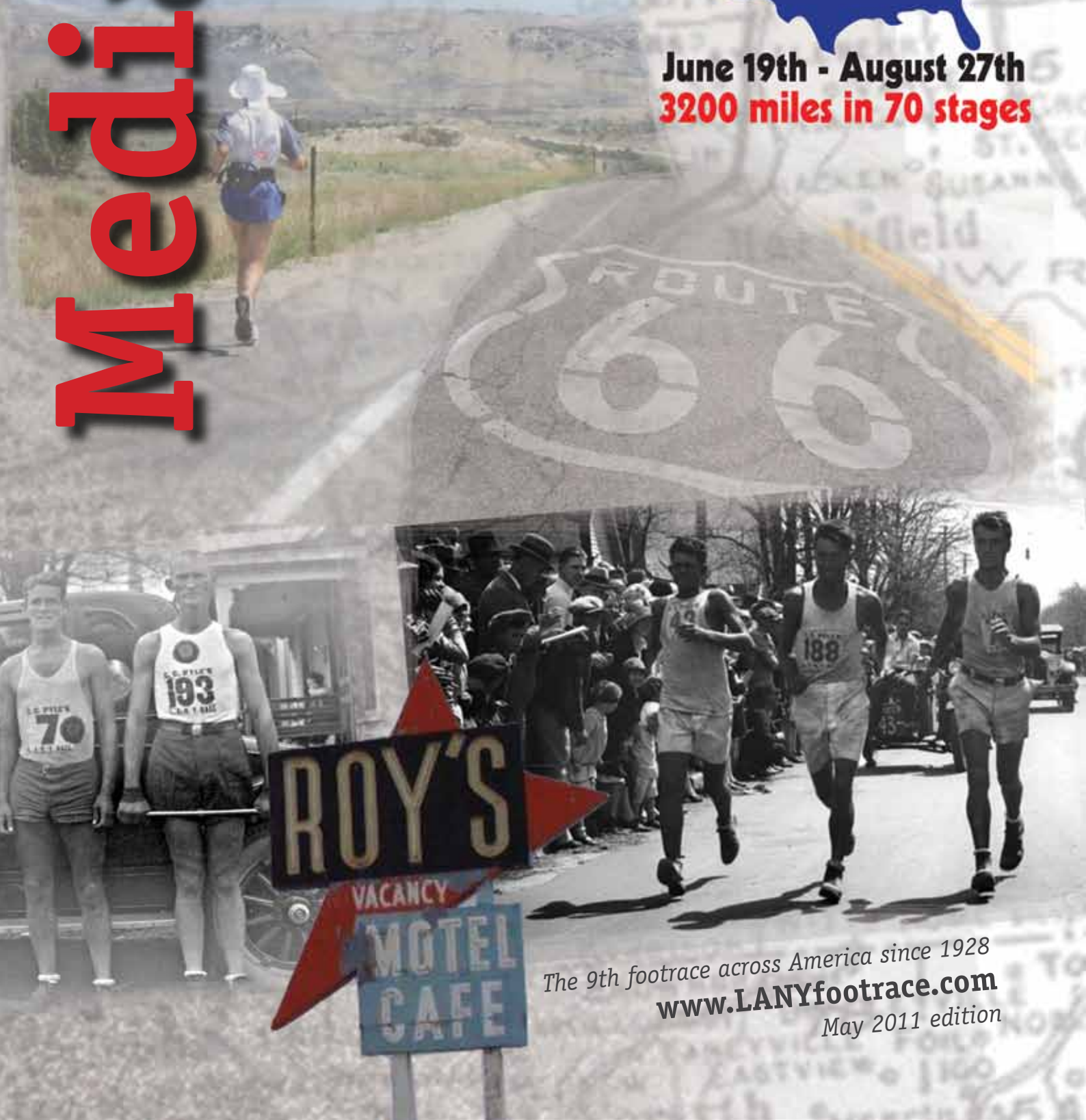


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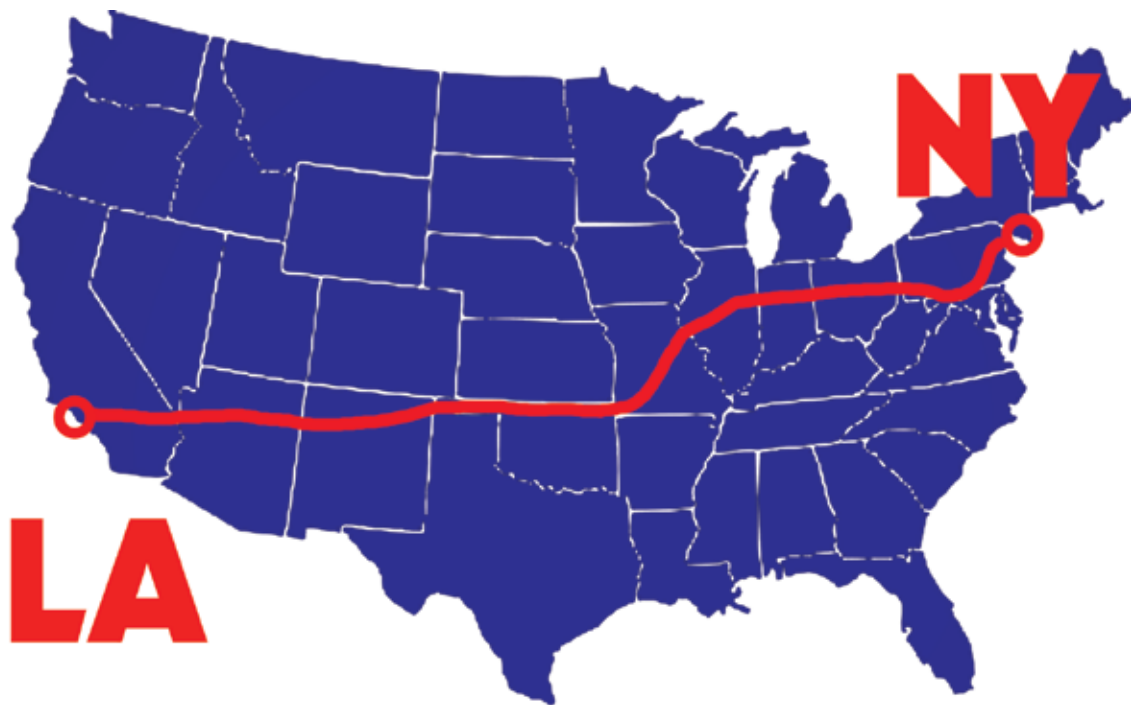
# LA-NY Footrace 2011



**June 19th - August 27th**  
**3200 miles in 70 stages**



*The 9th footrace across America since 1928*  
[www.LANYfootrace.com](http://www.LANYfootrace.com)  
May 2011 edition



## Presentation of the race

*We thought a great deal about organizing a trans-continental race and in 2007 launched the idea of a trans-Australian race, following our reconnaissance in that huge continent, which continues to hold us in its spell. It was presumptuous to think we could organize that race at the beginning of 2008 for a departure in October. Both the organizers and the participants need time to put together such a venture. The crossing has not been thrown out; we are keeping it warm in a drawer...*

*Speaking of transcontinental races in stages, well after the "Trans America" of Jesse Dale Riley and Michael Kenney in 1992, the first since 1928, there was the "Race of Fire" in Australia and now the "Trans Europe Footrace." But every year we have said to ourselves, why not organize another race across the North American continent? Alan Firth organized such an event in 2002 and 2004. Since then, there has been nothing. So we decided to re-launch our American dream in 2011. We can say right now that there won't be a second edition in 2012 but why not one in 2013.... watch this space.*

*Our first idea was to scrupulously replicate the itinerary of 1928... on the trail of Andy Payne, winner of the first race between LA and NY. Very quickly we realized that it would not be possible because Route 66 no longer exists. Portions of the road exist for short distances but without warning they become Interstate 40. The myth has a tendency to disappear when it becomes a wide boulevard which is neither attractive nor interesting.*

*So began a period of questioning and facing choices which were often difficult to make. We spent hours weighing the pros and cons of two, three or even four solutions.*

*But now we are ready and this time a French Group is re-telling an old tale: the crossing of the legendary United States of America; A mad project to live a once-in-a-lifetime experience.*

# Letter from the organisation

Hello,

*I organized since 1999 all the race running by Serge : Australia, South America, Africa, Paris-Tokyo, and European Tour ( itinerary, logistic to cross each country, team's management, bringing up to date website). Each time, I learned more and more and I think to be ready to share my experience with you.*

*I am really impressed to be Race Director of this new Edition of a Trans America who calls Los Angeles – New York Footrace.*

*I will do my best with my French Team: Anne, Bérengère, René, Bertrand, David, Emilie and Ludovic. They are used to taking care of long distance runners because all of us have been crew for Serge during the Paris- Tokyo Footrace or the European Tour Footrace. Everybody in this organization knows what means run 70 km or more, day after day and what an investment of time and money it is to make happen to realize this dream.*

Good luck

Laure Magnan

Organizer of the LA-NY Footrace



A Laure Magnan, Organizer LA-NY Footrace  
B René Girard  
C Anne Plaquevent  
D Bertrand Plaquevent

E David Antonine  
F Bérengère Courant  
G Emilie Carion  
H Ludovic Fortier

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Day	Date	Stage	From	To	State	Miles	Miles total
Sunday	6/19	1	Huntington Beach	Norco	CA	45.7	45.7
Monday	6/20	2		Hesperia	CA	48.9	94.6
Tuesday	6/21	3		Barstow	CA	47.4	142.0
Wednesday	6/22	4		Ludlow	CA	50.9	192.9
Thursday	6/23	5		Amboy	CA	28.3	221.2
Friday	6/24	6		Fenner	CA	39.8	261.0
Saturday	6/25	7		Needles	CA	39.8	300.8
Sunday	6/26	8		Kingman	AZ	51.3	352.1
Monday	6/27	9		Truxton	AZ	42.3	394.4
Tuesday	6/28	10		Seligman	AZ	45.9	440.3
Wednesday	6/29	11		Ash Fork	AZ	30.5	470.8
Thursday	6/30	12		Williams	AZ	30.3	501.1
Friday	7/1	13		Flagstaff	AZ	42.8	543.9
Saturday	7/2	14		Birdspring	AZ	53.1	597.0
Sunday	7/3	15		Indian Wells	AZ	40.9	637.9
Monday	7/4	16		Kinlichee	AZ	48.9	686.8
Tuesday	7/5	17		Gas Station on Rd 491	NM	42.3	729.1
Wednesday	7/6	18		Crownpoint	NM	44.6	773.7
Thursday	7/7	19		Pueblo Pintado	NM	45.8	819.5
Friday	7/8	20		Cuba	NM	48.3	867.8
Saturday	7/9	21		Abiquiu Lake	NM	51.1	918.9
Sunday	7/10	22		Velarde	NM	37.8	956.7
Monday	7/11	23		Palo Flechado Pass	NM	46.9	1003.6
Tuesday	7/12	24		Cimarron	NM	37.1	1040.7
Wednesday	7/13	25		Point of Rocks Rest Area	NM	49.0	1089.7
Thursday	7/14	26		Clayton	NM	59.3	1149.0
Friday	7/15	27		Boise City	OK	44.6	1193.6
Saturday	7/16	28		Guymon	OK	56.6	1250.2
Sunday	7/17	29		Balko School	OK	48.8	1299.0
Monday	7/18	30		Hwy Crossing 412/283	OK	46.7	1345.7
Tuesday	7/19	31		Crossing Hwy 64/N1980	OK	37.0	1382.7
Wednesday	7/20	32		Alva	OK	47.5	1430.2
Thursday	7/21	33		Medford	OK	51.8	1482.0
Friday	7/22	34		Ponca City	OK	42.9	1524.9
Saturday	7/23	35		Pawhuska	OK	43.6	1568.5
Sunday	7/24	36		Oolagah	OK	48.4	1616.9
Monday	7/25	37		Vinita	OK	40.8	1657.7
Tuesday	7/26	38		Miami	OK	32.7	1690.4
Wednesday	7/27	39		Carthage	MO	47.7	1738.1
Thursday	7/28	40		Springfield	MO	54.0	1792.1
Friday	7/29	41		Philipsburg	MO	48.0	1840.1
Saturday	7/30	42		St Robert	MO	48.1	1888.2
Sunday	7/31	43		St James	MO	41.6	1929.8
Monday	8/1	44		Owensville	MO	28.4	1958.2
Tuesday	8/2	45		Hermann	MO	29.8	1988.0
Wednesday	8/3	46		Bowling Green	MO	54.9	2042.9
Thursday	8/4	47		Hannibal	MO	44.8	2087.7
Friday	8/5	48		Pittsfield	IL	35.7	2123.4
Saturday	8/6	49		New Berlin	IL	53.1	2176.5
Sunday	8/7	50		Decatur	IL	54.1	2230.6
Monday	8/8	51		Tuscola	IL	41.8	2272.4
Tuesday	8/9	52		Rockville	IN	57.9	2330.3
Wednesday	8/10	53		Indianapolis	IN	51.0	2381.3
Thursday	8/11	54		Dunreith	IN	47.2	2428.5
Friday	8/12	55		Crossing US40/Arlington Rd	OH	54.1	2482.6
Saturday	8/13	56		South Vienna	OH	47.4	2530.0
Sunday	8/14	57		Reynoldsville	OH	44.3	2574.3
Monday	8/15	58		Zanesville	OH	51.8	2626.1
Tuesday	8/16	59		Morristown	OH	58.4	2684.5
Wednesday	8/17	60		Washington	PA	46.6	2731.1
Thursday	8/18	61		Uniontown	PA	49.0	2780.1
Friday	8/19	62		Frostburg	MD	51.1	2831.2
Saturday	8/20	63		Hancock	MD	50.6	2881.8
Sunday	8/21	64		Waynesboro	PA	46.2	2928.0
Monday	8/22	65		York	PA	48.8	2976.8
Tuesday	8/23	66		Lancaster	PA	26.2	3003.0
Wednesday	8/24	67		Kutztown	PA	50.5	3053.5
Thursday	8/25	68		Washington	NJ	48.1	3101.6
Friday	8/26	69		W. Orange	NJ	51.5	3153.1
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>8/27</b>	<b>70</b>		<b>New York</b>	<b>NY</b>	<b>34.4</b>	<b>3187.5</b>

## Race schedule

Schedule subject to change

April 19th 2011

# Letters to the Runners



2011 LA-NY Footrace Runners Welcome,

*So lucky are those of you entering this Summer's LA-NY 2011 Footrace. Opportunities like this are few and far between in our constantly changing and fleeting life that you have to jump on them before they, like time, slip through your fingers. I jumped in 1992, with 29 others, and had the most difficult, painful, and rewarding experience of my life - 3000 miles is tough!*

*The 13 of us that finished felt like warriors, in a brotherhood, that conquered the savage beast within ourselves. We felt honored to call ourselves transcontinental race finishers - and YOU can too, if you're patient, smart, and never say die.*

*Good luck, one and all, from the bottom of my heart. You will never regret the effort and sacrifice.*

David Warady

1992 Trans America Footrace Champion



*David Warady crossing the finish line at Central Park New York. August 22nd 1992*

*Left: the Father of American ultra-running Ted Corbitt, Right: George Hirsch editor of Runners World*



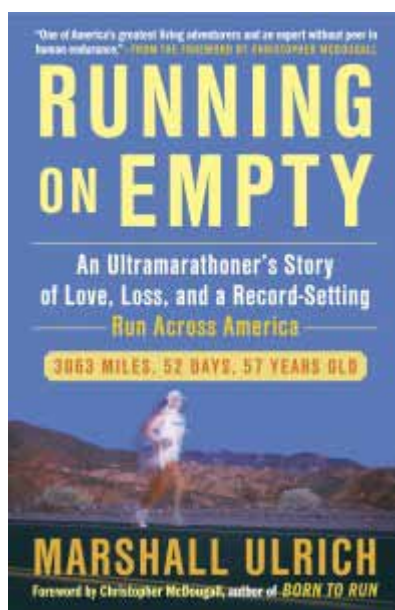
LA-NY Runners,

*You're embarking on an incredible and uncommon life journey. To date, less than 250 others have run across the entire United States. To put this in perspective, a great deal more than \*ten times that many\* have summited Mount Everest.*

*So, when you're out there in the "breakdown lane," just remember to take it one step at a time. Don't get ahead of yourself or become overzealous; as they say in mountaineering, don't "let your brain go to your feet." Stay steady, strong, with your eyes nailed down the road.*

*Keep in mind this will be a life-changing experience forever to be cherished. And when you reach New York City, you can breathe air even more rarified than what you'd find at the top of Mount Everest. You'll truly be on the top of the world.*

Marsh



*Marshall Ulrich ran from San Francisco to New York in 2008 with the 3rd fastest recorded time in 52 days. His Book Running on Empty just hit the book shelves in USA.*

# Competitors



## James Adams, 31 Great Britain

London

Badwater (135 miles) 2010, Spartathlon (153 miles) 09,10 | Grand Union Canal Run (145 miles) 08,09 | Run the Moose (6 days 300 km) 08 | Marathon des Sables (6 days 250km) 90+ marathons/ultras

**Website:** [www.runningandstuff.com](http://www.runningandstuff.com)



## Mark Cockbain, 39 Great Britain

Northampton

4x Badwater ( Including Double 300), 5x Spartathlon, John O'Groats to Lands End 859 (15days), Yukon Arctic Ultra 300, Trans 333(2nd, The High (1st), Thames Ring 250, 4 x Grand Union Canal, Atacama Crossing, Marathon Des Sables, 12h 85 miles, 24h 125 miles, Marathon 2:53

**Website:** [markcockbain.com](http://markcockbain.com)

**Support crew:** Kenneth Evans, USA



## Gérard Bavato, 53 France

Villefranche de Lauragais

Diagonale des Fous, Spartathlon, Integrale de Riquet, Ascension Mont Cameroun Desert Cup Mali, Trans 333 Niger 1st place, Raid Amazonie 1st place, Badwater, World Record : Ascension du Kilimandjaro, Personal best: 100km 7:53h, Marathon 2:46h

**Website:** [bavato.fr](http://bavato.fr)



## Philippe Grizard, 58 France

Chaussin

Transe Gaule , 555, 333, RMV, Nove Colli, Badwater, Defi de l'Oisans, Fortiche de Maurienne, Transahariana, Libyan Challenge ,24H, 48H...



## Patrick Malandain, 51 France

Montivilliers (Le Havre)

2010: Saint Malo - Rodez: 497 miles in 10 days

2009: Le Havre - Istanbul: 2007 miles in 53 days

2008: Agen - Barcelone: 335 miles in 7 days

2007: Le Havre - Agen: 478 miles in 13 days

171 miles in 48h indoor, 110 miles in 24h, 100km: 10:26h, Marathon 3:23h

**Website:** [patrun.top-forum.net](http://patrun.top-forum.net)

**Support crew:** Fabienne Malandain

# Competitors



## Rainer Koch, 30 Germany

Dettelbach

Spreelauf 2001, La Transe Gaule 2002, Deutschlandlauf 2005, Trans-Europe Footrace 2009, Spartathlon 2000/08, Nove Colli 2001, Olympian Race 2004, 3 x 100mile, 15 x 100km, more than 100 Ultras,  
Personal best: Marathon 2:39:28, 100km 7:05:24, 24h 220,094 km

**Website:** [ultrakoch.org](http://ultrakoch.org)

**Support crew:** Hyunseek Ryu ("June"), Korea



## Markus Mueller 47 Germany/USA

Eagle, CO USA (German)

Trans Australia Footrace 2001, Trans Germany Race 3rd Place, 11 x 100 miles including Hardrock 100 and 4x Leadville 100, Spartathlon 92, Personal best: 630 miles in 10 days, 133.074 miles in 24h, 100k 9:09:22h, Marathon 3:07:10

**Website:** [markusmuellerultrarunning.com](http://markusmuellerultrarunning.com)

**Support crew:** Dan Bakke,USA Klaus Schumacher, Germany



## Italo Orru, 48 Italy

Sinnai Sardegna

5 x 100km Passatore

Marathon des Sables

Atacama Crossing

3 x Ultra Trail du Mont Blanc



## Yoshiaki Bando, 44 Japan

Tokushima

1985 Hokkaido-tokyo walk 1600km

1986 Walk across japan hokkaido-kagoshima 2700km

1987 Walk across africa continent(Kenya-Cameroon) 5500km

2009 Marathon des sables 210km, 2009 Osj ontake urutra trail 103km

2010 Kawa-no-michi foot-race tokyo-niidata 520km

**Japanese support team:** Tsuyoshi Sugawara, Yasumasa Namikoshi, Satoru Iwata



## Makoto Koshita, 60 Japan

Obihiro, Hokkaido

92-10 Hagi Ohkan Maranic 250km, finished 9 times | 92-93 Tokaido Journey

Run (6 stages) 506 km 97:23 | 94-10 Sakura-Michi Nature Run 250 km, finished 15 times | 98-00 Run Through Japan (Soya Cape - Kyan Cape) 3370.5km

2002 Run Across America 2002 (71 stages) 4966.8km 695:55:12 | 10 - 2011

Tokaido Journey Run (6 stages) 522.4 km 90:24

Personal Best 24h, 173 km, 100k, 9:58:12 , Marathon, 3:15:57

**Japanese support team**

# Competitors

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## Yoshiaki Ishihara, 66 Japan

Aioi, Hyogo Prefecture

MARATHON DES SABLES (Morocco 250km), Yamaguchi 100 HAGI-O-KAN MARANIC (Japan 250km), SPARTATHLON (Greece 245.3km), Sakura-midhi International Nature Run (Japan 250km), Sakura-midhi 270km Ultra Marathon (Japan 270km), TRANS YEZO (Japan 1,100km), Smile Run For Children "J.O.Arnn Memorial Run" (Japan 1,320km), Since the age of 55 Yoshimi completed more than 200 races with 100 km or more.

**Japanese support team**

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## Yoshimi Tanaka, 60 Japan

Koto-Ku - Tokyo

1983 IRONMAN TRIATHLON in Hawaii finisher, 1986 Journey Biathlon Challenge in WEST USA ( 4days/800km ) Run (S.F.-Denver) Bike (Denver-.S.L) no support, 1989 Fossa Magna (Japan crossing Coast to Coast) Journey run Challenge(390km 5days), 1990/92 Quadruple-IRONMAN-Triathlon in HUNGARY 84/82 hours finisher, 1993 Japan Alps Mountain Run Challenge(14days 450km 85peaks from Pacific ocean to Japan-sea) finisher without support.

**Japanese support team**

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## Serge Girard, 57 France

Grainville-Ymauville

1997 - 2006 : Race across 5 continents= 40979km in 551 days

Finisher Transe Gaule 2002, Finisher Badwater 2008,

1000km de France in 9 days 12 H 22 minutes,

Around Europe Tour 16787 miles/27011 km in 365 days 2009/2010

**Support crew:** M. William Heudicourt, France

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## Jenni De Groot, 48 Netherlands

Leeuwarden

Several marathons, 60 km, 100 km and 24-hours.

Pieterpad 503 km, Rondje Nederland 1079 km

Trans Europe Footrace 09 Did not finish due to a pelvic fractures after 3300 km

**Support crew:** Anneke Kuiper on a bicycle

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## Alexandro Bellini, 32 Italy

Gazzolo d'Arcole VR

Marathon Des Sables, 2003, 2005 First man to cross the Mediterranean sea and the Atlantic Ocean on a lone trip using a rowing boat 7,5 meters long. The 10,000 km long crossing from Genova to Fortaleza (Brasil) takes 226 days.

2008, from Lima, Peru rowing his way into the Pacific Ocean to reach Australia. 18,000 km long and 294 days spent alone in the open ocean.

**Website:** alexbellini.it

**Support crew:** Simone Bortolotti, Italy



# Special Competitors



**Peter Bartel, 69 Germany**

Berlin

**Running:** Spartathlon finisher, 204,121 km in 24 H, 100 km in 8:52:22 h, Marathon in 2:56:52 h

**Treadmill:** 24 H, 7 days, 1000 km

**Kickbiking:** Brunswick - Berlin 242 km / Berlin - Baltic Sea 324 km / TransEurope-FootRace (Bari-North Cape) 4487 km

**Support crew:** Hyunseek Ryu ("June"), Korea



**Anneke Kuiper, 59 Netherlands**

Leeuwarden

Anneke will support Jenneke De Groot in the LA-NY Footrace

## Some race facts

- 15 runners from 6 nations
- Average age is 48 years
- Average of 45 miles a day
- Stages are up to 58 miles long
- The runners have to maintain a pace of 3.5 miles an hour in a stage to stay in the competition
- The LA-NY Footrace crosses through 15 states: CA, AZ, NV, NM, OK, KS, MO, IL, IA, OH, PA, WV, MA, NJ and NY.
- Only 244 runner/walkers have crossed America (More than 4500 climbed Everest)
- Only 124 runners finished a race across the continent



# Short History of all Trans America Races



In 1928 C.C. Pyle organized the International Trans-continental Foot Race in 1928. The vision of the successful sports promoter set a first prize award of \$25,000. The race started March 4th in Los Angeles with 199 runners . 84 days later 55 runners finished the race at the Madison Square in New York.

1929

Despite the fact that C.C. Pyle lost \$100,000 in his first race, he was convinced that he could make a fortune with his experience. The race started in New York this time and prize money was announced for the first 15 runners. After 5 days only 51 runners remained in the race (over 100 started). After 10 days there were only 36 and after 3 weeks there were only 31 runners left. Only 19 made it to Los Angeles. The last years 2nd Johnny Salo won against Peter Gavuzzi who had to drop out in the first year, with only 2:46 minutes. None of them got their prize money. C.C. Pyle was bankrupt.

1985

After a unsuccessful attempt to organize a big new Trans America race, Malcolm Campell (GB) and Marvin Skagerberg (USA) ran the Lou Gehrig Race for Life as a 2 man event. The route went from Anaheim, CA to New York City, NY over 3559 miles/5728km and included 6 rest days for sponsor events. The average was 41 miles/day - 66km/day. Marvin Skagerberg won with 16 Minutes ahead of Malcolm Campell. Due to the fact that this "race" was not open to other runners and that it had only 2 starters, this is not considered in the official Footrace count.

1992 Trans Am

Inspired from the Tom Mc Nab Novel „Flanagans run“ Michael Kenney placed an ad in Ultrarunning zu bring the Trans America Footrace back to life. Jesse Reiley answered and together they planned a race from Hunington Beach LA to Central Park in New York. With a race fee of \$200 they organized water, Gatorade and Powerbars every 3 miles. The runners slept in gym halls or camped.

1993-95

Jesse Reiley and Michael Kenney were able to continue this race for a total of 4 races.

1995

The last edition of the Trans Am races was very well sponsored by the Japanese corporation Moonbat. Mravlje, Bell, Horton and Farmer fought a hard battle. This race was the most competitive of all four Trans Am races. Dusan Mravlje the winner had a overall pace of 6.8 miles/hour or 10,9 km/h. Even 6. Place Manfred Leistmann was faster than the winners of the previous years.

In 2002 and 2004 Alan Firth organized 2 races based on his experiences crewing and helping in the Trans Am races. His route was slightly different from the 92-95 races, longer and 71 stages.

Now after a 7 year break Laure Magnan, wife of the famous French longdistance runner Serge Girard is organizing the 9th footrace called LA-NY Footrace 2011. The race will follow the original route of 1928 as close as possible through very remote sections of Arizona, New Mexico and the Oklahoma Panhandle.

The Organization will bring a very experienced team which helped Serge Girard on his running quest around the world and his latest run around Europe.

*Markus Mueller*



*Survivors of the Bunion Derby 1928 ford the Hudson River.*

# 1. LA-NY 1928 199 Starters

LA - New York, NY 3/04/28 - 5/26/28 3,418 miles

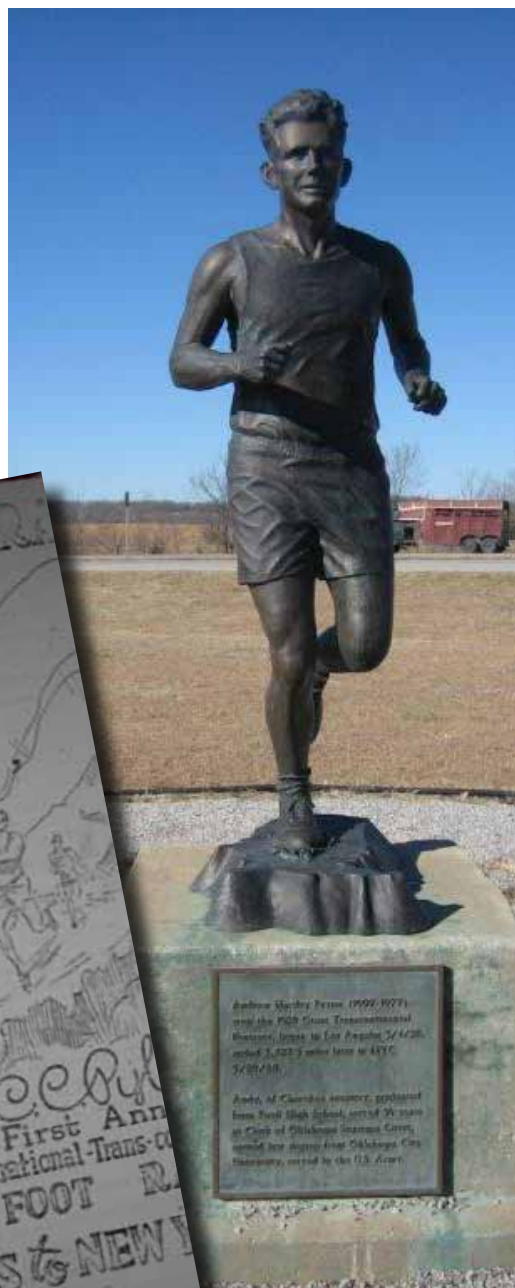
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1	Andrew Payne	Foyil, OK	19	573h.04m.34s
2	John Salo	Passaic, NJ & Finland		588h.40m.13s
3	Phillip Granville	Hamilton, Ontario, Canada		614h.42m.30s
4	Mike Joyce	Cleveland, OH & Ireland	34	636h.43m.03s
5	Guisto Umek	Trieste, Italy		641h.27m.16s
6	H. William Kerr	Minneapolis, MN		641h.37m.47s
7	Louis J. Perrella	Los Angeles, CA & Albany, NY		658h.45m.42s
8	Ed Gardner	Los Angeles, CA & Seattle, WA	28	659h.56m.47s
9	Frank R. von Flue	Kerman, CA		661h.31m.49s
10	John Cronick	Saskatoon, Sas., Canada	24	666h.42m.38s
11	Harry Abramowitz	Bronx, NY	21	679h.41m.16s
12	Roy McMurtry	Newhall, CA & Indianapolis, IN		705h.42m.52s
13	James A. Pollard	Reno, NV	26	
14	August Scherrer	Uster, Switzerland		699h.08m.07s
15	Seth Gonzalez	Denver, CO		712h.01h.27s
16	Allan D. Currier	Rogue River, OR	21	703h.20m.28s
17	Tony (Antonio) Constantinoff	Toronto, Canada & Russia	21	
18	Arthur E. Killingsworth	Lomis, CA	34	
19	George M. Rehayn	Daly City, CA & Germany	40	721h.38m.40s
20	Fred Kamler	Miami Beach, FL & Germany		732h.42m.14s
21	Paul A. Smith	Gates, OR	43	
22	George Liebergall	Bellevue, Alberta, Canada		
23	Roy T. Sandsberry	Los Angeles, CA		
24	John Vierra	Alameda, CA (Hawaii)	24	
25	H.S. (Hoke) Norville	Los Angeles, CA	28	
26	William Morady (Morely)	Newark, NJ	22	803h.47m.s
27	Norman Cadeluffi (Codeloppi, Codeluppi)	Pasadena, CA	20	
28	Harry R. Gunn	Los Angeles, CA		
29	Arthur Richman	Brooklyn, NY		
30	George Jussick (Juskick, Jushick)	Poland	35	
31	Stanley Stevens (Stevano)	Calgary, Alberta, Canada		
32	Karl L. Larsen	Los Angeles, CA	23	
33	John Stone, Jr.	Marion, IN		
34	Teodocio C. Rivera	Minneapolis, MN & Manila, Phillipines		
35	Tobie Joseph (T. Josephs) Cotton	Los Angeles, CA & New Orelans, LA	16	
36	Paul "Hardrock" Simpson	Burlington, NC		
37	Wynn R. Roberts	Wallace, ID	23	
38	Herbert Hedeman	New York, NY & Australia	46	
39	Richard J. Thomas	Brooklyn, NY & Cornwall, England	21	
40	Guy H. Shields	Los Angeles, CA	36	
41	C.R. (Claude) Brown	Home Gardens, CA		
42	Thomas B. Ellis	Los Angeles, CA & Hamilton, Canada		924h.06m.23s
43	Alfred Middlestate	Baltimore, MD		
44	Samuel Richman	New York, NY		
45	Sammy Robinson	Atlantic City, NJ		
46	J. Eugene Germaine	Montreal, Canada		
47	John E. Pederson	Norway	43	
48	Morris Richman	Mount Vernon, NY		
49	O.B. "Pat" Harrison	Los Angeles, CA & Sullivan, MO	25	
50	Wildfire Thompson	Berryville, AR	27	1000 plus
51	Sydney S. Morris	Los Angeles, CA	43	
52	Ernest A. Cooney	Los Angeles, CA	23	
53	Juri Lossman	Tallinna, Estonia		
54	Mike Kelly	Goshen, IN		
55	Anton Isele	Austria		

**Average speed:** 1. Andrew Payne 5,96 Mi/m - 9,59 Km/h  
 2 - John Salo 5,80 Mi/h - 9,34 Km/h  
 3 - Phillip Granville 5,55 Mi/h - 8,94 Km/h

# Andy Payne November 16, 1907 – December 1977

In 1927 the young farm boy Andy Payne from Foyil, Oklahoma, traveled to Los Angeles to find a job. All he could find was an ad about the upcoming LA-NY Footrace in 1928. Back in Oklahoma he started training and looking for the funds of \$100 for the race fee. At the end his father believed more in his sons running ability than his farming skills and he gave him the money. Payne hitchhiked back to LA to join C.C. Pyles trainings camp. He teamed up with Tom Young who served as his trainer. Andy ran a very clever race for his age, never got into stage finish battles and even walked a couple of days while he was ill. While some professional runners like Arthur Newton from Rhodesia and the Finn Kolehmainen had to quit, Andy was running along in the top five of the field. Peter Gavuzzi had a lead of still 6 hours when he had to dental problems and not able to eat solid food for more than two weeks.

Andy Payne finished with 573:04:34 and got the \$25,000 prize money. Nobody ever would win that much in a Trans Continental Footrace. Andy Payne paid of the farm of his dad and lived in Oklahoma City where he worked as a clerk for the supreme court.



Andy Payne (43) . Patrick De Marr (188) Bill Kerr(7) run in El Reno April 13th 1928

Credit to El Reno Library, O,

## 2. NY-LA 1929 Over 100 Starters

1929 3531.7 miles/ 5684 km

POS.	Name	Age	TIME
1	John Salo	36	525:57:20
2	Peter Gavuzzi	23	526:00:07
3	Guisto Umek		538:46:52
4	Samuel Richman		571:29:29
5	Paul Simpson	24	586:30:53
6	Phillip Granville	33	618:54:23
7	Mike B. McNamara	38	627:45:28
8	Herbert Hedeman	47	631:23:48
9	Harry Abramowitz	22	634:46:20
10	Mike Joyce	35	689:02:52
11	Guy H. Shields	37	698:17:29
12	Elwin Harbine		727:56:16
13	Elmer Cowley	23	742:00:27
14	O.B. Harrison	26	748:20:51
15	Joseph Spangler	21	755:59:14
16	George M. Rehayn	41	765:00:52
17	Charles Eskins	42	783:56:46
18	Morris Richman		854:11:11
19	George Jussick	36	882:07:34



Route of 1929 run,  
Harry Abramowitz finisher of the  
Bunion Derby 1928 and 29

## 3. Trans Am 1992 28 Starters

Huntington Beach, CA-New York, NY 6.20- 8.22.92

2935 miles/ 4722 km

POS.	Name	Age	TIME
1	David Warady	35 USA	521:35:57
2	Milan Milanovich	32 SWI	+5:40:24
3	Tom Rogozinski	24 USA	+7:12:57
4	Richard Westbrook	45 USA	+15:57:07
5	Emile Laharrague	45 FRA	+21:02:06
6	Edward Kelley	34 USA	+23:33:48
7	Helmut Schieke	53 GER	+41:29:43
8	Peter Hodson	37 GBR	+74:44:04
9	Stefan Schlett	30 GER	+97:52:25
10	Marty Sprengelmeyer	46 USA	+119:20:33
11	John Wallis	55 USA	+131:38:40
12	John Surdyk	36 USA	+173:54:44
13	Serge Debladis	44 FRA	+182:33:13



David Warady and Stefan Schlett at Central Park  
New York. August 22nd 1992



1992 Trans America Footrace finishers (13 of  
29 starters): BOTTOM ROW: Serge Debladis,  
John Wallis, David Warady, Emile Laharrague,  
Peter Hodson; MIDDLE ROW: Ed Kelley, Tom  
Rogozinski, Milan Milanovich, John Surdyk,  
Richard Westbrook; TOP ROW: Stefan Schlett,  
Marty Sprengelmeyer, Helmut Schieke

## 4. Trans Am 1993 13 Starters

Huntington Beach, CA-New York, NY 6.19-8.21.93  
2,912.35 miles/ 4686 km

Laura Michael was the first female who finished a Trans America race.

POS.	Name	Age	TIME
1	Ray Bell	46 USA	486:41:08
2	Pat Farmer	31 AUS	+15:49:15
3	Lorna Michael	34 F USA	+99:33:59
4	Edward Kelley	35 USA	+121:22:02
5	Tomoya Takaishi	51 JP	+149:29:38
6	Rüdiger Dittmann	32 GER	+203:49:55

## 5. Trans Am 1994 14 Starters

Huntington Beach, CA-New York, NY 6.18 – 8.20.94  
2,925.7 miles 4707,5 km in 64 stages

POS.	Name	Age	TIME
1	Istvan Sipos	35 HUN	517:43:02
2	Dante Ciolfi	39 USA	+45:28:02
3	Michiyoshi Kaiho	50 JP	+69:19:00
4	Motohiko Sato	29 JP	+78:55:20
5	Kawika Spaulding	40 USA	+81:05:22

## 6. Trans Am 1995 14 Starters

Huntington Beach, CA-New York, NY 2906.1miles/ 4676km

POS.	Name	Age	TIME
1	Dusan Mravije	42 SLO	427:59:00
2	Ray Bell,	47 USA	+16:50:31
3	David Horton	45 USA	+21:27:51
4	Patrick Farmer	32 AUS	+33:14:50
5	Nobuaki Koyago,	38 JP	+34:25:58
6	Manfred Leismann	48 GER	+53:32:18
7	Jun Onoki	40 JP	+89:01:04
8	Eiko Endo,	45F JP	+123:46:01
9	Michiyoshi Kaiho,	51 JP	+141:54:26
10	Don Winkley	57 USA	307:37:43



*The Father of American ultrarunning  
Ted Corbitt, David Warady and  
Harry Abramovitz finisher of the Bunion Derby  
1928 and 29 at the finish of the 1992 race*

## Finisher History

Year	Starters	Finishers	Note
1928	199	55	
1929	? 100	19	more than 100 starters
1992	28	13	
1993	13	6	
1994	14	5	
1995	14	10	
2002	11	8	
2004	? 6	6	more than 6 starters
<b>Total</b>	<b>385</b>	<b>122</b>	more than 385 starters
2011			

**The finishing ratio of all  
8th Trans America races  
together is less than 31%**

# 7. Run Across USA 2002

11 Starters

3084.4 miles/ 4961.2 km in 71 days

POS.	Name	Age	TIME	
1	Martin Wagen	32 SWI	514:45:05	
2	Shoji Nishi	54 JP	574:45:12	+ 60:00:07
3	Yuji Takeishi	56 JP	613:33:33	+ 98:48:28
4	Nobuyuki Shimojima	56 JP	631:28:11	+116:43:06
5	Kazuko Kaihata	48F JP	643:37:09	+128:52:04
6	Makoto Koshita	51 JP	679:31:04	+164:45:59
7	Yasuo Kanai	63 JP	709:06:35	+194:21:30
8	Mariko Sakamoto	54F JP	773:47:10	+259:02:05



Above: Alan Firth Organizer of the 02/04 races, crewing , Martin Wagen and crew (his father)

Below: Martin Wagen, Route of 2002 and 2004 more infos at [www.martin-wagen.ch](http://www.martin-wagen.ch)



# 8. Run Across USA 2004

3080 miles/4960km in 71 days

POS.	Name	Age	TIME	
1.	Bobby Brown	35 GB	510:47:24	
2.	Luc Dumont Saint Priest	39 FRA	573:08:53	+62:21:29
3.	Russell Allison	40 USA	598:21:20	+87:33:56
4.	Kazuhiro Horiguchi	36 JP	688:43:34	+177:56:10
5.	Olivier Forti	32 FRA	708:46:42	+197:59:18
6.	Takasumi Senoo	21 JP	813:43:39	+302:56:15

Note: These informations were collected from a lot of different sources and are as accurate as possible. The total times of these runs might not show non competitive stages without time keeping. Sometimes the first and last or part of the last stage in a continental stage race are run non competitive. Finisher history see page 128.



## Special thanks

This LA-NY Roadbook is the result of thousands of miles of research Laure Magnan and Serge Girard did over the last years. In the last year even more mails were flying over the oceans and they still do. If you want to punish yourself, organize a Trans Continental Footrace.

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## Warning

We tried to make this roadbook as accurate as possible, but as you can imagine things can and will change over 3200 miles. So expect discrepancies in the description and pay attention to the morning briefings before the start.

For the runners the final route will be presented every evening at the finish.

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