



# ROAD RUNNERS CLUB OF AMERICA HISTORY OF THE NATIONAL AWARD WINNERS

## **RRCA AMERICAN LONG DISTANCE RUNNING HALL OF FAME**

Developed in 1970, the RRCA American Long Distance Running Hall of Fame inducts individuals who have made significant contributions to the sport of long distance running either through excellence in the sport or significant contributions to the sport.

### **2009 – Ann Marie Letko, Khalid Khannouchi**

2008 – Beth Bonner, Todd Williams  
2007 – Jenny Spangler, Judi St. Hilaire  
2006 – Deena Kastor, Mebrahtom Keflezighi  
2005 - Keith Brantly, Steve Spence  
2004 - Helen Klein, Lisa Rainsberger  
2003 - Bob Kempainen, Kathy O'Brien  
2002 - Patti Dillon, Herb Lindsay  
2001 - Miki Gorman, Greg Meyer  
2000 - Mark Curp, John Tuttle  
1999 - Gerry Lindgren, Tony Sandoval  
1998 - Benji Durden, Doug Kurtis  
1997 - Kim Jones, Jon Sinclair  
1996 - Ed Eyestone, Jerry Kokesh, Pete Pfitzinger  
1995 - Ann Trason, George Young  
1994 - Julie Brown, Amby Burfoot, Marion Irvine  
1993 - Jack Bachelier, Norm Green, Mary Decker Slaney  
1992 - Jeff Darman, Jeff Galloway, Ted Haydon  
1991 - Barry Brown, Lynn Jennings, Fred Lebow  
1990 - Pat Porter, Alberto Salazar, Max Truex  
1989 - Dick Beardsley, Herb Lorenz, Sy Mah, Harold Tinsley  
1988 - Garry Bjorklund, Cheryl Flanagan, Thomas Hicks, Kenny Moore  
1987 - Bill Bowerman, Hugh Jascourt, Don Kardong, Francie Larrieu Smith  
1986 - Nick Costes, Ron Daws, Doris Brown Heritage  
1985 - Henley Roughton Gabeau, Gordon McKenzie, Alex Ratelle, John "Jock" Semple, Louis White  
1984 - Clive Davies, Jacqueline Hansen, Joan Benoit Samuelson, Kathrine Switzer, Bob Schul, Craig Virgin  
1983 - Ed Benham, Paul de Bruyn, Gabe Mirkin  
1982 - William Agee, William "Billy" Mills, Roberta Gibb-Welch  
1981 - Hal Higdon, Steve Prefontaine, Ken Young  
1980 - Ruth Anderson, Nina Kuscsik, Thomas Osler, William Steiner  
1979 - Joe Henderson, Ray Sears, Gar Williams  
1978 - John Hayes, Bill Rodgers, Aldo Scandurra  
1977 - Eino Pentti, Greg Rice, Frank Shorter  
1976 - R. E. Johnson, George Sheehan, Curtis Stone  
1975 - Horace Ashenfelter, Don Lash, Joseph McCluskey  
1974- Pat Dengis, Leslie Pawson, Mel Porter, Charles Robbins, Fred Wilt  
1973 - Tarzan Brown, Victor Dyrvall, James Hinky Henigan, Peter McArdle, Paul Jerry Nason  
1972 - Ted Corbitt, Fred Faller, Louis Gregory, John A. Kelley, Joseph Kleinerman  
1971 - Bob Campbell, Clarence DeMar, Leonard "Buddy" Edelen, John J. Kelley, Browning Ross

## **RRCA OUTSTANDING STATE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE YEAR AWARD**

State representatives provide assistance, guidance and information to clubs in their state. They are the local representation of the RRCA. This award was developed in 1984 to recognize the outstanding and superior service of our state representatives.

### **2008 - Kelly "K2" Richards, Texas (North), Southern Region**

2007 - Lena Hollmann, North Carolina, Southern Region  
2006 – Ron Macksoud, Alabama, Southern Region  
2005 – Joan Davis, Hawaii, Western Region

2004 - John Devitt, Montana, Western Region  
2003 - David Cotter, Northern California/Nevada, Western Region  
2002 - Lisa Paige, Colorado, Western Region  
2001 - George Rehmet, California, Western Region  
2000 - Marlene Atwood, Georgia, Southern Region  
1999 - Ken Bendy, Florida, Southern Region  
1998 - Scott Christopher, Louisiana, Southern Region  
1997 - Don Still, Arkansas, Southern Region  
1996 - Joanne Smith, Pennsylvania, Eastern Region  
1995 - Beverly Coville, Georgia, Southern Region  
1994 - Laura Kulsik, California, Western Region  
1993 - Yvonne Lee, Louisiana, Southern Region  
1992 - David Harrison, Virginia, Eastern Region  
1991 - David Samuel, Arkansas, Southern Region  
1990 - Judy Tillapaugh, Indiana, Central Region  
1989 - Freddi Carlip, Pennsylvania, Eastern Region  
1988 - Stan Rosenfeld, California, Western Region  
1987 - Bill Marable, South Carolina, Southern Region  
1986 - Carl Johnson, North Carolina, Southern Region  
1985 - John Sissala, Maryland, Eastern Region  
1984 - Al Becken, Texas, Southern Region

#### **RRCA SCOTT HAMILTON OUTSTANDING CLUB PRESIDENT OF THE YEAR AWARD**

This award honors an outstanding RRCA Club President and is selected by the current RRCA National President. On July 30, 2005, Scott D. Hamilton passed away at the age of 77. Scott joined the Mid-Pacific Road Runners Club in 1965 and was an active runner for over 35 years. He served as the National President for the RRCA from 1966-67. In addition to running, he was an avid hiker and mountaineer.

#### **2008 – Libby Jones, Dallas Running Club, Dallas, TX**

2007 - Brooke Nelson, Anniston Runners Club, Anniston, AL  
2006 – Len Goldman, Lake Merritt Joggers & Striders, Oakland, CA  
2005 – Alan Meyer, Bradenton Runners Club, Bradenton, IL  
2004 - Sue Brown, Calumet Region Striders, Griffith, IN  
2003 - Patricia A. "Trish" Portuese, Birmingham Track Club, AL  
2002 - Dawn McEnery, Port City Pacers, AL  
2001 - David Oja, Syracuse Chargers Track Club, NY  
2000 - Victor Nemudrov, Albuquerque Road Runners, NM  
1999 - Ellie Norwitch, Miami Runners Club, FL  
1998 - Irv Newman, Montgomery County Road Runners Club, MD  
1997 - Dori Robertson, Bloomsday Road Runners Club, WA  
1996 - Paul Blaum, Peachtree City Running Club, GA  
1995 - Sue Wurl, Northern Lights Running Club, MN  
1994 - Jim Stasaitis, Utica Roadrunners, Utica, NY  
1993 - Nancy Kapheim, Cornbelt Running Club, IA  
1992 - Mary Anne Wehrum, Memphis Runners Track Club, TN  
1991 - Ed Kozloff, Motor City Striders, MI  
1990 - Nate White, Syracuse Chargers Track Club, NY  
1989 - Paul Butzen, Fond Du Lac Running Club, WI  
1988 - Dennis Steinauer, Montgomery County Road Runners Club, MD  
1987 - Bob Carlson, Utica Roadrunners, NY  
1986 - Jane Dolley, Maine Track Club, ME  
1985 - Tom Aderhold, Atlanta Track Club, GA  
1984 - Norman Harris, Huntsville Track Club, AL  
1983 - Steve Shostrom, Illinois Valley Striders, IL  
1982 - Bill Glauz, Mid America Masters Track and Field Association, MO  
1981 - Dick Sutton, Pikes Peak Road Runners Club, CO  
1980 - Dan Caffery, Taconic Road Runners Club, NY  
1979 - John Pendergrass, Hattiesburg Track Club, MS  
1978 - Stu Levy, Greater Pittsburgh Road Runners Club, PA  
1977 - Fred Lebow, New York Road Runners, NY  
1976 - Nick Costes, Troy Track Club, NY  
1975 - Ray Russell, Greater Fort Lauderdale Runners Club, FL  
1974 - Don Balsamo, Greater Rochester Track Club, NY

## **RRCA ROD STEELE OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD**

This award is named in memory of Rod Steele who was killed in a plane crash. Rod Steele was a well-known, dedicated volunteer of the DC Road Runners Club and a long time supporter of the RRCA. All those who have received this award have made a great contribution to their club and the sport. Our vision is that this award will inspire people to make time to volunteer with their local running club.

### **2008 – Tom Orehowsky – Bradenton Runners Club – Bradenton, FL**

2007 – Tim Butler – Springfield Road Runners Club – Springfield, IL  
2006 - Janet Nissenson - San Francisco DSE - San Francisco, CA  
2005 – Ric Robinetter, Rocky Mountain Road Runners, Denver, CO  
2004 - Steve Shepard, Houston Striders, Houston, TX  
2003 - Ilonga Thandive, South Fulton Running Partners, GA  
2002 - Harold Canfield, Knoxville Track Club, Knoxville, TN  
2001 - Beth Edwards, Huntsville Track Club, Huntsville, AL  
2000 - Evelyn White, Syracuse Chargers Track Club, NY  
1999 - Jim Oaks, Huntsville Track Club, Huntsville, AL  
1998 - Robert Platt, DC Road Runners Club, Washington, DC  
1997 - Beth Benefield, Huntsville Track Club, Huntsville, AL  
1996 - Ted Petrillo, Utica Road Runners, Utica, NY  
1995 - Jim Duguay, Chattahoochee Road Runners Club, GA  
1994 - Lawrence Hills, Huntsville Track Club, Huntsville, AL  
1993 - Dan Edwards, Tidewater Striders Running Club, VA  
1992 - Dennis Steinauer, Montgomery County Road Runners Club, MD  
1991 - John Hort, Peninsula Track Club  
1990 - George Heagy, Starved Rock Runners, IL  
1989 - Rick Melanson, Birmingham Track Club, AL  
1988 - John Sissala, Montgomery County Road Runners Club, MD  
1987 - Charles Scribner, Maine Track Club, ME  
1986 - Louise Tinsley, Huntsville Track Club, Huntsville, AL  
1985 - Clark Emmons, Gateway Athletics  
1984 - John Hickey, Huntsville Track Club, Huntsville, AL  
1983 - Karl Ungurean, Cornbelt Running Club, IA  
1982 - Don Lindley, Fort Wayne Track Club, IN  
1981 - Sylvia Quinn, Bloomsday Road Runners Club  
1980 - Alexander Saltmarsh, Turtletown AC  
1979 - Jim Hartshorne, Finger Lakes Runners Club, NY  
1978 - Joe Kleinerman, New York Road Runners, NY  
1977 - Mel Walton, Baltimore Road Runners Club, MD  
1976 - Doris Ferguson, Mid-Pacific Road Runners Club  
1975 - Harold Tinsley, Huntsville Track Club, Huntsville, AL

## **BROWNING ROSS SPIRIT OF THE RRCA AWARD**

The Browning Ross Spirit of the RRCA Award was created to honor the memory of one of the RRCA's founding members, Browning Ross, who died in April 1998. The award honors a club member who is an unsung hero. These are the people who champion the RRCA as well as their local club or event "tirelessly and with enthusiasm," but prefer to stay in the background, letting others bask in the spotlight, just as Browning did.

### **2008 – Dave Rouse, North Carolina Roadrunners, Raleigh, NC**

2007 – Marlene Atwood, Peachtree City Running Club, Peachtree City, GA  
2006 - Harold Tinsley, Huntsville Track Club, Huntsville, AL  
2005 – Phil Stewart, Cherry Blossom, Bethesda, MD  
2004 - Ken Peterson, Toledo Road Runners Club, Toledo, OH  
2003 - Dominic Ortiz  
2002 - Bob Holmes  
2001 - Nina Kuscsik  
2000 – Ted Corbitt  
1999 – Larry Noel

### **RRCA KURT STEINER CHILDREN'S DEVELOPMENTAL AWARD**

Kurt Steiner was born in Austria in 1921. He came to the US in 1945. He, along with Joe Kleinerman, of the NYRRC pioneered age group scoring and awards. His passion for running was surpassed by his passion for children. Steiner helped to organize many running events for children and established the first RRCA Cross Country Championship in NYC which hosted between 3,000 and 4,000 kids. The Kurt Steiner Children's Developmental Award recognizes a local club member who is dedicated to either promoting children's running and/or coordinating an outstanding children's running program.

### **2008 – Leeann Ward, Gate City Striders' Fitness University, Nashua, NH**

2007 – Jim Barodte, San Luis Distance Club, San Luis Obispo, CA  
2006 – Mary Klaff, Reston Runners' Kids in Motion - Reston, VA  
2005 – George Martin, Peachtree Road Runners Club, Peachtree City, GA  
2004 - Marilyn Witko Rosinski, Toledo Road Runners Club, Toledo, OH  
2003 - Kim Tracanna, Florida Striders Track Club, Orange Park, FL  
2002 - Nancy Kapheim, Cornbelt Running Club, IA  
2001 - Len Goldman, Lake Merritt Joggers and Striders, Oakland, CA  
2000 - Lenis Tucker, Syracuse Chargers Track Club, NY  
1999 - Jeff Tribole, Irvine Youth Track Club, CA  
1998 - No Nominations  
1997 - Ron Creasy, Chattahoochee Road Runners Club, GA  
1996 - Anna Berdahl, Montgomery County Road Runners Club, MD  
1995 - John MacGillivray, Raritan Valley Road Runners, NJ  
1994 - Judy Tollner, Illinois Valley Striders, East Peoria, IL

### **RRCA OUTSTANDING BEGINNING RUNNING PROGRAM AWARD**

In 1972, the Women's Mini Marathon 10K was founded by Fred Lebow with help from Nina Kuscsik and Kathrine Switzer. It was the first "women only" road race in the world. Fred, Nina & Kathrine continued impacting the sport of running and women's involvement in the sport. From 1994-2007, the RRCA recognized outstanding women's programs. In 2008, as the participation in running is nearly 50:50, male and female, the RRCA expanded this award to include all beginning running programs regardless of gender. This award honors someone who engages new runners through community based.

### **2008 – Beverly Byron & Melissa Burger, Howard Country Striders' FIT & GIRL Programs, Howard Country, MD**

2007 – Ann Deschamps, Reston Runners, Reston, VA  
2006 - Georgia Hagen, North Carolina Roadrunners Club, Raleigh, NC  
2005 – Carolin Dick, Ann Arbor Track Club, Ann Arbor, MI  
2004 - No nominations  
2003 - John MacGillivray  
2002 - Marlene Atwood  
2001 - Jane Serues, Lehigh Valley Road Runners, PA  
2000 - No nominations  
1999 - Kathrine Switzer  
1998 - Diane Palmason  
1997 - Ellen Wessel  
1996 - Julia Emmons, Atlanta Track Club, GA  
1995 - Henley Gible (Gabeau), Washington RunHers Unlimited, DC  
1994 - Nina Kuscsik, NYRRC, Huntington, NY

### **RRCA OUTSTANDING WEB SITE AWARDS**

This award honors and recognizes those who have brought technology into their clubs as a means of communication and done so in an organized, efficient and technological manner. The websites are judged by the first impression, layout and graphic design, ease of navigation, use of technology, depth of content, up-to-date information, uniqueness, personality and contribution to the RRCA. Awards are given to small (500 and fewer) and large (over 500) club websites.

### **BEST SITE**

#### **2009 – Dallas Running Club, [www.Dallasrunningclub.com](http://www.Dallasrunningclub.com) - Dallas, TX**

2008 – Oregon Road Runners Club, [www.orrc.net](http://www.orrc.net) – Beaverton, OR  
2007 – Capital Striders, [www.capitalstriders.org](http://www.capitalstriders.org) - Des Moines, IA  
2006 – Lake Ridge "Ridge Runners" Running Club, [www.lakeridgerunners.com](http://www.lakeridgerunners.com), Lake Ridge, VA  
2005 - New York Flyers, NY  
2004 - Lake Ridge Runners, VA

2003 - Badgerland Striders, WI  
2002 - Melrose Running Club, [www.melroserunningclub.com](http://www.melroserunningclub.com), Melrose, MA  
2001 - Trail Runners Club, CA

#### **LARGE CLUB TOP SITE**

**2009 – Dallas Running Club, [www.Dallasrunningclub.com](http://www.Dallasrunningclub.com) - Dallas, TX**

2008 – Oregon Road Runners Club [ww.orrc.net](http://ww.orrc.net) – Beaverton, OR  
2007 – Capital Striders [www.capitalstriders.org](http://www.capitalstriders.org) - Des Moines, IA  
2006 – Capital Striders, IA; Runner's Club of Greater Cincinnati, OH; Oregon Road Runners Club, OR  
2005 - New York Flyers, NY; Oregon Road Runners Club, OR; Twin City Track Club, NC  
2004 - Birmingham Track Club, AL; New York Flyers, NY; Twin City Track Club, NC  
2003 - Badgerland Striders, WI; Birmingham Track Club, AL; Mid Pacific Road Runners Club, HI  
2002 - Cross Country Club of Dallas, TX; Knoxville Track Club, TN; Rocky Mountain Road Runners, CO  
2001 - Badgerland Striders, WI; Cross Country Club of Dallas, TX; West Florida 'Y' Runner's Club, FL  
2000 - Northeast Running Club, OH; Second Wind Running Club, IL; Southern Arizona Roadrunners, AZ

#### **SMALL CLUB TOP SITES**

**2009 - Lake Merritt Joggers & Striders - [www.LMJS.org](http://www.LMJS.org) - Oakland, CA**

2008 - Lake Merritt Joggers & Striders - [www.LMJS.org](http://www.LMJS.org) - Oakland, CA  
2007 - Lake Merritt Joggers & Striders - [www.LMJS.org](http://www.LMJS.org) - Oakland, CA  
2006 - Lake Ridge "Ridge Runners" Running Club; Melrose Running Club, MA; Tuscaloosa Track Club, AL  
2005 - Daytona Beachcombers, FL; Kalamazoo Area Runners, MI; Lake Ridge Runners, VA  
2004 - Anderson Road Runners, SC; BG Road Runners, KY; Lake Ridge Runners, VA  
2003 - Conway Running Club, AR; Lake Monroe Roadkillers, FL; Virginia Happy Trails Running Club, VA  
2002 - Melrose Running Club, MA; Mesa Monument Striders, CO; Trail Runners Club, CA  
2001 - Trail Runners Club, CA; Batten Kill Valley Runners, VT; Virginia Happy Trails Running Club, VA  
2000 - Batten Kill Valley Runners, VT; Greater Derry Track Club, NH; RidgeRunners Club, VA

#### **RRCA JERRY LITTLE JOURNALISM AWARDS**

Jerry W. Little, Jr., who was president of the Electric City Printing Company, Anderson, SC, from 1969-1986, died of lung cancer in 1986. A graduate of Auburn University, Jerry was a Navy veteran and was prominent in business and political circles in the Anderson area. He had been an athlete all his life but took up running in the 1970's, becoming a devotee and advocate of the sport until his death.

#### **JOURNALISTIC EXCELLENCE AWARD**

This award, created in 1974, is given to a professional writer who has made the most notable contribution to the literature of distance running.

#### **2008 – Amby Burfoot – Runner's World**

2007 – Tom Held, Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, Badgerland Striders, Milwaukee, WI  
2006 – Jonathon Beverly – Running Times  
2005 – Gail Kislewitz  
2004 - Weldon and Robert Johnson - [letsrun.com](http://letsrun.com)  
2003 - Joe Henderson  
2002 - John Brant  
2001 - George Hirsch, Runner's World  
2000 - John Bingham – Runner's World  
1999 - Ryan Lamma  
1998 - Richard Benyo – Marathon & Beyond  
1997 - Joe Concannon  
1996 - Joe Henderson  
1995 - Tom Derderian, Boston Marathon  
1994 - Jim Ferstle, St. Paul, MN  
1993 - Toni Reavis  
1992 - Owen Anderson  
1991 - Jeff Galloway  
1990 - Paul Christman  
1989 - Dr. Kenneth Cooper  
1988 - John Parker  
1987 - Phil Stewart – Road Race Management  
1986 - Marlene Cmons  
1985 - Ed Ayers and Don Kardong  
1984 - Bert and Cordner Nelson

1983 - Mark Bloom  
1982 - Eric Olsen  
1981 - Amby Burfoot  
1980 - Hal Higdon  
1979 - Kenny Moore  
1978 - Joe Henderson  
1977 - James Fixx  
1976 - Joan Uillyot  
1975 - George Sheehan  
1974 - John Chodes

#### **RRCA JERRY LITTLE MEMORIAL CLUB WRITER AWARD**

This award recognizes top club writers. The articles should be about running and should be memorable, creative and evocative.

#### **2008 – Bill Pennington, Amelia Island Runners, Fernandina Beach, FL**

2007 – Jeff Recker, Mesa Monument Striders, Grand Junction, CO  
2006 - Michael Shafai - Pikes Peak Road Runners - Colorado Springs, CO  
2005 – Wilma DePiore, Youngstown Road Runners, OH  
2004 – Laura Kulsik Yasso, Lehigh Valley Road Runners, PA  
2003 - Michael Selman, Chattahoochee Road Runners Club, GA  
2002 - Jeff Recker, Mesa-Monument Striders, Grand Junction, CO  
2001 - Mike Doyle, Maine Track Club, ME  
2000 - Michael Musca, Maine Track Club, ME  
1999 - Dave O'Brien, Badgerland Striders, WI  
1998 - John Farrow, Albuquerque Road Runners, NM  
1997 - Bob Kopac, Mid-Hudson Road Runners Club, NY  
1996 - Bernie Greene, writing in The Rundown, Montgomery County Road Runners Club, MD  
1995 - Timothy Martin, writing in Six Rivers Newsletter, Six Rivers Running Club, Arcata, CA  
1994 - Michael deLisle, writing in FootNotes, Knoxville Track Club, Knoxville, TN  
1993 - Don Herres, Finger Lakes Runners Club, NY  
1992 - Sam Pizzigatti, Montgomery County Road Runners Club, MD  
1991 - Reid Champagne, Atlanta Track Club, GA

#### **RRCA JERRY LITTLE JOURNALISM AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING CLUB NEWSLETTERS**

This award recognizes the outstanding club newsletter of the year. The award recognizes small clubs (fewer than 200), medium clubs (200-499), and large clubs (500 or more). The award is given to the club newsletter, which demonstrates a variety of content, good physical presentation, informative and creative, and inclusive of the RRCA logo.

#### **OUTSTANDING ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER AWARD**

2008 – “Footnotes” – Michael deLisle, editor, Knoxville Track Club – Knoxville, TN  
2007 - Stridelines” – Steve Shepard, editor, Houston Striders – Houston, TX  
2006 – “News Run” – Sandy Walton, editor, Maine Track Club - Portland, ME - Inaugural Year

#### **LARGE CLUB**

#### **2008 – “The Streak”, Annapolis Striders, Annapolis, MD**

2007 – “The Long Run”, Pikes Peak Running Club, Colorado Springs, CO  
2006 - On the Fly, New York Flyers - New York, NY  
2005 – Footnotes, Knoxville Track Club, TN  
2004 - Footprints, Toledo Road Runners Club, OH  
2003 - Buffalo Enquirer, Buffalo Chips Running Club, CA  
2002 - San Diego Running, San Diego Track Club, CA  
2001 - Footnotes, Knoxville Track Club, TN  
2000 - The Buffalo Enquirer, Buffalo Chips Running Club, David Creek, CA  
1999 - Oregon Distance Runner, Oregon Road Runners Club, Lani Johnson, OR  
1998 - Footprints, Houston Area Road Runners Association, Jerry Smith, TX  
1997 - The Buffalo Enquirer, Buffalo Chips Running Club, Cynci Calvin, CA  
1996 - The Rundown, Montgomery County Road Runners Club, Kari Keaton (Managing Editor), MD  
1995 - The Buffalo Enquirer, Buffalo Chips Running Club, Cynci Calvin (Editor), Sacramento, CA  
1994 - FootNotes, Knoxville Track Club, Michael deLisle (Editor), Knoxville, TN  
1993 - The Oregon Distance Runner, Oregon Road Runners Club, Mary Smith, OR  
1992 - The Buffalo Enquirer, Buffalo Chips Running Club, Laura Kulsik/Carol Parise, CA

1991 - The Wingfoot, Atlanta Track Club, Penny Kaiser, GA  
1990 - The Rundown, Montgomery County Road Runners Club, Bob Dilorio, MD  
1989 - The Track Time News, St. Louis Track Club, Dawn Mayer, MO  
1988 - FootNotes, Knoxville Track Club, Patti Smith, TN  
1987 - The Rundown, Montgomery County Road Runners Club, Mark Ciamarra, MD  
1986 - Master Pieces, Mid-America Masters, Russ Niemi, KS  
1985 - Arizona Road Racer, Arizona Road Racers, Amos Childers, AZ  
1984 - Baltimore RRC Newsletter, Baltimore Road Runners Club, Allan Field, MD  
1983 - Minnesota Distance Runner, Minnesota Distance Running Association, Jim Ferstle, MN  
1982 - The Pace Setter, Hudson Mohawk Road Runners Club, Donald Wilken, NY  
1981 - HTC News, Huntsville Track Club, Harold & Louise Tinsley, AL  
1981 - New York Road Running News, New York Road Runners, Merle Myerson, NY  
1981 - Tracking, Kansas City Track Club, Judy Scammon, KS

#### **SMALL CLUB**

##### **2008 – Footprints”, Lake Grapevine Runners & Walkers, Lake Grapevine, TX**

2007 – RTC News, Rochester Track Club, Rochester, MN  
2006 - Houston Stridelines, Houston Striders - Houston, TX  
2005 - News Run, Maine Track Club, ME  
2005 – Legacy, Peachtree Road Runners Club, GA  
2004 - The Road Runners, Chattahoochee Road Runners Club, GA  
2004 - RTC News, Rochester Track Club, MN  
2003 - Soonar Soundings, Pamakid Running Club, CA  
2003 - Stridelines, Houston Striders, TX  
2002 - Footprints, Southern Colorado Runners Club, Pueblo, CO  
2002 - The Footprint, Lake Grapevine Runners and Walkers, TX  
2001 - In Passing, Second Wind Running Club, IL  
2001 - Albuquerque Road Runners, NM  
2000 - Stridelines, Houston Striders, Kristin Bucher, TX  
2000 - Inside Track, Fort Wayne Track Club, Linda Ianucilli, IN  
1999 - Florida Track Club Newsletter, Florida Track Club, Laura Howard, FL  
1999 - In Passing, Second Wind Running Club, Dave Scott, IL  
1998 - After The Run, High Desert Wind Runners, Jean Gallegos, NM  
1998 - The Road Runner, Chattahoochee Road Runners Club, Marlene Atwood, GA 1  
1997 - Footprints, Southern Colorado Runners Club, Gary Franchi, CO  
1997 - Starting Lines, Greater Lowell Road Runners, Laura Lapierre, MA  
1996 - Arkansas Runner, Saline County Striders, Gary Ballard and Pete Ireland (Editors), AR  
1996 - Second Wind, Montgomery Track and Running Club, Ron Macksoud and Alesa Ryals (Editors), AL  
1995 - Footprints, Southern Colorado Runners Club, Gary Franchi (Editor), Pueblo, CO  
1995 - Running Briefs, Bloomsday Road Runners Club, Joan Pribnow (Editor), Spokane, WA  
1994 - Runnin' On, Asheville Track Club, Jim Curwen (Editor), Asheville, NC  
1994 - Footprints, Houston Area Road Runners Association, Jerry Smith (Editor), Houston, TX  
1993 - White Mountain Milers Newsletter, White Mountain Milers, Roger Marcoux, NH  
1993 - Starting Lines, Greater Lowell Road Runners, Dave Camire, MA  
1992 - Newsmakers, Bradenton Runners Club, Owen Heatwole, FL  
1991 - Coastal Runner, Wilmington Roadrunners Club, David Stubbs, NC  
1990 - Willimantic Athletic Club, Willamantic, CT  
1989 - In Passing, Second Wind Running Club, Lezli Austen, IL  
1988 - The Pacesetter, Greater Fort Lauderdale Runners Club, FL  
1987 - Stride Right, Florida Striders Track Club, Glen Becker, FL  
1986 - Soonar Soundings, Pamakid Running Club, John Medinger, CA

#### **RRCA ROAD RUNNER OF THE YEAR AWARD**

Developed in the 1975, the Road Runner of the Year Award was given to the runners with the most outstanding record of racing performances during the past year for Male and Female runners. In 1984, RRCA added the categories, Male Masters and Female Masters. These awards are an opportunity to recognize the local male and female open and masters runners in your club who excel at all of their races.

#### **MALE OPEN**

##### **2008 – Ryan Hall, 2008 Olympian**

2007 – Matt Folk, Youngstown Road Runners Club, Youngstown, OH  
2006 - Jon Williams, Gold Coast Runners, Davie, FL  
2005 – Matt Folk, Youngstown Road Runners Club, Youngstown, OH

2004 - Matt Folk, Youngstown Road Runners Club, Youngstown, OH  
2003 - 2001 – No awards given  
2000 - Mike Melfi  
1999 - David Morris  
1998 - Keith Brantly  
1997 - Jerry Lawson  
1996 - Bob Kempanien, Minnetonka, MN  
1995 - Keith Brantly  
1994 - Bob Kempanien, Minnetonka, MN  
1993 - Mark Plaatje  
1992 - Steve Spence  
1991 - Steve Spence  
1990 - Steve Spence  
1989 - Steve Spence  
1988 - Mark Curp  
1987 - Mark Curp  
1986 - Keith Brantly  
1985 - Phillip Coppess  
1984 - Pete Pfitzinger  
1983 - Greg Meyer  
1982 - Alberto Salazar  
1981 - Craig Virgin  
1980 - Bill Rodgers  
1979 - Bill Rodgers  
1978 - Bill Rodgers  
1977 - Don Kardong  
1976 - Bill Rodgers  
1975 - Phil Davis

#### **FEMALE OPEN**

##### **2008 – Kara Goucher, 2008 Olympian**

2007 – Michelle Didion, Calumet Region Striders, Griffith, IN  
2006 - Mindi Rice, Lake Grapevine Runners and Walkers, Grapevine, TX  
2005 – Mary Coordt, Buffalo Chips Running Club, Sacramento, CA  
2004 - Laura Kaulen, Youngstown Road Runners Club, Youngstown, OH  
2003 – 2001- No awards given  
2000 - Kristen White  
1999 - Libbie Hickman  
1998 - Libbie Hickman  
1997 - Libbie Hickman  
1996 - Anne Marie Lauck, Atlanta, GA  
1995 - Olga Appell  
1994 - Anne Marie Lauck, Atlanta, GA  
1993 - Lynn Jennings  
1992 - Lynn Jennings  
1991 - Lynn Jennings  
1990 - Lynn Jennings  
1989 - Lisa Weidenbach  
1988 - Lynn Jennings  
1987 - Lynn Jennings  
1986 - Joan Samuelson  
1985 - Joan Samuelson  
1984 - Joan Samuelson  
1983 - Joan Benoit  
1982 - Joan Benoit  
1981 - Patti Catalano  
1980 - Ellison Goodall  
1979 - Marty Cooksey  
1978 - Kim Merritt  
1977 - Micki Gorman  
1976 - Kathrine Switzer  
1975 - Marlene Harewicz

## **MALE MASTERS**

### **2008 – Dennis Simonitis**

2007 – John Steinberg, Florida Striders Track Club, Orange Park, FL  
2006 - Sean Wade, The Kenyan Way, Houston, TX  
2005 - John Metzger, Florida Striders Track Club, Orange Park, FL  
2004 - Len Goldman, Lake Merritt Joggers and Striders, Oakland, CA  
2003 - Ken Brewer, Anniston Runners Club, AL  
2002 – Michael Strickland, Chattahoochee Road Runners, GA  
2001 - No awards  
2000 - David Jeffrey  
1999 - John Tuttle  
1998 - Craig Young  
1997 - Steve Plascencia  
1996 - Lloyd Stephenson  
1995 - Charlie Gray  
1994 - Doug Kurtis, Northville, MI  
1993 - Doug Kurtis  
1992 - Doug Kurtis  
1991 - Bill Rodgers  
1990 - Bill Rodgers  
1989 - Bob Schlau  
1988 - Bill Rodgers  
1987 - Tracy Smith  
1986 - Barry Brown  
1985 - Barry Brown  
1984 - Barry Brown

## **FEMALE MASTERS**

### **2008 – Stephanie Herbst-Lucke**

2007 – Sabra Harvey, Houston Striders, Houston, TX  
2006 - Sarah Keller, Yellowstone Rimrunners, Billings, MT  
2005 - Patti Stewart-Garbreth, Florida Striders Track Club, Orange Park, FL  
2004 - Kathryn Martin, Northport Running Club, Northport, NY  
2003 - Melody Anne Schultz  
2002 – Maggie Miller, Bradenton Runners Club, FL  
2001 - No awards  
2000 - Margo Braud  
1999 - Kim Jones  
1998 - Joan Samuelson  
1997 - Ruth Wysocki  
1996 - Jane Welzel  
1995 - Nancy Grayson  
1994 - Suzanne Ray, Anchorage, AK  
1993 - Carol McLatchie  
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1991 - Laurie Binder  
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1987 - Gabriele Anderson  
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1984 - Marion Irvine

## **RRCA ROAD RACE OF THE YEAR**

Started in 2006, the RRCA Road Race of the Year acknowledges nonprofit member races that are volunteer managed, provide safe, well designed and enjoyable races that promote grassroots running and the mission of the RRCA.

### **2008 – Milwaukee Lakefront Marathon – Hosted by the Badgerland Striders, Chris Heinrichs, Race Rectors, Milwaukee, WI, 2008 Central Regional Marathon Championship**

2007 – Woodstock 5K – Hosted by the Anniston Runners Club, Brooke Nelson, Race Director, Anniston, AL, 2007 Southern Region 5K Championship  
2006 – Vulcan Run 10K – Hosted by the Birmingham Track Club, Trish Portuese, Race Director, Birmingham, AL, 2006 Southern Region 10 K Championship

## **OTHER RRCA HONORS**

### **President's Special Award for Achievement**

2007 – Gar Williams, Past President

2005 – Brent Ayer, Eastern Region Director and Lisa Paige, Western Region Director

2004 – Jeff Darman, Past President