

SAN ANTONIO ROADRUNNERS

TURKEY TROT

TITLE: Turkey Trot

DATES: 1976, November 24

DISTANCES:

1976-1978	5 Miles
1979 - 1981	4k
1982	5k
1983	4 Miles
1986	Kids Run added

LOCATIONS HELD:

1976 - 1978	McAllister Park. AKA N. E. Preserve
1979 - 1981	Raymond Russel Park
1982 - 2014	McAllister Park
2015 - 2016	Lifetime Fitness
2017	Alamo Beer
2018	Sunset Station

RACE DIRECTORS:

1976 - 1978	Al Becken
1979 - 1982	Al Becken; Ron Keller, assisted
1983 - 1989	Al Becken
1990 - 1992	Royce and Beverly Gragg (BARG)
1993 - 1994	John Delgado
1995	No specific director listed; coordinated by SARR
1996 - 1997	Debra Acosta
1998	John Delgado
1999	Karen Campbell and Lorie Semien
2000 - 2008	Lorie Semien Ewing
2009 - 2012	Joan Bobrukiewicz
2013	Steve Sozanski
2014 - 2018	Debra and Robert Beyer

INTERESTING FACTS:

ORIGINAL DISTANCE: 5 miles. See attached copy of December, 1976, SARR Newsletter.

Distance, location, day, and event title varied in the early years. To summarize a review of early SARR Newsletters:

- 1976 – McAllister Park – 5 miles – Thursday
- 1979 – Raymond Russell – distance and date not mentioned
- 1980 – Raymond Russell – 5k – Saturday
- 1981 – Raymond Russell – 4k – Saturday – named “Turkey Sprint”
- 1982 – McAllister Park – 5k – Thursday – name back to “Turkey Trot”
- 1983 - McAllister Park – 4 miles

The Turkey Trot appears to have always been a “fun run;” however, the early SARR Newsletters are not clear. From the November 1976 SARR Newsletter, possibly under up-coming events: “...Thanksgiving Turkey Trot... 5 miles on winding trails. THIS IS NOT A RACE....”

From the December, 1976, SARR Newsletter, a recap of the first event: “...First Annual Turkey Trot...in McAllister Park...89 participants...jogged or ran the winding 5 mile course...A playing card was given to each person at five check points. The 10 best poker hands received a smoked turkey and the next 4 best poker hands received a pumpkin pie....” Copy of 1976 Newsletter attached.

However, turkeys seem to have always been given either as awards or via drawings. 1979 and 1981 indicate turkey drawings. 1982 Newsletter indicates “...turkeys for awards.” 1980 event recap does not mention turkeys.

Starting in 1998, the race became a fun run. Although a timed event, awards were given only to the overall male/female finishers. All other registrants were eligible for a turkey from a drawing using the list of registered participants. The number of turkeys available for drawing went from 20 in 1982 to 80 in the later years.

Race has always drawn a large crowd. A listing of SARR events in March, 2009, states that the Turkey Trot in “2005 set a record with over 1,000 registrants.”

The event had a low entry fee with participants being given the option to purchase a race t-shirt.

The event became a free event in 2017 and the turkey drawings were discontinued.

In the early years at McAllister Park, large families would register to participate. Some families would arrive early, stake their claim in the soccer fields near the start line; have breakfast before the race; and a light meal after the event. (Personal Note from Sally: I knew I could always get a cup of coffee from this group!!!)

Participation in this event grew so big that all parking space in McAllister was used. Participants were asked to park at Blossom Stadium and ride a shuttle to the park. A shuttle would return them to their vehicles after the race. Race participation kept growing to the point where not only were participants asked to park at Blossom Stadium and ride shuttles, but race day registration was held at both Blossom Stadium and McAllister Park. The parking issue and the number of participants were among the reasons the race was moved out of McAllister Park.

In 2010, 2,500 people participated in the Turkey Trot at McAllister Park. One of the runners was hit by a deer. The runner received a concussion, a broken finger, and other minor injuries. He had a good attitude telling SARR Board members he now had quite a turkey story to tell. (Personal Note from Sally: I was working the Boutique that day when I noticed emergency personnel showing up, asking directions. I looked across the way, saw the race director, and asked what was going on? She said a runner was down and that emergency personnel knew about it before she did!)

ATTACHMENTS:

SARR Newsletter Articles:

December 1976 - Recap of "SARR's First Annual Turkey Trot"
1979 SARRC Coming Events

Race Flyers: 2011, 2013

Maps: 2011

OUT OF TOWN

11 DEC SAT 9AM FUN RUN. 1 and 5 mile. Austin Hike & Bike Trail beginning in front of the YMCA on Town Lake, Austin, TX. RUNS are held in Austin on the second Saturday of each month. Call the Austin Runners Club Hot Line 453-6511 or Cawley at the YMCA 476-6705.

11 DEC SAT 9AM RRC 6 mile & 2 mile development run. Memorial Park Houston. Contact: Fred Johnson, 200 Houston Gas Bldg. Houston, TX 77002. Call: 225-9221.

11 DEC SAT 10AM. WEST TEXAS RUNNING CLUB 7 mile and 2 mile runs. North Concho Lake, San Angelo, TX. Contact: Tom Mayfield 2537 TCU, San Angelo, TX 76901.

12 DEC SUN 8AM. 50Kilo GULF CHAMPIONSHIP RACE WALK. Memorial Park, Houston, Entry \$1.50. Contact: John Evens, 5440 No. Braeswood #945, Houston, TX 77096.

8 JAN SAT 10AM SOUTHWESTERN REGIONAL MASTERS & TEXAS STATE CROSS-COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIP. Waco, TX. 12 Kilo. Contact: Niel Picken, 10106 Newdale, Houston, TX 77072. Call: 498-4232.

22 JAN SAT 8AM HOUSTON MARATHON. For more information: George Kleeman, 227 Faust Ln. Houston, TX 77024. Call: 461-2639.

16 OCT: RUN FOR FUN. MARK MANWARING did a 1,2,3 taking first in all three events. (it must be those new shoes)

		1/2 MILE							
MARK MANWARING	2:40	ROSS FAIRWEATHER	2:50	JOE CURRICK	3:15	RON KELLER	3:33	DARREL MAY	
RICK BURTON	2:42	D. MCCARTER	3:07	DICK GRAHAM	3:21	CHRISTINE LANGE	3:49	CECILIA LANGE	
ROGER HERNANDEZ	2:44	DAVE WARREN	3:07	PHIL BOYNE	3:25	KAREN MOUNTAIN	3:49	NITA LANGE	
MARK MANWARING	2:40	ROSS FAIRWEATHER	2:50	JOE CURRICK	3:19	RON KELLER	3:33	DARREL MAY	3:50
RICK BURTON	2:42	D. MCCARTER	3:07	DICK GRAHAM	3:21	CHRISTINE LANGE	3:49	CECILIA LANGE	4:29
ROGER HERNANDEZ	2:44	DAVE WARREN	3:07	PHIL BOYNE	3:25	KAREN MOUNTAIN	3:49	NITA LANGE	4:39
MARK MANWARING	5:49	ROSS FAIRWEATHER	6:14	D. MCCARTER	6:32	RICK BURTON	7:05	CECILIA LANGE	9:42
JOE CURRICK	5:51	PHIL BOYNE	6:21	RON KELLER	7:05	DARREL MAY	7:34	NITA LANG	9:52
		3 MILE							
17 & under		25-34		25-34		35-44		45-54	
MARK MANWARING	18:09	RICK BURTON	18:22	ROGER HERNANDEZ	22:14	MARV COOK	22:05	DARREL MAY	20:12
18-24		AL HARDISON	19:49	KAREN FAIRWEATHER	29:30	DICK GRAHAM	23:24	D. MCCARTER	21:01
CHRIS MOUNTAIN	18:28	ROSS FAIRWEATHER	21:00	35-44		45-54		ED BERNAL	BNS
JOE CURRICK	?	RICHARD KILMER	21:51	RON KELLER	22:05	KEN BASHORE	20:04	PHIL EDELEN	DNS
				MARV COOK					

6 NOV: MINI-MARATHON (13 1/2 miles) at Fort Sam Houston. 5 laps around the parade ground area. This was a first time for a club run at Fort Sam Houston. Temperature: 50-60. Fog at start- sunny and calm most of the race. CLENT MERICLE #1.

		20-29		30-39		30-39	
19 & under		RICK BURTON	1.33:45	SILAS FELTON	1.26:58	WILLIAM DESHANE	1:59:01
KENT ELKENER	1.22:33	JOHN RAMIREZ	1.36:03	ROBERT STAIB	1.29:25	ERNIE OAKES	DNF
REED GABRIEL	1.23:24	VIV DAVIS	1.36:57	HARRY WETZLER	1.29:25	40-49	
JAMES VARNEL	1.29:53	BARRY SOLOMON	1.39:14	RAY SCHNEIDER	1.37:43	AL BECKEN	1.21:38
MARK MANWARING	1.39:41	BANKS SMITH	1.41:00	AL HARDISON	1.41:41	DARREL MAY	1:40:19
MAURICE HILL	1.51:39	MARK KUREY	1.43:49	DON GATES	1.43:13	WALLY TAYLOR	1.45:46
DOMINIC RAMIREZ	DNF	PAUL PHILLIPS	1.46:01	OTIS BOLING	1:46:01	CARL WALKER	1.48:11
20-29		PHILIP ADAMS	DNF	DON COBURN	1.50:21	MARV COOK	1.48:35
CLENT MERIQUE	1.15:48	30-39		ROSS FAIRWEATHER	1.51:06	JAMES GABRIEL	1.50:53
OSWALDO ENRIQUEZ	1.19:47	LEROY HARVEY	1.23:28	RICHARD KILMER	1.55:18	BILL JESSEE	1.54:40
JOHN MCGIFFIN	1:21:08	HENRY BRIGMAN	1.26:18	DALE WESTON	1.58:38	AL LANCTOT	DNF
DAVE GILLETTE	1.21:35						
50 & OVER=	D. MCCARTER 1:47:31	JOHN CALVARESE	1.51:43	LEONARD STERN	1.54:26	NICK FLORES	1.55:08

24 November: SARR's First Annual Turkey Trot began at 9 AM in McAllister Park in a slight drizzle and 62 degree temperature. Nevertheless, 89 participants walked, jogged or ran the winding 5 mile course. A playing card was given to each person at five check points. The 10 best poker hands received a smoked turkey and the next 4 best poker hands received a pumpkin pie. Additionally, pumpkin pie and coffee was served to all. A special thanks to AL BECKEN for donating the turkeys for the Turkey Trot. Not only did he provide the birds, he also did an excellent job of directing all the turkey who did the trotting. Thanks to KEN BASHORE, ERNIE OAKES, GREGG LILLIBRIDGE and LEONARD STERN for an assist. TURKEY WINNERS WERE: L.A. BERES (4 Queens), O. RODRIQUEZ (4-10's), GREG MOLINA (4-3's), TIM NICKOLSON (Full House), PAUL PHILLIPS (Flush A-Q high), DAWN KELLER (3-A's), GARY HODGSON (3-A's), MARK WOLFSHOHL (3-K's), D. RAMOS (3-Q's), MIKE DAVIS (3-J's). PIE WINNERS WERE: JEAN PICARLLO (3-9's), ED FAHREN (3-8's) EVONNE KIMERLY (3-4's), WES WOLFSHOHL (3-4's)

*****RUNNER OF THE MONTH*****
 DAVE WARREN—born December 6, 1962 in Hot Springs, Arkansas. He has one younger sister, Shannon age 5. Shortly after DAVE'S birth the WARREN'S moved to Silver Springs, Maryland then back to Arkansas where DAVE attended school in Little Rock. When DAVE was nine his family moved to San Antonio (Harmony Hills). DAVE is currently in 8th grade at Eisenhower and will be a student at Churchill High School next fall. DAVE is a human dynamo. He plays football, basketball, baseball, runs and swims. In fact, he is an all around athlete as you will see in the 1984 Olympics. DAVE also excels in speech and drama. He has trophies, ribbons and medals for most all events including tennis and diving. If you need to know the football, baseball or basketball standing of your favorite team or player—just ask DAVE. DAVE reads runner's World from front to back and can give you more information on Frank Shorter, Gary Tuttle then some of their close friends. DAVE has memorized runners shoe manufactures, models, and prices—just ask him. DAVE has been running since the 3rd grade. He has participated in all the SARR Alamo Derby 1976 events taking either 1st or 2nd place in his age division. He frequently gets to and from McAllister Park by running from his home—that's 4 miles from the park an 8 mile round trip. So, on your way to or from McAllister Park (Northeast Preserve), if you see a young man running along the road wearing a T-

Trinity Trot
1979 Newsletter

SARRC COMING EVENTS

November 26 -- Board Meeting. The monthly Executive Meeting is held on the last Mo at 7:30 PM at the Trinity Baptist Church, 319 E. Mulberry, 3 blocks west on Mulberry Freeway (IH 37). For additional information, call Ken Bashore 732-3301. SARRC mem to attend.

November 17, 9:00 AM. 7th Annual Alamo Derby, 5 Mile at Mission County Park. The runs. One point for completion of each run. Three points for coming in first in a for second, one point for third. Total accumulation of two points = T-shirt, four Patch. Fee: \$1 per event. Male/Female age groups: 14 & under, 15-18, 19-25, 26-32 & over. Awards for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in total points per age category present after run.

* November 22, 9:15 AM, Annual Thanksgiving Day Turkey Trot at Raymond Russell Park on north of Loop 1604. This is family participation event. There will be no placement there will be an accurately measured course and accurate timing with the Club's new Registration 8:00 - 9:00 AM at Pavilion #1. Donation \$1.50. Lots of parking, rest room for the kids to play. Drawings for turkeys at 10:00 AM and fruit pies and app. participants. This area has a lot of potential as a running area. Come and check

December 8, 9:00 AM, SARRC Annual 10 Mile Run at Mission County Park. This event is Connecticut Mutual Life. Registration - 7:30 AM, Fee - \$1. No pre-registrations. male/female -- 14 & under, 15-19 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50 and over.

OTHER LOCAL EVENTS

November 4, 2:00 PM, 2nd Annual Windcrest 10,000 Meter Run. Age groups in 5 year intervals 10 to 61+, including male, female; also wheelchair. Registration \$5. T-shirt and trants. Merchandise awards. Refreshments after run. Plaques to first three in e Contact Jim Cannon, 655-1043 or Dick Eklund, 653-3543, or write Windcrest 10,000, 4 Antonio, Texas 78239.

November 10, Sunrise Run, sponsored by the Y.M.C.A. of San Antonio, at 7:45 AM, 10, Citizens National Bank, 4715 Fredericksburg Road, San Antonio. Entry fee \$4. \$5 on divisions by age. Awards: 1st, 2nd, and 3rd. Place trophies in each division.

November 10, 9:00 AM, 2nd Annual Mini Marathon, 6.2 and 13.1 miles sponsored by Aca Sam Houston. Start at Harvey Road (South of N.C.O. Open Mess). Entry fee \$5 until afterwards. Send entry to Combat Medic Memorial, POB 34, Fort Sam Houston, Texas 7 Patches to all entrants. T-shirts to first 800 entrants (400 civilian and 400 mili

November 24, 9:00 AM, Annual Tough 'Ombre Run, 10,000 meters and 2 mile fun run at San Antonio. Fee \$4 until November 20, \$5 thereafter. Mail fee to Chapter 90 R.O. Wurzbach, San Antonio 78209. Award plaques, 1st place in each division. T-shirts entrants.

OUT OF TOWN EVENTS

November 10, 9:00 AM, 3rd Annual Killeen Marathon, 1/2 mile marathon and 5 miler. Marathon, Rick Miller, 1810 Bundrant Drive, Killeen, Texas 76541.

November 10, 10:00 AM, 6th Annual Roserun, 10,000 meters, 5,000 meters and 1,500 met Awards. T-shirts for all entrants. Mail entries to Tyler Rose Runners, C.O. Barry of Texas at Tyler, 3900 University Boulevard, Tyler, Texas 75701.

November 17, Saturday, National AAU 25km Championship, 12:00 noon, Mohawk Park, Tulsa Tulsa Road Runners Club, 7734 East 53rd Place, Tulsa, Okla. 74145.

December 1, Dallas White Rock Marathon (running seminar -- November 30 at 1:00 PM). Thurston, 6434 E. Mockingbird Lane, Dallas, Texas 75214. Phone: 826-8260.

Join us on Thanksgiving morning
for a fun run before enjoying your
Thanksgiving meal!



**HEB and the San Antonio RoadRunners
Present the 36th Annual Thanksgiving Day
Turkey Trot 4 Miler & Kids Runs**

Thursday, November 24, 2011
McAllister Park - Pavilion #2
13102 Jones Maltsberger Rd
San Antonio, TX 78247

***Parking and Shuttles will run from Blossom Athletic
Stadium from 6:30 am to noon.



A portion of the proceeds will benefit the SARR Scholarship Fund

8:15 am – Children's Runs (60 yard
dash, ¼ mile run and ½ mile run)
Ribbons for all REGISTERED children participating!
9 am – 4 Mile Fun Run

Bring nonperishable canned goods for **SAMM Ministries**
OR donations in check form **ONLY** to **SAMMinistries**

Pre-register at Solers' Sports, 18720 Stone Oak Pkwy, Ste 150, 210-490-9987 from Oct 1 thru Monday, Nov 21, 2011
COB.

Pre-register by MAILING entry form below or download from www.saroadrunners.com. Mailed entries must be postmarked
by 21 November 2011 or register ON-LINE at www.saroadrunners.com for \$7/SARR member; \$8/non-member and
Children's Runs - \$1 per child

RACE DAY IS \$10 FOR ALL!

Long sleeved t-shirts will be sold on Race Day: Adult: \$15/Children: \$10. Limited quantities.

ONE DAY ONLY pre-registration at Soler's Sports at 2589 Jackson Keller Rd, SAT 78230. TUESDAY, NOV 22, 2011.
Phone: 210-366-3701 from NOON to 7 pm. Shirts will be sold at Soler's Sports at Pre-registration.

80 FREE
SMOKED TURKEYS!!
Drawing from 4-Mile
Run Registrants

AWARDS TO THE OVERALL MALE AND OVERALL FEMALE

RACE DAY REGISTRATION STARTS AT 7:15 AM

For more information, email Joan Bobrukiewicz at
sarrturkeytrot@gmail.com or call 210-286-6291

Staggered start for runners w/o dogs or
strollers and walkers.

- * Water on the course
- * Water and fruit at finish
- * Medical aid available

SARR TURKEY TROT ENTRY FORM SARR c/o Joan Bobrukiewicz, 31218 Sierra Vista Dr, Bulverde TX 78163

Make Checks Payable to "SARR" Check One Children's Run _____ 4 Mile _____

Name _____ Age _____ Male _____ Female _____

Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

I know that running a road race is potentially hazardous activity that could cause injury or death. I should not enter and run unless I am medically able and properly trained, and by my signature, I certify that I am medically able to perform this event, and am in good health and am properly trained. I agree to abide by any decision of a race official relative to any aspect of my participation in this event, including the right of any official to deny or suspend my participation, for any reason whatsoever. I assume all risks associated with running in this event, including but not limited to: falls, contact with other participants, the effects of the weather, including high heat and/or humidity, traffic and the conditions of the road, all such risks being known and appreciated by me. I understand that bicycles, skateboards, baby joggers, roller skates or blades, animals, and radio headsets are not allowed in the race, and I will abide by this guideline. Having read this waiver and knowing these facts and in consideration of your accepting my entry, I, for myself and anyone entitled to act on my behalf, waive and release the San Antonio Road Runners, the city of San Antonio, and all sponsors, their representatives and successors from all claims or liabilities of any kind arising out of my participation in this event, even though that liability may arise out of negligence or carelessness on the part of the persons named in this waiver.

Signature _____ Date _____

Parent or Guardian (if runner is under 18 yrs old) _____ Date _____

SAN ANTONIO ROAD RUNNER (SARR) MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION
ON-LINE: <http://www.saroadrunners.com>

Run with the Turkeys



HEB and the San Antonio RoadRunners
Present the 38th Annual Thanksgiving Day
Turkey Trot 4 Miler & Kids Runs



Official Sports Retailer of SARR



Thursday, November 28, 2013
McAllister Park – Pavilion #2
13102 Jones Maltsberger Rd
San Antonio, TX 78247



*** Parking and Shuttles will run from Blossom Athletic Stadium
From 6:30 am to noon.



A portion of the proceeds will benefit the SARR Scholarship Fund

8:15 am – Kid's Runs (60 yard dash, ¼ mile run and ½ mile run
Ribbons for all REGISTERED children participating
9:00 am – 4 Mile Fun Run

80 Free
Smoked
Turkeys!!
Drawing from
4-miler entries

REGISTRATION \$8.00

On-line: www.saroadrunners.com www.active.com (closes at midnight on Sunday, 24 November)

In-Store: Soler Sports (all locations), Fleet Feet Sports – New Braunfels Ave, IRun – Stone Oak Parkway & Bitters Rd,
Run Wild Sports - S. Broadway.

Mail in: SARR – Turkey Trot, PO Box 12474, San Antonio, TX 78212

PRE-REGISTRATION

One day only, **Weds, November 20** at Soler's Sports 2589 Jackson Keller Rd. Phone 210-366-3701 from noon to 7 pm.

RACE DAY REGISTRATION IS \$15 FOR ALL!

Special 2013 Turkey Trot T-Shirts will be sold on Race Day. Adult: \$15/Children: \$10.
Supplies will be limited. When they are gone they are gone.

AWARDS TO THE OVERALL MALE AND FEMALE 4 MILE FINISHERS ONLY.

Staggered start for all runners. The course is narrow; **all runners with DOGS & STROLLERS** must start at the back of the runners. There will be water stops on the course and water and fruit at the finish. Medical will be available.

RACE DAY REGISTRATION BEGINS AT 7:00 AM.

NO REFUNDS

For more information go on-line to www.saroadrunners.com.

SARR TURKEY TROT ENTRY FORM – Mail to: SARR – Turkey Trot, PO Box 12474, San Antonio, TX 78212

Make Checks Payable to "SARR"

Check One

Kid's Run _____

4 Mile _____

Name _____

Age _____

Male _____

Female _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Emergency Contact: Name _____

Phone Number _____

I know that running a race is a potentially hazardous activity that could cause injury or death and I should not enter any run unless I am medically able and properly trained. By my signature I certify that I am medically able to perform this event and assume all risks associated with running this event. I agree to abide by the decision of a race official relative to any aspect of my participation in this event, including the right of any official to deny or suspend my participation for any reason whatsoever. I understand that bicycles, skateboards, scooters and audio devices are not allowed in the race and will abide by the guidelines. Having read this waiver, knowing these rules and facts and in consideration of the acceptance of my entry, I, for myself and anyone entitled to act on my behalf, waive, release and hold harmless the San Antonio RoadRunners, all members, the SARR Board, the City of San Antonio and all sponsors, their representatives and all successors from any and all claims or liabilities of any kind arising out of my participation in this event, even though that liability may arise out of negligence or carelessness on the part of the persons named in this waiver.

Signature _____

Date _____

Date _____

Parent or Guardian (if runner is under 18 yrs of age) _____

TURKEY TROT 4 MILER - 2011

McAllister Park

