

# The Pacesetter

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*Andriette Wickstrom*

## The woman who won't age

By **Dave Graves**  
Newsletter editor

Andriette Wickstrom has been dealt a lot of cards in her life, but one she refuses to play is the age card.

She turns 65 on Feb. 5. Rather than celebrating the opportunity to go on Medicare, she is rejoicing about being on the young end of her age group. The April 20 Boston Marathon will be her first chance to test her abilities in the next age bracket on a major stage. America's best known marathon is a race she is thoroughly familiar with.

This year will be her 29<sup>th</sup> consecutive year to run Boston. On Oct. 6, 2019, she ran the Twin Cities Marathon for the 29<sup>th</sup> consecutive year.

"I tend to be loyal to races," the Storm Lake, Iowa, runner and Prairie Striders member understates. "I've run 113 marathons, 28 are Boston, 29 are Twin Cities."

The Boston Marathon has a Quarter Century Club with 95 members. Wickstrom ranks 63<sup>rd</sup> overall and seventh among women. The leading woman has run 33 straight Boston, Wickstrom said.

### Her introduction to running

While always active, Wickstrom didn't become a runner until later in life. In 1989, Wickstrom's Storm Lake neighbor signed his wife up for a 5K. Doing the neighborly thing, Wickstrom, 34, helped her train for the race, though she didn't run the event herself. Later that year she found out about a two-mile, entered and won her age group in 15:02.

Infected by the running bug, she started running more in 1990, and in 1991 ran her first marathon at Drake in Des Moines, Iowa.

"I worried I would get lost, so I drew the map on my arm." No need for concern. With a finishing time of 4:00:20, Wickstrom was no straggler. With consistent running her time improved. In October 1991, Wickstrom ran the Twin Cities Marathon in 3:33:32 and qualified for the Boston Marathon the following April.

She has kept that cycle going ever since and intends to keep it going "as long as I can," said Wickstrom, who substitute teaches in Storm Lake.

Her performance at the 2019 Twin



Wearing a Prairie Striders singlet, Andriette Wickstrom competes in the 2017 Tulsa 15K, which she finished in 1:09:00 to win the 60-64 age group.



### 2020 race schedule

|                                   |       |                   |
|-----------------------------------|-------|-------------------|
| Prairie Striders Indoor 5k        | ..... | Saturday, Jan. 25 |
| Frostbite Frolic                  | ..... | Saturday, Feb. 15 |
| Arbor Day 5k                      | ..... | Friday, April 24  |
| "I'm Ready for Summer" Triathlon  | ....  | Sat., April 25    |
| Scotty Roberts 5k                 | ..... | Friday, May 15    |
| Brookings Marathon, Half & Relays | ...   | Sat., May 16      |
| Longest Day 10K                   | ..... | Saturday, June 20 |
| Beef and Eggs 5K                  | ..... | Saturday, July 11 |
| Predictor Mile                    | ..... | Wednesday, Aug. 5 |
| Oakwood Lakes Trail Run           | ..... | Saturday, Aug. 8  |
| Jack 15                           | ..... | Saturday, Oct. 3  |
| Hobo Day 5K                       | ..... | Saturday, Oct. 31 |

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# Wickstrom: Keeping Brookings on her race schedule



**From the files.** Posing after the Nike Cross Country Heartland Regionals in Sioux Falls in November 2011 are, from left, former Prairie Striders racer Vicki (Coyle) Nelson,

Andriette Wickstrom, Emily Berzonsky, who was competing in her first race as a Prairie Strider, and Bob Bartling, who organized the club's race teams.

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Cities was 36 seconds slower than what she ran as a 36-year-old. That equates to slowing down at a rate of 1.24 seconds per year over a distance of 26.2 miles. Definitely braggin' material. Her 2019 pace was 8:11, placing second out of 64 in the F60-64 age group and 197th out of 2,899 total females.

She age graded at 87 percent based on the world record for her age group. Ninety percent is considered world class.

## Has entered 60 races per year

Of course, Boston and Twin Cities, two of the nation's premiere marathons aren't the only races she competes in. "I usually run around 40 races (per year). I've done 50 and 60." Why? "Because I don't like to train," Wickstrom joked. "I don't like to do speed work. I stopped doing speed work in 1998. I do races for speed work. Race magic - there's always something when you put a number on and the gun goes off, you're always doing to run faster than a training run."

At the 2019 Victory 10K in Minneapolis, she age graded a 90 with a time of 45:14. It's a mark that even the self-abasing Wickstrom is proud of.

So where is that fountain of youth Wickstrom has tapped into? Part of it is found in her genetics, she said. She also has been making monthly visits to the chiropractor since 2000. "I swear by it," Wickstrom said. Part of the explanation is the amount of training she does. She has run 2,000- plus miles per year since 1994.

Many of them are at a competitive pace. "I binge race as part of marathon

training," said Wickstrom, who holds 40 single-age records in Minnesota.

Last year she ran the Victory Day10K in 45:14, "a decent time for me," at 8 a.m. Sept. 2 and clocked a 22:44 in the Victory 5K at 9:30 a.m. Then on Sept. 8 she ran the City of Lakes Half Marathon in 1:37:33 to age grade at 91.27. "I start to peak in the early fall because the temperatures are starting to cool."

## Favors fall racing

That helps explain why she has done so well at the Twin Cities Marathon, which is held the first weekend of October, and the Tulsa Run 15K, which is the last week of October.

Check out these statistics: The Twin Cities Marathon served as the USATF national championships in 2005, 2010 and 2015. Each year Wickstrom won her age group. In 2005, first in 50-54 in 3:38:01. In 2010, first in 55-59 in 3:26:22. In 2015, first in 60-64, in 3:22:46, for which she was the second age-graded master and took home a \$925 check.

She also was first in her age group at the Tulsa Run in 2013, 2014, 2016 and 2017 with her PR at 15K coming in 2013 with a time of 1:06:25 (pace 7:07).

Wickstrom's life isn't strictly about running. An avid reader, she also participates in a local book club, does yard work and designs and creates crepe paper flowers, an art she also teaches to middle schoolers.

## 'New year, new goals'

After more than three decades of highly successful running, Wickstrom would be justified in resting on her laurels. Of course, she has no intention of

doing that. "Every year there is a new year, new goals. Minnesota keeps single age records. I'm going to try to break nine of them next year. This year I broke five of them from the 12K to the marathon."

That motivation keeps the Iowan heading north for a lot of her races, but she vows to keep at least one Brookings race on her schedule.

She likes Brookings for the "small town friendly" feel and the relationships she has, most notably with Bob Bartling, who for many years oversaw the Prairie Striders racing teams that Wickstrom was a part of. The 1996 Boston Marathon was the first time she raced as a part of the Prairie Striders team and it finished first in the master's division.

She notes that Bartling's continued interest in former racing team members keeps her motivated. "I always think of Bob when I start to slow down. 'I better pick it up. Bob might be checking on my time,'" Wickstrom says to herself.

And when he does, he is nearly always impressed. Thanks so much for continuing the Prairie Striders legacy.

### Fascinating facts from the running resume of Andriette Wickstrom

- First in age group 359 times from 2002-2018.
- Minnesota Distance Running Association Grand Prix — No. 1 in age group 2002-03, 2005-19; first woman overall 2005, 2009, 2018-19.
- Run a minimum of 2,000 miles annually since 1994.
- Developed and taught "Running, Reading and Reflecting at Buena Vista University, 2003-18.

# Just One More Turn

**Editor's note:** *If you've ever been in love with running, you will be able to identify with this poem written by Lori Bocklund, a member of Prairie Striders since 1979 and a 2007 inductee to the Jackrabbit Sports Hall of Fame.*



I think  
I'll go this way now  
Just one more turn  
Will add a few minutes  
To this wonderful run

It reminds me of my first time  
Running an hour

I felt light on my feet  
Strong, graceful, empowered  
Just a few more minutes  
I can make it to 60  
Just one more turn

It was in a favorite place  
The woods of Presque Isle  
A beautiful, peaceful setting  
Trails with twists and turns  
The sun through the trees  
On a gorgeous summer day

I was late for the family picnic  
Sorry about that  
I just had to keep going  
Explore another path  
Run a little bit farther  
Just one more turn

It's almost 36 years later  
On this morning run  
In an ordinary place  
On a typical winter day  
But I still feel free  
Like I could just keep going  
Just one more turn

I marvel at  
The countless miles  
My knees have endured  
I laugh at  
The many injuries  
And days, weeks, and months  
Without running

But today, it's special  
So it's a gift  
I'm not running fast  
Like I once did  
But I am running far  
Like I once did  
It's more than an hour now  
That goal has been met  
But I still pursue  
Just one more turn

I think "easy, light, smooth"  
Because I was *Born to Run*  
I focus on my foot plant  
My posture, my gait  
I can still improve  
So maybe I can  
Run longer  
Run further  
Just one more turn

I think  
I am blessed  
Because something so simple  
Is so beautiful, so pleasant, so joyful  
So fulfilling and invigorating  
To me

I think  
I'll take  
Just one more turn

**Lori Bocklund**  
**Beaverton, Oregon**  
**February 2014**

## Strider snippets

### Striders hosting Frostbite Frolic

Prairie Striders Running Club invites community members, runners and non-runners, to its annual Frostbite Frolic Saturday, Feb. 15, at the community room of Innovation Village Apartments, 2405 Tenth St., Brookings.

The 11 a.m. frolic is a social run on a paved, one-mile loop around the nearby Research Park at SDSU. Runners can complete as many loops as they wish. This is a non-timed event.

The potluck begins at noon. Chili, soup, drinks and tableware will be provided. Participants are encouraged to bring a dish to pass.

Following the potluck will be presentation of 2019 awards, including the Friend of Running honor, and announcement of the 2020 officers and race schedule.

Door prizes, including gift certificates, will be awarded.

Families are encouraged to attend. Running is optional. A movie also will be shown during the running hour. The adjacent swimming pool also is available during the frolic.

For more information, go to: [run@prairiestriders.net](mailto:run@prairiestriders.net).

### Triathlon: 20 and out

Begun in 2001 by a graduate student to meet a class project, the "I'm Ready for Summer" Triathlon will be staged for the 20th and last time April 25.

The Prairie Striders event has always been organized through the SDSU Wellness Center and has been directed by Shari Landmark ever since.

The demands on staff and unpredictability of late April weather has caused Landmark to say 20 is a good stopping point. She hopes to attract 175 for the sendoff event.

The event is going out with custom medals and still features team and individual contests as well as three junior divisions for ages 5-14.

Adult distances are 500-yard swim, 20K bike ride and 5K run. Registration is through [runsignup.com](http://runsignup.com) with early bird pricing good through March 25.

### Send us your running stories

Funny, scary, unusual, out of the ordinary, long or short.

We would like to share members' stories in future edition of the Prairie Striders newsletter. Respond on Facebook or email to [run@prairiestriders.net](mailto:run@prairiestriders.net).

### Discount for Deadwood

Members of Prairie Striders Running Club who would like to participate in the Deadwood Mickelson Trail Marathon are being offered a \$10 discount through May 29.

Simply use the code `Rundeadwood2020` (not case sensitive) when registering at [https://secure.getmeregistered.com/get\\_information.php?event\\_id=132897](https://secure.getmeregistered.com/get_information.php?event_id=132897).

The discount also applies to the half marathon and relay, all being held June 7.

For more information, contact Emily Wheeler at [info@DeadwoodMickelsonTrailMarathon.com](mailto:info@DeadwoodMickelsonTrailMarathon.com).

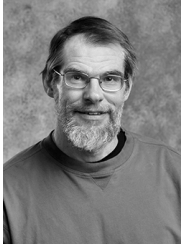
### No respecter of age

Marty Wennblom turned 40 last year, but his legs haven't aged a bit.

The 2001 Jackrabbit graduate clocked a 4:44 mile to finish second in the Alumni Mile at the Jim Emmerich Invitational Jan. 25 at SDSU.

That was midafternoon. He began the day by winning the Prairie Striders Indoor 5K in a time of 16:30, which broke the master's record by nearly two minutes. He already holds the open record with a time of 16:05 in 2018. **3**

# 2019 — A year for Prairie Striders milestones



## The president's observation

*Dave Graves*

As we roll through the winter months of 2020, it is appropriate to reflect on an historic year for Prairie Striders in 2019.

The club marked its 50th anniversary

with ice cream, cake and stories of race adventures as recently as the 2019 Brookings Marathon and all the way back to the first Brookings Marathon in 1970. A tip of the cap to organizers Nancy Scholl and Lou Eggebratten.

We recognized charter members and celebrated a milestone in fundraising.

Way back in 2018, as the club looked toward its golden anniversary, member Chuck Tiltrum suggested a 50 for 50 campaign. That meant raising the size of the club's scholarship endowment to \$50,000 by the time of the club's official 50th birthday—Sept. 12, 2019.

At that time, the endowment for the SDSU Prairie Striders/Phil LaVallee Scholarship stood at \$33,000. Many responded and giving soon exceeded the initial \$17,000 goal. A gift \$20,000 from Harvey Mills, who was among the early Prairie Strider members, encouraged us to raise the goal.

In 2019, the mark was set at \$75,000 and in late August checks came in to get us to \$75,000.

There were 119 donors providing financial assistance to this scholarship which will provide up to \$3,000 per year for a scholarship award to an SDSU distance runner.

We greatly appreciate all who went this extra mile.

The celebrating actually began May 11 with the 50th running of the Brookings Marathon. Many former champs, including five-time winner Randy Fisher, were among those who returned. Race director Matt Bien has put together the history of the Longest Day/Brookings Marathon in book form with photos, stories and complete race results.

"From Longest Day to Brookings Marathon 50 Years of Running Brookings, South Dakota" is available in soft and hard cover. The press will soon roll. Place your order at <https://www.brookingsmarathon.com/book.html>.

## Race highlights from 2019

- Steve Britzman marked his 30th and final year of directing the Arbor Day 5K. John Blatchford will conduct this April's run. The 2019 Bob Bartling Hobo Day 5K was Britzman's 24th year for directing that race. He will go out with a Halloween

version of the Hobo Day 5K this year and then turn reigns over to Randy Hanson.

- A new master's record was set at the Brookings Marathon and past record holder Steve Wilson was there to congratulate Geoffrey Terer.

- A record 45 teams participated in the Jack 15 relay.
- The Beef and Eggs 5K had 144 participants, most since 175 in 2015.

- The second running of the Oakwood Lakes Trail Run grew to 44 participants.

- The Predictor Mile grew to 34 participants.

- The Longest Day 10K added a relay division and saw a small increase in participation to 27.

## Membership: Any club's lifeblood

None of what race directors and club leaders accomplish would be possible without the financial and physical support of our *loyal* membership. Let me emphasize loyal members. On Page 6 you will see the list of loyal, longtime members. On Page 5 is the list of life members and those who have donated beyond their \$5 dues.

They're impressive lists, especially in an era when organizations hurt for membership. In looking at the website of our running brethren to the south, the Sioux Falls Running Club reported 146 members with 78 of them overdue.

We're thankful for the tradition established by the Prairie Striders early leaders and take encouragement in knowing that many continue their membership despite moving out of the area or aging out of running. Note that you can never age out of Prairie Striders. Our rolls boast Boyd Shank, 105, and the youthful Bob Bartling, 93, who now serves as club historian and librarian.

Prairie Striders membership now stands at 253. We thank everyone of you for your support and hope you will continue to see your membership as a tangible way supporting the sport of running. The 2020 membership card and return envelope are included with this mailing.

For those who are able, we hope you will take an active role in the club, whether that be volunteering at races, attending our monthly meetings or helping with social events. There is a role for all — runner or nonrunner.

May the generation that gathers for the club's 75th anniversary be thankful for support that was generated for Prairie Striders in 2020.

*Dave Graves has served as president since 2013 and also is co-director of the Jack 15 and Indoor 5K.*



Champions from the Sixth Annual Prairie Striders Indoor 5K are, from left, Emily Berzonsky, women's open; Heather Hiltunen, women's masters; Marty Wennblom, men's masters; and Derrick Ettel, men's open. Wennblom was the overall winner with a time of 16:30 while Berzonsky was the women's overall winner with a time of 19:18.

## Prairie Striders officers 2020

President — Dave Graves  
Vice president — Nancy Scholl  
Secretary/webmaster — Trevor Penning  
Treasurer — Jay Larsen  
Web address — [www.prairiestriders.net](http://www.prairiestriders.net)

# Points competition winners for 2019 announced

Winners of the Prairie Striders points competition will be awarded at the Feb. 15 Frostbite Frolic.

Runners must have competed in at least three Prairie Striders races to be eligible. Points are awarded based on placing vs. number of runners competing. First place in a 100-runner field equals 100 points.

To see where you placed, go to: <http://www.prairiestridders.net/points-competition.html>.

\* Indicates repeating champion from 2018.

## Men's open average

\* Brady Diercks 34, Brookings, 169.3 (4)  
Trevor Hinderaker, 22, Astoria, 91.5 (6)  
Owen McElroy, 37, Watertown, 83.7 (3)

## Men's masters average

\* Brad Olinger, 43, Brookings 181 (4)  
James Niehus, 47, Hendricks, Minn., 137.2 (5)  
Andrew Dickinson, 40, Brookings, 120 (4)

## Women's open average

Brianna Kreutner, Brookings, 146 (3)  
Brittany McKnight, Brookings, 142 (3)  
Holly Monnier, 25, Toronto, 113 (3)

## Women's masters average

Nicole Ness, Rochester, Minn, 138 (3)  
Adrienne McEntee, 46, Brookings, 92 (4)  
Jodi Tjeerdsma, 51, Sioux Falls, 70.3 (3)

## Men's total points open

\* Brady Diercks, 34, Brookings, 677 (4)  
Trevor Hinderaker, 22, Astoria, 549 (6)  
Owen McElroy, 37, Watertown, 251 (3)

## Men's total points masters

Chuck Harming, 44, Elkton, 897 (8)  
Brad Olinger, 43, Brookings 724 (4)  
James Niehus, 47, Hendricks, Minn., 686 (5)

## Women's total point open

Brianna Kreutner, Brookings, 438 (3)  
Heidi Hopewell, 31, Brookings, 437 (4)  
Brittany McKnight, Brookings, 426 (3)

## Women's total points masters

Nicole Ness, Rochester, Minn, 414 (3)  
Adrienne McEntee, 46, Brookings, 368 (4)  
Jodi Tjeerdsma, 51, Sioux Falls, 211 (3)

## Most races

Chuck Harming — 8  
Trevor Hinderaker — 6  
Tim Fryer — 6

## Life Members

Requires A Minimum Gift Of \$100 \*Denotes New Lifetime Members In 2019

Ron Amundson, Orinda CA  
Arne Anderson, Canton SD  
Bob Bartling, Brookings SD  
Herb Bartling, Vancouver WA  
Christa Bartling Bortnem, Brookings SD  
Jerry Bergum, Brookings SD  
William Berzonsky, Lincoln NE  
Rob Beyer, Mound MN  
Tom Bezdichek, Brookings SD  
\*Dan Bielfeldt, Brookings SD  
Matt Bien, Brookings SD  
Tom Birath, Marshall MN  
John Blatchford Brookings SD  
Justin Bonnema,, Inwood IA  
Dave Braley, Sioux Falls SD  
Steve Britzman, Brookings SD  
Dave Bushard, Lake Shetek MN  
Andrew Carlson, White Bear Lake MN  
Dan Carlson, White Bear Lake MN  
Laura Carlson, White Bear Lake MN  
Rob Carney, Lakeville MN  
Lyle Claussen, Beatrice NE  
Sharon Clay, Brookings SD  
Paul Danger, Valparaiso IN

Sara Danger, Valparaiso IN  
Ann Day, Willmar MN  
Rod DeHaven, Brookings SD  
Rufus DeZeeuw, Elkton SD  
Jay Dirksen, Hot Springs Village AR  
Jim Egeberg, Valley City ND  
Pat Egeberg, Valley City ND  
Shelby Eischens, Aurora SD  
Becka Foerster, Brookings SD  
Danny Foerster, Brookings SD  
Brian Freking, Keota OK  
Jeanette Gibbons, Brookings SD  
Dave Graves, Volga SD  
Dave Griffith, Wecota SD  
Chris Gruenhagen, Brookings SD  
\*Kaylyn Gutormson, Bruce SD  
Steve Hauff, Sioux Falls SD  
Mary Held, Aurora SD  
Mike Hieb, Brandon SD  
Wade Hoffman, Minnetrista MN  
Joanie Holm, Brookings SD  
Rick Holm, Brookings SD  
Dennis Hopfinger, Brookings SD  
Owen Hotvet, Sioux Falls SD  
Angela Kauch, Minneapolis MN  
\*Gene Kingslien, Watertown SD

Carol Klitzke, Maple Grove MN  
\*Kelly Koenig, Brookings SD  
Steve Kurtenbach, Sioux Falls SD  
Shari Landmark, White SD  
Jay Larsen, Brookings SD  
Polly Larson, Volga SD  
Steve LeFevre, Fallbrook CA  
Harry Mansheim, Brookings SD  
Chuck McCullough, Brookings SD  
\*Nikki McDaniel, Rapid City SD  
Barry McKeown, Arlington TX  
Dan Merchant, Brookings SD  
Kati Merkley, Brookings SD  
Dave Meyer, Brookings SD  
Patricia Meyer, Brookings SD  
Jerry Miller, Sioux Falls SD  
Pete Monfore, Aliso Viejo CA  
Paul Morgan, Winona MN  
Keith Morrill, Custer SD  
Lori Munsterman, Brookings SD  
Vicki Nelson, Sioux Falls SD  
\*Mandy Orth, Brookings SD  
Kurt Osborne, Brookings SD  
Dan O'Shea, Eugene OR  
Trevor Penning, Brookings SD  
Gary Pierson, Sioux Falls SD  
Dan Propst, Pierre SD

Lynn Riedesel, Brookings SD  
Dwayne Rollag, Sioux Falls SD  
Nancy Scholl, Brookings SD  
Paul Schroeder, Nevis MN  
Joe Schuch, Belton MO  
Susan Scott, Lincoln NE  
Kevin Smith, Brookings SD  
\*Peder Solberg, White Bear Lake MN  
Tom Stambaugh, Nevis MN  
John Stiegelmeier, Brookings SD  
Sharon Stubler, Minnetonka MN  
Alison Tappan, Brookings SD  
\*Marcel Thielke, Brookings SD  
\*Jim Thvedt, Brookings SD  
Chuck Tiltrum, Aurora SD  
David Ulschmid, Arlington SD  
\*Scott Underwood, Brookings SD  
Marty Wennblom, Anniston AL  
Tim Wilson, McMinnville OR  
Joan Wolles, Colton SD  
Becky Youngberg, Eden Prairie MN  
Jack Youngberg, Eden Prairie MN  
Jason Zimmerman, Brookings SD  
Kyrsten Zimmerman, Brookings SD

## Donated above dues

Bruce Allen, Flandreau SD  
Jill Anderson, Duluth MN  
Bob Bartling, Brookings SD  
Herb Bartling, Vancouver WA  
Becki Bartling, Bray Sioux Falls SD  
Jerry Bergum, Brookings SD  
Benda Berseth, Brookings SD  
Steve Berseth, Brookings SD  
William Berzonsky, Lincoln NE  
Kevin Bjerke, Billings MT  
Mary Bjerke, Volga SD  
Russ Bjerke, Volga SD  
Lori Bocklund, Beaverton OR  
Leah Brink, Brookings SD  
Steve Britzman, Brookings SD  
Rob Carney, Lakeville MN  
Craig Cassen, Piedmont SD  
Lyle Claussen, Beatrice NE  
Paul Coffin, Sioux City IA  
Ann Day, Willmar MN  
Jane Derby, Estelline SD  
Jay Dirksen, Hot Springs Village AR

Ryan Egeberg, Edina MN  
Shelby Eischens, Aurora SD  
Randy Fischer, Sioux Falls SD  
Van Fishback, Brookings SD  
Becka Foerster, Brookings SD  
Danny Foerster, Brookings SD  
Nancy Gieske, San Ramon CA  
Dave Graves, Volga SD  
Dave Griffith, Wecota SD  
Chris Gruenhagen, Brookings SD  
Randy Hanson, Aurora SD  
Paul Hanusa, Volga SD  
Steve Hauff, Sioux Falls SD  
Louis Hesler, Brookings SD  
Wade Hoffman, Minnetrista MN  
Dennis Hopfinger, Brookings SD  
Scott Jamison, Wentworth SD  
Gloria Jansen, White Bear Lake MN  
Marcus Johansen, Stacy MN  
Kevin Kephart, Brookings SD  
Lucy Kephart, Brookings SD  
Wally Klawiter, Sioux Falls SD

Bryan Krogman, Brookings SD  
Jay Larsen, Brookings SD  
Deb Leiferman, Brookings SD  
Reyna Martin, Brookings SD  
Nikki McDaniel, Rapid City SD  
Adrienne McEntee, Brookings SD  
Kati Merkley, Brookings SD  
Janet Merriman, Brookings SD  
Michael Merriman, Brookings SD  
Casualene Meyer, Madison SD  
Dave Meyer, Brookings SD  
Jerry Miller, Sioux Falls SD  
Brian Nelson, Sioux Falls SD  
John Nelson, Madison SD  
Lukas Nelson, Sioux Falls SD  
Vicki Nelson, Sioux Falls SD  
Judy Norton Pinckney, Rosemount MN  
Mandy Orth, Brookings SD  
Jim Pedley, Martinez CA  
Brett Pettigrew, Brookings SD  
Gary Pierson, Sioux Falls SD  
Richard Reid, Brookings SD

Colene Reiser, Brookings SD  
Bob Ritter, Brookings SD  
Dwayne Rollag, Sioux Falls SD  
Stephen Roy, Hastings MN  
Bob Salmi, Aberdeen SD  
Susan Scott, Lincoln NE  
Boyd Shank, Brookings SD  
Dick Smith, Brookings SD  
Russ Strande, Brookings SD  
Joe Sudtelgte, Elkton SD  
Barbara Swenson, Pine Island MN  
Chuck Tiltrum, Aurora SD  
Scott Underwood, Brookings SD  
Peggy Whalen, Brookings SD  
Andriette Wickstrom, Storm Lake IA  
Dave Wik, Monticello MN  
Joan Wolles, Colton SD  
Becky Youngberg, Eden Prairie MN  
Jack Youngberg, Eden Prairie MN  
Kim Silverberg, Belle Plaine MN



# Brookings Marathon history book now available

Marathon Friends,

We are excited to announce the publication of a new book recounting 50 years of marathon running in Brookings, South Dakota. For anyone who has run or otherwise contributed to the marathon over the past half-century, the book will be a treasure to review.

## Highlights include:

- Foreword by Jay Dirksen, race founder and first champion
- Highlights from every year of the race
- Vintage photos
- Newspaper articles from each anniversary year
- Featured runner stories
- Complete finisher database by year and by last name
- Champion bios, past directors, courses and much more!

Books will be printed to order. Your orders will be taken online from **February 1 to February 15, 2020**. Don't miss out! We expect printing to be complete by early March with delivery to your door by mid March.

To order and to review sample pages from the book, go to [www.brookingsmarathon.com/book.html](http://www.brookingsmarathon.com/book.html).

Contact Matt Bien at [run@brookingsmarathon.com](mailto:run@brookingsmarathon.com) with any additional questions.



*From* **Longest Day** *to*  
**Brookings Marathon**  
*50 YEARS OF RUNNING*  
*BROOKINGS, SOUTH DAKOTA*

## Long-time loyal members

Defined as paying dues at least eight of the last 10 years or life member

Brenda Algood, Brookings SD  
 Arne Anderson, Canton SD  
 Jill Anderson, Duluth MN  
 Bob Bartling, Brookings SD  
 Herb Bartling, Vancouver WA  
 Christa Bartling Bortnem, Brookings SD  
 Jerry Bergum, Brookings SD  
 Benda Berseth, Brookings SD  
 Steve Berseth, Brookings SD  
 William Berzonsky, Lincoln NE  
 Rob Beyer, Mound MN  
 Tom Bezdichek, Brookings SD  
 Dan Bielfedt, Brookings SD  
 Matt Bien, Brookings SD  
 Kevin Bjerke, Billings MT  
 Mary Bjerke, Volga SD  
 Russ Bjerke, Volga SD  
 John Blatchford, Brookings SD  
 Lori Bocklund, Beaverton OR  
 Pat Bohl, Humboldt SD  
 Justin Bonnema, Inwood IA  
 Steve Britzman, Brookings SD  
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