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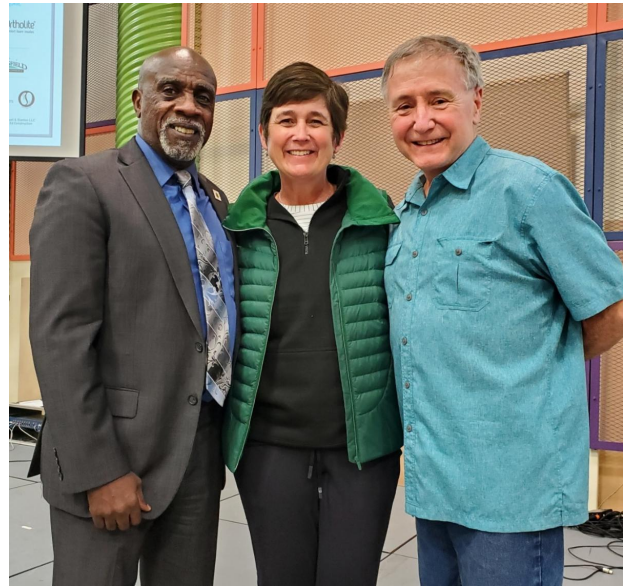
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OTC Annual Meeting Featured Updates, Awards, Election

A large crowd of in-person and virtual OTC members and guests were treated to a wide-ranging update on the people, places, and events in Track Town at the OTC Annual Dinner and Business Meeting held March 1 at the First Baptist Church in Eugene.

The evening's highlights included the presentation of the Chris Brathwaite Award to **Erin Regali** and Reske Award to **Jeff Sherman**. OTC President **Kevin Marbury** shared his report on the state of the Oregon Track Club. The audience was also given a report on the OTC's youth and Masters programs. During the meeting, five OTC members were recognized and presented with lifetime membership in the OTC. See the article in this newsletter about these five outstanding members.

University of Oregon Coach **Robert Johnson** provided a report on the UO Track and Field Team and staff. **Michael Reilly**, CEO of TrackTown USA, shared a review of the organization's activities. **Curtis Anderson** and **Tom Farrell** reported on the OTC Elite program while Lane Community College Coach **Bill Steyer** had a review of his program at LCC.



Left to right: Kevin Marbury, Erin Regali, and Jeff Sherman.

[Read about the entire Annual Meeting](#)

OTC Board Election Results

The business portion of the OTC Annual Meeting included the election of the 2022 OTC Board of Directors. [Go here](#) to see a list of the elected Board members. The seven new members elected to the Board are noted on the list. The document also includes the members of the OTC Advisory Committee. These are individuals in the community with unique knowledge and experience who can help the OTC in its many activities. The Advisory members are invited to the OTC Board meetings but have no voting rights.

In a previous meeting of the Oregon Track Club Board of Directors, the Club's officers were approved.

The officers are:

President: Kevin Marbury

Senior Vice President: John Truax

Vice President-Membership Services: Erin Regali

Vice President-Events: Tom Jordan

Secretary: Tom Feuer

Treasurer: Molly Wildman

These officers will serve on the OTC Executive Committee along with the OTC Masters President,

[Read about the OTC Masters election](#)

Middle School Students Shine

First Run/Walk of the Year Draws almost 60 Participants



The first OTC Run/Walk of 2022 was held on March 10, a few days before the change to daylight saving time. Fifty-eight participants took on the challenge of finishing the 5K course before it was dark.

The first runner overall and first female was Jenn Randall in 16:31. She was followed by two very fast middle schoolers: Fourteen-year-old Malachi Schoenherr in 17:39 and thirteen-year-old Benjamin Kehrein in 17:47. The Run-Walk Committee looks forward to watching these two throughout their middle and high school years.

[Read about the results and the next Run/Walk](#)

Thank you, Todd and Celeste!

Key Committee Members Retiring

Todd Bosworth and **Celeste Kuta** are stepping down from the OTC Run/Walk Committee at the end of the current Run/Walk Series. Todd and Celeste have been the driving force behind the success of the Series. They have worked with Eclectic Edge Racing for the past 12 years to make the Series one of the most popular OTC programs.

The Oregon Track Club Executive Committee and the OTC Board of Directors want to thank Todd and Celeste for their time, energy, and dedication.

If you are interested in joining this Committee and playing a role in the Run/Walk Series, please contact Todd toddgb@comcast.net or Celeste celestekuta@gmail.com. Get involved now so that Todd and Celeste can pass along how the Run/Walk events are planned, organized, and staged.



OTC and OTCM Officer Elections

Seven New Members Join the Board

The 2022 OTC Board of Directors welcomes seven new Members, one of the largest number of new Board volunteers in many years. The 2022 Board was approved by the OTC members attending the Club's Annual Meeting in March.

The new members are **Michelle Bassett, Danny Bowman, Tom Feuer, Tom Jordan, Carrie Kehrein, Kayla Krempley, and Dan White**. [Follow this link](#) to read their brief profiles.

Here is the entire 2022 Oregon Track Club Board of Directors:

Danny Bowman

Bill Kelly

Sandy Pashkin

Michelle Bassett
Shelley Briggs
Mike Cahn
Ian Dobson
Tom Feuer
Glenda Gordon
James Houghton
Bettina Huber
Robert Johnson
Tom Jordan

Carrie Kehrein
Trisha Kluge
Jeanne Kofranek
Kayla Krempley
Laura LaMena-Coll
Dick Lamster
Kevin Marbury
Jill Mestler
Dave O'Brien
Dennis Olafson

Jenifer Pleus
Erin Regali
Bill Steyer
Phil Sutton
John Truax
Cathie Twomey Bellamy
Dan White
Molly Wildman
William Wyckoff

[Read about the Advisory elections](#)

The Pre's Trail Run is Scheduled for May 26



PRE'S TRAIL REVIVAL RUN
OREGON TRACK CLUB
EUGENE, OR

The Oregon Track Club is hosting the Pre's Trail Run on May 26 in Alton Baker Park. This memorial event was first held in 1975, a few months after Steve Prefontaine's death. The run was not held for several years until the OTC decided to bring back the popular event last year.

The **5K run/walk** starts at 6:30 p.m. The event is limited to 400 entries. The run is open to all age groups, with cash awards given to the top three finishers (men and women) in each age group. Registered runners/walkers will receive a Nike Pre's Trail Run t-shirt and other goodies.

Pre-registration fee is \$30, day of race is \$35. Packet pickup at the Nike Eugene store on May 25 from 4:00-7:00 p.m. OTC members with a membership card will receive an OTC gift at packet pickup. [Go here to register.](#)

Pre's Trail is a four-mile bark trail named after the legendary University of Oregon and Olympic runner Steve Prefontaine. The trail is a Eugene Historic Landmark.

Aquafina/OTC Butte to Butte Launches New Website

Preparations for the 2022 Aquafina OTC Butte to Butte are well underway. OTC and Race Director William Wyckoff are looking forward to the event returning to its grandeur this July 4th.

As part of the event renewal, the historic road race has a new website: [ButteToButte.com](#). Here, you will be able to access all the traditional details of event specifics, logistics, and sponsor information. The new website features many of the archival details that have made the event so iconic. You can view past event shirt designs, age group and course records, and complete results from over the years. As more results data are recovered, they will be archived on the website.

The Butte to Butte is an annual tradition for thousands of runners from Eugene and around the world. The first race was held in 1973. Once again, Eclectic Edge Racing will handle the race management, timing, and announcing for the Butte to Butte.

Please peruse the new site, [register soon](#), and join us for the fun on July 4th!

Thank you, Jack, Jon, Geoff, Ed, and Becky!

Lifetime Membership Bestowed on Five Members

Five longtime Oregon Track Club supporters were accorded OTC Lifetime Member status at the recent

OTC Annual Meeting. Congratulations to these outstanding members:

Jack Anderson
Jon Anderson
Geoff Hughes
Ed Kousky
Becky Sisley

These members have provided long-term support for OTC and played a key role helping the organization reach its goals.

Wear OTC, Shop OTC

Demand for OTC Merchandise Has Exploded

The sales of OTC branded merchandise have grown dramatically in the past two years. "If you put the OTC brand on anything, it will sell," Molly Wildman, OTC Treasurer, said.

Branded apparel and accessory sales generated \$137,000 in revenue in 2021. This revenue is used to help fund all the OTC programs and administrative operations. The OTC Executive Committee is projecting merchandise sales in 2022 of over \$177,000.



For comparison, the total OTC merchandise sales in 2019 were just under \$15,000.

OTC merchandise sales began to increase in September 2020 when the new OTC website was launched. The three primary reasons for the sales jump were the presentation of the merchandise on the new website, a wider selection of items, and the revival of the OTC Merchandise Committee.

Approximately 30% of the current online sales come from out-of-state orders. The top five states generating orders outside of Oregon are California, Washington, Texas, Michigan, and Illinois. OTC is not currently accepting orders from outside the United States.

All merchandise is selling well; however, these items are the most popular: Singlets, Pegasus shoes, backpacks, sweatshirts, and hats.

[Go here](#) to shop for OTC apparel and accessories.



Wear OTC



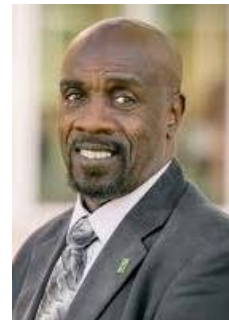
Shop OTC HERE

Out of the Blocks: A glance back, a look ahead

By Kevin Marbury, OTC President

WOW, am I the only one that wonders how we got to April so quickly? It seems like just yesterday we were kicking off 2022 with high hopes for a better new year after a difficult and challenging 2021. As we enter April, I thought I would take a quick look back before previewing a busy but exciting second quarter of the year.

During the first three months of the year, we restarted the Run Walk Series, held our OTC Annual Meeting, offered an orientation clinic for new and interested track and field officials, and awarded nearly \$13,000 in Grass Roots Grants to four local programs. We have also been able to settle into our new office space (Suite 208) thanks to the dedication and commitment of the Regali family (Erin, Jane, and Anne). If you haven't had a chance to visit, plan to stop by soon. Maybe that's why the first three months have seemed to fly by -- we have a lot of people having a good time while doing some great work. It's been said, "time flies when you're having fun!"



Kevin Marbury

[Read the rest of Kevin's comments on the next few months](#)

Tickets, Tickets, Tickets

This year marks one of the busiest seasons for Hayward Field. Fans have an opportunity to watch the very best high school, college, Masters, and elite competition in the United States.

The key online location for Hayward Field ticket information is the TrackTown USA website.



[Follow this link.](#)

You will find ticketing links for these meets:

- University of Oregon Track and Field meets
- OTC/Nike Prefontaine Classic
- Pac-12 Conference Championship
- NCAA Outdoor Championship
- USATF Outdoor Championship
- World Outdoor Championship

The OTC Hayward Classic for Masters athletes is free, no ticket needed.

Ticket information for the Oregon State High School Championships has not been posted at the time this newsletter was published. [Visit the Oregon School Activities Association \(OSAA\)](#) website in late April for ticket information.

Buy your tickets now and help support the sport of track and field.



Oregon Track Club Masters

OTC Hayward Classic Deadline Dates

One of the nation's premier Masters events, the [OTC Hayward Classic](#), will be on Saturday, May 7 at Hayward Field. The meet will include 16 age-group events this year as well as the 4x100 relay.



The Hayward Classic offers Masters athletes, 25 years and older, the opportunity to compete in newly renovated Hayward Field. Medals will be awarded to the first, second, and third-place finishers in each age division of each event.

Entry forms must be received by April 23. Late entries must be received by April 28 and must include a \$40 late fee.

Online registration is preferred. [Go here](#) to register or [print an entry form](#) that can be mailed.



Oregon Track Club Masters

Two OTC Masters Excel At USATF Indoor Nationals

The 2022 USATF Masters Indoor Championships were held on March 18-20 in New York City at "The Armory."

OTC Masters athlete **Alison Wood** (W45-49) competed in the High Jump, winning her age group with a 1.55m jump. **David Gates** (M50-54) competed in the Pole Vault, jumping 2.90m for a third-place age group finish. David also competed in the Indoor Pentathlon (M50-54) Long Jump (4.39m), Shot Put (9.56m), High Jump (1.37m), 60 Hurdles (10.90), and the 1,000m (3:52.53), achieving a second-place age group finish in all events.

The Armory has hosted track meets for over 100 years and now has a 200-meter banked Mondo track and complete field event facilities.

Oregon Track Club Masters

Clarke Holds Pole Vault Mark

Chris Clarke, a part-time resident of both Eugene and Petaluma, CA, currently has the world-leading pole vault mark in his age group (60-64). Clarke cleared 12-5 ½ at a meet in Berkeley, CA, on February 19.



Oregon Track Club Masters

Meet Opportunities for Masters Athletes

OTC Masters has compiled a list of cross country/track and field meets scheduled for April and May that are accepting Masters-level athletes. Some of these meets may have qualifying standards, and some require pre-approval from the meet director to enter as an “open” or noncollegiate athlete. Please check with the meet director for entry requirements. Information for most of these meets can be found on the Direct Athletics website.

April 2: [Linfield Jen Boyman Memorial Invitational](#), Linfield University, McMinnville, Oregon

April 2: [NW Distance Jamboree](#), Lane Community College, Eugene, Oregon

April 9: [Pacific Luau](#), Pacific University, Forest Grove, Oregon

April 9: [Rich Allen Classic](#), George Fox University, Newberg, Oregon

April 24: [USATF Masters 10K Championships](#), Dedham, Massachusetts

April 29-30: [OSU High Performance Meet](#), Oregon State University, Corvallis, Oregon

May 7: [The Hayward Classic](#), Hayward Field, University of Oregon, Eugene, Oregon

May 7: [Linfield Open](#), Linfield University, McMinnville, Oregon

May 11–17: [National Senior Games](#), Ansin Sports Complex, Miramar, Florida

May 21: [USATF Masters 1 Mile Championships](#), Rochester, New York

Van Schoiack finds his niche with OTC Elite

By Curtis Anderson, OTC Elite press officer

For the past two years, Tye Van Schoiack has been the go-to massage therapist for Oregon Track Club Elite. And for good reason.

Not only is Van Schoiack equipped with the requisite technical skills to work on elite track and field athletes, but he also fully understands the language of world-class runners.

Van Schoiack was a two-time all-American in the 3,000-meter steeplechase at the University of

Oregon under coach Bill Dellinger in the early 1990s. He placed third at the 1992 NCAA Outdoor Championships for the Ducks and went on to set his personal best of 8:38.07 in the semifinals of the U.S. Olympic Track and Field Trials in New Orleans.

[Read the rest of Tye's story](#)



Tye Van Schoiack applies preventative treatment to Sabrina Southerland. Photo courtesy Tom Farrell.



100 Days Until the World Championships

By Jessica Gabriel, Oregon22 Communications Director

April 6 will mark 100 days until the start of the World Athletics Championships Oregon22! The event feels closer than ever (not that we're counting 😊).

The incredible performances in Serbia at the [World Athletics Indoor Championships](#) last month – highlighted by a world record in the men's pole vault by Mondo Duplantis of Sweden, a world record in the women's triple jump by Yulimar Rojas of Venezuela, and a world record-equaling 60m hurdles run by American Grant Holloway – only heightened the anticipation and excitement for our World Championships.



Jessica Gabriel

[Read about the "Next Stop Oregon" campaign](#)

No Russian or Belarusian Athletes At the Prefontaine Classic

The Wanda Diamond League track and field competitions have banned Russian and Belarusian athletes

from its 14 meets for the “foreseeable future” following Russia's invasion of Ukraine.

One of the Diamond League meets is the Prefontaine Classic set for May 27-28 at Hayward Field in Eugene. The Pre Classic is the only Diamond League meet held in the United States.

Do you have a youth athlete who needs help paying sports registration fees?

Every Kid Sports Pass is a program that provides financial assistance to qualified children ages 4-18 to help pay for youth sports registration fees. The program covers all sports, including track and field.

This program provides up to \$150, four times a year, to qualified families.

[Follow this link](#) for program details and qualification requirements. [Follow this link](#) to a video that offers help completing the application form. Share this information with youth organizations, clubs, or programs.

Youth Volunteers Welcome To Help Oregon22

The local organizing committee for the World Athletics Championships Oregon22 recently announced that youth under the age of 18 can volunteer to support the World Championships set for July15-24 at Hayward Field.

Kids 16 and 17 years old can now apply to joinCrew22, the volunteer team that will support the meet. Volunteer registration launched in November 2021 with the provision that volunteers were required to be 18 or older at the time of the event to apply.

Now, volunteers must be at least 16 years old at the time of the Championships to apply. [Follow this link to volunteer.](#)



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Events Calendar

Compiled by Wendy Montenegro

April

- 1-2: Hayward Premiere, Hayward Field
- 2: Shotgun Trail Blast, 8:00 a.m., 50K, 25K, 10K, 5K, Marcola
- 3: Horse Butte 10M Trail Run, 9:00 a.m., 10M, Bend
- 6: **OTC** Board Meeting, 7:00 a.m., in-person & virtual, Kidsport offices
- 7: Oregon Sports Summit, Valley River Inn, Eugene
- 8: LCC Distance Carnival, 5:00 p.m., Lane Community College
- 9: LCC Invitational Meet, Lane Community College
- 13: **OTC** Masters Board meeting, 6:00 p.m., Virtual Meeting
- 14: **OTC** Run/Walk, 6:00 p.m., 10K, 5K, Alton Baker Park
- 16: Prom 5K, 10:00 a.m., 5K, Springfield
- 21-23: Oregon Relays, Hayward Field
- 29-30: OSU High Performance Meet, Oregon State University, Corvallis
- 30: Eugene Marathon Races, 5K & Duck Dash, 8:00 a.m., Eugene

Always confirm event with event host.

May

- 1: Eugene Marathon & Half Marathon, 7:00 a.m., Eugene
- 1-3: Better Together, Women and Sport Leadership Summit, VIRTUAL
- 4: **OTC** Board Meeting, 7:00 a.m., in-person & virtual, Kidsport offices
- 6: Oregon Twilight, Hayward Field
- 7: **OTC** Hayward Classic, Hayward Field
- 11: **OTC** Masters Board meeting, 6:00 p.m., Virtual Meeting
- 12: **OTC** Run/Walk, 6:00 p.m., 5K Eugene
- 13-15: Pac 12 Conference Championships, Hayward Field
- 14: Veneta Celebration Run, 9:00 a.m., 10K, 5K, 1K Veneta
- 15: Bark In The Park, 8:30 a.m., 10K, 5K, 2K, Eugene
- 19-20: 1A, 2A, 3A High School State Championships, Hayward Field
- 20-21: 4A, 5A, 6A High School State Championships, Hayward Field
- 25-28: NCAA West Preliminary, Fayetteville, AR
- 26: **OTC** Pre's Trail Run, 6:30 p.m., 5K, Eugene
- 26: Oregon Middle School Championship, Corvallis High School
- 27-28: **OTC**/Nike Prefontaine Classic, Hayward

Field

28: Ridgeline Ramble, 8:15 a.m., 20K, 10K,
Eugene

30: Miles On Memorial, 9:00 a.m., 15K, 10K, 5K,
Relay, Eugene

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