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DATES ... DATES ... DATES

One more centurion qualifier to go this year, along with the usual sprinkling of other interesting long distance walks. As always, check the AURA calendar for upcoming Australian events (<https://www.aura.asn.au/2023-aura-calendar-of-events/>).

Sept 16-17, 2023	28 Heures de Roubaix	Roubaix, FRA
Sun Sept 17, 2023	IOM End to End Walk See http://www.endtoendwalk.org/	Isle of Man
Sept 22-23 2023	2023 NZ Centurions 100 Miles Qualifier See https://nz.srichinmoyraces.org/races/auck/24hr	Auckland, NZL
Oct 14-15, 2023	24 Heures de Lipsheim	Lipsheim, FRA

OUT AND ABOUT

- **Emmanuel Tardi** is always working away at things statistical and I have a large number of his files stored on Australian Centurions page <http://centurions.org.au/centranks.shtml>. He recently sent me a new file ([Ch de France 50km V2 – Anglais.pdf](#)) containing the complete results of all French 50km National Championships, as well as the results of their women's 50km National criteriums - over 3200 performances in total. The 50km was THE distance for racewalking - long may it live in our memories.
- **Justin Scholz (C61) and Sharon Scholz (C63)** continue their world cycling adventures. After spending a few weeks in Harare, the capital of Zimbabwe, they headed off today for the next section of their African leg which will eventually see them in South Africa in a few months time. Today's ride was a 145km cycle to the Zimbabwean city of Kadoma – they are not ones to do things by halves!



Justin and Sharon take in the sights and sounds in Harare

8 HEURES DE LONGEMER, XONRUPT-LONGEMER, FRANCE, SATURDAY 5 AUGUST 2023

Thanks to Emmanuel Tardi for alerting us to a brand new European long distance walking event being held for the first time this year. Organised by Claudine Anxionnat, a 16 times Paris-Alsace finisher, the carnival featured an 8 hour walk and a 6 hour run and was held in a camping in Xonrupt-Longemer, 400km in the East of Paris. The start time was set for 8AM and the lap was 1.042km in length, with both asphalt and dirt sections.

The 8 Hour walk saw 24 starters and 2 teams. **Christophe Erard** led early but was caught and passed by **Fabrice Henry** after 27km. Henry's lead lasted 10km before he was caught by **Philippe Morel** who went on to win with a final distance of 68.860km. In the women's walk, **Sylvie Maison** led from start to finish, her winning distance being 63.406km.

8 Hour Walk

1.	Morel Philippe	68,860 km
2.	Letourneau Florian	67,259 km
3.	Arnault Jacques	65,595 km
4.	Henry Fabrice	65,595 km
5.	Michelot Rémi	62,744 km
6.	Maison Sylvie (F)	62,406 km
7.	Vandenberghe Renaud	62,082 km
8.	Thouvenel Jean-Charles	61,484 km
9.	Seffari Abdelaziz	60,691 km
10.	Peter Vincent	60,599 km
11.	Labarre Bertrand	58,854 km
12.	Maurel Éric	57,881 km
13.	Grassi Alain	57,323 km
14.	Tillier Ludovic	55,406 km
15.	Pannier Josiane (F)	55,239 km
16.	Sibout Régine (F)	54,184 km
17.	Sibout Daniel	54,184 km
18.	Ducruet Nadia (F)	53,539 km
19.	Chaumet Daniel	53,539 km
20.	Arnault Françoise (F)	52,759 km
21.	Fillieux Christian	51,786 km
	Erard Christophe	36,470 km (4h08'44'')
	Marechal Pascal	29,176 km (3h54'55'')
	Gros Gildas	14,588 km (6h08'49'')

8 Hour Team Relay

1.	Valérie Boban, Catherine Florentin, Thierry Florentin	75,720 km
2.	Nadine Francheteau , Patrick Mougenot	51,544 km

The 6 Hour run was also well supported, with 18 entrants. Cédric Lefebvre won with 78,654 km. A 10km walk was also included, with **David Durand-Pichard** first across the line in a time of 57:54.

10km Walk

1.	Durand-Pichard David	57:54
2.	Narguet Sandrine	58:54
3.	Siegenfuhr Daniel	1:03:23
4.	Briere Dora	1:07:24
5.	Bonvarlet Liliane	1:13:05
6.	Colombo René	1:14:44
7.	Siegenfuhr Yvette	1:15:30
8.	Chabin Frédéric	1:16:05
9.	Briere Régis	1:16:06
10.	Brot Daniel	1:19:21
11.	Grosdemange José	1:23:40
12.	Gravel Christiane	1:26:37
13.	Cattant Daniel	1:43:24

All in all, an excellent first up carnival. Let's hope it continues.



Florian Letourneau (285), Philippe Morel and Sylvie Maison (photos Emmanuel Tardi)

2023 ENGLISH CENTURIONS 100 MILES QUALIFIER, MIDDLESBROUGH, AUG 19-20, 2023

Now on to the 2023 English Centurions 100 Miles qualifier which was held in the British city of Middlesbrough. The race report that of their Hon. Secretary, Chris Flint C 849, and was published on the English Centurions website at <https://centurions1911.org.uk/2023-middlesbrough/>.

The 100 Miles in 24 Hours attracted a field of 20 participants and were joined by 12 entrants for the 50 km Open race held in conjunction. The weather remained dry but a strong breeze made conditions a bit demanding but significantly better than experienced last years at the same venue. The Dutch supported both events and dominated the final positions, and three became new Centurions.

The outright winner was **Edwin van Wijngaarden** C1197 who finished in a fine time of 19.08.26 and holder of the Hammond Trophy. He was followed by regular 100 miles participant **Frank van der Gulik** C1022 completing his 17th UK 100, with **Boetje Huliselan** C1009 finishing 3rd and winner of the Eddie McNeir C375 trophy as the first male finisher aged 65 or over. In fourth position and 1st new Centurion was **Wilfred van Bremen** who became C1218 in a time of 23.25.07. He received the Hew Neilson C145 trophy and the Bill King Memorial Trophy as the youngest finisher. The 2nd new Centurion is **Remco Luhrman** C1219, and the 3rd is **Arjan Bogerd** C1220. All are congratulated on achieving qualification to become a Centurion.

The only female finisher was **Jacqueline van Drongelen** C1217 who walked strongly finishing in 23.43.26. She was awarded the Bristol (Unicorn) Trophy. **Susan Grimes** who is a United States Centurion completed almost 90 miles before retiring. So near to becoming a UK Centurion for which she had made the long journey from the US.

Newcomers to long distance events were **Ashley Browes** and **Mark Vallint**. Ashley completed nearly 73 miles before retiring and both have expressed their intention to try again.

From a British perspective **Colin Vesty** C1167 displayed great determination in completing the 100 miles in 23.52.08. He was the only UK entrant to finish the 100 miles which ensured the UK had a representative in the list of successful finishers. He deserves the highest congratulations on a job well done, and received the RWA Wilkinson Sword as the first male finisher and also the Ken Smith Memorial Trophy as the walker whose performance in the view of the judges was the most meritorious.

The 50 km Open race was undoubtedly a successful addition to be held in conjunction with the 100 Miles. **Ann van Andel** representing Dutch club DAK Drunen was a convincing winner in 05:57:33.9 with **Graham Jackson** of Northern Masters AC second in 06:08:46.0, and **Adrian Edwards** of Lancashire WC in third place in 06:18:22.6.

The Mayor of Middlesbrough, Chris Cook, presented the 100 miles trophies and Chris Hobbs, RWA President, the RWA awards. The work of the referees, judges, and officials received the thanks of all who participated, and the invaluable help of the volunteers who assisted in so many ways is greatly appreciated.

100 Miles Walk					Time	Distance	
1.	Edwin Van Wijngaarden	MV45	DAK DRUNEN	NED	19:08:26	100.00	C 1197
2.	Frank Van Der Gulik	MV45	RWV	NED	21:56:54	100.00	C 1022
3.	Boetje Huliselan	MV65	RWV	NED	23:18:01	100.00	C 1009
4.	Wilfred Van Bremen	MV35	RWV	NED	23:25:07	100.00	C 1218
5.	Jantinus Meints	MV60	RWV	NED	23:25:11	100.00	C 1101
6.	Jacqueline Van Drongelen	FV50	DAK DRUNEN	NED	23:43:27	100.00	C 1217
7.	Remco Lührman	MV55	RWV	NED	23:45:44	100.00	C 1219
8.	Colin Vesty	MV55	LEICESTER WC	GB	23:52:08	100.00	C 1167
9.	Arjan Bogerd	MV50	DAK DRUNEN	NED	23:53:37	100.00	C 1220
10.	Martin Vos	MV50	DAK DRUNEN	NED	23:53:15	90.90	C 1180
11.	Susan Grimes	FV65	UNATTACHED	US	21:29:42	89.69	
12.	Rob Tersteeg	MV45	RWV	NED	19:13:41	82.41	C 1118
13.	Ashley Browes	MV30	UNATTACHED	GB	17:49:11	72.09	
14.	Martin Fisher	MV60	REDCAR RWC	GB	11:53:05	50.25	C 788
15.	Frans Leijtens	MV45	RWV	NED	12:00:07	50.25	C 949
16.	Steve Allen	MV65	BARNET & DIST AC	GB	12:39:47	48.43	
17.	Christopher Flint	MV75	SURREY WC	GB	12:36:20	38.72	C 849
18.	Colin Moore	MV60	ISLE OF MAN VAC	IOM	6:06:07	23.55	
19.	Mark Vallint	MV40	UNATTACHED	GB	6:27:40	21.73	
20.	Haydn Kenna	MV60	ISLE OF MAN VAC	IOM	3:04:11	9.60	

Special congratulations to Australian Centurions **Jantinus Meints (C73)** and **Martin Vos (C79)** on their successful centurion finishes.

Centurion Trophies 2023

Hew Neilson C145 Trophy (First new Male Centurion)	Wilfred van Bremen C 1218
Bristol (Unicorn) Trophy (First Female existing Centurion)	Jacqueline van Drongelen C 1217
Hammond Trophy (First Male existing Centurion)	Edwin van Wijngaarden C 1197
Eddy McNeir C375 Trophy (First Male Finisher aged 65 or over)	Boetje Huliselan C 1009
Bill King Memorial Trophy (Youngest to finish 100 miles)	Wilfred van Bremen C 1218
Ko van der Kwaak Trophy (Great Britain v the Netherlands)	Netherlands
Sunday Dispatch Trophy (Winning Team of Men)	Awarded to the Dutch

Race Walking Association Trophies 2023

Wilkinson Sword (1st male finisher)	Colin Vesty C 1167 (Leicester Walking Club; GB; 23:52:08)
Ken Smith Trophy (most meritorious performance)	Colin Vesty C 1167 (Leicester Walking Club; GB; 23:52:08)

50km Walk

1.	Ann van Andel	FV30	DAK DRUNEN	5:57:33.9
2.	Graham Jackson	MV50	NORTHERN MASTERS AC	6:08:46.0
3.	Adrian Edwards	MV60	LANCASHIRE WC	6:19:22.6
4.	Hardeep Minhas	MV65	LEICESTER WC	6:24:32.7
5.	Martin Payne	MV60	LANCASHIRE WC	6:43:41.4
6.	Larissa Droogendijk	FV50	RWV	6:44:40.7
7.	John Borgars	MV75	HERTS PHOENIX	6:48:13.5
8.	Susan Clements	FV65	CAMBRIDGE & COLERIDGE AC	7:08:26.0
9.	Roy Gunnett	MV75	LANCASHIRE WC	7:19:34.3
10.	Sandra De Graaff	FV55	RWV	7:25:57.6
11.	Sailash Shah	MV55	LANCASHIRE WC	7:55:43.2



Jantinus Meints, Jacqueline Van Drongelen, Boetje Huliselan and Colin Vesty



Wilfred Van Bremen, Martin Vos and Arjan Bogerd and Remco Luhrman (all photos from facebook)

24 HEURES DE BONHEUR VILLENAVE D'ORNON, FRANCE, 27-28 AUGUST 2023

Thanks to Emmanuel Tardi for another French result, namely the 24 Heures de Bonheur Villenave D'Ornon. This meet was a huge affair with 24H, 12H, 6H and 3H races on offer for runners, walkers and relay entrants. That made for a massive start list of over 300 athletes. The walk divisions were well supported, with the 24H walk seeing 28 competitors, the 12H walk seeing 16 competitors, the 6H walk seeing 10 competitors and the 3H walk seeing 19 competitors – 73 walkers in total. See more on the event website at <https://www.24hvillevave.fr/>.

The loop was 1.120km in length and went around and onto the local athletics stadium. The 24H start time was 10AM on the Saturday. **Giles Letessier** easily won the 24H walk with 177.058km, **Bernard Ferrar** won the 12H walk with 80.771km, **Alexandre Cros** won the 6H walk with 49.417km and **Karine Zeimer** won the 3H walk with 26.911km. Full walk results are shown below.

24 Hour Walk		Number	Laps	Distance
1.	LETESSIER Gilles	24128	159	177.058 km
2.	PINEAU Laurent	24106	140	156.735 km
3.	MUNCH Frédéric	24114	132	147.090 km

4.	MALLEREAU Anthony	24124	123	136.866 km
5.	RATEAUX Floriane (F)	24117	119	132.800 km
6.	MOUTIER Jacques	24126	118	131.567 km
7.	RUIN Hervé	24107	116	129.443 km
8.	VEROVE Eric	24129	115	128.362 km
9.	BIRAUD Sylvie (F)	24102	115	128.152 km
10.	CUNIN Bernard	24101	113	125.857 km
11.	DELANGE bour	24115	109	121.850 km
12.	VEROVE Béatrice (F)	24130	103	114.758 km
13.	GALLO Emmanuelle (F)	24109	100	111.336 km
14.	PENA Guylaine (F)	24110	100	111.336 km
15.	CHOUET Laurent	24116	95	105.504 km
16.	DELARUE Jacques	24108	95	105.365 km
17.	DUPERRET Sacha	24123	93	103.539 km
18.	DEGEORGE Laurent	24104	92	103.036 km
19.	MALLEREAU Guy	24125	92	102.635 km
20.	GANNE Laurent	24111	91	100.898 km
21.	QUILLE Pascal	24121	91	100.970 km
22.	QUILLE Corinne (F)	24122	83	92.022 km
23.	LHERITIER Michel	24112	75	83.457 km
24.	GOUPIL Maxime	24127	69	76.289 km
25.	THIEBAULT Clémentine (F)	24113	65	71.876 km
26.	AITMELLOUK Houda (F)	24133	64	70.851 km
27.	FELIX Dominique	24132	60	66.659 km
28.	PIERRE Patrick	24105	52	58.225 km

12 Hour Walk

		Number	Laps	Distance
1.	FERRARA Bernard	1258	73	80.771 km
2.	ELMON Sandra (F)	1262	70	78.228 km
3.	PAGES Alain	1251	70	77.400 km
4.	NICOINE Gregory	1257	66	73.897 km
5.	MONNIER Yann	1256	61	68.411 km
6.	DINTILHAC Alain	1261	61	67.830 km
7.	BAQUET Jean-marc	1265	58	65.021 km
8.	MEILLAT Julie (F)	1266	58	64.463 km
9.	PELLE Marie-claire (F)	1255	54	60.418 km
10.	PAGES Karine (F)	1252	52	57.422 km
11.	DELARUE. Michèle (F)	1253	49	53.913 km
12.	MOREAUX Jean-francois	1254	49	54.469 km
13.	RECHOU Yves	1264	46	51.435 km
14.	CAZEAUX Nadine (F)	1259	42	46.657 km
15.	POUGET Didier	1263	41	45.019 km
16.	SAVARE Valerie (F)	1260	37	40.479 km

6 Hour Walk

		Number	Laps	Distance
1.	CRÔS Alexandre	656	45	49.417 km
2.	VANDENBERGHE Renaud	655	44	48.299 km
3.	BERTOT Sylvain	657	39	42.706 km
4.	DOUX Fabrice	651	39	42.706 km
5.	LEONE Melanie	658	38	41.588 km
6.	BITEAU Jean	654	34	37.114 km
7.	OUF Patrick	661	33	35.995 km
8.	LAMBERT Geraldine	653	32	34.877 km
9.	LIFFAURE Ghislaine	660	29	31.521 km
10.	COSSON Maryse	652	26	28.166 km

3 Hour Walk

		Number	Laps	Distance
1.	ZEIMER Karine (F)	361	24	26.911 km
2.	BOURICHON Christophe	351	23	24.894 km
3.	SALILLAS Xavier	371	22	24.711 km
4.	DROUET Samuel	355	22	24.561 km
5.	CELLE Christian	353	22	23.805 km
6.	LOUIS Jacques	362	21	23.524 km

7.	HELLER Denis	363	21	22.967 km
8.	BRIVAL Christine (F)	358	20	21.455 km
9.	BARRERE Séverine (F)	352	19	21.109 km
10.	MACCARI Patrick	360	18	20.160 km
11.	MEUNIER Philippe	372	18	19.917 km
12.	THOMAS Olivier	364	18	19.724 km
13.	CROUZEL Nathalie (F)	366	18	19.610 km
14.	DE LAVERGNE Marguerite (F)	354	18	19.307 km
15.	MOLINENGAULT Elie (F)	368	17	18.100 km
16.	DUPET Nathalie (F)	370	16	17.996 km
17.	DEGEORGE Françoise (F)	365	13	14.238 km
18.	MOLINENGAULT Severine (F)	367	13	13.626 km
19.	CELEREAU Christine (F)	369	13	13.626 km



Dominique Delange, Christophe Bourichon, Karine Zeimer and Gilles Letessier (photos Emmanuel Tardi)

UNTIL OUR NEXT NEWSLETTER

It's always good to complete another newsletter and to be able to publish good quality overseas results. Congratulations in particular to all the finishers in the English Centurions qualifier in Middlesbrough and welcome to our newest Centurion members.

With kind regards

Tim Erickson (C13),
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