

# Open track meets headline summer

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Several road runs and all-comers meets are scheduled for the summer and early fall for those joggers who enjoy running with others in a festive, non-competitive atmosphere. The events are organized so that a person's only real competition is himself or herself.

"These events are strictly for entertainment and recreation," says Wade Bell, Oregon Track Club president. Several road runs are sponsored by the Oregon Track Club and they also sponsor the all-comers meets, which the Track City track club assists in running.

An all-comers meet duplicates a regular track and field competition. Beginning the first weekend after July 4, meets will be held on Thursday and Friday nights at Hayward Field for five straight weeks.

"We run everyone from one to 13 years old on Thursday nights and everyone from 14 to 100 on

Friday nights," Bell says. "If someone was 101, I'd let 'em run."

Bell, who has fired the starting gun at every meet for nine years, says every track and field event except the hammer is featured at the meets. However, younger children are not allowed to participate in throwing events.

The most popular events, according to Bell, are the long jump and the 70 yard dash. But lots of joggers test their speed and endurance during the mile runs. Separate "heats" are run according to age group (14-15, 16-17 and 18 plus). Participants run as fast as they can, like any regular race.

In the other mile event, ribbons

are awarded to those persons who come close to or match their predicted times. If the time is right on, the person gets a first place ribbon, one second off second place, two seconds off third place,

and three seconds off fourth place. Four heats are run according to a maximum time for each, so that entrants are running with persons of similar ability.

Participants pay an entry fee of 50 cents, which covers them for three events. Bell says the fee covers the cost of ribbons. Oregon Track Club members can participate without charge.

Seven local road runs are scheduled for the summer and early fall. Several more may be organized as the summer progresses in conjunction with various festivals, so keep an ear open to news of their occurrence. Some require pre-registration, but most just demand a nominal fee and promise an opportunity to run with other avid joggers through scenic territory.

• Butte to Butte, 10 kilometers. The big event for runners on July 4th, this run features a cross-town course from Spencer's Butte to Skinner's Butte, with a red, white, and blue tee shirt awaiting finishers.

Participants must pre-register and pay a \$3.50 entry fee. The race kicks off at Spencer's Butte junior high. This event drew 1100 runners last year, and is expected to draw close to 2000 this year.

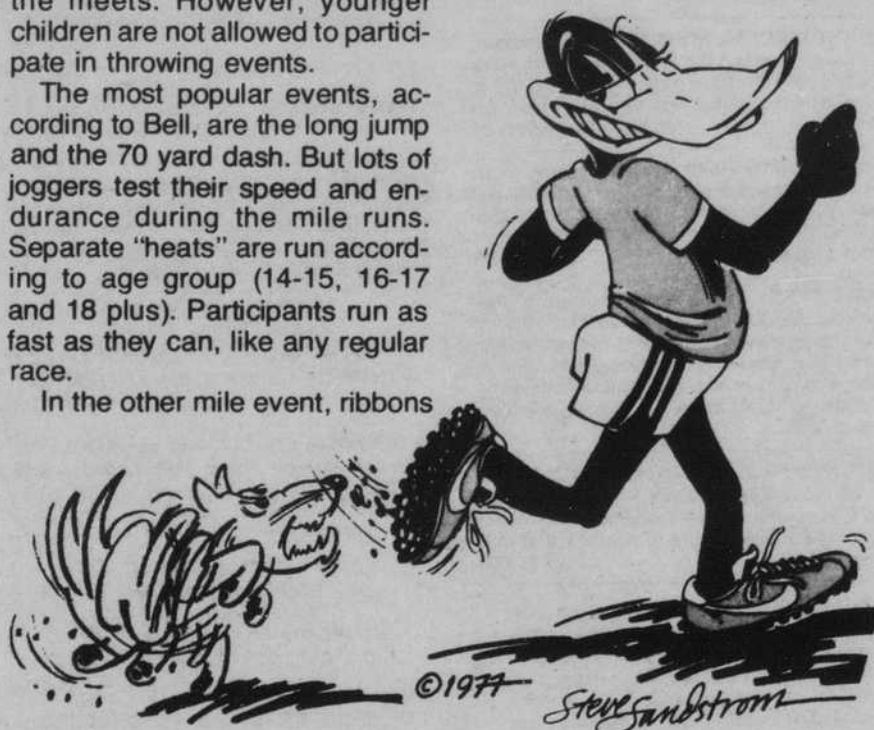
• Bohemia Mining Days 13 Mile Run. The half marathon starts in a scenic rural area south of Cottage Grove and will be held in conjunction with the Bohemia Mining Days celebrations.

The advance entry fee, due by July 12 is \$4. Late entries will be \$5, and runners may register the day of the race by 8:30 a.m. Run starts at 9 a.m. Arrangements have been made to transport runner's clothes from the starting line to the finish.

• John Craig Memorial, 10 kilometers. A scenic trip along the McKenzie Pass, this race also features T-shirts for all finishers and a \$3.50 entry fee. August 6.

• OTC-Nike Marathon, September 10. Already closed due to enthusiastic pre-registration, but interested persons are welcome to watch.

For more information and entry forms for these and other road runs, contact Lary Simpson at Sugar Pine Ridge, 345-5584.



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## Trojan—

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tracted to sell the 30 percent of Trojan's output to BPA in return for payments on EWEB's share of the operating costs and the debt service on the bonds issued to finance the investment. EWEB receives these payments whether the plant is operating or not.

"The significant cost of Trojan is building it and having it there," says Santee. "It costs almost as much to have it sit there as to have it operate because of the maintenance and the fuel costs."

The cost of replacing this power may eventually be borne by the company's customers.

"If the plant remains shut down, PGE could go to Bechtel and ask for money to meet the replacement power cost," says Godard of the DOE. "If Bechtel refused, which it probably would, PGE might sue to recover the costs or request an emergency rate hike from Oregon's Public Utilities Commissioner to make up for the lost revenues."

Hearings are scheduled for September, 1978, on a 23.6 percent rate increase PGE has already requested from the Public Utilities Commissioner.

At least eight persons have petitioned the NRC to hold hearings on the control building modifications. They include: Eugene Rosolie of Portland, representing the Coalition for Safe Power; David McCoy of Grants Pass; Nina Bell and Stephen Willingham of Portland; John Kulberg of Sauvie Island; Marjorie Kundiger of St. Helens; Sharon McKeel of Portland, and Linda Werner of Deer Island, representing the Columbia County Environmental Council.

The Columbia County Environmental Council, composed of persons living within 25 miles of the Trojan plant, asserts that any costs incurred in reinforcing the walls of the control building "should legally be shouldered by the negligent contractor, the Bechtel Corporation," and not passed along in rate hikes to the customers.

If the NRC holds hearings on the control building modifications, Trojan's owners have requested that the first item on the agenda be whether the plant will remain shut down while they proceed.