# Van Cortlandt Track Club newsletter 

## BQ

## David Isaac qualifies for Boston at the N7 Marathon. An emotional marathon in Beantown the week before could not overshadow what was a great accomplishment

## The New Fersey Marathon

by David Isaac Ohe New Jersey Marathon was my $14^{\text {th }}$ marathon overall, and my $5^{\text {th }}$ since finally breaking the $4: 00$ barrier at Wineglass in 2012. Since then I'd run four straight marathon PRs, and was gradually moving within striking distance of the ultimate dream- a Boston Qualifier. I knew it was a stretch goal for me; I would need an improvement of 8:51 to get me to the required 3:30. I have always trained hard for my marathons, but this time I had trained differently. I focused on increasing my mileage and endurance, doing weekly long (at least for me they were long!) runs with accomplished Ultra marathoners Tony Portera and Elena Makovskaya. My goal was to become so comfortable pushing past 20 miles, that on race day there would be no fear of the distance. Tony and Elena also helped me to be smarter about proper fueling; just because I was capable of running a marathon without food didn't mean it was helping my performance. Although I didn't follow a written plan, I made certain to do the weekly speed, tempo, and hill workouts. I knew I was prepared, but also knew that to succeed, everything was going to have to break right for me.



David Isaac on bis way to BQ

Race day was better than I could have hoped for. It was a bit windy, but the temperature was a near perfect 48 degrees at race time, rising no higher than 55 . My race plan was to stay ahead of the $3: 30$ pace group, while trying to keep the $3: 25$ group in my sights. I knew this would be challenging, requiring me to stay sub 8:00 the whole race. My previous PR pace had been 8:20. The half marathon had gone off an hour earlier, and the 2200 marathoners were being released in waves. This entirely eliminated early race congestion, and after a $7: 32$ first mile I quickly settled into my pace. I stayed very even through my first half splits, hitting 10K in $48: 57$ (7:53), and 13.1 in 1:42:58 (7:52). The course was flat and easy, there was intermittent crowd support, and there (continued page 2)
were some beautiful ocean views to enjoy. I was careful to stay hydrated and to take on food. I drank water and/or Gatorade at almost every opportunity. I was feeling good, almost great, and I had something huge to look forward to: the promise of Laura Rodriguez somewhere ahead to pace me to the finish.


David and Laura after the race
Laura picked me up around mile 17 , giving me a huge lift. This also had the unintended consequence of my pace
increasing; mile 17 clocked in at $7: 32$. This matched mile 1 , and was the fastest of the day. I quickly pulled back, and hit 30 K in 2:26:28 (7:52). I was still on target, but felt myself starting to fade a bit. I now noticed that eating or drinking was causing me to have some difficulty with my breathing. I also noticed that my hamstrings were tightening a bit. Laura and I were talking; she was encouraging me (and pretty much every other runner on the course), and making sure I was staying hydrated. At mile 21 my hamstrings became more of an issue. I had some twinges, which told me cramping is coming. I slowed slightly, and cut my stride down to short, choppy steps. I've found that varying my stride can sometimes help fight off cramps. This tactic worked for a while; mile 21 and 22 were an 8:00 and an 8:07.

Then, disaster struck. My right hamstring locked up and I came to a complete stop. I stretched and shook out my leg, while Laura was pretty much punching my hamstring. The cramp left me and I started running again, but not before I was caught and passed by the 3:30 pacer. It was mentally devastating. Mile 23 was a 9:39, and I felt with just over a 5 K to go I had just let Boston slip through my fingers. Laura was yelling at me to move faster, telling me we'd be riding the bus to Boston together, that I was strong, that I had it. I was thinking several random things for the duration of the race. I was thinking about the long training runs with my friends at Rockies, and that I knew I must have several miles left in me. I was thinking about Laura's bright yellow (continued page 3 )

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Boston shirt, and how badly I wanted one of my own. I was thinking about how much I hated that 3:30 pacer, and that there was no way I'd let him beat me to the finish line. I was thinking about how great a runner Laura is, and that if she was telling me to run hard I couldn't let her down. I was thinking about how badly I wanted to call home and tell my family I had BQ'd. Most importantly, I was thinking I was never going to have a better chance than today. Mile 24 was a 7:55. Mile 25 was a $7: 54$. I caught, and passed the 3:30 pacer. We reached the Boardwalk, Laura yelling at me to keep going, telling me the finish is in sight. I tell her, "I'm dizzy. I can't see it." She responds with "Run now. You can pass out when we get there." Somehow my legs keep turning over, and I cross in 3:28:45. My race is sub $3: 30$, a 10:06 PR, a 7:59 pace, with only one bad- but not catastrophic mile. Boston!
epilogue: It's a day later, and I'm still feeling intensely emotional about this race. Nine years ago I was unable to finish a 5 K in 30 minutes; yesterday I achieved the Holy Grail. I am eternally grateful to Laura for being there for me, and making sure I didn't let the dream slip away. I hope that some day I will have the opportunity to do the same for someone else.\#

How To Tie Your Shoes Before A Race
(and a few more important lessons learned by a veteran racer)
by Mandi Susman
Cere I am accepting my
2nd Place Age Group (3rd overall...) trophy at the Annual RMHA 5K in Van Cortlandt Park. Of course, getting an award

is always great, but this particular race really taught me something about racing and perseverance.

This is a small local race and I knew my main competition would be from my fellow team mates from the Van Cortlandt Track Club. I also knew the course was very, very flat so it would be a good opportunity for me to get a PR.

I came to the race ready to place, at least, if not win my age group. I was ready to roll...

I wore my racing shoes (GoMebs) which I don’t normally wear unless I'm racing shorter races on trails, so they were perfect for this particular race.

I'm not a fan of tying shoes. so I tie them once, a little lose, so I can just slip my feet in and out. The constant pulling on the knot when putting them on and taking them off makes the knot really secure and I never worry about them coming undone. Ever.

Well, I was wearing a pair of shoes that needs to be tied but because I never have a problem with my other shoes coming undone, I only tied this pair once, thinking that would be fine.

I lined up at the start with my teammates, ready run. The gun went off and I took off with the front runners since most of the field were walkers and fun runners. About a half mile in, I looked ahead to see how many other women were ahead of me. I could only see two... Somehow I was the third woman. I've never been in the top 5 of any race in my adult racing career. I was feeling strong and confident, prepared and ready for a big race. Coming up on the first mile, there was a course marshal with a watch reading out times, my first mile was a $7: 24$, on pace for a nice PR........

Then it happened. I looked down and (continued page 4)
my right shoe was untied. I couldn't continue two more miles with my shoe untied. As a mom, I'm constantly telling my boys to tie their shoes for fear of tripping and that's all I could think about, I'm going to trip. So, I moved to the side, stopped, leaned over and tied my shoe. If I hadn't been in the middle of a race, I might have thought to double knot both laces, but as I mentioned, I've never had a problem with shoes coming untied so I didn't have it on my radar.

As I finished tying the shoe, I looked up and noticed a woman in a pink top pass me, as did one of my teammates. I jumped up and took off after them both. Monica Harrington yelled at me, go get
her! So I went after the woman in pink and passed her, setting my sights on the \#2 woman. She wasn't that far ahead; if I could pick it up just a little maybe I could catch her.

The next half mile was spent getting my head back in the game and focusing. I was back to feeling confident and strong, ready to finish strong. The PR was in jeopardy, but I could still get a 3rd place finish...

But then, lightning struck twice! Now the left shoe was untied! What an idiot, I thought to myself! For someone with over 30 years of experience running races, how could I possibly let this happen once, much less twice. So, just like before I pulled over, bent
down (not the best thing to do when you're running fast, by the way), and tied my shoe. Again, had I been thinking, I might have double knotted both shoes but I was so focused on getting up and back to the race the thought never crossed my mind. Once again, the lady in the pink top had passed me and even though I was losing my focus and drive, I was determined to pass her again. If I did it once, I could do it again.

She wasn't that far ahead of me so I pull up and passed her, probably somewhere around the 2 mile mark. The course was one that I had run hundreds of times, so I knew where the finish was and I could feel it. Despite the 2 pit stops, I was (continued page 5)

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still the 3rd overall female and I was hopeful that I could hold that place. But then, yes, lightning struck a THIRD time! The right shoe was untied yet again! Now I'm beyond flustered. How can this happen? The fates are against me. This is my one chance for a third place overall win and it's fading into the sunset... But now I was into a routine. I pulled over, tied my shoe (pulled the knot a little too tight, but can you blame me?) and once again, the pink tank top had passed me.

Clearly the PR was long gone, but only one woman passed me and I had already passed her twice, surely I had one more in me... I
took off in pursuit and sure enough pulled up on her. As I passed her for the third time she shouted out, "Man, you're fast!"

I couldn't respond because I didn't have the breath, but I thought to myself, yeah, just think how fast I would have been if I hadn't had to tie my shoes three times!!!

There was now about a half mile to the finish. It was a totally flat course, so I all I had to do was maintain and I'd get third. I kept waiting for the pink tank lady to come up behind me and push past because she wasn't worn out from bending over and stopping three times. I pushed and pushed to
maintain my lead knowing that the second place woman was out of reach. Somehow I held on and finished third!

It was a sloppy race on my part and I was a full minute off my PR, but I was proud of myself for not giving up. I could have just slowed way down and saved the racing for another day, but I kept going, kept pushing and still had something to show for it.

The lesson here, never give up (and always double knot your shoes!!!).\#

Please renew your membership

## Inspiring Reads for Runners

Kick Off Your Trainers and Enjoy!

| Kathrine Switzer |  |
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|  | Inspiring story of the woman who broke through gender barriers to get the women's marathon into the Olympic games. |
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| http://kathrineswitzer.com/ |  |



## My Recovery Part 2

by Bobby Asber

Members may remember my article from the last issue of the VCTC Newsletter when I recounted my ordeal at the Boston Marathon, ending in the emergency room at Tufts Medical Center. I found out an MRI later, it was a stress fracture.

My sacral stress fracture (a fracture in my pelvis close to the tail bone), which put me in the ER after the Boston Marathon was thought to be an issue with muscle for months.

My orthopedist told me that 4-6 weeks was the approximate healing time for this particular injury. That meant that from the time I was in the ER after the Boston Marathon, 6 weeks of recovery was in order. According to the doctor, I could push hard in non-impact exercises, but then start running very, VERY slowly at his direction. The recovery kept me in the pool for a month, with pool running and swimming as my main exercises to, at the very least, maintain fitness.

I spent hours alone when I would have otherwise been working out on the track with VCTC, so that I wouldn't be swarmed by the more
competitive swimmers who on occasion would practically push me out of the way as I attempted to hold my own in the "[not so] slow/medium" lane at NYU's facilities. I was limited to odd hours after work, and it absolutely was lonely at times.

In making lemonade out of a lemon, however, I feel strong from the swimming, and have found other ways in which to support my fellow runners in ways that didn't involve running (i.e. the banana suit) and was able to fully enjoy the other aspects of our sport that I never get to partake in as a racer, but that I love. After those cheering sessions, it was always straight to the pool, a very different routine, but one that was needed.

Now I am excited to be able to run again.

My first week back was an average of 10 -minute runs at 12-13:00 per mile, every other day. That meant barely anything at all distance-wise, but nonetheless to my muscles it was a long way.

The next week was similar, except with an average of 20 minutes per run, including stretch breaks at 11:00-12:00 per mile. Four (4) weeks into this routine, I was able to run the LGBT Pride Run at my normal training pace of 7:15 per mile (starting at $8: 45$ pace
and finishing in 6:15 feeling good.)

The main issue that I had to remember during the first few weeks of jogging is that my legs were still getting used to gravity. I mean that literally, as the muscles simply are not adjusted to taking a pounding, as they normally would be on runs.

While I've started running in races to test the limits, I am careful to stretch, foam-roll and ice or bath in Epsom salts after the hard efforts when I still feel tight in the previously injured areas.

Starting slower isn't easy for a competition junkie like me, but you have to start somewhere. As I have started back "racing" the Putnam Classic 8 -miler and the Stowe 8 -miler, two of my favorite races to date, the simple experience of going faster is one I can relish in. It just feels good!

I haven't pushed past $80 \%$ yet in races, and probably won't until at least Club Championships. But to get back to my best form healthily will take time.

Meanwhile I am so, so glad to be back as an active runner in VCTC. I love cheering in a banana suit as much as the next spectator, setting an example for my teammates who need a recovery period that recovery doesn't have (continued pg 7)
to be boring. The coach and race director sides of me relish being on the sidelines as well as out on the course competing. But I love racing. I'm glad to be backing training. I could now write an entire book on my experience, but I'll stop here.

I'm grateful to all who have supported me through the healing process and look forward to being out there both as a healthy athlete and spectator many more times this year. I am returning a [hopefully] wiser runner and Team Captain.

GO VCTC!\#

## VCTC Club Happenings

At the New Ro North Ave Mile, Tony Gonzalez set a new 65-69 age group club record of 6.49. At today's inaugural VCTC Pentathlon he also set new 800 m and $\mathbf{2 M}$ age group Club Records of $\mathbf{3 . 3 4}$ and $\mathbf{1 7 . 1 6}$ respectively.

Also at the Pentathlon, Juliene Bell-Smith set a Ladies' 30-39 Club Record of $\mathbf{1 3 . 3 4}$.

The men's $\mathbf{2 M}$ records also fell today in the Men's 50-54 age group to yours truly in $\mathbf{1 1 . 3 0}$ while Beni Veraz set a new 55-59 Club Record of 13.07.

At the recent NYRR Tuesday Night at Icahn Stadium, Anna Carlson set an astonishing new Overall Club Record for the 1500 m of 4.49 .

Bette Clark improved her own CR in the $\mathbf{5 k}$ to 23.05 in the Central Park Challenge on 8 June.

In the Oakley Mini 10k on 14 June:Anne Tiger-Days broke her own 45-49 CR set in the Scotland Run by 2 minutes with a 44.48.Anna Carlson took 7 secs off Laura's 30-39 CR set in Dec 2012 with a 30.43, and Bette Clark beat her own 55-59 Club Record set in Dec 2011 by 3 seconds to finish in 38.19.

Well done and congratulations to all. See the 'Club Stuff' tab at www.vctc.org for the full lists.


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All members who are in good standing(dues paid) should sign up for "Members Only" status to access important club information.

## Coaches' Corner

Welcome, overheated friends! The humidity is back, the sweat flows freely, the hills beckon and the track remains crowded. We will continue to alternate training cycles on Tuesday night until the final hill workout on August 5. After that we will resume workouts on the track until the end of autumn.

Speaking of the track, there was one more Tuesday night session at Icahn Stadium on July 22. Races included a 2 miler, 1500,800 and a $4 \times 400$ relay. A good group of VCTC runners participated, ending with a $4 \times 400$ relay just over 4 minutes.

One more Central Park 5 mile race looms, the team champs on August 2. Points double in this race so please do your utmost to participate. This year the women run first at 8:30 followed by the men's race at $9: 30$. Men, please get there early so we can cheer our comrades on !

The summer series races end on August $14^{\text {th }}$ with our post-series party. It's been a great series thus far. I'm not sure that any of the upcoming races can top the sheer madness of the $2 \times 2$ relay night with sheets of rain and hail dousing the participants. Hats ( and shirts ) off to James Moloney for improvising post-race awards at Gleeson's.

Suggested speed workouts for different races:
5m-10K race- Step down ladder workout- 2,000, $1600,1200,800,400$ in which the intensity of pace increases from 10 K down to mile pace. Rest $=$ half of the time run

5 K race- $10 \times 500 @ 5 \mathrm{~K}$ pace w 2 min rest ( 300 jog )

Mile - $8 \times 200 @$ mile race pace with 2 minute jog in between. \#\#\#

## Upcoming Races

Aug 10- Sun- 5 PM- Peekskill Brewery Mile Aug 14- Thu- 7 PM- VCTC 5K Summer Series Race \# 7
Aug 16- Sat- 8 AM- NYC Runs 5K, Roosevelt Island
Aug 23- Sat- 8 AM- Percy Sutton 5K
Sep 1- Mon- 8 AM- NYC Runs 5K, Roosevelt Island
Sep 7- Sun- 8:30- South Nyack 10 mile
Sep 7- Sun- 9 AM- Autism Speaks 4 m, Central Park**
Sep 13- Sat- 9 AM- $5^{\text {th }}$ Ave Mile**
Sep 14- Sun- 9 AM- Tuckahoe Challenge, 1m-5m
Sep 14- Sun- 7 AM- NY Marathon Tune Up 18m
Sep 14- Sun- 11:30- Henry Isola X- Country
Classic 4m, VC
Sep 20-Woodlawn Run For A Cause Woodlawn NY

## Summer Series Post-Race BBQ

Who: Van Cortlandt Track Club members

When: After the final Summer Series Thursday night race, August 14, approx 8 p.m.
Where: Van Cortlandt Golf House Why: To celebrate our Summer Series Races
Cost: \$io for paid members, \$25 for unpaid members and guests, $\$ 5$ kids io and under(go to vctc.org and sign up)



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## CLUB NEWS

Membership: Please renew your membership which was due $\mathbf{1 / 1 / 1 4}$ (If you haven't already). Membership rates are: single-\$25; family-\$35. New members add $\$ 15$ to pay for team singlet; additional singlets cost $\$ 15$. Please send checks payable to VCTC to: VCTC P.O. Box 341, Bronx, N.Y. 10471. Applications are online at www.vctc.org Please e-mail Rick Bloomer or David King with any changes of address, phone, email and whether you would like to be added to the group email.
Meetings/Workouts: For 2014: Team meetings are held on the end Saturday of the month at 10 a.m.
Club workouts are: Tuesdays at 7 pom. at the Van Cortland Stadium track or at the x-country bridge, Thursday evening tempo runs meeting at 7 p.m. at the Tortoise and Hare Statue/X-country finish line, Saturdays at 8 arm. (we meet at handball courts at 242nd St and Broadway)
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