

## 1977 SLAC RACE BIG SUCCESS

*Note: All the race photos are by Joe Faust except the one identified as Charlie McCabe's.*

On September 1, the Sixth Annual SLAC Footrace around the Klystron Gallery was held. This event attracted an unusual number of talented runners, and together with the Joggers who were out for a fun run they formed a field of more than 45 competitors at the Starting Line. This year's larger crowd was partly due to increased interest on the part of non-SLAC people from the Stanford campus.

Because of the PEP construction work now in progress near Sector 30, we were forced to cancel the usual Bike Race and 100-Yard Dash for this year. But the size of the crowd that showed up for the 3.8-mile Footrace would have made it virtually impossible to carry out all three races within the allotted time span anyhow.

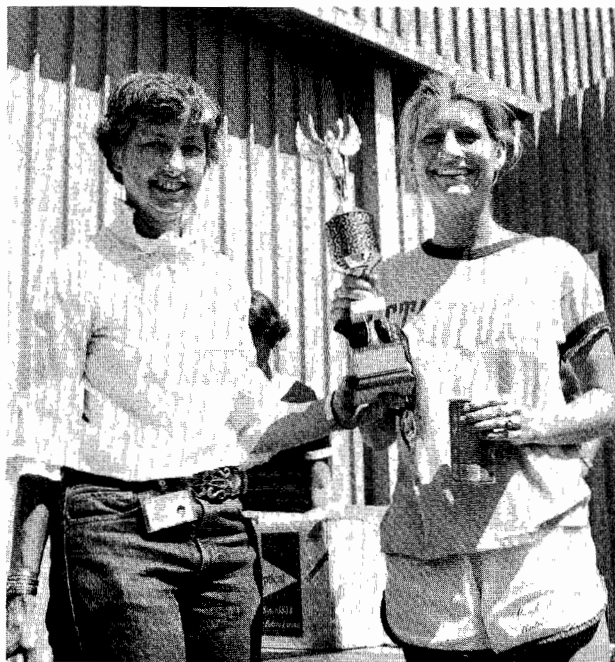
Most noteworthy was the fact that the record for the course was broken this year by the first five runners, with Hal Tompkins leading the way in the phenomenal time of 19 minutes and 27 seconds. The second-place tie between John Sheehan and Paul Thompson, at 20:26, has an interesting story behind it. Dr. Thompson is associated with the Stanford Heart Disease Prevention Program and is a well-known Marathon runner--winner of the 1977 Paul Masson Marathon in Cupertino, and 16th finisher in the 1976 Boston Marathon (which had nearly 3000 entrants). Owing to a misunderstanding, he arrived at the starting line when the other runners were already about 200 yards away. He noted afterward that he doubted

he could have caught Tompkins but might have made it more interesting for him.

Tom Knight was the first SLAC person to finish, in 8th place overall. The first woman to finish was Phyllis Olrich, a noted Stanford runner, who placed 12th. The first (and only) SLAC woman to run was Misha Merrill who earned a Trophy for her efforts.

In the 50-plus age group, old pro Charlie Hoard was joined this year by Herb Weidner and

Place	All Runners	*SLAC/SCIP	Time
1	Hal Tompkins		19:27 <sup>1</sup>
2	John Sheehan		20:26 <sup>1</sup>
3	Paul Thompson		20:26 <sup>1</sup>
4	Don Flaten		20:42 <sup>1</sup>
5	Donal Day		20:51 <sup>1</sup>
6	Ed Jerome		21:28
7	Chuck Fox		21:51
8	Tom Knight	*	22:28
9	Joe Quesada	*	22:36
10	Alex Gallegos	*	22:45
11	Peter Wood		23:05
12	Phyllis Olrich		23:08 <sup>2</sup>
13	Don Carpenter		23:10
14	Marilyn Taylor		23:18
15	Joe Kiskis	*	23:50
16	Nat Sterling		24:07
17	Wallace Judd		24:14
18	(Unknown)		24:18
19	Tom Guardino		24:34
20	Bill Dawkins		24:48
21	Ken Moore	*	24:58
22	Herb Weidner	*	25:13
23	Bob Sinclair		25:19
24	Ross Campbell		25:46
25	John Keyak		25:51
26	Harry Turner		26:53
27	Ed Taylor	*	27:09
28	Ron Davidson		28:32
29	Susan Laird		28:33
30	Jim Wahl	*	29:11
31	Dick Johnson	*	29:43
32	Roland Muniz	*	29:46
33	Mary Dageforde		29:47
34	Harold Hanerfeld	*	30:12
35	Charlie Hoard	*	30:22
36	Tom Meyer	*	31:17
37	Tom Donlon	*	31:23
38	Harvey Ceaser		34:06
39	Y. S. Chan	*	34:31
40	Gary Michael		34:38
41	Mike Gravina	*	34:38
42	Herb Tiedemann	*	37:26
43	Christine Wood		40:17
44	Keith Wescourt		42:52
45	Misha Merrill	*	42:52



Misha Merrill, first woman from SLAC to finish, receives her trophy from Adele Panofsky.

<sup>1</sup>First 5 finishers break previous record of 20:53 set by Alan Honma in 1976.

<sup>2</sup>Establishes a course record for women.

Ed Taylor. We hope this group will continue to attract more runners.

The results of the race have been listed here in several different ways: overall results, women only, and SLAC people only.

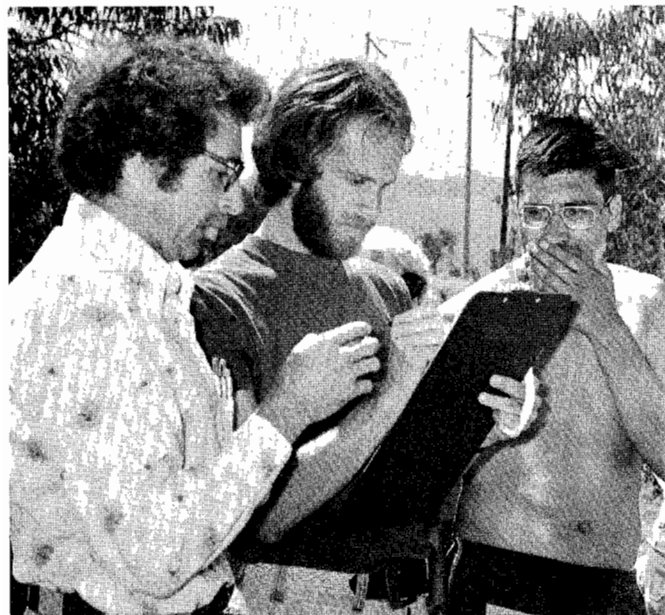
Thanks are due to Gwen Bowen, Adele Panofsky, Joan Gardner, Bill Divita, Gerard Putallaz, Frank Menezes, Frank Sabato, Bill Black, Bob Young, Reyes Valenzuela, Tony Barrero, and especially to Tom Knight for their assistance with the many tasks that must be carried out to make this event a success.

See you all on Thursday, August 31, 1978, for the next Annual Races event.

--Ken Moore

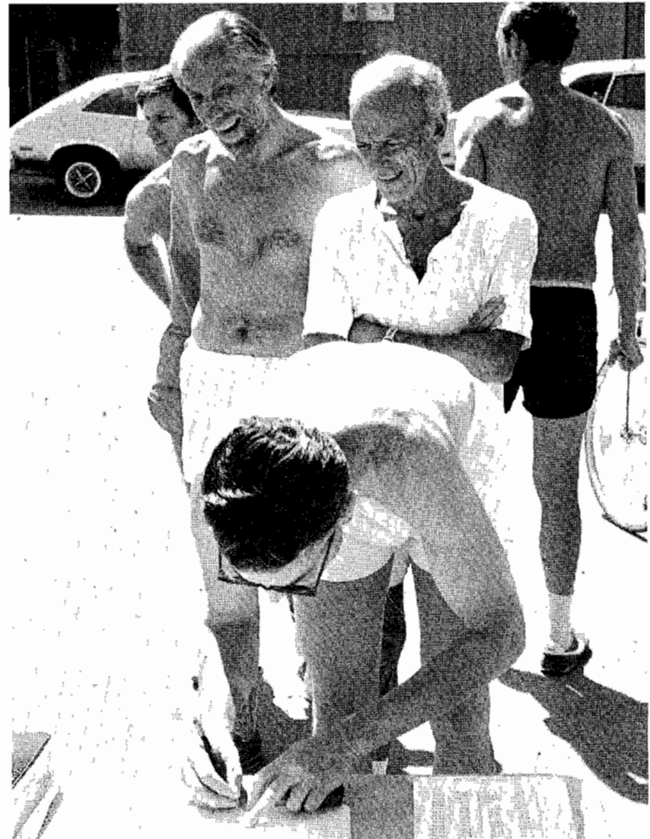


Charlie McCabe's photo shows the field just settling in for the long haul after the first 100 or so yards.



Timers Gerard Putallaz and Bill Divita with Alex Gallegos.

Place	Overall Place	All Women Runners	Time
1	12	Phyllis Olrich	23:08
2	14	Marilyn Taylor	23:18
3	29	Susan Laird	28:33
4	33	Mary Dageforde	29:47
5	43	Christine Wood	40:17
6	45	Misha Merrill (SLAC)	42:52



The half-century contingent signs up: Charlie Hoard (front), Ed Taylor and Herb Weidner.

Place	Overall Place	All SLAC Runners	Time
1	8	Tom Knight (PEP)	22:28
2	10	Alex Gallegos (EC)	22:45
3	15	Joe Kiskis (Theory)	23:50
4	21	Ken Moore (PMU)	24:58
5	22	Herb Weidner (EFD)	25:13
6	27	Ed Taylor (SFG)	27:09
7	30	Jim Wahl (Graph. Arts)	29:11
8	32	Roland Muniz (PEP)	29:46
9	34	Harold Hanerfeld (EB)	30:12
10	35	Charlie Hoard (ME)	30:22
11	36	Tom Meyer (EB)	31:17
12	37	Tom Donlon (PEP)	31:23
13	41	Mike Gravina (EB)	34:38
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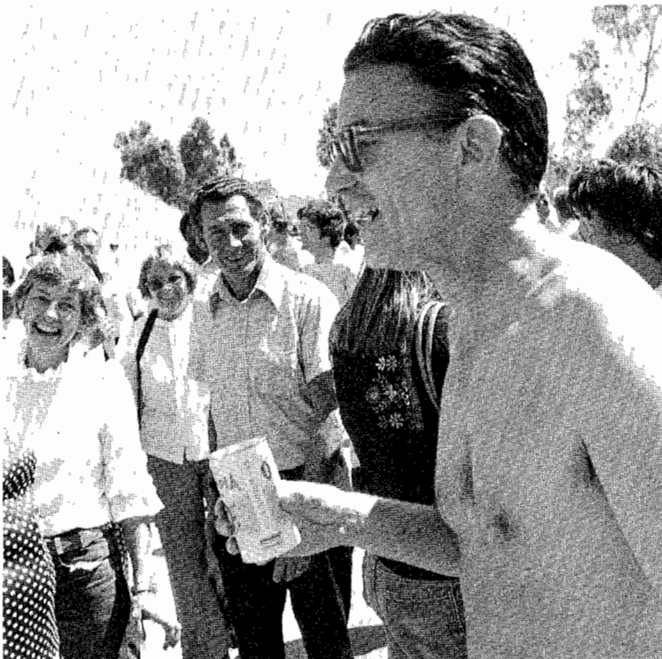


Frank Sabato (left), Alex Gallegos and Organizer Ken Moore check the results.

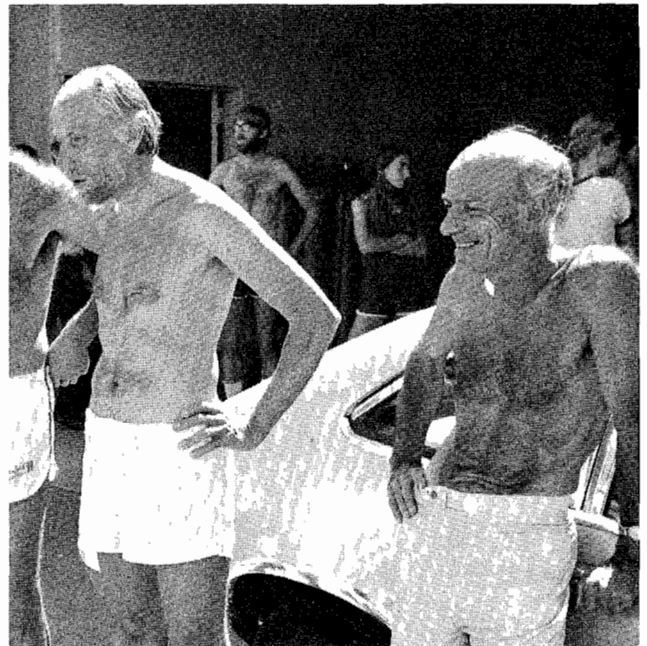


Adele Panofsky presents a trophy to Tom Knight, who was the first SLAC person to finish.

A continuing vote of thanks to Ken Moore for his efforts in organizing the SLAC Annual Race this year--and every year.



Charlie Hoard holds forth in his usual entertaining manner after the race. The can contains Spring Maid Mineral Water.



It must be all that running that makes these old geezers look as though they've just had a transplant from the neck down. How's your transplant coming along?