

ROAD RUNNERS CLUB OF AMERICA HISTORY OF THE NATIONAL GRASSROOTS AWARD WINNERS

RRCA American Long Distance Running Hall of Fame

Developed in 1970, the RRCA American Long Distance Running Hall of Fame inducts individuals who have made significant contributions to the sport of long distance running either through excellence in the sport or significant contributions to the sport.

2007 - Jenny Spangler, Judi St. Hilaire

- 2006 Deena Kastor, Mebrahtom Keflezighi
- 2005 Keith Brantly, Steve Spence
- 2004 Helen Klein, Lisa Rainsberger
- 2003 Bob Kempainen, Kathy O'Brien
- 2002 Patti Dillon, Herb Lindsay
- 2001 Miki Gorman, Greg Meyer
- 2000 Mark Curp, John Tuttle
- 1999 Gerry Lindgren, Tony Sandoval
- 1998 Benji Durden, Doug Kurtis
- 1997 Kim Jones, Jon Sinclair
- 1996 Ed Eyestone, Jerry Kokesh, Pete Pfitzinger
- 1995 Ann Trason, George Young
- 1994 Julie Brown, Amby Burfoot, Marion Irvine
- 1993 Jack Bacheler, Norm Green, Mary Decker Slaney
- 1992 Jeff Darman, Jeff Galloway, Ted Haydon
- 1991 Barry Brown, Lynn Jennings, Fred Lebow
- 1990 Pat Porter, Alberto Salazar, Max Truex
- 1989 Dick Beardsley, Herb Lorenz, Sy Mah, Harold Tinsley
- 1988 Garry Bjorklund, Cheryl Flanagan, Thomas Hicks, Kenny Moore
- 1987 Bill Bowerman, Hugh Jascourt, Don Kardong, Francie Larrieu Smith
- 1986 Nick Costes, Ron Daws, Doris Brown Heritage
- 1985 Henley Roughton Gabeau, Gordon McKenzie, Alex Ratelle, John "Jock" Semple, Louis White
- 1984 Clive Davies, Jacqueline Hansen, Joan Benoit Samuelson, Kathrine Switzer, Bob Schul, Craig Virgin
- 1983 Ed Benham, Paul de Bruyn, Gabe Mirkin
- 1982 William Agee, William "Billy" Mills, Roberta Gibb-Welch
- 1981 Hal Higdon, Steve Prefontaine, Ken Young
- 1980 Ruth Anderson, Nina Kuscsik, Thomas Osler, William Steiner
- 1979 Joe Henderson, Ray Sears, Gar Williams
- 1978 John Hayes, Bill Rodgers, Aldo Scandurra
- 1977 Eino Pentti, Greg Rice, Frank Shorter
- 1976 R. E. Johnson, George Sheehan, Curtis Stone
- 1975 Horace Ashenfelter, Don Lash, Joseph McCluskey
- 1974- Pat Dengis, Leslie Pawson, Mel Porter, Charles Robbins, Fred Wilt
- 1973 Tarzan Brown, Victor Dyrgall, James Hinky Henigan, Peter McArdle, Paul Jerry Nason
- 1972 Ted Corbitt, Fred Faller, Louis Gregory, John A. Kelley, Joseph Kleinerman
- 1971 Bob Campbell, Clarence DeMar, Leonard "Buddy" Edelen, John J. Kelley, Browning Ross

RRCA Outstanding State Representative of the Year Award

State representatives provide assistance, guidance and information to clubs in their state. They are the local representation of the RRCA. This award was developed in 1984 to recognize the outstanding and superior service of our state representatives.

2006 - Ron Macksoud, Alabama, Southern Region

- 2005 Joan Davis, Hawaii, Western Region
- 2004 John Devitt, Montana, Western Region
- 2003 David Cotter, Northern California/Nevada, Western Region
- 2002 Lisa Paige, Colorado, Western Region

- 2001 George Rehmet, California, Western Region
- 2000 Marlene Atwood, Georgia, Southern Region
- 1999 Ken Bendy, Florida, Southern Region
- 1998 Scott Christopher, Louisiana, Southern Region
- 1997 Don Still, Arkansas, Southern Region
- 1996 Joanne Smith, Pennsylvania, Eastern Region
- 1995 Beverly Coville, Georgia, Southern Region
- 1994 Laura Kulsik, California, Western Region
- 1993 Yvonne Lee, Louisiana, Southern Region
- 1992 David Harrison, Virginia, Eastern Region
- 1991 David Samuel, Arkansas, Southern Region
- 1990 Judy Tillapaugh, Indiana, Central Region
- 1989 Freddi Carlip, Pennsylvania, Eastern Region
- 1988 Stan Rosenfeld, California, Western Region
- 1987 Bill Marable, South Carolina, Southern Region
- 1986 Carl Johnson, North Carolina, Southern Region
- 1985 John Sissala, Maryland, Eastern Region
- 1984 Al Becken, Texas, Southern Region

RRCA Scott Hamilton Outstanding Club President of the Year Award

This award honors an outstanding RRCA Club President and is selected by the current RRCA National President. On July 30, 2005, Scott D. Hamilton passed away at the age of 77. Scott joined the Mid-Pacific Road Runners Club in 1965 and was an active runner for over 35 years. He served as the National President for the RRCA from 1966-67. In addition to running, he was an avid hiker and mountaineer.

2006 - Len Goldman, Lake Merritt Joggers & Striders, Oakland, CA

- 2005 Alan Meyer, Bradenton Runners Club, Bradenton, IL
- 2004 Sue Brown, Calumet Region Striders, Griffith, IN
- 2003 Patricia A. "Trish" Portuese, Birmingham Track Club, AL
- 2002 Dawn McEnery, Port City Pacers, AL
- 2001 David Oja, Syracuse Chargers Track Club, NY
- 2000 Victor Nemudrov, Albuquerque Road Runners, NM
- 1999 Ellie Norwitch, Miami Runners Club, FL
- 1998 Irv Newman, Montgomery County Road Runners Club, MD
- 1997 Dori Robertson, Bloomsday Road Runners Club, WA
- 1996 Paul Blaum, Peachtree City Running Club, GA
- 1995 Sue Wurl, Northern Lights Running Club, MN
- 1994 Jim Stasaitis, Utica Roadrunners, Utica, NY
- 1993 Nancy Kapheim, Combelt Running Club, IA
- 1992 Mary Anne Wehrum, Memphis Runners Track Club, TN
- 1991 Ed Kozloff, Motor City Striders, MI
- 1990 Nate White, Syracuse Chargers Track Club, NY
- 1989 Paul Butzen, Fond Du Lac Running Club, WI
- 1988 Dennis Steinauer, Montgomery County Road Runners Club, MD
- 1987 Bob Carlson, Utica Roadrunners, NY
- 1986 Jane Dolley, Maine Track Club, ME
- 1985 Tom Aderhold, Atlanta Track Club, GA
- 1984 Norman Harris, Huntsville Track Club, AL
- 1983 Steve Shostrom, Illinois Valley Striders, IL
- 1982 Bill Glauz, Mid America Masters Track and Field Association, MO
- 1981 Dick Sutton, Pikes Peak Road Runners Club, CO
- 1980 Dan Caffery, Taconic Road Runners Club, NY
- 1979 John Pendergrass, Hattiesburg Track Club, MS
- 1978 Stu Levy, Greater Pittsburgh Road Runners Club, PA
- 1977 Fred Lebow, New York Road Runners, NY
- 1976 Nick Costes, Troy Track Club, NY
- 1975 Ray Russell, Greater Fort Lauderdale Runners Club, FL
- 1974 Don Balsamo, Greater Rochester Track Club, NY

RRCA Rod Steele National Volunteer of the Year Award

This award is named in memory of Rod Steele who was killed in a plane crash. Rod Steele was a well-known, dedicated volunteer of the DC Road Runners Club and a long time supporter of the RRCA.

To be a nominee for this award is the ultimate reward a member can receive from his or her club. All those who have

been nominated for this award have made a great contribution to their club and the sport. Being one who devotes the time, work and dedication required to be the most outstanding volunteer in their club is a greater achievement than will ever occur at the finish line of a race. A person who contributes over and over with such intensity for others is the real winner.

We hope that, in time, every RRCA club will nominate its outstanding volunteer for this award. We hope this award will become a symbol that will influence members in each club to become their club's outstanding volunteer. We again issue a challenge to all club leaders to select their outstanding volunteers and submit their name next year as a nominee for the RRCA Rod Steele National Volunteer of the Year Award. We believe that placing an emphasis on this program will do more to improve the number and quality of club volunteers than any reward system and with little cost or effort.

2006 - Janet Nissenson - San Francisco DSE - San Francisco, CA

- 2005 Ric Robinetter, Rocky Mountain Road Runners, Denver, CO
- 2004 Steve Shepard, Houston Striders, Houston, TX
- 2003 Iilonga Thandive, South Fulton Running Partners, GA
- 2002 Harold Canfield, Knoxville Track Club, Knoxville, TN
- 2001 Beth Edwards, Huntsville Track Club, Huntsville, AL
- 2000 Evelyn White, Syracuse Chargers Track Club, NY
- 1999 Jim Oaks, Huntsville Track Club, Huntsville, AL
- 1998 Robert Platt, DC Road Runners Club, Washington, DC
- 1997 Beth Benefield, Huntsville Track Club, Huntsville, AL
- 1996 Ted Petrillo, Utica Road Runners, Utica, NY
- 1995 Jim Duguay, Chattahoochee Road Runners Club, GA
- 1994 Lawrence Hills, Huntsville Track Club, Huntsville, AL
- 1993 Dan Edwards, Tidewater Striders Running Club, VA
- 1992 Dennis Steinauer, Montgomery County Road Runners Club, MD
- 1991 John Hort, Penisula Track Club
- 1990 George Heagy, Starved Rock Runners, IL
- 1989 Rick Melanson, Birmingham Track Club, AL
- 1988 John Sissala, Montgomery County Road Runners Club, MD
- 1987 Charles Scribner, Maine Track Club, ME
- 1986 Louise Tinsley, Huntsville Track Club, Huntsville, AL
- 1985 Clark Emmons, Gateway Athletics
- 1984 John Hickey, Huntsville Track Club, Huntsville, AL
- 1983 Karl Ungurean, Cornbelt Running Club, IA
- 1982 Don Lindley, Fort Wayne Track Club, IN
- 1981 Sylvia Quinn, Bloomsday Road Runners Club
- 1980 Alexander Saltmarsh, Turtletown AC
- 1979 Jim Hartshorne, Finger Lakes Runners Club, NY
- 1978 Joe Kleinerman, New York Road Runners, NY
- 1977 Mel Walton, Baltimore Road Runners Club, MD
- 1976 Doris Ferguson, Mid-Pacific Road Runners Club
- 1975 Harold Tinsley, Huntsville Track Club, Huntsville, AL

Browning Ross Spirit of the RRCA Award

The Browning Ross Spirit of the RRCA Award was created to honor the memory of one of the RRCA's founding members, Browning Ross, who died unexpectedly in April 1998. The award honors a club member who is an unsung hero. These are the people who champion the RRCA "tirelessly and with enthusiasm," but prefer to stay in the background, letting others bask in the spotlight, just as Browning did.

2006 - Harold Tinsley, Huntsville Track Club, Huntsville, AL

- 2005 Phil Stewart, Cherry Blossom, Bethesda, MD
- 2004 Ken Peterson, Toledo Road Runners Club, Toledo, OH
- 2003 Dominic Ortiz
- 2002 Bob Holmes
- 2001 Nina Kuscsik
- 2000 Ted Corbitt
- 1999 Larry Noel

RRCA Kurt Steiner Children's Developmental Award

Kurt Steiner was born in Austria in 1921. He came to the US in 1945. He, along with Joe Kleinerman, of the NYRRC pioneered age group scoring and awards. His passion for running was surpassed by his passion for children. Steiner

helped to organize many running events for children and established the first RRCA Cross Country Championship in NYC which hosted between 3,000 and 4,000 kids.

The Kurt Steiner Children's Developmental Award is to recognize a local club member who is dedicated to either promoting children's running and/or coordinating an outstanding children's running program.

2006 - Mary Klaff, Reston Runners - Reston, VA

2005 - George Martin, Peachtree Road Runners Club, Peachtree City, GA

2004 - Marilyn Witko Rosinski, Toledo Road Runners Club, Toledo, OH

2003 - Kim Tracanna, Florida Striders Track Club, Orange Park, FL

2002 - Nancy Kapheim, Cornbelt Running Club, IA

2001 - Len Goldman, Lake Merritt Joggers and Striders, Oakland, CA

2000 - Lenis Tucker, Syracuse Chargers Track Club, NY

1999 - Jeff Tribole, Irvine Youth Track Club, CA

1998 - No Nominations

1997 - Ron Creasy, Chattahoochee Road Runners Club, GA

1996 - Anna Berdahl, Montgomery County Road Runners Club, MD

1995 - John MacGillivray, Raritan Valley Road Runners, NJ

1994 - Judy Tollner, Illinois Valley Striders, East Peoria, IL

RRCA - NYRR Nina Kuscsik Women's Running Award

In 1972, the Women's Mini Marathon 10K was founded by Fred Lebow with help from Nina Kuscsik and Kathrine Switzer. It was the first "women only" road race in the world. Fred, Nina & Kathrine continued impacting the sport of running and women's involvement in the sport.

The RRCA Women's Running Award is to honor someone who has promoted women's running on a national scale or through a significant community based program.

2006 - Georgia Hagen, North Carolina Roadrunners Club, Raleigh, NC

2005 - Carolin Dick, Ann Arbor Track Club, Ann Arbor, MI

2004 - No nominations

2003 - John MacGillivray

2002 - Marlene Atwood

2001 - Jane Serues, Lehigh Valley Road Runners, PA

2000 - No nominations

1999 - Kathrine Switzer

1998 - Diane Palmason

1997 - Ellen Wessel

1996 - Julia Emmons, Atlanta Track Club, GA

1995 - Henley Gibble (Gabeau), Washington RunHers Unlimited, DC

1994 - Nina Kuscsik, NYRRC, Huntington, NY

RRCA Outstanding Web Site Awards

This award honors and recognizes those who have brought technology into their clubs as a means of communication and done so in an organized, efficient and technological manner. The websites are judged by the first impression, layout and graphic design, ease of navigation, use of technology, depth of content, up-to-date information, uniqueness, personality and contribution to the RRCA. Awards are given to small (500 and fewer) and large (over 500) club websites.

BEST SITE

2007 - Capital Striders www.capitalstriders.org - Des Moines, IA

2007 - Lake Merritt Joggers & Striders - www.LMJS.org - Oakland, CA

2006 – Lake Ridge "Ridge Runners" Running Club, VA

2005 - New York Flyers, NY

2004 - Lake Ridge Runners, VA

2003 - Badgerland Striders, WI

2002 - Melrose Running Club, MA

2001 - Trail Runners Club, CA

LARGE CLUB TOP SITE

2007 - Capital Striders www.capitalstriders.org - Des Moines, IA

2006 - Capital Striders, IA; Runner's Club of Greater Cincinnati, OH; Oregon Road Runners Club, OR

2005 - New York Flyers, NY; Oregon Road Runners Club, OR; Twin City Track Club, NC

2004 - Birmingham Track Club, AL; New York Flyers, NY; Twin City Track Club, NC

- 2003 Badgerland Striders, WI; Birmingham Track Club, AL; Mid Pacific Road Runners Club, HI
- 2002 Cross Country Club of Dallas, TX; Knoxville Track Club, TN; Rocky Mountain Road Runners, CO
- 2001 Badgerland Striders, WI; Cross Country Club of Dallas, TX; West Florida 'Y' Runner's Club, FL
- 2000 Northeast Running Club, OH; Second Wind Running Club, IL; Southern Arizona Roadrunners, AZ

SMALL CLUB TOP SITES

2007 - Lake Merritt Joggers & Striders - www.LMJS.org - Oakland, CA

- 2006 Lake Ridge "Ridge Runners" Running Club; Melrose Running Club, MA; Tuscaloosa Track Club, AL
- 2005 Daytona Beachcombers, FL; Kalamazoo Area Runners, MI; Lake Ridge Runners, VA
- 2004 Anderson Road Runners, SC; BG Road Runners, KY; Lake Ridge Runners, VA
- 2003 Conway Running Club, AR; Lake Monroe Roadkillers, FL; Virginia Happy Trails Running Club, VA
- 2002 Melrose Running Club, MA; Mesa Monument Striders, CO; Trail Runners Club, CA
- 2001 Trail Runners Club, CA; Batten Kill Valley Runners, VT; Virginia Happy Trails Running Club, VA
- 2000 Batten Kill Valley Runners, VT; Greater Derry Track Club, NH; RidgeRunners Club, VA

RRCA Roads Scholars

In 1996, the Road Runners Club of America (RRCA) launched the Roads Scholar® program. The program provides financial assistance, in the form of a stipend, to post-collegiate American distance runners who show the potential for national and international ranking.

2006 - Matthew Gonzalez, Jacob Frey, Nephi Tyler, Samia Akbar, Stephanie Bylander, Maria Cicero

- 2005 Trent Briney, James Carney, Luci Hull, Ann McGranahan, Mike Moran, Casey Owens
- 2004 Amy Yoder Begley, Kristin Price, Turena Johnson Lane, Matthew Gabrielson, Kyle Baker
- 2003 Kate O'Neill, Laura O'Neill, Nicole Jefferson Ash, Chris Graff, Adam Wallace
- 2002 Kyle Baker, Chris Graff, Amy Yoder Begley, Tara Chapin, Jeanne Hennessy, Nicole Jefferson
- 2001 Josh Cox, Mike Donnelly, Clint Verran, Kelly Cordell, Collette Liss, Rachel Sauder
- 2000 Todd Reeser, Nick Rogers, Ryan Wilson, Laura Baker, Kimberly Fitchen, Milena Glusac
- 1999 Ray Appenheimer, Christopher England, Kristin Ihle, Janelle Olson, Kim Pawelek
- 1998 Scott Larson, Peter Julian, Kristin Ihle, Lucy Nursala, Carole Zajac
- 1997 Jeff Campbell, Peter Julian, Kristen Beaney Chisum, Deena Drossin (Kastor)
- 1996 Kevin Collins, Keith Dowling, Susannah Beck, Julia Kirtland

RRCA Jerry Little Journalism Awards

Jerry W. Little, Jr., who was president of the Electric City Printing Company, Anderson, SC, from 1969-1986, died of lung cancer in 1986.

A graduate of Auburn University, Jerry was a Navy veteran and was prominent in business and political circles in the Anderson area. He had been an athlete all his life but took up running in the 1970's, becoming a devotee and advocate of the sport until his death.

Journalistic Excellence Award

This award, created in 1974, is given to a professional writer who has made the most notable contribution to the literature of distance running.

2006 - Jonathon Beverly - Running Times

- 2005 Gail Kislevitz
- 2004 Weldon and Robert Johnson, letsrun.com
- 2003 Joe Henderson
- 2002 John Brant
- 2001 George Hirsch, Runner's World
- 2000 John Bingham Runner's World
- 1999 Ryan Lamppa
- 1998 Richard Benyo Marathon & Beyond
- 1997 Joe Concannon
- 1996 Joe Henderson
- 1995 Tom Derderian, Boston Marathon
- 1994 Jim Ferstle, St. Paul, MN
- 1993 Toni Reavis
- 1992 Owen Anderson
- 1991 Jeff Galloway
- 1990 Paul Christman
- 1989 Dr. Kenneth Cooper
- 1988 John Parker

- 1987 Phil Stewart Road Race Management
- 1986 Marlene Cimons
- 1985 Ed Ayers and Don Kardong
- 1984 Bert and Cordner Nelson
- 1983 Mark Bloom
- 1982 Eric Olsen
- 1981 Amby Burfoot
- 1980 Hal Higdon
- 1979 Kenny Moore
- 1978 Joe Henderson
- 1977 James Fixx
- 1976 Joan Ullyot
- 1975 George Sheehan
- 1974 John Chodes

RRCA Jerry Little Memorial Club Writer Award

This award recognizes top club writers. The articles should be about running and should be memorable, creative and evocative.

2006 - Michael Shafai - Pikes Peak Road Runners - Colorado Springs, CO

- 2005 Wilma DePiore, Youngstown Road Runners, OH
- 2004 Laura Kulsik Yasso, Lehigh Valley Road Runners, PA
- 2003 Michael Selman, Chattahoochee Road Runners Club, GA
- 2002 Jeff Recker, Mesa-Monument Striders, Grand Junction, CO
- 2001 Mike Doyle, Maine Track Club, ME
- 2000 Michael Musca, Maine Track Club, ME
- 1999 Dave O'Brien, Badgerland Striders, WI
- 1998 John Farrow, Albuquerque Road Runners, NM
- 1997 Bob Kopac, Mid-Hudson Road Runners Club, NY
- 1996 Bernie Greene, writing in The Rundown, Montgomery County Road Runners Club, MD
- 1995 Timothy Martin, writing in Six Rivers Newsletter, Six Rivers Running Club, Arcata, CA
- 1994 Michael deLisle, writing in FootNotes, Knoxville Track Club, Knoxville, TN
- 1993 Don Herres, Finger Lakes Runners Club, NY
- 1992 Sam Pizzigatti, Montgomery County Road Runners Club, MD
- 1991 Reid Champagne, Atlanta Track Club, GA

RRCA Jerry Little Journalism Award for Outstanding Club Newsletters

This award recognizes the outstanding club newsletter of the year. The award recognizes small clubs (fewer than 200), medium clubs (200-499), and large clubs (500 or more). The award is given to the club newsletter which demonstrates a variety of content, good physical presentation, informative and creative, and inclusive of the RRCA logo.

Outstanding Electronic Newsletter Award

2006 - News Run, Maine Track Club - Portland, ME - Inaugural Year

LARGE CLUB

- 2006 On the Fly, New York Flyers New York, NY
- 2005 Footnotes, Knoxville Track Club, TN
- 2004 Footprints, Toledo Road Runners Club, OH
- 2003 Buffalo Enquirer, Buffalo Chips Running Club, CA
- 2002 San Diego Running, San Diego Track Club, CA
- 2001 Footnotes, Knoxville Track Club, TN
- 2000 The Buffalo Enquirer, Buffalo Chips Running Club, David Creek, CA
- 1999 Oregon Distance Runner, Oregon Road Runners Club, Lani Johnson, OR
- 1998 Footprints, Houston Area Road Runners Association, Jerry Smith, TX
- 1997 The Buffalo Enquirer, Buffalo Chips Running Club, Cynci Calvin, CA
- 1996 The Rundown, Montgomery County Road Runners Club, Kari Keaton (Managing Editor), MD
- 1995 The Buffalo Enquirer, Buffalo Chips Running Club, Cynci Calvin (Editor), Sacramento, CA
- 1994 FootNotes, Knoxville Track Club, Michael deLisle (Editor), Knoxville, TN
- 1993 The Oregon Distance Runner, Oregon Road Runners Club, Mary Smith, OR
- 1992 The Buffalo Enquirer, Buffalo Chips Running Club, Laura Kulsik/Carol Parise, CA
- 1991 The Wingfoot, Atlanta Track Club, Penny Kaiser, GA
- 1990 The Rundown, Montgomery County Road Runners Club, Bob Dilorio, MD
- 1989 The Track Time News, St. Louis Track Club, Dawn Mayer, MO

- 1988 FootNotes, Knoxville Track Club, Patti Smith, TN
- 1987 The Rundown, Montgomery County Road Runners Club, Mark Ciamarra, MD
- 1986 Master Pieces, Mid-America Masters, Russ Niemi, KS
- 1985 Arizona Road Racer, Arizona Road Racers, Amos Childers, AZ
- 1984 Baltimore RRC Newsletter, Baltimore Road Runners Club, Allan Field, MD
- 1983 Minnesota Distance Runner, Minnesota Distance Running Association, Jim Ferstle, MN
- 1982 The Pace Setter, Hudson Mohawk Road Runners Club, Donald Wilken, NY
- 1981 HTC News, Huntsville Track Club, Harold & Louise Tinsley, AL
- 1981 New York Road Running News, New York Road Runners, Merle Myerson, NY
- 1981 Tracking, Kansas City Track Club, Judy Scammon, KS

MEDIUM CLUB

2006 - Houston Stridelines, Houston Striders - Houston, TX

- 2005 News Run, Maine Track Club, ME
- 2004 RTC News, Rochester Track Club, MN
- 2003 Stridelines, Houston Striders, TX
- 2002 The Fooprint, Lake Grapevine Runners and Walkers, TX
- 2001 Albuquerque Road Runners, NM
- 2000 Inside Track, Fort Wayne Track Club, Linda Ianucilli, IN
- 1999 Florida Track Club Newsletter, Florida Track Club, Laura Howard, FL
- 1998 The Road Runner, Chattahoochee Road Runners Club, Marlene Atwood, GA
- 1997 Starting Lines, Greater Lowell Road Runners, Laura Lapierre, MA
- 1996 Second Wind, Montgomery Track and Running Club, Ron Macksoud and Alesa Ryals (Editors), AL
- 1995 Running Briefs, Bloomsday Road Runners Club, Joan Pribnow (Editor), Spokane, WA
- 1994 Footprints, Houston Area Road Runners Association, Jerry Smith (Editor), Houston, TX
- 1993 Starting Lines, Greater Lowell Road Runners, Dave Camire, MA

SMALL CLUB

2005 - Legacy, Peachtree Road Runners Club, GA

- 2004 The Road Runners, Chattahoochee Road Runners Club, GA
- 2003 Soonar Soundings, Pamakid Running Club, CA
- 2002 Footprints, Southern Colorado Runners Club, Pueblo, CO
- 2001 In Passing, Second Wind Running Club, IL
- 2000 Stridelines, Houston Striders, Kristin Bucher, TX
- 1999 In Passing, Second Wind Running Club, Dave Scott, IL
- 1998 After The Run, High Desert Wind Runners, Jean Gallegos, NM
- 1997 Footprints, Southern Colorado Runners Club, Gary Franchi, CO
- 1996 Arkansas Runner, Saline County Striders, Gary Ballard and Pete Ireland (Editors), AR
- 1995 Footprints, Southern Colorado Runners Club, Gary Franchi (Editor), Pueblo, CO
- 1994 Runnin' On, Asheville Track Club, Jim Curwen (Editor), Asheville, NC
- 1993 White Mountain Milers Newsletter, White Mountain Milers, Roger Marcoux, NH
- 1992 Newsmakers, Bradenton Runners Club, Owen Heatwole, FL
- 1991 Coastal Runner, Wilmington Roadrunners Club, David Stubbs, NC
- 1990 Willimantic Athletic Club, Willamantic, CT
- 1989 In Passing, Second Wind Running Club, Lezli Austen, IL
- 1988 The Pacesetter, Greater Fort Lauderdale Runners Club, FL
- 1987 Stride Right, Florida Striders Track Club, Glen Becker, FL
- 1986 Soonar Soundings, Pamakid Running Club, John Medinger, CA

RRCA Road Runner of the Year Award

Developed in the 1975, the Road Runner of the Year Award was given to the runners with the most outstanding record of racing performances during the past year for Male and Female runners. In 1984, RRCA added the categories, Male Masters and Female Masters. These awards are an opportunity to recognize the local male and female open and masters runners in your club who excel at all of their races.

MALE OPEN

2006 - Jon Williams, Gold Coast Runners, Davie, FL

- 2005 Matt Folk, Youngstown Road Runners Club, Youngstown, OH
- 2004 Matt Folk, Youngstown Road Runners Club, Youngstown, OH
- 2003 No awards
- 2002 No awards
- 2001 No awards
- 2000 Mike Melfi
- 1999 David Morris

- 1998 Keith Brantly
- 1997 Jerry Lawson
- 1996 Bob Kempanien, Minnetonka, MN
- 1995 Keith Brantly
- 1994 Bob Kempanien, Minnetonka, MN
- 1993 Mark Plaatje
- 1992 Steve Spence
- 1991 Steve Spence
- 1990 Steve Spence
- 1989 Steve Spence
- 1988 Mark Curp
- 1987 Mark Curp
- 1986 Keith Brantly
- 1985 Phillip Coppess
- 1984 Pete Pfitzinger
- 1983 Greg Meyer
- 1982 Alberto Salazar
- 1981 Craig Virgin
- 1980 Bill Rodgers
- 1979 Bill Rodgers
- 1978 Bill Rodgers
- 1977 Don Kardong
- 1976 Bill Rodgers 1975 - Phil Davis

FEMALE OPEN

2006 - Mindi Rice, Lake Grapevine Runners and Walkers, Grapevine, TX

- 2005 Mary Coordt, Buffalo Chips Running Club, Sacramento, CA
- 2004 Laura Kaulen, Youngstown Road Runners Club, Youngstown, OH
- 2003 No awards
- 2002 No awards
- 2001 No awards
- 2000 Kristen White
- 1999 Libbie Hickman
- 1998 Libbie Hickman
- 1997 Libbie Hickman
- 1996 Anne Marie Lauck, Atlanta, GA
- 1995 Olga Appell
- 1994 Anne Marie Lauck, Atlanta, GA
- 1993 Lynn Jennings
- 1992 Lynn Jennings
- 1991 Lynn Jennings
- 1990 Lynn Jennings
- 1989 Lisa Weidenbach
- 1988 Lynn Jennings
- 1987 Lynn Jennings
- 1986 Joan Samuelson
- 1985 Joan Samuelson
- 1984 Joan Samuelson
- 1983 Joan Benoit
- 1982 Joan Benoit
- 1981 Patti Catalano
- 1980 Ellison Goodall
- 1979 Marty Cooksey
- 1978 Kim Merritt
- 1977 Micki Gorman
- 1976 Kathrine Switzer
- 1975 Marlene Harewicz

MALE MASTERS

- 2006 Sean Wade, The Kenyan Way, Houston, TX
- 2005 John Metzger, Florida Striders Track Club, Orange Park, FL
- 2004 Len Goldman, Lake Merritt Joggers and Striders, Oakland, CA
- 2003 Ken Brewer, Anniston Runners Club, AL

- 2002 Michael Strickland, Chattahoochee Road Runners, GA 2001 - No awards
- 2000 David Jeffrey
- 1999 John Tuttle
- 1998 Craig Young
- 1997 Steve Plascencia
- 1996 Lloyd Stephenson
- 1995 Charlie Gray
- 1994 Doug Kurtis, Northville, MI
- 1993 Doug Kurtis
- 1992 Doug Kurtis
- 1991 Bill Rodgers
- 1990 Bill Rodgers
- 1989 Bob Schlau
- 1988 Bill Rodgers
- 1987 Tracy Smith
- 1986 Barry Brown
- 1985 Barry Brown
- 1984 Barry Brown

FEMALE MASTERS

2006 - Sarah Keller, Yellowstone Rimrunners, Billings, MT

- 2005 Patti Stewart-Garbrecth, Florida Striders Track Club, Orange Park, FL
- 2004 Kathryn Martin, Northport Running Club, Northport, NY
- 2003 Melody Anne Schultz
- 2002 Maggie Miller, Bradenton Runners Club, FL
- 2001 No awards
- 2000 Margo Braud
- 1999 Kim Jones
- 1998 Joan Samuelson
- 1997 Ruth Wysocki
- 1996 Jane Welzel
- 1995 Nancy Grayson
- 1994 Suzanne Ray, Anchorage, AK
- 1993 Carol McLatchie
- 1992 Carol McLatchie
- 1991 Laurie Binder
- 1990 Laurie Binder
- 1989 Laurie Binder
- 1988 Laurie Binder
- 1987 Gabriele Anderson
- 1986 Gabriele Anderson
- 1985 Gabriele Anderson
- 1984 Marion Irvine

President's Special Award for Achievement

2005 - Brent Ayer, Eastern Region Director and Lisa Paige, Western Region Director

2004 - Jeff Darman