

A SUMMARY OF MAJOR INTERNATIONAL REPRESENTATIONS

Victoria has long been the powerhouse of Australian walking, producing the majority of our International walkers. Nearly all of these athletes have been members of VRWC. This list celebrates that fact. Congratulations to all the walkers who are mentioned here.

OLYMPICS

1912 Stockholm	William Murray	10,000m	DQ in heat	
1948 London	George Knott	10,000m	6 th in heat	
1952 Helsinki	Don Keane	10,000m	10 th	47.37 (after 5 th in heat in 46:55)
1956 Melbourne	Ray Smith	50 km	6 th	4:56:08
1956 Melbourne	Tedd Allsopp	20 km	10 th	1:35:43
1956 Melbourne	Tedd Allsopp	50 km	DQ	
1956 Melbourne	Don Keane	20 km	6 th	1:33.52
1956 Melbourne	Norm Read	50 km	1 st	4:30:42 (NZ rep but mbr of VAWC)
1960 Rome	Noel Freeman	20 km	2 nd	1:34:16
1960 Rome	Noel Freeman	50 km	DQ	
1964 Tokyo	Noel Freeman	20 km	4 th	1:32:06
1964 Tokyo	Bob Gardiner	20 km	DNF	
1964 Tokyo	Bob Gardiner	50 km	5 th	4:17:06
1964 Tokyo	Ted Allsopp	50 km	17 th	4:31:07
1968 Mexico	Bob Gardiner	50 km	19 th	4:52:29
1972 Munich	Bob Gardiner	20/50 km	withdrew injured	
1976 Montreal	Ross Hayward	20 km	12 th	1:30:59
1980 Moscow	Willi Sawall	50 km	8 th	4:08:25
1980 Moscow	David Smith	20 km	DQ	
1980 Moscow	David Smith	50 km	DNF	
1984 Los Angeles	David Smith	20 km	10 th	1:26:48
1984 Los Angeles	Michael Harvey	50 km	11 th	4:09:18
1984 Los Angeles	Andrew Jachno	50 km	DNF	
1984 Los Angeles	Simon Baker	20 km	14 th	1:27:43
1984 Los Angeles	Willi Sawall	20 km	16 th	1:28:24
1984 Los Angeles	Willi Sawall	50 km	DNF	
1988 Seoul	Simon Baker	50 km	6 th	3:44:07
1988 Seoul	Simon Baker	20 km	11 th	1:21:47
1988 Seoul	Andrew Jachno	50 km	19 th	3:53:33
1988 Seoul	Andrew Jachno	20 km	28 th	1:24:50
1992 Barcelona	Andrew Jachno	20 km	31 st	1:36:49
1992 Barcelona	Simon Baker	50 km	19 th	4:08:11
1992 Barcelona	Gabrielle Blythe	10 km	31 st	50:13
1996 Atlanta	Duane Cousins	50 km	DNF (due to official miscount of laps)	
1996 Atlanta	Dion Russell	20 km	47 th	1:30:04
1996 Atlanta	Simon Baker	50 km	DQ	
2000 Sydney	Dion Russell	20 km	25 th	1:25:26
2000 Sydney	Dion Russell	50 km	27 th	4:02:50
2000 Sydney	Duane Cousins	50 km	34 th	4:10:43
2000 Sydney	Nathan Deakes	50 km	6 th	3:47:29
2004 Athens	Nathan Deakes	20 km	3 rd	1:20:02
2004 Athens	Nathan Deakes	50 km	DQ	

WORLD JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

1986 Athens	Paul Copeland	10,000m	12 th	43:27
1986 Athens	Craig Brill	10,000m	20 th	45:27
1986 Athens	Gabrielle Blythe	5,000m	7 th	23:56
1988 Sudbury	Gabrielle Blythe	5,000m	7 th	22:44
1990 Plovdic	Steve Beecroft	10,000m	8 th	42:36
1992 Soeul	Dion Russell	10,000m	14 th	45:01

1994 Lisbon	Dion Russell	10,000m	8 th	41:50
1996 Sydney	Nathan Deakes	10,000m	3 rd	41:11
2002 Kingston	Jared Tallent	10,000m	19 th	45:51.2

WORLD YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS

2001 Hungary	Jared Tallent	10,000m	7 th	44:50
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INTERNATIONAL WALKING FEDERATION WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS FOR WOMEN

From the 1960s the International Walking Federation conducted its own world championships for women. In 1980, 1982 and 1984, Australian women competed in these prestigious events. In 1980, only Sue Cook was selected. In 1982, 6 walkers went – Sue, Lorraine Young, Anne Miller and Rachel Thompson for the 5 km and Roseanne Smith and Frances Toohey for the 10 km. In 1984, only Sue and Lorraine were selected.

From 1982 women's racewalking world records were accepted and it was believed that events would soon be included in major IAAF meetings. Thus the last staging of the International Walking Federation Womens Championships was held in 1984. Womens walks were added to the IAAF World Indoors in 1985 and in the IAAF World Track and Field Titles in 1987.

1980 New York	Sue Cook	5 km	1 st	23:39
1982 Bergen	Sue Cook	5 km	1 st	23:03
1982 Bergen	Lorraine Young	5 km	8 th	24:28
1982 Bergen	Anne Miller	5 km	21 st	26:10
1982 Bergen	Roseanne Smith	10 km	10 th	52:02.8
1982 Bergen	Frances Toohey	10 km	9 th	51:55.0
1984 Lomello	Sue Cook	10 km	DNF	
1984 Lomello	Lorraine Young	10 km	??	??

IAAF WORLD ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS

1976 Malmo *	Willi Sawall	50 km	22 nd	4:18:27
1976 Malmo *	Tim Erickson	50 km	23 rd	4:20:23
1983 Helsinki	David Smith	20 km	15 th	1:25:23
1983 Helsinki	Simon Baker	20 km	29 th	1:28:09
1983 Helsinki	Willi Sawall	20 km	30 th	1:28:16
1987 Rome	Willi Sawall	50 km	26 th	4:14:25
1987 Rome	David Smith	20 km	DQ	
1987 Rome	Simon Baker	20 km	24 th	1:27:32
1987 Rome	Michael Harvey	50 km	25 th	4:11:04
1987 Rome	Andrew Jachno	20 km	12 th	1:25:50
1987 Rome	Sue Cook	10 km	12 th	46:20
1987 Rome	Lorraine Jachno	10 km	DNF	
1991 Tokyo	Simon Baker	50 km	DNF	
1993 Stuttgart	Gabrielle Blythe	10 km	33 rd	48:23
1993 Stuttgart	Simon Baker	50 km	14 th	3:57:11
1993 Stuttgart	Michael Harvey	50 km	33 rd	4:23:40
1995 Goteborg	Michael Harvey	50 km	26 th	4:16:41
1997 Athens	Dion Russell	20 km	32 nd	1:30:49
1999 Seville	Dion Russell	50 km	13 th	3:59:23
1999 Seville	Nathan Deakes	20 km	7 th	1:25:26
2001 Edmonton	Nathan Deakes	20 km	4 th	1:20:55
2001 Edmonton	Nathan Deakes	50 km	DQ	

- In 1976, the 50 km was dropped from the Olympics and the IAAF held as a one off its own IAAF 50 km World Championship to which Australia sent 3 competitors – Willi Sawall, Tim Erickson and Robin Whyte.

WORLD INDOOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

The first few editions of the World Indoor Championships included track walks and Australia had a very good record in the few opportunities that were presented to walkers.

1985 Paris	David Smith	5,000m	3 rd	19:16
1987 Indianapolis	Sue Cook	3,000m	15 th	13:45
1987 Indianapolis	David Smith	5,000m	5 th	18:52
1987 Indianapolis	Andrew Jachno	5,000m	15 th	20:19
1989 Budapest	Simon Baker	5,000m	7 th	19:24
1989 Budapest	Andrew Jachno	5,000m	8 th	19:25
1991 Seville	Andrew Jachno	5,000m	DQ in final	

COMMONWEALTH GAMES

Held each 4 years, the Commonwealth Games is open to all countries in the British Commonwealth. Victorians have competed at every Commonwealth Games at which walks have been held.

1970 Edinburgh	Noel Freeman	20 Miles	1 st	2:33:33
1970 Edinburgh	Bob Gardiner	20 Miles	2 nd	2:35:55
1974 Christchurch	Ross Haywood	20 Miles	7 th	2:50:56
1978 Edmonton	Willi Sawall	30 km	2 nd	2:22:58
1978 Edmonton	Tim Erickson	30 km	3 rd	2:26:33
1982 Brisbane	Willi Sawall	30 km	4 th	2:15:23
1982 Brisbane	Tim Erickson	30 km	6 th	2:19:45
1982 Brisbane	Andrew Jachno	30 km	9 th	2:24:15
1986 Edinburgh	Simon Baker	30 km	1 st	2:07:47
1986 Edinburgh	Willi Sawall	30 km	5 th	2:14:29
1986 Edinburgh	David Smith	30 km	DNS	
1990 Auckland	Andrew Jachno	30 km	2 nd	2:09:09
1990 Auckland	Simon Baker	30 km	7 th	2:19:55
1990 Auckland	Paul Copeland	30 km	8 th	2:19:55
1990 Auckland	Lorraine Jachno	10 km	4 th	47:35
1994 Victoria	Simon Baker	30 km	6 th	2:14:02
1998 Kuala Lumpur	Duane Cousins	50 km	2 nd	4:10:30
1998 Kuala Lumpur	Dominic McGrath	50 km	3 rd	4:12:52
1998 Kuala Lumpur	Dion Russell	50 km	DNF	
1998 Kuala Lumpur	Nathan Deakes	20 km	3 rd	1:26:06
2002 Manchester	Nathan Deakes	20 km	1 st	1:25:35
2002 Manchester	Nathan Deakes	50 km	1 st	3:52:40
2002 Manchester	Duane Cousins	50 km	4 th	4:09:59
2002 Manchester	Simone Wolowiec	20 km	5 th	1:43:10

WORLD WALKING CHAMPIONSHIPS / LUGANO CUP

Although this prestigious event started in the early 1960s as a team based World Championship called the Lugano Cup, Australia did not send its first team until 1979. Since then, Australia has participated in every staging. Indeed, the team nature of the event has enabled Australia to send many younger developing walkers and this has been directly responsible for the incredible improvement in depth and standard of Australian walking in the last 25 years.

1979 Eschborn	Willi Sawall	50 km	10 th	3:51:08
1979 Eschborn	Tim Erickson	50 km	25 th	4:03:17
1979 Eschborn	John Sheard	50 km	36 th	4:13:55
1979 Eschborn	David Smith	20 km	21 st	1:25:36
1979 Eschborn	Sue Cook	5 km	6 th	23:10:11
1979 Eschborn	Sally Pierson	5 km	11 th	24:08
1979 Eschborn	Lorraine Young	5 km	15 th	24:35
1981 Valencia	Bill Dyer	20 km	29 th	1:32:52
1981 Valencia	Michael Harvey	20 km	49 th	1:46:17

1981 Valencia	David Smith	20 km	DNF	
1981 Valencia	John Sheard	50 km	33 rd	4:38:48
1981 Valencia	Harry Summers	50 km	38 th	4:43:43
1981 Valencia	Willi Sawall	50 km	DNF	
1981 Valencia	Sally Pierson	5 km	6 th	23:51
1981 Valencia	Sue Cook	5 km	7 th	24:04
1981 Valencia	Lorraine Young	5 km	DNF	
1983 Bergen	Simon Baker	20 km	14 th	1:24:42
1983 Bergen	Andrew Jachno	20 km	18 th	1:25:50
1983 Bergen	David Smith	20 km	DQ	
1983 Bergen	Tim Erickson	50 km	25 th	4:15:12
1983 Bergen	Duncan Knox	50 km	39 th	4:35:12
1983 Bergen	Michael Harvey	50 km	DNF	
1983 Bergen	Bill Dyer	50 km	DQ	
1983 Bergen	Sue Cook	5 km	3 rd	45:26
1983 Bergen	Sally Pierson	5 km	4 th	45:39
1985 Isle of Man	Simon Baker	20 km	12 th	1:25:32
1985 Isle of Man	Andrew Jachno	20 km	27 th	1:29:00
1985 Isle of Man	Michael Harvey	20 km	51 st	1:39:03
1985 Isle of Man	David Smith	20 km	DQ	
1985 Isle of Man	Willi Sawall	50 km	11 th	4:06:38
1985 Isle of Man	Harry Summers	50 km	42 nd	4:56:58
1985 Isle of Man	Bill Dyer	50 km	DQ	
1985 Isle of Man	Sue Cook	10 km	14 th	48:17
1985 Isle of Man	Lorraine Jachno	10 km	26 th	50:06
1987 New York	Simon Baker	20 km	11 th	1:21:57
1987 New York	Andrew Jachno	20 km	37 th	1:25:58
1987 New York	Paul Copeland	20 km	74 th	1:31:50
1987 New York	David Smith	20 km	DQ	
1987 New York	Craig Brill	50 km	52 nd	4:19:46
1987 New York	Michael Harvey	50 km	63 rd	4:28:00
1987 New York	Mark Donahoo	50 km	64 th	4:29:49
1987 New York	Sue Cook	10 km	13 th	46:03
1987 New York	Lorraine Jachno	10 km	32 nd	48:21
1989 Barcelona	Andrew Jachno	20 km	65 th	1:30:01
1989 Barcelona	Paul Copeland	20 km	85 th	1:33:43
1989 Barcelona	Simon Baker	50 km	1 st	3:43:13
1989 Barcelona	Michael Harvey	50 km	67 th	4:33:07
1989 Barcelona	Mark Donahoo	50 km	73 rd	4:37:19
1989 Barcelona	Mark Dosseter	50 km	75 th	4:37:55
1989 Barcelona	Craig Brill	50 km	DNF	
1989 Barcelona	Lorraine Jachno	10 km	31 st	47:18
1991 San Jose	David Smith	20 km	46 th	1:26:14
1991 San Jose	Andrew Jachno	20 km	59 th	1:28:42
1991 San Jose	Michael Harvey	20 km	63 rd	1:29:59
1991 San Jose	Paul Copeland	20 km	DQ	
1991 San Jose	Simon Baker	50 km	2 nd	3:46:36
1991 San Jose	Craig Brill	50 km	DQ	
1991 San Jose	Bill Dyer	50 km	DQ	
1991 San Jose	Kevin Lowden	50 km	NDF	
1991 San Jose	Lorraine Jachno	10 km	33 rd	48:01
1991 San Jose	Sue Cook	10 km	59 th	51:29
1991 San Jose	Sharon Schnyder	10 km	72 nd	54:58
1993 Monterey	Steve Beecroft	20 km	34 th	1:30.36
1993 Monterey	Mark Donahoo	20 km	58 th	1:35.06
1993 Monterey	Simon Baker	50 km	7 th	3.58.36
1993 Monterey	Mike Harvey	50 km	27 th	4.10.56
1993 Monterey	Craig Brill	50 km	48 th	4.24.43
1993 Monterey	Gabrielle Blythe	10 km	21 st	48.00
1995 Beijing	Dion Russell	20 km	53 rd	1:28.25
1995 Beijing	Michael Harvey	50 km	41 st	4.05.58
1995 Beijing	Mark Thomas	50 km	68 th	4.22.38
1995 Beijing	Dominic McGrath	50 km	77 th	4:36:29

1995 Beijing	Mark Donahoo	50 km	DNF	
1995 Beijing	Duane Cousins	50 km	73 rd	4:31:29
1995 Beijing	Wendy Muldoon	10 km	53 rd	47:56
1997 Prague	Simone Wolowiec	10 km	53 rd	46:45
1997 Prague	Wendy Muldoon	10 km	60 th	47:22
1997 Prague	Dion Russell	20 km	50 th	1:23:49
1997 Prague	Nathan Deakes	20 km	53 rd	1:23:54
1997 Prague	Paul Copeland	20 km	96 th	1:29:53
1997 Prague	Duane Cousins	50 km	45 th	4:07:17
1997 Prague	Michael Harvey	50 km	64 th	4:14:09
1997 Prague	Dominic McGrath	50 km	64 th	4:14:49
1999 Mezidon	Nathan Deakes	20 km	DQ	
1999 Mezidon	Dion Russell	50 km	DNF	
1999 Mezidon	Dominic McGrath	50 km	50 th	4:00:50
1999 Mezidon	Duane Cousins	50 km	46 th	4:02:27
1999 Mezidon	Michael Harvey	50 km	61 st	4:08:58
1999 Mezidon	Simone Wolowiec	20 km	59 th	1:39:31
1999 Mezidon	Wendy Muldoon	20 km	87 th	1:46:25
2002 Turin	Duane Cousins	50 km	37 th	4:12:19
2002 Turin	Frank Bertei	50 km	47 th	4:20:26
2002 Turin	Nathan Deakes	20 km	Withdraw	
2004 Naumburg	Nathan Deakes	20 km	3 rd	1:19:11
2004 Naumburg	Jared Tallent	20 km	75 th	1:30:01
2004 Naumburg	Simone Wolowiec	20 km	DQ	
2004 Naumburg	Duane Cousins	50 km	26 th	4:09:14
2004 Naumburg	Chris Erickson	50 km	31 st	4:14:16
2004 Naumburg	Frank Bertei	50 km	40 th	4:21:22

WORLD STUDENT GAMES

1985 Kobe	Simon Baker	20 km	9 th	
1985 Kobe	Andrew Jachno	20 km	15 th	
1985 Kobe	Lorraine Jachno	5000m	6 th	23:35
1985 Kobe	Sally Pierson	5000m	7 th	24:07
1987 Zagreb	Andrew Jachno	20 km	4 th	1:27:39
1989 Duisburg	Andrew Jachno	20 km	3 rd	1:23:48
1989 Duisberg	Paul Copeland	20 km	10 th	1:31:00
1991 Sheffield	Steve Beecroft	20 km	6 th	1:26:33
1995 Fukuoka	Dion Russell	20 km	8 th	1:27:20
1997 Catania	Nathan Deakes	20 km	5 th	1:28:04

GOODWILL GAMES

1990 Seattle	Simon Baker	20 km track	4 th	1:23:53.04
1990 Seattle	Andrew Jachno	20 km track	7 th	1:25:44.56
2001 Brisbane	Nathan Deakes	20 km track	1 st	1:19:48.1