



# Marathons & multitis

## MARATHON TO ATHENS —

April 6

by JIM ANTHONY

Hearing of 41-year-old veteran Frenchman Daniel du Hamell's win in the inaugural international open veteran marathon to commemorate Spyridon Louis, winner of the first modern Olympiad (Athens 1896) event over the original course brought back many happy memories of the 1980 event, when I was lucky enough to run with the Qantas team. This year ten nations participated: England, Ireland, Norway, East Germany, Hong Kong, Israel, Denmark, India and France.

On being informed that a Frenchman was leading, Alain Mimoun (1956 Melbourne Olympic marathon winner) ran from the Athenian stadium to meet Du Hamell, and they finished the final 150 metres together, followed by a lap of honour. Race starter was Emil Zatopek, and Alain Mimoun ran the first 13 kilometres wearing his lucky number 13.

### RESULTS

D. du Hamell (Fra) 2.25.58; F. Tsimigatos (Gre) 2.32.00; G. Ekaterinis (Gre) 2.42.58; C. Lontos (Gre) 2.44.03; D. Hacks (EG) 2.44.15; V. Halikas (Gre) 2.44.22; T. Skoulis (Gre) 2.46.52 (manager/coach of Yiannis Kouros); B. Shaw (Isr) 2.47.11; D. Xenos (Gre) 2.47.31; P. Goufas (Gre) 2.48.13.

## WHYALLA (SA) MARATHON & HALF MARATHON — May 4

by JEFF DESMOND

The Jubilee 150 Whyalla Marathon and Half Marathon got under way under cool, overcast and still conditions.

After 2hrs 39min 23.75sec Noel Bray from Adelaide crossed the line victorious; 2nd close behind was Michael Nolan, and two-time winner Piet Crosby crossed the line in 3rd place. Oldest finisher was Ken Matchett, 64, from Melbourne in the excellent time of 3:30.56.



### RESULTS

Marathon: N. Bray 2.39.23.75; M. Nolan 2.40.35; P. Crosby 2.45.48; D. Kewley 2.46.20; B. Harrison 2.51.15 (1st Veteran). Country—A. Cockshott 3.05.02. Half-Marathon: E. Hughes 1.08.44; J. Petkovic 1.09.47; R. Nickson 1.15.14; J. Alderdice 1.17.31; J. Bos 1.17.38. Female—H. Rose 1.41.47. Veteran—F. Howitt 1.19.13. Country—E. Hughes 1.08.44.

## LEISURE COAST TRIATHLON (1.6k swim, 37k cycle, 11k run) — Wollongong (NSW), March 16

by OWEN KREILIS

Happily we were able to avoid last year's jellyfish problem, which was naturally much appreciated by the competitors.

In the individual section Richard Walker was in the unique situation of having won the swim in our three previous triathlons, and this time he had been promised a special prize of \$50 if he could again be fastest swimmer.

Athens Marathon winner DANIEL DU HAMELL was greeted not only by fellow countryman ALAIN MIMOUN (right) but also by another past distance running great, EMIL ZATOPEK (left).



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