Results of



Baker to Vegas: The Results

The annual Baker to Vegas foot race was created and is produced by the Los Angeles Police Revolver and Athletic Club (LAPDRAAC). The Club is grateful for their leadership in this event. ■ Three teams that the Club sponsored – from LAPD Communications and Training, and the Port Police – achieved their team goals in this grueling foot race across the desert.

Story by Arlene Herrero, Club Counselor; Photos by Arlene Herrero, Angel Gomez, Member Services Manager, and Daniel Wang

RUNNING RUNNING RUNNING



The famous Baker thermometer .





Many spectators came out to cheer their favorite team.





From left: PSR Allison Karnoff; PSR Kiyoko Clemons, Club Member; and Sr. PSR 1 Anita Whited, Club Member, with her mom who came to cheer her on.



From left: Los Angeles Port Police Chief Ronald Boyd, Club Member; Steve Tidwell, Assistant Director of FBI, Los Angeles Regional Office; Los Angeles County Sheriff Lee Baca; and Los Angeles Police Chief William Bratton.

Here are the top five winners in each Baker to Vegas category:

1000-Sworn Personnel Category

1. Santa Ana Police Dept.

- 2. Long Beach Police Dept. #1
- 3. California State Parks
- 4. L.A. School Police Dept.
- 5. San Bernardino Police Dept.

800 (ages of runners must total 800 years or more)

1. FBI Los Angeles

- 2. L.A. School District SEB
- 3. L.A. School District Star Center
- 4. L.A. School District Court Services
- 5. San Bernardino Sheriff's Dept.

500-Sworn Personnel Category (invitational)

- 1. L.A. County Sheriff
- 2. Southeast Cities
- 3. Cypress-Fountain Valley
- 4. Glendora Police Dept.

300-Sworn Personnel Category

 Huntington Beach Police Dept.
 L.A. District Attorney Bureau of Investigation
 Santa Monica Police Dept.
 Chula Vista Police Dept.

5. Glendale Police Dept.

150-Sworn Personnel Category

Newport Beach Police Dept.
 Orange Police Dept.
 Culver City Police Dept.
 Beverly Hills Police Dept.

99-Sworn Personnel Category

1. Murrietta Police Dept.

Vernon Police Dept.
 El Segundo Police Dept.
 Westminster Police Dept.

5. San Diego Harbor Police

5. Redlands Police Dept.

Guest

1. LAPD Metro-Cavalry

Invitational Mixed

Albuquerque Police Dept.
 L.A. School District PDC - North
 California Dept. of Justice – Gold
 IRS-CI San Diego
 LAPD Central-CTD-OCB

Invitational

- United States Marine Corps
 Orange County District Attorney
- 3. FBI Arizona
- Riverside County District Attorney
 L.A. School District Antelope Valley

Mixed

- 1. LAPD Training Division (Club sponsored)
- 2. FBI San Francisco
- 3. San Diego Probation
- 4. Washoe County Sheriff
- 5. San Bernardino Sheriff's Dept.

Open (any gender, any age)

- 1. California Highway Patrol Sacramento
- 2. L.A. School District MCJ
- 3. San Diego Police Dept.
- 4. Anaheim Police Dept.
- 5. CDC Open

Geographic Stations

U.S. Secret Service
 FBI San Diego
 DEA San Diego
 DEA Los Angeles
 L.A. School District East L.A. Station

Women

- 1. L.A. School District
- 2. FBI Los Angeles
- 3. Orange County Sheriff's Dept.
- 4. San Diego Police
- 5. L.A. School District Reg. Det. Facil

the Big Race

LAPD, HARBOR — The race is on!

Three teams that the Club sponsored in the annual Baker to Vegas Challenge Cup relay did just fine for themselves – they set team goals, and they achieved them.

The Challenge Cup Relay took place April 21-22 between Baker and Las Vegas.

LAPD Communications met their mark of finishing in the top 100. They came in ninth overall in their Invitational Mix Category, finishing at 17:02:56, securing 94th place overall in the race without penalty. Team Captain was Sr. PSR 1 Anita Whited, Club Member.

LAPD Training Division took first place in their Mixed Category, taking 17th place overall in the race, finishing at 15:11:10 without penalty. Team Captain: Sgt. Darryl Ito, Club Member.

Los Angeles Port Police in its first year came in 13th place in its 99 Category and finishing 183rd place overall in the race. They literally got their feet wet and are ready for next year. With all the excitement, Port Police Chief Ronald Boyd was bitten by the B2V bug and hopes to run next year. The team had no penalties this year, which was their goal. Team Captain: Port Police Officer Alex Castillo, Club Member.

Great going!

This year, for the first time, the race staff used chip timing. Away went the stopwatch to keep track of the runner's time. "Tap the mat" was all on the runner's minds as they crossed to the handoff.

Special thanks to Sgt. Daryl Ito, Anita Whited, Capt. William Murphy, Capt. Andrew Smith, Chief Ronald Boyd and Officer Alex Castillo. Also, the Port Police team wants to give special thanks to 511 tactical, which sponsored their shirts and hats.

About the Race

The annual Baker to Vegas foot race is produced by the Los Angeles Police Revolver and Athletic Club (LAPDRAAC).

The Los Angeles Police Revolver and Athletic Club (LAPDRAAC) is a private nonprofit organization, established more than 70 years ago by police officers of the Los Angeles Police Department. LAPRAAC has strived to ensure the highest level of professional law enforcement skills by providing athletic, educational, marksmanship, physical fitness, recreational, and social activities to benefit its members.

The Baker to Vegas Challenge Cup Relay, which challenges teams of runners to race (on foot) from Baker, Calif., to Las Vegas, was founded by Los Angeles Police Officers Chuck Foote and Larry Moore in 1984 with the continuous financial support of LAPRAAC. It began with 19 teams composed of law enforcement officers who faced the harsh Mojave Desert in an effort to prove which team was up to the "challenge" and would come away the winner of the Challenge Cup.

The race has become the largest law enforcement athletic event of its kind worldwide. Participation includes 10,000 law enforcement personnel of all ranks and agencies including the LAPD, the Sheriff's Dept., federal agencies, United States military, the Chief of Police, Department heads, agents in charge, and special VIP guests, celebrities, dignitaries, family members, race sponsors, press and media.

There were 227 teams of law enforcement agencies scheduled for the 2007 race. Entry fee per team is \$1,500, which comes from sponsorships and their own pockets.

The race has 20 legs, each run by a different runner. Teams consist of their 20 runners plus backups and support staff.

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Helicopters ready to take off in the event a runner takes a spill on the desert.



A runner takes a spill. EMT is there!



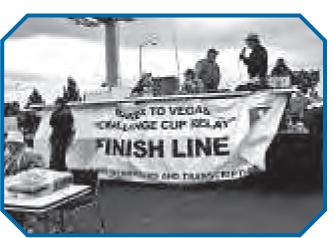
Off to a strong start! Watch out Team 2 and 4, as Team 100 LAPD Central Traffic Division Capt. Andrew Smith, Commanding Officer Central Community Police Station, Club Member, runs strong.



Capt. Andrew Smith, Commanding Officer Central Community Police Station, Club Member, checks out the competition as the runners cross the finish line.



Pete Demetriou, KFWB News 980, announces the names of the runners on the finish line.



The finish line.



From left: Daniel Wang, Club Photographer; Arlene Herrero, Club Counselor; and Capt. Andrew Smith, Commanding Officer, Central Community Police Station, Club Member.



Team 1 CHP Sacramento was the fastest running team, finishing the entire race in 13:03:40.



Port Police Officers and support at the Baker to Vegas award ceremony



From left: Port Police Motor Officer Mark Renteria; Sr. Lead Officer Ian Schunke, Club Member; and Motor Officer and "Dude #3" Mike Canlas.

From left: PSR Miguel Estrada, Club Member; and Lt. Ann Barrera, Leg 6 runner.

From left: Bob Edgar; Sgt. Debbie Edgar; Lt. Stan Ludwig, Club Member; and Capt. Andrew Smith, Club Member.



Lt. Al Rosario, Club Member (white shirt), looks on at the category board to see how the Port Police placed.

Team IIO,

LAPD Communications

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Team 110 LAPD Communications takes their mug for the fourth consecutive year. Congratulations!



Team 110 LAPD Communications started off strong on Leg 1 with PSR III CT Feng, Club Member taking charge.



Team 110 LAPD Communications Sr. PSR 1 Anita Whited, B2V Team Captain and Club Member, prepares for her run on Leg 4 with the help of Allison Karnoff and Kiyoko Clemons, Club Member.



Team 110 LAPD Communications John Harowicz, Club Member, on Leg 5.



From left: Maria Coronado, Leg 18 LAPD Communications runner, Club Member; and Christina Craig, Club Member.



Veteran Baker to Vegas runners for LAPD Communications, from left: Lourdes Varas, Club Member; John Craig, Club Member; Quincy Mirage; Carlos Mejia, Club Member; Maria Coronado, Club Member; Angelina Ortega, Club Member.



Team 110 LAPD Communications Emiko Uyeda prepares to receive the baton from CT Feng.



From left: Norma Chacon, guest, and Lourdes Varas, Club Member, at their post-race celebration.



Team 110 LAPD Communications Lourdes Varas takes it up a notch to the finish line.



Team 110 LAPD Communications General Services Public Safety Officer Felix Topete on Leg 3, the most difficult leg of the race.







Team 110 LAPD Communications is all bundled up at the finish line.





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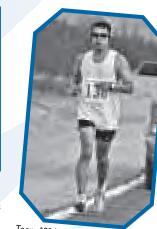
Team 138 LAPD Southwest on cruise control.





Team 138 LAPD Southwest runs as the sun disappears behind the desert mountains.

Team 138 LAPD Southwest on Leg 5.



Team 138 LAPD Southwest.

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LAPD Southwest



Team 138 LAPD Southwest Area congregates at the finish line.



Team 100 LAPD Central Traffic Division with their mug, placing fifth in the category. Their run was in honor of Officer Terry Cammack who succumbed to cancer.

Team 100, LAPD Central Traffic Division



From left: Capt. Andrew Smith, Club Member, with Sgt. Jeff Bert.



Team 100 LAPD Central Traffic Division.



Team 100 LAPD Central Traffic Division Capt. Andrew Smith, Commanding Officer Central Community Police Station, Club Member, runs in memory of Officer Terry Cammack, EOW Dec. 12, 2006.

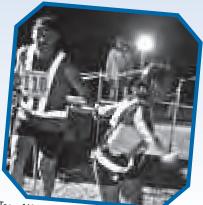


Dep. Chief Gary Brennan makes his way to the finish line for Team 100 LAPD Central Traffic Division while holding a flag honoring Officer Terry Cammack, EOW Dec. 12, 2006.



Team 100 LAPD Central Traffic Division Leg 2 runner Lt. Brenda Crump.





Team 110 LAPD Communications GSD OPS Officer Felix Topete hands off his baton to Sr. PSR 1 Anita Whited, Club Member. Check out her fancy handoff.



Team 49 LAPD Training Division takes center stage for coming in first place in their category. Congratulations!

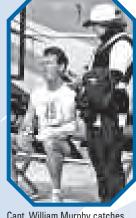
Team 49, LAPD Training Division



From left: Team 49 LAPD Communications Sgt. Chris Costley, Leg 4 runner along with Leg 2





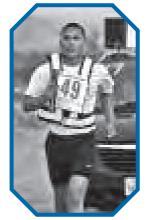


Capt. William Murphy catches his breath while his catcher, Sgt. Tolliver, stands by.

Team 49 LAPD Training Division Capt. William Murphy charges his way to the finish line while high winds try to slow him down.







Team 49 LAPD Training Division Officer Michael Santiago runs strong, while his support vehicle follows from a distance.



Team 49 LAPD Training Division Sgt. II David Wright, in his 21st B2V race hands off his baton to Leg 2 runner Officer Michael Santiago.



From left: Team 49 LAPD Training Division Capt. William Murphy (proudly holding the baton he brought to the finish line); and Sgt. Kyle Tolliver, catcher.

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From left: Chief Ronald Boyd, Club Member and Los Angeles Port Police Officer Alex Castillo, Club Member and Team Captain, congratulate Officer Ramirez on a job well done after finishing the race.



Port Police Officer Alex Castillo, Club Member, runs strong while his follow vehicle trails along.



Running Stage 2 was Port Police Officer Rosario Ferrera, Club Member, who made friends with fellow Stage 2 runner with Team 149 CHP West LA.



Port Police Officer Alex Castillo, Club Member, digs deep for air as he makes his way to the handoff.

Team 185,

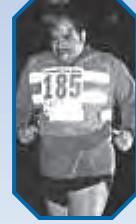
LAPD Port Police



Team 185 Los Angeles Port Police Officer Ramirez, with his catcher, Chief Ronald Boyd, Club Member.



Port Police Officer Rosario Ferrara, Club Member, hands off on Leg 3 with a very happy Port Police Officer and Club Member Ryan Mullany.



Team 185 Los Angeles Port Police Lt. Al Rosario, Club Member, is determined to run strong on Leg 10.



Team 185 Los Angeles Port Police Officer Ramirez makes his way to the finish line.



From left: Port Police Officer Alex Castillo, Club Member, was greeted by his fiancé, Claudia Garcia, after running Leg One.



Team 121 LAX Officer Rouzan on Leg 1.



Team 121 LA Airport Police Officer Co gets his second wind to cross the finish line.



Team 121 LAX Officer Quiros.

Team 121, LAX Officers



Team 121 Leg 19 Los Angeles Airport Police Officer Baquar Syed.



Team 172, **LAPD** Jail Division







Team 172, LAPD Jail Division Francisco Rodarte, Club Member, runs strong.





Team 172 LAPD Jail Division Marisol Rodriguez, Clerk Typist, on her way to the finish line.

LAPD Jail Division alternate runner Sr. Detention Officer Marcos Vasquez on Leg 2.

LAPD Jail Division alternate runner handing off to a fellow relay runner on Leg 3.

Harbor Sharks Officer Alma Skefich runs in memory of her daughter, Kaila Rose.



Team 87, the LAPD Harbor Sharks.



Team 11 US Border Patrol #1.



The U.S. Border Patrol participated.

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Team 21, LAPD Rampart

LAPD



Team 46, Team 141, Team

Team 52, LA District

Attorney's Office



A member of Team 52, LA District Attorney's Office. Check out her running form!

Team 37, LAPD 77th



153.

Traffic

LAPD Valley



Team 37 LAPD 77th Street Area on Leg 20.

Team 80, LAPD Wilshire Area



Northeast Area

Team 114, Team 73, Team 146, Team 24, LAPD Metro



A member on Team 114 LAPD Metro Black makes his way to the finish line.

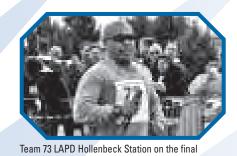
Team 18, LAPD **Metro-Cavalry**



LAPD Hollenbeck LAPD Mission Area Station

LAPD West

Valley Station



Team 89, LAPD Retired





Team 146 LAPD Mission Area is full steam ahead to the finish line







LAPD



Team 24 LAPD Newton Area Leg 20 runner.

Team 5, LASD



Team 18 LAPD Metro-Cavalry Leg 20 runner Sgt. Gerald Sola, Club Member.

Team 89 LAPD Retired runs strong

A Team 12 Long Beach PD Leg 20 runner takes a oment to pause before crossing the finish line.

Team 5 LASD SEB crossed the finish line by way of Sheriff Lee Baca

Team 911, Team 173, **Calgary Police** USMC



Team 911 USMC, a favorite of Club Manager Angel Gomez, a former USMC member.



Service

Team 173 Calgary Police Service is overjoyed to reach the finish line.



Team IOI, Team I98,





Team 198 Central Alberta (Canada) Law Enforcement, representing the International Team .crosses the finish line.

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