

# Dixon comes from behind to win New York Marathon

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**NEW YORK** — Rod Dixon was lurking back until just the right moment, and he was hungry like the wolf.  
 "It's always nicer to be the hunter rather than the hunted," said Dixon, the two-time Olympian from New Zealand, after using a dramatic burst in the final mile Sunday to overtake Geoff Smith and win the 14th New York City Marathon in 2 hours, 8 minutes, 59 seconds.  
 "Of course, I knew I was running out of distance, and with a mile to go I realized I was picking up my legs faster than he was. I almost felt I had that

second wind. I think my track background told me my legs had to turn over faster and they did.  
 "He knew I was there and I knew he was there. It was sort of like a piece of elastic — he would pull away and then I would catch up."  
 Dixon, 33, experienced hamstring problems from the first five miles of the race on and, after a surge brought him to third place coming off the Queensborough Bridge at the 16-mile mark into Manhattan, he said he "slipped again and felt it."  
 "But at 23 miles, I felt like I hit

a patch in the muscle and the tension was released."  
 Dixon was running only his second marathon, while the 29-year-old Smith set a record for the fastest first time marathon ever run with his runnerup time of 2:09:08.  
 Smith, 29, said he began to realize just how hard the marathon is in the final miles.  
 "At 16 miles I felt like there was nobody else in the race and at 20 I felt the same," Smith said. "But then entering the park (Central Park), people started yelling at me 'they're catching you.' That's when I started to panic. I knew Rod was catching

up, and while my upper body felt good, both my hamstrings were cramping."  
 Smith had held the lead since passing Gidimas Shahanga of Tanzania on the Queensborough Bridge, or about the 15.4-mile mark. Shahanga, normally a 10-kilometer runner, then tired badly and was overtaken for third place by Ron Tabb, the runnerup in the Boston Marathon this year.  
 Dixon has been one of the world's premier distance runners for more than 10 years. He won a bronze medal in the 1,500 meters at the 1972 Olympics and was fourth in the 5,000 at the 1976 Olympics, finishing just 0.7 of a second behind gold medalist Lasse Viren.  
 Smith finished second in 2:09:08 and Tabb's third place time was 2:10:46.



## Ags-Horns tie for championship Hill takes SWC singles title

**By Melissa Adair**  
**Battalion Staff**  
 Texas A&M's Greg Hill defeated Tom Fontana of the University of Texas in three sets to win the singles championship at the first Southwest Conference Indoor Championships in Lubbock last weekend.  
 Hill won 5-7, 7-6 and 6-5. Fontana quit the third set because of leg cramps.

A&M and Texas tied for the team championship — with 34 points each — under a format in which each singles and doubles match victory was worth one point.  
 Texas Tech came in third place with 14 points, followed by Rice with 10 points, Houston with 9 points and Baylor with 7 points. SMU, Arkansas and

TCU did not compete in the tournament.  
 A&M also won two other singles championships. Mark Smith won the No. 2 title, defeating Doug Piolet of Texas 2-6, 6-4, 6-4, and Grant Connell beat Edgar Griffenig of Texas to win the No. 3 position.  
 Texas' Charles Beck and A&M's Joey Perry, 6-4, to win the No. 4 position. Fred Thome, also of Texas, defeated Arnold Ketter of A&M, 7-6, 7-5 to win the single's title.

## SA Judson among high school teams upset over weekend

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 The upsets were few and far between among the elite teams during week eight of the Texas high school football campaign, but they started at the top.  
 Converse Judson, the No. 1 Class 5A team in the United Press International Texas high school football poll, fell victim to a remarkable second-half rally by San Antonio Roosevelt and lost 35-24 Friday.  
 Judson raced to a 17-0 lead and appeared well on its way to an 8-0 record when Roosevelt quarterback Mike Trigg took over.  
 Trigg threw four touchdown passes in the second half, including two to Tom Cisneros, and the Roosevelt defense snapped up four late Judson turnovers to post the upset of the year.  
 A trio of undefeated teams now will clamor for the top spot in the rankings, with all coming off easy victories Friday.  
 No. 2 Highland Park should make the strongest claim for the No. 1 slot following the Scots' 32-7 win over South Garland. Highland Park quarterback John Stollenwerck threw touchdown passes of 28 and 68 yards to Erik Mays and Rod Jones scored on runs of 2 and 37 yards for the Scots.  
 No. 3 Beaumont West Brook, the defending state champion, cruised by Port Arthur Jefferson 35-6 and No. 4 Plano, a perennial playoff contender, crushed Richardson, 28-0.  
 "Field position, turnovers, good defense, ball-control," said Plano coach Tom Kimbrough. "If you can do hat, you're all right."  
 In Class 4A, top ranked Willowridge continued its expected drive toward a second straight

state title with a 39-0 final of Brenham. Meanwhile, Cleburne, hit hard by a streak after a 1982 season, posted a 20-0 record in the state semifinals, and a 10-0 record in the playoffs.  
 Cleburne overpowered Joshua 56-6 Saturday in the four touchdown game. Quarterback Steven Hafford was only a junior starter on the junior varsity last year, but his emergence indicative of Cleburne's continued dominance this year.  
 "We've got a special club this year," said Cleburne coach Chuck Curtis. "I don't think overall, we're as strong as a team."  
 "We've got more color and togetherness and winning easier than last year. We don't have as much talent, but we've got more want to win."  
 Another team that built this year was No. 10, which was beaten only Class 4A playoffs last year. Willowridge and boss record over the past two years under coach Gene Jasper beat No. 9 Silsbee Friday in the only state game of ranked teams.  
 "We had nine defectors from last year's team had seven shutouts," Walkowiak said. "This fourth shutout this year is a runaway freight train offense is keyed by a drive."  
 Fullback Edsel Fontana led a Jasper running drive toward a second straight

Elsewhere in Class 4A, Waxahachie was upset by 18-7, and No. 10 lost to Henderson, 14-7.  
 In Class 3A, No. 1 continued to roll with a 20-0 victory over Muleshoe and No. 2 stayed right behind with a 25-7 victory over Sherman.  
 No. 3 Daingerfield was to move up in the rankings with a 48-0 pasting of De Witt.

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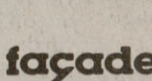
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