





### THE NEED FOR GOOD SHOES - WALT THOMA (OUR OWN)

THE FEET ARE PERHAPS THE MOST IMPORTANT PHYSICAL COMPONENT THE RUNNER DOES POSSESS. YET, IT IS THE FEET WHICH ARE GENERALLY OVERLOOKED, WHILE BEING OVERWORKED. DR. GEO. SHEEHAN, THE FAMOUS RUNNING PHYSICIAN, WHO INCIDENTALLY HOLDS THE MILE RECORD FOR RUNNERS OVER FIFTY, 4:47, SAYS THAT 90% OF THE KNEE AND LEG RELATED INJURIES ARE ATTRIBUTED TO THE FEET. AND YET THE FEET ARE BADLY TREATED AND POORLY TAKEN CARE OF. THE REASON IS THAT SOME RUNNERS HAVE ONE OR TWO PAIRS OF FAVORITE SHOES THAT THEY PRACTICALLY LIVE IN BECAUSE THEY ARE COMFORTABLE AND BROKEN IN. THIS IS FLIRTING WITH DANGER. TAKE A LOOK AT YOUR RUNNING SHOES NOW. ARE THEY WORN ON ONE SIDE MORE THAN THE OTHER? ARE THEY WORN ON THE INSIDE OF THE SHOE? DO THEY HAVE HOLES? DO THEY HAVE SUFFICIENT SUPPORT FOR YOUR ACHILLES TENDON? DO THEY HAVE ENOUGH CUSHION TO ABSORB THE SHOCK OF COMING DOWN ON YOUR HEELS AND FEET? THESE ARE JUST A FEW OF THE QUESTIONS A RUNNER SHOULD ASK HIMSELF. IF YOU ARE HAVING PROBLEMS WITH YOUR KNEES, FEET, OR LEGS, PERHAPS YOU SHOULD INVEST IN A NEW PAIR OF SHOES. NEW SHOES CAN PROVIDE INSURANCE AGAINST INJURIES AND POSSIBLE INSURE MORE ENJOYABLE TRAINING RUNS.

### SMITTY'S STRIDER SUPPLIES

MOHEGAN STRIDER DECALS - \$0.30 EA. OR 4 / \$1.00  
STRIDER SHIRTS - \$4.55 EA.  
CHOCOLATE BROWN SHORTS - \$3.20 EA.  
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### MARC GOTTESDIENER - DEALER - NIKE RUNNING SHOES AND ACCESSORIES

NIKE SHOES ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT TEAM AND VOLUME PRICES FOR ALL STRIDERS, FRIENDS, ETC.... CONTACT MARC GOTTESDIENER, 442-6141 (HOME - 447-2444) OR DROP IN AT HARKNESS DORMITORY, CONNECTICUT COLLEGE. BESIDES A COMPLETE SHOE LINE OTHER RUNNER GEAR CAN BE HAD.

### HIGGINS' SPORTING GOODS

NORM HIGGINS OWNS AND MANAGES A SPORTING GOODS STORE ON THE OLD COLCHESTER ROAD IN QUAKER HILL VILLAGE. HIS INVENTORY INCLUDES TIGER SHOES, RUNNING GARB, BASEBALL EQUIPMENT, FISHING GEAR ETC.

### TIM'S GRINS

"....TRAINING FOR DISTANCE RUNNING IS MUCH MORE THAN A MERE MATTER OF MILEAGE AND INTENSITY: IT IS BEST THOUGHT OF AS WAY OF LIFE AND REACHES ITS HIGHEST LEVEL WHEN DEVELOPED WITHIN A MATURE AND WELL BALANCED PERSON....."

- J. KENNETH DOUGHERTY -

### JUST A REMINDER!!!

MAY 6TH - 25 KILOMETER STATE CHAMPIONSHIP IN MIDDLETOWN. LET'S TRY AND MAKE THIS ONE OUR FIRST STATE CHAMPIONSHIP. HOPE TO SEE ALL OF YOU THERE.