



DAVE MCGILLIVRAY BIO

- Valedictorian – Class of 1972 – Medford High School.
- Valedictorian – Class of 1976 – Merrimack College.
- Captain of the MHS cross country and track teams.
- Was the Phelan Award recipient in 1972.
- Finished first in the President's Council on Physical Fitness Test as a freshman at MHS.
- Was the 2019 MHS Commencement speaker.
- Keynote speaker numerous times at Medford schools and businesses.
- Was a Medford Recreation Park Instructor for 4 years.
- Created the Medford Recreation Mini-Marathon which was later named the Dave McGillivray Mini-Marathon.
- Named Medford's Citizen of the Year in 1982.
- Ran Across America – 1978 – to benefit the Jimmy Fund. 3,452 miles from Medford, OR to Medford, MA.
- Ran up the East Coast with Bob Hall (wheelchair) in 1981 – again, to benefit the Jimmy Fund.
- Completed a 24-hour run – to benefit the Wrentham School – 120 miles finishing in Gillette Stadium.
- New England Run – triathloned around New England for the Jimmy Fund – swam 1-mile, biked 80-miles, ran 20-miles every day for 35 days which started at Medford High School.
- Did a 24-hour bike – 385 miles around Spot Pond to benefit the Jimmy Fund.
- Did a 24-hour swim – 27-miles in the Medford High School pool to benefit the Jimmy Fund.
- Swam a total of 7-miles from Martha's Vineyard to Falmouth Heights.
- Ran the Boston Marathon blindfolded to raise money for the Carroll Center for the Blind and ran a 3:14 time.
- Dave and nine other friends ran relay-style across the country from San Francisco to Boston following most of the same course Dave ran solo in 1978 while raising \$300,000 for five Boston children's charities.

- Competed in the World Marathon Challenge at age 63 a few years ago, running 7 marathons in 7 days on 7 continents.
- Competed in 10 Ironman Triathlon World Championships – 1980, 1983-1989, 2014, 2024.
- Has run his age on his birthday since age 12, for the past 57 years.
- Has run over 150,000 miles lifetime.
- Has run 171 marathons.
- Has competed in the past 53 consecutive Boston Marathons, running 36 of them at night after his race director duties were complete.
- Ran the Boston Marathon just 6 months after he had open heart triple by-pass surgery.
- Opened up Dave McGillivray Running and Sports Center in Medford in 1982.
- Started DMSE Sports in 1981 and has directed or consultant on over 1,500 events including World and National Championships.
- Directed the 2004 and 2008 US Olympic Marathon Trials and consulted on LA and NYC Olympic Marathon Trials.
- Has given over 1,400 motivational speaking appearances.
- Has written 4 books, 3 of them children's illustrative books and writing his 5th book now.
- Has been race/technical/course director of the Boston Marathon for the past 37 years.
- Created the Dave McGillivray Finish Strong Foundation in 2022.
- He has been inducted into seven Hall of Fames (Running USA, Merrimack College, Road Runners Club of America, Team with a Vision, USA Triathlon, Massachusetts Bay State Game and Medford High School Mustang Hall of Fame).
- He has received hundreds of prestigious awards and recognitions.
- He and his company, DMSE Sports, have helped raise millions of dollars for hundreds of charities and non-profit organizations.
- Recently, the City of Medford named the outdoor track at Hormel Stadium after him. This is where he got his start by running on this track over 50 years ago.
- Currently, has not missed a day of running since March 13, 2021 (3 years and counting).