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CHRIS GLOWACH
Athlete/Builder

Chris Glowach's passion for running started when he entered and completed his first event, the Manitoba Marathon, in 1979. He has completed fifty marathons to date, winning seven of them. Chris has won numerous other road races, spanning five kilometer events to the marathon, although the latter may be the event for which he is most noted. He was the first Manitoba born athlete to win the Manitoba Marathon in 1997, an accomplishment he repeated in 1998. Chris won all four of his appearances at the Edmonton Marathon, was the first Canadian Finisher at the 1988 New York City Marathon and was the second Canadian to cross the finish line at the 100th running of the Boston Marathon in 1996. In both 1999 and 2000 Chris was the #1 ranked masters marathon runner in Canada. Chris Glowach has been a finalist for Manitoba Male Athlete of the year in 1996 and 1997, and was named Ukrainian Sportsman of the year in 2002.

Chris' accomplishments as a builder are even more remarkable. As his friend, Hall of Fame Sportswriter and Broadcaster and founder of the Manitoba Marathon, John Robertson, has stated, "Nobody has done more for recreational running and physical fitness in Manitoba than Chris Glowach." In 1993, Chris and his wife Lynn opened Winnipeg's first Running Room store, and was the first race director for the 'Run for the Cure' in Winnipeg, along with numerous other road races. He has been a tireless mentor and coach of Manitoba runners, training literally thousands of athletes in running clinics. He has helped countless Manitobans experience that same sense of accomplishment in crossing their own finish lines as he did in 1979.