

Eliud Kipchoge smashes marathon record in Berlin as four other runners post record times

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Kenyan runner Eliud Kipchoge has made history after setting a new fastest marathon time of 2 hours 1 minute and 39 seconds at the BMW Berlin Marathon.

The 33-year-old shaved more than a minute off of the previous marathon world record of 2:02:57 which was set by fellow Kenyan Dennis Kimetto four years ago, also in Berlin.



His amazing achievement on Sunday (16 September) of course means he now holds the Guinness World Records title for Fastest marathon (male), as well as the Fastest time to run the Berlin marathon (male).

Kipchoge's fantastic time means the elusive sub-two hour marathon is now within tantalising reach. In 2017 he clocked 2:00:25 but this attempt was not classed as an official attempt due to the use of in-out pacemakers.

However he can add his new record in Berlin to his three other Guinness World Records titles: Fastest time to run the London Marathon (male) with a time of 02:03:05; Fastest road run 30 kilometres (male) with a time of 01:27:13 and Most wins of the London Marathon by an individual (male) with three, shared with António Pinto (Portugal), Dionicio Cerón (Mexico) and Martin Lel (Kenya).

But on top of Kipchoge's time, four other Guinness World Records titles were set at the Berlin Marathon.