

Secretary's Notes

June 7, 2004 Meeting

Compiled by Betty Rose

President Donna Smyers called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. on Monday, June 7, 2004, at the home of Darragh Ellerson. Eleven club members attended the meeting.

Old Business

Capital City Stampede: Sam Davis reported on this race which will take place this coming Saturday, June 12th. He has a timer and other equipment lined up but needs 3 or 4 more volunteers to work out on the course. Michael Chernick volunteered to make sure the Statehouse parking lot gate is open from about 9:00 to 9:30 or 10:00. Sam has constructed some sturdy signs to post to alert residents of the upcoming race. These signs will be saved for future races. There are 35 pre-registrants, which is normal at this point. He also has one wheelchair entrant and Sam wanted to make sure that our liability policy would cover this racer. The wheelchair entrant will start before the rest of the field.

Clock, Tripod and Measuring Wheel: Tim Noonan reported that these items have been received.

CVR Singlets: Sandy Colvin sent some samples of singlets and shorts made from nylon. Donna Smyers brought some Onion River Sports singlets. After discussion it was determined that shorts would not be wanted as everyone has their own preferences. It was also determined that better quality singlets were desirable even if more expensive and the Club may subsidize the purchase.

Fun Runs: A discussion was held about a backup for Darragh Ellerson when she is not available for the Tuesday night Fun Runs. Whenever possible, Darragh will notify Donna Smyers in advance and Donna will find a replacement. If no one is available, the races will be self-timed or earlier finishers will record times for the rest of the racers. It was noted that the "2" and "3" mileage signs are missing and need to be replaced.

Reports from Race Directors: Dave Kissner sent word that the June 26th *Paul Mailman Montpelier Ten-Miler* has 30 pre-registrations and he is anticipating a large turnout. He is concerned about having enough volunteers.

Tim Noonan will be adding a new race to the Weekday Race schedule. It will be called the *Statehouse Stage Run* and will combine a run up the path to the Hubbard Park Tower with a cross-country run through the park. The tentative date is August 19th and the fee will be \$5.00 (like the other weekday races).

All required race permits from Berlin have been secured by Dot Helling and are being distributed to the race directors.

Darragh Ellerson has been asked to run the finish line for this year's *Leaf Peepers* Race. She needs at least 15 volunteers. It was moved, seconded and approved to pay Sandy Colvin the same fee as last year to serve as race director for *Leaf Peepers*.

Tim Noonan spoke about a call he received from Katrina Ware of the Northfield Savings Bank regarding the *Northfield Savings Bank 5K Foot Race and Children's 1-Mile Race* scheduled for September 4th. The bank wants to make the race a fund-raiser for Special Olympics and asked that CVR donate its services. The Club was asked to organize the race eight years ago and has been receiving \$1.00 per entrant. Ms Ware inquired as to what the Club actually does to put on the race. Tim told those present at the meeting that although he has enjoyed putting on the race, this will be his and Norm Robinson's last year as race directors. It was moved, seconded and approved that CVR will request our normal fee and will make the determination as to what we do with the money. In addition, the Club's future involvement with the Race will be discussed at the August meeting.

25th Anniversary: After discussion, it was tentatively decided that the Club's 25th Anniversary will be celebrated with a picnic and sub-ultimate runner competition on Saturday August 7th at the Barre Town Recreation area. The sub-ultimate competition will consist of four races with distances of 5K, one mile, 400 meters and 100 meters. The planning committee will be Donna Smyers, Dot Helling, Linda Hallinger, Norm Robinson, and any other volunteers. A motion was made, seconded and approved to authorize the committee to spend up to \$250.00 on the event.

New Business

Request for Donation: Andrea McLaughlin is a coach for the Run Girl Run Program for 6-8 graders with self-esteem problems. Andrea has asked the Club for a donation to be used to purchase incentive awards. A motion was made, seconded and approved to donate \$100.00.

Lifetime Membership: Shawn Bryan was granted a lifetime membership for his service to the Club including the water stop he sets up each year for Club races. Due to an oversight, his name was omitted from the Club membership list and he has not been receiving newsletters nor was he invited to the Volunteer Recognition dinner. Donna will add his name permanently to the membership list.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Next Meeting: The next potluck and meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, August 16th at the home of Michael Chernick.