

CVR Meeting Notes

August 13th, 2009 Meeting

13 People in attendance

Joined by Kate Kerrigan American Cancer Society

She manages the endurance events, running, biking, swimming in Vermont. She is responsible for raising resources, funds. Wants to learn more about CVR and share with us what they do.

They have partnered with Race Vermont and are having an Olympic Triathlon being held on September 13th in Burlington. Partner with VCM looking for a team of 40-50 people to run for the Society, raise funds, train with Team ACS. Will help coordinate training, long runs etc. Have online training capabilities. Help with Fund Raising. Really wants our help to spread the word on what they are doing. They also will help us get connected with new runners etc. She handed out information for everyone, and will also send further info to Andrea to share with us.

Old News

Website has been moved to Power Shift Online Services.

Race Updates:

Barre Town Spring Run - Raised \$240.00 for CV Medical Center Woman's and Children's Clinic.

Kids Track Meet - Went well, best turnout in many years. Late afternoon works well.

Capital City Stampede - John Valentine gave report. Race went well despite location change. The race started at Onion River Sports and not the Church; conflict with a wedding. The race ended at the Church. Had three problems: police left; few people went off course; not enough volunteers... proved very challenging event for the race director. To continue having the race we need to change the location to start and end at Onion River Sports and the following things to happen: need police support, need port-o-potties. John would like to make these changes, but wants to make sure CVR is in support, and the police will agree and help. There was a lot of discussion. Motion was made to authorize John to proceed with researching changes, and implement if possible. Motion accepted.

Berlin Pond - Nancy Rice reported. 76 runners. Race made \$306.96 Race went well. Nancy felt that there were a few items of improvement, but overall went really well.

Northfield - Coming up Labor Day weekend. Rowley Brucken reported. He has volunteers and is all set for help. He is taking the race over from Tim Noonan. Discussed making sure everyone knows how to use timers etc. Pre-registration is all set. Rowley raised the question of having the kids race next year without timing, to encourage younger kids to join the race. There was a lot of discussion, most felt it should remain a race, a competitive event.

Chase Race - Ann Bushey is looking for people to donate used sneakers at the race for the Northfield cross country team. Male and Female shoes are needed.

Leaf Peepers - The half marathon closed last Sunday 902 registered. 5K still open.
Roger needs more volunteers, contact Roger if you are available.

First Night - No update

Other items for discussion:

Need a course certifier. Bob Murphy is retiring from this task that he has done for many years. Anyone willing to take this over, he offers to train and assist to help them learn how to do this. Bob described the exact process. Certification is important so the runners who participate know they have run a certified course. Also we submit the certification to RRCA. The certification is good for 10 years unless there is construction or changes to the course. Donna Smyers and John Valentine agreed to certify the Northfield course for next year, but have not agreed to do all other races. We need a volunteer. Andrea will put out advertisement.

Barre Homecoming Race - The race was cancelled at the last minute. Andrea expressed concern that this can't happen again. Discussion on how to get the commitment of the director and volunteers well in advance and if no response than that is indication that race won't be held. In addition we discussed having a race directors meeting or meetings to go over all the tasks involved, familiarize everyone with the equipment etc. Suggestion for this meeting is February. Andrea will move forward on coordinating this.

Storage Shed - rumor has it that we are missing cones. Roughly 45 cones are missing. Maybe they are at Onion River? Maybe Tim Shea has some or knows where they are? Andrea will put out an e-mail. In the future how do we keep track of the inventory? We need a sign-in; sign-out sheet. In addition we need to take inventory. Andrea will make a sheet and work with others to complete the inventory. Michael Chernick volunteered to do inventory.

New News :

Motion to let Donna get clock fixed. Approved.

Sodom Pond Race - September 16th. Spaghetti dinner at the Adamant Music School after the race.

There were 4-5 returning members, who wanted to be included in ORS race series results. Would the club mind modifying the rules to let these new members participate in the ORS race series. Motion to allow them to participate, if John agrees. Approved.

Next meeting November 12th at home of Rowley Brucken 3318 Stony Brook, Northfield.