

CVR Annual Meeting

March 21, 2010 Meeting

Submitted by Sandy Colvin

13 Members in attendance. Meeting held at Priscilla Carr's home.

Last month's meeting notes were reviewed and accepted.

Nominations for all the officers in the club were held.

Every current position will remain the same, with the exception of the newsletter coordinator, and publicity coordinator. Norm will contact a member who has expressed interest in the past. Publicity coordinator will be held by Greg Gerdel. Everyone at the meeting offered to help Greg, and recommend he let any of us know if he needs assistance.

Discussed Onion River Sports and the race series.

Andrea went over the amount of money ORS gives each race for awards. Asked the members to decide if we are still o.k. with this arrangement. Everyone agreed to the amounts Andrea listed and agreed we should leave as is. Andrea asked everyone who is involved in races to make sure they keep track of those gift certificates that are used versus those that are not, and we discussed making sure we keep those that are not used, and perhaps pass them on to another race. There was a suggestion to use the left over gift certs for some of our other races. Everyone agreed to give any left over gift certs to Andrea, and Andrea will decide how to disperse them. If you are a race director and are interested in more than you currently use, or want some for your race, contact Andrea.

Treasurer's Report

Priscilla gave out the current report. \$12,600 +/- is current balance. Total Assets 23,000 +/- . We are approaching end of fiscal year. Discussed some of the numbers on the report. Priscilla answered questions.

Donations

Andrea receives a lot of requests. John Martin has requested money for Special Olympics and 6 girls on the run organizations have requested donations. In addition Norm Robinson would like the club to consider donating more to cross country programs at middle school/high schools and coaches, to use where they see the need, maybe shoes, or a tent for events.

Schools to consider:

Montpelier, U32, Harwood, Northfield, Spaulding, Randolph, Hazen, Lamoille, Stowe, Peoples. Norm has offered to coordinate the effort through letters to the schools, and working with the coaches for donations. Motion made and accepted to offer scholarships to 10 high schools up to \$300.00 each. The decision of who to donate to and all the work will be done by the Middle School/High School Scholarship Coordinator, Norm Robinson.

Girls on the Run – Motion made and accepted that any GOR organization that requests donations, we will make a donation.

Special Olympics – Motion made and accepted that the same donation to SO will be given this year as in the past.

I am athlete – an organization that does on line registration.

They have contacted Donna about the club using them. Discussed the topic for some time and everyone expressed opinions on using them, and having online registration for some of our races. Discussed using them for one race as a trial. If it works well and race director finds it helpful we can consider it for other races.

Race Schedule

Mutt Strutt - All set. Donna is race director – April 25th. Donna is considering retiring as race director after this year. Anyone interested in being the director, contact Andrea and Donna.

Adamant Run and Bike Event – Eric Rhyea is race director. All set. Had some issues with insurance but those will be taken care of. Need volunteers.

Barre Town Spring Run – May 22nd.

Kids Track Meet – June 5th

Capital City Stampede – June 12th

Paul Mailman – June 27th

Bear Swamp – July 10th

Barre Heritage – July 31st

Berlin Pond – August 5th. Need race director, anyone interested, please contact Andrea.

East Montpelier Chase Race – Aug 26th

NSB 5K/1 Mile – September 4th. Tim Noonan would like to have a committee to work on this race. Tim needs more help, and needs more coordination with the timing. Need a technical committee to handle timing and finish line. CVR needs at least 5 people on this committee to find volunteers, train etc.

Tim raised the issue of need for greater organization of the timing. It was suggested that a committee form to better coordinate finish timing. The following volunteered for this committee: Tim Noonan, Darragh Ellerson, John Hackney, Donna Smyers, Andy Shuford, Andrea McLaughlin, (in addition to Rowly Brucken).

Sodom Pond- no issues

Leaf Peepers- no issues

Fallen Leaves- Tim Noonan proposed making the races even more low-key: eliminating entry fees (instead there would be a suggested donation to Food Bank), and eliminating official times.

First Night- at present a race director is still needed. It was proposed that if there is no race director by our August meeting that we withdraw the race from the calendar and notify the City of Montpelier that we are unable to manage the race.

Onion River Race Series will include the following:

First Night, Capitol City 5K, Paul Mailman, Bear Swamp, Berlin Pond, Northfield 5K, Barre Heritage, Leaf Peepers, Montpelier Mile, Green Mountain Marathon (GMAA), Common to Common (GMAA).

T-shirts

Andrea has investigated T-shirt options, however concerns were raised about the sizing/reliability of the company. It was decided to continue to investigate vendors further before making a decision.

Facebook page

Norm Robinson proposed that we create a CVR Facebook page to facilitate easier communication. There was support for this and it was suggested that Lorilyn Leblanc would do a very good job of coordinating this. Andrea will approach her about it. Norm Robinson is willing to take it on if she is not available.

Keys to the equipment storage

There are 2 keys to the equipment storage area. Andrea would like better access so she can keep better track of the equipment. It was decided that she will share the key that is currently managed by Roger Cranse.

Current equipment inventory

2 time machines, tent side walls (we need a new tent), USB connectors, Jones Counters (still in Bob Murphy's possession), cones (we own 50; several are unaccounted for, some are at ORS), mile marker signs, 4 hand held timers, several tables (currently being used by National Life for Christmas donations), banner, 2 computers (in possession of Dave Kissner and John Hackney), 2 water jugs, 2 race in progress signs (formerly there were more), timer paper, 6 fluorescent vests, measuring wheel.

Equipment needs

Mile marker signs need to be replaced, it was proposed to use an A-frame style sign; it was agreed to order these. We need additional Race in Progress signs and it was decided to order those. It was also decided to order another tent (up to \$500), and another

measuring wheel (Tim Noonan will look for this. Up to \$150 is authorized). Norm suggested we purchase mile markers for the Fun Runs and that was supported.

There was discussion of the possibility of renting a van for any group of CVR runners wishing to travel to a regional race together.

Norm Robinson announced that the Corporate Cup Race is being rerouted due to the closure of the Taylor St Bridge; they are looking for more volunteers to help with the new course.

John Hackney requested a message be sent out to recruit more people familiar with the RunScore Timing system.

Next meeting dates

June 3 at the home of Michael Chernick; August 12 at the home of Andrea McLaughlin; November 18 (location TBD).