

# SRR Board Meeting – August 5, 2013

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## **Volunteer Activity (Ali McGinty)**

### Recaps:

- 24H: we had enough volunteers for each time slot. Extras showed up to help out as well.

### Upcoming events:

- Race to the Row: currently need approximately 10 more volunteers, but that should not be a problem.

## **Merchandise (Bradley Harris)**

\$170 in sales last month. Average monthly sales for the last 6 months is \$167. We currently have 22 months of inventory in stock. Long sleeve tech shirts were added at the end of winter, so those will sell more once the weather gets colder. Bradley provided sample singlets from a new supplier that looked good and can have customized color. Singlets sell for \$32 each, but club would probably sell them for \$25 each.

## **Good Deeds webpage (Urvi Mujumdar)**

Updated version of good deeds website is up and running. Any updates should be sent to Urvi to keep it current going forward.

## **Treasury (Stephanie Finnegan)**

Expenses from the 24 Hour have been processed. Financial report was emailed to the Board.

## **Welcome Wagon: (Ruthanne Waite)**

New member emails are slowing down. Two new members came to new member night.

## **Club Races / Runs:**

24 hour recap: (Kit Newton) race went well. There were some issues with the new property manager at the location regarding runners setting up tents. A neighboring property that sponsors other races is a possibility for next year. The race brought in more money and spent less than last year, netting \$18,000. Board voted to donate \$14,000 to the designated charities and retain \$4,000 for the club. Kit resigned as race director.

(Bill Bryant) The neighboring property manager permitted use of an electrical hook up this year, and made an offer to run a line for use in future years, which would solve significant issues. Board approved Bill following up on having that done.

The club owns a large whiteboard check for presenting donations. We can use this for the 24Hour donations. John Gorvin can take care of the press release, which should be submitted in Wakefield and Somerville.

#### Race to the Row: (Scott Abrams/Molly Crellin/Bill Bryant)

Beer garden is finalized. Marty's, which has a license to serve anywhere in the state will provide two bartenders. The usual price (\$1,220) will be discounted to \$810 plus sponsorship. Contract is not yet signed. Steve Vaitones measured the course and we will pay to have it certified. Tim Morin has designed the tshirts. Bill acquired 220 cones to mark the course. Registration is at 135. Based on the tentative budget 333 registrants are needed to break even. Federal Realty is providing \$2,000-3,000 of support, the club will supplement with club funds as needed. Food is priced at \$10 a head this year, which is too expensive given what is provided. Federal Realty is paying for that this year. Situation will likely be different once the other restaurants open in the complex next year and can be approached to donate food.

#### **Weekly run updates:**

Bur-run: (Gordon Pilotte): Burrun attendance is generally at 30+, with 55 tonight. After September Gordon will hand Burrun over to someone else to manage. He has a few ideas for a replacement and will follow up.

- 9/16 Anniversary Run: 5<sup>th</sup> Burrun anniversary. Board approved contacting breweries for a keg donation, the Burren for food donations, and club funds for a cake/ etc.
- BooRun: Halloween is on Thursday this year. Gordon will plan a 4 stop pub run starting and ending at Casey's. Possible stops include Magouns, The Pub, and the new place that is replacing the Paddock. Cost will be \$25 and will include a tshirt.

Thursday night: (Alison Lackey): Double Dare will be scheduled for later in August and the Khoury's run will be in September. The next new member night is September 5<sup>th</sup>.

Long Runs: Corey Maillette is the new long run coordinator. He has contacted Bill Hees to transition and will send out an email to the club about future long runs. One possibility is a supported long run in the fall similar to the spring one on the Boston course. Also, he will look at setting up a more formal structure for people to sign up to host long runs, and will investigate joint long runs with other clubs – Cambridge Running Club and others.

#### **Non-club Races/Runs:**

Lake Winnie Relay: SRR will have 13 teams this year.

USATF: –(Brian Cullinan via Jesse Morrow) Brian attended the long distance committee meeting. They are looking to update the Grand Prix with the following:

- Scoring the top 20 instead of just the top 10 runners
- Awarding the club of the year award based on participation in Grand Prix races, instead of by vote
- Offering a discount of \$5 to all USATF NE members on Grand Prix races.
- Increasing the team and final series prize amounts
- Selecting Grand Prix races based on individual vote, as opposed to the slate voting currently used.
- Selecting Grand Prix races for two years to increase race director interest. Half of the races would turn over each year.

USATF Cross Country series: (Corey Maillette) there are 5 races in the cross country Grand Prix this year. The first race is August 24<sup>th</sup>. Corey will send an email to the club encouraging participation.

## **Miscellaneous**

SRR Tent: (Jesse Morrow) Buying a new tent is the best option. The manufacturer is on vacation, and Jesse will follow up with a quote when they reopen.

Dues/Track Refunds: Club received a recent inquiry regarding refunds for track and/or membership. Previously we have not done this because it's not a simple process and would result in the club paying for all of the service fees on the transactions. For clarity, Molly is going to have Kathy check the registration pages to confirm that they include language stating that there are no refunds.

Wheelworks Multisport: Molly has been in contact with the triathlon group centered out of the Belmont Wheelworks about an informal partnership. Possibilities include inviting them to Casey's and Race to the Row, setting up bike rides to Walden to swim, and setting up tents together at the Cranberry Olympic Triathlon, and pairing together to offer talks/courses to generate enough participants (CPR, self defense, health). SRRathlon might be too large with the addition of any non-SRRs however. Kit will contact Dr. Mui from the 24Hour support crew about a talk.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: 9/9.