

SRR Board Meeting – February 3, 2014

Volunteer Activity (Ali McGinty)

Upcoming events:

An Ras Mor: Ali is already fielding emails from interested volunteers. She'll send out the formal request for volunteers next week.

Merchandise (Erin Morin/Anthony White)

Sweatshirts just came in, and will cost \$28.

Jackets, softshell or windbreaker, are under consideration for an order around October and would likely cost \$70. Next step is to do a survey with all of the pertinent information.

Joe plans to try a bulk order (from Hemlock Ink) of Nike drifit shirts with the club logo and will send out an email to the club. Shirt cost is approximately \$28, printing will be extra. Order minimum is ~ 25 shirts.

Kids Program (Emma Kosciak)

The spring program is scheduled to start up in March. Organizers are considering doing the program once a week versus twice a week, but there are concerns about having to turn away kids. One option is to include an incentive program to get them to do something another night per week. Emma is still looking for more volunteers so we'll announce it again at track and the weekly runs. Information on the spring program has been posted to the SRR website/Kids page.

Treasury (Stephanie Finnegan)

Joe has \$250 in club marathon winnings and will pass it off to Steph.

Financial statements were sent to the board. Overall in 2013, spending was higher due to increased charitable donations. Right now a few 26x1 expenses are the only outstanding items.

Club Races / Runs:

24 Hour: Currently the new RD is transitioning in. Registration is ongoing and is slightly behind this time last year, probably because registration opened a month later than last year.

Racewire is the new timing company for this year.

Long Runs (Corey Maillette):

Boston course run planning is in progress, the remaining items to address are mostly logistics and supplies. The date change resulted in some runners dropping out and others signing up for a current total of 38 runners. Cost for supplies in prior years has been \$200, and Corey plans to stay under that amount this year.

The club might start doing rotating long runs out of local establishments one weekend per month. We have contacted the Burren and East End Grill.

CRC is interested in doing a joint long run, maybe as early as February. This might be a good run to have out of the East End Grill.

A few individuals have indicated interest in hosting a March long run out of their homes. Corey will follow up.

An Ras Mor (Joe O'Leary):. Erin put flyers out at the Super 5k and at Marathon Sports. Sponsors and tshirts are set. Supplemental insurance required by USATF has been secured. We selected a different timing company this year.

Race to the Row: Date will be August 24. Field size increased from 400 to 900. Permits have been delivered. Police Department has sent in approvals to city clerk, and approval is pending.

Winter Challenge: 70 runners participated including BOMF and lots of volunteers. Breakfast and awards went well. Using the new timing system didn't save as much time leading up to awards as hoped. The cost for breakfast increased from \$600 to 650. We'll need to send over a check for \$725 including tip. Scott will be stepping down to focus on Race to the Row, Deb will continue on.

Weekly run updates:

Bur-Run: no updates.

Gordon suggested a memorial Bur-run the week of Boston, ending at the memorial.

Thursday Night Run (Alison Lackey):

Birthday/Anniversary Run: will be held February 13th. We'll do cake after the run and the birthday suit run.

Meatloaf-Off: will be held March 13th. First email for participants and judges has gone out.

1000th Thursday Run: will likely be held April 3rd. Planning is in progress.

Sean Collier Memorial Run/Boston Pasta Party: will be held April 17th. Alison will contact the Somerville Auxiliary Police and coordinate with Casey's closer to the date.

Non-club Races/Runs:

Grand Prix (Kate O'Malley/Molly Crellin): Super 5k went well, we had approximately 30-40 club participants, and lots of PRs and awards.

Membership (Kathy Hynes):

Member numbers are ahead of last year. Renewals have slowed since the week of the holiday party. Kathy will send a reminder to non-renewing 2013 members in February.

Welcome Wagon (Ruthanne Waite):

No updates.

Boston Marathon

Bus (Kathy Hynes): still waiting to hear from BAA and will contact them if she doesn't hear this week. We have the bus reserved, and will send in payment once the BAA confirms.

This year we are moving to 100% online registration. We will contact Mystic to see if they want to use the bus this year.

Hotel (Tina Mack): hotel room is all set.

Elite Water stop (Molly Crellin): Adena will organize the elite water stop, and Amie will organize the cheer zone.

Miscellaneous

Holiday Party Recap (Urvi Mujumdar): 125 attendees. There were a number of complaints about the volume of the band (and the smaller space of the venue). We might change the schedule in future years to have music only after dinner and the award ceremony are over. We also discussed starting dinner earlier (with dinner and salad served at the same time). We should also look at additional seating for next year and consider reserving the space starting earlier so that we aren't setting up/starting the party around other patrons.

USATF Grand Prix (Jesse Morrow/Brian Cullinan): no updates.

SRR.org access: Adrian has access to update the website, and has provided the Board with an updated list of individuals who have access to update certain subparts.

Tent/Flag Banners: no update on tents. Molly has found one website for flag banners with 6, 8, 10, and 12 foot options, some sizes are available in double sided. Approximate cost \$219 with hardware and travel kit sold separately. Molly will request a quote.

Elections: Board is updating the positions, both elected and appointed, in advance of elections next month and will post updated positions.

USATF Grand Prix representative position to be created: Job will include keeping the club updated on the grand prix, attending relevant USATF meetings, encouraging club participation, and ideally keeping track of who within the club is participating.

Community involvement coordinator: this position was created last year. Going forward, this position should focus on being a contact for the city and Somerville Main Streets. With the kids program in progress, we will remove the Couch to 5k portion.

We discussed which appointed positions should include a requirement to regularly attend board meetings. All candidates for elected and appointed positions must be dues paying members.

Molly will send out an email seeking bios/statements of interest for potential candidates, looking for responses by the 14th.

Next Meeting: Monday, March 3rd/Annual Club Meeting and Elections