

RIVER REGION RUNNERS

AUGUST 21, 2008

The River Region Runners held a regular monthly meeting on August 21, 2008 at the Pasta Pizzeria and Grill, Prattville, Alabama. President Pete Preston, presiding.

The following officers were present:

Pete Preston, President
Ron Macksoud, Vice President
Barbara Gill, Treasurer
Dave Stever and Patti Preston, Secretaries

The following were present at the meeting:

Pete Preston
Irene Tyner
Shannon Shriver
Margaret Moore
Jerry Moore
Cindy Cobb
Frank T. Mitchell
Patti Preston
West Marcus
Howard Gill
Barbara Gill
Mike Novak
Mabel Novak
Dave Stever
Barb Stever
Chris Stever
Kym Klass
Jenna Klass
Ron Macksoud
Sabrina Lee

President Pete Preston called the meeting to order.

Financial Report

Barbara Gill presented the financial report and handed out copies to the membership. A motion was made to accept the financial report. Pete Preston made the motion and West Marcus seconded the motion. The financial report was accepted by the membership.

Minutes of the June Meeting

Secretary Patti Preston handed out copies of the June minutes to the membership. Pete Preston made a motion that the minutes be approved and Cindy Cobb seconded the motion.

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business

The next meeting will be held September 18, 2008. It was discussed that the location should be in Wetumpka. The final location will be announced when it has been determined.

Newsletter-the idea was mentioned by members that we might want to try an electronic newsletter. Editor of the Second Wind, Kym Klass-Stilling, said that the next issue would be by mail but that she was definitely open to trying an electronic newsletter.

Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure – Kym will be running 5 of the Susan G. Komen runs for Cancer. These will be held in 5 different states. Her first race will be the 20th of September in Louisiana. One of the races will be held in Birmingham, Alabama on October 11th. Everyone is encouraged to come and run it or go and support Kym. Raising funds for Breast Cancer research is a very personal cause for her as her Mother died of Breast Cancer at the age of 37.

Membership- In the absence of the membership chair, Ron Macksoud gave an update on membership. There are still some who have not yet renewed their memberships. They will be deleted from the club's e-mail distribution list after Labor Day if they have not yet renewed. There were several new members at the meeting. They were Sabrina Lee, Frank Mitchell and Margaret Moore.

Website- In the absence of the webmaster, Ron Macksoud reminded everyone that they can list new races on the website by contacting Jeffrey Vinzant.

RRCA Report-State RRCA Representative Ron Macksoud reported that 4 members made the trip to Anniston to run the Woodstock 5K (an RRCA event).

Upcoming club run-Race Director for the Labor Day Run West Marcus gave a report about the upcoming club race to be held Labor Day, September 1. He will need day of race volunteers and if you have family members who are not running the race, please ask them to volunteer and if you are not running the race, please volunteer. Volunteers will be needed Sunday, August 31st as race packets will be prepared at the home of West Marcus. Please show up and support the preparations for your club's milestone event.

It was brought up that funds from this race would be donated to the local humane shelters and possibly Brantwood Children's home or the McGinnis School.

Vice-President Ron Macksoud reported that there are over 30 businesses who have donated door prizes for the upcoming Labor Day run. Ron mentioned that you must be present to win a door prize.

New Club Logo- Cindy Cobb will head up the contest for a new club logo. She will involve local high school art departments. The club will furnish the \$50.00 prize for the winning artist.

New Club T-shirt- Cindy Cobb and Margaret Moore will begin working on the new club t-shirt.

Future races

Prez Pete Preston provided a list of upcoming races.

8/24/08	Practice run at 7:30 a.m. to be run on the upcoming Labor Day run course
9/01/08	The 3 rd Annual Labor Day Run- This is a club run-First run as RRR
9/27/08	AUM Senator Stampede-Montgomery, Alabama- contact Jeffrey Vinzant for information
10/11/08	5K and 1 mile-Landmark Run for Life- Landmark Church of Christ
11/1/08	Vulcan Run in Birmingham
11/22/08	Turkey Burner, Montgomery- Metro Fitness
12/6/08	Jingle Bell Run for Arthritis

Barbara Gill reminded everyone that there is a run held at 6:30 a.m. at the Shakespeare grounds near the ticket office and restrooms. A group of runners meet there every Saturday to run a 4.4 mile course.

West Marcus reported that he has been contacted by the Diabetes foundation to handle a possible Fundraiser run for Diabetes.

Dave Stever brought up the fact that we should look into getting a scanner for the runner tabs as it would make it much easier for those working the chutes at races and also it would be more accurate. The club will look into this idea.

A motion to close the meeting was made by Pete Preston and seconded by Dave Stever. The meeting was adjourned.

Minutes by Patti Preston-Co-Secretary-Montgomery Track and Running Club