River Region Runners (R3) Meeting August 18, 2011

The R3 held our meeting at Chappy's Deli in Montgomery, Alabama. Pete Preston, President, opened the meeting at 6:40 p.m. and welcomed new members, including Jeff Holt and Shena Davidson.

The following officers were present:

Pete Preston – President Dave Stever – Vice President John Porter – Co-secretary Irene Tyner -- Treasurer

Attendees:

Pete and Patti Preston Irene Tyner West Marcus
John Porter Howard and Barb Gill Shena Davidson
Jeff Holt David Flack Drew Trachy
Jim Larkins Brittney Allen

Dave and Barb Stever
Kevin Banning
Kathy Bond
Robert Lee

Future Races:

Jim Larkins gave the race report. He discussed upcoming races through the fall, including a new 5k/1 mile race Chappy's Deli at Peppertree is planning for October 29th. It will be called "Saints and Sinners" and will benefit Catholic Charities. West Marcus has obtained city approval for a new race at the new Crump Center, which will provide a perfect venue. He is thinking that December would be a good time for the race. Chris' Hotdogs is planning a two mile Weiner Run with proceeds benefiting the Family Sunshine Center. This will mark Chris' 100th birthday. A Twin Towers Run at the Riverfront was also discussed.

Meeting Minutes:

After a reference to the "Jubilee Run" was corrected to read "Labor Day Run," Patti Preston moved to accept the minutes from the July meeting, Drew Trachy seconded, and the motion passed.

Financial Report

Irene Tyner gave the Treasurer's Report. She stated that registrations for the Labor Day Run have come in.

 Opening Balance (July 22, 2011)
 \$7,186.65

 Deposits
 1,015.00

 Payments
 1,260.48

 Ending Balance (June 30, 2011)
 \$6,941.17

Old Business

Pete Preston gave a Labor Day Run update. The Labor Day Run Committee had met the previous Tuesday, the course had been certified, and the permit secured. The city is requiring us to get an extra police officer. The race will be the RRCA championship which is a stepping stone for the RRCA Southeast Regional 5k championship. The awards have been ordered and Ron Macksoud has done a "terrific" job in obtaining door prizes.

Patti Preston stated that the club has 117 memberships.

Barb Stever gave a Christmas party update. The party will be at Bonnie Crest Country Club on December 8, 2011 at 6:00. No down payment was required and we set up the buffet and music. It will be \$22 per person and will have an open bar. Barb suggested that instead of gifts, that this year we give donations to charity. David Flack moved to approve the plans for the Christmas party, West Marcus seconded, and the motion was approved.

A fun run was being held on the next Monday. West Marcus discussed having a River Run in September. Pete Preston suggested that October might be a better month since not as much was going on.

Jim Larkins gave an update on the equipment situation. Overall our equipment situation is good. We need to get the clock back from Paul Bonds. A discussion was held on potential repair possibilities as the Chronomax repairing place has gone out of business. Drew Trachy asked about the shielding for the chip timer. Pete Preston stated that he had it working.

Pete Preston stated the club has submitted a bid for the Joy to Life race, but that he has not heard back yet. Matthew Orange who has directed the race in the past has other commitments. West Marcus stated that Dickie Blondheim had contacted him asking what we could do and if we could work with Montgomery Multisport. Since we do the same things, however, such a plan does not make much sense. Dickie then told West that he would bid out the race.

West Marcus moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Dave Stever, and the motion passed.

Pete Preston announced that the club had received letters regarding Chris and Jen White's child and Pat Fossum's recovery.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20. Our next meeting will be held Thursday, September 15, at Aw Shucks Oyster Bar between Montgomery and Wetumpka.