

**River Region Runners (R3) Meeting**  
**October 18, 2013**

The R3 September meeting was held at *Chappy's Deli* on Perry Hill and Carmichael Road in Montgomery, Alabama. Dave Stever, President, opened the meeting at 6:35 PM.

**The following officers were present:**

Dave Stever – President  
Beth Johnson – Vice President  
Kevin Banning – Treasurer  
Janet Arant – Co-Secretary  
Wesley Cure – Co-Secretary

**Attendees:**

Janet Arant	Jim Larkins	Kim Young
Kevin Banning	Robert Lee	
Luka & Chelle Burney	Beth & John Johnson	
Kathi & Malcolm Byrd	Tony Glenboski	
Wesley & Andrea Cure	Dave & Barb Stever	
David Flack	Irene Tyner	

**Meeting Minutes:**

Wesley Cure passed around copies of minutes from the September meeting. Robert Lee pointed out the misspelling his name listed under attendees as “Rahert” which was corrected. Kevin Banning motioned to approve meeting minutes with the amended spelling. Jeffrey Vinzant seconded, and the minutes were approved.

**Financial Report:**

Kevin Banning distributed copies of the financial report for the period of September 20, 2013 through October 17, 2013. Income from memberships and races totaled \$1,344.00. Checks came in for race supplies and web hosting for total expenses of \$305.00 with no outstanding checks at this time. Andrea Cure motioned to approve the financial report. It was seconded by and passed.

Beginning Balance:	\$9,544.46
Total Income:	\$1,534.00
Total Expenses:	\$ 305.08
Ending Balance:	\$10,773.38

**Future Races**

Jim Larkins distributed copies of the updated race report and reviewed upcoming races including the *Saints and Sinners Run* scheduled for Saturday, October 13<sup>th</sup> followed by 6 races in November and two in December. Jim stated that he is trying to populate the race calendar for 2014 race calendar and has about six so far and is hoping to fill more dates for the year. Someone from Adams Drugs is supposed to contact Jim regarding the *Adams Drugs Going the Extra Mile* race.

## Old Business:

### **Christmas Party**

Barb Stever stated that since *Bonnie Crest* closed on September 9<sup>th</sup> the Christmas party was moved to *Cucos* on Chantilly Parkway in Montgomery on Thursday, December 12<sup>th</sup>. The outside patio is completely enclosed so will be adequately heated. A fajita bar will be provided from 6 to 8:30 PM but the restaurant management has approved going beyond 8:30. **The club will contribute \$4.00 per person so the net cost per person will be \$10 per person** for the fajita bar and each person pays for their own drinks. Barb Stever must receive money from those wishing to attend by Friday, December 7<sup>th</sup>. Send the money to her attention at PO Box 6350, Montgomery, AL 36106-0350. Jeffrey announced that if Barb sends him the details he would post them on the R3 website.

Kevin stated that those who wish to donate toys/gifts to the *AUM Nonprofit Leadership Alliance Program Christmas Toy Drive* should bring them to the November meeting because they will be distributed to the children by December 7<sup>th</sup> this year. Gifts should be for ages between toddler and 13 years old.

### **Expenses / Charitable Donations**

Dave Stever pointed out the following expenses coming up in January: Trailer license, Insurance, and RRCA membership

Dave also brought up that in the past we have donated to groups such as Family Sunshine, several humane societies and also child protective services. In November we will vote on which charities to donate to. David Flack pointed out that last year's donations were primarily given to those who supported R3. Jeffrey stated that we should determine the gross amount of money to be donated and then select the charitable organizations. Irene volunteered to spearhead a committee and Jeffrey volunteered his home as a meeting place to discuss potential charitable organizations for this year. Wesley Cure and David Flack volunteered to be on the committee.

## New Business:

### **Hosting Club Runs (OPEN)**

At the November meeting Dave Stever re-addressed Ron's concern from the August meeting that we do not exclusively host any Club Runs saying that Peggy McLendon described a 7.4 mile run at the Emerald Mountain Golf Course. Dave had suggested at the August meeting that we consider making this a club run. At the November meeting Dave Stever stated that he would like R3 to be involved with Peggy McLendon's race on July 4 and asked for the opinion of the members. He pointed out that we were not involved with this race previously, and that this would be an additional race. The race is at the old Emerald Mountain club house and Peggy is already receiving inquiries from sponsors. Peggy has requested to limit the race to 500 people but would probably not reach that number since last year there were 380 participants. Dave's only concern is parking; there are plenty of places to park but a couple of people may be needed to direct traffic.

*Peavine Falls* and other races on the calendar were discussed. Races on the calendar with a line through them were cancelled by either R3 or the race contact.

The *Warhawk Challenge* was moved to May 3<sup>rd</sup> and the date has been confirmed, so that will open up the month of October.

For race inquiries Jeffrey would like the months of June, July or August recommended.

### **Jingle Bells Run for Arthritis**

Irene announced that the R3 team name for the Jingle Bells Run is “Jolly Pirates” and asked everyone to dress up like Christmas pirates. Irene Tyner suggested we have a fun run **Fun Run** to raise additional funds for the arthritis foundation. Patti suggested a fun run with small donations and a minimal participation fee such as \$5 on the first Sunday in November (November 3<sup>rd</sup>) some time in the afternoon, at Fort Toulouse in Wetumpka. Jeffrey volunteered to grill again. Irene motioned to use club funds for this event. Jeffrey seconded and the motion passed. Irene stated that she would send the details to Jeffrey for the R3 website so all will feel welcome, not just R3 members.

### **Price Break for Races**

Jim Larkins brought up a suggestion that the club give Jeffrey a break on the cost of the *Warhawk Challenge* race since he puts on three races per year and as a long standing member since 1980 his races have generated so much money for the R3 organization. David Flack made a motion to discuss this further at the next meeting.

### **Future Meeting Locations**

David Flack announced that the next meeting is tentatively scheduled for *Casa Napoli* in Wetumpka unless another proposal is made, adding that *Ox Yoke* has changed owners. He reported that meals at *Casa Napoli* are advertised at \$10 - \$14 but then heard from someone that three meals came to over \$50, perhaps due to the cost of drinks.

Jeffrey would like us to contact *Baumhower's of Montgomery* as a potential meeting place suggesting that if we bring a certain number of people on a given date with a month or so advance notice, we might be able to have the place to ourselves without the live entertainment. Jeffrey pointed out that at the last meeting the music was too loud. David Flack stated that he will talk to the management of *Bawmhower's* about an advance commitment of 25 people in order to do without the entertainment

Jeffrey also suggested *Mr. Gus' Ristorante* (previously *Mr. G's*) in Montgomery as a nice place but has only six items on the menu. They do not have pizza but everything on the menu is very good.

### **Motion to Adjourn at 7:13 PM.**

David Flack motioned to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Jeffrey Vinzant and was passed.

River Region Runners  
Income and Spending

10/18/2013 to 11/21/2013

<b>Category</b>	<b>Total</b>	
<b>Beginning Balance</b>		<b>\$10,773.38</b>
<b>Income</b>		
Memberships	20.00	
Races	300.00	
Contributions	235.00	
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>\$555.00</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
trailer registration	24.50	
timing chips	997.74	
DST Supplies	107.69	
PO Box	140.00	
Donation to Arthritis Fund	235.00	
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>\$1,504.93</b>
<b>Ending Balance</b>		<b>\$9,823.45</b>