

Charlottesville Track Club Board of Directors Meeting

March 15, 2021

Virtual meeting in the Time of COVID - by Zoom

Board members present: Scott Wiseman, Glen Anderson, Suzanna Turanyi, Keith McLaughlin, Rick Willis, and Diane Rosin

Absent: Trish Robinson, Rhonda Pearl, Jay Wildermann, Tim Wendel, Tina Humphreys

Guest: Nicole Brimer (10 Miler race director)

7:08 PM: Meeting called to order and quorum established

**Minutes** of last meeting: Keith moved and Glenn/Suzanna/Rick seconded that the minutes of the last meeting be accepted; all approved.

**Ten Miler update:** Nicole has bags, bibs, medals, and stickers ready and is getting the shirts printed. Packet pickup will be at RMRS Tues-Fri in the week before race day; bibs can also be picked up at the race. Packets will be mailed to virtual registrants. With relaxed COVID restrictions Nicole was able to increase the number of runners to 25/wave every 5 min, which decreases the total time needed for the race each day. There are ~500 signed up for the race at Foxfield. No spectators are allowed. Volunteers are needed and will get a shirt on race day. A donation will be made to Foxfield (in the secondary beneficiary category) – as a thanks for their support and willingness to host races and to defray some of their expenses. If there is a lot of rain and the course is too wet and soft, we'll need to postpone the race.

**Clean up day:** Runners are fortunate to be welcomed on several local running routes. In an effort to maintain good will with residents along those roads, it was suggested that CTC organize a day to pick up trash along the residential/rural routes that are often used by many runners, e.g. Greensprings and Whitewall – perhaps on Earth Day (4/22/21) or on the closest Saturday, which would enable runners to stay and volunteer after their weekend run. Keith will organize and will check with the County to determine if any of these roads have an adopt-a-road partner. In a similar community spirit, it was suggested that CTC contribute to the cost of the portable toilet at White Hall Community Center; Keith will contact the community center to inquire.

**Running Shorts:** Rick reported on the publication and distribution of the 1<sup>st</sup> revived newsletter that he and Tim assembled. It was suggested that the newsletter be renamed (we might survey the membership for name suggestions) to give it a fresh start and that it have a whole new format (rather than trying to emulate Running Shorts of the past). To increase readership, it was suggested that we add an opt-in option on RunSignup for race registrants who might like to receive the newsletter. Other suggestions: 1) a story on the scholarship awardees from 2020, 2) addition of a column to recognize the accomplishments of high school track students (locally and perhaps extending to the Valley). These stories bring recognition to CTC and would create a lot of excitement.

**Membership:** As another means of expanding membership and enthusiasm, it was suggested that we offer free membership to students under 18. An 18-23 year old student category would then be \$10 (taking the place of the current category: "Full time student under the age of 23"). There may be

some 18 year olds who are included in a family membership, but we'd like to reach others whose parents may not be members (and who then might later be encouraged to join).

The next meeting will be by zoom: 4/19/21 at 7 PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:19 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Diane Rosin, Secretary