

Cowlitz Valley Runners

Monthly club meeting

April 6, 2010

Members present: Dave Hunter, Becky Hunter, Mike Vorse, Mrs. Vorse (eek, forgot her name SORRY!), Dave Vorse, Laura Yoder, Tom Rozwod, Dick Anderson, Dan Bowman, Julie Nelson, Keli Davenport, Mike Claxton, Duane Higby

President report (Keli Davenport): Website has been updated, lots of pictures added to each page. Keli would like to increase membership and create incentive for people to join.

Vice President report (Julie Nelson): 54 members, 13 of which currently owe dues, 3 that have been inactive since '09. Julie will call these people to see why they were never active with the club and ask what they would like to see from us. Julie pointed out that our Saturday runs are not so much training runs but runs where we get together as a club and anytime we have new runners there should always be someone to run with them. Julie asked the club to think about what our club vision really is and how we can use it improve membership. Keli will send out a club email asking members to give input on what they would like to see with the club. Laura mentioned that Three Rivers Christian had a running club, adults and kids alike and maybe they were someone we could connect with.

Treasurer report (Dave Hunter): Total assets of 5,299.64. Dave suggested we take the money in our CD and put it back in savings since the interest rate is higher in the savings account. Tom motioned for this to take place, Becky 2nd, all in favor. Fools run netted \$1,935.62. Becky made the motion to round up the fools run figure to make the scholarship amount an even \$1500 so we could give out three scholarships again this year.

Fools run recap: Great weather, turn out was about 20 less than last year. Not sure why. Publicity was more than last year. Online registration was about 80% of preregistered this year, opposite of last year. Lots of shirts left.

Scholarship committee: The club will award three scholarships this year; one is already allocated to the "fool" Nathan Richards. The committee will select the other two. The application is on the CVR website. This year's committee will be: Tom Rozwod, Laura Moore and Mike Claxton. Application deadline is May 3, 2010. Keli will bring applications to the next meeting. Recipients will be notified at their schools awards assembly this year instead by mail, Keli and Bill will do this.

Memorial Day Weekend Campout: Dan Bowman has reserved an additional campsite at Ft. Stevens for any club members who might be interested in camping and running some trails. He needs notice if anyone is interested otherwise he will relinquish one site. Keli will email club regarding event.

World Harmony Run: Mike Vorse has been in contact with the organizers of this event. The run will be come through Longview at 1pm at the Starbucks at the base of the Lewis and Clark Bridge on June 24, 2010. Anyone who is interested in running with them just show up. Last year club members ran all the way to Winlock.

Mt. Mania: Dave Vorse is on course with the event. Lots of sponsors this year. He has 3 pre-registered already.

Treasurer position: Dave Hunter will remain club treasurer until someone steps up to take on the position. He will not vacate his position until such time. THANKS DAVE!! ☺

RD position for Year to Year: This run is still in need of someone to head it up. Keli thinks Becky and Julie should do it, but they seem to disagree with her on that. Dave Hunter said Local 580 is interested in sponsoring this event this year.

Club shirts: Julie will look into getting some prices for some current CVR apparel. Would be nice to have CVR shirts for new members to buy.

New business:

Dave Vorse shared information regarding the upcoming "I Topped the Rock" 5k run that will happen again this year. Proceeds will benefit the Castle Rock community garden and orchard. There will be prizes for overall. Veggies costumes are encouraged. Timing is not necessary this year, however volunteers for flagging will be needed.

Dick Anderson brought in a few containers of old CVR stuff, ribbons, cups, coffee pot etc... and the old club scrapbook. Dan took the containers home and Keli will be the keeper of the scrapbook.