

## **Minutes of the KalRATS Executive Meeting – October 27, 2008**

at: Randy Wilson's house 3909 Pleasant Valley Road

**Present:** Randy, Carol (scribe), Darin, Kim, Craig, Janice, Sue, Cathy, Kit, Pam

**Guest:** Gord Cheyne

Start at 7:23pm

### **Treasurer's Report (Kit)**

- currently around \$10,000.00
- no significant outstanding bills or anything owing

### **Kal Park Cross-Country Run – November 2 (Myra)**

- Kit is race-day director, everything is ready
- Park use permit obtained in 2008 (good for several years)
- may have a smaller turnout than last year due to Hwy 97 closure

### **Red Dress Run – October 30 (Randy)**

- meet at Starting Block, bring Food Bank donation, eat Chinese food at Golden Crown; expecting around 20 to participate
- Gift Certificate to Seasons Spa for appreciation to Wendy and Roz will be presented (Janice)

### **General Meeting – November 13 (Pam)**

- People Place booked
- Kevin Cutjar scheduled as Guest Speaker – “The difference between competing and completing long distance events”, also how to base your training around one event
- Sue/Randy will bring leftover pop from previous events

### **Starting Block 10K – February 15**

- Ginny is co-ordinating with Gerry Naito
- Lavington Elementary is booked
- event will be listed in Winter Carnival brochure

### **Kal RATS Triathlon – July 5, 2009 (Gord)**

- Gord Cheyne is new Race Director for Life (or until he bribes someone else!)
- Lots of ideas on how to enhance the race while keeping its grassroots flavour
  - i.e. corporate challenge, limited Elite category
  - atmosphere i.e. Kal Highlanders Pipe Band, DJ
- Info will get posted to website
- Randy to follow up on feasibility of Chip Timing – this could affect race fees
- Concerns about traffic issues out by Ellison Park; do pre-race road notices? signage can be improved
- medals are expensive \$6/each – unique to this event so consensus was to keep them
- Sponsors: can someone help bring awareness to the need for new/improved sports facilities in Vernon? RATS could use this event to promote the cause
  - Corp. Sponsors – support for new track? along with other groups in town?

- Kim will contact people and see what level of interest there is to start pushing for a new track
- Volunteers: not a big issue, but could we recruit groups like Search & Rescue or Volunteer FD?

### **Coaching (Kim)**

- recent survey response was favourable towards the coaching program
- revised schedule coming out soon
- March/April program costs \$35.00; \$50/month for remainder of season
- punch pass working well – Starting Block doing a draw from spent cards

### **Membership (Pam)**

- need list of membership “perks” to send out to members

### **Website (Darin)**

- Anyone else want to do it?
- Carol to start sending meeting minutes to Darin (.PDF format) for posting on website

### **Christmas Party – December 13**

- at WI hall in Coldstream; potluck
- plans for a “RAT of the Year” award – it’s been given out before...who has the old trophy?

### **Other Business**

- RaceOnline.ca – new Canadian registration site
- Randy to ask them for more information
- Interior Running Association AGM is in Salmon Arm on Nov 15
- Randy will post details on website in case anyone is interested in going
- Alan Hubbart Bursary is now ready (Kit has details)
- \$500.00 per year to local high school student with strong athletic pursuits
- Randy will pick up surplus cups and Gatorade from Apple Tri
- Starting Block basement cleanup of RATS stuff still needs to be co-ordinated with Wendy and Dan
- BikeAttack.com – have approached club regarding club clothing
  - will poll membership at Nov 13 meeting to determine interest in making an order for 2009

Adjourn at 9:15pm