

Empire Runners August 2007 Club Meeting [pending approval at the September meeting]

President **Val Sell** called the August 2007 meeting of the Empire Runners to order at 7:35pm on August 23th, 2007.

Secretary's Report:

Secretary **Lars Andersen** read the minutes from the July 2007 club meeting. They were approved as read.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer **John Harmon** reported on the club's finances. Starting balance \$29,603.04. Ending balance \$28,646.60.

Recent Events:

Dave Secchitano reported on the Sonoma Valley Footrace. It went very well. Dave really appreciated the support of the club.

Val Sell reported on the run aid station that we staffed at the Vineman Triathlon. We had over 30 volunteers, and were easily voted the best run aid station. For that, we received \$200 and a nice thank-you letter.

Val Sell reported that **Mady Stewart** won the Vineman Triathlon. Go Mady!!!

Upcoming Events:

See the "Empire Runners Club 2007 Race Schedule."

Empire Open: August 25th.

Annadel Loop: September 9th.

Old Business:

Jerry Lyman proposed that we should have more volunteers with cell phones along the Kenwood race course next year. In case of an emergency, they could quickly call an EMT. This option is supported by the Kenwood Fire Department.

Jerry Lyman had looked into ways we could donate \$1,000 to the Kenwood community. Potential candidates are the Kenwood Fire Department, the elementary school's Outdoor Education Fund, and the soccer team. A committee consisting of **Larry Meredith, Bob Finlay, Dale Trowbridge, Jerry Lyman** and **Kenny Brown** will make a proposal at the next meeting.

Val Sell reported that she had not yet sent gift baskets to the Kenwood race course property owners. She will do this before the next meeting.

Jerry Lyman proposed authorizing \$850 to print 2,000 race schedule postcards for 2008 and mail about 1,500 of these to the club's mailing list. The motion passed.

Bob Shor reported that the club's timing machine is still not back from repairs. The delay is two batteries.

New Business:

Jerry Lyman proposed that the club reimburse him for three stop signs that he just bought. The motion passed.

Raffle/Drawing:

Raffle: **Bob Finlay** (\$17).

Drawing: **Jason Peterson** (\$200, not present). Next month's drawing is for **\$200**.

Newsletter:

The September 2007 newsletter was not yet ready to be folded, stapled and stamped.

Attendance:

Lars Andersen, Nuvit, The Steve Cleal Experience, TinkerMell, John Harmon, LT, Bill Browne, Don Stewart, Pap, Anna Derho, Bob Finlay, Sledge, Larry Meredith, Dave Secchitano, Darryl Beardall, Val, Dale Trowbridge, Super G, Bob Shor, Dave DeSelle, Don Sampson, Susan Kelleher.

Respectfully submitted,

Lars Andersen