

Empire Runners Meeting Agenda

Thursday, October 26, 2017

Location: Montgomery Village Round Table Pizza, Santa Rosa, California

Call to Order: 7:33 p.m.

Board Members Present: Kate Papadopoulos, Luis Rosales, Paul Berg, Peter Kirk, Chris Gardina, Dan Karbousky, Tanya Narath

Approval of Minutes for September meeting: approved

Officer's Reports

President's Report: Discuss impact of fires on members, cross country, parks, ERC races.

Treasurer's Report: Tanya Narath Balance \$94,809.57, Kenwood FR total Net \$18,552.07

Announcements

Dec 14th: ERC Annual Jingle Bell Fun Run, Potluck and December club meeting Dec 14, TIME: 6:00 pm run, 7:00PM dinner.

Election soon for Board members- 4 of 7 members are at the end of term, (Luis, Paul, Tanya, Peter)

Mike McGuire: Hall of fame- 1 nominee, Spirit of the club- 2 nominees- deadline extended

Race Reports

Past: Sugarloaf Ridge 50k & half marathon (10/7), Gualala River Run 10 & 5 K (10/7)

Upcoming: Gutbuster 3k, 10k and 12k Trail Run (11/5) McGuire Breakfast Run 3k & 10k(11/26)

***Part of Gutbuster race proceeds will be donated to Fire relief charity. McGuire's run location TBD, see notes*

Discussion/Special Topic: Recent NorthBay Fire disaster

Several ERC Members, Cross Country Athletes and Coaches have lost homes. Please contact ERC board with additional names. Local Cross Country teams/coaches including Luis Rosales have gathered to discuss future relief assistance plans. Coaches and ERC Member Mike McGuire emphasized the need to think of long term efforts. Many short term needs have been met.

Cross Country Teams

Doreen Pinelli- Athletic Director of Piner-Olivet School district: At least 72 families lost homes. There are many needs of this largely low-income school district. Currently looking for donations to replace practice equipment and uniforms.

ERC Races: Multiple courses heavily affected by Fire

McGuire's Breakfast Run: Race location TBD, Mike hopes to move forward with run and Potluck at same location. Pending information about road opening, safety, etc.

Kenwood Footrace- Val checking on status of homeowners that are on the course and property status. Club brainstorming about ways to donate/volunteer to Kenwood community.

Last 10k-Channel Drive with current closures. Affected by bulldozing. Club to check status as we get closer to race date.

Trione-Annadel State Park- Summarized by Paul Berg, attended Trail House meeting 10/25, 200+ attendees

61% burned per Parks Staff. Also impacted by bulldozing. Park officially closed for safety and natural resource protection reasons. Timeline for opening unclear. State Parks Officers will issue citations for violations. Multiple other parks affected, especially Sugarloaf, Jack London, and Robert Louis Stevenson.

Link to Trail House Meeting Notes: <http://mountainbikealliance.org/2017/10/27/post-fire-update-for-sonoma-and-napa-counties/>

How can ERC Help the parks? Volunteering activities
https://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=480

Trail work with Sonoma County Trails Council
<http://www.sonomacountytrailsCouncil.org/>

Direct donations to Trione-Annadel? "Friends of Trione-Annadel Park" set up a GoFundMe fundraiser. Determine how to donate directly without fees.
<https://www.gofundme.com/Trione-Annadel-State-Park-Recovery-Fund>

ERC Club training calendar- As park is closed will need to revise. Pending f/u with Larry Meredith

Resources

Heart and Sole- 20% off for those who lost home, Drop off site for gently used shoe donations, Giving out some New shoes from vendors. Affected youth may stop in to inquire. Some donations are specifically for XC youth.

Fleet feet-has donation tables and had a potluck on 10/18 which included 10\$ donation cards for those in need.

Healdsburg Running Company has “barely used “road and trail demo shoes from Hoka to donate to Fire displaced runners.

Redwood Credit Union North Bay Fire Relief fund:

<https://www.redwoodcu.org/about-rcu/press-room-back/press-releases/2017/10/13/redwood-credit-union-creates-north-bay-fire-relief-fund>

Undocufund: <http://undocufund.org/about/>

Charity Athletic Events-partial or all Proceeds to Fire relief efforts:

Gutbusters Run 11/5 - half of proceeds will now go to fire relief efforts (Redwood Credit center relief fund) <http://gutbusterfunrun.com/>

Titanium Racing, Inc, Great Santa Run 12/10 benefits High school XC teams impacted by fire <https://raceroster.com/events/2017/11278/san-francisco-great-santa-run-5k1mi>

Adjournment: @ 8:46 pm