

ORANGE RUNNERS CLUB
1/7/15 Meeting Minutes

Dane Groszek introduced himself and the new officers for 2015. He thanked all the runners as volunteers, and he said he was honored to be elected.

Shout-outs: There was a New Year's Day run at the Andryshak's house that was well attended. Bob Nordman completed his 95th marathon in Honolulu, Hawaii, on his way to his 50 in 50.

New Members: Miguel was visiting the meeting for the first time. Kostas is a new member who has run the Athens Marathon in Greece. John from Pine Bush is a new member as well.

Winter Running: The Winter Series starts now at 11am. John spoke about the races; same course, different start/finish area. We will be using a new building at 38 Seward Road, Middletown. The race will finish just past the train trestle.

Jingle Jog: Everyone has the flu, so no one was here to update on the results and donations we're making.

Hudson Valley 15K: Race will be held on 5/17/15, and there will also be a 5K. 3 Elementary schools will be competing in the 5K, and they are trying to get at least 20 kids from each school to run. Bella Luna will have a trophy for the school that wins. Start time for the 15K is 9:00am, and the start for the 5K is 9:10am.

Finances: Marty gave the status for 2014, and we made approximately \$4,117 for that year. There is now \$7,272 in the bank. He is looking for new sponsors to put on our website. So far he has Orange County Medicoach, Benedict Memorials, Larson's Heating, Super Suds Laundry, Frank Siena Auto Sales, Morrison Family Trust, Mike Quinn Oil, Chip Bowen, Dolson Avenue Medical and Quinz Pinz, to name a few. There is about \$4,100 in sponsorship donations.

PR: Text or Facebook Dave Madden for anything you want posted on Facebook for the club.

Photo of the Month: Mac Thurston won with his picture.

Newburgh Winter Series: There is a door prize for participation in the last 3 races. Steve Brocket won the raffle, which was entry into the race series.

There is no guest speaker this month. Anyone with suggestions for a speaker, please let any of the officers know.

Wednesday night runs: Tonight, only Dave Madden and Steve Brockett were there.

Sunday Goshen Runs: Jaime Insignares is organizing them every other Sunday at the beginning of the Heritage Trail.

New Business: Steve Holmbraker suggested not charging race directors to put their race information on the main race schedule. It was discussed whether charging a fee to advertise a race is beneficial to the running community. Tom Andryshak brought up that it costs \$119 or so to keep the website domain every year, so charging for advertising others' races helps to defer this cost to the club.

Apparel sales: It was suggested to maybe see what an ORC pin would cost to have made up.

There is a teacher/coach that is organizing a lot of elementary school kids in Middletown into running clubs in their schools, and he would like to have some involvement from ORC and some shoe/clothing donations and mentoring programs. Tom Z will get in contact with him and see if he can come speak to the club at one of the meetings. They need shoes especially, and we should find someone worthy of the donation.

Submitted by Deanna Zawistowski, 3/1/15