

May, 1982

TORCH PASSES

By a unanimous vote, Lynn Troost was elected our new president at our April meeting, succeeding Steve Currins who, along with Ellen Currins, did a fine job running the Club in the last year. Lynn is one of the Club's founders, its first treasurer and should be an outstanding president.

Lynne VanHimbergen agreed to be treasurer, Ken Klipp returns as vice president and Dave Dyer will be the newsletter editor for another year.

With the busy summer season about to hit, you may want to call an officer with questions. So, go to it!

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939-7469 (work)

Lynne VanHimbergen -- 935-0991

Ken Klipp -- 937-1958

Dave Dyer -- 937-5906 (home)
937-3390 (work)

PAYING DUES

The treasury is not exactly overflowing and, in order to send out the newsletter and hold all of our activities, it's essential that everyone pay their dues. They should be paid by May 1. The fee for renewal is \$5, \$7 for a family. For new memberships, it's \$7 (which includes a Club T-shirt) and \$10 for a family. Dues should be sent into Lynne VanHimbergen at 1440 Middlebury Court, Bourbonnais, 60914.

FUN RUNS START MAY 6

That's right, the season will spring into high gear May 6 with the first of the weekly 7 p.m. fun runs of 1, 2 and 4 miles. They are free and held at Small Memorial Park on the west side of Kankakee. This is a good time to start getting in shape and it is non competitive, especially before the track season ends in late May.

The fun runs were scheduled at our last meeting, as were our summer track meets and ~~run~~ ~~series~~ 5-K series, which is also held at Small Memorial. The track meets will be held the second Thursday in June, July and August, probably at Olivet and the 5-Ks are the fourth Thursday of the same months. All events are at 7 p.m.

Also, don't forget about the Running Club-sponsored Open Mile at the Journal's All-Area track meet May 25 at Bradley-Bourbonnais. It will be held about 5:30 p.m., at about the same time as the over-30 and over-45 mile runs, which may include the women this year.

GOVERNOR'S 10-K NEWS

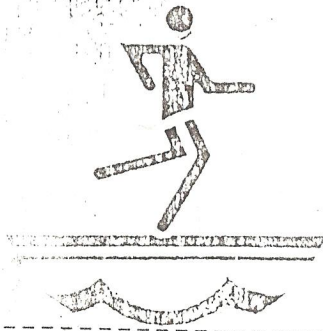
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Ken Klipp will again handle the finish line (committee) and has agreed to be race director, with Tom VanHimbergen serving as race director-in-training. Tom and Lynne will handle registration, Tom is in charge of sponsorship, Tom Bushong is handling course setup, Dave Hedlin is directing traffic, Elly Wright volunteered for refreshments, as did Dave Dyer for promotion, John Hanson for T-shirts or running hats and Bill Benner for trophies.

The head of the committees will meet May 3 at 7:30 at the Van Himbergens to make further plans.



In running, you win by just finishing the race. Placing first is just an incidental, although a prized one.

--anonymous

MARATHON CHAMP

Congratulations to Lynne VanHimbergen are in order for taking first in the women/s division at the Dekalb Marathom April 11. On a windy, rather miserable day, Lynne finished in 3:30.1, less than two minutes off the course record.

This was only Lynne/s second marathon and a fine accomplishment. She was in second place for much of the race but overtook the leader at the 21-mile mark and gathered steam. This is the first time a Running Club member has ever won a marathon to my knowledge.

SOCIAL HOUR

Or it could be two or three hours. Anyway, the Running Club will have a potluck breakfast at the VanHimbergens May 30 after the awards ceremony of the 5-miler. Everyone should bring something or contribute something to the pot. The Club will pay for the pancakes. Please contact Lynne and let her know what you'll be bringing if you plan to come.

This will hopefully be the first of several post-race get-togethers.

RESULTS OF NOTE

The road racing season has just begun but Lynn Troost and Elly Wright have already placed in their age group in two races, at Gordie/s Run April 4 and the Fox Valley 10-K last weekend.

The road racing season gets into full swing in May and we will publish the most noteworthy results and performances in the next newsletter. Lack of ill prevent us from listing all placers in all races.

WOMEN FIRST -- May 2

It/s almost time for the Women/s 2-mile Classic in Beecher May 2. Ellen Currins reports that, as of April 16, 100 women had already entered and a field of 200 is now a possibility. The original goal was between 75-100, so the response has been great.

This is, of course, being directed by the Running Club, so we/re hoping for large participation from the Running Club, either as participants, spectators or helpers. For those men who have offered to help run the meet, and anyone else who would be willing to assist, contact Ellen or Steve Currins at 312-946-6114.

Let/s all make this an event the Running Club can be proud of.

Incidentally, if you talk to Ellen, be kind to the poor girl. She severely hurt her back while roller skating with her daughter and has been put on the disabled list indefinitely. Since she had some big running plans this spring, it/s been quite frustrating for her.

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Former Bishop McNamara runner Melanie Murray ran in this year/s Boston Marathon for the second straight time but we haven/t heard yet how she did. Club member Mike Rebello had qualified brilliantly for the race but illness and lack of training caused by the miserable winter prevented him from competing.

AND FINALLY

-- Does anyone have any current news on the whereabouts of Running Club member Gene Blais? His disappearance remains a mystery.

--Did you know that Performance Sports is opening a new store in the St. Charles area? Congratulations are in order.