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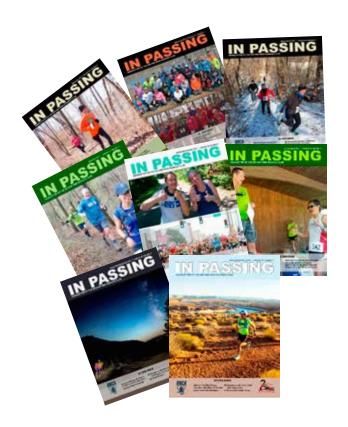
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For changes in telephone number or e-mail address, please contact the SWRC membership coordinator at *membership@ secondwindrunningclub.org*. Second Wind Running Club is proud to announce that *In Passing* newsletters are available online and will no longer be printed and mailed - instead, the newsletter will be available in full-color online and notification of issue release will be sent via email if you have supplied your email address to the SWRC membership coordinator.

Cover Photo: The cover photo was taken at the Allerton Park Trail Run on Sunday, 28 October 2018 by Second Wind Member Beth Scheid. The runners are off to a sunny start before heading into the woods. Many Second Wind members can be seen at the front of the pack!

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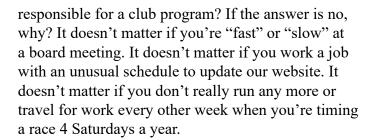
# **President's Corner - Volunteer for Next Year!**

Second Winders,

Happy Fall!

As the weather will eventually shift towards winter, I've been thinking about what next year needs to hold for Second Wind. To me, one of the most important things we need to accomplish is recruiting new people into leadership roles. As President, I've been worried about this for the future for the better part of two years. We have so many long term volunteers who have served the club in key roles and some of them have left in the last couple years, and it's harder and harder to find someone to take on a job. That doesn't mean we don't have club members willing and able to help.

So rather than ramble on philosophically about the joys of volunteering and try to tie this back to the changing seasons, I ask you this. Are your friends represented in the club leadership? Are any of the people you meet up with at fun runs and talk to



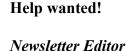
We need a new Web Team Lead, Newsletter Editor, Race Timing Team members, Board members and have several roles coming open for 2019 that the Board is considering how to handle going forward. We'll need a new President one of these days too;)

Second Wind needs people with new ideas and enthusiasm to help push us forward. We can't become the club you want without you involved!

See you on the trails!

Magdalena

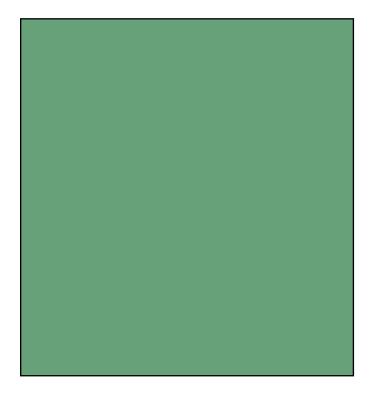
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Second Wind needs a new Newsletter Editor! Help create one of the ways we reach our club members, In Passing. Issues come out bimonthly and the job can be one person who collects and edits content, and then does the layout, or the job can be split into two roles. Preference will be given to those with professional design experience, but we are willing to train the right volunteer(s).

Communications Coordinator
Second Wind is looking for a dedicated communications coordinator to help make sure we are consistently sharing exciting news about our club programs and events in the best possible way on social media and via email.

If interested, please email a resume (if relevant), and a paragraph explaining why you're the right person for either role to president@secondwindrunningclub.org.



**Photo Caption** 

## **RRCA News**

Jim Fair III

# RRCA Asking for Nominations, Advertising National Convention



The RRCA is looking for nominations for the following categories (a) <u>board</u> <u>positions</u>, (b) <u>running awards</u>, and (c) <u>volunteer recognition</u> (hyperlinks for each category will lead the reader to the RRCA website for more information for each category).

The <u>annual RRCA convention</u> (click to follow the embedded hyperlink) is being held in New Orleans, Louisiana from the 28th-31st of March, 2019. Second Wind is not sponsoring participants at the convention this year. The convention this year will be held in conjunction with the Run and Walk through History 5k and 1/2 mile. The RRCA Convention consists of several social networking events, educational seminars on best practices for the running community, the RRCA Annual Meeting of the Membership, the National Running Awards Banquet, and more.

# New Members for August, September, October, and November

August	Alexis Jones	October	Sophie Rogers
Michelle Gray	Jackie Meyer	Kelly	Ryan Santens
Barbara Morgenroth	Jennifer Moreman	Barbour-Conerty	Caitlin Souza
Caroline Morgenroth	Jacqueline Morey	Lila Cardell	Janya Swami
Eberhard	Tonya Nunn	Ashley Dennis	Emily Tillmaand
Morgenroth	Daniel Panno	David Dennis	Dmitry Voznyuk
Geoff Ower	Paola Parraga	Kathryn Funderburg	Donna Willette
Bobbie Riley	Tyler Reifsteck	Amish Goel	Bettina Wiltse
Amy Roady	Carlos	Ryan King	
Siddhartha Satpathi	Salazar-Lazaro	Erica LeMay	November
	Michelle Tushevski	Rick Lindquist	Steven Burgess
September	Becky Witt	Ximin Piao	Dulcy Ludwig
Susan Bywaters		John Reed	Melissa Lux

# 2018 SWRC Race Circuit

by Juan Salas

Here is the complete list of race circuit events for 2018.



Feb - Charleston Challenge Mid-Winter Classic 15/10/5K

Mar - Mountain Goat 4.4/8.8/mi

Apr - Allerton Trails 10K/Half

Apr - Mahomet Run for the Library 5K/10K

Apr - Illinois Marathon 5K

Apr - Illinois Marathon 10K/Half/Full

May - Kirby Derby 5K/10K

May - Buffalo Trace Trail

Jun - Countryside 10K

Jun - Lake Mingo Trail Run

Jul - Freedom Run 5K

Jul - Fisher Fair 5K

Jul - Bagel Run 5K/10K

Jul - SJO 5K

Jul - Mile at the Pines

Aug - Mahomet 1/2 Marathon and 10K (not the 5K)

Sep - Arthur Cheese Festival Rat Race 5K/10K

Sep - Arcola Broom Corn Festival 5K/10K

Sep - Shoreline Classic 15K

Sep - Wild Wild Wilderness trail

Oct - Women's Fitness 5K

Oct - Allerton Trail Run 5.7 mi, trail

Nov - Indianapolis Monumental Marathon and Half Marathon

Nov - Rattlesnake Master 5K/10K

Dec - Bement Memorial 5K



The first two races in the 2019 circuit are:

Siberian Express and Charleston Midwinter Classic! See you there!







Below is the final list of the 2018 circuit winners who will be recognized at the annual banquet in January.

To qualify for an award you needed to finish in the top 3 in your age group AND have completed at least 4 circuit events in 2018.

Therefore some categories have fewer than 3 awardees. Also, one category has 4 awardees because there was a tie for third.

2018 SWRC Race Circuit Winners

F<19 none

F20-29 Bethany Carmien, Paula Cler, Emily Floess

F30-39 Krista Overstreet, Elizabeth Chominski, Ank Mich-

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F40-49 Renee Trilling, Susan Mynatt, Laura Owen

F50-59 Cathy Giffel, Dawn Carson, Tina Ammermann F60-69 Rose Mary Wentling, Karen Iehl-Morse, Nancy Sivertsen

F70+ Bonnie McElwee

M<19 Payton Wendell, Naser Salas

M20-29 Nicholas Heller, Christopher Wendt

M30-39 Tom Gelsthorpe, Nic Carter, Fabian Dettenrieder

M40-49 Jim Fair III, Juan Salas, Scott Silverman

M50-59 Mike Tankersley, Brad Giffel, David Ammermann, Scott Hendren

M60-69 Patrick Mills, Ivan Fink, Don Shane

M70+ Ken McMillen, Stan Shobe

Congratulations to all!

-Juan P.

# 31st Annual Allerton Park Trail Race Recap

by Jim Fair III, RRCA Certified Race Director

As the sun began to warm up the trails, nearly 400 runners and walkers arrived to pick up their race bibs for the 31st running of the Allerton Park Trail Run. This is the capstone race presented by the Second Wind Running Club, where more than 25% of finishers also qualified for Monticello Triple Crown race



circuit award. Despite a steady downpour of overnight thundershowers that brought a little moisture to the park, the trails were very runnable. Diane Ducey of Stevie Jay Broadcasting arrived as the race EmCee, playing music and entertaining the crowd until the race director kicked off the race. Before the start of race, the national anthem was sung live by Jenny Meyer. After an unprecedented short delay, the race began in two waves: the first wave was the Trail Run, the second was the Nature Walk.

## **Finishers**

The overall male winner was Zach Boemke with a chip finish time of 34:41, and overall female winner was Kate McCormick with a chip finish time of 38:08. As with tradition, each overall winner earned a ceramic vase professionally hand crafted by Tracy Thomas of Marvelous Mud, ASICS running shoes courtesy of Body N' Sole Sports, and a customized metallic Age Group award with the annual theme. Age group awards were provided to the top three winners of each age group category in the Trail Run for each of the men's and women's divisions, including Athena and Clydesdale. A door prize sponsored by the Great Harvest Bread Company was also presented to a Nature Walk participant by random selection, although the Nature Walk is exempt from age group awards. Also, Merlin Anderson continued his race



2018 age group award: The award was inspired while mapping a new walk course in a flooded park in summer.

participation streak strong with another age group award, completing his 31st consecutive Allerton Park Trail Run. All finishers were able to receive professional attention from Athletico trainers.

## Monticello Triple Crown

2018 was the 5th anniversary of the Monticello Triple Crown, the area's largest and most competitive of hometown race circuits, with 104 finishers qualifying for the award. Kelly Finet of Kelly's Accounting Services has made the generous sponsorship each year to promote running in the city of Monticello. Monticello Triple Crown qualifiers receive a complimentary series award, which has been a technical style jacket in recent years. To qualify for the Monticello Triple Crown award at the Allerton Park Trail Run in October, one must also have completed any race event from both of the other Triple Crown races in the same year: the Allerton Half Marathon & 10K in April and the Kerby Derby 5K/10K in May.

#### Photos-Costumes-Potluck Brunch

Before, during, and after the race Beth Scheid (below) captured photographs around the park...capturing runners in action, volunteers helping, and anyone



in costume. Participants and volunteers competed in the costume contest sponsored by the Great Harvest Bread Company for bread baskets given to overall male, female, and group participants. Other awards were given out for runner ups who were judged by the EmCee. Great Harvest also provided bread baskets and spreads featured at the post race pot luck style brunch. The brunch remained a huge hit as participants brought dishes to share. This year, the Second Wind Green Team was on hand to help ensure compost and recycling were disposed of properly.

#### **Race Transition**

Although it has definitely not been an easy feat, it has been a quite the experience to take over the Allerton Park Trail Run from Ben Newell. I put many of my "exciting ideas" on an emergency backburner this year to focus first on preserving the tradition of the



The timing team always does an amazing job of making sure every PR is captured correctly and results put out quickly and accurately.

race. I hope to release at least a couple of those exciting ideas each year over the next few years. New this year we enjoyed hearing the national anthem sung live by Jenny Meyer before the race start. In addition, the Trail Run course markings were executed to ensure no runner would get lost. Further, the Nature Walk course was rerouted while the Nature Walk division received official completion times so those participants could enjoy the race finish experience in a manner similar to the Trail Runners. We saw more Second Wind members signed up for this year's Allerton Park Trail Run than the prior year. Less noticeably, we procured walkie talkies for the race and used committed Race Captains to help facilitate a more efficient race day communication.



Despite the amount of detailed preparation I invested into making this transition an error free experience, I still made some rookie mistakes as a first time race director as a few hiccups were inevitable. A grueling amount of time and effort was put into preparing for the race and its vast list of detailed tasks. Our wonderful team of volunteers used patience, expertise, and consistent efforts to provide the participants with the best race experience possible. Once again, I thank all of our volunteers from the Race Captains to the Race Timing Team, packet pickup, aid stations, and everyone in between.

## Beneficiary of the Race

Thanks to a strong turnout in this year's race from

both runners and walkers, I am excited to announce the Second Wind Running Club is donating \$1,000 from the race proceeds back to the park. The park is great at maintaining the trails, making Allerton one of the most enjoyable trail running locations in the Midwest. Last year's donation funded the completion of the Greenhouse Café. In prior years, our donations helped complete other projects including the installation of: a water fountain with a water bottle refilling station in the visitor's center; a composting toilet at the Schroth Trailhead (think of the Allerton Half Marathon & 10K course); recycling bins; railing on the trail; and trail erosion control.

## Race Sponsors

We once again would like to thank this year's sponsors, including: Diane Ducey of Stevie Jay Broadcasting, Kelly's Accounting Service, Body N' Sole Sports, Asics, Great Harvest Bread Co, Champaign County Realty and Appraisals by Trautman, Athletico, Marvelous Mud, the Kirby Medical Center along with both Cisco Fire Department and Mid-Piatt Fire Rescue, the Chicago Recovery Room, the Second Wind Running Club, and the American Trail Running Association (ATRA). We also thank the staff at the Allerton Park &

Retreat Center for allowing us to present this event for your enjoyment.

#### More Info

Learn more about this event on our website at https://secondwindrunningclub.org/races/allerton. You may also find links for parking and directions to the park, information on the Strava course, and our Facebook page with race photos. Registration for 2019 should be open to Second Wind members on the night of the annual meeting in January 2019. Remember, this event is always the last Sunday of October.









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# **Beginning Women's Running Group**

by Martha McSims, Lynda Ramirez, and Carol Osgood

An end of the year recap of WBRG and what it means to me to be leading it. By Martha McSims

I have the coolest volunteer job. I absolutely love leading the beginning women's running group program. We had an amazing year. Our Spring program targeted the Kirby Derby 5K in May which was the first time in doing so. We had a very cold April, but it didn't stop the beginning runners. We had a great group who came out every Tuesday, no matter the crazy weather we had, and trained well. The women enjoyed running the Kirby Derby race, and they were excited to get a finishers medal afterwards (picture below).



The women's fitness 5K, which is our Fall program targeted race, was earlier than normal this year. This meant our training started in July. I was worried about the program starting earlier because of the heat and people not being in the area because of Summer vacations. As always, we had a great group of women sign up. I also want to give a "shout-out" to Jodi Heckel. She published an awesome article the morning of the first work-out and we had four more people sign up from the article. Amazing, I tell you! The best part of the Fall I program was I wasn't on the sidelines. I was able to run with the women which meant so much to me. It was an awesome feeling to run with the women and have the chance to get to know them better. The women's fitness 5K is one of my favorite local 5K's. Jan Seeley puts on a great event every year. It supports two great causes, is a fun course, and my favorite part is the potluck afterwards. It gives

me a chance to talk to the women about their race.



The Beginning Women's Running Group, Fall 2018 after the Women's Fitness 5k.

Since the Fall program started earlier than normal, we were able to have another program. Happy Dance! The Fall II program targeted the Cupcake 5K in November. We had many returning runners participate including four new runners. Race day was super windy, but the women persisted and each of them had an absolutely awesome race. As I mentioned earlier, I really enjoy the potluck after the women's fitness 5K, so after the women had their cupcake, we met for breakfast at Original House of pancakes. I love hearing the women plan their future meet-ups for runs and their future 5k's.

The program would not be successful without its mentors. They are the glue to this wonderful program. They are a very diverse group of women who help out the new runners tremendously.

I appreciate each one of you who volunteer your time each week between helping out on the Tuesday



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The Beginning Women's Running Group, Fall 2018 part two! after the Cupcake 5k.

run and/or the two optional weekly runs. I treasure the friendships I have made with each one of you.

I feel it's important to stay connected with the women. So, I like to have special events in between the programs. June 6th was Global Running Day. A few of us met, ran a few miles, then we celebrated GRD with ice cream and gelato at Red Bicycle. This was the first night I ran since my injury thanks to my awesome friend Lynda Ramirez. I also organize a Sunday fun run every week which is sometimes followed by coffee and donuts. Nancy McCartey, one of our amazing mentors, hosted a brunch after one of Sunday fun run's which included many laughs. The Green Team hosted a virtual plogging weekend in September. After our Sunday run that weekend, we picked up trash near Central High School and Hessel Park. I plan to keep plogging one Sunday a month with the women in 2019. We ended the year with a Christmas run around Morrissey park, and of, course donuts at Pandmonium. It was a great way to end the year. We laughed a lot and everyone talked about their goals for 2019. It is such an awesome feeling to be part of this group, and to have the friendships that Tammy and I have with these women.

As I think about the past year leading this program, three very special personal moments come to mind.

The first one was when my good friend Lynda made the decision for me to start running again. As mentioned earlier we celebrated Global Running Day. I showed up with my bike and Lynda suggested I put the bike up and run. Sometimes we just need some extra motivation. It was the best feeling in the world to be running again. I didn't care I might be in pain the next day. Lynda met with me two-three times a week after that night and mentored me back to running. I participated in my first post-injury 5K in June and she walked/ran it with me. She has become a really good friend which would not have happened without this program. My second special moment was when the some of the women completely surprised me to cheer me on during a 5K in October. They were technically supposed to be running their training optional run. In fact the first thing I said to them when I seen them decked out in the WBRG gear on the corner, "why are you not running!." Then I had tears to my eyes and finished the 5K with a post-injury PR. Have I mentioned how much I love these women? The third special moment was the most precious to me. It still makes me tear up as I think about it. My new friend Carol who had never ran before and was one the woman who signed up after reading Jodi's article gave me a hug right before she crossed the finish line at the cupcake 5K. That was one of those moments you think to yourself you might just be doing a pretty good job mentoring these women.

When I first agreed to be the leader of this program, I had no idea it would add so much joy to my life. My favorite part is getting to know the women of each program and help them reach their running goals. I love when they keep in touch or when I run into them in various places in town and we catch up. Another favorite part of the program is watching each woman cross the finish line at the targeted race. To know the training these women put in 8 weeks prior and to see the sense of achievement as they cross the finish line is a wonderful feeling on my part. The program has be-



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Homecoming 5k, "the race that a few of the women surprised me to cheer for Christina Wendt and I."

## The Joy of Mentoring By Lynda Ramirez

In the fall of 2015, an article in the News-Gazette written by our own Jodi Heckel caught my attention. The article was about the Women's Beginning Running Group sponsored by the Second Wind Running Group. Maria Alyce was the runner featured in the article, and the progress she had made with the group was described. Women who could run a whole mile were overqualified for this group, the article explained. I knew that I could not run a mile, but I really, really wanted to try. Before I could change my mind, I signed up for the group. What had I gotten myself into?

I didn't want to embarrass myself on the first night of the program in three weeks, so I began to practice and train on my own. I did countless laps around Hessel Park, mostly in the early, early morning when no one would be out to see me. By the time the program started, I was able to run two minutes with-

out stopping, but I couldn't do very many repeats. I still wondered what I had gotten myself into. Letitia Moffitt was the leader, and through her guidance, my fears started to melt away. She inspired me to do my

best and to achieve what I thought would be impossible: to run an entire 5k without stopping to walk. Without her excellent mentoring, I would never have been able to accomplish that goal. I was not able to attend the target race (Women's Fitness 5k) at the end, but ran a practice race at Crystal Lake on the 5k course with my friend Ophelia Chan. Not only did we run the entire way, it is still the fastest 5k I have ever done! A PR that will stand forever! I am still grateful to Letitia as my first mentor. I am also grateful to the many friends I made in the fall of 2015, many of whom I still see and run with frequently.

When the program began again in the fall of 2016, I decided to become a mentor. I certainly was

not a role model for speed or endurance, but I thought I could be a role model for other "chronologically gifted" women (i.e., old). If I could start running at the age of 62, I wanted to show other women that they, too, could accomplish their bucket list goals.

Being a mentor that fall was one of the most rewarding experiences I have had. Mentoring was better than running! I was able to share my experiences, tips, trials, and tribulations with women who were just starting their running journey. We talked about how to hold an imaginary Pringle in your fingertips, how to put quarters in your pocket (thanks to Jan Seeley), and setting realistic goals. Each week, I saw their progress and confidence increase. It was my pleasure to have Martha and Tammy McSims in that group. While doing 3:1, 2:2, or 1:3 walk:run intervals, Tammy and I were amused by Martha's inability to walk faster than a sniffing dog. Of course, on the run intervals, Martha always caught up with us. Being their mentor formed the basis of our long term friendship. The same could be said of many other people in that group. So many friendships with participants and other mentors resulted from that experience. Way too many to list here. I hope you know who you are.

Since that fall, I have signed up to be a mentor every season: Spring 2017, Fall 2017, Spring 2018, Fall I 2018, and Fall II 2018. I could not have been prouder when one of my mentees, Martha McSims, became the leader of the group in the Fall of 2017. Martha struggled with leg issues that began in that season, but she exemplified all the qualities of a great leader and focused her attention on motivating others. Every season, we watched the successes and progress of our participants. Finally, this fall Martha was able to be the runner she has always wanted to be. As her original mentor, I was happy to re-mentor her on her road to return and share her first "return 5k" this summer.

So many seasons and so many new runners, almost all of whom have gone on to surpass anything in running that I could ever dream of. I am still a lousy runner, but I take a lot of pride in being one of the first people they encounter on their road to success. Speed and endurance are not the most important factors in running. I can't offer that, but I am privileged to offer support and encouragement to women who want to be healthier and better versions of themselves. Without hesitation, I can say that being a mentor in this group has been life changing for me.

Second Wind Running Club has created and maintained this opportunity for new runners to reach their goals. I wonder how many members are aware of how vital this experience is for us. We offer our gratitude to you and hope that this program will always be available for both the mentors and the mentees. As a mentor, I know that I am the winner because I get to participate in the success of so many women in their quest to achieve their goals.

## A Surprise Victory By Carol Osgood

I was reading the News Gazette one morning last July and was intrigued by an article about a class for first time Women runners. I'm not sure why I was intrigued cause I had never thought much about running or had much of an interest. But, by that afternoon, I had signed up and found myself in a pair of running shoes at Meadowbrook park - surrounded by wonderful women. Two classes and two 5K's later, (at 65 years old) I am a runner!

I think I signed up mostly as a challenge to age. I was months away from my 65th birthday and thought that running my first 5K would be a good way to celebrate. And besides, if I was going to push my body and work towards getting in better shape, the clock was obviously ticking. What I hadn't expected was that I would enjoy running so much and feel so much better because of it.

I can't say enough about Martha McFarland, the mentors and the participants of our classes. No offense guys, but there is nothing quite like hanging out with a bunch of wonderful women who share a common goal. There is no way I would be a runner at this point in my life if it weren't for this class and these women. I was especially inspired by the mentors and participants who are my age and older. They inspired me to challenge my assumptions about age and my assumptions about what is possible for me as I age.

SWRC Women's Beginning Running Class is a gift to our community – and has been a gift to me. If I keep running, I will very likely live longer and enjoy a higher quality of life. The whole experience has been awesome – and surprising. It's nice to know that I can still be surprised by life – and I can still surprise myself!



The last event of the year - run and donuts!

Join us this year in the Beginning Women's Running Group!

# **Recover Right to Run Your Best**

by Jeff Kelly, MS Exercise Science

There are generally four types of training – endurance; lactate threshold; VO2 max and speed. There is also, a fifth element, however, that is arguably ignored, although this is also, in some ways, the easiest to implement. That fifth element is recovery. Let's dive in to the nuts and bolts of how to carry out your recovery runs for maximum benefit.

First, what is a recovery run? This is, by definition, any run carried out with the only purpose being to deliver blood flow and, thereby, nutrients to your muscles. This, in theory, speeds recovery faster than just sitting around and watching Netflix (hey, I'm not pointing fingers). Here's how this works – your hard workouts create micro-tears in your muscle fibers so that, with sufficient rest, these muscles rebuild stronger than prior to the hard work. You can't stress your muscles, joints and tendons to the utmost every day. Something will give, most likely you.

So, let's say you do a workout of 6 X 800

meters at 5K pace on a Tuesday. Wednesday, if you are diligent about things, you would plan to do a recovery run day. What is the pace of this recovery run? Here's where we get into some sticky territory, but...not really. You see, for recovery runs, we have to shed entirely this "type A" runner's persona that most of us have. Many times, runners (myself included) want workouts so planned, our paces so targeted, that we freak out if there's no precise pace given. Let me quote former elite marathoner Kyle O' Brien who once told me that if you're running for recovery your pace is "whatever it takes."

What that means is you run as slow as your body needs in order to be moving efficiently while not doing unnecessary pounding to your legs, muscles and joints. You see, our aerobic system isn't the system that needs to recover. Remember, our bodies do. While you may physiologically feel capable of running 30-60 seconds slower than marathon pace on

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a recovery pace, let's slow that down. Expert physiologist Pete Pfitzinger recommends running recovery runs about 2 minutes per mile slower than your 15K to half-marathon pace.

Let that sink in for a minute. If you run a half-marathon at 7-minute pace, which is very decent, your recovery runs shouldn't be done any faster than 9-minutes per mile. "Gasp....but that's so slow!" Trust me, I feel your pain. Remind yourself, though, that there's absolutely no fitness gains to be made on these pure recovery days. All you're doing is.....well, slogging along.

What is the best duration for a recovery run? Again, there is no hard and fast rule, which can be frustrating but yet relieving once you buy into the whole mentality of recovery days. Remember, you're trying to carry out training that is truly polarized – i.e., your hard days are much, much harder than your easy days, which are so ungodly easy your grandmother could keep up with you. When I ran with the U of I Track Club, the "recovery day" run was up to, but no longer than, one hour. The pace was whatever you felt like doing, which most days, felt like a crawl, honestly. I don't think we were ever allowed to run faster than 8-minute pace, despite the fact that some of these athletes could run a 10K in less than 33 minutes. Pfitzinger advises that for experienced runners training over 60 miles per week, recovery runs should be 30 to 50 minutes but can sometimes be up to 60 minutes long. You could also try the approach of implementing two, shorter recovery runs - one in the a.m., one in the p.m., which can A) boost your mileage B) reportedly provide more of a recovery boost than one longer run.

So, I'll end this by giving you the bonus of some great recovery run advice from some of my running buddies I've made through the years. I can't say that I enjoy recovery runs, but I've made peace with them. If you see me jogging down the road and you think "geez, he's barely moving," that's fine with me. I'm probably just recovering.

Jeff Riddle (60 years young), runner for 46 years, 18:05 5K lifetime PR (age 21), 22:19 5K at 45 yrs. Former volunteer cross-country assistant coach Urbana High School (2014-2017), finisher of 76 ultramarathons/marathons, 103,779 lifetime miles through September 2018:

JR- "A recovery run to me has to feel so slow it's almost laughable. Depending on how tired you are it could be two to three minutes slower than 5k pace. I've found a true recovery run is not much over 30 minutes, definitely not over 45. As I get older, recovery could include walking and/or running/walking mixed. The main thing is to get blood flow to the muscles. I've read reports of world class marathoners running recovery runs at approximately 50% of marathon pace i.e. 4:50 min pace x 50% =7:15 pace."

Brandon Smith, formerly of Mahomet, 15:50 5K PR, USATF Level 2 Endurance Coach, current high school cross country coach

BS- "I like two-and-a-half minutes slower than 5k PR (personal record) pace on a flat surface. With that said, let's throw pace out the window, because who cares? Recovery pace should be a treat to the mind and body. A great tactic is to wear your watch upside down on the opposite side of your wrist so you can't see any data. Start the watch and end it on time so you can maintain your weekly training minutes/volume but avoid the temptation to look at it. The pace of an easy run will increase during runs with elevation change and undulating surfaces. I believe that doing recovery runs on trails with changes in elevation is a great way to continue to build aerobic capacity while also allowing the body to recover. Grab a friend, have a conversation, tell some jokes, and enjoy being on a run that feels light on the feet and easy on the mind. These types of runs get you excited to run a workout.

Sleep is an essential part of recovery and is often a neglected part of life and recovery for an athlete. Sleep is essential to physical regeneration (absorbing your training), emotional regulation, and maintaining focus on athletics and balancing life outside of athletics.

Daily general strength and mobility helps the body recover as well.

Length of recovery runs vary based on the weekly volume and past experiences of each runner. Breaking easy runs into two runs of 20-40minutes as opposed to one run of 45+ min is a great way to reduce the stress on the body and more truly recover."

# **Green Team Year-in-Review**

by Fred Bird and the Green Team

Hello, I'm Fred Bird, and that's one of my people I'm perched on in the photo. Apparently she's a member of something called the Green Team, which she and a few other members of her running club started up this year. I figure it has the word "green" in it, and I am a green-wing macaw, so it must be related to me. As such, I've provided a brief recap of the team's doings this year.



Recycling and composting at races: The Green Team provided clearly marked bins for recycling and composting at the following races: Clinton Lake Ultra, Buffalo Trace Trail Race, Freedom 5K, Women's Fitness 5K, and Allerton Park Trail Race. These bins helped ensure that plastic/glass bottles and metal cans would be recycled rather than mixed in with landfill trash, and that food waste such as watermelon rinds and banana peels would be composted. I quite like watermelon and banana myself, though I had no idea

what happened to the rinds and peels until my person started collecting them and putting them in her compost bins to turn into natural fertilizer for her vegetable garden. This is good; this means more veggies for me.

Virtual Plog: In September, the Green Team hosted a "plog." Club members walked or ran while picking up trash along their favorite running route or in their neighborhood. This event helped clean our community while also encouraging people to recycle and reduce waste. My macaw buddies Boston and Phoenix went along with our people on their plog; I stayed home and kept an eye on things. And ate all the watermelon.

Terracycle: The Green Team set up an account with Terracycle, an organization that teams with various companies to recycle plastic waste that otherwise would end up in landfill. Club members brought packaging from Clif, Gu, and Larabar products to club fun runs and training runs to be sent to Terracycle for recycling. Less plastic waste in the environment is better for everyone. I don't know about you, but I could certainly do without bits of plastic in my drinking water. Gross.

What's in store for next year? The Green Team is considering many possibilities, including providing locally grown food for post-race goodies, incentives for carpooling, and T-shirt opt-outs and/or eco-friendly swag for local races. The team encourages all Second Wind members to think of ways the club can continue to "go green" and be as eco-friendly as possible. As my person says, healthy runners need a healthy planet. I do too, so think of me. That's really all that matters.

Contact the Green Team at

greenteam@secondwindrunningclub.org

# **Second Wind Updates**

by Magdelena Casper-Shipp

Spring marathon training registration is now open! The program starts

Thursday, 03 January 2019!

Crazy enough to want to run a marathon? Or maybe you're only half crazy and 13.1 miles sounds like plenty. Second Wind Running Club has a marathon/half marathon training program to help you go the distance! Both our half and full spring marathon training programs are open for registration now!

Find more here http://secondwindrunningclub.org/marathontraining

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## First-time Streaker

by Laura Owen

My year started with a broken toe, then I had two respiratory illnesses in the spring, and by May and June I had a bad case of runner's knee. By July, I was going stir crazy. Several of my friends had made significant progress in their running, and here I was unable to keep up and losing motivation. I needed to get back on track, stay healthy, be consistent, and force myself to get those runs in. I turn into a running zombie in the heat and humidity, so it is important for me to run early most days in the summer.

July 2nd was the day I decided to start my first run streak. I hoped to reach 1,000 miles for the year, but on that day I was 160 miles behind schedule. You might be thinking, why not July 1st? I had to get started as soon as the idea popped into my head. Why wait for the perfect time or a certain date; I was ready that day. In the past, I've set too many unattainable goals at once. Guess, what happens? I wound up not reaching any of them because they became overwhelming. This time, I decided on a one week running streak and tried not to get hung up on mileage, races, or pace so much that they would overshadow my number one goal.

Getting started was rough. It was hot, humid, and I felt like a slug. I doubted whether I could even get through a week. I took many walk breaks. By the second and third weeks, it got a little easier. I was developing a habit of getting up earlier to beat the sun and getting outside began to feel effortless. Unfortunately, the feeling didn't last. I signed up for the Mahomet Half Marathon three days before the race, and had only run up to 7.5 miles. I knew it would be hard, but the hardest part was not the race itself (although I really had to drag myself through the second half). I still had to run at least a mile in the days following to keep up the streak. Those were some of the hardest days. A few short painful miles proved to me that I could keep going. Keeping up the streak after Howl was an even bigger challenge. I signed up in the spring and was not trained at all. I decided to do it, allowing myself to walk whenever I felt like it. I also had an ache in my foot that I worried would be a stress fracture (it wasn't). With the help of a friend who paced me for a few loops (thanks Michele!), I



Day 41 with Michele Cohen at Howl on August 11th

was able to complete 26.32 miles that day (or 8 loops of the course). Despite walking a lot, the next couple of days I could barely move. Normally, I take several days off after a hard race. This time, I didn't have that option. I learned to appreciate shakeout runs. They seem impossible at first, but after the initial shock and warm up, they feel pretty good!

There were also busy days when I had to leave early and knew I had to run my mile at 9 or 10 pm. There were a couple of days when I was ready to give up, but by this point my family had become a part of it. My 12 year old daughter said one day, "Mom, it's not a choice anymore. You have to do it!" I could tell they were proud of me, but they know how easily I can give in sometimes when I'm tired and stressed. I probably would have given up on several occasions without that little push out the door.

As of October 9th, I have run 414 miles since I started the streak. My heart rate has decreased during hard workouts and my VO2 max has increased. I am stronger in areas where weakness has led to injury in the past. I learned to like speedwork again, because I started a half marathon training plan in August that uses specific paces based on my ability and goals, so I'm not going all out unless Kara Goucher says so. One of the most enjoyable sessions was one mile each warmup and cool down with 8x800 meters a little faster than goal race pace. Instead of feeling exhausted, I felt energized because the pace wasn't supposed to use up every ounce of my energy. I tried not to worry too much about not reaching 30 miles a week which was a secondary goal. I came close



Your VO<sub>2</sub> Max is 43 which is excellent for women ages 40-49. Your fitness age is that of an excellent 20 year old. That's the top 15% for your age and gender.

several times, but had to keep in mind that the streak is still the main goal and it was alright to reach 27 or 28 instead. Anything that followed was the icing on the cake, like reaching 1,000 miles for the year. Now, I'm only 21 miles behind, and I should have over 1,100 miles for the year. I will be celebrating my 100th consecutive day of running on October 10th!

Thinking about starting your own run streak? It's not has hard as it seems. Here are a few tips:

- 1. Have a plan in advance and make sure it is one you can keep up with. Try to make only small adjustments when necessary. The more you stray from the plan, the farther you move away from your goal.
- 2. Get up early. Before July, I was great at making excuses not to get up in the morning to run. When I run first thing in the morning, I don't have to worry about not having the time, missing dinner with my family, or come up with excuses not to run. I often run in the evening on short days of just a mile or two, because then I can still run longer distances the next morning without being too tired.
- 3. Set one attainable goal. Other secondary goals will likely follow. If you overwhelm yourself with goals, you may not reach any!
- 4. Mix it up. Streaking doesn't mean running the same distance or pace everyday. You still need a variety of runs to follow the stress, recovery, and adaptation cycle that makes your training count. Maintain a balance of short, long, fast, and slow runs to avoid feeling tired all the time or becoming injured.
- 5. Be flexible. There were days I was tired and cut out a few miles. That is alright and can be better

than pushing yourself through a terrible (or extremely hot and humid) run. When I adjusted my plan, it was because I needed another easy short day. It only takes one mile per day to keep up the streak, and a mile or two off isn't going to ruin your training.

- 6. Share your goal with anyone who will listen! You will find you have more supporters than you think. People I don't know very well regularly offer encouragement and help hold me accountable. I listed every day of my streak in Strava labeled with the number of days I was at. Knowing that people will see if I miss a day keeps me from being lazy and skipping for no good reason.
- 7. Have fun and believe you can do it! We are capable of so much more than we think and you never know how you might surprise yourself.



Day 70 was Women's Fitness 5k with Susan Mynatt

# **Race Results**

Compiled by Juan Salas and Nicholas Heller

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## Mike Walsh Memorial 5K

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Above, runners await the start of the Mike Walsh Memorial 5k.

Below, the 2018 edition of the Mike Walsh Memorial 5k was a record-setting year for the race, and a great last circuit race for many Second Wind members.



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