Hello SARR Members,

Happy November! Wow, it seems like 2021 is moving way too fast! I do have to say, everywhere I go, I see people out running. It's great to see so many runners out there getting their miles in. You can sure tell the temps are cooling down. Last night I saw a note that the City is turning on the Riverwalk Christmas lights two weeks early this year, and last night was the first night. I think it's awesome, as the Riverwalk area around the holidays is such a great place to run and get some great pictures. I also saw that on Nov 26<sup>th</sup>, the 50-foot-tall Christmas tree at Travis Park will be lit, and the ice-skating rink at the park opens on Nov 19<sup>th</sup>. If you are running in that area, be sure to check it out.

Good news: We completed the "20<sup>th</sup> Annual Carrabba's 5K, Half Marathon and Half Marathon Relay" last month and it was another successful SARR Race. Congrats to the runners, I enjoyed seeing people come across that finish line, it was challenging due to the warm weather that day. Also, much thanks to all of you who volunteered, your efforts helped make this race a success! Interesting note: The Carrabba's Relay is a spinoff of the SARR Half-Marathon Relay that began in the late 80's.

Finish strong: We have three great races remaining to finish out 2021.

Nov  $14^{th} - 41^{st}$  Annual SARR Endurathon. This one is both fun and challenging (can you say hills).

Nov  $25^{th} - 46^{th}$  Annual SARR Turkey Trot. This one is a great way to begin your Thanksgiving Day.

Dec 19<sup>th</sup> – **SARR Santa Antonio**. There will be running Santas everywhere! This is the first year for SARR to put on this race, it was previously hosted by the BISH Foundation the past 10 years.

These are all great and fun races, so consider signing up for one or all! The registration links are on our <u>SARR</u> website.

Shoes to a good cause: I wanted to give a big shout out to all our members that donated shoes during our September Shoe Drive. Lisa Kenyon organized this effort for us and we were able to collect and donate nearly 200 pairs of running shoes to Street2Feet. SARR received a big thanks from Street2Feet for the continued support. We look to do another one in the near future, so save those shoes!

More Training: Congrats to our SARR Off-RoadRunners as they completed a successful season and knocked out their goal race, the TROT El Taco Loco Trail Run in Oct. Great job team, well done! I saw many great pics! Our Road training team has been hard at it as well and is nearing completion. They are readying for the Rock n Roll SA race in early Dec. I have no doubt that all your training will pay off! And by the way, it's not too early to be thinking about those Winter Training programs. Registration is already open.

2023 marks 50 years of SARR. What a great club and what great members we have, thank you! Continue to tell your friends, family and co-workers about SARR. As I always say, SARR changes lives.

Take care, I wish each of you the very best!

Keith Click President, SARR