

## San Antonio RoadRunners

San Antonio, TX

Hello SARR Members,

I hope April finds you doing well. We have many good things going on in our club and our 50th is going great. Unfortunately, Mother Nature did decide to change our plans for the Mission Run. I can't remember the last time we had to cancel a race but as conditions worsened, we had to cancel for the safety of everyone involved. Hats off to all our volunteers who braved the rain! We don't volunteer our time to cancel, but to put on great races, so while we're disappointed, we move forward!

**Marching on:** Next week is our *May the 4th Be With You Race* and that one will sure be fun! It's on Thursday, May 4th, McAllister Park Pavilion #2. Kids run starts at 6:30pm. Remember, it's not timed so use the force, grab your Star Wars gear, and get signed up <u>HERE</u>.

**Remember to mark your calendars:** Our *Annual Membership Meeting* will be on Saturday June 24th, at Alamo Beer Company. We'll start out with a 5K fun run for those interested. We have 5 Board positions up for election at the meeting and I had sent out the Call for Nominations in a separate email. Nomination/election details are also on our website under the "About Us" section located <u>HERE</u>. *Nominations must be received by May 1st.* Additionally, we are taking nominations for our annual awards. Those are also listed on the website. We'll provide more details on the meeting as we get closer.

**Walk2Run program:** The Graduation run is this Sunday. Congratulations to each of you who participated in this great program, and good luck on your upcoming run! Hopefully you will keep your running journey going.

**Kids Run SARR:** Our kids training program is underway and runs from April 16 – June 17 with the Carrabba's 5K as the Graduation run. I'm excited we were able to get this program going again. We have some outstanding coaches heading it up and making a difference in the lives of those young runners!

**PUP:** *SARR Spring Pick up the Pace Training Program* kicks off this Saturday, April 29th and goes through July 3rd. This program prepares you for the *SARR Freedom Day 4-Miler*. It's a way to keep your training going, stay in shape and make some new friends. Sign up <u>HERE</u>.

**Zoo Runs:** Our *free* Monthly Zoo Runs are ongoing, Wednesdays at 6:30pm at Breckenridge park. These runs go from April 5th - October 25th. There is a lot of construction with relocation of the birds in that area so be careful and be patient. The route has been altered a bit so be aware it starts in a different spot for now.

**Monthly Fun Runs:** These are ongoing as well. These *free runs* are the first Saturday of each month at 8:30am at McAllister Park, Al Becken Pavilion! *Of note, our July, August, and September Fun Runs will be at different locations.* Locations are:

- July 1 at Pearsall Park
- August 5 at Southside Lions Park
- September 2 at MLK Park

**June events:** June is a very busy month for us, aside from our **Members meeting** June 24th, we have our **Global Running Day celebration** on June 7th at Mission County Park and the **Carrabba's Half** 

*Marathon Relay* on June 17th at McAllister Park. Our Marketing Emails will have more details on our upcoming races and training events so make sure to keep an eye out for those.

**50 years:** As we continue celebrating our 50th year, I wanted to provide you a list of our 12 Past Presidents of the San Antonio RoadRunners. Our first President, Ken Bashore was also one of the founding members of the club.

## **Past Presidents:**

- 2017 2021 Scott Peacock 2015 – 2017 Joe DiNuovo 2011 – 2015 Jerry Negrete 2007 – 2011 Joan Bobrukiewiez 2003 - 2007 Whitney Lawrence 1999 – 2003 **Bob Ratliff** John Delgado 1993 – 1999 1989 – 1993 **Royce Gragg** 1984 – 1989 Mike Bustamante 1983 – 1984 Jerry McCurdy 1982 – 1983 **Dick Ekland**
- 1973 1982 Ken Bashore

We were fortunate enough to interview some our past Presidents and I hope to share some of those interviews soon.

I'm still trying to collect short video clips of different members and groups wishing SARR a Happy 50th. If anyone would like to do that, hit record and do it, then send me a copy via email or share with any Board member when you see us.

I look forward to seeing you out there running at some of our upcoming events!

Best regards,

Keith Click President, SARR