

PAUSATF Nov 19 LDR Meeting

In Attendance

Name	Club	email
Angie Longworth	Impala	LDR Women's Chair
Andy Crawford	Wolfpack	LDR Men's Chair
Tom Bernhard	Excelsior	Road Scorer
Jean Pommier	Quicksilver	MUT subcommittee chair
Don Porteous	Tamalpa	XC sub co-chair (?)
Irene Herman	Impala	PAUSATF President
Nakia Baird	Excelsior	ultra scorer
Mark Winitz	WVJS	PA Officials
Allan Stanbridge	Excelsior	LDR Master's Chair
Carl Rose	Strawberry Canyon	XC Sub co-chair
Bill Dodson	Tamalpa	
John Sprigg	Pamakids	
Andy Chan	Pamakids	
Lee Novich	Pamakids	

Called to Order: 12:09 pm

Road Grand Prix:

Silicon Valley isn't bidding

Still waiting for Humboldt

Received Reach for a Star 5k, Brisbane March 11

MM 10 not happening (at least on Memorial Day, they are still looking at Saturday of that weekend).

Motion to vote on Brisbane RFAS 5k (Angie motion, Don seconds).

All in favor: Approved

No no votes.

Humboldt 2017 was cancelled from scoring for the PA LDR long series due to extremely hazardous fire conditions in Santa Rosa, Sonoma, Napa counties that affected many PA members as well as the environment and neighborhoods. Note that the RD decided to continue to run the race, but the PA pulled scoring or awards so as not to incentivize driving through fire zones or adding undue stress on membership.

Note that there was a RD change for this race this year that was not highlighted in the bid.

This action brought up several items that need to be adjusted in the **bid package** including asking the bid submitters to note:

- any course changes from previous runnings
- Any timing management changes
- Race director changes

Andy and Angie will create a revised bid package for the LDR committee to review and comment on for the 2019 bid season.

2019 Race schedule: LDR would like to review and possible change/ add to the race series for 2019. We would like to form a task force to strategize, plan and comment on series. Please let Andy and Angie know if you are interested.

CIM October Entry Window- what happened to it?

A concern was raised that CIM didn't offer the late entry window for people who meet a time criteria. In year's past, CIM has had a late entry window in October for any runner who could prove that they met a speed criteria (similar to Boston Qualifying times) so that faster runners could decide based on their training in October to enter the race rather than having to enter earlier in the year to make it in. This was a benefit to PA runners. CIM didn't offer this window on their website this year and it is possible that some PA runner's didn't enter because of it. LDR needs to ensure that any PA runner that wants to enter CIM has the opportunity to, need to talk to RD to ensure that they understand this- and possibly see if they can add some text to their website to ensure PA runners know this.

XC

GGP Course- Tim reserved September and November XC traces in GGP 1 yr in advanced for 2018 so that we don't have an altered course due to someone else reserving the meadow like we did in September of 2017.

Western Regionals

Would like to have them here in GGP next year. Irene, Angie or Andrew will discuss with the XC Council at USATF Conference.

XC Comps, potentially increase for Master's runners.

XC sub committee will look at increasing the Master's age group comp from 1 to 2 spots. (Post meeting sub committee did analysis and recommended not increasing based on participation numbers, email will be added to appendix)

Double Points for Championship Race?

Discussion from attendee's led to thinking it is not a good idea to double points because we are trying to get participation in the other, non San Francisco, XC races and double points at an already heavily attended race would detract from the other races.

MUT

Jean is taking over the MUT subcommittee chair

He formed a subcommittee which includes:

Nakia scoring 2018, 2018

Verity

Jean

Someone else

Ultra has FB page with 80 members, for now it is by approval to join.

16 Ultras are on the circuit for 2018, 45% Sacramento, 55% Bay Area.
QuickSilver published that it was a PA race without Jean approving.
W2Cool and Miwok registration opens in December, Jean is trying to get PA racers into the those.

Completed a Survey, 78 people participated with most people wanting to keep the circuit the same in 2018. Jean will look to mixing it up in 2019 and add some shorter races.

Need to get a meeting list for LDR 2018 meetings out on the website

LDR Banquet

Tom will post a reminder about the banquet

Buffalo Chips hosting

Billy Mills speaking, will have a video of the 1964 Olympic 10k race and then speak.

Meal is a buffet with vegetarian option and will cost \$30

Typically Banquest agenda is:

Dinner

XC awards

Ultra awards

Speaker

Road awards

Next LDR meeting will be held in Sacramento same day as Jed Smith/Banquet, February 3, 2018.

Mark motions to adjourn

Andy Seconds

Meeting adjourned at 1:15

Appendix:

LDR committee:

At our recent LDR meeting, Carl and Don agreed to look into some questions concerning XC scoring and comps.

Carl and Don looked at age-group participation for the GGP Open, which had high participation.

The Masters division is not getting a short shrift. Here's the breakdown by age group for men:

Open 118

Masters	39
Senior	48
Super-senior	37
Veteran	10

Les has been scoring top 50 for Open, Masters, and Seniors, and top 25 for Super-senior. What makes the Masters seem big is that Les scores everyone over 40 in Masters as well as in their own age group. The main category of runners who compete and don't earn points are in the Open division.

Carl and I don't think we need to score more than 50 in any division, even for Open. That is what we also do in the Road Grand Prix.

But we do think we should only score runners in their own age group. That's the way it is done in USATF National competition, and for XC we don't score Open points for Masters runners. By eliminating double and triple counting of points for older runners in younger age groups, which are pretty meaningless anyway, that would allow more runners to score points in their age groups. Runners could still be dropped down for team scoring purposes. Tom and Les, are there any computer program impediments to changing the scoring in this way? Should we make this change for Road as well as XC scoring?

Also, based on the data above, we see no justification for increasing the number of XC Masters comp's from one to two.