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## **46TH ANNIVERSARY VULCAN RUN 10K**

By Hunter Bridwell, BTC President

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## THE 46TH ANNUAL VULCAN RUN 10K

## As promised, the BTC will be holding another in-person race, as the iconic Vulcan Run 10k takes place on November 7.

This year's race may look a little different – it will be held in Homewood instead of Birmingham – but the BTC's premier event will go on as scheduled. Speaking of holding the race in Homewood, we are buttoning up the details to finalize our course and most will likely will have shared the exciting details by the time this article is published!

Let's talk about the way we're going to hold a safe race for our runners and volunteers. We are reconvening our BTC Safety Team and reviewing the guidelines we put in place back in the summer before holding the Peavine Falls Run. Having already held a race in the midst of Covid-19, we feel very comfortable in our plan to keep everyone safe. At the same time, we can look back and see what worked well and what can be modified to work better Many of us have also experienced other live races in the last couple of months and can pull ideas from those events to help make our race even safer.

#### Some things you can expect to see:

- · Volunteers and water stop attendants wearing masks
- Self-serve water stops (volunteers will have cups filled and you retrieve your own cup)
- A staggered start with chip time determining overall and age group winners
- Limited post-race food and beverage offerings (I know, this is a bummer for us too)
- · A cap on the number of participants for the race

#### Here's what we need from you:

- Please be respectful of those around you and practice social distancing before and after the race
- Wear a mask when approaching our volunteers to register or pick up your packet
- Have fun and enjoy the ability to run a live race while following our guidelines so we can continue to hold these events while Covid-19 lingers

The Vulcan Run 10k was tapped to be the RRCA Southern Region 10k Championship Event for 2020, which is a big deal! Due to the craziness of this year, that designation has been deferred until next year. While we're bummed that it isn't happening this year, we can't wait to put our best foot forward (nailed it!) next year and show the Southern Region what the Birmingham running community has to offer!

Thanks to everyone for your continued patience and support this year. We always talk about how the Birmingham running community is unmatched, and I truly believe you won't find a better group anywhere!





#### **REGISTER FOR THE VULCAN RUN 10K!**



## **VICE PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS**



BTC President Hunter Bridwell is busy putting the finishing touches on this year's revamped Vulcan Run 10k so he has passed the baton to BTC Vice President Skylar Holland to provide this month's Address.

#### **My Fellow BTC Members,**

Happy fall, y'all! I welcome the cooler temperatures of autumn but dread the time change. As it gets darker earlier, we are left with less daylight hours for running in the evenings. We all likely know how to be safe in the dark, but even the most seasoned runners could use reminding, I say!

#### Important safety tips for running in the dark:

- · Always run against traffic.
- · Choose a well-lit route.
- · Stay visible with bright colored clothing and reflective gear.
- Consider carrying identification.
- Run with a friend. Safety in numbers! Try not to run alone after dark.
- · Carry a cell phone in case of emergency.

#### **October Announcements:**

Announcement #1: Who is getting excited about the Vulcan Run 10K on November 7? That's right, the race is ON! If you are having reservations about participating due to Covid-19 concerns, never fear! Your BTC Safety Subcommittee is here! The subcommittee is working, as we did for Peavine Falls, to develop a plan for ensuring safety measures are in place to keep runners and volunteers as protected as possible! We welcome and appreciate any feedback and/or questions regarding safety measures for this and other BTC events. Please <u>email us</u> with any concerns or questions you may have. #weareallinthistogether

By Skylar Holland

Announcement #2: The start of October means only a few months left for our 1200 Mile Club participants to reach 1200 miles for 2020! Insert applause for the awesome athletes who have already hit 1200 miles for the year -- Great job! And for those of you still working on your miles, keep up the good work!

Announcement #3: We continue to have our BTC Saturday Morning Moderate and Long Runs with BTC Long Run Coordinator Alex Morrow publishing routes each week that will incorporate The Trak Shak and Crestline Shell water coolers. BTC communal water stops continue to be on hold due to Covid-19. In the meantime, carrying a handheld to supplement the water coolers available at the Trak Shak and Crestline Shell is recommended. It is important to stay hydrated even in cooler temperatures!

#### Happy Running!

Skylar Holland BTC Vice President

## **BTC Group Runs Update**

The Saturday morning BTC Long and Moderate Group Runs are now back on the schedule, with safety precautions and modifications in place. We will continue to post suggested routes to accommodate different distances on the BTC Long Run Facebook page; however, water stops will not be provided. If you choose to run one of the suggested routes, *please observe all social distancing guidelines* (very small groups, run at least six feet away from other runners, and allow other runners space when passing).

You can find a variety of running routes on the <u>BTC website</u>, including <u>local parks</u> and trails, as well as a list of places to run along the <u>Gulf Coast</u>. Have a new route you'd like to share? Please <u>let us know</u>, and we'll add it to our website.



Stay safe, runners!



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### **BTC Mission Statement**

The primary purpose of the Birmingham Track Club (BTC) shall be the education and training of individuals in and around the community of Birmingham, AL, as to the benefits of jogging, running, and walking for fitness, health, and recreation.

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Find the latest and most complete local race results at the following:

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# **A6TH ANNIVERSARY VULCAN RUN 10K**

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**PARTICIPANTS WILL BE LIMITED!** 

## **BTC BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT:**

### Express Oil & Tire Engineers By Skylar Holland



Many races may be cancelled, but running most certainly is not! The BTC Business Spotlight is a way we can highlight some of the wonderful local businesses who do so much to support our running community. Now, more than ever, local businesses need our support. #BBTClocal!

This month, we are excited to feature Express Oil & Tire Engineers as our second BTC Business Spotlight.

Anyone who runs in the Mountain Brook area is likely familiar with running up Hollywood Boulevard and the folks at Express Oil & Tire Engineers. Service Manager AJ Fink and Store Manager Roy Ellison and their team have shown so much kindness and support to local runners over the years. Whether runners need a bathroom break, cold water, or just a wave hello and a "Good Morning!", they can find it all at Express Oil & Tire Engineers on Hollywood Boulevard. Express Oil Change & Tire Engineers is staffed with ASE-certified (from the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence) technicians. This team of engineers use specialized equipment to correctly diagnose your vehicle's system and determine the source of its problems. These highly trained technicians stand apart from other locations in Birmingham and surrounding areas due to their extensive knowledge and experience in servicing a broad range of different vehicles such as BMW, Lexus, Mercedes, Mini Cooper, Volvo, and others. The level of understanding of specific makes and models leads to a more accurate diagnosis of any problems and knowledge of the most effective solutions available.

Thank you, AJ Fink, Roy Ellison, and the rest of the team at Express Oil Change & Tire Engineers! We really appreciate all of you and your support of local runners!



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# **MEDICATION AND MILES:**

Supplementing Your Lifestyle - A Holistic Approach Towards Improving Athletic and Daily Health Outcomes By Tyler Kaliszak, PharmD Candidate 2023, Kim Benner, PharmD, BCPS, Samford University McWhorter School of Pharmacy

Natural medicines can improve health outcomes for any individual regardless of fitness level or age, with a focus on improving the mind, body, and spirit of the community. Implementing supplements into one's daily life can provide necessary nutrients not obtained through various diets, improve cognitive function, and serve as anti-inflammatory mediators and immune defense mechanisms. This issue of Medication and Miles aims to introduce three key, but perhaps lesser known, supplements that can drastically improve the health of you and your loved ones,

#### PQQ

Pyrroloquinoline, or PQQ, is part of a class of chemicals called quinones, which influence a multitude of physiological and biochemical processes from bacteria to humans.<sup>1</sup> From an endurance exercise training aspect, a 2018 study in the Journal of the American College of Nutrition showed that PQQ supplementation can boost cellular energy metabolism, mitochondrial biogenesis, and antioxidant properties within skeletal muscle.<sup>2</sup>

The ability for PQQ to enhance mitochondrial function translates much further than an athletic standpoint. One of the key diseases affecting Alabamians is type 2 diabetes mellitus (T2DM), which is characterized by a mitochondrial disorder that along with high sugar levels, impairs insulin secretion by the pancreas and prevents outside tissues from implementing insulin.<sup>1</sup> A study published in the Journal of Bioscience, Biotechnology, and Biochemistry supports the role of PQQ in reversing this mitochondrial dysfunction and increasing lipid and ketone plasma levels in diabetic subjects.<sup>1</sup> In the same study, it was shown that PQQ can react with other chemicals naturally occurring in the body to act as a powerful antioxidant and protect healthy brain cells from stress-induced degeneration.

Neurodegeneration is widely regarded as the leading cause of diseases such as Alzheimer's and Parkinson's, and it was shown that PQQ not only acts as an anti-oxidant, but promotes the secretion of key proteins that are required for the development and maintenance of sensory and peripheral neurons (rest and digest activities).<sup>1</sup> The overall importance of PQQ is still being studied because it is not normally made by humans except in small amounts in human breast milk, but it can be found in many natural sources or as a supplement through various companies. Naturally, PQQ can be found in fermented soybeans, tea, green peppers, parsley, and kiwi. As a supplement, PQQ typically comes in capsule form that can be purchased online or locally.

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# **Supplementing your Lifestyle - A Holistic Approach Towards Improving Athletic and Daily Health Outcomes**

#### CoQ10

Coenzyme Q10 (CoQ10) has been studied for many years for its biochemical impact. Existing in high metabolism-dependent organs such as the heart, kidneys, and liver, natural levels of this substance are easily influenced by factors such as aging, statins, cardiovascular diseases, degenerative muscle disorders, and neurodegenerative diseases.<sup>3</sup> Another disease that affects many Alabamians is heart disease, and a 2020 study outlined the potential roles of CoQ10 supplementation in preventing and treating heart disease and related issues. CoQ10 can be derived naturally from fatty fish such as salmon, sardines, and tuna, spinach, and nuts; however, because CoQ10 is present in high energy-use organs that are susceptible to an aging body, supplementation with over the counter products is recommended.<sup>3</sup> Research into the role of CoQ10 in energy utilization has found that it has the potential to manage highly prevalent cardiovascular and cerebrovascular risk factors such as high blood pressure, insulin resistance, dyslipidemia, migraine, and chronic kidney disease.<sup>3</sup> CoQ10 typically is sold as a soft gel, however liquid dosage forms of the supplement also are available online and locally.

#### Krill Oil

Krill are small, shrimp-like crustaceans found in the Antarctic Ocean, and they have been harvested chiefly for their high concentrations of EPA and DHA, eicosapentaenoic and docosahexaenoic acid, respectively. EPA and DHA are essentially omega-3 fatty acids ("good fat"), and unlike regular fish oil, these particular fatty acids are stored in the body as phospholipids and free fatty acids as opposed to triglycerides. This is important because every human cell membrane contains phospholipids, which allow the body to utilize krill more readily. Secondly, free fatty acids are used to make lipoprotein molecules called chylomicrons, which essentially are "food" for brain, retina, and heart tissues. In addition to this, krill oil also contains high amounts of astaxanthin (ASTA), a natural carotenoid considered to be one of the most potent antioxidants occurring in nature.

Numerous studies have proven the ability of ASTA to cross the blood brain barrier and counteract neurodegeneration from oxidative stress. Krill oil also is a notable source of choline, a precursor to the neurotransmitter acetylcholine, which has proven cognitive improvement and neuroprotective properties since neuronal membranes are contain choline.4 Krill oil's source of available omega-3 fatty acids, ASTA antioxidant properties, and choline can increase cognition while decreasing the risk for neurodegenerative diseases such as Parkinson's or Alzheimer's. Krill oil is sold as a soft gel and can be purchased online or locally, depending on availability.

#### Conclusion

The importance of maintaining a healthy lifestyle through diet and exercise does not only equate to hours in the gym or strict dietary regimens. There are many steps towards achieving athletic and lifestyle goals, and holistic supplementation can act as a tertiary avenue towards those goals. Regardless of fitness level or age, improving your health and the health of others in our community could be as easy as incorporating natural supplementation into your daily routine. PQQ, CoQ10, and krill oil are only three examples of a vast array of naturally occurring substances that can have the potential to improve physical and mental well-being. Using these supplements as a preventative or complementary measure to help treat highly prevalent diseases such as diabetes and heart disease could have a lasting impact on our community as well.

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# BIRMINGHAM TRACK CLUB

#### Please welcome the following new and returning members to the Birmingham Track Club:

Mary Adamy Jeff Aiken Karen Beard Cole Bensinger Sue Ellen Bensinger Nathan Bensinger Jill Bensinger Scott Beshany Tony Blakeney Ryan Boswell **Richard Broome** Jerome Burkes Steven Burson Theresa Burst James Cheek Jeremy Clark Allison Clarke Lisa Clarke Jeff Cleveland Rafe Cloe Chris Colpack Susan Colpack Jody Coombs LaRonda Corrin

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If you are a prospective member, welcome! We hope you will decide to join the BTC – the <u>benefits</u> are invaluable! We offer individual and family memberships for one, two and five year terms, as well as lifetime memberships and special discounts. <u>Visit the BTC website</u> for more information.

## **BTC Merchandise Update**

Along with our new BTC Website, the BTC Store has a new look, a new link, and – very soon – exciting new merchandise you can order!

Check it out **HERE**, or via the BTC **website link**! And get ready for fall training (and racing!) in true BTC style!



# **RRCA UPDATE**

By Alex Morrow, RRCA Alabama State Representative



Do you love podcasts? Are you always looking for some fun and interesting content? Then look no more! Just over a year ago the Road Runners Club of America released its first podcast focused on the history of women's running in the United States as told by key influencers. There are now twelve full episodes available, featuring Olympian Amy Begley interviewing luminaries and pioneers such as Kathrin Switzer, Bobbi Gigg, and Patti Catalano Dillow. These sessions are fantastic, so make sure to check them out! https://podcasts.apple.com/.../rrca-national-run.../id1480731750

# UNITED WE MOVE!

By Julie Pearce

### **United We Move!**

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Many of you know local runner and BTC member Daniel Chaplin (if not, read more about him in the <u>April 2018 issue</u> or the <u>May</u> <u>2020 issue</u> of *The Vulcan Runner*). Daniel is a runner, a ballroom dancer, an advocate for Downs Syndrome awareness, and now, a health and fitness influencer with the launch of United We Move!

United We Move! is a private Facebook group designed to offer encouragement and motivation to people at every fitness level. Members can share their goals, encourage each other in their efforts, and get the accountability that many of us need. Most importantly, Daniel wants to make fitness and good health accessible for everyone, regardless of abilities.

And after making a big dent in his goal of running a half marathon in all 50 states, Daniel is now training for his first full marathon, the 2021 Mercedes Marathon. Wait to join him during all or part of his marathon journey? Send Daniel a message on Facebook or on the United We Move! group page. He would love to have company - and I promise you'll have a blast too!

To join United We Move! or to purchase a t-shirt with the group's logo, please visit the <u>United We Move! group's page</u> on Facebook.



Daniel Chaplin (left) with Jack Knight before running the BHM half marathon together





The rules are the same as last year: any miles that you would put on your training log can be counted towards your goal of 1200 Miles (elliptical, rowing machine and biking miles do not count). If you think you have what it takes to complete the challenge, **sign up** when registration opens. Registration is free to all active BTC Members. Not a BTC member? Or, has your membership lapsed? **Join or renew now**, and register for the 1200 Mile Club!

Register for the 1200 Mile Club here.

#### Cumulative miles submitted through October 4, 2020 are listed below. For a complete listing of monthly totals, click here.

Please remember to submit your miles early in the month so that they are reported correctly in *The Vulcan Runner*. Reporting miles is easy: simply click on the link provided in the email you will receive at the end of each month, select your name from the drop down menu, and hit "submit" – done!

Participant	Years	Total	Participant	Years	Total	Participant	Years	Total
Adams, Jeffrey	R	0	Brakhage, Victoria	3	762	Cramer, Robyn	R	727
Adams, Sue	R	815	Bray, Elizabeth	1	1,328	Cramer, Steve	R	449
Ahmed, Kabeer	2	1,518	Bridwell, Hunter	1	0	Crawford, Katelyn	R	398
Anderson, Kerri	4	893	Brown, Charlie	7	994	Creel, Mary	3	1,230
Armstrong, Thomas	3	650	Brown, Michael	4	953	Crowson, Bill	4	1,007
Austin, Scott	R	1,053	Brown, Sean	5	822	Crumpton, Melinda	R	0
Baggett, Christopher	2	697	Brown, William	1	1,060	Cutshall, Hannah	2	0
Barnes, Jimmie	6	1,809	Browne, Shannon	R	274	Davidson, Dow	3	1,755
Bartee, Samm	4	1,168	Bryant, Jason L.	R	255	Davidson, Jen	1	614
Bayush, Tori	1	1,073	Burks, Ross	3	819	Davis, Carla	R	0
Beasley, Cathy	3	776	Caine, Lawrence	1	712	Deason, Joshua	R	107
Beck, Donald	1	0	Callahan, Chris	3	1,130	Decker, Brittany	R	714
Beck, Rosemary	R	0	Calloway, Mariel	1	735	Denton, Matt	8	1,445
Becker, Bryan	R	817	Carey, Christopher	6	866	Dixon, Charles	R	240
Benner, Kim	8	1,357	Carlton, Bob	5	969	Dixon, Jonathan	1	325
Bensinger, Cole	1	1,110	Carter, Adrienne	2	0	Dixon, Marian	R	101
Bensinger, Jill	R	1,140	Carter, Jason	R	1,117	Dollins, Rachael	R	462
Benson, Wayne	6	1,009	Chandler, Teresa	11	1,750	Donnelly, Kevin	1	335
Boackle, Larry	3	545	Channell, William Andrew	R	892	Duke, Cindy	5	1,212
Boackle, Tomie Ann	1	80	Cheek, James	R	0	Eagerton, Emily	R	762
Booher, Lisa	9	1,393	Clay, Brad	13	2,209	Edgerton, Amy	R	1,025
Bookout, Jason	1	1,011	Cleveland, Jeff	4	1,353	Elkins, Sydney	1	0
Bookout, Kimberly	1	866	Cliett, Stephanie	6	1,372	Estes, Cameron	2	1,250
Bowman, Bill	R	720	Coleman, Tim	3	1,230	Estrada, Steven	2	1,696
Bowman, Brian	R	315	Colpack, Susan	R	900	Evans, Debbie	6	1,056
Bowman, Leisha	R	270	Corrin, LaRonda	R	876	Farrell, Marybeth	R	181
Boylan, Brittany	R	0	Corrin, Roger	3	918	Farrell, Meg	R	85
Boylan, Chris	R	0	Cowart, Britney	2	1,093	Farrell, Ryan	R	1,090



## **1200 MILE CLUB**

Participant	Years	Total	Participant	Years	Total	Participant	Years	Total
Fecteau, Karin	R	0	Harry, April	3	1,237	Lahti, Tyler	4	1,454
Feldman, Jana	R	510	Hartsfield, Gregory	R	1,100	Laird, Audrey	6	1,218
Ferlitto, Cindy	1	962	Hartsfield, Kathryn	R	0	Lamb, Patrick	R	1,031
Fontenot, Misty	3	943	Haynes, Melanie	R	529	Lancaster, Jeff	1	1,015
Ford, Eric	1	1,210	Hellenga, Meghan Ann	R	317	Langston, Aaron	5	0
Franklin, Shane	8	919	Henninger, Alison	5	1,195	Lawhorn, Joseph	1	292
Frederick, Winston	11	1,042	Higginbotham, Weston	R	889	Lee, Brian	1	175
Freeman, Sheila	3	955	Hogue, Kari	R	0	Litz, Matthew	2	1,125
Gayheart, Cheryl	R	1,120	Holcomb, Zachary	2	1,164	Love, Thomas	1	948
Gibson, Katie	1	733	Holland, Skylar	2	1,142	Lyda, Beth	R	843
Gilmour, Laura	R	642	Hollington, Kasey	1	924	Lyda, John	2	1,354
Glasgow, Robert	R	138	Hood, Alissa	1	1,282	Lyle, Randy	12	2,152
Goode, Johnny	11	1,097	Hoover, Alison	8	618	Lyles, Chris	1	19
Goss, Ange	1	1,082	House, Beth	5	910	Madaris, Brandon	R	186
Grady, Carla	1	500	Hutcheson, Leander	R	1,016	Madaris, Jennifer	R	110
Graham, Lydia	R	1,054	Ingle, Brandon	R	140	Malick, David	6	1,150
Graham, Ryan	1	731	Izard, Georgia	3	0	Mathews, Skip	R	344
Grainger, Matt	1	1,477	Izard, Melody	3	0	McDaniel, Willie	R	290
Grall, Jeremy	1	986	Jackson, Bradley	R	1,149	McElroy, Catherine	R	1,017
Gray, Caleb	1	0	Janowiak, Desirae	1	863	McKinney, Margaret	R	275
Gray, Mary Margaret	R	167	Jenkins, Kaki	7	1,739	McNair, Kelly	6	1,156
Gray, Michael	R	988	Johnston, Emily	1	0	McNutt, Janie	1	957
Greene, Michael	2	1,288	Jones, Allen	2	1,322	Merry, Vicki Sue	8	1,786
Griffin, Misty	R	1,062	Juarez, Cesar	R	123	Miller, Joshua	1	1,102
Gullapalli, Satya	5	1,296	Kearley, Christy	1	0	Miller, Justin	R	963
Guthrie, Dana	R	973	Kearley, Stephen	2	0	Miller, Rachel	R	970
Hackney, Aimee	R	927	Kelley, Robin	7	3,072	Mixon, Joshua	R	701
Haley, Jay	4	1,100	Kemper, Tricia	5	1,197	Morgan, Cary	10	3,206
Hall, Thomas	1	72	Kezar, Carolyn	1	1,160	Morris, Phil	R	43
Hamrick, Teresa	R	0	Knight, David	1	1,457	Morrow, Alex	8	981
Haralson, Danny	11	1,127	Kornegay, Marla	R	1,017	Moser, David	2	1,375
Haralson, Micki	11	1,182	Krick, Stefanie	R	1,062	Moses, Mike	R	809
Hargrave, Alan	13	1,212	Kuhn, Claire	R	660	Mylenbusch, Stephanie	R	911
Harris, Angela	R	979	Kuhn, Jimmy	13	1,441	Neu, Matthew	R	427
Harrison, Lisa	8	799	Kulp, Loren	4	989	Northern, Kristie	10	1,061
Harrison, Rochelle	R	51	LaFon, Caroline	R	162	Norton, Laura	2	1,590



## 1200 MILE CLUB

Participant	Years	Total	Participant	Years	Total	Participant	Years	Tota
O'Brien, Michael	R	988	Robinson, Tamara	R	795	Tomlin, Chace	R	935
Oechslin, Tamara	R	985	Rodgers, Jeffrey	2	880	Townes, Janelle	1	569
Oehrlein, Kimberly	R	271	Rodgers, Jessica	R	919	Trimble, Jamie	6	1,41
Oliver, John	5	969	Rogers, Hannah	R	688	Turner, Amanda Blake	R	0
Orihuela, Carlos	3	1,202	Roper, Lynn	2	958	Valles, Tina	R	919
Ortis, Ellen	2	1,300	Rose, Beth	R	981	Varnes, Vickie	6	1,05
Panos, Dan	R	583	Rose, Billy	6	2,168	Waid, David	1	1,61
Parks, Charlie	7	1,450	Rosser, Joey	4	1,418	Walker, Caroline	1	286
Paschal, Paige	R	1,113	Routman, Cindi	R	659	Wall, Ron	6	775
Patrick, Nicolette	1	1,111	Ruschhaupt, Skyler	R	247	Washington, Monica	R	188
Payson, Tabitha	R	54	Rutherford, Keith	13	1,571	Watters, Ana	1	1,07
Payson, Tommy	2	931	Rutledge, Lisa	5	1,209	Watters, Larkin	R	937
Peagler, Shana	7	97	Sanders, Gwendolyn	1	845	Watters, Robert	5	1,10
Pearce, Julie	5	155	Shaffield, Danny	7	1,769	Weber, Amy	2	526
Pearson, Blake	5	0	Shaw, Michelle	R	0	Weeks, Lance	2	655
Pearson, Mary Scott	5	0	Sherer, Jeremy	3	977	Weimer, Jonathan	R	238
Pegouske, Jeremy	1	762	Sherrell, Jeff	R	1,042	Wende, Adam	6	1,98
Pegouske, Stacie	2	463	Shinn, Ronald	7	136	Whillock, Amber	R	786
Philley, Ron	R	0	Shoaf, James	1	1,057	White, Robin	1	1,88
Plante, David	7	1,075	Sides, Dean	3	856	Wilhite, Thomas	4	764
Poh, James	1	1,125	Silwal, Suman	8	0	Williams, Shanada	R	0
Poole, Greg	2	959	Simpkins, Randall	2	213	Williams, Shaunda	1	646
Powell, Shane	2	1,425	Simpson, Kevin	7	2,735	Williams, Yolanda	R	0
Proctor, Megan	R	1,021	Sims, Cecelia	1	567	Williamson, Rebecca	1	868
Rachel, Cain	R	0	Sims, Kelly	1	204	Wilson, Mark	R	209
Ralph, Meghan	5	400	Sims, Robert	7	1,311	Wiseman, Steve	6	1,35
Rawson, Brent	2	662	Sloane, Mike	4	816	Wood, Heather	R	985
Reed, Kanita	R	680	Smith, Marie	R	849	Wood, Scott	4	129
Renfro, Jeff	2	1,249	Soileau, Chester	2	578	Woody, Bill	11	1,19
Reynolds, Dewelena	R	0	Stevens, Johnathon	4	1,240	Wooten, Vance	1	1,62
Richey, Lori Beth	2	1,083	Stewart, Zeb	1	210	Wright, Amy	3	612
Richie, Melissa	R	956	Stockton, Rick	13	1,249	York, Gary	6	739
Ritchie, Joseph	3	1,481	Sweatt, Jason	R	0	Zajac, Jason	2	1,59
Ritchie, Lauren	2	1,448	Talley, Beau	8	1,355	Zapata, Carlos	R	871
Roberson, Kevin	5	479	Talley, Shellie	2	0			
Roberts, Fletcher	5	1,051	Thompson, Sara	2	978			
Robinson, Lyndsey	1	1,249	Tidwell, Pam	R	680			



## BTC EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

## September 14, 2020

**Attendance:** Hunter Bridwell, Alan Hargrave, Alex Morrow, Skylar Holland, Kim Benner, Jamie Trimble, Julie Pearce, Cameron Estes, Bradley Wells, Vicky Brakhage, and Jeremy Walker.

Alan Hargrave made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 2020 Executive Board Meeting. The motion was seconded by Alex Morrow and passed without opposition.

#### Membership (Cameron Estes)

We currently have 881 members and 676 memberships. We are currently doing the membership drive offering Wine 10K and Trak Shak discounts for all new members who register or current/former members who renew their memberships. So far, there have been 45 renewals as part of the membership drive. We will send out email reminders about the membership drive later in the month.

#### Vulcan Run 10K Update (Hunter Bridwell and Jeremy Walker)

Jeremy Walker is waiting to hear back from the City of Homewood about permits for hosting the race at Homewood Central Park or Macy's. He will notify the board via email when he receives a response. Discussion was held about how to safely handle the start/ finish line due to Covid-19. We will plan to have a safety meeting to discuss further and will present ideas at next month's executive board meeting. Hunter Bridwell will speak with Trak Shak about the Top 200 t-shirts.

#### Newsletter Editor (Julie Pearce)

The publication date for the next newsletter will be October 4, 2020. Please have all newsletter content to Julie by September 25, 2020. We would like to include an article about the Vulcan 10K in the newsletter.

#### **Treasurer (Hunter Bridwell)**

The financial report was sent via email by April Harry. We have several outstanding invoices that Hunter will follow up on.

#### Webmaster (Hunter Bridwell)

The new BTC website is live. So far, we have received a lot of positive feedback. A link to join the BTC has been added to the website.

#### Merchandise (Bradley Wells)

The new website for ordering BTC merchandise is ready. Bradley is currently working on ideas for fall merchandise. We will add a link to the new merchandise website to the new BTC website. Discussion was held about providing a gift to new members who register starting in 2021.

#### Long Run Committee (Alex Morrow)

The Saturday Morning Long Runs are still running loops to allow the runners to stop at the open water stops. Discussion was held about potentially starting volunteer water stops in the near future and how to safely do so.

#### **RRCA Representative (Alex Morrow)**

The RRCA has allowed the BTC to defer the Southeast Championship race to the 2021 Vulcan 10K. The RRCA basically cancelled all championship races for 2020 due to Covid-19.

#### 1200 Mile Club (Hunter Bridwell)

Hunter has the 2019 1200 Mile Club patches. He will bring them to the Saturday Morning Long Runs for pick up.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be held on Monday, October 12, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. Location to be determined.





# FEETS OF STRENGTH



Despite so many Covid-19 related race cancellations, BTC members have continued to meet their goals, set records, and in some cases, even break records.

Congratulations to **Misty Fontenot**, who completed her second 50k race, knocking over two hours off of her previous 50K time – and on her birthday, no less! Way to go on a strong finish at the Dam Yeti 50k Endurance Run – you rocked it!

One of the few marathons that went forward as scheduled was the 2020 Tupelo Marathon. And Birmingham runners truly dominated this year's race! Local favorite **Erica Speegle** completely dominated the course, running the fastest marathon by an American woman since the Olympic Trials in Atlanta on February 29, 2020. Erica's 2:39.45 gave her a first overall finish, first female finish, and a course record (not to mention a sweet PR!) – way to go, Erica!

Birmingham's **Jeff Turner** was the first male finisher, posting an impressive 2:42.48. Also placing at the Tupelo Marathon were **Brittany Hayden** who was 2nd overall female with a 3:21.51, and **Cary Morgan**, who finished as first male masters with a 3:13.35. Way to go, y'all!

Birmingham runners also posted impressive results in the Tupelo 14.2, with **Rachel Nichols, Katie Grace Criswell**, and **Robin White** sweeping the top three overall female spots, **Kaki Jenkins** taking fist female grand masters, and **Alexis Kennedy, Ellen Ortis, Lisa Rutledge, Billy Rose**, and **Randy Lyle** placing in their respective age groups. What a fantastic showing for our local runners!

Special congratulations also are order for all of our local runners who completed the **2020 Virtual Boston Marathon**. When the race went virtual, many of our local qualifiers took on the extra challenge of running the race virtually. Thanks to The Trak Shak, Resolute Running, and all of the other groups and individuals who cheered on the Birmingham runners – you all truly made the best out of a difficult situation. If you finished this year's Virtual Boston Marathon, please let us know so we can recognize you!

Please let us <u>know</u> when you reach a milestone, crush that PR, or take on a new challenge – we want to celebrate your accomplishments!



**Tupelo 14.2 runners** 



Misty Fontenot



**Erica Speegle** 

## **Upcoming Events**

EVENT	DATE	ТІМЕ
BTC Saturday Long and Moderate Run Groups	October 10, 2020	6:00 a.m.
Veterans Remembrance Ruck 10k and 5k Run	October 10, 2020	7:00 a.m.
Jimmie Hale Mission's Rescue Run 5k and Fun Run (In Memory of Doug Barnes) <u>* BTC DISCOUNT *</u>	October 10, 2020	8:00 a.m.
Blue Ridge Ultra 50k, 30k, 15k (Blue Ridge, GA)	October 10, 2020	8:00 a.m.
BCRFA's Pink Up the Pace Virtual Race	October 10, 2020	VIRTUAL
BTC Executive Board Meeting (virtual meeting)	October 12, 2020	6:00 p.m.
Blazer Bolt Virtual 5k	October 16, 2020	VIRTUAL
BTC Saturday Long and Moderate Run Groups	October 17, 2020	6:00 a.m.
Equal Access Birmingham's 6th Annual Heart and Sole Virtual 5k	October 17, 2020	VIRTUAL
BTC Saturday Long and Moderate Run Groups	October 24, 2020	6:00 a.m.
Pink Up the Pace 5k & Dolly Dash	October 25, 2020	
BTC Saturday Long and Moderate Run Groups	October 31, 2020	6:00 a.m.
Monster Dash Virtual 5k for Autism	October 31, 2020	VIRTUAL
Dreams Come True 5k (Cullman)	October 31, 2020	8:00 a.m.
OLV Hero Run 5k	October 31, 2020	8:00 a.m.

\*While the non-virtual races listed on the BTC Calendar were accurate at press time, please confirm with race organizers, as plans are subject to change.

BTC discounts are applied automatically for all current BTC members when registering through RunSignUp. Need to join or renew your membership? <u>Click here!</u>

Need to add a race (actual or virtual) to the calendar? <u>Email Webmaster Dean Thornton</u>, or visit the BTC website to <u>submit your race</u>.

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Waiver: I know that running and volunteering to work in club races are potentially hazardous activities. I should not enter and run in club activities unless I am medically able and properly trained. I agree to abide by any decision of a race official relative to my ability to safely complete the run. I assume all risks associated with running and volunteering to work in club races including, but not limited to, falls, contact with other participants, the effects of the weather, including high heat and/or humidity; knowing these facts, and in consideration of your acceptance of my application for membership, I, for myself and anyone entitled to act on my behalf, waiver and release the Road Runners Club of America, The Birmingham Track Club and all sponsors, their representatives and successors from all claims or liabilities of any kind arising out of my participation in these club events even through that liability may arise out of negligence or carelessness on the part of the persons named in this waiver.

Initial:					
	Single	Family		Single	Family
1 Year	\$24	\$36	2 Year	\$45	\$65

Signature

Date

Mail this signed application and a signed check to: Birmingham Track Club, P.O.Box 530363, Birmingham, AL 35253

