



## ORANGE RUNNERS CLUB November 2011 GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Location: Old Erie Pub & Grill – Middletown, NY  
Date & Time: November 2, 2011 7:30 p.m.

The business meeting began at 8 p.m. Ed welcomed the group and started the meeting off with a few shout outs for recent races & marathoners:

Marine Corps Half Marathon, and the Mohawk Half marathon both had participants

Steamtown – Jaime, Kristin, Mac, Abby, Kim

Atlantic City – Tom & Joanne A., and Dane

Marine Corps Marathon – Carolyn & Joe

Deanna Z had a PR in a recent half marathon

### Other Events/announcements

Ed updated us on the Middletown Trail Completion – about 3.7 miles to be added to the trail, and it will bring it through Railroad Ave./West Main area. More details will follow but this is an exciting project which we are behind as a club. It's being moved forward by individuals, not government.

Club Halloween Run – a Fun Run in costume took place last week, and a good time was had by all. Pictures are to be posted soon on FB and the website. Ed is looking at hosting a Christmas party as well.

Photo of the month winner – Joanne Andryshak with a photo of Jaime Insignares, which can be seen on the website.

A brief discussion took place on potential new methods of qualifying or getting into the NYC marathon, more details to follow, as there are a few versions of this going around.

Tom Andryshak mentioned preliminary discussions of a Warwick/local marathon. This isn't imminent, further information will be shared when plans are put in place.

### Race of the Month

ORC's own Jingle Jog, on December 4<sup>th</sup> at the Salisbury Mills Fire House or Loughran's depending on the firehouse repair progress. Unique awards and giveaways will be featured, as always. There will be prizes for best costumes as usual. Volunteers & sponsors are still needed, please see Dave to help. Donations will be made to the Hudson Valley Food Bank – please contribute cash or checks, as they can make money go further than we can, and food transportation is a challenge. Also, we will donate to the firehouse to help defray their repair costs after the flooding this fall. Please plan to participate, it will be a great event, as always, on a beautiful yet challenging course.

This Sunday November 6<sup>th</sup> - the Run for the Animals Race will be taking place, and applications are available at the meeting.

Saturday November 5<sup>th</sup> is the Sullivan Striders Falling Colors 8K, a Grand Prix event and another favorite race for all local runners. It's up at Emerald Green in Rock Hill, and the usual great food, beautiful course and good companionship will be there.

Jack Ellis of our club, spoke about a cause which he is involved with, the Elizabeth DiNunzio Memorial Trail, part of the Presidents Council Campus Improvement Project. Elizabeth was struck & killed by a vehicle while running on a local road near her college. In her memory, the trail project has taken shape, and while this trail is down in Maryland, as fellow runners, we can all feel her family & friends' grief. The club is making a contribution to the trail fund.

Martin Nowak made the McMickle Agency's sponsorship donation to the 2012 Hudson Valley Grand Prix, a great start for the New Year.

Wrap Up – election nominations coming up in December. Ed hopes to be able to continue as President, and elections will take place in January. Next Meeting on December 7<sup>th</sup> at the Old Erie.