

## **Minutes of the SENECA VALLEY SUGARLOAFERS VOLKSMARCH CLUB (SVSVC) Monthly Meeting**

*Tuesday, August 10, 2021, 7:00 p.m., via phone and online*

(Minutes prepared by Darla Fera (dmfera@starpower.net), Secretary)

*Call to Order:* Tony Laing, President, at 7:04 p.m. Tony mentioned that this is the first meeting of the 2021–2022 term (which runs from July 1 to June 30) for the new (and some old!) officers.

*Members in attendance:* Tony Laing, Darla Fera, David Fenster, Maribeth Evans, Alice Filemyr, Jone Parr, Carolyn Thurber, Jeff Giddings, Pat Astill, Yvonne Pennington, Nancy Fenster, Kathy Berry, Pat King, Tom Peto; on the phone: Diane White

*Minutes of the previous monthly meeting:* Prepared by Darla; approved.

*Treasurer's Report for previous month:* Prepared by Alice; accepted; annual audit on hold.

*Publicity:* Diane said the promotions for the Easterday Farm Walk is out.

*Membership Report:* Nothing to report.

*Wellness Report:* Nothing to report.

*Sales Report:* Nothing to report.

*Wednesday 5km Walks:* The schedule for August Wednesday walks is coming soon.

*Club Group Walks:* There was a problem with Maribeth's email announcing the June 27 group walk. Maribeth fixed the problem, and the next walk will be Aug. 28 in Takoma Park.

### **Old Business**

*Newsletter:* Latest newsletter (August 2021) is out. Next deadline is Jan. 15, 2022. Contact Darla at dmfera@starpower.net.

*Status of Airport Special Programs:* Nothing new to report.

*Club's 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration:* Anniversary committee held its first meeting. Several key decisions have been made: The anniversary will be celebrated on No. 19, 2022. Similar to our 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration, we will walk before the luncheon/party, which will be held at the Bauer Drive county facility. More details to come. Members of the committee include Tony, Maribeth, Brigitte, Darla and Carolyn (advisor).

### **New Business**

*Checkpoint:* Tony announced that the latest checkpoint has now been released.

*Big Give Contribution:* Club voted to make its regular \$100 contribution to the AVA "Big Give" event.

*Walk Stamps:* Club reviewed and agreed to Alice's chart suggesting whether extra stamps for certain walks should be ordered.

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*YRE/Sanctioning Walks:* Alice raised the issues surrounded the most cost-effective way to sanction walks, and whether the relevant decision should be decided on a case-by-case basis. Alice emphasized that the sanctioning needs to be completed soon.

The issue: Regular sanctioning of a YRE is \$20 + \$5 per quarter, or \$40 in total for the year. PPSF (Per Participant Sanction Fee) is \$1 for every participant (paid or free) paid quarterly. In both cases, the club pays \$1.25 per paid participant in a sanctioned event. If the number of participants (paid or free) is fewer than 40 for the year for a YRE, then PPSF is the most cost-effective sanctioning for the club.

*(1) Roles & Responsibilities document and (2) Traditional POC Guide.* Tony plans to post an updated Roles & Responsibilities document, relating to officers and other club positions, on the Sugarloafers' website. Tony and Dave are updating the traditional POC guide.

### 2021 SVSVC Sanctioned Events, Upcoming

*Sept. 11 – Easterday Farm at Myersville – Carolyn Thurber & Anna Nevius.* On schedule.

*Oct. 2 – Oktoberfest, Frederick – Ellen McAdams, Alison Andrews & Jone Parr.* On schedule.

**Possible 2022 and Future.** Tony mentioned that we need to settle on our slate of 2022 walks before the end of the year. Work continues on finalizing several of the following walks/events, and various club members are spearheading the individual efforts. Updated information will be provided as walk details become final.

1. Kentlands Walks. Dave is developing a Kentlands N&S 10 Km walk. He and Tony are working to sanction the existing Kentlands/Lakelands East and West walks.
2. Woodstock Equine Center Walk
3. Old Towne Rockville
4. Oktoberfest at Frederick
5. Moonlight at Seneca Creek
6. Westminster
7. C&O Canal at Riley's Lock
8. Glen Echo & Clara Barton House
9. Lake Hallowell
10. Olney Indoor Pool Park
11. Sandy Spring Underground Railroad

**Club Dinners:** August 17 at Villa Maya.

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday, September 14, 2021, 6:30 p.m., Olney Mill Park.