



# RUNNING TIMES

## Island Road Runners

Grosse Ile, Michigan  
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## 2014 Election of Officers

At our most recent annual meeting on February 1, Randy Gill was unanimously voted in as IRR treasurer. Randy served as IRR Secretary many years ago, and we appreciate of dedication to the Club.

Eve Howell was elected to serve as vice president. She has served the group in the past and will bring a lot to the board in terms of both experience and dedication.

For those of you who would like to offer your service to the club, we will be opening the floor to nominate a secretary at our March Tailgate Treats/Meeting. The secretary will take minutes at all meetings and assist with keeping the club membership roster.

Finally, Erika Hidalgo will serve a second year as president and continue to preside over meetings, represent the club with the RRCA, and appoint committees and chairpersons. However, in keeping with her initial plan, this will be her last year in that position. So if anyone has ever wondered what it's like to sit in the big chair, this may be your opportunity.

Just kidding. There is no big chair (but we really will need a new president next year).

## Words of Thanks

Paul Deladurantaye has been involved with the Club and has served on the board for many years (not all consecutively). He has been inspirational and supportive, while also assisting with organizing tailgate treats and reserving our annual holiday banquet location.

Outgoing Treasurer Larry Simon served the Club for the past 3 years. With a smile on his face, he presented our financial reports and lent his voice of support to all.

We thank you, Larry and Paul, for all that you have done and continue to do to support the Island Road Runners.

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Anyone recognize these masked runners?

## Race Update

Volunteers are needed to assist in planning for our Memorial Day Race and also to perform tasks prior to race day. We will have a volunteer sign-up sheet available at our next meeting, which will also include sign-up for duties on race day, or you can contact "Pres" Erika if you have interest.

As you know, we have secured our sponsors for the race and the race application is available for distribution. You can find a copy on our website [www.islandroadrunners.com](http://www.islandroadrunners.com) or on [Run-Michigan.com](http://Run-Michigan.com). If you can help distribute applications, that would be wonderful.

As displayed on our application, this year's design looks like part of the trail along our Memorial 8K course (the Otie Trail). This year's shirt will be a gray, short-sleeved, high quality tech shirt. Shirts will be available for pre-sale to members as the race draws near.

We'll be sure to keep everyone updated on the progress of our race planning effort in upcoming emails or newsletters.

As a thank you to all those who volunteer to help make our race a success, we will once again have our post-race picnic. . We thank Tom and Arlene for once again letting this tradition continue at their beautiful home.

## Like Us on Facebook

Thanks to Club Member Tom McIntyre , IRR is now on Facebook. It looks great and we thank you Tom for a job well done. With the help from Jim O, we have a lot of great pictures and good, current info.

## Membership Dues

Your yearly membership dues of \$10 can be paid to our new Treasurer, Randy Gill or mailed or dropped off at Total Runner. Just fill out the simple membership form, write a check to Island Road Runners or pay cash. **To remain on the IRR Roster, you need to renew your membership by March 31st.** Membership is special when you consider the following:

- Exciting Newsletters
- Tailgate Treats and Parties
- 10% Discount from Total Runner
- Saturday Run/Walks Year Round
- Monday Run/Walks during Daylight Saving Time
- Support and friendship from fellow members year around
- Club Membership with Road Runners Club of America (R.R.C.A.)
- Best bargain in town!

## Tailgate Treats — March 15th

Our first Tailgate Treats of 2014 will be inside the Grosse Ile Middle School after our regular Saturday morning walk/run (roughly 9:30 am). We will enjoy a light breakfast and a light meeting. Please come as it is a great way to keep in touch with others in the winter.

Along with a few other topics, we hope to adopt updated IRR Bylaws. Nothing drastically different, but this should be done for the well-being of our organization going forward. A copy will be distributed to all membership prior to the meeting. Another topic of discussion will be promoting membership to new people because, for health of our club, we need to think about and promote our organization. Please think of ideas and see you over a cup of coffee.



Still a few dates open on our calendar for a person interested in hosting one of our summer Tailgate Treats or our annual Summer Solstice Picnic. The Club will reimburse the Club Member for their purchases.

**Tailgate Treats open dates are: May 10, July 12 and August 16.  
Summer Solstice Picnic date: June 23.**

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**Calendar of Events**



Mar 10	Monday night Elizabeth Park Runs Begin	5:30 pm
Mar 15	<b>Tailgate Treats/Meeting</b> (inside GI MS)	9:30 am
April 18	Good Friday Run—Carlson High School	8:30 am
May 10	<b><u>Tailgate Treats—OPEN</u></b>	9:30 am
May 26	IRR Memorial Day Run—GI High School IRR Volunteer Picnic following Race	
June 14	<b>Tailgate Treats—Collie</b>	9:30 am
June 22	Summer Solstice Picnic-Elizabeth Park	6:30 pm
July 12	<b><u>Tailgate Treats—OPEN</u></b>	9:30 am
TBD	Wyandotte Boat Club Run	5:30 pm
Aug 16	<b><u>Tailgate Treats—OPEN</u></b>	9:30 am
Sept 1	Labor Day Run—Elizabeth Park	8:30 am
Sept 20	<b>Tailgate Treats—Poranee and Erika H</b>	9:30 am
Oct 11	<b>Tailgate Treats—Josie and Paul</b>	9:30 am
Oct 27	Last Monday Night Run at Elizabeth Park	5:30 pm
Nov 27	Thanksgiving Run—GI Airport	8:30 am
Nov TBD	IRR Prediction Run IRR Annual Banquet	8:30 am
Dec 24	Christmas Eve Run—Elizabeth Park	8:30 am
Dec 31	New Year's Eve Run—Elizabeth Park	8:30 am
Dec 24	<b>Christmas Eve Run—Elizabeth Park</b>	8:30 am

Saturday Morning runs at 8:30 am-year around. Unless otherwise noted, all runs will take place at the Grosse Ile Middle School. Tailgate Treats will be held immediately following the run at 9:30 am. Events subject to change. For more club info, go to [www.islandroadrunners.com](http://www.islandroadrunners.com) or visit us on Facebook.