



Helena Vigilante Runners, Inc.

Promoting health, fitness, and community through group training runs, races, and events in the greater Helena area.

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Greetings Vigilantes,

Wow, what a challenging year it's been! A profound word of thanks to all of you, for your ongoing support of the club and your membership in the greater community of runners. Even though 2020 didn't allow us to hold many of our time-honored events, just knowing that we were all pulling for each other helped get us through this difficult year. New meaning was given to words like **endurance**, **virtual**, and **distancing**!

Some things we were able to accomplish, with appropriate precautions to safeguard the health of our members and the public:

- 21 Tuesday-at-Noon workouts, including "Vig Scrimmage XVIII" and a couple of new additions to the "Book of Vig" (Airport Road-to-Roads & Nature Park 5000)
- 21 Thursday-at-5:45 trail workouts, also including some new courses and leaders!
- An abbreviated Helena Novas youth XC season, for the future of our sport!
- A "Viggie Cup" cross-country race, on what would have been Montana Cup Day
- Gloves! :)

Looking forward to 2021, we are hoping that conditions will allow us to safely resume our normal calendar. Here is a preliminary list of "Key Dates/Events of Interest to HVR":

Event (edition)	Date
HEAT Meet (8 th)	Thursday, May 27
Governor's Cup (47 th)	Saturday, June 12
Augúst Trail Race (53 rd)	Thursday, August 19
Vig Scrimmage (19 th)	Tuesday, August 31
Mount Helena Run (45 th)	Saturday, September 18
Helena Sun Run (6 th)	Saturday, October 2
Montana Cup XC (29 th)	Saturday, October 30 - Butte
Junior Olympics & Fall Classic XC	Saturday, November 6

For additional information about HVR's events, please click here:

<http://vigilanterunning.org/our-events/>

We hope that you will again be able to support us by participating in or volunteering at these events, and by renewing your membership in the club. Our renewal policies, benefits, and rates are the same as last year, and we're hoping to once again surpass the "100-member" goal. This year, the first 100 contributors at all levels (\$25 Individual, \$50 Medalist, \$100 Champion) will receive TWO Racetracker caps (one white, one navy), as modeled by Vern and Sean below:



In addition to our always-snazzy Vigwear, members enjoy the following benefits:

- subscription to the "vig" listserv
- RRCA membership, newsletter, and insurance coverage
- 30+ Tuesday-at-Noon interval workouts (we hope!)
- 30+ Thursday-at-5:45 group trail runs (we hope!)
- 15% discounts on race registrations for:
 - Governor's Cup (thank you BCBS!)
 - Augúst Trail Race
 - Mount Helena Run
 - Sun Run
 - XC Fall Classic
- merchant discounts, starting with 10% off at Universal Athletic (thank you UA!)
- ability to vote for, and run for the HVR Board of Directors
- club socials (we hope!)

As always, please let us know if you have any questions or suggestions for how the club can better serve you. We are honored to be part of such an uplifting community, and hope you feel the same! Again, thank you for all that you do!

Sincerely,

Your HVR Board of Directors:

Patrick Judge (President), Jeff Thomas (Vice President), Sarah Urban (Secretary), Ann Seifert (Treasurer), Julie Ackerlund, Jason Brown, Sean Connolly, Beau Downing, Joel Harris, Shiloh Hernandez, Erik Makus, Abigail McLane, Christy Stergar, Emily Thiessen, Jesse Zentz