



10 QUESTIONS (5/27/09)

1) NAME & NICKNAME(S):

Chris Colberg (actually William Christopher Justin Colberg) – went by step-father’s name in high school so add McCabe to list of aliases- try getting a drivers license with all those names. Everyone and I mean everyone, calls me **Flute**. Story requires a beer or two to be told.

2) AGE (OR AGE GROUP):

Currently 37 headed towards 38, born 09/11/1971.

3) FAMILY / PETS / LOVED ONES:

One of my kids above- Evan, age 2, Logan age 5, and my beautiful wife Sherri.

4) SCHOOLING:

Education MBA University of Montana, undergraduate in accounting from same.

5) OCCUPATION:

Certified Public Accountant auditing rural telephone and electric cooperatives for USDA.

6) HAS BEEN RUNNING WITH THE VIG GROUP SINCE _____, AND GOT INVOLVED BECAUSE:

As of May 2009 have attended five vig practices, got involved because humble pie is good and after 18 years away from running thought I needed some good runners to whip me back into shape. That and after battling a run/walker in the governor's cup relay realized that it was becoming more likely that I might be a contestant on a reality weight loss program.

7) NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS (RUNNING OR OTHERWISE):

All my personal running accomplishments occurred when I was 16. On a side note I did have a billion dollar audit finding while working in Washington DC. I enjoyed typing all those zeroes, but really what is a billion dollars among friends.

8) GOALS (RUNNING OR OTHERWISE):

My goal is to set at least one personal record at any distance that didn't occur before I was 18. My other goal is to qualify for the Boston Marathon and shoot par for 18 holes on the golf course on the same day. (I always thought par would come first!)

9) PHILOSOPHY OF LIFE / PERSONAL MOTTO:

I really should have an inspirational motto, but I don't. I just live life by the 'bottom line' and have been one the world's largest consumers of diet coke and McDonalds, I am not just a patron I am former employee (Coca-Cola) and current shareholder.

10) OTHER INTERESTING TIDBITS:

Interesting tidbits, love golf, seriously it's in my genes, grandfather, father, uncles, cousins all single digit handicap golfers- me terrible. I really should have stuck with running. As for interest tidbits on running love running hills- as close as I come to extreme sports.

Because Chris was so modest, and left some key data out of his write-up, the track coordinator decided to exercise his prerogative to append the following email:

Sender: "Patrick L Judge" <pljudge@bresnan.net>

Subject: [vig] Tuesday Snowstorm Report

Date: Tue, 28 Apr 2009 14:00:09 -0600

To: "vig" <vig@npogroups.org>,

39 runners so far (and I'm sure I'm probably missing a few?) -- not too shabby!

welcome back Marta, Carrie, Rhonda!

and a special welcome to Chris Colberg, who attended his first vig workout today. I can't resist sharing some "vig bio" info on Chris: he was a leading member of the 1988 HHS state cross country championship team that set an all time record low score (subsequently earning themselves a place in the Helena sports hall of fame). I also recall watching him run a 1:55.08 800 at Vigilante Stadium (which I believe earned him the state title that year), and subsequently asking him "that's quite the range -- which distance do you think is actually your best?" to which he responded "I don't know -- 20k?" I had the uncomfortable pleasure of trying to hang onto Chris (and some other amazing talents like Mike Bailey, Craig Kockler, and Pat Lovely) for the Robinson Park centipede echelon workouts 22 years ago. It's great to have him back! (I've probably thoroughly embarrassed him!) AND he works for the federal government, so perhaps there is still hope for the PUBLIC team! :)