***2014 Cross Country Coach’s Meeting***

* Items up for discussion
  + Co-ed or separate boys & girls teams? There was a proposal last year to switch to separate boys and girls teams (top 3 score). I rescored the last 2 meets and this would have benefited some schools/runners and would have had a negative impact on others. I think that co-ed is the best alternative until several schools come in with larger teams. We need to discuss and vote on our policy for 2014.
  + Allowing schools to combine to form teams? We encouraged schools to combine and form teams in the first 2 years so that we’d have some competition. Last year we allowed SAMS and SLC to combine. ACSL rules allow an athlete whose school doesn’t have a team to apply to play for another school. We need to discuss and vote on our policy for 2014.
  + What if we don’t want to walk the course? Option is to arrive later, warm up your team, and be ready at race time. This is more of a safety item than anything else. Rains can dramatically change course conditions overnight. It also gives us the chance to put our volunteers out on the course. We can discuss and vote on it.
* Review Guidelines
* New additions to Guidelines
  + Disqualification
  + Uniforms
* Meet schedule
  + Hosting meets. The past 2 years SVP has hosted 2 meets and AHSA has hosted 8, with the help of volunteers from participating schools. Getting people to volunteer at meets became increasingly difficult and some volunteers needed to leave before both meets were over. A successful meet takes as many as 18 volunteers. Unless we have schools willing to host a meet by themselves, I am proposing assigning 3 schools per meet. Each school would be responsible for 6 volunteers that would be there for the entire meet. I’m open for other suggestions.
  + Awards & ribbons
  + Bathrooms or lack thereof…