

THOROLD ELITE TRACK CLUB **2019 FUNDRAISING INFORMATION**



The average yearly membership fee for a track club in Ontario is approximately \$600 (excluding Athletics Ontario and Minor Track Association fees) – with some as high as \$1400. Our yearly membership fee is \$300 (with an early bird fee of \$250). This remains among the lowest, if not the lowest, and yet what we offer is one of the most comprehensive programs.

In order to keep the cost so low, however, we rely on a fundraising and volunteering commitment from all members. This is a shared responsibility between the athlete(s), parent(s), and families.

On the back of this page, you will find a list of some of the fundraising expectations as well as additional volunteer opportunities. There may be more added during the year. Athletes may receive community hours for school if they submit them to me via Hour Republic.

I understand fundraising can be a pain for everybody but for us, as we are still a new organization, it is absolutely necessary. In 3-5 years we will be a in a position where fundraising is not as critical. I also understand that your son/daughter may be involved in other sports or activities that require you to fundraise as well and that you are limited with your time and resources. Should you wish to opt out of the fundraising obligation, please add an additional \$100 to your membership payment. This is in fairness to all members and gives you the option of what works for you.

To indicate your agreement to help out with the fundraising and volunteering, please enclose a postdated cheque (dated November 29, 2019). The cheque will be returned uncashed upon completion of your duties. If you do not successfully fulfill your fundraising obligation, then the cheque will be cashed in December.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact Coach Fife at thoroldelitetc@gmail.com.

Thank you,

Coach Fife

□ I would like to opt out of the fundraising/volunteering commitment and I will add \$100 to my membership payment online. (This does not prevent you from contributing to some fundraisers at your discretion and if you choose).

□ I accept my obligation to contribute to the club's fundraising/volunteering. I will enclose a postdated cheque (attached below).

_____ Attach cheque here _____

Athlete Signature: Parent Signature:

Fundraising Commitments

BOTTLE DRIVE

When: Ongoing (all year)

Your role/ commitment: Collect empty liquor cans and bottles on an ongoing basis * Athletes who are going to Florida or Nationals may collect to directly benefit their trip.

FLIP GIVE

https://teamsnap.flipgive.com/teams/156029-thorold-elite-track-club

When: Ongoing (all year)

Your role/ commitment: <u>JOIN OUR TEAM</u> (use the code "**2TOBI5**") and use the site for your online shopping and buying gift cards. Please also share the site with your family/friends to maximize potential revenues.

* Athletes who are going to Florida or Nationals will receive 50% of the profits that they bring in through this fundraiser.

BIG RED MEAT SALES

When: 2-3 times per year (April and November orders, with possibility of summer order) Your role/ commitment: Sell meat and pick-up/deliver your orders

* Athletes who are going to Florida or Nationals may sell to directly benefit their trip. We earn \$10 profit on each box sold.

3rd ANNUAL NATIONALS BENEFIT

When: Friday evening, end of July, 2019

Your role/ commitment: Sell a <u>minimum</u> of **5 tickets** per athlete, secure a donation for the raffle table and/or a table sponsorship, many opportunities for volunteering at the event

* This is our biggest fundraiser of the year! The profits will be divided among all athletes going to Nationals who participate in this very important event.

3rd ANNUAL PASTA NIGHT

When: Friday evening, end of November, 2019

Your role/ commitment: Sell a <u>minimum</u> of **5 tickets** per athlete, many opportunities for volunteering at the event

* This is a general fundraiser for the club and will help cover some of the costs of the trip to Florida as well as expenses for our indoor training.

CAR WASH (tentative/possible)

When: Summer 2019

Your role/ commitment: Volunteer to help wash cars and/or bring your car to be washed * This is a general fundraiser for the club to cover operating expenses and equipment, etc.

Corporate Sponsorship

We are looking for sponsorships from local businesses and corporations to support our cause! There are different levels of sponsorship available. Please <u>click here</u> to view the corporate sponsorship packages and be sure to contact Coach Fife for additional information!

Having a few big level sponsors will help take our program to the next level. We are very interested in community partnerships.