

Revelstoke Nordic Ski Club

Annual General Report



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7:00 PM April 17, 2013

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Agenda

1. Adoption of Agenda
2. Review of 2012 meeting minutes
3. Presidents Report - Dave
4. Membership Report – Debbie
5. Ski League Report – Ian
 - a. Coach Matt Smider Report
6. Facility Report – Wade
7. Treasurer’s Report – Bruce
8. Trails Report – Kevin
9. Newsletter/ Awareness Report – Brendan
10. Dog Users Report – Paula
11. Election of Directors – Keith
12. New Business

Presidents Report

The 2012/13 ski season felt like it was the year that the Revelstoke Nordic Ski Club hit its stride with all cylinders running! We have figured out the intricacies of running our new facilities ,the grooming team and groomers ran well, and our new coach Matt Smider hit the ground running in the fall and did a stellar job of running our ski league, Masters and instructional programs. Some of the noteworthy accomplishments of the year include:

- Hiring of Matt Smider as the new Head Coach;
- Construction of new Pole Barn for the snowmobile grooming equipment;
- Printing of new brochure and other promotional material;
- Successfully hosting of the Teck Midget Championships; a major cross country ski race event;
- Running a ski league program with over 80 youths;
- Development of a Club Policy and Procedures Manual;
- Holding a twice weekly Master Ski sessions that were well attended and received.

Thank you to all of the many club volunteers who made this list of accomplishments happen. Were it not for the dedication and commitment of our club volunteers, none of this would have happened.

Our plans for the upcoming summer include the replacement of the BCIT trail bridge, and construction of a new connector trail that will join the BCIT trail directly to Beaver Lake Trail and by-passing the steep hair-pin corner. The old trail will now be used as an extension to the Dog Loop to include all of Easy La's and BCIT trails. We are hoping to do some work on expanding the parking lot over the summer to increase our car parking capacity. Finally, we will have our annual trail brushing work party sometime in the early fall. Stay tuned for details.

Building upon the success of hosting the Teck Midget Championships, we have been offered and accepted the opportunity to hold a one day Okanagan Cup race on December 29, 2013. It will be good practise of the skills we learnt hosting the Midget races.

Have a great summer and see you in the fall.

Dave Kaegi
Club President

Children and Youth Programs 2013

What Happened?

This year was another great year for the Ski League. In November, we welcomed Matt Smider as the new Head Coach and things took off from there. Below are a few of the many noteworthy highlights from the season!

- This year we saw a slight increase in children over last year with 82 kids enrolled.
- A significant change that took place this year was an early start! All the rabbit levels and older started Dec 1st, amounting to a 4-5 week addition to the program.
- In addition, this year we offered rabbit 4 lessons twice a week getting these kids ready to make the jump to the next level!
- The adventure based Trailblazer program for post rabbit aged kids held several sessions including: avalanche safety, environmental awareness and winter survival skills.
- Gas Alta awarded us a 3 year grant to help with the coach's salary.
- Our race team had many accomplishments with numerous skiers achieving personal bests. Our club was well represented right through to the Nationals. As a result, our club jumped several places in the overall standings! Way to go Team!!
- Revelstoke hosted the Midget Championships surpassing expectations and providing many local children a taste of competition.

What's in the Works?

The Athlete Development Committee is a group of volunteers that take on certain responsibilities in order to manage all the tasks associated with the delivery of youth and adult programs. They are:

Ian Brown, Executive Board Member responsible for youth programs.

Matt Smider, Head Coach

We are looking for a new Bunnie Program Coordinator . Many thanks to out-going coordinator Kenda Von Bremen!!

Janette Vickers, Jackrabbit Program Coordinator.

Bruce Granstrom, Race Team Support and Liaison

Penny Page-Brittin, Fundraising and wax technician

We are looking for a volunteer for coordinating Masters and other adult programs.

This committee will not rest for the summer just because the season is over. Some of the work that will continue includes:

- Several athletes will continue their development and training activities in the dry land program, starting in July. Head coach Matt will develop training plans and coordinate these activities with the help of Bruce.

- There is also a lot of work that has to be done to finalize the shape, look and feel (and cost) of the various programs before the advertizing starts in August.
- The Trailblazer program will become a fully developed stand-alone program run weekly, for older kids, approximately 11-12 years old.
- New program development activities include assessing the feasibility and cost of adding a Biathlon program!!

None of these wonderful things would be possible were it not for the amazing number of dedicated volunteers helping out!

To all of you I would like to offer my thanks on behalf of the children and the club executive board! If you want to be a volunteer coach or help out with anything else, please let me or one of the committee members know! We offer a wonderful training and compensation (satisfaction) package.

Thank you!

Ian Brown

2012-2013 Head Coach Report

As Head Coach, I was directly involved in coaching the Ski Skool, Masters, ski clinics, private lessons and the Revelstoke Nordic Ski Team, encompassing Track Attack and Junior Developments skiers.

Our Ski Skool program was once again a great success offering Nordic ski instruction to 67 4th grade students from Columbia Park, Begbie View and Arrow Heights elementary schools. Each group took part in 4 weekly, 2.5-hour sessions with the help of dedicated volunteer instructors Lisa Larson, Nancy Martin, Louisa Fleming, Michael Moen and Tayla Koerber. Masters skiing ran for 10 weeks and rotated between skate and classic technique on a weekly basis. 20 skiers participated in the program, which offered skiers the choice between attending the Tuesday evening or Thursday afternoon sessions. Next season, we hope to offer an additional Masters program geared towards individuals with racing aspirations. There were 2 One-Day Clinics offered which saw 9 skiers participate in either the morning classic, or afternoon skate sessions. An additional 11 skiers took advantage of private lesson offerings.

The Revelstoke Nordic Ski Team enjoyed great success during the 2012-2013 ski season. Skiers began their formal training in the summer and continued until the end of March. The ski team was comprised of racing-oriented individuals from the 25 skier Track Attack program and the 6 skier Junior Development program. While on snow, Track Attack skiers trained 2 – 4 times weekly and the older Junior Development skiers saw 4 – 6 weekly training days. The help of guest coaches Hanna Thompson, Chad Smith, Angus Woodman, Michael Moen and Bruce Granstrom augmented our program. Penny Page-Brittin was instrumental to the success of the team through her coordination and leadership as Wax Technician. Finally, a huge thank you must be extended to all the generous parents who provided tireless support to our skiers at both practices and races.

The competition season began in December with the BC Cup / NORAM in Vernon and the Okanagan Cup in Larch Hills. January saw skiers competing at the BC Cup in Kelowna, and the Reino Keski and Pirate Loppet in Larch Hills. In February, the team travelled to the BC Championships in Prince George and the Okanagan Cup in Kamloops, while individual skiers represented Revelstoke at the Huckleberry Loppet in Golden and the Western Championships in Grand Prairie. In March, our Track Attack skiers performed on their home course for the BC Midget Championships, all age groups participated in the Okanagan Cup Finale / Sovereign Lake Loppet and the Junior Development skiers competed at the National Championships in Whistler. Many Revelstoke skiers reached the podium at regional, provincial and national level competitions, inclusive of these highlights:

- 7 individual aggregate medals awarded for the overall performance in BC Cup series:
 - o 2nd Jaclyn Elliott, Pee Wee Girls 2
 - o 3rd Nelson Luxmoore, Pee Wee Boys 2
 - o 2nd Miika Park, Bantam Girls 2
 - o 2nd Hayden Mallett, Bantam Boys 2
 - o 2nd Alana Brittin, Midget Girls 1

- 1st Emily Suchy, Female Para Nordic Sit Ski
- 1st Megan Evans, Junior Girls 1
- 8th place team at BC Championships
 - 2nd Jaclyn Elliott, Pee Wee Girls 2 Classic
 - 3rd Nelson Luxmoore, Pee Wee Boys 2 Classic
 - 1st Miika Park, Bantam Girls 2 Classic
 - 3rd Hayden Mallett, Bantam Boys 2 Classic
 - 1st Alana Brittin, Midget Girls 1 Classic
 - 2nd Midget Girls Relay
- Western Championships
 - 2nd, 3rd Alana Brittin, Midget Girls 1
 - 2nd, 3rd Megan Evans, Junior Girls 1
- 3rd place team at BC Midget Championships
 - 1st 2000 Girls Relay
 - 3rd Elizabeth Elliott, 2000 Girls Sprints
- 18th place team at National Championships
 - 1st, 1st, 2nd, 2nd Emily Suchy, Female Para Nordic Sit Ski

Skiers will be using the springtime to pursue other sports with formal training commencing again in July. Continuity of the Head Coach and continued development of volunteer coaches, wax technicians and the parental support network will be vital to the success of next season's program.

Thanks everyone for a great season of skiing and a warm welcome to Revelstoke!

Matt Smider

Facility Update

There was one major addition to the RNSC facilities, the pole barn was constructed to house the snowmobile grooming equipment, thanks to Sites and Trails BC, Green Cat construction and Canyon Electric. One major disaster was averted when the pump for the septic system was discovered to be not working, luckily it was repaired and an extra pump is now ready to go just in case. The benches that are located on the perimeter of the building are built using the extra fir that was left over from the deck construction. Thanks to Mike Howard's RSS woodshop students. Future plans are to build a mezzanine in the groomer garage to help store the accumulated race equipment and run lights to illuminate the terrain park and the lower part of Mickey's loop.

Wade Viznaugh

Director of Facilities RNSC

RNSC Financial Report – Fiscal Year ending March 31, 2011

The club financial assets were \$59,657 at the end of the year. Changes this year include combining the race team and ski league accounts and bringing those under the club treasurer responsibilities. In addition, the club hired a book keeper to manage accounting and invoice payments.

Club Operations

The Club Operations had a surplus of \$5,465 on revenue of \$57,931. The surplus meets our goal of contributing \$5,000 each year to a Capital Account.

Major purchases paid by grants and donations included additional race timing equipment, snowmobile roller, and an additional pan for the groomer.

The only major expense which came from the club membership was the planned groomer overhaul which cost \$16,735.

Ski League

Ski League had a surplus of \$5,874 on a revenue of \$59,208. Hosting the BC Midget Championship netted Ski League a profit of approximately \$5,500.

Trail Improvement Project

The Trail Improvement Project is a multi-year project with 100% funding from grants and donations. A total of \$32,689.80 was spent leaving a balance of \$7,208 to be spent on trail improvements next year.

March 31, 2013 Assets

Club Operations	RCU Account	26,720.17
	Membership shares	62.87
	Member rewards	34.00
	1-5 year Term Deposit	3,183.12
	3 year Discovery Term Deposit	5,159.61
	Hut Float	40.00
Ski League	RCU Account	17,246.58
	Gaming Account	2.26
Trails Project	RCU Account	7,208.41
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		\$59,657.02

Bruce Granstrom
RNSC Treasurer

Budget (fiscal year from April 1 – March 31)

Club Operation	Fiscal 2013 Plan	Fiscal 2013 Actuals	Fiscal 2014 Plan
Income			
Day Lodge Rental	400	450	400
Day Use Fees	11,500	13,432	11,500
Membership fees	40,250	41,998	41,000
Parking Lot Fees	500	1,565	1,000
Donations		486	
	52,650	57,931	53,900
Expenses			
Advertising/Website/Newsletter		727	1,000
Athlete Support		800	1,000
Book Keeper	2,000	1,845	2,000
Bib Purchase		155	
CCBC Registration Fees	4,500	4,990	5,000
Club Events	1,500	996	1,500
Communications	3,500	2,445	2,250
Day Lodge O & M	6,000	7,126	6,000
Groomer - Fuel	10,000	8,023	10,000
Groomer - Maintenance and Parts	5,000	1,221	5,000
Groomer - Major Overhaul	15,000	16,735	-
Insurance - buildings & equipment	2,500	2,505	2,500
Misc	1,000	129	500
Office & Admin Supplies	500	692	500
Shop O & M	2,500	2,419	2,500
Snowmobile Groomer purchase			
Snowmobile Groomer O&M	1,500	1,298	1,500
Trail Improvement Project - club contribution			7,000
Trail Maintenance		360	500
Ticket Office Attendant	2,000		2,000
	57,500	52,467	50,750
Net Income	-\$ 4,850	\$ 5,465	\$ 3,150
Ski League			
Income			
AltaGas Grant	12,000	12,000	10,000
Clothing	500	4,477	1,000
Donations - BC Gaming/Corp	8,000	3,776	3,000
Elementary School Program	810	810	810
Fundraising (bootle drive/Coopers)	1,500		8,100
Masters Skiers	3,000	1,790	1,500
Paranordic			2,000
Ski League Registration Fees	8,500	12,566	12,000
Ski Lessons/Clinics	500	320	250
Ski Race Hosting		23,469	
	34,810	59,208	38,660
Expenses			
Clothing		6,051	1,000
Coaching Courses	1,000	1,120	1,000
Head Coach - Expenses	2,500	1,875	2,500
Head Coach - Wages	25,850	21,339	24,000
Masters Skiers	150		150
Ski Race Hosting		17,988	
Paranordic		2,551	2,000
Ski League	2,500	2,410	2,500
	\$ 32,000	\$ 53,334	\$ 33,150
Net Income	\$ 2,810	\$ 5,874	\$ 5,510
Trail Improvement Project			
Revenue			
Sidit Funding - balance carry forward		39898.21	7,208
Columbia Basin Trust			15,000
RNSC Contribution			7,000
			\$ 29,208
Expenses			
Trail Improvement Project		32,600	29,208

2012/13 Trails & Grooming Report

This year we had a solid 13 groomers to spread the work between. From all the feedback I received everyone seemed extremely happy with the grooming...Good work you guys!!!

I would like to thank Al McInnes, Dave Kaegi, Tom Patry, Daryl Ross, Rob Evans, Wade Visznaugh, Kevin Bollefer, Jim Martinuk, Jeff Ferguson, Mark Davis, Rob Jay, Kurt Mohr and Yann Bourdon. I would also like to thank Tom Patry from Grizzly Auto for all the time spent on keeping the groomer working this winter. Between him and Al, they ran to our aid whenever there were issues with the machine.

This year we tried to get out on the snowmobile as much as possible with the Ginzu to reduce the cost of fuel and wear on the big groomer. This packed the middle of the trails better for skate skiing. We purchased a few new attachments for the snowmobile to make grooming easier with it in wet snow conditions. The packer also enabled us to ski earlier this season by packing every bit of snow we received.

This summer we are planning on replacing the bridge on BCIT that didn't get completed last year. There is also 300 meters of trail to be built to expand the dog loop and provide an alternate access to the Beaver Lake area. That plus a little widening of trails in places if the budget allows.

I am stepping down from the board this year and have found an excellent replacement. Jeff Ferguson has accepted the nomination and I know he will do a great job. It's been a fun board to work on and a lot has been accomplished over the last 4 years!

I hope everyone has a great summer and we'll see you on the trails next year. Keep an eye open for fall work parties!!!

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Bollefer

RNSC Dog Loop 2012- 2013

In addition to out of town and local day pass users, 154 skiers were registered this season to use the dog loop. New this year were the hitching post and an informational sign. The sturdy, functional anchor has decreased the number of uncontrolled dogs at a busy trail intersection. The sign provided details about the dog loop for members and visiting skiers.

A short connector trail (Ellie's Loop) within the dog loop between BCIT and Easy Al's is now available for all members to use. It is too narrow now to be groomed extensively. This would allow members with dogs to ski additional laps on the dog loop while eliminating the hills and avoiding Roadway Ramble.

Paula Hill