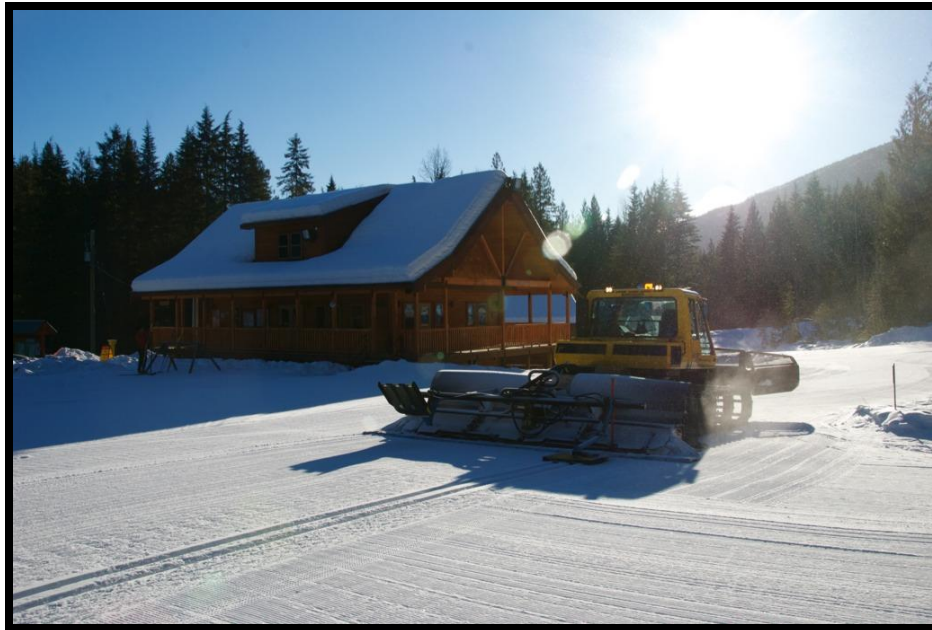


# **Revelstoke Nordic Ski Club Annual General Meeting Report**



**April 07, 2014**

**Revelstoke Nordic Ski Lodge**

**Revelstoke, BC**

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Revelstoke Nordic Ski Club

Annual General Meeting

7:00 PM April 7, 2014

Revelstoke Nordic Ski Lodge

**Minutes**

Call to order – 7:05 pm

Club Members present: 20

Board Members present: Dave (chair), Brendan, Keith, Terra, Ian, Paula, Debbie, Josie, Wade, Jeff

1. Adoption of Agenda
  - a. Sarah
  - b. Dave
2. Review of 2013 meeting minutes
  - a. Short review by Dave
3. Presidents Report – Dave
  - a. Report from Dave attached
4. Treasurer’s Report – Terra
  - a. Report from Terra attached
5. Membership Report – Debbie
  - a. 575 members this season
  - b. Report from Debbie attached
  - c. **Matt** to add a column to the day use envelope to show where day use people come from.
6. Ski League Report – Ian
  - a. Report from Ian attached
7. Coaches Report – Matt
  - a. Report from Matt attached
  - b. A suggestion was made that the club hold an equivalent to Salmon Arm’s Pirate Loppett for the Ski Skook kids.
  - c. Matt outlined the plan for the club to purchase skis/boots/poles from Sovereign Lakes
  - d. Sarah suggested that we put a note in the next newsletter suggesting that if people are upgrading their ski gear that they donate their old equipment to the club for rentals.
  - e. Mike from Skookum suggested that we look into selling day passes through the ski shops.
8. Facilities Report – Wade
  - a. Report from Wade attached
9. Communications Report – Brendan
  - a. Report from Brendan attached

- b. Suggestion was made that we include the temperature at the Lodge on the website and on the snowphone.
- 10. Trails Report – Jeff
  - a. Report from Jeff attached
- 11. Dog Users Report – Paula
  - a. Report from Paula attached
  - b. Short discussion about the 7 Bridges snowshoe trail that was added this season using the mountain bike trail Stimulus.
  - c. Suggestion that we talk to the company running snowshoe tours at RMR about him doing snowshoe tours here.
- 12. Election of Directors – Keith
  - a. Ian and Wade stepping down. Paula, Josie up for re-election. One seat up vacant (Pete).
  - b. Paula, Josie, Rob Jay, Robin elected by acclimation. Dave staying on for one year as Past President.
- 13. New Business
  - a. A motion to adopt a fee increase to day use and annual memberships fees as follows

<b>Proposed 2014/15 Fee Schedule*</b>		
	Current Fee	Proposed New Fee
Family membership	\$216.00	\$265.00
Individual membership	\$97.00	\$120.00
Child membership	\$39.00	\$40.00
Adult Day Pass	\$9.00	\$10.00
Family Day Pass	\$21.00	\$25.00
Child Day Pass	\$5.00	\$5.00
Snowshoeing/Parking	\$5.00	\$5.00
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Note the \$12.00 per person CCBC insurance fee is not included in these fees. The CCBC insurance fee will increase from its current \$10.00 per person to \$12.00 per person for 2015</li> </ul>		

Motion to adopt the proposed fee schedule. Moved - Wade, Second - Dave

Motion carried with no one against.

Motion to adjourn at 9:05 pm – Josie Woodman

## President's Report

2014 has been a stellar year for the RNSC. We have had an incredible year of great cross country skiing with record snow falls and trail ski conditions, and record high membership and day users.

This is my last report as President. I came onto the Nordic Club Executive six years ago with a goal to help get the club's physical infrastructure upgraded. I believe, for the most part, we have accomplished that goal with the construction of the Day Lodge/Custodian Residence, Maintenance Building, Pole Barn, new Stadium Loop and Terrain Park, replacement of trail bridges, new ski trails and re-routing of existing trails, new grooming and race event equipment, hiring of a club coach and successful hosting of high level race events. The final project will be the installation of trail lighting this coming summer. It has been a busy and productive six years.

It is now time for someone else to take forward the stewardship of the club. The major growth phase has happened. We now need a President and Executive who can successfully steer and manage the club over the coming years focusing on maintaining and hopefully increasing membership and club services.

As I have mentioned numerous times in the past, the success of our club is built upon the incredible volunteer commitment of club members in all aspects of our operations. The number of volunteer hours put in by countless club members to cover responsibilities ranging from coaching our young and up and coming skiers, staffing the Ticket Office to collect the ever important Day Use Fees, grooming our trails, and assisting with club races and events; is a testament to the strength of our club. As we move forward, it has become apparent to the Club Executive, that we are at the point where the Club now warrants the services of a paid Club Manager to oversee and take some of the work burden off of club members. The Club will still need members to volunteer their time to assist with club operations (coaching of the children's programs, trail grooming, special events), but some of the more administrative functions will be now be the responsibility of the Club Manager.

Finally, thank you to all of my fellow directors (past and present) who have greatly assisted me in undertaking the remarkable expansion of the club programs and facilities over these past six years. Without their support and the support of numerous other club members, we could not have accomplished what we have done in such a short time.

Dave Kaegi  
Club President

## RNSC Financial Report – Fiscal Year ending March 31, 2014

The club financial assets were \$78,503 at the end of the year.

### Club Operations

The Club Operations had a surplus of \$14,856 on revenue of \$73,276. We will continue to contribute \$5000/year to a Capital Account.

### Ski League

Ski League had a net loss of \$5,448 on a revenue of \$56,802. Hosting the Okanagan Cup netted Ski League a profit of approximately \$1700.

### Capital Projects

The Trail Improvement Project continued to be our main capital expense. Majority of this project was paid for with grants and a club contribution of \$7000. A total of \$25,487 was spent. Another capital project this year was the building of a mezzanine in the groomer shed which cost approximately \$6850. We have \$8731 remaining to put towards future capital projects.

### March 31, 2014 Assets

<b>Club Operations</b>	<b>RCU Account</b>	\$36,576.03
	<b>Membership Shares</b>	\$62.87
	<b>Member Rewards</b>	\$34.00
	<b>1-5 year term deposit</b>	\$3,278.35
	<b>3 year discovery term deposit</b>	\$5,231.65
	<b>3 year discovery term deposit</b>	\$5,000.00
	<b>hut float</b>	\$60.00
<b>Ski League</b>	<b>RCU Account</b>	\$8,326.27
	<b>Gaming Account</b>	\$2.26
	<b>Coopers Gift Cards</b>	\$11,200.00
<b>Capital Project</b>	<b>RCU Account</b>	\$8,731.74
		\$78,503.17

<b>Revelstoke Nordic Ski Club 2015 Budget</b>			
<b>Club Operation</b>	<b>Fiscal 2014 Plan</b>	<b>Fiscal 2014 Actual</b>	<b>Fiscal 2015 Plan</b>
<b>Income</b>			
Nordic Lodge Rental Donations	400	2,725	1,400
Day Use Fees	11,500	17,809	18,000
Membership fees	41,000	49,956	55,500
Parking Lot Fees	1,000	1,245	1,000
Donations		1,540	
Columbia Basin Trust			8,000
Ministry of FLNR– Sites and trails BC			2,500
	\$53,900	\$73,275	\$86,400
<b>Expenses</b>			
Advertising/Website/Newsletter	1,000	1,754	1,000
Athlete Support	1,000		1,000
Book Keeper	2,000	1,443	2,000
Race Equipment			3,000
CCBC Registration Fees	5,000	6,718	6,700
Club Events	1,500	1,368	1,500
Communications	2,250	1,424	1,500
Day Lodge O & M	6,000	9,933	8,500
Groomer - Fuel	10,000	12,377	12,000
Groomer - Maintenance and Parts	5,000	8,052	5,000
Groomer - Major Overhaul			15,000
Insurance - buildings & equipment	2,500	2,593	2,600
Misc	500	731	500
Office & Admin Supplies	500	669	550
Shop O & M	2,500	1,395	2,000
Snowmobile Groomer O&M	1,500	2,635	1,500
Trail Improvement Project - club contribution	7,000	7,000	
Trail Maintenance	500	319	5,000
Ticket Office Attendant/Club Manager	2,000		12,000
Snow Removal			2,000
Lodge Capital Replacement			1,000
Trail Lighting			1,500
	\$50750	\$58410	\$85850
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>\$3,150</b>	<b>\$14,864</b>	<b>\$550</b>



<b>Ski League</b>				
<b>Income</b>				
Grants	10,000	11,305		
Clothing	1,000			
Donations - BC Gaming/Corp	3,000			
Elementary School Program	810	778		
Fundraising (bottle drive/Coopers)	8,100	1,630		2600 expected cards
Masters Skiers	1,500	1,160		
Ski League Registration Fees	12,000	12,209		
Ski Lessons/Clinics	250	630		
Ski Race Hosting		3,204		
Head Lamp Heroes		290		
	\$36,660	\$31,206	-	
<b>Expenses</b>				
Clothing	1,000			
Coaching Courses	1,000	585		
Head Coach - Expenses	2,500	1,509		
Misc				
Head Coach - Wages	24,000	26,144		
Masters Skiers	150			
Ski Race Hosting		4,374		
Ski League	2,500	4,042		
	31,150	36,654	-	
Net Income	\$5,510	-\$ 5,448	\$	(2848) with cards

<b>Capital projects</b>				
<b>Revenue</b>				
Sidit Funding - balance carry forward	7,208	7,208		
Columbia Basin Trust Trail Improvement	15,000	15,000		
RNSC Contribution	7,000	7,000		
Timber Sales		16,000		
CBT/CSRD/City -Trail Lighting			225,000	
	\$29,208	\$45,208	\$225,000	
<b>Expenses</b>				
Trail Improvement Project	29,208	25,487		
Timber Sales - stumpage		4,137		
capital project - mezzanine		6,851		
Trail Lighting			225,000	
	\$29,208	\$36,475	\$225,000	
Net Income	0	\$8,733	0	

## Membership Report

<b>RNSC</b>										
	<b>2013-14</b>	<b>2012-13</b>	<b>2011-12</b>	<b>2010-11</b>	<b>2009-10</b>	<b>2008-09</b>	<b>2007-08</b>	<b>2006-07</b>	<b>2005-06</b>	<b>2004-05</b>
<b>Gross Income</b>	\$51,229.00	\$42,560.00	\$42,397.00	\$31,122.00						
<b>less Donations</b>	-\$498.00	-\$294.00	-\$861.00	-\$760.00						
<b>less Insurance to CCBC</b>	-\$5,710.00	-\$4,730.00	-\$4,940.00	-\$4,590.00						
<b>Total Membership Revenue</b>	<b>\$45,021.00</b>	<b>\$37,536.00</b>	<b>\$36,596.00</b>	<b>\$25,772.00</b>						
<b>Returning Members</b>	449	369	357	338	285	266	270	286	237	256
<b>New Members</b>	126	104	135	121	71	66	83	64	34	85
<b>Total Members</b>	<b>575</b>	<b>473</b>	<b>492</b>	<b>459</b>	<b>356</b>	<b>332</b>	<b>353</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>341</b>
<b>Women</b>	60%	63%	64%	60%	58%					
<b>Men</b>	40%	37%	36%	40%	42%					
<b>FAMILY</b>	44	31	32							
<b>INDIVIDUALS</b>	358	310	317							
<b>YOUTH</b>	19	20	32							
<b>1 COMP</b>	Pigeon Family									
<b>5 LIFETIMES</b>	Mickey Olson									
	Al & Evelyn McInnes									
	Brian Abear									
	Lionel Wheeler									

## Ski League Report

Well, another ski season has come and gone and while on paper it will read like a typical great year of ski league, every year is unique and special - and this one is no exception. Providing numbers and some other stats is certainly useful and informative but it just doesn't depict the passion and dedication of the coaches or capture the smiles, laughter and accomplishments of the kids! This result is also the award for all of ski league.

OK, here it goes... this season we had 83 kids and the breakdown is shown below in the table.

BUNNIES (Ages 4-5)	18
JACKRABBITS 1, 2 & 3 (Ages 6-8):	29
JACKRABBITS 4 (Ages 8-9):	1
TRACK ATTACK (Ages 10-12):	19
JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT (Ages 13+):	9
TRAILBLAZERS (Ages 10+):	7
TOTAL	83

Yes, we had a gap in 9 year olds this year but we have pretty good numbers coming along.

A volunteer Athlete Development Committee that supports all facets of the youth programs from bunnies to racing delivers the program to these kids. We have volunteer coaches. We have volunteers making hot chocolate. We have volunteers fundraising. We have volunteers writing proposals for grants. We have volunteers helping the volunteers when they can't make it – you get the point.

Above all, we have our Head Coach Matt Smider keeping it all together. You can add in Ski Skool for the grade 4 kids, clinics, masters, headlamp heroes and countless extra hours everyday with the kids for Matt. I can't speak for the kids or the parents, but I see the evolution of this club and it is remarkable! This is why we are successful and have so many kids (and returning kids) every year. These are also reasons to think about the future and ask ourselves how will we keep this going?

In the last two years we have added programs like the trailblazers and started programs earlier as well as increased the number of lessons per week for some. This year, knowing we had less grant money we added fundraising initiatives. At the end of the day, we hope we will come close to breaking even on ski league and not loose too much money. As you will see in other reports, we have had record years and

record achievements in other areas too. Congratulations to everyone involved in Ski League this year – we absolutely appreciate you!

There is more fun and work to do. If you want to help our kids in coaching or in any other way, please come see any member of the executive committee.

Ian Brown

Director of Youth Programs

RNSC

## Head Coach Report

Thanks to all for a great season of cross-country skiing at the Revelstoke Nordic Ski Club! As Head Coach, my role is directly involved with coaching the Ski Skool, adult classes, clinics, private lessons and the Revelstoke Nordic Ski Team, encompassing Track Attack and Junior Development skiers.

Our Ski Skool program ran smoothly and effectively, offering Nordic instruction to 56 4<sup>th</sup> grade students from Columbia Park, Begbie View and Arrow Heights elementary schools. Each group took part in four weekly, three-hour sessions with the help of our dedicated volunteer instructors Louisa Fleming, Michael Moen, Sarah Boyle, Tayla Koerber, Heidi Hopkins, Sean Gallagher, Koreen Morrone and Mandy Kellner. Once again, our skiers from Columbia Park had the opportunity to participate in Larch Hills' Pirate Loppet. Additionally, four skiers took advantage of our March Break Ski Days; open sessions for any interested Ski Skool skiers to come back and improve their skills. New to this season, all Ski Skool gear was stored at the Macpherson Nordic Lodge, minimizing transportation and logistical challenges associated with the program.

Our technique-based Adult Intermediate and Advanced classes ran for 10 weeks from January to March, rotating between each week between classic and skate sessions. 13 skiers participated in the program, which offered the choice between Tuesday evening or Thursday afternoon classes. Several adult skiers also took advantage of our new Wednesday Night Open Training, which offered a fitness-based session for interested skiers of all abilities. 26 skiers took part in the two One Day Clinics offered in December and January. Finally, 20 skiers purchased Private Lessons.

New for the 2013-14 season was the addition of the Wednesday Night Headlamp Heroes Race Series. December kicked off the event with an Interval Start Classic Race sponsored by Skookum and attended by 34 skiers. In January, the Village Idiot sponsored our Freestyle Sprints, which saw 42 skiers competing. Free Spirit Sports sponsored February's Freestyle Mass Start, with 34 skiers participating. The series concluded with 34 skiers taking part in our Flowt-sponsored Mixed Relays in March. Wade Viznaugh and Ian Ward deserve a huge thank you for their assistance in putting on these fun events.

Revelstoke Nordic enjoyed a successful 2013-14 ski season. Formal training sessions ran from July until early April. There were 19 Track Attack (aged 9 -12) and nine Junior Development skiers (13+). While on snow, Track Attack skiers trained two to four times weekly and Junior Development skiers were on snow three to six times weekly. Bruce Granstrom, Rory Luxmoore and Katie Nash were instrumental in assisting with coaching on a weekly-basis. Brittany Evans assisted in leading our summer training sessions and providing guest coaching while on-snow. Other guest coaches included Nikki Norrie, Fraser Springings and David Palmer. Once again, Penny Page-Brittin was a lead Wax Technician, receiving assistance from Lucie Bergeron, Rory Luxmoore, Jason Stupnikoff and Brad Park. In addition to all aforementioned coaching and waxing aides, a big thank you must be extended to the generous parents who provided ongoing support to skiers throughout the year.

Throughout the offseason, we attended numerous training camps with skiers across the province, including: Spring and Summer Talent Squad Camps at 100 Mile House, Fall Regional Camp in Salmon Arm, Fall Development Squad Camp in Revelstoke and the Talent Squad and Regional On-Snow Camp at Sovereign Lake / Silver Star. The racing season began with a NORAM in Vernon in December and our own Okanagan Cup / BC Winter Games Qualifier in Revelstoke. In January, we travelled to the BC Cup in Prince George, the Reino Keski and Pirate Loppet in Larch Hills and the BC Cup in Kamloops. February saw skiers compete at the Okanagan Cup in Penticton, the BC Midget Championships in Salmon Arm, four skiers and myself represented the Okanagan at the BC Winter Games in Mission / Callaghan Valley and the BC Championships in Kelowna. In March, we concluded our race season with the Sovereign Lake Loppet and a new, late season event for the team: Alberta Cup / Sharkfest in Canmore. Here are some highlights of the past season:

- *7<sup>th</sup> place team BC Midget Championships*
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Simon Blackie, 2001 Boys Interval Start Classic and Free Sprints
  
- *BC Winter Games*
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Alana Brittin, Mixed Relay and 2000 Girls Interval Start Classic
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Elizabeth Elliot, 2000 Girls Free Sprints
  
- *7<sup>th</sup> place team at the BC Championships*
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Alana Brittin, Midget Girls 2 Interval Start Classic
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Isobel Wilson, Atom Girls 2 Interval Start Classic
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Elizabeth Elliott, Midget Girls 2 Mass Start Free
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Natalia Morrone, Atom Girls 2 Interval Start Classic
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Elliot Wilson, Pee Wee Boys 2 Mass Start Classic
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> “Hop, Skip & Jump”: Francesco Morrone, Alexandra Luxmoore and 3<sup>rd</sup> Elliot Wilson, Pee Wee Boys Free Relay
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> “Spicy Beef Sauce”: Elizabeth Elliott, Beth Granstrom and Alana Brittin, Midget Girls Free Relay
  
- *4 individual aggregate medals awarded for overall performance in BC Cup Series*
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Emily Suchy, Para Nordic Sit Ski Women
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Alexandra Luxmoore, Pee Wee Girls 2
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Nelson Luxmoore, Bantam Boys 1
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Simon Blackie, Midget Boys 1
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Alana Brittin, Midget Girls 2

Our Race Team not only displayed great results, but also grew to incorporate a large number of dedicated young ski racers who thoroughly enjoy sport. Skiers will maintain their fitness through a variety of sports during the spring and formal training will commence in July.

Thanks to everyone for their support throughout the season.

Matt Smider

## Facilities Report

Going into year 4 of the Nordic Lodge there was some ongoing maintenance issues to take care of. The deck had never been treated since new construction so in the fall the railings and deck were sanded and treated with a natural preservative. A budget was included for ongoing maintenance and future repairs.

A mezzanine was constructed to house equipment used in putting on races as well as storing lanterns for the lantern ski. Green Cat was contracted for the construction and it was done on time and under budget with some volunteer time. Its a welcome addition and helps in organization in the groomer garage. We are currently looking at adding locker space and holding a lottery to allocate locker space under the main deck. Twenty lockers should be in place for next season. With a large amount of snowfall at Macpherson the buildings had to undergo some snow removal, this was the first time since the inaugural year that snow removal had to take place. It was determined that this should be budgeted for in the future. The pellet stove needed to have a fan motor replaced mid winter, at this time it was serviced as well. It continues to run strong and should last several more years. A portable PA system was purchased for use during club activities as well as chalet rentals. Two small portable picnic tables were purchased to be utilized for kids activities, they fold up flat and can be stored in a small space when not in use. Each year the club is going to replace some of the well used chairs so as to work towards having some better seating options. Currently we are using old chairs that were purchased from the community center for 50 cents each. The goal is to replace 5 chairs per year. Thank you

Wade Viznaugh  
Director – Facilities



## Communications Report

2013 saw the development of a new Nordic website. The new site is more interactive with a Calendar, more pictures and youtube video links. The new site uses a 'post' system that makes it more dynamic than the static 'page' system. It was updated by primarily by Brendan and Matt.

We produced 3 newsletter this ski season, with each one reaching 700-800 online viewers. The newsletters are now sent out as a link to a post on our website, instead of as a pdf, which means members do not have to download a newsletter anymore. We sent out about 10 paper copy newsletters per issue this season.

Our facebook page has 130 likes. We only posted about 10 items on facebook this season. This is a communication area that we could improve.

Kathy Bellis started a separate gmail account specifically for hutduty ([hutduty@gmail.com](mailto:hutduty@gmail.com))  
We added two new email addresses; [coach@revelstokenordic.org](mailto:coach@revelstokenordic.org) for Matt's communications and [accounts@revelstokenordic.org](mailto:accounts@revelstokenordic.org) for our bookkeeper to manage communications. Both of these are forwarding only email addresses.

As always, I encourage members to submit content to the website or the newsletters. Having personal stories, or high quality images from members would enhance the personal feeling of the club. The Lantern Ski was a big success this season. We had good attendance, and organizationally it was a success.

Brendan MacIntosh

## Trails Report

This past season we saw some improvements and additions on a few of our lower trails. The bridge on BCIT was replaced with a wider and better aligned bridge. A new trail connecting BCIT up towards the intersection of Cedar Ramble and Beaver Lake Road was constructed. This became an extension of Cedar Ramble.

The dog loop was extended to include an extra half kilometer of length by re-routing how BCIT connects into the lower portion of Beaver Lake Road. Short Hop was realigned to reduce the grade and improve flow. Ellie's Lane was widened and improved so that the groomer could access and groom this trail (which used to be part of BCIT many years ago). We also saw some minor trail widening in a few key locations to improve ease of grooming.

Our trail signage saw a bit of an overhaul too, with new signs being added for the new trail segments, and other signs updated so that the trail signs accurately reflect the name, length and rating shown on the trail maps.

The colder than normal weather made for some excellent skiing conditions, with plenty of snow and sunny weather. I heard many skiers comment on how similar our trail conditions were to typical Sovereign Lake or Canmore conditions... Not bad places to be compared to!

Over the summer, we will be re-building the tiller and front blade on the groomer. Both are in much need of repair. The other major development over the summer will be the installation of trail lighting (LCD) on Mickey's Loop and Dynamite trails. Also the Stadium and section of Main Loop up to Mickey's will be lit. This work is scheduled to begin in August. We will need volunteers to help with the project in order to keep the costs down.

This year we had a total of 12 volunteer groomers take turns grooming the trail network, two of whom were new to the team this year. The big groomer was used a total of 380 hours over 125 grooming sessions from early November until early April. That works out to an average of about three hours per session. A big thanks to: Al McInnes, Dave Kaegi, Wade Viznaugh, Tom Patry, Kevin Bollefer, Mark Davis, Rob Evans, Rob Jay, Jim Martiniuk, Pat Mcmechan and Mike Moen for their continued dedication and time commitment, with early mornings or late nights on the groomer. An even bigger thanks is deserving for Al McInnes and Tom Patry who have spent countless hours over the years not only grooming, but also repairing and servicing the machine. Thanks guys!

Have a great summer everyone and we'll see you on the trails next winter!

Year	First Setting / Last Setting	No. of Skiing Days	Number of Tracksettings	Revelstoke Snowfall (cm)
2013/2014	November 17 - April 6	141	125	392
2012/2013				332
2011/2012	November 14 – April 15	153	130+	381
2010/2011	November 26 – April ???	137+	89+	510
2009/2010	December 16 - March 19	93	35	198
2008/2009	December 6 - April 7	123	49	384
2007/2008	December 3 - April 6	125	48	505
2006/2007	November 4 - April 8	155	56	465
2005/2006	January 10 - April 1	81	37	224
2004/2005	November 25 - March 5	100	N/A	221
2003/2004	November 20 - April 3	135	N/A	409
2002/2003	December 28 - March 29	91	N/A	198
2001/2002	November 30 - April 9	130	N/A	377
2000/2001	November 26 - April 1	126	N/A	299
1999/2000	December 7 - April 9	124	N/A	330
1998/99	December 11 - April 4	114	N/A	417
1997/98	December 20 - March 20	90	N/A	231
1996/97	November 16 - March 30	134	N/A	584
1995/96	November 12 - March 31	140	N/A	349
1994/95	November 20 - March 25	125	N/A	263
1993/94	November 27 - March 19	112	N/A	291
1992/93	November 28 - March 19	123	N/A	374
1991/92	November 29 - March 14	106	N/A	344

\*(Unsure about number of times Ginzu was used, guessing maybe a little over a dozen?)

Jeff Ferguson – Trails Director

## Dog Trail & Users Report

This season, one hundred and eighty members registered to ski with their dog (s). The mix of users included seventeen families, thirty-four couples and forty-three single members. This amount compares to one hundred and fifty-four members last season.

The loop's northern borders were redesigned this year. This change resulted in an extended dog loop and a more distinct separation from the non-dog trail system. In addition, the two trail connectors within the loop were widened and contoured to allow easier grooming.

With the new loop design came additional trail signage and clear directions to the parking area. Sites and Trails BC provided a new sign at the dog loop trailhead with the new trail map and guidelines for using the loop.

The two goals for the 2013-2014 season were to decrease plastic poo bag usage and reduce conflicts between the various users. The post and trowel system this season has proven to be a successful way to reduce the plastic bags while still keeping the trails poo free. Additional posts were provided by Ministry of Forests, Lands & Natural Resource Operations Recreation Sites & Trails BC and new trowels were donated by a RNSC member.

No conflicts were officially reported. Skiers with dogs must keep in mind this is a shared trail system meant to be used by all members.

The trail grooming and the new trail design increased the number of dog loop users and our enjoyment.

Paula Hill  
Dog Liaison Coordinator