

# **Revelstoke Nordic Ski Club**

## **Annual General Meeting**



April 14, 2016  
Revelstoke Nordic Lodge  
Revelstoke, BC

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## Agenda

April 14, 2016 at 7:00PM at the Revelstoke Nordic Ski Lodge

1. Call to order
2. Approval of the Agenda
3. Approval of minutes of April 13, 2015 AGM
4. Reports
  - a) President's Report
  - b) Treasurer's Report
  - c) Manager's Report
  - d) Acceptance of Committee Reports
5. Election of Directors
6. Adjournment

## 2015/2016 President's Report

The winter of 2015/2016 has now come to an end with this recent spell of warm weather. Most outdoor enthusiast's thoughts have now moved to their summer activities; however we still need to discuss our progress over the winter.

I was very appreciative of being selected as President of the Revelstoke Nordic Ski Club last year at the AGM. Dave Kaegi was very convincing regarding the role of president. I agree that this club is very well structured and managed due to a great group of dedicated board members and a supportive club membership. Each of the board members has contributed in a way that has maximized access to grants, coordinated training, increased membership, maintained the buildings and equipment, balanced the books and ensured the spectacularly well groomed trails. The club puts out regular communications, is accountable for all of its income and spends its funds wisely. We are financially comfortable due to these efforts. We have also been effective in attracting day use and rentals. This has been a very good year for the club.

The club has progressed in many ways this year. This is the first year with an Operations Manager position--Duane has provided effective building and equipment maintenance, and spent time selling passes and renting equipment. Kelsey was the face of the Revelstoke Nordic Ski club in the role of Club Manager, where she sold day passes, rented equipment, spoke with the public, instructed lessons, kept the lodge tidy and wrote and presented on grants access funds to improve our facility. The club outright acquired the entire stock of rental equipment, following the conclusion of a deal with the School District. Brush clearing resulted in safer trails and improved clearance for grooming. The groomer was heavily maintained over the year with a major repair to the tiller and some annual preventative maintenance. It is expected that through a successful grant application that the current groomer will be replaced with a newer more efficient model for the upcoming season.

The Okanagan Cup Race was held in early January with a wonderful mix of volunteers making it possible. The various development teams were evident all over the facility and trails as they trained for the various races held in other communities over the winter. Under Matt's coaching, there have been some great successes on the part of these youth. . Matt has agreed to join the club year round and will be running a summer program for the race team members. We look forward to continued success for our athletes under his excellent coaching. The Jackrabbits' and Bunnies' programs have seen increases with great participation and coaching contribution each week.

The Dog Loop saw regular if not increased activity, with many happy skiers and dogs able to access these wonderful trails. The snowshoe trails were in excellent condition and resulted in what appeared to be a healthy mix of winter sports. Talk exists of purchasing snowshoes for the following season to increase participation in this exciting way to access the terrain.

Steps have been taken to make the lodge safer, with new rubber runners outside to reduce the slippery ice effect, and the stairs have been covered with recycled tires to reduce trips and falls.

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A survey has gone out to get input from club members on the possible expansion of the Dog Loop Trails. At this point the Board will be discussing the outcome and making a decision on as to action to be taken.

Details of this year's accomplishments and volunteer contributions are presented in the reports contributed by directors and staff. Thank you to volunteers and directors for all your efforts and to staff for a job well done.

It is at this point however that I need to tender my resignation as Club President. Although I was not able to commit as much time as the club needed, I was comforted by the fact that the club was running so efficiently, that it functioned with very little input from me. I have not provided the club the dedication it deserves, primarily because of the unrelenting demands of my employment. Therefore I regretfully submit my resignation from the board at the AGM.

I will continue to be a part of the RNSC when possible, and hopefully will find more time to use the trials next year. I thank you for allowing me to be such a part of the club and look forward to assisting on a more informal basis.

Regards,

Kurt GRABINSKY  
President  
Revelstoke Nordic Ski Club

## 2015/2016 Treasurer's Report

The net cash position of the club improved by just over \$5,000 in the current fiscal year to \$119,839. We have ear marked just over \$70,000 of that cash balance towards the purchase of a new groomer. That purchase is contingent on receipt of two large grant requests for \$300,000.

### Club Operations

Club Revenue exceeded budget by \$16,900. Excluding Lodge Donations and Grants, revenue was up by 1% over the previous year. Expenses exceeded budget by \$29,400. The major contributors to this overage were accounting costs of \$11,600 (explained in detail below), groomer equipment maintenance of \$7,600, and wages of \$10,600 with the hiring of an Operations Manager this year. Including the GST claim noted below, net cash available for Club Operations is \$52,000 at year end.

### Ski League

Ski League Revenue exceeded budget this year by \$9,700. Hard work by many volunteers resulted in fundraising revenue more than \$4,000 over budget. Overall, revenue was on par with 2014/2015. Expenses were \$7,600 over budget primarily due to Athlete Support costs for Nationals. Including surpluses from prior years, net cash available to Ski League at year-end is \$31,400.

### Capital Projects

Grants of \$9,800 and a club contribution of \$6,500 allowed us to complete the lighting project, widen the Main Loop trail below the cabin, and install rubber flooring in the lodge basement and on the lodge stairs. In addition to the \$70,000 put aside for the new groomer, there will be \$14,300 available for capital projects in the coming year.

### Regulatory Filings

The club worked with BDO Chartered Accountants this year to file all regulatory filings that had been required for the past 5 years, including GST, Non-Profit Organization, Income Tax and Logging Tax returns. Revenue Canada accepted our voluntary late filing and we will not be assessed any late filing fees or penalties. As a non-profit organization, we do not have any Income Tax payable, but still have to file annual returns. The filing of our GST returns has us expecting as much as \$46,500 in refunds of Input Tax Credits (net of GST collected). There is a chance that our claim for 2011 will be denied due to the passage of time (over 4 years ago) which would reduce our expected claim to \$10,500. A large part of the claim related to ITC's on the build of the lodge in 2011. The cost for preparing, reviewing and filing these returns was \$11,500. Thanks to Jamie Kraus (our club accountant) for her assistance with these filings.

### 2016/17 Budget

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The club is forecasting a surplus of \$26,200 for the coming year. This surplus includes the assumption that we will be successful in our new groomer grant applications. If we do not receive sufficient funds, a large part of this surplus will be used to keep our existing groomer running. Ski League will be seeking a Gaming Grant of \$19,000 (\$14,000 last year) to ensure a balanced budget. Our Coach, Matt Smider, has agreed to join the club year round and will be running a summer program for the race team members.

We will be receiving Grants from the Revelstoke Credit Union and CBT in the amount of \$5,100. Together with a club contribution of \$10,300, we will be using these funds to add pole protection pads and B-netting for races, an HRV system to control moisture in the shop, and staining the exterior of the lodge and shop. Look for a few volunteer opportunities this summer to complete the staining projects.

				Variance (+Fav - UnFav)	Budget
		Budget	Actual	2015/16	2016/17
		2015/16	2015/16	2015/16	2016/17
<b>Capital Projects</b>					
<b>Revenue</b>	<b>CBT</b>	8,000	7,467	- 533	4,000
	<b>BC Tire Stewardship Grant</b>	2,500	2,300	- 200	
	<b>Club Contribution</b>	7,900	6,532	- 1,368	10,300
	<b>Revelstoke Credit Union</b>				1,100
<b>Revenue Total</b>		<b>18,400</b>	<b>16,299</b>	<b>- 2,101</b>	<b>14,300</b>
<b>Expense</b>	<b>Building Maintenance</b>				8,012
	<b>HRV System for Shop</b>				2,195
	<b>Pole Barn</b>	14,500		14,500	
	<b>Race Safety Equipment</b>				4,093
	<b>Rubber Flooring</b>	5,100	8,013	- 2,913	
	<b>Trail Lighting</b>	8,400	5,207	3,193	
	<b>Trail Maintenance</b>		3,080	- 3,080	
<b>Expense Total</b>		<b>28,000</b>	<b>16,299</b>	<b>11,701</b>	<b>14,300</b>
	<b>Capital Projects Net</b>	<b>- 9,600</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>9,600</b>	<b>-</b>

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		Budget 2015/16	Actual 2015/16	2015/16	Budget 2016/17
<b>Ski League</b>					
<b>Revenue</b>	<b>Okanagan Cup revenue</b>	2,000	3,366	1,366	1,500
	<b>Coaching Revenue</b>				3,000
	<b>Donations</b>		571	571	
	<b>Fundraising Revenue</b>	8,275		4,065	12,200
	<b>Parks Bottles</b>		1,290		
	<b>Bottle Drive</b>		1,832		
	<b>Coopers card cheques</b>		1,320		
	<b>Cooper gift card Revenue (net)</b>		3,200		
	<b>Athlete Support – Ski Nationals</b>		4,698		
	<b>Licensed Gaming – 50/50 Draw</b>		106		
	<b>Licensed Gaming – Raffle</b>	1,000	900	6	
	<b>Grants</b>	14,000	16,500	2,500	19,025
	<b>Headlamp Heroes Revenue</b>	225	114	-111	225
	<b>School Programs</b>	2,500	3,725	1,225	2,500
	<b>Ski Clinics and Private Lessons</b>	3,000	4,016	1,016	4,000
	<b>Ski League Revenue</b>	16,000	15,081	-919	15,500
<b>Revenue Total</b>		<b>47,000</b>	<b>56,718</b>	<b>9,718</b>	<b>57,950</b>
<b>Expense</b>	<b>Athlete Support</b>		5,557	-5,557	
	<b>Okanagan Cup expense</b>		1,781	-1,781	
	<b>Coach Expense</b>	6,000	3,971	2,029	6,000
	<b>Coaching courses</b>	3,500	2,360	1,140	2,500
	<b>Coopers gift card Expense</b>			0	
	<b>CPP Expense</b>		1,134	-1,134	
	<b>EI Expense</b>		804	-804	
	<b>Gaming Account Bank Charges</b>		94	-94	
	<b>Membership Expense</b>	1,500	1,752	-252	1,500
	<b>Race expense</b>		900	-900	
	<b>School Programs</b>		0	0	
	<b>Ski League Expense</b>	1,500	1,920	-420	1,500
	<b>Wages</b>	30,000	30,557	-557	42,450
	<b>Wax</b>	3,000	3,177	-177	3,000
	<b>Subcontractors</b>	1,500	574	926	1,000
<b>Expense Total</b>		<b>47,000</b>	<b>54,581</b>	<b>-7,581</b>	<b>57,950</b>
<b>Ski League Net</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>2,137</b>	<b>2,137</b>	<b>0</b>

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				Variance (+Fav - UnFav)	
		Budget 2015/16	Actual 2015/16	2015/16	Budget 2016/17
<b>Club</b>					
<b>Revenue</b>	<b>Day use Fee Revenue</b>	22,000	25,248	3,248	25,000
	<b>Donations</b>		1,101	1,101	
	<b>Grants</b>		2,000	2,000	
	<b>Lodge Donations</b>				
	<b>Membership Fee Revenue</b>	70,000	65,289	- 4,711	65,000
	<b>Miscellaneous Revenue</b>		409		
	<b>Parking Lot Revenue</b>	1,000	1,899	899	1,500
	<b>Rental Ski Revenue</b>	8,000	11,548	3,548	10,000
	<b>Insurance Collected</b>		10,810	10,810	11,000
<b>Revenue Total</b>		<b>101,000</b>	<b>118,305</b>	<b>16,896</b>	<b>112,500</b>
<b>Expense</b>	<b>Accounting Expense</b>	3,000	14,590	- 11,590	6,000
	<b>Advertising Expense</b>	1,500	1,074	426	1,500
	<b>Athlete Support</b>	1,400	1,400	-	1,400
	<b>Bank and Interest Expense</b>	375	1,153	- 778	900
	<b>Club Event Expense</b>	1,500	911	589	1,000
	<b>Communication Expense</b>	1,500	1,148	352	1,500
	<b>CPP Expense</b>		1,036	- 1,036	
	<b>Day Lodge Operation and maintenance</b>	8,500	10,503	- 2,003	10,000
	<b>EI Expense</b>		635	- 635	
	<b>Groomer Fuel Expense</b>	12,000	7,950	4,050	9,000
	<b>Groomer Maint and Parts expense</b>	6,000	7,702	- 1,702	2,000
	<b>Groomer O'haul</b>	5,000	11,261	- 6,261	-
	<b>Insurance</b>	2,850	3,894	- 1,044	4,000
	<b>Membership Expense</b>	12,500	11,762	738	11,000
	<b>Miscellaneous Expense</b>	500		500	
	<b>Office and Admin Supplies</b>	1,000	1,969	- 969	1,800
	<b>Rental Skis</b>	2,000	4,493	- 2,493	2,000
	<b>Shop Oper and Maintenance</b>	2,000	2,521	- 521	2,000
	<b>Snow Removal</b>	2,500	2,000	500	2,500
	<b>Snowmobile Groomer Expense</b>	2,500	1,253	1,247	1,000
	<b>Timing Equipment Expense</b>			-	
	<b>Trail Maintenance Expense</b>	2,000	160	1,840	2,000
	<b>Wages</b>	15,000	23,942	- 8,942	26,000
	<b>WCB Expense</b>		802	- 802	200
	<b>ATV maint and repairs</b>		894	- 894	500
<b>Expense Total</b>		<b>83,625</b>	<b>113,052</b>	<b>- 29,427</b>	<b>86,300</b>
<b>Club Net</b>		<b>17,375</b>	<b>5,253</b>	<b>- 12,122</b>	<b>26,200</b>

Mark Gunner  
Treasurer

Revelstoke Nordic Ski Club

## 2015/2016 Manager's Report

Hello from the office! This was the second season the RNSC hired a Club Manager. It was a pleasure to work with the Club.

### Schedule:

This position was 35 hours per week, Thursday through Monday. Tuesday and Wednesday was covered by the Operations Manager. If either the Club Manager or Operations Manager needed time off, we arranged it between us to cover the office, using volunteers only a few times this season.

### Office duties:

I began the position November 2. I got a quick run-down from Natelle, and jumped right in. I am very grateful for her thorough documentation and logical organization of her duties and tasks and documents. I spent November meeting with board members to understand how the Club is run, cleaning up the office and the lodge, updating the website and calendar, distributing brochures, scraping wax off rental skis, and more. Ticket sales and rentals really took off mid-December, and remained busy until late February. Sales were highest over the Christmas holidays.

Regular office duties include:

- Opening the lodge, making sure the deck is shoveled and the parking lot is ploughed
- Updating the grooming reports on the website, Facebook, snow-phone, and conditions board
- Ticket and rental sales, selling and printing memberships
- Administrative duties (tracking revenues, email correspondence, visitor inquiries)
- Custodial duties
- Purchasing needed supplies (office supplies, cleaning supplies, tickets, tea and coffee)
- Coordinating groomer schedule
- Bank deposits
- Updating the website and bulletin boards for events and information about the Club
- Attending board meetings

### Funding:

January and February were spent applying for funding. I applied for the following grants:

Name	Funder	Project	Amount
Grant-in-aid	City of Revelstoke	Snowshoes	\$1,913
Via Sport: Local Sports Development Fund	Government of British Columbia	Ski league skis and coaching courses	\$2,000
Community Initiatives	Columbia Basin Trust	Race hosting safety equipment and building maintenance	\$8,300
Community Giving Grant	Revelstoke Credit Union	Race hosting safety equipment and building maintenance	\$8,300

Tourism Infrastructure Grant	City of Revelstoke	Replacement groomer	\$200,000
Economic Opportunities Grant	Columbia Shuswap Regional District	Replacement groomer	\$100,000

We did not receive support for the Via Sport grant for ski league skis. We received \$4,000 from CBT Community Initiatives, and \$1,100 from the RCU Community Giving Grant for race hosting equipment. I have not heard if we received any other support.

Other grants that were talked about but no applications were submitted are the Southern Interior Development Initiatives Trust (this grant “support[s] regionally strategic investments in economic development projects that will have long-lasting and measurable regional benefits for the Southern Interior.”) and the Tourism Infrastructure Grant from Columbia Basin Trust. We can still apply for both grants—the SIDIT has no deadline, and the CBT grant has another intake in July. Good project candidates for these or future grants are maintenance on the Ole Sandberg Hut (SIDIT), the expansion of the parking lot (CBT), and lights for Little Dippet (CBT).

#### **Ticket office financials:**

	2014-15		2015-16		
	Quantity	Revenue	Quantity	Revenue	Change in revenue
<b>Passes</b>	2790	\$ 27,895	2877	\$ 27,111	-2.8%
<b>Rentals</b>	500	\$ 9,245	666	\$ 11,572	25.2%
<b>Ticket Office</b>		\$ 37,140		\$ 40,986	10.4%

We started using a computer-based point-of-sales revenue tracking system this year. It has been useful in tracking sales of trail passes, rentals and lessons. I also tried to use it to track how much money we receive in the fee vault, and where day-users are from. Tracking where visitors are from was moderately successful (just that when it's busy you don't always get around to asking whether they live in Revelstoke or not). I managed to record that *at least* 10% of day-users are not living in Revelstoke, and as I got better at recording, the figure got up to 46%. So my educated guess is that it is close to 40%. We collected over \$1,930 from the fee vault (plus whatever Duane may have collected).

Later in the season, I had the opportunity to get out on the snow to instruct private lessons and the high-school physical education classes. Instructing is a nice compliment to office duties.

#### **Rentals:**

This was the second year of having rentals available at the Revelstoke Nordic Lodge. This season, we had \$2,000 to purchase more kid-sized boots and skis, and also five pairs of skate skiing boots to fill out our size range. When school groups visit, and during the Christmas break (especially the lantern ski), nearly all the rentals are used. Other than that, we have a good

array of sizes available. We will continue to budget for replacing rental equipment, and the next board will decide about keeping with SNS or switching to the increasingly popular NNN binding system.

Kelsey Knoll  
Club Manager  
Revelstoke Nordic Ski Club

## 2015/2016 Ski League Report

This year was another great year for the RNSC Ski League. Matt Smider renewed his contract as Head Coach, resulting in continued growth in our Nordic Youth Community and skill development for our volunteer coaches through Matt's leadership and the support of the Athlete Development Committee. Our programs were successful thanks to the countless hours contributed by our team of 20 volunteer coaches: Pat McMechan, Dominique Paquin, Amelia Brown, Hannah Vickers, Simone Palmer, Koreen Morrone, Brendan MacIntosh, Angus Woodman, Kendra Von Bremen, Janette Vickers, Daniel Blackie, Gabriella Draboczi, Tanya Wolgram, Ann-Marie Gill, Nikki Norrie, Mandy Kellner, Robyn Thomas, Sylvia Wood, Jasmin Brackenbury, & Bruce Granstrom.

Below are a few of the many noteworthy highlights from the season:

- Increase in youth enrolment over last year with 100 kids enrolled.
  - o 22 Bunnies
  - o 10 Jackrabbit 1
  - o 12 Rabbit 2
  - o 10 Rabbit 3
  - o 12 Rabbit 4
  - o 6 Tuesday-only rabbits
  - o 17 Track Attack
  - o 11 Junior Development
- Saturday morning and Tuesday afternoon Jackrabbits session were very well attended.
  - o Saturday sessions for all Jackrabbit levels started Dec 5<sup>th</sup> with a pancake breakfast.
  - o Our Jackrabbit program included 14 Saturday sessions & 10 Tuesday sessions.
  - o Jackrabbits 2-4 were offered a one-hour skate ski focused session Tuesday afternoons.
  - o We reduced the Jackrabbits 1 lesson from 2 hours to 1.5 hours.
  - o Our Bunnies program was 10 one-hour sessions.
- Team Scream was a "Tropical" treat under the leadership of Eleanor Wilson. Sunshine and great organization made for a fun event. Thanks to Terra for the delicious food!
- Amazing fundraising efforts.
  - o We were awarded a \$14,000 BC Gaming Grant in August 2015.
  - o Coopers Card Fundraiser has grown again thanks to the efforts of Natalie MacLeod and Vanessa Morrow.

- Our Bottle Drive team put in a big effort, Koreen sorted Parks bottles
- Lucie organized a 50/50 draw.
- Penny & Richard hosted a concession again this year for the Dirty Feet Trail Race.
- The Ski Nationals Committee raised funds through Cinnamon Bun & McBunny sales in addition to a Raffle.
- Our race team had many accomplishments with numerous skiers achieving personal bests. Our club was well represented right through to the Nationals. Our team placed 3<sup>rd</sup> at BC Championships in Whistler! (More details in Coach's Report).
- OK Cup # 1, hosted by our Club on January 2<sup>nd</sup> was a grand success thanks to the volunteer commitment of our Club. Revelstoke was well represented with many of our young athletes competing for their first time! We hosted 249 competitors for the 1-day race. A special acknowledgement to the Organizing Committee: Mike Thomas, Richard Brittin, Penny Page-Brittin, Koreen Morrone, Jeff Acton, Brad Park, & Matt Smider.

The Athlete Development Committee (ADC) is a group of volunteers that meet on a monthly basis to plan and implement the delivery of youth and adult programs. The Committee consists of:

- Robyn Thomas, RNSC Board Member – Director of Youth Programs
- Matt Smider, Head Coach
- Janette Vickers, Jackrabbit Coaching Coordinator
- Bruce Granstrom, Race Team Support and Liaison
- Penny Page-Brittin, Fundraising and Wax Technician
- Pat McMechan, Bunnies Coaching Coordinator
- Eleanor Wilson, Team Scream Coordinator.

We continue to seek a volunteer to coordinate and liaise with the Masters community and coaching support for the Trailblazers program. This Athlete Development Committee will continue to work/meet through the off-season to ensure fundraising and programming tasks are completed including:

- Track Attack and Junior Development 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, Mandy, Rory, and Robyn.
- Planning programs before advertising in Fall Recreation Guide.
- Planning for NCCP Coaching Courses in the Fall.
- Determining coaching, volunteering, fundraising, and equipment requirements for next season.
- Grant application writing (BC Gaming Grant & WinterSport) in support of Program Costs.

If you want to be a volunteer coach or help out with anything else, please contact the ADC Committee! Coach training is paid for by Ski League.

***I would like to offer my sincere thanks on behalf of the Revelstoke Nordic Youth and the RNSC Executive Board to all the parents, coaches, and volunteers who have invested in our Youth Programs!***

Thank you!

Robyn Thomas  
Director of Youth Programs  
Revelstoke Nordic Ski Club

## 2015/2016 Coach's Report

2015-16 was another successful season for the Revelstoke Nordic Ski Club! Included in this report is a summary of our coach-led programs and events: Ski S'kool and RSS, Adult and Private Lessons and Clinics, the Race Team and the Headlamp Heroes Race Series.

### Ski S'kool

Our Ski S'kool program successfully played host to all grade four students from Arrow Heights, Columbia Park, Begbie View and Ecole des Glaciers. Each class made four visits to Macpherson; enjoying instruction on the Nordic fundamentals, playing a multitude of games and skiing the Dog Loop, Mickey's and Main Loop. Thanks to the teachers and parent-helpers for their support during the visits. Additionally, thanks to Janette Vickers and Louisa Fleming for volunteering their time to assist Coach Matt in leading the sessions.

### Revelstoke Secondary School

Revelstoke Nordic and Revelstoke Secondary School combined efforts to run a successful Nordic program expanded to include all physical education students. All ages of PE classes attended two or three times each, for a total of 21 class visits. Daniel Blackie, Ian Ward and Kelsey Knoll assisted Coach Matt in leading the sessions.

### Adult Lessons, Private Lessons and Clinics and Open Training

A record 101 skiers took part in our adult programming during the 2015-16 season. 19 skiers completed our Adult Beginner classes offered in both skate and classic. 12 skiers completed the Adult Intermediate/Advanced courses, in addition to the many coaches who regularly joined these technique-based sessions. 20 skiers attended the One Day Clinics and 50 individuals took part in private lessons. Kelsey Knoll and Kellen Viznaugh assisted Coach Matt to address the increased demand for private lessons. Open Training sessions ran on non-Headlamp Hero Wednesday nights with a steadily growing group of keen skiers engaging in these intensity-oriented sessions.

### Headlamp Heroes

136 skiers participated over the course of the four-race series. Events included: a classic interval start, free sprints, free mass start and a mixed technique relay. Thank you to all volunteers who assisted at the events, in particular, Wade Viznaugh for his efforts to ensure race-day grooming. Additionally, thank you to our local sponsors for donation prizes for all competitors: Skookum Cycle and Ski, The Village Idiot, Mica Heliskiing, The Modern Bakeshop and Cafe and Flowt Bikes and Skis.

### Coaching Development

Revelstoke Nordic hosted three coaching courses during the 2015-16 season. Six local coaches completed their Introductory Community Coaching (ICC); four completed the Community Coaching (CC); and three completed the Learning to Train (L2T). Thank you to Investors Group

for a generous coaching development grant that assists the club in covering coaching course costs.

### Race Team

The Revelstoke Nordic Race Team has enjoyed a long, successful season of training and racing. As a team, we raced to 4<sup>th</sup> place at the BC Midget Championships in January, and in March scored 3<sup>rd</sup> place at the BC Championships and placed 15<sup>th</sup> overall and 10<sup>th</sup> out of junior teams at the Ski Nationals. Recently, nine out of 16 eligible Revelstoke athletes were named to the 2016-17 provincial teams:

**BC Talent Squad** - Emily Macleod, Jaclyn Elliott, Kolibri Drobish, Nelson Luxmore

**BC Development Squad** - Elizabeth Elliott, Erik Brosch, Simon Blackie

**BC Ski Team** - Alana Brittin, Beth Granstrom

Our program ran through the summer, with Matti Little and Coach Matt directing our twice-weekly summer program offerings, assisted by Robyn Thomas, Bruce Granstrom and Mandy Kellner. Revelstoke athletes on the BC Development Squad were fortunate to participate in a summer training opportunity on the Haig Glacier. Our fall sessions began in September, with three-weekly sessions for the Track Attack and four-weekly sessions for the Junior Development. Coach Matt led these workouts, continually supported by a strong cast of coaches including Robyn, Bruce, Mandy and Kellen Viznaugh. Athletes on the Development Squad participated in two fall camps in Whistler and Revelstoke and an early on-snow camp in Vernon. Similarly, our BC Talent Squad skiers attended a fall camp in 100 Mile House and an early on-snow camp in Vernon. Once winter rolled around, Kip Drobish was added to a superb coaching support team as athletes continued with three or four weekly sessions on-snow. As always, our Holiday Camp was held in December with special guest, Mel Bernier presenting to our athletes and sample pre, during and post food and drink generously donated by Mountain Goodness Natural Foods. Athletes began on-snow training once there was sufficient snow in November and continued their training into March.

Our eldest skiers began their race season in December with NorAm events in Canmore and Vernon. The first event in January was the BCWG trials and Okanagan Cup held here in Revelstoke. January followed with a BC Cup in Vernon, the BC Midget Championships in Salmon Arm and an Okanagan Cup in Kelowna. February saw athletes compete in a BC Cup in Kamloops, Western Championships in Prince George and four of our athletes represented the Thompson-Okanagan region at the BC Winter Games in Penticton. March played host to the BC Championships in Whistler and seven skiers travelled to Whitehorse for the 2016 Ski Nationals.

A big thank you to Matti Little, Robyn Thomas, Bruce Granstrom, Mandy Kellner, Kellen Viznaugh and Kip Drobish for their efforts coaching during the 2015-16 season. In addition to her role as a coach, thanks to Robyn Thomas for her exceptional work as Director of Youth Programs. Robyn also chaired the Athlete Development Committee, joined by Janette Vickers, Bruce Granstrom, Penny Page-Brittin, Eleanor Wilson and Pat McMechan. Thanks to Mel

Bernier and Mountain Goodness Natural Foods for their donated time and product. Our athletes benefited greatly throughout the entire season from the ongoing support and expertise provided by Fraser Sprigings at Helios Rehabilitation and Performance. Thank you to the following who financial supported our athletes heading to Ski Nationals: Pacific Sport, Revelstoke Credit Union, Knights of Pythias and the Revelstoke Nordic Ski Club. Our local Nordic shops, Flowt and Skookum continually strive to support our skiers through the provision of service and competitively priced equipment. Thanks again to Penny Page-Brittin for her tireless efforts as Head Wax Technician, supported by Mike Thomas, Kip Drobish, Bruce Granstrom, Lucie Bergeron, Bev Brosch, Cam Macleod, Bart Larson, Mandy Kellner and Jeff Wilson. Thanks to Tracey Larson, who ensured that our race team was well dressed in Revelstoke colours. Finally, thank you to all unnamed parents and families for the added support at events and for their efforts throughout the entirety of the season.

Top Revelstoke Nordic performances from the 2015-16 race season:

NorAm and Youth Olympic Games Trials\*, December 5th, 6th and 8th in Canmore

- 2nd - Beth Granstrom, 2000 Girls, 5km Classic Interval
- 3rd - Alana Brittin, 2000 Girls, 5km Classic Interval
- 3rd - Kolibri Drobish, 2002 Girls, 2.5km Classic Interval
- 3rd - Jaclyn Elliott, 2003 Girls, 2.5km Classic Interval and 4km Free Mass
- 3rd, Beth Granstrom, 2000 Girls, 6km Classic Interval
- 4th - Alana Brittin, YOG Games Trials (1998 - 2000 Girls), 1.2km Classic Sprint
- 5th - Elizabeth Elliott, YOG Games Trials (1998 - 2000 Girls), 1.2km Classic Sprint

NorAm and Youth Olympic Games Trials\*, December 12th and 13th in Vernon

- 1st - Elizabeth Elliott, 2000 Girls, 1km Free Sprint

\*Alana and Elizabeth (both 15) placed 7th and 8th, respectively, against 15 - 17 year olds nation-wide after both Youth Olympic Games Trials events

Okanagan Cup and BC Winter Games Trials, January 2nd in Revelstoke

- 1st - Fiona Woodman, 2008 Girls, 1.5km Classic Interval
- 1st - Megan Norrie, 2010 Girls, 1.5km Classic Interval
- 1st - Ruby Serrouya, 2006 Girls, 1.5km Classic Interval
- 1st - Natalie Morrone, 2007 Girls, 1.5km Classic Interval
- 1st - Kolibri Drobish, 2002 Girls, 3.75km Classic Interval
- 1st - Alana Brittin, 2000 Girls, 5km Classic Interval
- 2nd - Irah Cameron-Harding, <2010 Boys, 1.5km Classic Interval
- 2nd - Norah Painter, 2008 Girls, 1.5km Classic Interval
- 2nd - Livia McMechan, 2009 Girls, 1.5km Classic Interval
- 2nd - Micayla MacIntosh, <2010 Girls, 1.5km Classic Interval
- 2nd - Elliot Wilson, 2004 Girls, 2.5km Classic Interval
- 2nd - Simon Blackie, 2001 Boys, 5km Classic Interval
- 2nd - Elizabeth Elliott, 2000 Girls, 5km Classic Interval
- 2nd - Marnie Graf, 30-39 Women, 10km Classic Interval

3rd - Nicholas Gill, 2009 Boys, 1.5km Classic Interval  
3rd - Hamish Woodman, <2010 Boys, 1.5km Classic Interval  
3rd - Emilie Paquin, 2008 Girls, 1.5km Classic Interval  
3rd - Sela McMechan, <2010 Girls, 1.5km Classic Interval  
3rd - Maeve MacLeod, 2005 Girls, 2.5km Classic Interval  
3rd - Jaclyn Elliott, 2003 Girls, 3.75km Classic Interval  
3rd - Erik Brosch, 2001 Boys, 5km Classic Interval  
3rd - Patrick McMechan, 30-39 Men, 10km Classic Interval

*BC Cup, January 9th and 10th in Vernon*

1st - Alana Brittin, 2000 Girls, 750m Classic Sprints  
1st - Fiona Woodman, 2008 Girls, 800m Free Interval  
1st - Hamish Woodman, <2010 Boys, 800m Free Interval  
1st - Ruby Serrouya, 2006 Girls, 1.4km Free Interval  
1st - Robyn Thomas, 30-39 Women, 7.5km Free Interval  
2nd - Francesco Morrone, 2004 Boys, 2km Free Interval  
3rd - Elizabeth Elliott, 2000 Girls, 750m Classic Sprints  
3rd - Simon Blackie, 2001 Boys 5km Free Interval  
3rd - Mandy Kellner, 40-49 Women, 7.5km Free Interval

*BC Midget Championships, January 23rd and 24th in Salmon Arm – 4<sup>th</sup> place team*

1st - Ruby Serrouya, 2006 Girls, 2km Classic Interval  
1st - Ruby Serrouya, 2006 Girls, 300m Free Sprints

*Okanagan Cup, January 31st in Kelowna*

2nd - Ruby Serrouya, 2006 Girls, 2km Free Interval  
2nd - Elizabeth Elliott, 2000 Girls, 6km Free Interval  
3rd - Jaclyn Elliott, 2003 Girls, 3km Free Interval  
3rd - Alana Brittin, 2000 Girls, 6km Free Interval

*BC Cup, February 7th and 8th in Kamloops*

1st - Ruby Serrouya, 2006 Girls, 1.5km Free Interval  
1st - Robyn Thomas, 30-39 Women, 10km Free Interval  
1st - Alana Brittin, 2000 Girls, 5km Classic Mass  
1st - Robyn Thomas, 30-39 Women, 10km Classic Mass  
2nd - Nyssa Thomas, 2005 Girls, 2.5km Free Interval  
2nd - Beth Granstrom, 2000 Girls, 5km Free Interval  
2nd - Maeve MacLeod, 2005 Girls, 2.5km Classic Interval  
2nd - Elizabeth Elliott, 2000 Girls, 5km Classic Mass  
3rd - Maeve MacLeod, 2005 Girls, 2.5km Free Interval  
3rd - Emily MacLeod, 2003 Girls, 2.5km Free Interval  
3rd - Elizabeth Elliott, 2000 Girls, 5km Free Interval  
3rd - Ruby Serrouya, 2006 Girls, 1.5km Classic Mass

3rd - Isobel Wilson, 2007 Girls, 1.5km Classic Mass  
3rd - Elliot Wilson, 2004 Boys, 2.5km Classic Mass  
3rd - Kolibri Wilson, 2002 Girls, 3.5km Classic Mass  
3rd - Beth Granstrom, 2000 Girls, 5km Classic Mass  
3rd - Penny Page-Brittin, 40-49 Women, 10km Classic Mass

*Western Championships, February 19th - 21st in Prince George*

1st - Elizabeth Elliott, 2000 Girls, 3.75km Free Interval  
1st - Alana Brittin, 2000 Girls, 800m Classic Sprint and 7.5km Classic Mass  
2nd - Elizabeth Elliott, 2000 Girls, 800m Classic Sprint  
2nd - Beth Granstrom, 2000 Girls, 3.75km Free Interval  
3rd - Alana Brittin, 2000 Girls, 3.75km Free Interval  
3rd - Simon Blackie, 2001 Boys, 3.75km Free Interval Start and 10km Classic Mass

*BC Winter Games, February 26<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> in Penticton*

1<sup>st</sup> – Simon Blackie, Mixed 4x2km Relay  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Erik Brosch, Mixed 4x2km Relay

**BC Championships, March 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> in Whistler – 3rd place team**

1<sup>st</sup> – Ruby Serrouya, 2006 Girls, 200m Free Sprint  
1<sup>st</sup> – Ruby Serrouya, 2006 Girls, 1.5km Classic Interval  
1<sup>st</sup> – Elizabeth Elliott, 2000 Girls, 1km Free Sprint  
1<sup>st</sup> – Maeve Macleod, 2005 Girls, 2.5km Classic Interval  
1<sup>st</sup> – Alana Brittin, 2000 Girls, 7.5km Classic Interval  
1<sup>st</sup> – Robyn Thomas, 30-39 Women, 10km, Classic Interval  
1<sup>st</sup> – Simon Blackie, Erik Brosch and Matt Smider, Open Men, 3x5km Free Relay  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Emily Macleod, 2003 Girls, 400m Free Sprint  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Simon Blackie, 2001 Boys, 1km Free Sprint  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Elizabeth Elliott, 2000 Girls, 7.5km Classic Interval  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Erik Brosch, 2001 Boys, 7.5km Classic Interval  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Tanya Wolgram, 30-39 Women, 10km Classic Interval  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Maeve Macleod, 2005 Girls, 400m Free Sprint  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Erik Brosch, 2001 Boys, 1km Free Sprint  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Alana Brittin, 2000 Girls, 1km Free Sprint  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Kolibri Drobish, 2002 Girls, 5km Classic Interval  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Beth Granstrom, 2000 Girls, 7.5km Classic Interval  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Simon Blackie, 2001 Boys, 7.5km Classic Interval  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Kolibri Drobish, Jaclyn Elliott, Emily Macleod, Midget Girls, 3x2.5km Free Relay  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Elizabeth Elliott, Alana Brittin, Beth Granstrom, Junior Women, 3x3.75km Free Relay

**BC Cup Series Aggregate Awards**

1<sup>st</sup> – Ruby Serrouya, 2006 Girls  
1<sup>st</sup> – Alana Brittin, 2000 Girls

2<sup>nd</sup> – Maeve Macleod, 2005 Girls  
2<sup>nd</sup> Elizabeth Elliott, 2000 Girls  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Simon Blackie, 2001 Boys

Ski Nationals, March 19<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> in Whitehorse, YK – 15<sup>th</sup> place team overall; 10<sup>th</sup> place junior team

3<sup>rd</sup> – Alana Brittin, Juvenile Girls, 5km Classic Interval  
4<sup>th</sup> – Alana Brittin, Juvenile Girls, 1km Free Sprint  
4<sup>th</sup> – Beth Granstrom, Juvenile Girls, 7.5km Classic Mass  
6<sup>th</sup> – Beth Granstrom, Juvenile Girls, 5km Free Interval  
5<sup>th</sup> – Alana Brittin, Juvenile Girls, 7.5km Classic Mass  
8th – Alana Brittin, Elizabeth Elliott, Challenge Girls, 2x3km Classic Team Sprint  
9<sup>th</sup> – Beth Granstrom, Juvenile Girls, 5km Classic Interval  
10<sup>th</sup> – Elizabeth Elliott, Juvenile Girls, 1km Free Sprint

Ski Nationals Aggregate Awards

5<sup>th</sup> – Alana Brittin, 2000 Girls  
6<sup>th</sup> – Beth Granstrom, 2000 Girls  
7<sup>th</sup> – Simon Blackie, 2001 Boys  
9<sup>th</sup> – Erik Brosch, 2001 Boys

Matthew Smider  
Head Coach  
Revelstoke Nordic Ski Club

## 2015/2016 Newsletter and Awareness Report

We produced two RNSC newsletters this season, one in October with 902 views and a second in February with 348 views. The newsletters are created as a post within our Wordpress website, and the link is sent to Club members. The first newsletter of the season is the important one, and is sent to all members from the previous season. It includes information about the upcoming season and members' night. I assume this is why the viewership is so much higher for this first newsletter than for others.

A fair number of email updates are sent out from our Club Manager, Kelsey, our Head Coach, Matt, and me, as well as others from ski league coaches and coordinators. Every year we have conversations about these emails to try to coordinate mailings so as not to fill up peoples inboxes with too many correspondences!

The RNSC website received some updates this year including security updates, better visibility of Club sponsors, a more intuitive path to understanding the ski programs, and a calendar widget on the front page to highlight upcoming events. This was mostly preformed via volunteer work, but we also hired Wizmedia to do some of these updates for approximately \$150.

Our club manager, Kelsey, contributed a lot of posts to the website to help keep it interesting. I feel she played a strong role in supporting me as a volunteer director.

Our 2016 Lantern Ski was very successful. It was the day before our BC cup race, and so there were a lot more people in town and skiing than usual. This made the day very busy, and required prompt set-up and clean-up of the event. We had drinks and snacks at both the Day Lodge and at Ole Sandberg Cabin, with 113 lanterns set up around Main Loop.

After seven years of producing newsletters, and six or eight years on the board (I am not sure which!) I am stepping down from the board of directors. I will continue to contribute to the Club by organizing the annual Lantern Ski, and coaching with the Ski League program.

It has been another great season with the RNSC!

Brendan MacIntosh  
Director of Communications  
Revelstoke Nordic Ski Club

## 2015/2016 Trails and Grooming Report

Despite our warmer than average winter and low snowfall, we had a decent snowpack and superb Nordic conditions. A thorough trail brushing and tree-trimming was conducted in the fall, with two volunteer work parties and help from the BC Wildfire crews. This allowed us to start grooming as soon as there were a few inches of snow on the ground.

Our groomer did experience a few significant breakdowns this winter; however, with the speedy and skillful response of our Operations Manager, Duane, we were able to be back up and running in short order.

This year we had 15 volunteers groom the trail network. Approximately 400 hours were spent grooming—3 hours per session, on average. Big thanks to Al McInnes, Dave Kaegi, Duane Dukart, Harry Van Oort, Kevin Bollefer, Mark Davis, Mark Gunner, Mat Wallace, Pat McMechan, Rob Evans, Rob Jay, Tom Patry, Trent Kappler, and Wade Viznaugh. In addition to grooming, Rob Jay, Al McInnes and a few others spent numerous hours repairing and servicing the machines. Thanks guys!

As for some statistics for this season:

First day of grooming: November 23, 2015

Last day of grooming: April 2, 2016

Number of skiing days: 132+

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

Jeff Ferguson  
Director of Trails  
Revelstoke Nordic Ski Club

## 2015/2016 Operations and Facilities Report

### Grooming Report

- Grooming took place from November 17 to April 2.
- Total days of grooming: 154 days, minus 11 down, equals 143 days for the big groomer.
- Total number of hours this season on big groomer: 390 hours. Last season was 380 hours.
- The snowmobile and quad were used minimally, mostly used to for pre-grooming prep in November and during groomer breakdowns.
- Excellent groomed conditions nearly every day.
- Three major breakdowns (11 days total) during the season required substantial effort and money to repair and minimize downtime.

### Groomer Repairs

- Pre-season work: new radiator, suspension parts, new front engine seal. Done by Dec Prinloth
- Dec. 2015: Rad fan clutch replaced. \$1000
- Jan. 2016: Tiller drive gearbox failed to the point of being unrepairable. A used unit for \$1500 was sourced instead of a new unit for \$5500. The tiller drive motor seal, drive sprocket, and tiller universal joints were replaced at the same time. An additional \$1000 in parts.
- Feb. 2016: Front engine seal failed again – replaced on warranty (Prinloth).
- Feb. 2016: Frame mount for tiller broke on left hand side, also bent some tiller components. New, heavier one made and welded on; tiller components straightened.
- Many minor repairs and adjustments throughout the season.

### Quad Repairs

- Early season repairs include warranty repairs on exhaust system, heat shielding, and brake system.
- After ~35 hours of use, the front differential failed. Also some more brake issues.
- Quad is still in the shop for additional warranty repairs.

### Snowmobile Repairs

- Snowmobile received pre-season tune-up and adjustments to track and steering. Exhaust system was loose and causing excessive noise and oiling up of cylinders. Drive belt was worn to unserviceable and replaced.
- Snowmobile performed without issues for the season with a small amount of use.

### Trails and Trail Lights

- Trails were in good shape for the start of the season and carried through to the end nicely with a little snow road building through the problem spots on Easy Al's and Mickey's.

- Some summer grooming of trails is needed to prevent groomer from hitting rocks, stumps, and dirt piles during early and late season grooming.
- Six trail lights were repaired through the season. Three of them only required cleaning moisture from and tightening of the dummy light sensor. It would be a worth-while summer project to tighten and seal this device on all the lights. The other three required new ballasts, which were covered on warranty.

### **Lodge Repairs and Upgrades**

- Downstairs concrete floor was covered with a non-slip, soft durable rubber made from recycled tires. A grant was received to cover this expense, but the Club paid to have the bathrooms done at the same time for minimal cost. Duane removed the bathroom stalls and fixtures, the base boards, doors and shelves to get a complete and tidy installation. The baseboards were replaced with institutional quality vinyl baseboards that meet health requirements for cleaning. They are sealed to the new flooring to prevent moisture seepage under the walls. The shelving unit was lifted off the floor and a base-kick added to ensure proper cleaning of the floor.
- After a slip on the indoor stairwell, the club decided to replace the stair treads with non-slip, durable rubber treads, also made from recycled tires. The stairwell landing was included to make the entire stairwell non-slip.
- Duane did a substantial amount work on the basement floor and stairwell during ticket office shifts.

### **Hours of Work Breakdown**

- The Operations Manager worked from November 2 to March 30.
- Normal hours of work were three eight-hour days per week. Additional hours were worked for special occasions and major groomer repairs.
- Ticket Office regular hours: 268
- Extra hours in ticket office covering the Office Managers requested extra time off: 66
- Major groomer repairs: 86 (48 of these were above regular shifts)
- Regular workshop maintenance and repairs of equipment, trails, facilities: 164
- Additional hours on basement and stairwell projects: 16
- Total Hours for the season: 600
- Additional volunteered hours (grooming, quick repairs and lubrications on non-work days, organization, communications): 36

Duane Dukart  
Operations Manager  
Revelstoke Nordic Ski Club

## 2015/2016 Dog Loop Report

The Revelstoke Nordic Ski Club continues to provide members with an opportunity to ski with a dog off-leash on groomed cross-country skiing trails. This season, 222 members registered to ski with their dog(s). Members are required to submit their dog's name and description, and sign an agreement to the dog loop policies. Currently, day pass users do not read and sign the dog loop policy. In the future, day-users skiing with their dog(s) on the dog loop, they will be required to read and sign the dog loop policies agreement.

One conflict was reported between a skier and a dog on the dog loop. Not enough information was known to identify the dog owner who did not follow the dog loop policies.

Nine members made financial donations to the Club for maintaining the dog loop.

All members skiing with their dog were advised to be vigilant about removing dog poop from the groomed trail. Many members show good stewardship of the loop by picking up any poop on the track.

This season, 10 more orange trowels were added to the loop. Roadway Ramble has twice as many trowels and posts as last season.

This will be my last year on the RNSC Board and the Dog Loop director. Lucie Bergeron has agreed to replace me on the board. Lucie has been involved with the dog loop since its inception and she will be a diligent, fair representative of members who enjoy skiing with their dogs. Kathy Bellis and Nadine Smith have also volunteered their time to ensure this wonderful loop remains respectful to all Club members and trail users.

Sincerely,

Paula Hill  
Director of Dog-friendly trails and Snowshoeing  
Revelstoke Nordic Ski Club

## 2015/2016 Snowshoeing Report

The Seven Bridges trail provides a pleasant yet challenging snowshoeing experience. The trail is a clearly marked 4.5 kilometer loop that begins and ends near the Revelstoke Nordic Lodge. It goes through open cut-blocks and dense woods. The loop is dog-friendly, and the Club asks that snowshoers tread lightly on the groomed ski trails. Details about the trail are available at the parking lot kiosk, from the website, and at the ticket office. Trail use is free to RNSC members and non-members are required to pay a parking fee of \$5.25 per vehicle. More people used this trail than last season.

November 15, 2015 Revelstoke Nordic Ski Club participated in the RBC Sport Day in Canada by hosting a snowshoe tour on the Seven Bridges Trail. Unfortunately, that day was a predictably rainy Revelstoke day without snow. Although no snowshoes were required, six hardy people hiked the loop.

Future plans are to make a shorter, easier loop that begins and ends at the lodge and to acquire rental snowshoes. An application was submitted January 31 to the City of Revelstoke for a "Grant-in-Aid" for 13 pairs of snowshoes.

This will be my last year with the RNSC board. It has been an eye-opener to see all the efforts that go on behind the scenes to operate this Club. Consider volunteering. The Seven Bridges snowshoe trail is a wonderful loop and is sure to bring visitors and locals to appreciate this trail.

Paula Hill  
Director of Dog-friendly trails and Snowshoeing  
Revelstoke Nordic Ski Club

## Last Season's AGM Minutes

**Revelstoke Nordic Ski Club**

**Annual General Meeting**

**7:00 PM April 13, 2015**

**Revelstoke Nordic Ski Lodge**

Call to order – 7:10 pm

Club Members present: 26

Board Members present: Dave Kaegi (Past President), Brendan MacIntosh, Robyn Thomas, Terra Park, Paula Hill, Debbie Koerber, Josie Woodman and Rob Jay

Absent: Keith McNab, Jeff Ferguson

Meeting was chaired by Dave Kaegi

1. Adoption of Agenda
  - a. Dave proposes, Robyn seconds
2. Review of meeting minutes
  - a. Review of 2014 meeting minutes read by Dave
3. President's Report/Vice President's Report- Keith, read by Dave
  - a. Vice President's report attached.
4. Treasurer's Report- Terra
  - a. Report and budget attached.
  - b. Ellen Tremblay asked if fundraising efforts were necessary with ticket office bringing in new revenue and the need to have a contingency fund for aging grooming equipment and infrastructure was discussed.
5. Manager's Report- Natelle
  - a. Report attached.
  - b. Sarah Newton suggested that future Club Manager/Ticket Office staff record where visitors are from as a way to help get tourism related funding. She also suggested that the Club offer Christmas vouchers to city council and staff so that they can see our facility and be better able to promote it as a tourism destination.
  - c. Sally Thompson asked whether 30 hours per/week for Manager position was sufficient. Natelle explained that the hours vary throughout the season depending on how busy it is. The possibility of hiring someone for Manager's days off was discussed. It was pointed out that the ticket office has become more complicated now that we are offering ski rentals so it is difficult to recruit volunteers.

- d. Heidi Hopkins suggested that someone could be at the ticket office to rent skis and collect fees in the evenings as there are many people that come out for night skiing and do not pay. A need to look into compliance for evening skiing was identified.
- 6. Membership Report- Debbie
  - a. Report attached.
  - b. Demographic make-up of membership has remained fairly consistent. One area identified as lacking is older teens and twenty year-olds. It was suggested that the Club needs to develop strategies to attract this demographic.
  - c. How to attract more boys into the ski league program was also discussed. Ideas included a biathlon program and a better terrain park.
- 7. Ski League Report- Robyn
  - a. Report attached.
  - b. Volunteer opportunities with Athlete Development Committee were discussed.
  - c. Harry Van Oort asked why the Trail Blazers program didn't run this year. It was agreed that this would be a good program to offer and that advertising early in the season may help to generate interest.
  - d. Mike Thomas will be taking over as Chief of Competition and the Club is looking into hosting an OK Cup race in 2015-16.
  - e. Sarah Newton suggested getting a grant to have a bus come up from town for an after school program.
- 8. Coach's Report- Matt Smider, read by Heidi Hopkins
  - a. Report attached.
- 9. Facilities Report- Rob
  - a. Report attached.
  - b. There is some work to be done on the Lodge over the summer: repainting the doors, a work party for the spindles, a grate to be installed.
  - c. Sally Thompson suggested that the Ole Sandberg Cabin needs minor repairs and that the Club should contact Marci Bennett regarding this.
- 10. Communications Report- Brendan
  - a. Report attached.
  - b. Fat bikes, and whether or not to allow them on trails was discussed. It was noted that the bikes are becoming increasingly popular. Brendan did some tests with them this year: When temps are below -2C bikes don't make a lot of impact. The two major concerns are skier/biker interactions (the bikes travel downhill faster than skiers) and the soft section in the middle of our trails left by our groomer. When the bikes go into this section they leave a large mark. Alternatives such as grooming some of the secondary trails with the ginzu or just laying down a track with the snowmobile were discussed. It was decided that the new Executive will need to develop an official policy on fat bikes in the coming year.
- 11. Trails and Grooming Report- Jeff, read by Rob
  - a. Report attached.
  - b. Brushing work for the summer was discussed. Heidi Hopkins mentioned that forestry crews were looking for early season work.

- c. Rob talked about the decision not to hire a paid groomer. Volunteers enjoyed grooming and did a great job this year. Jeff and Rob had an end of season groomers meeting and most of the groomers were keen to come back. Jeff to give more training to volunteers at the beginning of the year, to decrease wear and tear on the machine.
- d. Harry Van Oort suggested a second One Way sign on Main Loop as skiers often go the wrong way.

12. Dog Trails and Users Report- Paula

- a. Report attached.
- b. Sally Thompson asked if there will be snowshoe rentals next year- it is something that the Club will look into.

Duane Dukart asked what the status was on logging plans at MacPherson and logging was discussed by members and the board. Brendan has been receiving emails from concerned members. Over the past year board members have met with BCTS and other stakeholders on a number of occasions. The Club has expressed in a letter to BCTS that it would prefer that no logging take place at MacPherson but that it is particularly concerned about the cut-block near the lodge. Norm Tennant asked what the official Club policy was. Dave said that the Club currently doesn't have an official policy as we represent a wide X section of interests. Putting a vote to the membership was suggested. Michael Morris suggested approaching the minister. It was decided that the new executive will need to make a decision on how to address this and on what the Club's official position will be.

13. Election of Directors- Dave

- a. Dave calls for nominations to the board three times
- b. The following members were nominated: Mark Gunner, Koreen Morrone, Lori Milmine and Kurt Grabinsky. Proposed by Dave. Seconded by Robyn.
- c. Mark, Koreen, Lori and Kurt were elected unanimously. Mark will act as treasurer, Lori as secretary, Koreen as membership and Kurt as president.

14. New Business- Robyn

- a. Special Resolution. A motion was made by Mike Thomas to amend bylaw article 38 to state that the RNSC's fiscal year ends on March 31<sup>st</sup>. Dave seconds. All members in favour of the amendment. Natelle to amend the bylaws document.

There being no other business the Chair closed the meeting at 9:30 pm.