

## **Larch Hills Nordic Society General Meeting**

February 4, 2014

25 members present

**The meeting was called to order at 7:07 pm**

**Additions:** ski patrol (Steve Raffel)

**Minutes:** Minutes of the Dec 3, 2013 GM were reviewed.  
Motion to accept the minutes: Peter Molnar;  
Seconded – Pauline Hixon  
Carried

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Reviewed by Alan Bahen – report attached

- Donation box already over \$13000.00
- Fees paid out by CCBC slightly higher b/c some people register twice.
- Moved \$50000.00 into a new infrastructure account. Account has a higher interest rate.

Motion to accept: Jim Ellis  
Seconded: Al Hardy  
Carried

### **Committee Reports:**

**Membership:** Written report by M. Reagan attached.

**Track setter update:** Steve Rafel – machine is having a hard time with the current hard snow conditions. Looking for feedback on condition of groomed trails. Steve contacted Snow Valley for information regarding their similar machine. Recommended heavier duty sprockets (magnum?). We can currently replace the rubber sprockets under warranty but will look at the cost to upgrading to the magnum sprockets.

**Trails:** Blaine Carson; asked if far-east trails are being utilized. Members mentioned it would be nice to make a loop back to baby moonwalk. Discussion about south canoe and far north – Blaine will bring these up at the joint trail committee meeting this month.

**Snowshoe trails:** Clint Smith; signage mostly complete. New maps now available.

**Safety Committee update:** Jim Ellis. Had 7 people take course on hooking up toboggans to snowmobile. Currently reviewing first aid courses and costs. Will be making recommendations at next safety committee meeting. Chainsaw safety courses – looking at bringing in an instructor at a cost of \$1500 for 10 people. Accident report forms are in all the first aid kits. Filled out forms can be placed in donation box.

Communication – have some donated radios from Terratek but still have dead spots. Alternatively, can rent radios from Vella radio – they have repeaters in the area so the coverage is better. Blaine suggests we need 4 radios. Blaine will review and provide information back to the executive.

**Ski Patrol:** Steve Raffel – the 2 trained individuals are covered under the Canadian ski patrol liability. Provided information on heating blankets – would like to see the club invest in a couple of blankets.

**Programs:** Megan Brooke & Carmen Fennell – **Jackrabbit and skills development program.** No report. – **Junior race team.** Abbi – 4 skiers qualified to go to BC winter games. Reviewed races to date. **Schools Ski Hosts** – Duncan reported that the program went well.

## **Events:**

**Lantern Ski:** - very well attended. Suggestion made to look at ways to include snow shoe participants. Donation was made to second harvest of \$405.17

**R.K.S Loppet: Pauline** – still has some 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary mugs available to purchase. 438 skiers on the start line. 195 kids aged 3-13. Close to 40 up to 17 years of age. Discussed problems with lap/finish lane. Looking at purchasing a sound system.

**Pirate Loppet:** Approx... 550 kids.

**Clint** – Move that the club develop a policy to standardize the colours of snowshoe signs, x-country signs, safety signs and canine trail signs. Seconded by Jim Beckner. Carried.

Announcements – Clint resigning from the website role at the end of the season.

- Will also require a lantern ski coordinator
- Suggestion made to have an improved sign for groomed trails.

## **Adjournment:**

Motion made by Tina Letham to adjourn. Adjourned 0830

AGM March 11, 2014

Minutes recorded by Lisa Wherry.

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### 2013-2014 Budget - 2014

01/10/2013 through 30/09/2014 Using Budget 2013-2014 (in Canadian Dollars)

04/02/2014

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Category	01/10/2013 Actual	- Budget	30/09/2014 Difference
<b>INCOME</b>			
CCBC Fees Collected	9,390.00	9,700.00	-310.00
Chalet Rentals-Net Profit	425.86	500.00	-74.14
Challenge Program Fees	105.00	150.00	-45.00
Donation box donations	13,018.95	14,000.00	-981.05
Jack Rabbits	5,665.00	4,200.00	1,465.00
Junior Race Team	0.00	500.00	-500.00
Loppet donations	0.00	2,000.00	-2,000.00
Members misc donations	2,508.00	2,000.00	508.00
Memberships	57,793.00	60,000.00	-2,207.00
Miscellaneous	863.16	1,000.00	-136.84
Other donations	200.00	2,000.00	-1,800.00
Received on behalf of Race Team	8,800.00	10,000.00	-1,200.00
Ski Swap (net profit)	1,591.62	1,000.00	591.62
Tracksetter Replacement Fund donations	4,995.00	3,000.00	1,995.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>105,355.59</b>	<b>110,050.00</b>	<b>-4,694.41</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
BC Hydro	562.05	2,000.00	1,437.95
CCBC Fees Paid out	9,520.00	9,700.00	180.00
Courses Clinics Meetings	341.00	500.00	159.00
Gas, Oil	4,230.22	10,000.00	5,769.78
Honorariums	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Insurance	4,635.00	6,000.00	1,365.00
Jack Rabbits expense	2,992.09	3,500.00	507.91
Jr. Racing Team	14,800.00	13,800.00	-1,000.00
Maintenance & Repairs, bldgs	743.65	5,000.00	4,256.35
Maintenance & Repairs, Equip	1,137.71	6,000.00	4,862.29
Miscellaneous expenses	3,304.59	4,000.00	695.41
Office Expenses, post, photocopies	459.99	1,500.00	1,040.01
Safety Committee	1,361.18	1,000.00	-361.18
Scholarship	1,250.00	1,125.00	-125.00
Signs & Billboards	911.55	1,000.00	88.45
Snow Removal	2,478.00	3,500.00	1,022.00
Trail Maintenance	5,774.30	7,500.00	1,725.70
Website Maintenance	375.38	1,500.00	1,124.62
Zone 4 Fees Net Income-Expense	3,686.00	3,200.00	-486.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>58,562.71</b>	<b>85,825.00</b>	<b>27,262.29</b>
<b>OVERALL TOTAL</b>	<b>46,792.88</b>	<b>24,225.00</b>	<b>22,567.88</b>



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Membership Report Feb 5, 2014  
Submitted by M. Reagan

General Membership:

- 960 paid individuals (3 unpaid)
- 450 households
  - Frequent Ski Family 173
  - Frequent Ski Individual 102
  - Frequent Snowshoe Family 0
  - Frequent Snowshoe Individual 5
  - Infrequent Ski Family 91
  - Infrequent Ski Individual 63
  - Infrequent Snowshoe Family 9
  - Infrequent Snowshoe Individual 7

About 15% of membership is new members.