

LARCH HILLS NORDIC SOCIETY
General Meeting December 12, 2017
7:00 PM

- ◆ Welcome/Agenda – additions to the Agenda
- ◆ Minutes of October 10, 2017 General Meeting
- ◆ Business Arising:
- ◆ New Business
- ◆ Treasurer's Report
- ◆ Chalet Expansion Committee Update & Fundraising
- ◆ Youth Program Reports: Junior Ski Team
Jack Rabbits – Skill Development Program
Explorers
- ◆ Committee Reports: Land Use and Trails Committee Update
Membership Update
Facilities (Cec's, other) Update
Track Setting/Trails Update
Safety Committee/Safety Hosts Update
Snowshoe Trails Update
- ◆ Additions: *- Trail Hosts*
- ◆ Upcoming Events: **Lantern Ski Dec 28; Okanagan Cup #1/BCWG
Qualification Races Dec 30; Fun Race Dec 30; RKS Loppet Jan 20,
2018**
- Announcements: winter logging update
- ◆ Motion for Adjournment

LHNS GM – SASCU Community Centre

24 members present

Meeting was called to order at 7:06 by Duncan Moore

Additions: Trail Hosts; ski racks

MOTION: Ed Bouma moved to adopt the agenda. Seconded by Craig McBride. Carried

Minutes:

Minutes of the October 10, 2017 GM were not read and are available on the website. Debbie Phillips moved to accept the minutes. Seconded by Kerri Wilkinson. Carried.

Business Arising: Brad Calkins will be chief of race for Joppet; Jim Beckner chief steward

New business: none

Treasurer's Report: Allan Bahen – read and reviewed report - attached. Insurance expenses – increased coverage by \$400,000. Steve Fabro facilitated a modest cost increase of \$400.

Chalet Expansion Committee Update & Fundraising: Suzy Beckner – Applied for \$25,000 from SASCU for specific items and provided quotes. About \$15,000 in donations currently at Cross Country Canada. Building – shingles on; roof for stadium side will be done in the spring. Basement wiring is done. Insulation and vapour barrier to go in next week; drywall in January. Cubbies for basement have been built and will be installed once drywall is in. Profits from Dances with Stars (DWS) were about \$37,000. Plans are underway to do DWS again next year and splitting profits with hospice. Proposed date is Nov 23, 2018.

Youth Programs Reports:

Junior Ski Team – Abbi May – 110 kids. Training up at Larch Hills now. Ski team held a snow camp up at Silver Star at the beginning of December – almost all kids participated. 30 athletes participated in Vernon NorAm races; about 20 going to Rossland. Ok Cup race at Larch Hills on December 30th; Natalie Wilkie attended the Para Nordic training camp and World Cup Para Nordic races in Canmore - placed 4th in all her events and qualified for Paralympics. Natalie and Abbi received FACE grant from Petro Canada to help with training and competition costs.

Jack Rabbits – Skill Development Program – no report

Explorers – no report

Committee Reports:

Land Use and Trail Committee Update- Craig McBride – there was a meeting last night and have been meeting 1x/month. Finalized plan for beginner trail which is about 1.4 km long. Will be communicating with stakeholders and will be getting some construction estimates. A new trail was built off Greenway – need name suggestions. Looking at trail opportunities on private land and are looking to do a loop for the dog trail in there. Shuswap Trails round table meeting took place and several members attended - had a set agenda so not much opportunity to contribute.

Membership update – Jan Naylor - 885 members (last year was 911); 7 just snow shoe; 133 jack rabbits; 12 explorers; 110 ski team.

Facilities Update – Ed Bouma: CEC's – cleaned up; painted table; fixed railing; checking all outhouses. Track-setter report – attached. Acknowledge Brad Digness who donated his time, equipment, and fuel for brushing of the south loops. Safety report – attached. Lantern ski – update attached.

Additions: Trail host – John Henderson – will set up trail hosts to start on December 23rd. Ski racks – have been found.

Upcoming Events:

Lantern Ski Dec 28

Okanagan Cup #1/BCWG qualification races Dec 30

Fun Race Dec 30

RKS Loppet Jan 20/2018 – Planning is going well; Level 2 Officials course was cancelled - rescheduled in Vernon on Jan 13 & 14. Steve King will be announcing; there will also be a sit ski course.

Announcement – logging – will be hauling up/down Metford road from South Canoe so won't be able to ski from South Canoe until February. Tolko logging east of Mums trail postponed until spring. Skookum demo day on Saturday Dec 16th.

Adjournment:

Motion for Adjournment made by Marcia Beckner. Adjourned at 8:20pm.

Minutes recorded by Lisa Wherry.

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Comparative Income Statement - Income to date verses Budget

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	Actual 01/10/2017 to 12/12/2017	Budget 01/10/2017 to 30/09/2018
REVENUE		
General Revenue		
CCBC Fees Collected	14,601.00	25,000.00
Chalet Donations	1,050.00	5,000.00
Chalet Rentals	1,355.00	1,500.00
Courses Clinics Meetings	500.00	0.00
Jack Rabbit Fees & Donations	5,908.00	5,500.00
Members Misc Donations	885.00	2,000.00
Memberships	45,104.00	65,000.00
Miscellaneous Income	27.66	1,000.00
Other Donations	5,525.00	500.00
Jr Race Team	0.00	500.00
Received on behalf of race team	16,038.00	16,500.00
Ski Swap Income	8,016.60	14,000.00
Tracksetter Replacement Fund D...	1,826.00	3,000.00
Trail Fees	0.00	23,000.00
Total General Revenue	100,836.26	162,500.00
Chalet Expansion Revenue		
Donations-Chalet Expansion	0.00	15,000.00
Grants	25,000.00	122,000.00
Fundraising-DWTS Chalet	46,409.85	30,000.00
Member Donations-Chalet Expa...	22,546.00	20,000.00
Total Chalet Expansion Revenue	93,955.85	187,000.00
TOTAL REVENUE	194,792.11	349,500.00
EXPENSE		
Expenses		
Professional Fees	1,965.75	4,500.00
Hydro	363.13	3,500.00
CCBC Fees Paid Out	14,988.80	22,000.00
Chalet Rental - Caretaker	677.50	900.00
Rental Expense	0.00	1,000.00
Courses, Clinics & Meetings	2,232.09	500.00
Amortization	0.00	30,000.00
Gas & Oil	791.66	10,000.00
Honorariums	0.00	6,000.00
Insurance	0.00	10,000.00
Jack Rabbit Expense	2,340.00	4,000.00
Jr Racing Team	19,119.08	2,500.00
R&M Buildings	375.27	2,500.00
R&M Equipment	0.00	6,000.00
Miscellaneous Expense	1,892.83	2,500.00
Office Expense	237.86	1,500.00
Safety Committee	76.93	2,500.00
Scholarships	500.00	2,000.00
Signs & Billboards	415.00	1,500.00
Ski Swap	5,583.02	12,000.00
Snow Removal	0.00	3,500.00
Trail Construction	0.00	10,000.00
Trail Maintenance	3,957.53	10,000.00
Transfer Fees to Jr Team	0.00	16,500.00
Website	0.00	500.00
Zone 4 Fees	3,502.60	3,500.00
Unrecoverable GST	485.66	2,500.00
Total Expenses	59,504.71	171,900.00
Chalet Expansion Expenses		
Misc Expenses - Chalet Expansion	0.00	500.00

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	Actual 01/10/2017 to 12/12/2017	Budget 01/10/2017 to 30/09/2018
Professional Fees - Chalet Exp	500.00	5,000.00
Fundraising Expenses, DWTS - ...	13,129.61	13,000.00
Fundraising Expenses, tbd - Cha...	500.00	1,000.00
Advertising & Promotions - Chale...	107.00	1,000.00
Chalet Construction	96,281.62	150,000.00
Unrecoverable GST Chalet	5,505.95	6,500.00
Total Chalet Expansion, Expen...	116,024.18	177,000.00
TOTAL EXPENSE	175,528.89	348,900.00
NET INCOME	19,263.22	600.00

Account Balances

	Checking	Savings	Total
General	44,729.	20,269.	\$ 64,988
Chalet Expansion	54,213.	49.	\$ 54,262
Track setter Replacement.			\$ 84,000.

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Tracksetter Report

We started grooming the trails with snowmobiles and stairs on November 5 which was about a month and one half earlier than last season. After a week or so of packing snow the snow disappeared after a warm spell melting most of the ski area. We resumed packing later in November and Ginzug grooming and track setting on Dec 2. We have yet to use the Pisten Bulley due to an insufficient amount of snow. Using the PB with only 10cm of snow would result in bringing up dirt and debris. Mixed with the snow it would be a problem well into the season. I would like to acknowledge the hard work by John Thielman, Phil Wallenstein and Jim Nadler and the extra gang for preparing the ski trails. I can take questions before submitting this report.

Safety Report

No incident reported to date and we are in the process of putting up our chloroplast "You are here" signs. We will continue with the Safety Host program like last year. We are training or recertifying 9 safety hosts in OFA-1. On Jan. 11 we have 6 scheduled to take the TEC-1(Safe moving of injured). We have 17 safety hosts in total. We have tentatively scheduled a mock rescue with Salmon Arm Search and Rescue for Feb. 14, 2018 at 18:45.

2017/18 season LHN Members Emergency Contacts list and Cell Service map (2-sided "carry along") will be available at the Chalet – no charge, quantities limited. Cost to print on waterproof paper at Wickett's / Salmon Arm Stationary: \$1.25

A reminder to skiers to check the Safety Hosts Sign Out Board next to Chalet's main door. We suggest taking a photo of the board on your smart phone or make a note before heading out on skiing.

I am tracking safety related incidents so would appreciate contact from someone if that is the case. We are required to notify authorities as part of our management agreement. The purpose is also to review any safety incidents so we can possibly prevent similar cases. I can take questions before submitting this report.

Lantern Ski

Preparation for the Lantern Ski on Dec. 28 are coming along well. The lanterns are ready to go thanks to our servicing crew Rick Hirtle, Jeannetta and George Zorn, Keith Cox, Jim Nadler and a special thank you to Roland Huster for helping and letting us park the lantern trailer on his property and the use of his work shop. I am very grateful to Jim and Marcia Beckner for coordinating the lamp lighter volunteers even though they cannot be here for the event. Pauline Waelti and Peter Molnar will coordinate on the day

so thanks to them as well. I hope to have at least two people at the welcome and sign in desk throughout the evening for short ½ hr. stints. I need about 12 people to make sure guests sign in, explain the routes based on their abilities. Let me know if you can help. I can take questions before submitting this report.

Ed Bouma, Liaison Director for Tracksetting.