

Wasi Cross Country Ski Club Annual General Meeting April 4, 2012

Present: Brenda Holbein, Kerry Somerville, Stephen Hart, Emerson Hunt, Allen Bale, Mogens Christensen, Bryan Boothe, Dianne Labrecque, Jennifer Brown, Lily Boucher, Joan Clark, David Shaw, Paul Revenboer and Marlene Gillis.

1 - President's Welcome

- Brenda called the meeting to order and thanked everyone for attending.
- Brenda commented that she became President after Noel stepped down in mid-term. Brenda expressed appreciation for Noel's many years of work on behalf of the Club. A thank you note will be sent to Noel.
- The ski season started the week after Christmas and ended in March. Brenda thanked the Club groomers for keeping the trails in great condition this season
- Brenda thanked the volunteers who helped with the Club's 3rd Annual Pancake Breakfast. The Pancake Breakfast raised \$400 for the North Bay Food Bank.
- A thank you was also extended to Lily Boucher for her work on the Club's volunteer participation in the East Ferris Winter Carnival.
- Brenda noted that the Club had its 1st Most Kilometres Skied Contest. 27 members participated. A total of 2077 kilometres were skied. The four winners of the contest received Club wineglasses.
- Brenda thanked members assisting with planning for the Club's latest project: the building of a utility garage later this year. She noted that John Roberts is organizing work crews for the garage. Kerry is working on fundraising for the garage.

2 - Presentation of Annual Reports

Treasurer's Report - Bryan Boothe

- Bryan distributed the Income/Expense Report for June 1, 2011 to April 4, 2012. It has been another successful year in financial terms for the Club. The Club's current Book Value is \$20,169.29. The Club's Reserve funds amount to \$36,358.94.
- Bryan advised that the reconciled February and March financial reports are posted on the board members section of the Club web site.
- The Club's books will be audited by Dave Shaw.

Web Master's Report - Emerson Hunt

- Emerson advised that the Chalet Hosting section of the website can now be updated by Allen and Jennifer.
- Emerson noted that the Club's Facebook page is popular. There are now 54 members.
- Emerson noted that the website costs \$50 per year.

Registrar's Report - Kerry Sommerville

- Kerry distributed a report containing membership statistics. She noted that there were slightly fewer memberships this season (179 memberships in 2011/2012 down from 201 memberships in 2010/2011) and slightly fewer members this season (309 members in 2011/2012 down from 331 members).
- It was noted that there is still a discrepancy between the total fees recorded as received by Kerry and the total amounts reflected in Bank deposits. Bryan and Kerry will review this in order to reconcile the amounts.

Trails Report - Stephen Hart

- Steve thanked trail groomers and other volunteers.

- It was noted that the short cut at the 8 km and 15 km intersection has proven popular.
- The equipment is being put away for the summer. New equipment includes a brush cutter (Trim Mower) and a soon to be purchased Gooseneck hitch.

Building Report - Allen Bale

- Allen distributed his building report detailing Chalet, Woodshed and Outhouse repairs and upgrades over the past season. Allen noted that the Club purchased a regulator for the solar power system.
- Allen noted that the Chalet hosting program continues to improve. The feedback from visitors and members is positive. Allen extended a thank you to Emerson for the improvements to the Chalet Hosting page on the website and a thank you to all Chalet host volunteers.

Newsletter/Publicity - Joan Clark

- Joan was thanked for her great work on the Club's newsletters.
- Joan noted that Facebook is a good way to get information out to members. It was suggested that for next season Kerry include a note on membership receipts inviting members to join the Club on Facebook.

Garage - John Roberts

- A discussion regarding construction of the garage was deferred till later in the evening.

Trespassing - Brenda Holbein

- The Club is working with OPP Provincial Constable Scott Hardwick on our trespassing issues. There were incidents of trespassing in December and March. The OPP has agreed to issue a press release at the beginning of the next season in order to educate the public about the Club and the conditions of the Club's Land Use Permit.

3- Selection of Board Members

- Allen Bale headed up the Nominating Committee. He was assisted by Mogens Christensen. A total of 9 to 15 directors are required per the Club's constitution.
- It was not necessary to hold an election. 14 director positions were filled by the following individuals by acclamation: Brenda Holbein, Joan Clark, Lily Boucher, Dave Shaw, Paul Revenboer, Emerson Hunt, Jennifer Brown, Bob Graham, John Roberts, Stephen Hart, Kerry Sommerville, Gilles Lefebvre, Bryan Boothe and Marlene Gillis.
- Brenda extended a welcome to new board members - Dave Shaw and Paul Revenboer.
- Brenda extended a thank you to four directors stepping down this year: Noel Porlier, Allen Bale, Mogens Christensen and Dianne Labrecque.

4 - Adjournment

- *Bryan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Mogens.*

As recorded by Marlene Gillis