

**Wasi Cross Country Ski Club Annual General Meeting
April 5, 2022**

Present: Board members: Kerry Somerville, Tim Collins, Emily-Ann Smylie, Scott Taylor, Terry Shakell, Martin Lachapelle, Doug Croskery, Auburn LaRose, Susan Weiskopf, Gerri Van Amelsfoort, Elaine Oshell, Donna Taylor and non-board members Steve Hart and Mary Marrs. Via Teams.

Welcome and Call to Order

- Susan called the meeting to order at 7.02 p.m.

Approval of the Agenda

- Moved by Kerry, seconded by Gerri.

Approval of the Minutes from 2020-21 Annual General Meeting, April 6, 2021.

- Moved by Auburn, seconded by Emily-Ann.

Business Arising from the Minutes

- None.

President's Report:

- See attached report.

Treasurer's Report:

- Tim reported on another successful year. There are no outstanding bills for the coming year. He noted insurance and fuel costs are on the rise and chalet costs will rise once we are allowed to open it. See attached report.

Webmaster's Report:

- Martin reported that all went well with the website re-design, completed in collaboration with Auburn. The goal to make it more streamlined and easier to navigate was accomplished. See attached email.

Registrar's Report:

- Emily-Ann reported a very busy but smooth year. Our membership reached a total of 506, down from the previous year's record of 563. Again, due to Covid-19, all registrations were done online through Zone 4. Day pass prices remained at \$10 for adults and \$5 for children. Tim was happy that he no longer had to roll coin dropped in the box.
- This was our first year to not issue tags, which made Emily-Ann's job much easier. See attached report.

Trails Report:

- Scott reported that the trail work completed in the summer of 2021 achieved its goal of allowing grooming to begin earlier in the season. The ski season started later than some years due to weather conditions but, all in all, proved to be a good season. Steve had to reweld and repair one of the groomers; we have nine volunteer groomers including one woman, the snowmobiles required their usual repairs and maintenance.
- A flood on the first hill was quickly dealt with by Steve and Tim, a detour put in place and no ski time was lost.
- Tim noted that members are always thankful to the groomers when they meet them on the trails.

Building Report:

- Doug reported that for the second year in a row the chalet was closed due to pandemic protocols. Temporary solutions such as the outdoor sign-in station and door slot for day use payments worked seamlessly. A more permanent outdoor fire pit was well used and will probably be maintained in the future. Doug thanked the cleaning crew who cleaned five days a week. See attached report.

Media Co-ordinator Report:

- Auburn reported Facebook has become her main tool for promoting events such as registration, our limited events this year and to send out friendly reminders to members. See attached report.

New Business

- Auburn had a question about requests to purchase bulk day passes as gifts. Kerry replied that it is possible to set up but will necessitate closing down our page, which could be done after the end of the season. Next year it will be possible to purchase as many passes as requested and it will not be necessary to use them all on one day.
- Steve suggested that next year we do some random spot checks and remind day users to pay.
- Our slate of officers and board members at large for the 2022-23 season remains the same and is as follows:
 - President: Susan Weiskopf
 - Vice-President: Terry Shakell
 - Treasurer: Tim Collins
 - Webmaster: Martin Lachapelle
 - Media Co-ordinator: Auburn LaRose
 - Registrar: Emily-Ann Smylie
 - Secretary: Elaine Oshell
 - Groomers: Scott Taylor, Tim Collins and team
 - Building: Doug Croskery and team
 - Members at large: Chuck Poltz, Gerri Van Amelsfoort, Kerry Somerville and Donna Taylor.

Adjournment – meeting adjourned at 7.30 p.m. Moved by Scott, seconded by Kerry.

As recorded by Elaine Oshell.

REPORTS

2022 Wasi Ski Chair's Report

Thank you all for your continued dedication to the club and most especially, a very big thank you to our trails crew – so many changing snow conditions and all the extra trees to clean up this season.

This tends to be my most busy time of the year for work, so I feel very neglectful of the administration of the club. My goal before next season is to have reviewed the constitution with the core executive group to make sure that important tasks are not missed, and to establish a smooth way in which to ensure the process moves forward as the board evolves. With the Business Registry items fixed up, we now have a process for making changes to the board and ensuring they are up-to-date with the government.

I am looking forward to working with interested parties to prioritize projects for the further enhancements of our trails, supporting buildings, equipment, etc in the off-season. Perhaps this year we can make a successful bid for Trillium Funding to make further improvements to infrastructure and other programs that may us more into the surrounding community.

Thank you for being patient with the technology challenges for some meetings. Perhaps we can also move towards having some in-person meetings in good weather and decide if virtual meetings are still the most expedient during the winter months.

Susan Weiskopf,
Chair

Wasi Cross Country Ski Club Treasurer's Report

Annual Financial Report – September 1, 2021 to April 1, 2022

The club is in very good financial shape for the 2021-22 ski season. We do not have any outstanding bills for the coming year. Insurance and fuel cost are rising, and chalet cost will rise once we open the building.

Date	Balance (Chequing)	Balance (GIC)	Debit	Credit	Comments
April 1, 2021	72 342.26	13 017.66			Total 85 359.92
April 1, 2022	45 017.68	13 050.20			Total 58 067.88
Sept. 1, 2021 – April 1, 2022			26 059.59	32 876.80 Zone 4: Memberships 26 140.00 Day Use: 715.00 Day Use(Cash) 6 021.80	2020-21 Difference -4 090.00 -1 265.00 -5 546.40

Major Accounts	Amount	Comments
Chalet	3 132.39	Covid 19, Snowplowing, Outside Fire Pit
Fuel	1 254.67	All Machines
Equipment & Maintenance	2 599.38	Snow Machine & Groomer Maintenance
Insurance	1 426.68	Snow Machines
Land Tax	648.68	
Trail Improvements 2021	39 385.13	Note: 16 178.85 paid in this year – 11 452.85 over budget for repairs to rental truck.
Shipping Container 2021	6 418.40	Note: over budget 3 000.00 from 2020 quote.

**Wasi Ski Club Memberships
2021-2022**

~~Register - Emily Ann Smylie~~

2021-2022 Memberships	December	January	February	March
Single	48	69	77	78
Senior	51	60	68	70
Couple	32	41	44	44
Senior Couple	43	58	62	62
Family A	19	25	28	28
Family B	4	10	12	12
Total Memberships	341	451	503	506

2021-2022 Wasi Membership

78	Single
70	Senior
44	Couple
62	Senior Couple
28	Family A
12	Family B

506 Members

2020-2021 Wasi Membership

93	Single
65	Senior
61	Couple
57	Senior Couple
33	Family A
18	Family B

563 Members

2019-2020 Wasi Membership

40	Single
33	Senior
27	Couple
26	Sr. Couple
12	Family A
5	Family B

240 Members

Building Report Wasi Ski Club AGM 2021-22

- For the second year in row, COVID-19 meant that the interior of the chalet was closed to members.
- The outdoor sign-in stand was continued to be used and members were again encouraged to physical distance when using the Club facilities.
- The temporary door and a slot for day passes was also used once again. This temporary system for payment and the sign-in system worked seamlessly this season.
- Hand sanitizer stations were once again set-up: one at the front of the chalet near the outdoor sign-in stand and one each on the women's and men's outhouses. The stations worked well and were again well used by members.
- To compensate for the loss of the chalet this season, a more permanent outdoor fire pit, wind barrier and solar lights were installed in the Fall. This was also well used throughout the season and was popular with members with many positive comments. The outdoor fire pit can become an alternate gathering area for members in addition to the chalet itself in coming years.
- In addition to the fire pit area, a new ski rack was installed prior to the start of the season.
- It is anticipated that members will be allowed full use of the chalet for the upcoming 2022-23 season. This will require some cleaning and stocking of supplies to the chalet and removal of the current temporary door and sign-in station to allow for the return to in-chalet sign-in.
- A cleaning crew was again established and graciously volunteered their time this season to ensure that the COVID-19 protocols were being met and that the chalet area, outhouses and fire pit areas were maintained. A special thanks to Kerry, Gerri, Liz and Terry Shakell and Doug for a great job maintaining a five day per week cleaning schedule.

Submitted by Doug Croskery

Media Coordinator End of Season Report: 2021-2022

This year was another unique year on the advertising and media front. I promoted online registration through local media outlets, the East Ferris Edition, and Facebook. While we did not have as many events again this year, I was also able to promote February's moonlight ski and snowshoe via the Facebook page in addition to the new Ladies Ski/Snowshoe Days. The Facebook page was also used to put out a call to new members, advertising for the Canadian Ski Marathon, and send out friendly reminders to our membership (e.g., a reminder to not walk on the ski trails).

Engagement on our Facebook page peaked around Christmas and was fairly sustained through January and February with membership appearing to especially appreciate updated trail condition information.

Our updated website also offered a place for the public to ask questions. While I did not keep a log of questions asked, I would say each week would yield between 2 and 5 questions/comments through the website. Often, these were easy to answer and those that were not we shared with the Board, President or Former President for feedback.

Webmaster End of Season Report

Martin and Kelly Lachapelle <lachapelle.mk@hotmail.com>

Tue, Apr 5, 2022 at 7:01 PM

To: Auburn Larose <auburn.larose@gmail.com>, Scott Taylor <88invader@gmail.com>

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Hi everyone,

Below is my report.

Regards,

Martin

This year, in collaboration with Auburn, we did a complete re-design of our website. It's much more streamlined and easier to navigate through than the old one.

Some of its improved features include:

- The landing page is now more of a summary page. A lot of the description that was found in the landing page is now found in the "Club Info" page.
- A new "current volunteer opportunities" page
- An "events" page with flyers.

I look forward to continue my role as the webmaster, and I'll continue to look for ways to continuously improve our website!

As an aside, I also look forward to continue trail grooming, as well as doing what I can for the club in many capacities – including on and off the board.

Wasi Cross Country Ski Club

Annual General Meeting 2021

April 5, 2022

Virtual meeting via Microsoft Teams

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