

**Birkebeiner Nordic Ski Club
Committee Meeting, Wednesday, 17 June, 2015
Hoppet Office, 7.30pm**

Minutes

1. Attendance

Ronice Goebel (RG), Ann Bellingham (AB), Blair Hume (BH), Alice Hamilton (AH), Marg Trnka (MT), Doug Hamilton (DH), Michelle Forrer (MF), Jim Gargan (JG), Nick Wright (NW), Helen L'Huillier (HLH).

2. Apologies

Allan Marsland, Ian Franzke, Penny Goebel, Kerry Lucas, Paul L'Huillier.

3. Minutes of the previous committee meeting held on 15 April, 2015

Motion:

That the minutes of the meeting of 15 April true and correct record.

Moved: Marg Trnka

Seconded: Ann Bellingham.

Carried.

4. Matters arising from the minutes

None.

5. Correspondence - See correspondence schedule.

Members noted the tabled schedule of correspondence.

6. Business arising from the Correspondence

None.

7. Reports

7.1. Treasurer's Report

AB tabled a financial report and asked if the committee knew of any other expenses arising from the Clubhouse.

Action: RG will talk to IF regarding clubhouse improvements and expenses.

Dylan Court of the AGL has offered to rewire the Race Hut.

The yet to be constructed new ski racks were discussed. BH will talk to Jeff Sorenson about where he would like the racks placed to allow access for groomers.

Action: BH

Motion:

That the tabled financial report be accepted.

Moved: Marg Trnka

Seconded: Jim Gargan.

Carried.

7.2. Search and Rescue

JG noted that two new rescue stretches have been bought and the Bendigo Bank have donated \$1000 towards their purchase. JG advised he had resigned as a field officer, and Bob Flower, Rob Boland and Jeremy Roseman will be the North East Field Officers.

LHL raised the membership status of 12 prospective members of the Search and Rescue squad from Omeo, who needed to become BNSC members to join the search and rescue squad. The processes for them becoming members have not been completed. JG will clarify their membership application and other options.

Action: JG

7.3. Race Committee

MT noted that planning for the BNSC events on the race calendar were on track.

7.4. Junior Committee

The Birkie Camp is full after a few days of calling for applications. Most applicants are current BNSC members.

7.5. Kangaroo Hoppet Race Committee

HLH reported there had been a meeting of that committee last Wednesday. She said no one had been identified to do the announcing at the event. The committee was asked who could do this, it could be 1 or 2 persons. There is also a need for a chief of race who would be a person who won't race, and whose duties would include problem solving in the race.

Alice Hamilton volunteered to play a role in organising the presentations, and the committee thanked her for this. BH asked if the committee should call for volunteers for the chief of race function. JG is writing a job description for the chief of race.

Motion:

That the report be accepted.

Moved: Helen L'Huillier

Seconded: Alice Hamilton.

Carried.

7.6. Clubhouse

The tabled report was noted.

Motion:

That the report be accepted.

Moved: Ronice Goebel.

Seconded: Marg Trnka.

Carried.

7.7. Social Committee

The tabled report was noted. The committee thought the excellent speaker at the casserole dinner should be thanked in writing. DH will send BH the BNSC letterhead.

Action: DH

The meeting noted that the proposed date for the mid-season dinner, 23 July 2015, was suitable.

Motion:

That the report be accepted.

Moved: Nick Wright.

Seconded: Blair Hume.

Carried.

7.8. Newsletter and Membership Secretaries

HLH noted a list of members had been sent to committee members. There are so far 207 members

Motion:

That the report be accepted.
Moved: Jim Gargan.
Seconded: Ann Bellingham.
Carried.

HLH noted the following persons had applied to be new members and asked the committee to approve their applications:

- Chris Delaney
- Paddy Honey
- Yvette Hind
- Teguin McManamny
- Linda Terlikar
- Danny Ruedin
- Nadia Mellor.

Motion:

That the above listed applicants be accepted as new members of the BNSC.
Moved: Helen L'Huillier.
Seconded: Ann Bellingham.
Carried.

8. General Business

8.1. Race Timing proposal

MT spoke to her report, and summarised the advantages and disadvantages of the different options. The meeting discussed the report.

DH noted he had been advised by Alan Marsland by email that he supported the proposal but that system suggested could not be used for timing the Hoppet at the moment.

Motion:

That the report be accepted and the meeting accepts the recommendation that the proposed system be purchased at the noted price.

Moved: Nick Wright.

Seconded: Michelle Forrer.

Carried.

8.2. Race Hut Electrical Upgrade

RG will contact IF regarding the rewiring of the race hut, to prevent the power system tripping off when overloaded particularly by skiers' waxing irons. If this rewiring is not possible it was suggested that race participants be advised waxing at the hut was not possible.

8.3. Eric Storvall - Overseas Coach

Eric Storvall is to be the club coach and will arrive soon. Nick Wright is to be the liaison person for Eric in Mount Beauty. Accommodation has been arranged.

RG will discuss paying Eric's airfare with AB.

Action: RG

8.4. Roller skis

The roller skis are at the Blackwell's and not in good nick, with some needing to be scrapped. Two new wheels have been purchased. RG will discuss funds for purchasing more wheels with AB.

8.5. Adult Instruction

Jim Gargan said he supported instruction for adults continuing. RG noted Ewan Watson had offered to coach this season and that he could provide coaching to adults.

8.6. Club uniform/race suit proposal

RG said this suit would not be provided for next year due to work pressures on KL. It is now aimed to provide it for next season. She noted taht a new BNSC race suit proposal is being developed and options will be put forward later this season with a view to production in 2016.

8.7. SSAXC meeting report

This meeting will be next Monday. It is now called Ski Cross Country Victoria. A report will be agended for the next executive meeting.

8.8. Dryland Training 17/5/15

The training was successful and participants were reminded to apply for partial reimbursement of some of the cost.

8.9. Alpine Shire 2015-16 Event Funding Program

The Ski de Femme will consider making an application for the Shire funding.

8.10. Newsletter Deadlines

DH noted that PLH had advised that the newsletter deadlines in 2015 were 1/7, 1/8, 1/9, 1/10.

Possible items for the newsletter included:

An article on the new timing system.

An article on volunteerism

9. Next Meeting – 15 July, 2015

The meeting closed at 9.01 pm.

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