

**Birkebeiner Nordic Ski Club
Committee Meeting
7.30pm, Wednesday 13 April, 2016
Neighbour Centre, Mt Beauty**

MINUTES

1. Attendance

Ronice Goebel (in the Chair), Ian Franzke, Kerry Lucas, Helen L'Huillier, Allan Marsland, Nick Wright, Jim Gargan, Alice Hamilton, Bob Flower, Marg Trnka, Doug Hamilton (Secretary).

2. Apologies

Michelle Forrer, Penny Goebel, Tony Keeble, Ann Bellingham.

3. Minutes of the previous committee meeting held on 10 October 2015

Motion:

That the minutes of the previous meeting be acknowledged as a true and proper record.

Moved: Doug Hamilton.

Seconded: Nick Wright.

Carried.

4. Matters arising from the minutes

None.

5. Correspondence

Doug Hamilton read from the circulated list of correspondence.

6. Business arising from the Correspondence

Regarding the advice from the Victorian Ministry for Sport that the club will be provided with a defibrillator in May or April, Doug noted that the club is required to nominate at least 20 members or volunteers to be trained in its operation. St John's Ambulance will contact Ian Franzke regarding this.

7. Reports

7.1. Treasurer's Report

On behalf of the Treasurer, Doug noted the Club's fixed deposit needs to be rolled over, but some money might be brought to cash to cover the period until membership fees arrive.

He reflected that in May 2016 that meeting had discussed increasing fees. The committee saw no need to increase fees this year

Motion: That membership fees remain unchanged this year.

Moved: Jim Gargan

Seconded: Ronice Goebel

Carried.

Motion: That the Treasurer's report be accepted.

Moved: Ronice Goebel

Seconded: Marg Trnka.

7.2. Search and Rescue

Ian Franzke advised there had been a call out where the squad had been called to a base at Corryong. Luckily the missing person was located before Ian's squad left base.

Winter training for BSAR will be conducted this winter season probably on the weekend of the Hotham to Dinner Plain race.

7.3. Race Committee

The committee has not met since last year. It has been working on timing with the new timing equipment in preparation for timing the Hoppet. It will was used for the Myrtleford fun run and will be used for four events before the Hoppet and the Mount Beauty Half Marathon.

7.4. Junior Committee

Ronice read from Michelle's report on details for the Junior Birkie Camp. The committee agreed that the junior program should be provided with supports through club funds.

Motion: That \$500 should be allocated to the Junior Program.

Moved: Jim Gargan

Seconded: Marg Trnka

Carried.

7.5. Kangaroo Hoppet Race Committee

Bob Flower has a report about the race which will be tabled at the AGM. Helen said that the Planning Committee has met about 10 times. Event Plus has been engaged for the race entries this year. Graeme Bottomley is working on social media for the race.

7.6. Clubhouse

Nick read Tony's report. It was agreed that Tony should proceed with costing the splashback.

Regarding the Ski Rack, Doug Hamilton, Bob Flower will form a subcommittee to measure and draw up potential locations. Jim Crebbin might be invited to contribute. On a related matter the red trailer will be relocated by Nick Wright from beneath the veranda.

7.7. Social

Kerry noted the success of the end of year BBQ. The committee agreed that the casserole dinner should be held on the Queen's Birthday weekend. Kerry is thinking about a guest speaker. The committee also agreed that the Mid-season Dinner should be held on 21 July.

7.8. Newsletter and Membership Secretaries

Given the AGM is to be on 18 May and 14 days notice should be given to allow for committee nominations it was agreed the first newsletter should be published about 25 April.

8. General Business

8.1. Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting will be held on Wednesday 18 May with the venue the Neighbourhood Centre. Nominations for committees will be called for in the Newsletter and nomination forms available on the website.

Committee members will consider potential new ordinary members.

8.2. Volunteers and date for Falls Creek trail works

It was agreed the trail works will be conducted on the weekend of 7 and 8 May. The Clubhouse clearout and the trail works will be on Saturday. A BBQ could be held after the work is complete. Trail work that might be undertaken includes clearing out underneath the Racehut, relocating the red snowmobile trailer, and other works nominated by Geoff Sorensen.

8.3. Overseas Coach

Kristian Holmsen a 25 year old ski coach from Norway will be the ski coach in 2016. He is experienced in coaching children and adults. Billets have been organised for him for two two week periods but a further volunteer is being sought for the final fortnight of the season.

8.4. Report on Canberra SSAXC Meeting

8.5. SSAXC Awards Night

Philip Bellingham received the award for Cross Country Skier of the Year
Jarrah Forrer was the Junior Achiever of the Year
Ronice received an award for volunteer of the year.

8.6. SSA National Participation Committee

This committee is being formed to work on increasing participation in all snow sports. Ronice said a Melbourne based cross country representative would be ideal and she will contact Andrew Paul to see if he is interested.

8.7. Planning Permit application for use of and construction in Nordic Bowl

Allan Marsland viewed the application at Falls Creek yesterday. He briefed the meeting and provided a copy of an 'Application Summary'. The proposal was extensively discussed and it was agreed that Ronice, Doug and Brian Keeble would attend FCRM tomorrow and prepare a response from the Club's perspective.

8.8. Club Jacket

Kerrie showed a form fitting athletes jacket as an example of what could be made, and there was discussion. The jacket should be available in a form that is affordable for a majority of members. Kerrie and Alice will do some market research and make a recommendation.

8.9. Clubhouse ski rack

Doug and Bob will form a subcommittee and seek contributions from Jim Crebbin. Doug will measure the existing rack and the areas it might be placed in.

8.10. Schedule Meeting 2016

With the addition that there will be no meeting in August the circulated schedule of meeting was accepted.

9. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be the Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 18 May 2016. The venue will once again be the Neighbourhood Centre.

10. Meeting Close

The meeting closed at 9.45 pm.