

PRESIDENT'S REPORT, MAY 2021

Welcome everyone.

2020 was the season that never was. A poor snow year combined with Covid-19 restrictions meant that ski days were few. It can only get better.

The committee decided last year to waive membership fees in light of the uncertainty of the season ahead. In retrospect this was the right decision as none of the usual club programs could occur and lodge access was unavailable. However, we start this year in a good position with our membership intact and our financial position very similar to this time last year. The BNSC committee continued to meet all through 2020 and are back in action, continuing to work in the interest of both our members as well as the broader XC community. Thanks to all.

Despite the difficult year, BNSC still managed some significant achievements in 2020.

Achievements

- Financial commitment to Falls Creek Resort Management for the proposed Nordic Bowl development (outcome pending)
- Clubhouse lease renewal documentation delivered to FCRM
- Further improvements to the race hut (Brian Keeble)
- Commencement of a Junior program at Mount Beauty (Paul Gray and Tim Retchford)
- Running an outstandingly successful 'virtual kangaroo Hoppet' (through Hoppet committee)

Let's hope for a great season – we deserve it.

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