

Birkebeiner Nordic Ski Club Committee Meeting

October 19<sup>th</sup> 2021

Hoppet Meeting Room/ZOOM cyberspace Mt Beauty

MINUTES

1. Attendance: PG, MT, ES, NW, RG, AM, MF, JM, SG, ET, AB, WS, KP.
2. Apologies: PS.
3. Minutes of the previous committee meeting held on July 27th 2021.

Apologies to Kate for not receiving the minutes of September's meeting.  
Passed: PG Seconded: AM

4. Matters arising from the minutes

Lease and Business Plan update: current status: all paperwork submitted. Thank you for all your work on this Marso. It now needs to be signed off by the board.

5. Correspondence

In :

- Biathlon Wodonga Grant (ES). Telemark NSC missed out on the grant they were hoping for. They want to know how much demand there would be for this facility by BNSC members.
- FCRM – lease Renewal
- Bush Walking Victoria Newsletter and Invoice
- FOE – Snowgum Dieback information in newsletter. **Action:** Ronice to fwd to committee.
- Volunteer Discussion Paper (SG) as emailed out.
- North East Sports Assembly (RG) Phone call offering assistance (grants, covid/bushfire impacts). Ronice to send out more info at a later date.

6. Business arising from the Correspondence  
NIL

7. Reports.

7.1. Treasurer (JM)

Report emailed out.

Michal suggested a change from PayPal to Stripe as it is much easier to use.

**Action:** JM and MT to discuss and make this change

Passed: SG Seconded: JM

7.2. Search and Rescue (WS)

Nothing to report

7.3. Race Committee & Race Hut (AB/BK)

Report emailed out. To be addressed at a later date.

7.4. Junior Committee (MF/RG)PG

No Report. PG suggested we buy some second hand roller ski's for \$60 for junior program. PG would like to move the roller skis to Hoppet office for the summer. PG to organise with AM.

7.5. Kangaroo Hoppet Race Committee (AM)

Nothing to report

7.6. Clubhouse (PS)

No report. PG queried if everything has been switched off. Fridge cleaned out. **Action:** WS offered

to

check club house this Thursday or Ewen on Friday. Mish had done this.

7.7. Social (ET/MF)

ET: Mid-season dinner did not occur. Committee are keen to have the end of season BBQ at the Pondage in November.

**Action:** ET and MF to work on this and set a date.

7.8. Membership (NW)

355 members to date. Membership has decreased over the past two years.  
All reports passed: AB Seconded: KP

## 8. General Business (8:00 – 9:00)

- 8.1 ANARE/FCRM development (ES). The documents have been emailed out. Page 26/27 shows the overall masterplan. Master plan has been around since 2016 and now FCRM have the funding to enact the plan. Items relevant to BNSC: the Nordic bowl, Windy Corner, Lakeside development. FCRM have received 2.5M. Anare shed to be a Summer hub for Falls to Hotham Xing, café etc. and also in Winter. This is planned to happen 2023 onwards. ES stated he has a possible conflict of interest wanting the research facility to go ahead but concerns with the XC ski plan. **Action:** BNSC would like to be involved in discussions with FCRM over this summer regarding this development. RG: A meeting needs to happen ASAP (plus/minus/strategies/communication to other user groups?). Small group to enact this: (all committee members except JM, NW) after ES meets with FCRM and AM reports back after stakeholder meeting.
- 8.2 CONQUESTATHON future – Hoppet/BNSC (AM), AM emailed out information. Lions are wanting to hand this event over for 2022 event. Could be a good fundraiser for Hoppet/BNSC. Finances (\$1000 minimum). Base fee with % of entry fees. WS: Volunteered to head a sub-committee. Suggested to move the date as long weekend clashes with 3 Peaks bike event and family holidays (so hard to find volunteers). NW: Trail running community is growing, Bright runners do not necessarily hear about this (more promotion may be needed). ES: what should be the numbers to capped at? (need to work with Parks Vic on this). AM: The conquestathon is an event not a race with no recorded times so doesn't attract serious runners, more locals and visitors/families. ES: Fundraising for S&R maybe? WS: S&R have limited equipment and funding. Funding would be good for member training/fuel costs to searches. Good community involvement for BNSC. **Action:** Need to let the Lions know we agree to take it on and have a sub-committee to come up with a proposal.
- 8.3 Athlete OS Travel Grants. The club received requests from 7 athletes planning to compete OS. 2 other applications did not meet the requirements. The exec committee has come up with a proposal to divide up the \$4000. RG: Snow Australia are yet to name a senior team. JM: Moved a motion for option A. Seconded: RG  
**Action:** Committee to look at increasing this amount next year.
- 8.4 Volunteer incentives – discussion (SG). Plan to look at volunteering at our events (map it out, have a rethink of roles, training of members (succession planning). ES: We are not particularly good at rewarding our volunteers. **Action:** ES to send all data/rosters to SG to look over.

**Not discussed:** for next meeting:

- 8.5 Race Hut Policy – time to review
- 8.6 25th Anniversary of the Opening of the Clubhouse. New date?
- 8.7 Potential use of alternative logo versions

## 9. Other Business carried over from previous meetings

9.1 Sport & Rec grant “Grant Skilling Up Our Club” which is aimed at coach development (RG) On hold but needs activation.

9.3 The Race Committee develop a draft MOU with SSA re conducting National Junior & Senior for Championship Races similar to that which it has with the Kangaroo Hoppet. Action: ES, along with AB, RG and PS to develop

Next Meeting: April 18<sup>th</sup> 2022