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Editorial

Check out the brochure from the Alpine Shire. A FREE club development program, go along and learn how to reinvigorate your club. Check out the working bee and annual lake BBQ elsewhere in this issue. Likewise grants for national team members. Please note that my email address has changed. Please use the new website, I would like the newsletter to be distributed via the website in the main. Posted newsletters will still be available, however. If you wish to cease receiving your newsletter by post drop me an email and I will fix it. If the newsletter is too big, too many photographs, it will posted as two pdf files.

Grants to national team members

BNSC members selected for National Teams are eligible to apply for club grants as outlined below. Please read the policy if you are eligible.

Post applications to BNSC Grant Application PO Box 192 Mount Beauty 3699 OR email to gargan@internode.on.net

Grants to BNSC Members on National Ski Teams.

The guidelines for funding are listed below.

- 1. Applicants must have been a BNSC member for a minimum of three years. This condition could be waived in exceptional circumstances.
- 2. Applicants must be a member of a Ski and Snowboard Australia (SSA) Cross Country Ski Team.
- 3. **Written applications** must be received no later than 14/10/2009. This the THURSDAY before the October Committee meeting. (Proposed date 20th Oct.)
- 4. Applications must be accompanied by a financial statement that outlines other grants received by the applicant, outlines any sponsorship arrangements held by the applicant and outlines anticipated expenses for full participation in the Team . BNSC Grants will only be made if other levels of funding leaves a significant shortfall.
- 5. A maximum of \$ 4000 will be allocated for grants in any one year with a maximum of \$ 1000 to any one individual, regardless of the number of grants received.
- 6. These guidelines will be reviewed biannually by the committee or by a sub-committee appointed by the committee.

CLUB HOUSE WORKING BEE (followed by ride/walk)

INVITATION

DATE Sunday November 28th

TIME 10:00 AM at the club house OR carpooling from Hoppet office at 9:00 am

TASKS Thorough 'Spring clean' clean up of club house and its windows, and finish painting the walll. Please come along...many hands make light work.

ATTRACTIONS: Music and materials supplied followed by light lunch and optional bike ride (or walk) in the afternoon.

RSVP to Paul Gray 0403188481



CLUB DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Alpine Shire is pleased to present a series of <u>FREE</u> practical hands-on workshops designed to help build and strengthen your community club.

1. FUNDRAISING AND MONEY MANAGEMENT

Session 1 - Ideas for fundraising & motivating your volunteers to get involved. Developing a fundraising plan. Session 2- Managing your clubs finances, budgeting, record keeping, understanding financial statements.

Session 1 - Sunday 10 October 2010

11am - 1pm

Sports Cluster Building
Mount Beauty Visitor Information Centre

Session 2 - Sunday 17 October 2010

9.30am - 11am

Myrtteford Bowls Club
Lewis Av, Myrtleford

2. ORGANISATIONAL PLANNING

What is an organisational business plan? Why is it important and how do you go about developing one?

Wednesday 27 October 2010 7pm - 9pm	Tuesday 9 November 2010 7pm - 9pm
Myrtleford Council Chamber	Sports Cluster Building
O'Donnell Street, Myrtleford	Mount Beauty Visitor Information Centre

3. CLUB PROMOTION AND MARKETING

How to go about attracting new members. How to develop a promotional plan. How to target people in your area. What works, what doesn't work.

	Thursday 18 November 2010 7pm - 9pm	Monday 22 November 2010 7pm - 9pm
Ì	Sports Cluster Building	Myrtleford Bowls Club
	Mount Beauty Visitor Information Centre	Lewis Av, Myrtleford

4. RECRUITING AND SUPPORTING VOLUNTEERS

Good volunteer management, how to recruit end retain volunteers.

Thursday 2 December 2010 7pm - 9.30pm	Thursday 17 February 2011 7pm - 9.30pm
Sports Cluster Building	Myrtleford Bowls Club
Mount Beauty Visitor Information Centre	Lewis Av, Myrtleford

5. EFFECTIVE MANAGEMENT OF YOUR CLUB

Session 1 – Roles and responsibilities of committee members, governance principles and succession planning. Session 2 – Insurance and risk management, basic risk identification and types of insurances.

Session 1 - Sunday 30 January 2011	Session 2 – Sunday 13 February 2011
10am - 11.30am	11.30am - 1pm
Myrtleford Bowls Club	Sports Cluster Building
Lewis Av, Myrtleford	Mount Beauty Visitor Information Centre

6. GRANT WRITING

How to write a successful grant application. Understanding grant writing requirements. Developing a project budget. Case studies.

Tuesday 1 March 2011	Thursday 3 March 2011
7pm - 9.30am	7pm - 9.30pm
Sports Cluster Building	Myrtleford Bowls Club
Mount Beauty Visitor Information Centre	Lewis Av. Myrtleford

This program has been developed in partnership with the Victorian Government - Department of Planning and Community Development, VicSport and The Centre for Continuing Education, Wangaratta

To register your interest or to find out more please contact Alpine Shire Ph: 57550555

New Club Website

Members are encouraged to log on to **<www.birkebeiner.org.au>** to explore the clubs new website and to also **subscribe** to it so that when club notices and other information need to be communicated to you you will be notified of the fact via a Post/Message sent to you via your email address.

To subscribe just enter your email address on the right side of the Home Page. Scroll down until you see the section (see image).

Other XC Skiing Links

Email Subscription Enter your email address to subscribe to this blog and receive notifications of new posts by email.

Sign me up!

You will then receive an email asking you to confirm your subscription and from then on you will receive club information (e.g. the newsletter) reminders sent to your email address. You can unsubscribe at any time.

Webiste sections and categories that are available are:

<u>About Us</u> (history, committee, honour board, life members, Ian Ryan Awared, Olympians), <u>Membership</u> (online membership, fees, benefits), <u>Events</u> including Ski De Femme, Kangaroo Hoppet, <u>Programs</u> including Junior Joey's and Birkies, instruction & lessons, pre-season activities, search & rescue, <u>Clubhouse</u> (history, usage rules), <u>Race Hut</u> (history, usage policy), <u>Search & Rescue</u> (organisation & reports, associate membership, history, honour board), <u>Newsletter</u> (present and past), <u>Admin</u> (committee minutes, skier grants & subsidies, constitution and merchandise) and <u>Contact.</u>

Club Member Injured

Bob Heddle, who has been a member since at least 2002 was injured by a falling tree on his way to help set up the Hoppet on Friday 27th of August. We wish Bob a speedy recovery.



Ash doing Junior Joey snowgaine The Nordic bowl before the

The Nordic bowl before the crowds arrive on Hoppet morning

Jarrah, Ash, Keebs, Ronice, Annika on snowmobile after Nationals on weekend



All care but no responsibility

Which way did he go?

Club Calendar

November

21st 6:30 BBQ at pondage 28th 10:00 Clubhouse working bee

Racing Report

Both the Nationals and the Hoppet are done and dusted. Both were great successes. The weather on Hoppet day could not have been better. Thanks to all who helped with both events in whatever capacity. Without your assistance these events could not occur.

Annual BBO at the Pondage.

The annual BBQ will be held at the pondage on Sunday 21st November from 6.30pm. Families bring a salad and dessert to share Singles/Couples bring a salad or dessert. The club will provide meat (veggie burgers) and bread. BYO chairs, drinks, crockery and cutlery. In the case of inclement weather, the BBQ will be held under the verandah at the Hoppet Office.

Membership

Please check your address label to see if your membership is up to date and rectify it if it has lapsed. If you get the newsletter from the old mc2 website there is a file showing membership renewal dates there. Emails were sent to the email addresses we had for members whose membership is due. If you use the link on http://birkebeiner.org.au to renew your membership, you will be redirected to the activenet website and that will treat you as a new member the first time you use it. It will also appear that the charge for every additional family member will be \$66. DO NOT WORRY, at the point of checkout the fee will just be \$66.

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