

**Soo Finnish Nordic Ski Club  
Meeting Minutes  
October 7, 2009**

<b>Present:</b> Larry Tomie Colin Templeton Joanna MacDougall	Gail Lane Bob McCron Jim Steele	Jennifer McFarling Colin Edwards Bill Polnick	Adriana Tomie Carla Buckner Laurie Carlyle
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TOPIC	KEY DISCUSSION POINTS	DECISION/ACTION
Host NOD race	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Race date Jan 9,10</li> <li>- NOD race series returning, this would be inaugural race</li> <li>- Hold in conjunction with Hiawatha Invitational, will increase participation</li> <li>- We have held races of this size in the past and our trails and facilities are suitable</li> <li>- Will include all categories including Masters to encourage parents of the skiers to participate</li> <li>- Consider race times to make travel easier</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Agreed to host</li> <li>- <b>Jennifer</b> to contact Kevin re chief of competition role</li> </ul>
Biathlon Training Camp	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Oct 31-Nov 1</li> <li>- Camp to be held for 10yr olds and up, being organized by Colin E.</li> <li>- Need volunteers for Saturday 5, Sunday 10</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Agreed to host</li> <li>- Contact <b>Colin</b> re volunteering</li> </ul>
Host O-Cup Biathlon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Concern over need for large number of volunteers and volunteers with specific skill sets</li> <li>- Biathlon parents could cross train at prior ski events (NOD event week prior)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- No decision made yet</li> <li>- <b>Colin</b> to e-mail specific volunteers required</li> </ul>
Jackrabbit sched & Time Trials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 3 time trials to be held</li> <li>- Discussion re holding one Jackrabbit session with time trial on Sunday Feb 7 so skiers can attend Maple Syrup Stampede on Sat Feb 6 and still have the time trials well spread over the season</li> <li>- Sunday idea dependent on whether timing team is available</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- JR sched Jan 2 to Mar 6</li> <li>- Tentative time trial dates Jan 16, Feb 7, Feb 27</li> <li>- <b>Gail</b> to contact Jim M. re Sunday time trial</li> </ul>
Police Record Checks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- On Patti Kittler's recommendation, it was suggested all coaches, clubhouse staff undergo police record checks</li> <li>- If we get registered with City Police as a volunteer organization, cost is \$15 per person</li> <li>- Request that Club pay for existing coaches and staff</li> <li>- To get this reduced rate we need a person designated to complete all paperwork upfront to streamline the process</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Agreed police checks required for all coaches and Hiawatha Highlands staff</li> <li>- <b>Jennifer</b> to send letter to Police</li> <li>- Need volunteer to coordinate program</li> <li>- Club agrees to pay fee for all existing coaches and staff</li> </ul>
Volunteer ID	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- It was proposed that there is a need for identifying our volunteers for safety reasons and for member assistance</li> <li>- The possibility of using existing or new bibs was discussed</li> <li>- If coaches are included, would need approx 30 bibs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Agreed to ID volunteers, coaches</li> <li>- <b>Gail</b> to propose details re specific item to use and cost</li> </ul>
Cash Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Some term deposits due</li> <li>- Interest rates very low even for long term investments</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Agreed to leave money in 30 day term deposit</li> </ul>
Ski Team Swap	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Proposal to give all race team members an opportunity to gather and swap their high end equipment</li> <li>- would provide good social opportunity for race teams to get familiar with each other</li> <li>- does not impact Ski Swap as this high end equipment does not normally make it to the swap</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Larry &amp; Laurie</b> to coordinate event</li> <li>- At end of event, will offer to tag and transport unsold items to Ski Swap</li> </ul>
Vision Statement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Board of Directors updated the Club's Vision Statement</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- See below at end of document</li> </ul>
Vice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mike Kornell has resigned due to his family moving out of town</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Executive will work</li> </ul>

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President Position	- No volunteers to fill the position yet	closely with HH staff to bridge the gap until position filled
Nevada Ticket Fundraising	- Nevada Ticket Fundraising was presented as a good fundraising option - Would need a coordinator and more details to get started	- Agreed to support idea and need volunteer to coordinate program
Para-Nordic	- Parasport will loan us 2 paranordic ski units for this year	- <b>Maxine</b> to coordinate receipt of units - <b>Jennifer</b> to contact Maxine to see if more are available
Sault Star ad for Ski Swap	- Question raised as to whether we wanted to use the Sault Star to advertise the swap as we have in the past - A number of options for free advertising were presented - The idea of including the name of retailers who will be attending the swap in our advertising was presented	- <b>Bob</b> to include retailers names - <b>Bob</b> to access some free advertising - Agreed to advertise in Sault Star
Zone 4 Registration System	- Colin T. requested all review the Zone 4 registration documents handed out and give any suggestions / corrections ASAP	- All to review Zone 4 documents

### **SFN Vision Statement from the Board of Directors.**

*The Soo Finnish Nordic Ski Club promotes cross country skiing in the city of Sault Ste. Marie by operating and maintaining a 50 km ski trail system within the city limits. It also provides opportunities for all members of the community to learn to ski, and to continue to enjoy skiing as a life-long activity through its many programs; both competitive and recreational.*

**NEXT MEETING WED NOVEMBER 4**

**SKI SWAP SAT NOVEMBER 7**