

**OREGON NORDIC CLUB BOARD MEETING  
APRIL 20, 2004**

In attendance: Lou Klump, Jennifer Railsback, Ted Scheinman, Pam Rigor, Roy Buntin, Laura Dawson, Kelly Bacon

Membership: Current membership stands at 254. Last year our count was 281.

Ted indicated we have had overnight trip participants who did not become official members even though part of the trip charge was toward membership. We discussed tracking issues regarding making sure overnight trip participants fill out the membership application.

The membership table at our General Program each month has been moved closer to the door for easier access. Also, the Board will initiate a nametag system: blue border for new members and black for long term members.

Laura introduced ideas submitted by a visitor to our General program to include greeters, extra plates/silverware for potluck, activities for singles, clinic for new gear and 30-40 membership category. The board did decide we could have extra paper plates/silverware available. Also, we will make sure our website includes the request for people to bring their own tableware to the potlucks. We presently already have a ski fair to introduce new gear each year.

A new membership roster is in the process.

Financial: Savings: \$3,849.57  
Checking: \$16,372.52  
Lou asked that tour leaders do not send cash to our Treasurer.

State Rep: The John Craig Race was a very nice weekend with 7 people attending and 5 volunteers. Future John Craig promotion will focus on the qualities of the tour/mail carry that make it a run race. Next year all chapters will participate in a combined effort and the Portland Chapter will be in charge of advanced registration. Next year's event will be held on April 2, 2005. Since we have a date, the tour can be promoted at our annual ski festival with pictures/posters.

Our entire Oregon Nordic Club consists of about 906 members. The Willamette Chapter acquired new members from their ski lessons and is a successful hiking club.

**Snowmobile issues:** The Board passed a resolution to endorse FS person letter seeking closure to snow machines in the Dutchman Flat area except for special corridor as specified by the Forest Service.

Klint Vielbig's letter to the Oregonian about the fact the Forest Service has built no new trails in 20 years and that they have ignored the snowmobile issue in Trillium Basin generated a call from the Zig Zag Ranger Station.

Roy Buntin and Lou Klump will arrange a meeting with the President of the snowmobile club to discuss an agreement regarding the 57/58 snow park issue.

**Day Tours:** We are still recruiting for day tour coordinators. In the meantime the Board will be making calls to potential tour leaders for June.

**Overnight Tours:** Ted Scheinman will be leading a trip to Norway next winter. We believe this trip will be a good marketing tool for our club. The Board authorized Ted to make \$150.00 deposit and he will get a description of the trip into our newsletter. We talked about the importance of having a realistic cut off date for signup for our overnight trips

We briefly went over the trips we have scheduled for next winter season. Ted suggested that he could use an assistant to help with the paperwork.

**Promotion/News:**

1. Pam Rigor requested articles/pictures be sent to the ONC Newsletter.  
Pam will handle any editing which needs to be done.
2. We need to order another 500 business cards.
3. Brochure requires updating and need to recruit volunteer for distribution.
4. Pam will be contacting the Columbian about listings.

**Nordic Issues:** The environment study is expected sometime in June for the Nordic bypass trail.

We will need to send out letters at input time. Pam will contact the Mazama Access Committee about participation.

We will formulate a Shelter Committee consisting of around 5 people. Nathan Caldwell will fill out paperwork for funding. We are considering several locations for the new ski shelter: Mud Creek Loop with a view of Salmon River, 2 or 3 miles up Sherburn Road with a telemark hill or Pocket Creek near the junction with Upper Pocket Creek. We need to decide if we want a day or overnight shelter and whether or not to have a stove (which would required wood).

Programs: May: Parc Regional Du Queyras by Hilloah Rohr  
June: Hiking the Pacific Crest Trail by REI's Heidi Clark  
July 8th: ONC's Annual Potluck picnic to be held at Mt.

Tabor Park

Bike Tours: ONC's first bike outing was Sunday, April 18<sup>th</sup> in the Mountaindale area. Weather was overcast, but no rain, so biking conditions were good. Unfortunately no one showed up nor has anyone offered to lead a trip. The next trip is scheduled for Sat. May 8<sup>th</sup> and Robert will try to post some ads in bike shops since our A&E source no longer exists.

Dog Tours: Larry Miller advised there will be a dog hike tour every weekend in June.

Board Meeting: The next board meeting will be held on May 18 and will be hosted by Ted Scheinman.  
For those interested in participating in a potluck prior to the Board Meeting, please plan to arrive by 6:30pm.

Submitted by: Kelly Bacon, Secretary

