

OREGON NORDIC CLUB BOARD MEETING
February 15, 2005

- In Attendance: Lou Klump, Roy Buntin, Kathy Burns, Rita McCormick, Ted Schieman, Kelly Bacon
- Membership: Total 300, which includes 30 new members.
- Financial: Checking \$33,768.34 Savings \$3,871.17 Total \$37,639.51
- Overnight Tours: Ted reported that the Crater Lake Trip now has 36 participants and currently is making a profit of around \$300. The Crater Lake area does have between 6 to 7 feet of snow. The Board passed a motion to send a letter outlining the difficulties and extra expense incurred to a participant on the Norway trip who cancelled without following our overnight tour written requirement. Lou stressed that participants in the Norway trip must have evacuation insurance, medical insurance, and phone numbers to initiate their coverage. The board still needs to recruit someone to help Ted with paperwork as it is too much for one person.
- Day Tours: Once again the Board congratulated our Day Tour Coordinator and Day Tour Recruiters on the excellent job this season. Lou advised that even if there is weather conditions (low snow), day tour leaders should still show up at their meeting location and let participants know either 1) the tour does not have enough snow so it is cancelled or 2) tour will become a hiking trip. It was also suggested we could have a heading in the bulletin stating "Because of weather conditions, contact the tour leader prior to showing up at meeting place." Pam requested that day tour descriptions all go to Kathy who will forward them on to her for the bulletin.
- New Board: The board elections have been delayed until March. We still need to fill the following positions: President, Secretary, Programs person, Trail Tending Recruitor, and Overnight Tour Assisant for Ted Scheinman. George Condy will be our new Nordic Issues member. We have two contenders for the Membership position. Lou will discuss the position with each individual and see if the person not selected would be interested in another open position. The importance of finding a strong President was emphasized. Numerous names were discussed and Lou will be contacting these individuals to see if they are interested.

Consensus is that most board members would like to change the monthly board meeting date. This will be discussed further when more positions are filled.

- Programs: March: Backcountry Skiing in the Wallowas by Jeremy Rooper
April: Trek to K2 Base Camp by Hussain Mirza
May: Backcountry Skiing in China by Dave Waag
- Nordic Issues: Roy Buntin distributed a map of the proposed Clackamas River Ranger district shared sno-park with the snowmobile community. Although we would share a portion of the road there are many avenues of solitude on different loops for cross-country skiers. Lou advised it was his impression that the snowmobile club would like to move their groomer from Trillum Basin to the Clackamas area. This would remove pressure from the Trillum Basin – a desirable outcome for cross-country skiers. The Board passed a motion in favor of writing a letter to the Forest Service supporting creating the sno-park in Clackamas to be shared with snowmobiles. It was suggested contacting the FS to request that they move Trillum Basin from the top of the list to the bottom on available locations for snowmobiling.
- State Rep: Lou stated there were enough volunteers for our part for the John Craig Race. At this time we are not sure there will be enough snow in April. Pam Rigor is making posters of the John Craig race.
- Publicity/Ski School: In addition to the newsletter Pam will be handling our Publicity position. She will be recruiting people to help her and asked that we submit names of people we think might be interested. The Ski School was a big success with 17 enrolled. We've gained a number of new members through our Ski School and have novice tours they can participate in as a follow-up.
- Shelter Committee: Pam advised she will be doing a write up for the Oregonian regarding the Shelters Committee tours to designate a location for the shelter ONC wants to build. The next tour is February 19th and then subsequent tours back to two locations in March for interested parties. The timeline goal for writing pre-grant is December 1, 2005 and the final request February 1, 2006. The Shelter Committee would like to pinpoint a location by March 2005 in order to make presentations at different meetings. Lou reported visiting a very nice 8-sided shelter in the Odell Lake area with Steve Levy.

Board Meeting:

The next board meeting will be held on March 15 and will be hosted by Pam Rigor.

For those interested in participating in a potluck prior to the Board Meeting, please plan to arrive by 6:30pm.