

OREGON NORDIC CLUB BOARD MEETING
June 15, 2004

In attendance: Lou Klump, Ted Scheinman, Roy Buntin, Betty Buford, Sokom An, Jennifer Railsback, Steve Levy and Kelly Bacon.

Membership: Current membership is 265

Financial: Checking \$15,872.05 Savings \$3,849.57

State Reps: Cooper Spur Wild & Free Coalition supports the positive vision projected by the Mt. Hood Summit meeting held on June 7th, co-sponsored by Re. Greg Walden and Rep. Earl Blumenauer. McMinamins Family & Friends night benefit for Cooper Spur Wild and Free Coalition will be held June 22nd from 5:00pm to midnight at Ringlers Pub. Half of the proceeds are to be donated.

Sokom will be attending the next State Rep meeting in mid-September. Planning the next John Craig race will be a priority for the Portland Chapter, as we will be handling registration.

Day Tours: A list will be assembled with the current hikes/biking tours. We need to schedule as many hikes as possible in order to promote ONC as an active year round club. Members are encouraged to take advantage of a hike on July 31st to the Crazy Hills in the Wind River area led by Klindt Vielbig. Afterwards, Klindt has invited hikers to visit his cabin with refreshments.

Overnight Tours: The Board reviewed the current bookings for overnight tours. Ted will supply a calendar of committed tours to the board members with dates still available. The deadline for tour leaders to submit tour applications is August 15th. Past tour leaders will be reminded by e-mail. The board proposed a \$20.00 refundable deposit be made for overnight trips, which entail no cost. The motion was passed and supercedes any previous motion.

Programs: July 8 (Thursday): Annual Potluck at Mt. Tabor Park
August: 21-day trip on the Colorado River through the Grand Canyon by Russ Pascoe and Becky McClain.

September program is still open so contact Steve Levy with any ideas.

Nordic Issues: Roy Buntin reviewed the many issues discussed at the Mt. Hood Summit Meeting, which he and Betty Buford attended. Josh Kardon, Chief of Staff for Ron Wyden is looking for input regarding the proposed Lewis and Clark Mt. Hood Wilderness proposal. Roy felt Steve McCarthy gave the best speech regarding all resources being worth big money and should not be sold as real estate. Traffic congestion on Hwy 26 and 35 could become worse. One idea was running MAX out to Sandy and then transporting people by bus to recreation areas.

Kathleen Walker indicated that TIF funding might be available for our Nordic bypass trail if the trail was considered multi-use. The Board passed the following resolution: Timberline Lodge will be responsible for funding the new bypass trail.

Scheduled trail maintenance trips are:
June – National Volcano Monument
July – East end of Yellowjacket trail
Additional trips will be held in August and September.

ONC needs to push recruiting a group of people to work on the shelter project. We need to get funding first and Nathan Caldwell will be able to help in that area.

Board Meeting: The next board meeting will be held on August 17 – location to be determined. 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