

Oregon Nordic Club Board Minutes
March 26, 2002

In attendance: Lou Klump, Penney Peloquin, Larry Miller, Robert Stingle, Mary Henderson, Tony Jones, Roy Buntin, Joan Amero, Gaye Kazmirski (Guest)

Membership Report: 317 total members, 6 new

The membership table will be moved at the general monthly meeting to a location where it will be easier to interact with members. We will be selling t-shirts for \$10.00 at the table along with taking sign-ups for day and overnight tours. We will also be encouraging members to start wearing nametags at the meeting. Penney will act as a greeter at the April meeting and request that members fill out a nametag at the membership desk.

Financial Report: Savings: \$3780; Checking \$12,062

Day Tours: Tony set up an email account with Yahoo for tour leaders to send trip descriptions (oncdays@yaho.com). Tony will start developing a catalogue of trip ideas and descriptions. Day tour leaders will receive an ONC T-shirt after leading three trips.

Overnight Tours: Penney developed an overnight planning guide and requested the board to review it and provide her with feedback. She also created a list of past trips dating back to 2000. Penney will make changes to the overnight trip application to include the participant's email address. Overnight tour leaders will receive an ONC T-shirt after leading one trip.

State Reps: Jennifer, Alice, and Lou attended the State Board meeting held in Sisters on March 24. Each chapter reported out on their activities; several chapters are involved with programs for high school students. The results of the John Craig Race & Mail Carry (which took place the previous day) were also discussed.

Nordic Issues: Lou reported that Russ Pascoe will head up the effort to stop future development at the Cooper Spur/Tilly Jane Ski Area. As a non profit organization, the Oregon Nordic Club Portland Chapter will contest the development at the Cooper Spur Ski Area as it relates to the loss of back country skiing, and the difficulty of access that will be created by the planned developments.

Roy reported that the Columbia Gorge Power Sledders are contesting cross-country skiers' rights to share the Wolf Run area. There has been a change in the presidency; the agreement was with the former president. Roy is confident that we can work things out with Jim Thornton as an advocate.

Grooming at Trillium Lake has been much costlier than previous years due to the abundant snow. Roy recommended that the Club donate another \$150. The board decided to delay the donation until next January but increase the amount to \$250 - \$300 from \$100.

Publicity: The board is still looking for a publicity chairperson to establish relationships with local newspapers and notify them of upcoming tours on a weekly basis. New brochures are printed and available for members to distribute.

Retreat: Past and present board members are invited to attend a retreat at the Mazama Lodge on April 20 and 21. The purpose of the retreat is to discuss the future focus of the Portland Chapter. Larry requested to bring his dog to the retreat. It was believed that the bylaws prohibit dogs on ONC events. A check of the bylaws showed that no such prohibition exists.

Next Board Meeting: The next board meeting will be on April 30 and will be hosted by Robert Stingle.