



**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
HOLLYBURN CROSS COUNTRY SKI CLUB
Thursday, October 18 7:58 to 9:02 p.m.
Coast Outdoors, 352 Lynn Avenue, North Vancouver, BC**

Call to order

Meeting called to order at 7:58 pm.
Dirk Rohde, President, welcomed all present.

Election of Board

By acclamation:
President – Dirk Rohde
Vice President – Morna Fraser
Treasurer – Karen Inman
Secretary – Shannon Harris
Coaching Coordinator – Nancy Hill
Jackrabbit/Bunny Program Coordinator – Joanne Fenwick
Track Attack Coordinator – Heidi Horlacher
Racing Program Coordinator – Jake Weaver
Directors at Large – Birgit Weaver, David Morris, Andrea Hay

President's Report – Dirk Rohde

- 1) 2017/18 Events Review
 - a) Teck Coast Cup #1
 - b) Teck BC Cup #1/Coast Cups #2 and #3
 - c) BC Winter Games Trials
 - d) Sigge's P'ayak
 - e) Hollyburn won the Coast Series banner again this year.

- 2) 2017/18 Season Review
 - a) This was another decent snow season. Membership numbers increased by 7%, increases were seen for most programs.
 - b) This was a rebuilding year for the race team as several athletes graduated and the number of track attack skiers moving up was low.
 - c) Currently there are a large number of skiers in the track attack program and those skiers have had good race results.
 - d) The Adventurers program is going strong; this program is for skiers not wanting to race.
 - e) An adult program was offered. Adult program currently does not have enough skiers registered but if enough skiers request, then the program will run.
 - f) Website search challenges have been remedied.

- g) Fundraising continued to be successful with Operation Snowball exceeding targets, which allowed purchase of Motorola radios used for racing program and for hosting events.

3) 2017/18 Race Team Update

- a) Annika Richardson is racing under Hollyburn Club and is training at Thunder Bay Training Centre. Annika was on the World Junior Championship team and is the 2nd ranked Canadian Junior woman (distance).
- b) Katie Weaver was on CCBC European B tour and the China City Sprint tour (senior international field). Katie is ranked 2nd in U23 sprint going into this season.
- c) Emily Young won a bronze in 7.5 km standing women classic at Paralympics.
- d) National medals were won by Annika Richardson (2 gold and 1 bronze) and Katie Weaver & Annika Richardson won a silver in the team sprint.
- e) 1 athlete nominated to BC Ski Team.
- f) 1 athlete nominated to Development Squad.
- g) 4 athletes nominated to Talent Squad.
- h) 1 athlete on the World University Games Team (Freya Hik)

4) 2017/18 Club Numbers

- a) Membership: Total Members=547, Jackrabbits/bunnies=158, Track Attack=61, Racers=20 (10 Performance), Adventurers=14 and 74 Coaches (9 teen coaches)
- b) Race Attendance: Teck Coast Cup #1 had 138 participants with 77 from Hollyburn; BC Cup #1 had 514 (61 volunteers); Sigge's P'ayak had 646 skiers with 94 kids and 48 parent escorts.

5) 2018/19 Key Events

- a) Teck Coast Cup #1, hosted by Hollyburn will take place Dec. 02, 2018 at Whistler Olympic Park.
- b) Haywood NorAm World Jr/U23 Trials hosted by CVXC will take place Dec. 13-17, 2018 at Whistler Olympic Park.
- c) 2019 Coast Outdoors P'ayakentsut, hosted by CVXC is scheduled for February 23, 2019 at Whistler Olympic Park.
- d) Hollyburn's annual Lantern Ski will take place at the end of December.
- e) For JR, the club will again host the traditional Birkie Ski festivities as part of the regular program; date to be confirmed.
- f) The fundraiser, Operation Snowball, will not be held this year.
- g) Race volunteers are needed for delivery of successful events. The club is providing Level 1 Officials Training on Nov. 18 free of charge to interested members.

6) 2018/19 Season Update

- a) Club is working closely with Whistler Sport Legacies/Whistler Olympic Park to offer a discounted ski pass and November ski opportunities for athletes.
- b) CVXC event profit sharing will continue. The profits from events are distributed between the member clubs base on their level of volunteering at major event. Your volunteering pays off!

- c) Communications with members will be supported by the introduction of a monthly newsletter, The Stride, which is organized by Jeneen Sutherland. Website improvements will also assist with club communication.

Other Reports

7) Financial Report

Dirk presented the financial statements and the 2018/19 budget.

a) 2017/18 Financial Statements were presented. There were no questions; Ian Leighton moved to accept the statements and seconded by Jake Weaver; passed by membership.

b) 2018/19 Budget was presented. Birgit Weaver moved to accept 2018/19 budget and seconded by Heidi Horlacher; passed by membership.

8) Program Reports

a) Dirk presented Nancy Hill's coaching report on coaching resources, coaching roster and coaches development activities. There are 73 full time coaches and 12 back up coaches. Coaching development opportunities include: Introduction to Sport and Community Coaching-on-line modules are available; L2T dryland – Oct. 20-21; L2T on snow – Nov. 24-25, 2018.

b) Joanne Fenwick reported on the Jackrabbit/Bunny programs. In 2017/18, the program included Sprint Day, Birkie and the Coast Cup #2. No session was offered at Cypress during the P'ayak to allow for younger skiers to participate in the P'ayak mini event-positive feedback was received from families who participated. A ski log was introduced to allow for skiers to track their ski days and a skills table was introduced to track skiers progress. In 2018/19, registration has been strong with 150 skiers, all session coordinators have returned from last year and the club will continue to provide our own hot chocolate so the coaches can choose the location for a break. There are 40 volunteer coaches with 9 new coaches to support the program this year.

c) Heidi Horlacher presented the Track Attack report. In 2017/18, there were 59 skiers and 24 coaches, dryland training was offered, November practices included regional snow camp plus weekends in November on stored snow and club camp was offered late in November. Racing opportunities included Coast Cup Series, BC Championships in Kelowna and BC Midgets in Revelstoke. For the 2018/19 season, there are 68 athletes and 24 coaches, dryland training is underway, Teck Regional on-snow camp will be offered on Nov 16-18, 2018 organized by Whistler Nordic and Hollyburn Ski Club, and Hollyburn ski camp will be offered on Nov. 24, 25, 2018.

d) Bob Sokol presented a brief report on the Adventurers, which is a great alternative for skiers who do not want to be part of the racing team. Many thanks to Bob Sokol, Ian Leighton, Meg Holden and Angela Duso for coaching this group.

e) Head Coach Jake Weaver provided further details on the racing team. This is a young team that are mostly in grade 8 or 9 but they are a talented group. The race team is currently halfway through the training season with an emphasis on getting fit, establishing strong social connections, developing good work habits and having fun!

Special Guest

- a) Freya Fik, a member of the Canadian team for the FISU Games (World University Games), gave a presentation on being a university athlete.

Adjournment and Draw Prize

- a) Meeting adjourned at 9:02 pm.