



**MINUTES
2010 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
HOLLYBURN JACKRABBIT SKI CLUB
Friday, October 22, 2010, 8:00 pm**

**Different Bikes and Skis
1437 Clyde Avenue
West Vancouver, BC**

1. Welcome and Introductions

Introductions of Board members, thanks to Different Bikes for hosting.

Bob Putnam is leaving the Executive Board, thanks for his participation and support, including that of his company Deep Cove Outdoors.

Election of existing Board members by acclamation.

Jake Weaver nominated Kurt Foellmer to replace Bob Putnam as a member at large. Seconded by Joanne Woods and unanimously approved.

2. Financial Report – Mo Handford

- 2009/2010 Financial Statement

Mo reviewed the Revenue and Expense report distributed to members present.

Total revenues in 2009-2010 were \$116,111, including grants and gaming funds. The total expenses were \$78,045. This included \$4,500 for revamping the Club website. This resulted in a surplus of \$38,066.

The balance sheet indicates Total Assets of \$120,917 and Total Liabilities and Equity of \$120,917. There is a cash surplus of \$69,960 that represents money set aside for paid coaching. These funds have not yet been utilized.

- Budget for 2010/11

The 2010-2011 budget was presented. Total revenues are anticipated of \$93,300 including BC Gaming Funds of \$28,300. The budget includes an increase in expenditures on club events, such as the Lantern Ski, Midget Championships, and Racing Team events. More funds have been allocated for program equipment and supplies than in the previous year. These funds are intended for the purchase and maintenance of new shorter skate skis for

Jackrabbits, racing bibs, cameras for technique improvement, roller skis, t-shirts and toques. The website and database require additional improvements as well. The Executive also has decided to start a Van Replacement fund.

A motion to accept last year's financial statement was proposed by Christer Hallburg and seconded by Morna Fraser. It was approved unanimously. A motion to approve the 2010-2011 budget was proposed by Jake Weaver and seconded by Jessica Heyes. It was also approved unanimously.

3. President's Report

Club continues to offer as much as we can for both recreation, racing and everything in between. We are trying to support transitions, especially from Track Attack to the teen programs – Racing teams and Adventurers.

The Club is now expecting at least one parent per family to volunteer for the Club in order to share the burden of work necessary for a successful program. This last year included a complete Financial Review by Mo Handford, a CGA. There have been changes in the fee structure in order to remain sustainable. These include funds for a paid coach and paid part-time administrator / registrar. The Racing Team finances were reviewed in detail in order to assure balance and fairness.

Upcoming events this season include the following:

Lantern Ski – Tuesday, December 28

Coast Cup #1 – December 11

Midget Championships – March 5 / 6

Sigge's P'ayakenstut – inaugural Loppet event – February 26 / 27

This will include loppets of various lengths, ski cross and kids activities and events. It is being put on by the Callaghan Valley Cross Country Ski Club. It will be the last weekend of our season and an expected activity for all of our program members.

- Finalize Strategic Plan

In addition, the Executive Board has developed a new Strategic Plan for 2010-2015. This plan has been over 2 years in the making. It began with Strategic Planning sessions in June 2008, included several post-season surveys, and many Executive meetings. Dirk thanked the Executive for all of the time put into developing this plan. The Strategic Plan was distributed at the AGM. Dirk reviewed the new Mission and Vision, and reviewed the Guiding Principles, Five Year Goals, and Business Plan.

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Some activities have already been initiated including the communication program and revamping the Adventurers program (formerly Teens on Skis).

Please send any comments about the Strategic Plan to Dirk.

4. **Special Resolution (Club Name Change)**

A special resolution was introduced to change the name of the Club from the Hollyburn Jackrabbit Ski Club to the Hollyburn Cross Country Ski Club. The reason for the change is the changing composition of the club which now encompasses 4 year old Bunnies through national ski racers. The Executive voted to support this motion. It was noted that younger children identify to themselves and friends as “Jackrabbits” and that adults may need to be sensitive to this name for younger children, even though older children embrace the name change (the Racing Team teens initially proposed the name change because they felt that the name did not reflect their involvement in the Club. Jake Weaver moved that the name be changed as above. Martin Richardson seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

The new name is **Hollyburn Cross Country Ski Club**.

5. **Program Reports**

- Skill Development Program – Alison Heath

Alison Heath said that an important issue in the Skill Development Program is how to help coaches at Levels 1 and 2 to move up to Levels 3 and 4 and continue along. The Club is working to build capacity at the upper levels. She hopes to see everyone at the P’ ayak loppet races in February. She also hopes that each session will work collectively to make their session special within the larger context of the Club. This year, CCC will be providing discs (Frisbees) for Jackrabbits and wax packs for Track Attack skiers.

- Track Attack Program – Yoel Guttmann

Yoel Guttmann stated that the Track Attack program follows the guidelines for Long Term Athlete Development. There will be sessions on Wednesday and Thursday evenings and Saturday and Sunday mornings. The Saturday afternoon session was cancelled in order to make the best use of coaching resources. This year, there is a cohort of older children (13 year olds) who have been offered the option of staying with Track Attack for one more year to remain with their peers. Track Attack skiing will start as soon as there is snow at Cypress Mountain.

There were thirty-five Track Attack members who attended the first dryland training event, along with 10 Racing Team volunteer assistants. Registration is ongoing and there are currently 61 Track Attack children registered, and 10 on the wait list. Cypress Mountain places limits on the number of HXCSC members we can register every year. It is hoped that everyone who wants to participate will be accommodated.

The highlight of the Track Attack season is the Midget Championships, which will take place at Whistler Olympic Park on March 5/6.

- Racing Team – Jake Weaver

Jake Weaver stated that Racing Team activities have been underway since May. They train 4-5 times per week. There were several training camps this summer including a Regional Camp

with participants from several ski clubs. They are now getting ready for the racing season, including Nationals and some loppets. Registration is close to complete – there are about 22 participants with about 10 Performance team members and 12 teen racers. The Performance team members ski with goals of making the BC and potentially national teams. The Teen Racers are the same age, are more interested in local races and cannot commit as much time to the training. But both groups train together. This year there is a nice influx of younger members and Jake stated that it is a fun group to coach.

6. Coaching Coordinator Report - Russell Stothers

Russ Stothers announced that there are almost 70 coaches this year, including 22 new coaches and 4 teen coaches, two of whom are taking the LTT courses. The Saturday and Sunday morning sessions are full. There is lighter registration for the afternoon sessions. The coaching distribution has worked out very well for Jackrabbits and Track Attack – by cutting the Saturday afternoon Track Attack session we are able to support a larger strength and range of experience in that age group in the morning sessions. In addition, this year there are six coaches for the Adventurers (formerly Teens on Skis). They have different skills and bring diverse experiences to that group.

On November 5/6 we will be training 22 new coaches. Dec 3-5 is the Community Coaching class. The LTT course is being held at Whistler this weekend with the on-snow session to be held at Cypress. Returning coaches will receive refresher courses on December 5th.

7. Other Topics

The P'ayak has a website: <http://www.payak.ca/>. The club will be looking for volunteers for the Coast Cup #1, the P'ayak, and the Midget Championships. Dirk encourages everyone to promote all these events among Club members.

Bob Putnam was thanked for his many years of support personally and through Deep Cove Outdoors. He was given a gift certificate and a card.

Past President Norm Laube presented an Olympics bib signed by the Canadian cross country team that was sent to the Club in thanks for our support. The bib will be framed and put in the waxing hut.

8. Special Guest – John Heilig – Manager, Nordic Sports, Whistler Olympic Park

John Heilig, the manager of Nordic sports at Whistler Olympic Park gave a presentation on the Whistler Sport Legacies program.

9. Adjournment

Dirk Rohde finished the AGM by thanking all the members for attending the meeting and thanking Different Bikes and Mo Handford for hosting the event. Dirk was thanked, in turn, for all of his continued hard work and dedication to the Club.

Attendees at 2010 Hollyburn Jackrabbit Ski Club Annual General Meeting

Hilary Anderson
Anders Bjorklund
Siobhan Dawson
Colin Fetherston Haugh
Kurt Foellmer
Morna Fraser
Yoel Guttmann
Christer Hallberg
Moira-Ann Handford
Alison Heath
Byron Henry
Jessica Heyes
Murray Heyes
Birgit Laube
Norm Laube
Barbara Meihuizen
Elizabeth Panozzo
Tom Pawlowski
Bob Putnam
Martin Richardson
Michel Roberge
Dirk Rohde
Karen Snyder
Bob Sokol
Russ Stothers
Birgit Weaver
Jake Weaver
Joanne Woods