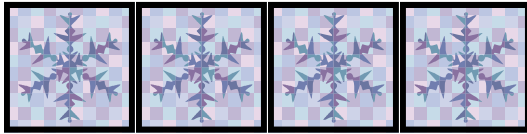


Lakewood Cross Country Ski Club

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December 2005



Don't Miss the Meeting...

January 14th, 2006

3:00

to be held at

Best Western—Lakewood Lodge

Membership Update

As of November 18, 2005, 81 members have renewed their memberships. Of those members, 27 gave an additional donation! I will not be responding to people who sent in their memberships but did not request any tags. I am saving on stamps, so please accept this thank you! If you would like tags and forgot to check the box, please email me at sandyjabss@yahoo.com and I will send them out to you. The earlier you get your membership in the better! It helps me if I don't have to be doing this over the holidays.

Sincerely,
Sandy Moore,
Membership Chairperson

Ski Social

Don't miss the fun! Our ski social will be held again in the Old 32 parking lot. Plans are in the works, but mark your calendar for February 4th. An alternate date of March 11th has been set in case the weather is uncooperative. Shirley Bubolz has volunteered to coordinate the event again and will be looking for cookies bakers, chili makers and a set up and clean up crew. Call her @ 715-276-7737 is you can help out with this fun event.

It's not too late to make a tax deductible contribution to your ski club !

You can still make a tax deductible contribution to the Lakewood Cross Country Ski Club. Our new 501c3 status designates us as a non-profit organization and your donations (over and above membership) are considered tax deductible. Your support is greatly appreciated and will help to maintain these beautiful trails for many years to come.

Minutes of the October 8th, 2005 Meeting

The meeting was called to order at Saturday, Oct. 8 at 2:30 at McCauslin rook Country Club. Minutes were read by club secretary Jody Korch. A motion to approve the minutes with several corrections was made by Lea Peot and was approved unanimously.

One correction to the minutes replaces the name of Dick Langer with Paul Romenskko for a field trip to the ABR trails to see their equipment and get ideas. In a correction to the membership report, the word "not" was eliminated from a sentence about the club receiving \$4,734, including extra donations. In a correction to the 2005-'06 budget report, Peot anticipates income of about \$3,000, not \$13,000, from business map ads.

Treasurer's report: Peot placed \$5,000 into a one-year CD. Interest will automatically roll back into the CD. The club also has a \$5,000 six-month CD. The club has not yet paid the golf course for groomer storage. Peot will write a letter to the course. Lloyd Lundwall reported that the club uses 2 1/2 gallons of fuel per hour to run the piston bully groomer. A motion to accept the treasurer's report was made by Tim Klima, seconded by Tim Raseman, and approved unanimously. Peot reported that the club has a deficit based on current expenses of \$9,100. Because the club will spend slightly more than it takes in, she recommends that membership fees be raised. Based on 225 members, families and individuals, a \$5 increase would generate an extra \$1,125 in revenue. A motion by Peot to increase dues by \$5 for individuals and families was seconded by Klima and was approved unanimously. The cost for an individual membership will increase to \$30, and a family membership will now cost \$45. Because the club budget will be affected by rising fuel costs, more dues increases may be necessary in the future. A membership chair will be needed in 2006.

Equipment and grooming: Klima stresses that the club needs new drivers for the groomers. If you can operate a snowmobile, you can operate a skandic. The piston bully groomer has been used for 1,100 hours. It is built to run 1,000 hours a year or more, Klima said.

Trails report: Terry Van Hoof suggests that the violet and brown loops be labeled as shortcuts, and that brown be painted over the violet markers because the two colors are difficult to distinguish. Every year, the DNR does bulldozer work on the Lakewood trails. Klima would like to get the trail off the ditch along County Trunk F. Club

president Fred Axelrod said that the DNR bulldozer work might be hard to get this year. The DNR donates whatever bulldozer work it can afford to give the club. Van Hoof will call to tell the Oconto County Forestry Department when to mow the trails.

Business solicitation: Dick and Celeste Hein cannot do business solicitation this year. Peot and Mark Therrian have agreed to assume this responsibility for one year. A motion to allow Peot to handle the maps as she sees fit was seconded by Raseman and approved unanimously. A volunteer will be needed to distribute the maps.

Other business: The club is currently paying a semiannual domain registration fee of \$40 for the web site, which has not been updated since March 2004. Ellen Lundwall has volunteered to assume responsibility for the web site. Kevin Clancy will be given 30 days to transfer the web site to Ellen Lundwall. If it is not transferred in 30 days, the club will pursue alternatives.

Hole-in-one report: In 2005, the club budgeted \$1,200 and actually earned \$1,343. A hole-in-one chair for the Memorial Day weekend is still needed.

Hangar status: Axelrod is waiting for golf course to set a price for groomer storage.

The next meeting will be held Jan. 14 at 2 p.m. at a site yet to be determined. A motion by Klima to adjourn at 4:41 p.m. was seconded by Lloyd Lundwall and was approved unanimously.

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Ski Club Meeting — January 14th, 2006 — 3:00

The winter meeting of the Lakewood Cross Country Ski Club will be held January 14th at 3:00 at the new Best Western Lakewood Lodge.

Plan on attending to show your support for the club and participate in discussions that will impact our future. Our club financially supports, maintains and grooms the best ski trails in Wisconsin with an all volunteer team! We welcome your membership, but continue to need your time. Volunteers are needed to run the hole-in-one fundraisers and help with the ski social to be held Feb. 4th.

Plan on attending the meeting and have a chance to see the beautiful new



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