

Miramichi Cross Country Ski Club

AGM

April, 15th 2023

President Norman Brown opened the Meeting at 7:20pm and welcomed everyone to the 48th AGM for the MCCSC. Notable guests were City councilor Veronique Arsenault, Long time club member “bunny” Dempsey and Joey Doucet. An E-mail was read from Mayor Adam Lordon who was not in attendance stating his regrets for not attending and that the MCCSC was world class. Norman remarked we had a short but good season with all events held at the club a success. Norman also thanked all volunteers and club executive for all the time and effort put into the club.

Norman presented the President’s report which included updates on lighted trail completed repairs, and culvert and trail work completed by Chris Clark in the summer(2022) which mitigated ongoing issues and was well worth the investment. Special thanks were made to lodge keepers Nola Chiasson and Keith Dickson and to the hard work of the grooming team of Gilles Chiasson, Trent Martin and Rodney McEachern. He also highlighted the urgent need for a new Groomer.

Adoption of the Agenda: Peter Gadd added the need for a Display cabinet for Awards. Approval moved by Laura Perry and 2nd by Gilles Chiasson. Motion carried.

Minutes from 2022 AGM were read by Chris McEvoy and moved by Paula, 2nd by Robin. Motion carried.

Business from the minutes: The Cadet Nationals were cancelled and we hope to lobby once again to host this event should it happen in the future.

Financial Report: General Account:\$46,778.61. Project:\$548.65. Groomer Fundraiser:\$7196.74. Loppet:\$1500. Cash Box:\$324.75

Paul Mckinnon provided a very detailed report on all of the MCCSC’S Finances.

New Business:

--Timing Hut needs to be completed for competitions.

--Shelter for Grooming Equipment is needed.

--Widening of sections of purple/blue are needed to make grooming accessible.

--New Groomer has to be one of the top priority’s going forward.

Committee reports:

Youth: Emily comeau updated the jackrabbit program was successful! 8 week session lead by Kathleen Gadd had 25 registered kids on Sundays and 6 registered with Emily on Mondays. Track attack did not run this year.

Headlamp skiing was a highlight and a great time was had by all. Thank you to Peter Gadd for capturing all the special moments this season.

Biathlon: Yves st-germain updated the busy year with Atlantic cup/provincial championship and the Canada Winter Games. We had 8 NB athletes compete with 6 representing the MCCSC.

--Bridget Perry

--Maddie Mckinnon

--Lalla McFarland

--Alexandre Comeau

--Liam Septon

--Alex Soulis

Norman presented all with a Gift from the club.

Peter Gadd presented a need for a biathlon update for the website.

Paula Cavanaugh updated 7 kids participated in the Biathlon Bears (1st group since covid).

Other: Paul Mckinnon presented the new Glow forge from Amy Barrieau which lights up and will be displayed at the counter. He also read a thank you card from Max Aitken. Peter Gadd showcased the Sculpture by Gerrard Peacoe (donated by Edith Boudreau). It will be Hung at a later date.

Nomination Elections:

Arlene Martin nominated for social co-ordinator and accepted

All other positions were acclaimed.

Adjournment: moved at 8:15pm by Laura Perry and 2nd by Chris McEvoy. Motion Carried.

Executive for 2023-2024:

President: Norman Brown

Vice President: John Oliver

Treasurer: Paul Mckinnon

Trails co-ordinator: Gilled Chiasson

Youth Program: Emily Comeau

Instruction: Yves St-Germain

Biathlon: Paula Cavanaugh

Publicity: Deana Gadd

Loppet: James Tremblay

Director at Large: Charles Fives

Secretary: Chris McEvoy

Social co-ordinator: Arlene Martin

Awards:

The Boston Family Trophy: Chastity Degroot and Jeff Williams

Joey Doucet distance awards: (F)Paula Keating 1067km

(M)Alexandre Comeau 1302.5km

Dr. Paula Keating Distance youth award: (F)Lalla McFarland

(M)Alexadre Comeau

Spill Award: Alex Soulis

Guptill Award: Emily Comeau

Deana Gadd

Ski pass draw winners: Paul McKinnon and Yves St-Germain.

Recording secretary: Chris McEvoy