

## **Miramichi Cross Country Ski Club History**

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<b>1975</b>	Ski Club is formed – John & Marilyn Boston, Diane White, Bill & Juanita Purtell, Jan Truka and Mike Cashin are first executive officers
1975-1976	Ski Club operates without a clubhouse or trail system
1977-78	Ski Club leases DND Rifle range building at Nordin for clubhouse
1978 Spring/79	Ski Club organizes first North 100 cross country ski marathon – 78-85 Fire destroys the building at Rifle Range leaving Ski Club W/O a home
<b>1979</b>	Woodlands Division of Boise Cascade donates building for clubhouse (Harry Blackmore's operation)
1979-82	Ski Club located at French Fort cove on Tom Preston's land
1980/81	Ski Club holds it's first JackRabbit Ski League prog (this year was #20)
<b>Dec/1982</b>	Ski Club re-locates to Douglastown on McCosh property
1982-91	Ski Club operates at Douglastown site
1983	Ski Club hosts a Provincial Fraser Cup X-C race
1984	Ski Club hosts the Provincial Fraser Cup Championship
1986	Ski Club introduces its first annual X-C ski Loppet (now in its 14 <sup>th</sup> year)
<b>1986</b>	Major forest fires sweeps through Ski Club's trail system
1987	Ski Club appoints special task force to do long range planning
1988	Formation of Nelson Ski Club
1988	Ski Clubs enters discussions w/Nelson Ski Club regarding possible merger
April/1991	Agreement between MCCSC and Nelson Ski Club to amalgamate
Oct/1991	MCCSC re-locates to Nelson site
1992-98	Ski Club expands and improves ski trail system
1996	Ski Club hosts Eastern Canadian Trail Grooming Seminar
Aug/98	Ski Club and Repap begin discussions on long term land use agreement
March/1999	Ski Club signs a long term land use agreement with Repap N.B.
April,17/99	MCCSC and Repap join together to celebrate this historic agreement
1999/2000	MCCSC celebrates 25 years of continuous operation
2001	Ski club begins discussions/planning for lighted trails
2003	Ski club installs 4 kilometers of lighted trails