

Rice Lake Nordic Assoc.

Feb 9th Meeting

Members in attendance: Bjorn Hanson, Kris Hanson, Dennis Villeneuve, Dave Putnam, Josh Moe, Lance Ritchie

Meeting called to order.

Old Business; Minutes from Jan-2010 meeting approved with one change (RLNA was asked to speak at the Jan.19<sup>th</sup> Lions Club meeting. Dave P volunteered to do this). This took place report was that the Lions Club seemed to have a lot of interest in RLNA.

Still need to complete beaver tail frame and possibly figuring out a way to bust up snow ahead of the corduroy finish. Lance R has permission to use Rice Lake Weighing shop to do this work with the contingency that only RLWS employee's work on unit (insurance concerns). Lance will get help from an RLWS employee and try to accomplish this yet this ski season. One of the main concerns is to not mess up the groomed trail to get snowmobile, roller and frame to the RLWS shop.

Lance R will check with Rice Lake Weighing to see if they want a receipt for their donation of time and materials for new roller and beaver tail frame.

Treasurer's report confirms we are still in the black on expenses. We continue to get paid memberships about 50 totaling about 100 people, Rice Lake Tourism gave us a donation and received another \$50.00 business donation – didn't catch name.

A new 10ft wide drag was built, group updated on its function mainly to be used to try to bust up hard snow. We'll be trying this out as snow thaws and freezes. Steve M tried something smaller but similar and it seemed to work well.

We are still looking for options for a shelter for the snowmobile.

New;

Discussed the possible purchase of a new classic tracker, we think we have about 50% classic skiers and lack a good method to set track. We'll use what we have for now but the direction we're going to take is to buy a new rigid tracker that will either hook up to the snowmobile and later to a new commercial grooming unit. Need to decide what brand we're going with, decide if we're going to do this and when.

Discussed a random relay event and scheduled it for Saturday March 6<sup>th</sup> the specifics are posted on website. Had 6 people sign up by 8:00am the next day. We will need to work out the rest of the details on this event.

Discussed an end of year picnic penciled in for June

Discuss monthly event ideas, Mark Smith strength program details posted on website. There are other event ideas to be finalized.

Discussed RLNA joining CXC, Shinny Ski, Birkie Foundation. After discussing the details and benefits of each a motion was made by Dave P, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lance R to join CXC and Birkie Foundation. Shinny Ski maybe later on.

Discussed setting up a Women's group, group thought this was a good idea more details on this in future

Discussed need for more signs, ideas of sign content and where to post to be emailed to Bjorn for future discussion.

Discussion trying to get more involved with youth programs in the area will continue to look at ways to do this.

Meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting Weds Mar.10th 2010 at Burnell's 6:00pm.