

Cross Country Yukon
Annual General Meeting
Alpine Bakery Meeting Room
May 15, 2004

Chris Almstrom	Jan Horton	Marc Champagne
Jim Bell	Mike Gladish	Lorrie Greer
Lois Johnston	Debbie Kiemele	Afan Jones
Tina Sutherland	Dan Lindsey	Pat Healy
Brenda Enders	Grant Abbott	Paula Stoker
Alain Masson	Barbara Scheck	Claude Chabot
Kirk Potter		

1. Meeting called to order by Claude Chabot (chair) at 9:15 AM.
2. Motion for adoption of agenda; moved Jan Horton, seconded Jim Bell, carried.
- 3.1 Minutes from 2003 AGM were reviewed. Motion for adoption of minutes; moved Brenda Enders, seconded Lois Johnston, carried.
- 3.2 No new business arose from minutes.
4. Paula Stoker reviewed vote allocation for bylaw amendment and election of officers.
- 5.1 Jim Bell reviewed the draft financial statements and presented his treasurer's report for the year. Summary: revenue down due to increased number of lower paying young members; expenses down due to less travel (Continental Cup in Alaska and Western's in Edmonton were both cancelled); more capital purchases this year (photocopier, laptop computer). Motion made to approve the draft financial statements: moved by Chris Almstrom, seconded by Tina Sutherland, carried.
- 5.2 Motion to waive a professional audit of f/s. Moved by Jan Horton, seconded by Mike Gladish, carried.
6. Vote re Bylaw #11—to add CCY administrator to signing authorities that already include president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer. Vote was unanimously in favor.
- 7.1 President's report presented by Claude Chabot for Elizabeth Eso, who has moved to Alberta. Board would like to thank Elizabeth for her past years of service.
- 7.2 Affiliate Clubs reports:
 - 7.2.1 Pat Healy reported on behalf of the Marsh Lake Community Club: Loppet was very successful; trails are to be cleared of stumps and willows this summer.

- 7.2.2 Marc Champagne reported on behalf of EET: Marc would like to see XC skiing more formally integrated into the school curriculum—see Leadership Development discussion below.
- 7.2.3 Mike Gladish reported on behalf of the WCCSC: Mike gave an update re the stadium reconstruction and “playground” possibilities; he is trying to work with construction companies, City of Whitehorse, CWG Society to ensure the stadium and surrounding trails are not overlooked during the multiplex construction.

7.3 Sport Coordinator / Head Coach: Alain Masson reported that the Yukon Ski Team lost some of its older skiers this season after CWG 2003, so the focus this year was more on the younger skiers (green, orange and younger blue squad skiers). It was unfortunate that both the Continental Cup in Alaska and the Westerns in Edmonton were cancelled. However, the Besh Cup race (in Fairbanks) that the ski team attended was very worthwhile and proved to be a good level of competition for all who went (anyone who had qualified for Westerns was eligible to go). Alain reported that the School Challenge was a highlight this year with lots of positive feedback from participating students and teachers alike. Grant Abbott initiated a discussion re focusing our resources on the teachers rather than the students as we may be spreading our efforts too thin by trying to attract at the mass student level. A lengthy discussion about leadership development incurred (see below).

7.4 Committee Reports

- 7.4.1 Leadership Development (Chris Almstrom): Chris explained that the School Challenge was a step in a long range effort to attract new and younger members to XC skiing. The benefits of hosting a development day / clinic for novice coaches / teachers were discussed. The rationale behind this type of clinic would be that the true beginner skier teachers / coaches would not be intimidated by more experienced coaches attending the same clinic. Marc Champagne suggested the possibility of offering such a clinic at the annual Yukon Teacher’s Conference. He will check into this possibility. Marc would also like to see XC skiing incorporated into the elementary school curriculum much like swimming lessons are. Such an endeavour would require paid coaches, available equipment, and the structure and support from the Dept of Ed, City of Whse and CCY. It was also noted that no program presently exists for 12 – 14 year old beginner skiers. Alain Masson suggested CCY organize a committee meeting before the end of this school year (June 11).
- 7.4.2 Youth Development (Lois Johnston): After testing two pilot Jack Rabbit programs in the past two years, Lois likes the one she used this year; it is dependent on good administration... thank you, Paula!
- 7.4.3 High Performance (Tina Sutherland): There seemed to be a silver lining in the cancellation of both the Westerns and the Continental Cup—the Besh Cup race in Fairbanks. It’s close to home, so relatively inexpensive, and the competition was at an appropriate level for all. Barbara Scheck addressed her concerns re the selection process for traveling athletes and the allocation of YRAC funding. She presented such summaries from various Yukon sport

governing bodies. A lengthy discussion followed embracing the need for a club team in addition to the more competitive traveling team.

8. Election of Officers (Paula Stoker) by acclamation:

President:	Claude Chabot
Vice-President:	Jan Horton
Treasurer:	Jim Bell
Secretary:	Lorrie Greer
Director:	Brenda Enders
Director:	John Sutherland

9. Committee Chairperson Appointments (Paula Stoker):

Youth Development:	Lois Johnston
Leadership Development:	Chris Almstrom
High Performance:	Tina Sutherland
Events & Technical:	vacant

10. Other Business:

CCY Website: Grant Abbott noted that the site has not been updated for awhile. Chris Almstrom explained that the site has been experiencing technical difficulties with Northwestel and he will be dealing with NWTel to get it up and updated asap.

Meeting adjourned at 12:30 PM. Minutes typed by Lorrie Greer.