

Bend Ski Club Annual Meeting

1. Welcome and Introductions

- a. Attendees introduced themselves: John Stockham, Rod Robinson, Ken Robbins, Dixie Boggs, Rob Spencer, Claudia Hansen, Don Work, PJ Johnson, Paul Johnson, Carol Schunk, Doug Ingham, Mark Darnell, Larry Barker, Mary Ann Jestel, David Horn, Roy Protasewich, Lucia Protasewich, Gregg Fuller
- b. President John Stockham handed over the presidency to Rod Robinson

2. Review the last year, what worked well, what could be improved and suggestions for next year

a. Kickoff with John McLeod

We were able to get both rooms at Pappy's Pizza accommodating more people. The speaker system needs improvement. Other venues should be considered. Deschutes Brewery downtown upstairs room is less expensive midweek with a limited menu. Eastside 10 Barrel has a large room upstairs. There are 75 - 100 attendees at kickoff meeting. Negative comments and dialogue needs to be cut off.

b. Monthly Off Mountain Meetings

Riverbend Brewery was noisy, but room was free.

New venues should be explored

Rob Spencer has a speaker system he is willing to provide.

David thinks Pappy's is better

Dixie believes Riverside Brewery would be good for Après Ski meetings, but not for speakers.

John – look for places we may have to pay for. John Stockham, Mark Darnell and Larry Barker will look for new venues and report on capacity and cost.

Speaker subject suggestions: Safety on the mountain and Adventure Ski Trips

c. On Mountain

More intermediate Meetups are needed. It was suggested that all Advanced Meetup leaders lead some intermediate groups. Some Meetups meet at Sunrise and it is difficult for people to get there on time if they are using ski valet.

Ski Connection Program has had positive results.

Tailgate Parties – most will be impromptu due to weather conditions. We may have one big organized tailgate in the spring.

Coffee On the Mountain - Works best when it is hosted. We could use more hosts. It was suggested that we change the time to 11:30. A flag or sign would help newcomers locate our group.

d. Christmas Party

The room is reserved in December

Maximum of 40 or could possibly add a room for 30 more if available, but this year we will keep at one room

All agree it was a good party last year

Music need improvement

Party favors should be considered

Board members should spread out and socialize with new members.

e. Year End Party

This year it was capped at 50. 53 RSVPed, and all were able to come.

It was suggested that we ask on the questionnaire if members are willing to pay extra for a better venue and food.

Does the club need to buy food?

f. Monthly Après Ski Events

It was suggested that we have more than one per month.

Start in October or November

Introduce new people

Keep it at Broken Top Bottle Shop on the monthly schedule

Explore east side venues – 10 Barrel on the East side, Mavericks

g. Meetups

Have leaders meet at start of season to set guidelines.

We have new safety protocols.

Leaders should coordinate days

More intermediate leaders are needed.

More weekend Meetups needed.

Maximum group size should be 6-8.

Two Meetups on same day of needed – or split group

Meetups leaders are vetted by the board.

Posting a Meetup – the first time is hardest then you can copy and paste.

h. Ski Connections Program

Feedback – it was liked.

Sign up at the beginning of the season.

Members must sign up again each season.

Suggestion – sign up on membership form

David Horn will be in charge of Ski Connections Program again next season.

i. Club Merchandise

The board will decide what merchandise will be offered.

It was suggested that we have small stickers for helmets.

Club could pre sell hats and shirts at Après events.

Suggestion - the club have flags for ski poles. It has been tried previously.

Suggestion – BSC business cards

j. Club communication

Suggestions – there are more action pictures and intermediate pictures posted on the website. Pictures can be emailed to Ken Robbins.

Some events are for paid club members only and can still be posted on Meetup website which may entice people to join.

k. Club Travel

Mt. Hood – 13 members attended. It is hoped that more events like this will be planned.

FWSA has a trip planned to Steamboat Springs next year. All plans have not been finalized.

There is a link to FWSA on the BSC website.

Suggestion – A Poker Run at Hoodoo

3. Additional Suggestions

Ken brought to our attention that Geoff Hance suggested the BSC and the Nordic Club volunteer to donate blood with the Red Cross.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:06 pm

Respectfully submitted by Claudia Hansen