

Hello Members,

While I thought the ski season was over, I hear that some members were still enjoying the trails (as late as Easter Sunday). With the season kicking off back in early November (the 8th I believe), we certainly have had quite a long season, and we have made the most of what Mother Nature gave us. That's almost 6 months!!!!

Sprint Relay and Loppet Update

Please see the results for the Sprint Relays and Loppet on our website:

<http://temiskamingnordic.ca/>

Challenge Ski Results (held March 30th)

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| Patrick Wiss | 100 KM | Maria Story | 80 KM |
| Ray Duval | 75 KM | Callum Wiss | 75 KM |
| Emélie Desbiens | 50 KM | Sarah D'Hondt | 50 KM |
| Ian Schaffer | 50 KM | Rob Wiss | 50 KM |
| William Deubelbeiss | 40 KM | Russell Walker | 40 KM |
| Kerry Schaffer | 35 KM | Martin Maloney | 30 KM |
| Cadance Gauley | 30 KM | Amanda Mongeon | 26 KM |
| Nicole Aubin | 25 KM | J-F Blain | 25 KM |
| Doug Clark | 25 KM | Lourena D'Hondt | 25 KM |
| Bev Foley | 25 KM | Jean-Marc Mathieu | 25 KM |
| Barrie Story | 25 KM | Rob Van Dine | 25 KM |
| Catherine Wiss | 25 KM | Bill Yeates | 25 KM |
| Ambrose Raftis | 20 KM | Brigitte D'Hondt | 20 KM |
| Linda Mustard | 20 KM | Taya Schaffer | 7 KM |
| Sacha Cobb | 5 KM | Ferial Cobb | 5 KM |

Congratulations to all who participated in this event.

Year End Banquet

The Year End Banquet (held on April 12th at the chalet) was well attended. We enjoyed a hearty pasta dinner with all the trimmings, followed by a silent auction and award presentations. Thank you to Chef Maria Story, for planning the meal and to the volunteers who helped to make this is an enjoyable event. Lastly, thank you to all the sponsors who graciously made donations to our silent auction as well as during the season.

Annual Ski Participation Results (recorded on chart in the basement)

Congratulations to all the skiers who participated during the 2018/2019 season. Here are the results for those who reached medal status:

GOLD

Russell Walker 75 Points
Ian Schaffer 70 Points
Kerry Schaffer 67 Points
Taya Schaffer 63 Points

Bronze

Brigitte D'Hondt 39 Points
Amanda Mongeon 37 Points
Sarah D'Hondt 35 Points
Emélie Desbiens 34 Points
Kaitlyn Lapointe 32 Points
Celine Leger-Nolet 31 Points
Nicole Aubin 30 Points
Bernard Dionne 30 Points
Jean-Marc Mathieu 30 Points
Rob Van Dine 30 Points

Silver

Cadence Gauley 51 Points

One skier (prefers to remain anonymous), classic skied 1200 km's during the season. Wow!!



Congratulations to the TNSC Ski Participant Medal Winners. Medals were presented to the winners who attended the Annual Banquet. From left to right: Amanda Mongeon, Cadence Gauley, Russell Walker, Bernard Dionne, Emélie Desbiens, Nicole Aubin, Brigitte D'Hondt, Sarah D'Hondt, Kaitlyn Lapointe, Jean- Marc Mathieu, Kerry, Ian & Taya Schaffer

Doug Worth Bursary

Congratulations to Lourena D'Hondt, the recipient of the Doug Worth Bursary. Anthony Story presented Lourena with the award at our Year End Banquet.



Annual General Meeting (AGM) May 10th at 6:00 PM

In an effort to keep our fees low for our members, the club has always relied on the generosity of volunteers. With a longer ski season, we are in dire need of volunteers to lessen the load and to maintain the status quo. To add to two previously vacant positions, (Vice President and Chalet Director), we have two board members who are stepping down: Maria Story, Race Director and André Lapierre, Treasurer. **Please come out to our AGM to discuss the future of our club and consider putting your name forward for one of the 4 available positions.**

Despite the use of volunteers to operate our club, we are incurring increasing costs to our equipment. The longer season puts more stress on our Piston Bully and more maintenance comes at a cost. As a result, we will be increasing membership and day fee rates for the 2019/2020 season. The new fees and proposed structure will be discussed at the AGM and we encourage you to attend to share your thoughts and ideas on this very important issue.

We are proposing the following membership increases to be voted on at the AGM:

Snowshoe Membership

Single \$25 Family \$50

(Previously we had not offered family memberships)

Ski Membership

| <u>Category</u> | <u>Age</u> | <u>2019/20 Rates</u> (After Early Bird In Parenthesis) | <u>2018/2019 Rates</u> (After Early Bird in Parenthesis) |
|-----------------|------------|--|---|
| Children | 6-12 | \$ 25 (\$35) | \$ 12 (\$17) |
| Student | 13-18 | \$ 45 (\$55) | \$ 42 (\$47) |
| Single Adult | 19-64 | \$ 90 (\$100)* | \$ 85 (\$95) |
| Senior | 65 & over | \$ 75 (\$85) | \$ 59 (\$69) |
| Family | | \$200 (\$210) | \$135 (\$145) |

*No Couples option for 2019/2020

Please note that the above noted fees do not include the Cross Country Canada (CCC), Cross Country Ontario (CCO) and Northern Ontario District (NOD) fees, which were previously \$19 combined per member.

Volunteer Appreciation Night May 10th 7:30 ish PM

To those of you who have generously volunteered your time allowing the TNSC to have another successful season, we thank you for your commitment and dedication to our club!! It is not lost on the executive that volunteers have committed to a longer season for the benefit of all of our members.

To that end, we are holding a Volunteer Appreciation night on May 10th at 7:30ish (following the AGM) in your honour. We invite those who have volunteered throughout the season to BRING YOUR WINE GLASS and join us for a casual get together. Without you, TNSC wouldn't be the wonderful place/club that it is and is known for. We hope you can make it out.

Please remember not to drink and drive!

Yeates Volunteer Award

This award will be presented to a very deserving individual at our Volunteer Appreciation Night.

Wood Splitting May 11th and 12th

We are looking for volunteers to help pile wood the weekend of May 11th and 12th. We are hoping that with more volunteers, the job could be done in one day (May 11th). We also need volunteers with gas powered chain saws to pre-cut the bigger pieces prior to May 11th. Please contact Russell Walker at <haileybury.walkers@hotmail.com> if you can help.

Ski Storage

Bill asked me to remind all members to properly store your skis during the off season. The glide sections of skis (skate or classic) should be cleaned first and waxed. The glide wax needs to be left on the ski for the storage period, and should not be removed. This procedure will protect your ski base. Should you require some guidance or assistance please contact Bill Gabbani at 705 679 2118.

Member Feedback

We encourage all members to share any suggestions you may have for next season to our email at temiskamingnordicskiclub@gmail.com.

We hope to see you at the AGM.

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Special Events Director