



RCA Annual General Meeting 2013

Revelstoke Community Centre, November 18, 2013 @ 7:00pm

Meeting called to order at 7:03pm

present (board member): Bart J (minutes), Andrew C, Stuart S, Jordy L, Danielle B (chair)

regards: Keith M, Justin W, Lindsey, Amanda M

members present: Alex Cooper, Liz Kozak, Callum Mcleary, Theresa McGeragle, Bruno Long, Tim Auger, Melanie Bernier, Matt Yaki, David Labonte, Mike Brown, Gemma Sutton, Neville Budgen, Aaron Clarke, Steve Scott, Vicki Haines, Darryl Ross

non-members present: Lorraine Blancher

Motion to accept agenda Andrew Clarke, second Jordy vote accepted

1. Acceptance of Minutes from November 26, 2012

Motion to accept – Mel Bernier, 2nd Bruno Long, vote accepted

2. President's Report – Keith not present and summary given by Danielle

No discussion

3. Financial Report – Lindsey not present and summary presented by Bart

maintenance with money. Wondered if we can involve the Chamber to do some legwork for us – getting out of town tourists to support with donations.

- Alex Cooper suggested putting corporate sponsors on the front page to improve their visibility.
- Bart reviewed that a lot of these ideas already being implanted but take time and more volunteers. Lots of options of ways to increase revenue and ensure funding for maintenance. The RCA will continue to work towards some of these ideas through the winter.

5. Urban Trails Report

- Danielle discussed progress with CPR trails.
- Alex Cooper asked about other trails in town. It is on the radar but requires more work from the urban committee.

6. Road Committee Report

- Reviewed by Stuart – no questions or comments.

7. Downhill Committee Report

- Reviewed by Andrew – no questions or comments

8. Cross Country Committee Report

- Reviewed by Jordy – no questions and comments.

9. Events Committee Report

- Reviewed by Bart
- Lorraine suggested various avenues to explore for funding including per racer race fees for events, sponsorships (eg. Red Bull in Squamish), trail donations at bike shops. Bart reviewed that these are already being pursued and are in place for some races.

10. Strategic and Operating Plans

- Reviewed by Danielle – no questions or comments

11. Paid Trail Crew Summary

- Presented by Danielle.

12. Fee Structure (memberships)

- Reviewed by Danielle. No plans to change the fee structure.

13. Election of Officers

14. Election of Directors

Membership Director – Theresa McGeragle

- No other nominees x 3
- Unanimous approval

Financial Director – Lindsay Nelson

- No other nominees x 3
- Unanimous approval

Communications Director – Alex Cooper and Tim Auger nominated

- No other nominees x 3
- Tim Auger voted to position (17:4)

Meeting adjourned 8:36 pm

Next meeting January 27th, 2014

Board Meeting after AGM Summary

- Discussion regarding XC and DH groups get project planning outline to the rest of the Board before next Board meeting. Theresa agreed to take over the signing of cheques (as second signature) as Amanda is no longer a Board member.

**Revelstoke Cycling Association
2013 Financial report summary**

Statement of Financial Position

Assets:

- There was a decrease in the cash balances of the RCA during 2013 of \$25,706. This is a result of the spending of funds previously set aside for the completion of the Frisby ridge Trail, and the use of funds for a summer trail crew.

Accounts Receivable – no change from 2012

Inventory decreased in line with sales of clothing

Fund balances

- XC- large decrease due to use of Frisby Ridge funds that were included in this balance in 2012. Amounts received for 2013 were spent this year.
- DH – higher than usual balance at the end of 2012 due to late approval for 2012 projects. These projects were completed when approved in 2013 (and the associated money was spent at this time). 2013 funding received was spent in 2013.
- General – decrease due to the allocation of funds to the summer trail Crew.

Operations

Membership – increase of \$3.7K due to more memberships and introduction of corporate memberships

Grant revenue – CBT received in 2013

Other – increase due to funding received in support of the summer trail crew and other grants

Expenses

General and admin: increase due to trail crew (22.5K) otherwise down compared to 2012

Trail building expenses up in 2013 – more activity this year – will defer to the committee reports for details

Revelstoke Cycling Association
Statement of Financial Position

	<u>31-Oct-13</u>	<u>31-Oct-12</u>
Assets		
Cash		
Chequing account	7,784	18,491
Term deposit	-	15,000
Membership shares	63	62
	<hr/> 7,847	<hr/> 33,553
Accounts receivable	-	-
grants receivable	7,000	7,000
	<hr/> 7,000	<hr/> 7,000
Inventory	4,830	8,102
Total	<hr/> 19,677	<hr/> 48,655
Accounts payable	26	-
Fund balances		
Road	665	665
XC	1,858	18,099
DH	4,566	12,861
Events	3,231	1,450
Clothing	(4,830)	(8,102)
General	14,161	23,682
	<hr/> 19,651	<hr/> 48,655
Total	<hr/> 19,677	<hr/> 48,655

Revelstoke Cycling Association
Statement of operations
For the ten months ended October 31,

	2013	2012
Revenue		
Membership	8,940	5,240
Grants	14,000	17,000
sponsorship	1,550	2,235
Clothing	1,180	9,748
Other	13,443	1,825
total	<hr/> 39,113	<hr/> 36,048
Expenses		
General and administrative	25,235	3,252
Clothing	1,180	6,157
Trail building		
DH	15,114	6,526
XC	25,452	-
	<hr/> 66,981	<hr/> 15,935
Excess of expenses over revenue	<hr/> (27,868)	<hr/> 20,113

Road Committee Report

The highlight for the road committee this year has been organizing the Toonie road race series.

In total about 30 RCA members enjoyed friendly competition the five races. Mass start road races, a criterium, team time trial and individual time trial were all run. The number of riders was generally larger than expected despite inclement weather threatening on virtually every race. The focus was more on participating than winning with numerous draw prizes and the Toonie Pot being won by those who participated regularly, rather than the race winners.

Group rides were held weekly throughout the season, with the introduction of a women's only ride this year. These proved less popular than the races though, so different formats and/or times will be considered for next year. Your feedback about what you would like to see offered would be valued.

Looking ahead to next year we hope to build on the success of the Toonie road races with a start in April being considered. The Road Committee would also love to have others join us to help offer more options and share the workload. Please contact me if you are interested in helping out or have any suggestions for next year.

With the biking season coming to an end here in Revelstoke, it is time to look back at what the XC committee got up to this summer

The winter logging of the Begbie Falls area made for a busy beginning to the season for the XC committee last spring. As the logged trails are some of the earliest trails to open on Macpherson the push was on to make them rideable. Having been logged in the winter the actual damage to the trail tread was not as bad as it could have been and much of the remediation consisted of removing debris. The RCA hosted several trail work days to get the trails back in shape. The Quarry trail sustained the most damage from the harvesting, resulting in a fairly serious rebuild of the trail tread. The entirety of that rebuild was completed by a dedicated group of volunteers intent on maintaining the technical nature of that trail. The RCA also received a sum of money from Stella Jones, the company that holds timber rights to the Begbie Falls area, to be earmarked for rebuilding the trails. This money was used to fund the days of work done to Hemlock Groove by the Summer Maintenance crew.

August, September, and October were busy times for trail building this summer. In addition to the daily work undertaken by the Summer Maintenance Crew on Macpherson, Boulder, and Frisby, there were several trail building crews expanding the existing network. Completing the slingshot at the end of the Frisby Ridge trail has been on the build list since that trail first opened. The XC committee is happy to say this has finally been done. A big thanks to the Fireweed crew for their hard work in the alpine. The views of the North Monashees are phenomenal on the new section of trail and make it hard to not ride off into the heather.

Meanwhile on Mt. Macpherson an expansion of the already popular Stimulus trail was underway. Not only has Stimulus become a loop but there is also a new start to the trail enabling it to be ridden without climbing Black Forest. Just a hundred meters up Main Loop, Stimulus now begins on the lower side of the road. When the entire loop has been ridden the trail terminates on Mickey Olsen Loop a few hundred meters behind the Nordic Lodge. Thanks to Star Trail Solutions for their building skill on this project.

Continuing on with last years focus on improving cycling related infrastructure, a new expanded parking area is being built at the Griffith Creek access road on Mt. Macpherson. This work is being done in conjunction with the new Nordic ski trails being built in the area and will be completed by the end of this season. Additionally, the RCA has built a new shed at the Macpherson groomer garage to house our sprawling tangle of trail building tools. After many seasons of tools shifting from one committee member's garage to another, and many mornings spent tracking down missing items, there is now a safe secure place for the tools to rest. This addition to the RCA's infrastructure will simplify the process of hosting regular volunteer maintenance days. A big thank you to Richard Brittin for making the tool shed a reality.

We leave you now to dreams of skiing and shovelling. The winter is a time of scheming for the XC committee and next year's plans are just around the corner. As always, if you want to get involved with the committee contact the RCA for information. Thanks for being a member, we hope you enjoyed the trails.

2013 DH Committee Report

It's been a great downhill season and the RCA DH Committee would like thank everyone who came out this year to enjoy the events. We had a record number of memberships sold for the RCA and the volunteers and participants who came out were strong in numbers.

The DH Committee meets on a monthly basis and topics are wide in range. Organizing the DH Toonie Series is a constant with us as we plan and execute the logistics for each race. We spend a lot of time in the woods laying out new trails, clearing right of ways, meeting with contractors and getting our hands dirty with maintenance and building. Much time is spent discussing current and future projects, while all the while funding needs to be acquired, proposals and contracts need to be drafted and work needs to be monitored. Other agenda items typically include maintenance plans, communications, advertising, signage, sponsorships, clothing and much more.

Below is a summary of our 2013 summer as well as some future plans for the DH committee.

2013 Project Summary

- 1) Parking has become an issue since we have seen a major increase in traffic and trail use in the area. To solve the issue a parking lot was built just after the Jordan bridge as well as a connector trail from the 1K corner to the parking lot. There remains some finish work to be completed in the spring, but things are really starting to shape up.
- 2) A short section of trail named Tall Timber was constructed in October and begins on the 5K road between lower Boondocker and Loggin' Leftovers. A fork at the bottom of the trail gets riders over to lower Loggin' Leftovers on the right and to lower Bike Club Trail on the left. We hope to add some upper sections to the trail in the future.
- 3) The RSS trail building class was given a project at Boulder this year and their work was much appreciated and turned out beautifully. They built School's Out which extends off the end of the ridge after you cross the power line and head back into the woods. It is a short piece but is proving to be super fun and a great addition to the endless options to finish off your ride.
- 4) Perhaps the most notable work this year took place on Boondocker and is known as the Hotdog Hallway. A master jump builder from Nelson, Rick Schneider (hence Hotdog), was brought in for the project and what he accomplished in only a couple days was amazing! We now have some advanced jumps on Boulder which were greatly needed and are riding marvellously. Our plan is to construct

some intermediate jumps to compliment what is now there, allowing riders to build their skills and progress their jumping abilities.

DH Toonie Series

The FLOWT Bikes and Skis DH Toonie Series wrapped up in October and capped off another great racing season. In total there were 5 races taking place on MacPherson, Boulder and Frisby. We saw an average of 24 participants throughout the season and we hope to increase both racer and volunteer numbers for next year. Congratulations to Theresa McGeragle and Nathan Jecks for winning the overall series titles and taking home bragging rights for next year. We would like thank all our prize sponsors and volunteers who helped every step of the way and we hope to see everyone back out next year. Special thanks to the Revelstoke Nordic Ski Club for lending us their timing gear for the series.

Future Plans

The RCA DH Committee is working hard throughout the winter in preparation for next year and beyond. The following projects are being discussed:

1) We hope to make Tall Timber a full length trail and complete the fork at the bottom heading to Lower Loggin' Leftovers.

2) The completion of the parking lot project will be taking place where we will see the finish work done, including compaction and outlining the boundary with existing boulders. A future plan for the area is also to have amenities, including toilets, covered seating and a map kiosk.

3) We also hope to add some intermediate jumps into the mix on Boulder, allowing riders to progress their abilities. A potential location is to run alongside the HotDog Hallway.

4) We are looking into plans for creating another signature trail to compliment Loggin' Leftovers. Talk is to build a lengthy jump trail involving major machine work. This would require a significant amount of funding and volunteer hours, but we hope to make the dream a reality. The potential of such a trail is bringing even more visiting riders to the community, further increasing the reputation of the downhill riding in the Revelstoke area as being some of the best around.

5) We would like to look into a MacPherson trail consisting of beginner to intermediate jumps and technical terrain features. We feel a trail of this nature would compliment the existing trail network nicely and cater to riders of all abilities, allowing them progress their overall mountain biking abilities.

In closing, the DH Committee had a busy summer and plans are already well under way for next year. We would like to thank all participants, volunteers and contractors who made 2013 a success. Thanks to the RCA pilot trail crew for all the maintenance work provided in the area and we look forward to seeing and working with everyone in 2014.