More Fall 2017 News

Bulkley Valley Cross Country Ski Club

Hey Skiers!

In early September we emailed our Fall News to current and recent members. You can <u>download it</u> <u>from our website</u> if you haven't seen it or if you want to review details of the many projects happening at the Nordic Centre. Now, only a month later and we have MORE to tell you!

Work Bee - Saturday October 20 starting at 10:00 am

Yes, we are having a second work bee to secure the remaining firewood for the year. This should be a quick day so we plan to start at 10:00 am on Saturday the 20th. We will need a few chainsaws to buck the wood and many hands to stack and pile it.

Improvements to Buchfink Memorial Lodge, trails and signs

Improvements to the lodge's roof, ceiling and flooring are pretty close to being complete. It is looking great!

Major improvements have been made to the trails including brushing and better drainage to allow skiing in low snow conditions. Unfortunately, some trails might be a bit rougher due to this year's harvesting (more info on the next page and the previous newsletter). The plan is to smooth out rough sections after they dry out next summer but in the meantime, we may need extra snow to cover the rough bits.

New maps will be ready for the ski season and a major overhaul of trail signage is in the works. Installation was delayed until the salvage harvesting is complete. Hopefully, the signs can be up before late fall.

Register now for the 2017-18 ski season



When you register, consider contributing to our Big Comfy Couch Fund. The fund will allow us to replace some of the Lodge's dilapidated furniture. Wouldn't it be nice to have a comfortable chair or couch to relax in after your ski?

Please register early. It really helps with club finances and might help the club win some great prizes from <u>Cross Country BC's Club Membership Contest</u>. Cross Country BC also launched a new <u>BC Punch</u> <u>Pass</u>. Our Nordic Centre is participating and will receive part of the proceeds from any punch passes bought through our club.

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Harvesting next to trails

As reported earlier, Wetzin'kwa Community Forest has been salvage harvesting in the vicinity of our trails. The club has been involved in the planning so that logging will reduce the risk to skiers and hikers from beetle-killed pine trees. Logging north of Goldeneye Lake is currently underway and should be complete soon. The rest of the planned logging is complete but felled trees in the vicinity of the lit trails will need a hard freeze to allow hauling. Until the hauling is finished some of our trails will not be available so let's hope we get an early cold snap. Stay tuned for more updates.

BV XC Ski Club Annual General Meeting

The club's board of directors decided to delay our AGM until December 8, 2017. One reason for the delay is to allow us to be well prepared with financial information and some resolutions related to the transition to the new BC Societies Act. Also, by December we will be ready to show off the improvements to the lodge, trails and signs. More details will be emailed out by mid-November.

Nominations are being sought for additional directors. The club can have up to 11 directors who work in the interests of club members. Some directors provide leadership for a program or they might provide a voice for an under-represented segment of our membership, (e.g. dog trail skiers). Contact Daryl Wilson, chair@bvnordic.ca, if you want more information.

Send questions or comments about this news update to secretary@bvnordic.ca.