



**PACRAT Board Meeting**  
**9 January 2014**  
**Capital Plaza - Portland**

**Present:** Greg Dilger, Colleen Stroeder, Dale Parshall, Colleen Hankins, Bob Lawrence, Andy Hobart, Jay Pollock, Sheri Parshall

**Guests:** Bruce Kuper

**Not present:** Bruce Parshall, Diane Hicks, Colleen Walter

Call to order: 6:58 p.m.

**Previous Meeting Minutes – Sheri Parshall**

Minutes from the November 14th meeting were sent out previously. Moved and seconded to accept. Motion passed.

**Treasurer Report – Colleen Stroeder**

Reconciled balance to date is \$20,403.46. It was noted that we budgeted for 200 racers, and the number currently stands at around 190. All bills are paid.

**Race Schedule**

Greg voiced concerned that we would not be racing January 26<sup>th</sup> at Ski Bowl due to low snow levels, with no outlook for substantial additional snow at that resort. Greg is trying to work with Meadows to reschedule the race for Mt. Hood Meadows. Timberline is also marginal, as currently the Mile would not support a dual course. Another option would be doubling up races (having 2 races on one day), which has been done before.

There was discussion regarding whether or not refunds, or some other type of compensation, would be considered should several races be cancelled. At this time, the board agreed that no refunds would be issued since ski racing is a weather-dependent sport and race cancellation was not due to action on the part of the PACRAT board. The subject can be revisited at a later time if necessary.

- *Action Item – Greg will continue to work with Meadows to reschedule the January 26<sup>th</sup> race.*

**Race Day Duties – Greg Dilger**

Following assignments note primary positions:

*Timing* – Dale, with assistance from Colleen S. and Andy. It's good for two people to be there so one person can announce. Course setters typically set up the timing. Dale hooks up the computer up to the timing equipment. Dale prepares start lists for top of course. It was suggested that we set up the start list on a bamboo.

*Radios/Headsets* - There was discussion about headsets. Greg will look into headsets. It was suggested that there be a radio sign-out list, and come-back chits will not be given out until the radio is returned. Greg will be in charge of the radio list. There was discussion regarding a need for chest holsters for radios for the race workers. Greg will order holsters. Jay will check with Gary about "Race Official" arm sleeves. Greg will be in charge of the "Race Day Bag."

- *Action Item – Greg will check into purchasing headsets and chest holsters for radios.*
- *Action Item – Greg will organize and be in charge of the “Race Day Bag”*
- *Action Item – Jay will check with Gary about the inventory of “Race Official” arm sleeves*

*Course Setting* – Bruce (at direction from the resort’s race personnel) with help from the Rat Patrol sets up course, timing, and fencing at the bottom.

*Starter* – Bruce, with back-up of the Colleens and Sheri

*Registration* - Colleen W., Colleen H., Diane, Bob Lawrence

*Comp Tickets/Chits* – Greg will pick up tickets/chits and Colleen S. will distribute, with Colleen H. assisting.

*Line-up Crew/Top of Course* – Sheri, Diane, Colleen S., Colleen W., Colleen H. Dale prepares the start list and brings copies to the races for the captains. Colleen S. is responsible for having start lists at the top of the course for the board.

*Signage* – Sheri Sheri will work with Andy.

- *Action Item – Sheri to get signage from Andy*

*Rat Patrol* – Jay with 5-6 persons. Jay will work on ordering new rakes. Brief discussion of inventory. Greg will provide 12 Motorola radios. There were questions about how many drills are in inventory. Jay will work with Bruce to determine what equipment is available for course setting.

- *Action Item – Jay will work on ordering new rakes*
- *Action Item – Jay will check with Bruce and confirm inventory for course setting equipment*

*Parties* – Diane and Colleen W.

*Floater* – Bob Lawrence Bob will be able to help either at the top of the course or in the shack as needed.

#### *Race Day Comments*

Dale confirmed that if all is going well, we will not start groups early. This will help train racers to show up on time with their groups.

Andy suggested that board members look at their schedules and let the board know a.s.a.p. if they are unable to attend a race so that plans can be made.

#### **Pacesetters**

NASTAR Pacesetter and Olympian A J Kitt will pace set the January 26<sup>th</sup> race, if held. There was discussion regarding logistics of having AJ and family participate and how we can enhance the race accordingly. Andy will coordinate with Bill Madsen of NASTAR and Gary Gunderson to determine what will be needed for a pacesetting “clinic,” and thereby make it easier to set up times for the pacesetters to run.

- *Action Item – Andy to contact Bill Madsen and Gary Gunderson to work out details of NASTAR pacesetting.*

#### **Pacesetting**

Dale mentioned that some racers have voiced concerns regarding the PACRAT handicapping system. Dale has created a document that explains the pacesetting system for PACRAT. Dale will give the document to Bob to post on web site and to Sheri for distribution to the captains.

- *Action Item – Dale to distribute pacesetting explanation to Bob and Sheri for distribution via their respective media.*

#### **NWSCC**

Gordy has been unable to attend recent NWSCC board meetings. Sheri offered to attend NWSCC board meetings for PACRAT. We have still not received the letter from the IRS required by our beer sponsors. Sheri will contact Mary Olhausen to ask what the current status is on the letter. Sheri will also ask Mary about the banner.

- *Action Item – Sheri to contact Mary about the IRS Letter*
- *Action Item – Sheri to research the PACRAT/NWSCC banner*

Next Meeting will follow the first race.

Adjourned at 8:50.

Respectfully submitted,

SHERI PARSHALL  
Secretary