



Colorado Biathlon Club Newsletter June 2004

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I can easily hit that target at 50 mtr, as long as it stops moving

Foreword

As you will read in the minutes, the plan is to bring the Club Newsletter to you at least three times per season.

One pre-season with the schedule of the upcoming races and safety course, one mid-season with race results and one at the close of the season with details of the annual meeting and left-over business.

I am keen to get your input, after all this is your newsletter. So please do not shy away from sharing your race stories, pre-season training efforts, Grandma secret brew recipe, ect.

Looking forward to the next season, but will be working on my suntan for now.

Have a jolly good summer,

Paul Ijs
Newsletter Editor.

CBC Annual Members Meeting 4/10/2004, Buffalo Bar and Grill, Idaho Springs, CO

Attendees:

Dave Cleveland (SMR VP), Julia Collins (Secretary), Jim Kite (Frisco VP), Naomi Notman (President), Greg Wagner (Executive VP), Mary Wagner (Treasurer), Dave Wells (Board Chair), Norman Butterfield, Paul Ijs, Jan Ingebrigtsen, Steve Niessner, Elizabeth Pike.

Volunteer recognition:

CBC purchased vests for Eileen Waldow, Jane Utiger and John Wilson as thanks for their work throughout this past season. Unfortunately, none of these hard workers could attend the meeting. Dave Cleveland will deliver her vest to Eileen; Julia will deliver the vests for Jane Utiger and John Wilson.

Board elections:

Chip, Mary and Greg all are retiring from their current positions (Eldora VP, Treasurer, and Executive VP, respectively).

Dave Wells, Dave Cleveland, Naomi Notman, and Julia Collins are all willing to continue in their present board positions.

Executive VP: We nominated Ethan McGraw in absentia for the role of Executive VP, and discussed also the possibility of emphasizing "volunteer coordinator" duties for the Executive VP.

Eldora VP: Jan agreed to take Chip's place as the Eldora VP.

Frisco VP: Given that a range at Frisco is unlikely in the foreseeable future, it was suggested that we not continue the Frisco VP board position. Jim Kite agreed with the suggestion. Elizabeth

volunteered to serve as a "Summit County liaison" in order to have a point of contact for any future possibilities that might arise for a range location in Summit County. We briefly reviewed Dave Wells and Naomi's meeting with Frisco contacts (last year). Naomi and Dave will send Elizabeth a report of the Frisco issues/contacts.

Treasurer: No nominees present. Bill Quinlan nominated in absentia. If he is unable to serve, we will contact all of membership to ask for other nominations or volunteers.

New positions: It was suggested that we add a Steamboat VP. Gary Osteen was nominated for this position. However, the Steamboat group may want to stand alone as a club, in which case Gary could potentially fill a liaison role.

All present voted in favor of the slate of candidates and board position changes as presented.

Newsletter: Paul Ijs is willing to continue as the newsletter editor. Suggested newsletter schedule:

1. Pre-season (fall): distributed before Thanksgiving; content will include schedules for races and safety clinic(s).
2. Mid-season: Just after new year, but before early January race (if possible).
3. After the annual club meeting, in early May.

Elizabeth noted that it would be useful to have a newsletter to hand out at the Boulder Nordic expo. If a current newsletter is not available, a flyer can be used for that purpose.

Paul is willing to send out the (few) newsletter hardcopies required. Julia will take care of formatting labels and transferring those to him.

Steve suggested e-mailing race reminders.

Web management: Julia is willing to continue as web coordinator. She will work with Dave W., Piper, and any other interested parties to revamp our CBC site layout and possibly content. Content suggestions: photo gallery, maybe short video clips. Need to update links to related sites and make sure they're current. Suggested/agreed to register "coloradobiathlon.com" in addition to "coloradobiathlon.org."

Also suggested that we add to web site on e.g. results page a reminder to people to keep their memberships up to date.

Treasurer's report: Income from rifle fees and memberships was down in the past year. The membership reduction is probably due to the fact that membership renewal reminders weren't sent this past winter season (Julia plans to catch up on this task). Other pressing question: How can we get newly certified individuals to participate in actual races? Some suggestions:

- Have novice classes
- Provide shorter courses
- Emphasize at cert clinic that we're very flexible in terms of carrying the rifle or not -- add this information to cert details, race schedules, and FAQ.
- Give newly certified participants a card for one free penalty loop. :-)
- Charge \$10 for cert clinic and give them one free race. Follow up with one free newsletter as well?

Banners: Were used at Spring Series. Jeff May has them?

Clock: We had budgeted for a range clock last year, but didn't purchase one. Julia will e-mail the potential sources she's found to Dave C so he can continue the search. Naomi will check with Winter Park sources for used clocks. The purpose of the clock is to make it easy for everyone to see the current time left in zero, time left to race start, etc.

Funding for National Biathlon Coaches meeting: Gary Osteen is able to go to the meeting. Steamboat Winter Sports will contribute to his costs as well. We (CBC) approved spending \$200 towards his travel.

Summer race costs: Approved CBC funding of summer race insurance (cost is between \$150 and \$250).

Daisy rifle: Budgeted for an additional Daisy air rifle purchase.

Eldora maintenance: Jan needs to write proposal for any reworking of target mount/platform and submit it to Eldora Nordic center. We probably have enough supplies (lumber, paper hanger, target mounts), so labor and any heavy equipment will be main costs. Will need to have a separate Eldora workday if proposal approved.

SMR: may need to add a rope behind range. Occasional lost tourists have managed to end up in the line of fire!

Julia distributed a summer schedule for SMR range access, including the summer race date (see schedule at end of this message). General approval for scheduling a workday the day after the summer race (8/29/04). Workday tasks will include:

- Beef up pellet target mounts
- Target maintenance
- Attach plastic to warming hut
- (re)build carpet rack.

Spring Series: Brief report from Spring Series attendants. Expo presence was not as effective as we'd hoped due to snow conditions and changes to course start/finish locations. However, having a general presence and getting our logo on the race T-shirts seemed to make up for the loss of the Expo to some extent.

SMR staff changes. Discussed any actions we may want to take as a club to voice concerns regarding staff changes. Igor is being considered for the Nordic center director position. Julia wrote a letter of support for Igor and emailed it to Mark Birdseye. Brainstormed on concerns and options for long-term biathlon presence in Grand County. Will try to meet with new Nordic center director as soon as they're named. Naomi will draft a letter to Mark Birdseye and ask for board feedback. She and Dave C. can then follow up with meeting with Mark Birdseye.

Scouting support: Mark Birdseye is interested in adding more Nordic center (skiing) outreach to scouting organizations, and would like us to teach the riflery part. There was some concern that Scouts may have very specific requirements for teaching riflery skills -- NRA instructor required? Agreed that we need more guidance from Mark B. as to what he had in mind, including the time commitment from both the participants and us (the potential teachers).

Dave Wells will ask Darrell Miller at the Governor's Council to see if they have any scouting affiliation and/or information about requirements for scouting programs.

Schedule: Agreed on a tentative schedule including: one race in December, 2 races in January, 2 races in Feb (pursuit -- again on Pres day weekend?) and 1 race in March

Volunteering incentives: free race? some other "pay" for being chief (non-racing position)? Can we get Boy Scouts (or similar organizations) to volunteer?

Ethan's feedback: require people to volunteer? Acceptable to ring a friend or family member to fulfil your volunteer requirement. No volunteer effort == no eligibility for class championship. Need to specifically define criteria. If six races, take best 5 of 6 finishes. Use basic World Cup style scoring - 25 points for a first place, 24 for second, etc. Must also be club member for class champ eligibility. Need to define tie-breaker (shooting percentages?)

Other bribes: discount on memberships, certificate for free race, free ammo.

Clinics and seminars: we have lots of untapped expertise. Agreed that we did not want to schedule these on race weekends.

Class champ plaque: Dave W still working on this. Will have 6 columns:

Juniors (both boys/girls listed on same plate), senior men, senior women, masters men, masters women, masters 45+ (both men/women on same plate). Plaque size is 16"x20".

Other issues:

- Feedback from Ethan (who could not attend) distributed. Many good ideas, although many out of our means for the near term.
- Jim noted that there's still lumber stacked at Frisco that was part of our platform there.

Meeting adjourned 4:40PM.

CBC Income Statement 5-1-03 to 4-28-04

REVENUE

1. Winter Race Fees (all @ SMR)	\$ 2,038.00
2. Memberships/Contributions	\$ 588.00
3. Safety Certification Clinics	\$ 125.00
4. Rifle Maintenance Fee	\$ 10.00
5. Summer Biathlon	\$ -

TOTAL REVENUE

\$ 2,761.00

EXPENSES

1. Winter Race Fees (all @ SMR)	\$ 1,123.00
2. Rifles	\$ 624.67
(a) Marlin Rifles (2)	550.00
(b) Sight for .22	74.67
3. Range and Equipment Maintenance, Race Support	\$ 218.90
4. Web Site	\$ 245.40
(a) 10 year domain name for coloradobiathlon.org	150.00
(b) 1 year web hosting	95.40
5. CISS Sponsorship	\$ 300.00
6. CBC Banners (2)	\$ 157.44
7. Jackets	\$ 225.25
(a) Digitizing Logo	100.00
(b) Jackets for honorees	125.25
8. CBC's USBA Membership	\$ 25.00
9. Copies/printing	\$ 163.26
10. Secretary of State	\$ 10.00
11. Mailings	\$ 12.45
12. Bank Checks	\$ 12.00
13. Miscellaneous	\$ 7.85

TOTAL EXPENSES

\$ 3,125.22

NET SURPLUS (DEFICIT)

-\$364.22

Bank Balance on April 30, 2003

\$ 2,763.77

Balance as of April 28, 2004

\$2,399.55

<u>Race</u>	<u>Juniors</u>	<u>Seniors</u>	<u>Total Participants</u>	
<u>02-03 Season (6 races)</u>				
12/15/02	8	14	22	
01/12/03	20	22	42	
01/26/03	8	18	26	
02/09/03	6	27	33	
02/22/03	4	12	16	
03/22/03	0	0	0	CANCELED
03/23/03	4	15	19	
Total	50	108	158	

03-04 Season (5 races)

20/12/2003	1	29	30
11/01/2004	9	25	34
25/01/2004	3	29	32
14/02/2004	5	24	29
15/02/2004	8	21	29
	26	128	154

Includes 6 comp'ed SMR employee entries
and 3 (paid) entries for archery

Jeremy Randle by Fred Call

Greetings,

For those who know or remember CBC stalwart Jeremy Randle, I thought you might appreciate an update on him.

Jeremy's currently a sergeant in the United States Marine Corps. He is currently somewhere in Iraq after having served in Kosovo and Germany. He says that he's having such a fine time as a sergeant that he has signed on for another 3 years.

He has recently received commendation in the form of a Combat Medal and a Purple Heart. He says that he's made a full recovery and is still with his combat unit.

While in Germany he successfully ran his first ultra-marathon, but looks forward to returning to the U.S. soon, where he'll be stationed not too far from some skiing.

Jeremy can occasionally access e-mail on his personal account at JRandalen@aol.com. He can also be reached by conventional mail at:

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Hope you're all well.
Fred Call xcathouse1@hotmail.com

Summer Biathlon by Julia Collins

Do you find yourself counting the days until Colorado Summer Biathlon season hits? Need something definite to look forward to on the calendar? You're in luck! Online registration is now enabled for the CBC-SMR Summer Biathlon, which will be happening on August 28, 2004 at Snow Mountain Ranch/YMCA of the Rockies. If you have a VISA or MasterCard, you can register for the race at:

https://www.active.com/register/index.cfm?event_id=1132464&site=header

The general event listing is at:

http://www.active.com/event_detail.cfm?event_id=1132464

Or you can go to the "EVENT SEARCH" section on the Active.com individual sports page (<http://www.active.com/active/>) and enter "biathlon" in the "Search For:" field, and "CO" in the "State or Zip (optional):" field. Hit "Go" and you should be presented with a link to the CBC-SMR Summer Biathlon event page.

Competitors under 18 years of age will need to have an adult check off the waiver boxes on the online registration form. Active.com requires that all users of their web site be at least 13 years old. The old-fashioned paper entry forms will be available by the end of May. Note that the race fees are the same whether you mail in your registration or register on-line. Please let me know if you have any questions, or run into problems with the on-line registration process. Thanks -

Julia

August 28, 2004 Summer Biathlon

Comp Chief: [Julia Collins](mailto:Julia.Collins@coloradobiathlon.org) [info@coloradobiathlon.org](mailto:Julia.Collins@coloradobiathlon.org) 303.946.5298

August 29, 2004 Workday

Workday tasks will include:

- Beef up pellet target mounts
- Target maintenance
- Attach plastic to warming hut
- (re)build carpet rack.

December 4, 2004 Safety certification clinic

Comp Chief: [Dave Wells](mailto:Dave.Wells@earthlink.net) [davidwells@earthlink.net](mailto:Dave.Wells@earthlink.net) 303.985.4481

Summer Schedule for SMR and Boulder Rifle club

SMR summer range use information:

In all cases, sign in on the clipboard at the warming hut and raise the range flag while using the range.

- Weekends in May through first weekend of June: Range is available any time Saturday and Sunday. Range users should first check at the Camp Chief Ouray (CCO) office. If anyone is there, let them know that you're using the range and show them your Red Book (proof of certification).
- Weekends beginning June 12 and continuing through August 8: Range available from NOON on Saturday until NOON on Sunday only. Check in at CCO office and show Red Book before using range.
- Weekend of August 14/15: CCO staff will be taking down riflery range at some point that weekend, and biathlon users will need to give CCO staff preferential access.

Remaining summer/fall weekends:

- August 27: set up for Summer Biathlon
- August 28: CBC/SMR summer biathlon
- August 29: CBC range workday
- Sep 4/5 Labor Day weekend: CCO(?) Staff event; no range access
- Sep 11/12 ...and weekends until Nordic center opens: range available any time Saturday and Sunday. Check in at CCO office/Nordic Center and let staff (if any are there) know that you're using the range.

Boulder Rifle Club public range days, Range Hours are 9:00 am to 4:00 pm.

May 1,2 - June 5,6 - July 3,4 - Aug 7,8 - all weekends in September - all weekends in October
During September & October matches may be taking place on the 25 and 50-yard ranges until approx. 1:00PM. You may want to call ahead or check the on-line calendar before heading to the range. See <http://www.boulderrifleclub.com/> for additional information, or call (303)442-3933. See <http://www.coloradobiathlon.org/schedule.html> for the next season Summer Biathlon and Safety clinic.

Sponsorship News

Honey Stinger

By now most of you would have seen the Black & Yellow fleece with the Colorado Biathlon Club and the Honey Stinger Logo. For next season, we can order another batch, if people are interested.

The new sports nutrition company EN-R-G Foods, Inc. of Steamboat Springs has once again offered us a 40% discount on their Honey Stinger energy gel and bars. You may recall that they donated some of their honey-based energy gel for us to use last season and they're interested in supporting us again this year. They've also signed on as a supplier to the Subaru Factory Team and the USBA. Honey Stinger would like to extend an offer to CBC members to purchase Honey Stinger at a 40% discount! This offer will expire December 31, 2004. No limit on quantity.



There are two easy ways to order:

1. **ORDER ONLINE:** Go to <http://www.honeystinger.com/products.html> Select items at full retail price then proceed to checkout. During checkout, complete billing and shipping information and enter Group Source Code: CBC. You will then see your new discounted total.

2. **PHONE YOUR ORDER:** Call 1-866-GO-HONEY (1-866-464-6639) and talk with some Of the busy bees in Steamboat.

Questions or product comments may be sent to buzz@honeystinger.com

Neptune Mountaineering discount

All current CBC members receive a 10% off all non-sale items at Neptune Mountaineering in Boulder (Colorado). A current list of paid members is available at the checkout register, which the Neptune staff can consult in order to confirm your membership. Alternately, recently added members may show the green postcard they should have received upon paying membership fees.

2003-2004 Race Results

See <http://www.coloradobiathlon.org/results/>

Classifieds

See <http://www.coloradobiathlon.org/classifieds.html> and also the [Minnesota Biathlon classifieds page \(http://www.minnesotabiathlon.com/classifieds.html\)](http://www.minnesotabiathlon.com/classifieds.html)

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