

**Minutes for Nordic Division General Meeting
October 17, 2015
Sisters Parks and Recreation District
Coffield Center
1750 West McKineey Butte Rd.
Sisters, OR 97759**

Present:

Eric Martin	Nordic Director; Mt. View High School Coach;
Laurie Martin	Southern League Rep
Jinny Martin	Nordic Division Secretary
Laura Duncan	Corvallis High School Coach
Kelly Crowther	Sisters High School Coach; Northern League Rep
David Smullin	Ridgeview Ski Team Coach, Redmond Ski Team Coach, and Redmond Proficiency Academy Head Coach
Gene Hyde	Summit High School Head Coach
Pete Reinhardt	Ashland High School Head Coach
Janice Hatton	North Eugene High School Head Coach
Charlie Wilshire	South Eugene High School Head Coach; Sheldon High School Head Coach
Bill Martin	Mt. View High School Assistant Coach; 2015 State Meet Coordinator

Meeting started at 1:20 p.m. [Charlie Wilshire and Janice Hatton arrived about 5 minutes later.]

1. PRELIMINARIES

- 1.1 Introductions
- 1.2 Eric Martin was elected Nordic Director for a two-year term.
- 1.3 Gene Hyde was elected Nordic Commissioner to finish up the second year of the term of office that was vacated by Charlie Wilshire.
- 1.4 Kelly Crowther was selected as the Northern League rep by the Northern League coaches.
- 1.5 Laurie Martin continues as the Southern League rep with the approval of the Southern League coaches.

2. OLD BUSINESS

- 2.1 **2016 race schedules** for both leagues were reviewed. (See Appendix I)
- 2.1.1 **ACTION ITEM:** Jinny Martin will add the MBSEF Prolog race, scheduled for December 5th, to the OISRA website posting of League race schedules.

2.2 Skiers from one league entering a race of another league.

- 2.2.1 Skiers from SL can enter NL races and skiers from NL can enter SL races.
- 2.2.2 Deadline for coaches turning in start lists to race organizers for a race
 - Northern League deadline is Monday before race on Saturday
 - Southern League deadline is Tuesday before race on Saturday

2.3 Requirements for qualifying for state meet

- 2.3.1 Skier must compete in three (3) OISRA races
- 2.3.2 Two of these races must be League State Qualifying Races for the league the skier's school belongs to.
- 2.3.3 The third race may be a race sponsored by the other league
- 2.3.4 The third race may be a State Meet qualifying race sponsored by the other league - OR the third race may be a race that is not a State Meet Qualifying Race for either league - for example, the Southern League Jamboree or a Northern League "time trial."

2.4 Combined Races

- 2.4.1 XC Oregon Invitational: January 23rd, classic, 15 second-interval start, 3x1K (CL,CL,CL) relay
- 2.4.2 SportHill Freestyle: February 6th, Skate, mass start (Chevron start based on results from XC Oregon Invitational), 2 waves for each gender, 3 x 1K (SK, SK, SK) relay.
- 2.4.3 **ACTION ITEMS:** Details for each race will be decided by hosting league
 - Northern League (Bend and Redmond) and XC Oregon are hosts for XC Invitational
 - Southern League host for the SportHill Freestyle - MBSEF has numbered tags we might be able to use for Chevron start
 - Hosting schools will make decisions about timing, race officials, etc.

2.5 State Meet

2.5.1 "Most Improved " awards

- 2.5.1.1 Determined by each league (top 3 boys/league and top 3 girls/league)
- 2.5.1.2 Presented on first day of state meet after Skate Race on Friday.
- 2.5.1.3 Paid for by Nordic Division treasury

2.5.2 "Most Dedicated" awards : do not present at State Meet.

- Northern League will present them at team meetings
- Southern League will present them at the League Finals

2.5.3 Bibs

- 2.5.3.1 Southern League gave Northern League two sets of cloth bibs. Each league will now have a set of numbered cloth bibs and a set of cloth relay bibs.
- 2.5.3.2 Bibs from both leagues will be shared for State Meet - one set of bibs numbered "1 -150" for boys and one set of bibs numbered "1 - 150 " for girls; one set of relay bibs numbered "1-50" for boys and other set of relay bibs (stretch) numbered "1-50" for girls.

- 2.5.4 State Meet Oversight Committee:** OISRA Nordic Assistant Director, OISRA Nordic Commissioner, representative from next year's host league - oversight to check that planning is being carried out for the state meet.
- 2.5.5 State Meet Coordinator:** Administration of the State Meet - coordinates the Race Committee, Race Officials, and Jury. Coordinates committees that work on the banquet, t-shirts, lodging, awards, etc.
- Bill Martin agreed to take on the job of 2016 State Meet Coordinator.
 - David Smullin agreed to help Bill with race course selection for the State Meet.
- 2.5.6 State Meet Race Committee:** State Meet Coordinator will find people to fill the following race committee positions: Chief of Race, Chief of Course, Technical Delegate, Chief of Course Monitors, Chief Timekeeper, Chief Calculator, Race Secretaries.
- 2.6 Sponsorship Report** - JD Downing's report was read. See Appendix II
- 2.7 Skimeister Awards**
- 2.7.1 Use best alpine ski RUN and best Nordic individual league race results
- 2.7.2 Recognize top boy and top girl
- 2.7.3 Present medallions on first day of state meet, after Skate Race.
- 2.8. Paintball Biathlon**
- 2.8.1 Recognize top boy and top girl with medallions on first day of state meet, after Skate Race. Display plaque at State Meet awards - but no presentation of Biathlon awards at State Meet awards.
- 2.8.2 Paintball Biathlon takes place on an OPEN Saturday for Northern League - NL skiers could participate if they choose.
- 2.9. OISRA Insurance - for OISRA sanctioned activities**
- 2.9.1 6 months (Sept. 15 - March 15)
- 2.9.2 Accident/medical (\$50,000 with \$2,500 deductible) for coaches, skiers, volunteers
- 2.9.3 Abuse and molestation
- 2.9.4 Directors and officers insurance for all Division officers
- 2.9.5 Cyber insurance for online registration liability
- 2.9.6 Liability insurance for coaches, skiers, volunteers, ski areas, forest service
- 2.9.7 Coaches, skiers, and volunteers must register online to be insured
- Parents are registered as volunteers when they sign their student's online registration form
 - A "third" parent can register online using the "Volunteer" button.
 - Coaches are registered as volunteering for race official positions when they sign their online registration form
- 2.9.8 School must have registered (with M1N form) to be insured
- 2.9.9 Adequate insurance to cover requirements of ALL ski areas in Oregon. Mt. Bachelor requires same amount as Mt. Hood Meadows this season.

2.9.10 Frequently asked questions about OISRA insurance can be found on OISRA website on the Nordic Administrative Page: <http://www.oisra.org/Nordic/Administration.html>
[FAQ about OISRA insurance:](#)

2.10 Incident Reports

2.10.1 Forms are on the OISRA website.

2.10.2 Fill out within 24 hrs of incident.

2.10.3 Submit to Executive Director - email, fax and mailing address are on the form.

2.11 Oregon Nordic Club Scholarships

2.11.1 Will know definitively within the next week if they are available for 2015-16.

2.11.2 **ACTION ITEM:** Jinny Martin will notify League Reps if these scholarships are available.

2.11.3 **ACTION ITEM:** Jinny Martin will post the Scholarship application forms on the OISRA website.

2.12 Registration

2.12.1 Northern League had discussed the registration process during the Northern League meeting.

2.12.2 School registration is the only paper form (M1N)

2.12.3 Invoice for school membership dues of \$5/school is on website.

2.12.4 Coaches, students, and volunteers register online - using registration buttons.

2.12.5 A link on the OISRA homepage in "Nordic News" shows which students have registered. Is updated frequently.

2.12.6 Coaches request reports with other information from "online registration coordinator":

- Kelly Crowther creates reports for Northern League.
- Sarah Swaney creates reports for Southern League.

2.12.7 **ACTION ITEM:** Coaches will turn in "Team Rules" to Jinny and she will post on website so they will link to student's online registration form.

3. NEW BUSINESS

3.1 Winter Rainbow Camp

- December 26 and 27 (Saturday and Sunday)
- Coaches "share" coaching skiers according to ability groups
- Need more coaches
- Includes a biathlon relay
- Includes colored snowball relay
- Need more coaches so that coaching groups don't get too big
- Participation open to ALL skiers and coaches
- Charlie Wilshire and Eric Martin are the "organizers."

3.2. Use OISRA Facebook page for sharing information about equipment

3.3 Software for calculating team scores

- 3.3.1 **ACTION ITEM:** Jinny Martin will do some more research to find out how to share software for calculating cumulative points.

Meeting adjourned at approx. 3:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by

Jinny Martin

OISRA Nordic Secretary

Appendix I

2016 Race Schedules

Date	Southern League	Northern League
Dec. 12		Bachelor (Skate)
Jan. 2	OPEN	OPEN
Jan. 9	Jamboree (Diamond Lake)	Teacup (Classic)
Jan. 16	Hoodoo or Willamette Pass (Skate - Interval)	
Jan. 23	XC Oregon Invite (Mt. Bachelor) - (Classic - interval)	XC Oregon Invite (Mt. Bachelor) - (Classic - interval)
Jan. 30	Shasta - (Skate - Interval)	Mt. Hood Meadows (Pursuit)
Feb. 6	2nd Joint Race Mt. Bachelor (Skate - mass)	2nd Joint Race Mt. Bachelor (Skate - mass)
Feb. 13	Walt Haring or Crescent Lake (Classic - Interval)	
Feb. 18 (Thur.)		Hoodoo (night)
Feb. 20 (Sat.)	OPEN	OPEN
Feb 26 (Fri.)	State Meet Mt. Bachelor Skate (Mass)	State Meet Mt. Bachelor Skate (Mass)
Feb 27 (Sat.)	State Meet Mt. Bachelor Classic (Interval) Relay (CI, SK, SK)	State Meet Mt. Bachelor Classic (Interval) Relay (CI, SK, SK)

If both NL and SL have to cancel a race outside of Central Oregon on the same day and Mt. Bachelor is available, they will both ski in the same event on that day at Mt. Bachelor.

Appendix II

Fundraising Report as of October 2015 - by JD Downing

-- The XC Oregon Invitational on January 23 will be 100% funded. All operational costs (toilets). All trail fees for non-pass holders covered. Awards and special gifts for all skiers again provided. It is assumed parents of the Leagues will take care of food again.

-- The Sporthill Open on February 6 will have all operational costs covered as well as coverage for all trail fees for non-pass holders. Sporthill is providing \$750 cash support and then remaining funding will come from the pool of OISRA sponsors and ONSF premier sponsorship.

-- The now-unified State Meet has committed funding from previous OISRA sponsors plus the ONSF sponsorship to cover 100% of costs including both days of trail fees for non-pass holders.

-- The \$3500 Premier Sponsorship funds from the Oregon Nordic Ski Foundation is just figuring out the process to get funding into the H.S. operations budgets. That will happen, it just may take a couple months to complete.

-- As I understand the combined Nordic Division operations, the Northern League is responsible for funding and running Northern League-only races. The actual cash cost should only be rental toilets (approximately \$200 per race) as teams are responsible for trail fees at these events. The known two events where additional toilets are needed would be Jan 9 at Teacup and Jan 30 at Meadows. Northern League coaches are aware of this need.

-- *[Added by Jinny Martin] Southern League race sponsors: Jamboree sponsored by Central Oregon Nordic Club; Guy Mattioda Memorial sponsored by Eric and Laurie Martin; one race sponsored by Oxford Inns, and sponsorship for final race is in process.*