

MACC – MICHIGAN ALPINE COMPETITION COUNCIL - MEETING 09-29-07

Minutes of the meeting conducted in person at Boyne Highlands.

President Mike Jablonski called the meeting to order at 10:12 AM.

Attendance: Officers

Mike Jablonski P Shawn Hughes A Scott Tater A John Thomas A Steve Coatney A  
Mike Sayers A Debi Koltoniak P Jennifer Shorter P Kate Fitkin P Dan Costigan P  
Doug Fellman P Jim Michon A Craig Mcleod A Ginnie Uhley-Rose P Dave Carrico P

Attendance: Team Racer Representatives

Yas Miyawaki AA (P) Mark Banninger A (A) Peggy Konsza SM (A) Dave Corcoran SN (A)  
Bruce Johnson GM (A) Paul Mooradian R (P) Mark Arthers P (A) Ken McLaughlin SW (A)  
Romelle Taylor JD (A) Gary Konsza SM (P) Gary Bloodworth SN (A) Peggy Lowe SW (A)  
John Stewart SD (A) Mick Serafinski TR (P) Mike Ault T (P) Greg Glassco SD (A)

Others in Attendance: Dan Aiken SN, Nick Koltoniak T

Officers Reports:

President – Mike Jablonski

Schedule is on the web and set. The nonprofit group did buy the Searchmont resort, so they will be in business this year.

Superbowl changes:

New start shack on the north course with raised start.

Old north start shack will be moved and used as a warming hut with storage closets on top of the hill

Regrading of the hill

New timing shack for both courses is in Boyne's budget. Meeting this week with Boyne to discuss.

Vice-President - Kate Fitkin

Race training was turned over to Mike Sayers. (Kate says you were doing it anyway so you might as well get the credit.)

Gino doesn't want to do the announcing for the awards anymore. Kate will check with her current announcers to see if any of them want to do the job. If anybody knows of someone who wants to do the announcing or is interested themselves, let Kate know.

Finances – Scott Tater

Not present, no report. Financials were in good shape at the end of the year, and presumably are still in good shape.

Computers, Software & Results – Steve Coatney

Not present, no report. Steve is looking for help setting up the computers on Saturday morning. If anyone is interested, please contact Steve.

Timing - Shawn Hughes

Not present, no report.

Web Site & Rules – Mike Sayers

Not present, no report. Mike has suggested a change from Vet A Women class to Super Vet A Women. Ginnie did not object to the change at that time, but subsequent discussion led to a decision to leave the class as Vet A Women.

Mike has made a minor improvement to the Web. Any suggestions for changes or additions should be sent to Mike.

No rule changes pending.

Race Workers – Jim Michon

Not present, no report. Last season, other than very few bad eggs, was much better. The pinkies list on the wall worked well. Jim is suggesting some sort of penalty for violators. We have talked about it in the past, but never implemented. A suggested penalty would be:

- 1<sup>st</sup> violation Pinkie list
- 2<sup>nd</sup> violation loss of points
- 3<sup>rd</sup> violation loss of team points
- 4<sup>th</sup> violation boot from program

Working with Dennis Parrott to correct web glitches. Work cards status OK.  
Jim will miss the first weekend of racing due to other commitments.

#### Awards & Sponsors – John Thomas

Not present, no report. Need to think about awards for next season. Bring ideas to next meeting for John. There were a couple of complaints that last year awards broke very easily and that several had to be replaced. Debi was going to check on Libby Duratuf glasses, which are more break resistant. Jennifer was going to check on other types of awards.

#### Registration & Bibs – Ginnie Uhley & Denise Miller

Have received 3 registrations already. We will be using the same bibs as last year. Need to post on the web to bring last years bib to the races. New form for the 2007-2008 seasons will be on the web Oct 1<sup>st</sup>. We need to remove old form from the web at the end of the season since we normally change the form for the next season. Guest racer program will remain the same.

#### Equipment – David Carrico

All the equipment is ok. We only have 2 timers. They are usually bullet proof. If one breaks down we would have to borrow one from Boyne. It would be a nice luxury to have. Dave will check on cost.

#### Course Setting – Dan Costigan

Will be staffing crews in Oct and Nov. Need new drill motors (18 volt DeWalt ) Jim Michon was going to check at getting them from Lowe's. Need new panels 10 each of red and blue. J.T. was going to check on getting some from our sponsors. Safety netting for the north course was discussed. We get awful close to the snow guns in the middle of the hill. Nets are 2 X 20 meters (6 X 65 ft) 4 nets and poles would cost \$1566. Dan planned to discuss this cost with Boyne to see if they would cover the cost.

#### Course Operations – Craig McLeod & Ted Jablonski

Not present, no report. Having two people handling this job helped last year. Having the sign up sheets on line should help. Dennis Parrott is working on this.

#### Publicity & Recruitment – Debi Koltoniak

There are a few corrections needed for the application. Need to check the sponsors, some dates need to be changed, and need to take off note on new bibs.

Guest racer program will continue as last year. Posters and flyers will be put on the counters at Boyne ski school sign up and on the Web. If anyone has the \$5 off guest racer cards, continue to pass them out. We will have the onsite banners. The plan was to still have the \$10 off for each new racer you sign up. However, Paul Mooradian suggested making this into a team challenge this year. Debi was going to develop this concept into a plan for the next meeting.

We need some "crummy" racers in our program to fill out some of our lower classes.

Will get out press releases about our program. Will try and contact college race teams and coaches to let them know about our program.

It was also suggested that we hold a special race after our normal season and the completion of the high school season for graduating seniors only as a recruiting tool.

#### Newsletter – Jennifer Shorter

Need updated addresses. If you have changed your E-mail address or know of some one who has, let Jennifer know. Will be sending out the new registration form.

#### Correspondence – Doug Fellman

Old Business:

Run 4 courses and set up a practice course.

New Business:

A suggestion was made to consider adding another race weekend.

The Toledo Ski Club has opened up their lodge on Race weekends for any MACC racers needing a place to stay at a very reasonable cost.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:17 AM.

Next meeting will be a call in on Oct 22, 2007.

Respectfully submitted,

Doug Fellman, Secretary