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MADNORSKI News

News for members of the Madison Nordic Ski Club

November 2005 Vol. 25 No. 2

Shifting Gears to Get Ready for Snow



Dirk Mason and Walt Meanwell

Believe it or not ski season is right around the corner. The warm fall has been deceptive. Many of us are just starting to get on roller skis or work on dry-land drills. It just takes a bit of cold weather and hearing the geese honk good-bye for the winter to motivate us; to shift gears for winter.

It's time to dust off the equipment. Take assessment of what you need and what you should unload. Take advantage of our first (at least in our recollection) ski swap. It is not too late

to scour your basements. We're sure your significant other would appreciate a fall gear cleaning/clearing. Also plan to upgrade some of the gear you sell with a visit to our local retailers!

Speaking of vendors, kudos to John Riley and others for pulling together our first vendor discount program. Start making your wax list and support those that support MadNorSki. More on this at the November meeting.

Along the lines of support, we are truly supporting some community efforts as of late. The club is or has been involved with reaching to show support for Nordic skiing. From land purchases to budget cuts and planning, MadNorSki is stepping up to support "Cross-country skiing for everyone."

We look forward to catching up you at the first meeting. Bring a friend!

Ski Swap!

Saturday, November 12

Tom Kaufman

Do you have skis that don't fit any longer? Are you in need of an extra pair of boots or looking for some longer poles? Be sure to check out the first annual Madison Nordic Ski Club ski swap and resale on Saturday November 12 at the Shorewood Community Center. We will be accepting items for sale from 8:30 am to 10:30 am. The sale will run from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm. You can sell those extra items in your garage or pick up what you need for the coming season and support MadNorSki at the same time. It should be a fun day. See you there!

City Budget Cuts

Walt Meanwell

Due to budget constraints several difficult choices need to be made by the Madison Parks Dept. and all the other city agencies. The club has been working with M.S.C.R, the parks dept. and the city to mitigate the proposed cuts in grooming the Nordic trails and eliminating the equipment rental program at Odana.

Fortunately we have excellent relationships with these organizations. Mayor Dave restored funding for the equipment rental program at Odana in his budget submission October 11th. This program is very important for our KidSki program, and M.S.C.R's youth program; as well as an important benefit for all skiers in the city.

Grooming is expected to continue at Odana and Elver parks. Beyond that, it is very difficult to say where the grooming issue will end up.

Grooming is becoming very expensive and increasingly difficult to justify for lightly used areas.

We will know more after the city council meeting in November. It has become increasingly necessary for the club to get involved in local issues where members have a vested interest. To be effective we need expertise and time, both of which we are short on. If you would like to help us on this front we would welcome your suggestions and involvement.

Play Time

Walt Meanwell

We have seven play dates scheduled for late November and the first two weeks of December. We will have three races of successively longer distances on Tuesday nights. These are a good tune-up for you racer heads and a nice casual introduction to racing for those of you who are pondering going fast for time but haven't yet.

The first two weekends of December are going to be fun. In addition to the conga, costume contest, speed trap, and egg hunt, there will be instruction on all four weekend days. Our bright, good looking, experienced, and talented staff of instructors will be available to enhance your skiing pleasure.

We will again be providing everything at cost, which is \$15.00 for a full-day non-tow pass at Tyrol Basin. This money goes to support the snow



MadNorSki skiers enjoy real snow in November within a 20 minute drive from Madison. Tyrol Basin's white slopes provide for fun, social mornings in the early season.

making, which is very expensive and getting more so. This is still less than 1/2 a tank of gas to drive up north and is much closer. All the details are on the club calendar at

www.madnorski.org under the events header.

Here's your chance to get on snow early, maybe tune up your form, and have fun. Come on out and play!

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MadNorSki/Tyrol Basin Tuesday Night Race Series

Three early-season races at Tyrol Basin will kick off the southern Wisconsin racing season this year and man-made snow will remove the doubt of cancellation! Set aside these Tuesday nights: Nov. 29, Dec. 6, Dec. 13. Races begin at 7 p.m.

November

- 10 Board Meeting 6:45 pm Dirk Mason's
- 12 Ski and Gear Swap; Shorewood Community Center; 11 am–3 pm
- 14 Club Meeting; 6:45 pm Social begins at 6 pm Lussier Center Lower Level
- 29 Tuesday Night Tyrol Race Series; 7 pm

December

- 3,4 Tyrol Basin Open Ski; 8 am
- 6 Tuesday Night Tyrol Race Series; 7 pm
- 9 Board Meeting; 6:45 pm Dirk Mason's
- 10,11 Tyrol Basin Open Ski; 8 am
- 12 Club Meeting; 6:45 pm Social begins at 6 pm Lussier Center Lower Level
- 13 Tuesday Night Tyrol Race Series; 7 pm

January

- 5 Board Meeting; 6:45 pm Meanwell's
- 9 Club Meeting; 6:45 pm Social begins at 6 pm Lussier Center Lower Level
- 10 Tuesday Night Elver Race Series; 7 pm
- 14, 15 Capitol Square Sprints; races around the square. Visit www.capitolsquaresprints.org for details
- 17 Tuesday Night Elver Race Series; 7 pm
- 24 Tuesday Night Elver Race Series; 7 pm
- 31 Tuesday Night Elver Race Series; 7 pm

Board Meeting	Club Meeting	Meeting Theme	Meeting Agenda
Thursday, Nov. 3	Monday, Nov. 14	New gear, pre-season activities	Vendor Fair! Social hour
Thursday, Dec. 10	Monday, Dec. 12	Pot Luck	Guest speaker(s)
Thursday, Jan. 5	Monday, Jan. 9	Waxing for racing and recreation	Wax Demo
Thursday, Feb. 9	Monday, Feb. 13	Birkie stories	TBD
Thursday, March 9	Monday, March 13	Racing wrap-up Pot Luck	Season wrap-up

The Unthinkable

Kim Thornton

Imagine: It's Thursday. Conditions are bad. The forecast is worse. ABR has 22 feet. Up and back is 530 miles and gas is 3 bucks a gallon. It sounds like a bad dream, but it could happen to you.

Imagine (part 2): Minutes before the 6 p.m. deadline, you contact the Club's ad hoc trip coordinator. As it happens, you can't take the whole weekend for a trip to the UP, but a day trip is definitely in the cards. One hour later you receive an emailed confirmation —

you're on for a day trip to Nine-Mile!

It's early Saturday morning. You meet at the home of the driver, get in the car and pay \$20—a charge based on 20 cents per mile split by the passengers. By 10 am you're skiing. At 4 pm you're on your way home, and at 6:30 you're back in Madison – giving you just enough time make your 25th anniversary dinner.

Email kim.thornton@charter.net to let me know if you like the idea. More details toat the November meeting.



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Youth Skiing Programs for 2005–2006

Introduction/ KidSki

This year Blackhawk and MadNorSki are combining their youth programs to get more kids on snow. This program focuses on getting kids started or becoming more proficient at cross-country skiing. In the past this program has had participants from the age of 4 through 12. The real goal of this program is to encourage kids to learn how to have fun on Nordic Skis. Parents are encouraged to help out or may be asked to participate with their children under the age of 6. This program will also include an optional introduction to Nordic combined and Biathlon. Participants have the option of attending one or two days a week.

Silver Ski /Biathlon

This program has grown from what was the MadNorSki SilverSki program and the Blackhawk Biathlon program in 2003-2004. This year the programs will be combined and geared at pre-high school youth that are interested in cross-country ski racing. First year participants can try the program to December 15th without paying the fee but must be Blackhawk Members. Participants should have some previous

experience and skills at cross-country skiing and it is recommended they have their own ski equipment. Biathlon shooting is optional in this program. We will meet rain (snow) or shine. Air rifles are used on a 10-meter biathlon range. All participants are taught first and foremost safety when shooting air rifles.

Nordic Combined

This program will be geared at getting youth to start cross-country skiing and jumping. Children can use downhill equipment to start jumping and cross-country equipment will be available for use at the sessions.

For participants in the Blackhawk Jumping program there will be no additional fee. Participants that want to start jumping will start on a 15-meter jump with the jumping coaches and assistants.

High School Program

This program will be geared to train athletes for competition and learn a lifetime sport. We will meet four days per week. First year participants can try the program up to December 15th without paying the fee but must be

Blackhawk Members. Some equipment is available for use, but purchase of equipment is recommended.

High School Ski Trips and Races:

We will attend races including the State Championships and regional races. The cost of races and travel is not included in the program cost. Attendance at races is optional.

Equipment

Thanks to several generous donations, Nordic ski equipment will be available for participants to use during sessions. Every effort will be made to fit children in equipment to ensure a fun experience. Children will be encouraged in the racing programs to obtain and care for their own equipment. Participants in the racing programs will be taught how to wax and care for skis.

Questions

Questions about Youth Nordic ski programs should be directed to Yuriy Gusev via email to gusevyura@hotmail.com (608) 385-8864 or Mark Torresani at torresan@chorus.NET. We will also discuss this topic at the next meeting.



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Jonesy's Wax Room

A flat ski is a fast ski

Greg Jones

It is time to wake your skis up after their long summer's hibernation. The first thing is get them scraped clean. I'll assume that you had a nice layer of glide wax covering them up over the summer. You want to scrape all of this off and brush them as clean as you can. I never like to touch my glide zones with wax remover but if you ever do now is a good time for it.

Now with your bases as clean as you can get them you want to check to see if they are flat. Do you remember someone telling you that you want to ride a flat ski? You do not want to be riding on the inside or the outside edge of your ski. You want to put it down flat and ride it flat. How can you ride a flat ski if the base is not

flat? To check this you will need a GOOD metal scraper or other metal straight edge. Start near the tip and lay the straight edge across the ski. Put your eye down low next to the ski. Do you see any daylight coming under the straight edge? Move down the ski eight to twelve inches and check again. Keep moving down the ski checking all along the way. If you are seeing spaces, your base is not flat, stop now. You should probably have them stone ground. You want to take them to a ski shop that routinely grinds cross-country skis. Alpine skis get ground with different stones. Talk to them about which grind is best for your skiing. You can have different structures ground into the base of your skis.

If you saw no spaces or they were very, minimal carefully proceed with this next step. There are thousands of tiny ptex "hairs" on the bottom of your skis which can slow you down. We want to cut them off. Take that very good metal scraper with a very

sharp edge and scrape the bottoms. BE CAREFUL! You will be scraping the ptex off the bottom of your ski. Start at the tip and place both thumbs behind the scraper, tilt the scraper towards the tail and with light to moderate pressure take one long even scrape towards the tail. Examine the leading edge of the scraper. You might see some black along the edge. If you don't, run your thumb up along the edge. You should see a little pile of "black fuzz" on the tip of your thumb. Those are the ptex hairs you cut off. You may have to make more than one pass, but be careful! It takes some nerve and a steady hand with the right touch, but you can improve the performance of your skis by doing this.

After stone grinding or metal scraping you have opened up the pores on the base. You will want to "soak" your bases with a warm (yellow) wax, or a penetrating wax. Scrape brush and repeat the waxing.



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Madison Nordic Ski Club, Inc. Bylaws

2005 Revision

Following are the club's bylaws which have been updated for 2005 by the board (they were last revised in 1990). Please read through them; the club will vote on them at our November meeting.—Ed.

Article 1. Name:

This organization shall be known as the Madison Nordic Ski Club, Inc. (MadNorSki)

Article 2. Purpose:

In addition to the purpose specified in the Articles of Incorporation, the purpose and objectives of the Club shall be to promote and advance the sport of Nordic Skiing through Club sponsored and organized trips, tours, ski and roller ski races, social activities, training clinics, and any other activities serving to advance the sport of cross-country skiing. The club shall own equipment as necessary to foster the sport of Nordic skiing and to meet the purpose of the organization.

Article 3. Membership:

1. Membership in Madison Nordic Ski Club, Inc. shall be open to any person interested in the sport of cross-country skiing.

2. Annual dues of membership shall be established by the Board of Directors. Should an increase greater than \$5 be proposed a majority vote of the members present at the annual meeting is required.

3. Membership dues shall be payable at the time of application and shall be effective for one year. If paid in the Fall, membership shall be affective until the end of the following calendar year. Membership may be paid/renewed multiple times in one year to extend membership beyond a year.

Article 4. Meetings:

1. Regular meetings of the members shall be held monthly, the number and

dates to be set by the board.

2. The annual meeting of the Club shall be held during early Spring.

3. Regular meetings shall be announced in the newsletter and Club Calendar on the web site or via email or by mail, to all members, if the newsletter is not published.

4. Thirty members or 20% of the members in good standing, which ever is less, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any duly called regular or special meeting.

5. Special meetings may be called by the President or by the Board. Seven days advance notice must be sent to all members in good standing.

Article 5. Board of Directors:

1. The Board of Directors shall consist of the Club Officers and Committee chairs, elected for a two year term by the general membership at the annual meeting. Officers shall be nominated and elected pursuant to Article 9.

2. The control and conduct of business of the Club shall be vested in the Board of Directors, but the Board shall report its decisions to the members and put to a vote any major financial proposals. The board shall propose a budget to the members for expenses in excess of \$3,000.

3. Meeting of the Board of Directors shall normally be held prior to each regular meeting of the corporation. Special meetings of the Board may be called by the President or upon request of four members of the Board, with at least three days prior notice.

4. A majority of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum at any Board meeting.

5. Any event or program sponsored by the Club must have prior Board approval. If fees are involved, an estimate of expenses and income must be presented to the Board prior to the event or program year.

6. Expenditures of Club funds of over \$200 for anyone purpose must have Board approval. Expenditures of less

than \$200 must have the approval of the Treasurer, President and one other Board member.

Article 6. Officers:

1. The club members shall elect the following officers of the Club: President, Vice-President, Treasurer/Secretary, Newsletter Editor, Publicity, Advertising/Promotions, Membership and Social. All officers are elected for a two-year term.

2. The President shall be President of the Club and Chairman of the Board. The President shall preside at all Board meetings, represent the Club to the general public, oversee regular Club meetings and other Club sponsored events, as well as perform all other duties associated with the office of President.

3. The Vice-President shall assist the President in carrying out the duties of the President and shall be responsible for planning and arranging the program at the regular monthly meetings, as well as, presiding at Board meetings and regular monthly Club meetings at the request of the President.

4. The Treasurer/Secretary shall have custody of Club funds, shall disburse the funds as may be determined by the Board and shall report to the Board at their meetings, or as requested. The Treasurer will prepare an annual report on the financial condition of the Club for the annual meeting.

5. The Newsletter Editor shall be responsible for producing a monthly Club Newsletter.

6. The Publicity Officer shall be responsibility for informing the media, retail outlets and other organizations of Club activities and events. The Publicity officer shall assist the Secretary/Newsletter Editor and Advertising/Promotions Officer.

7. The Advertising/Promotions Officer shall be responsible for interfacing with retail outlets to coordinate advertising deals for the Club Newsletter.

8. The Social officer shall be responsible for making needed reservations for Club social activities, organizing social events

and providing means for refreshments at meetings.

9. The Membership officer shall oversee all aspect of membership; including recruitment, renewals, and maintaining the Club's membership database among others duties.

10. A vacancy in any office shall be filled by the majority vote of the Board, to hold office until the next annual meeting, at which time the vacancy shall be filled pursuant to Article 9.

11. All checks and drafts of the corporation may be signed by the Treasurer. President or Vice-President.

Article 7. Committees:

Committees may be created by a majority of the Board of Directors. Each Committee shall have a chair-person, approved by a majority of the Board, who shall participate as a member of the Board, at the discretion of a majority of the Club Officers. Committee chairs shall serve for two year to coincide with the term of the elected Club officers, or for the duration of the activities for which the Committee is responsible. Committees are, but not limited to: Youth Skiing, KidSki, Trips, Race, and Webmaster.

1. The Youth Skiing chair is responsible to coordinating volunteers for the youth skiing programs, represents the youth skiing programs to the Board and liaisons Board actions to the youth program volunteers.

2. The KidSki chair is responsible for organizing and directing the KidSki program.

3. The Trips officer shall oversee all trips, trip leaders and assist in their arrangement.

4. The Race Director is responsible for organizing, directing, advertising and securing appropriate sponsorship for all club races (Weekly series and Ice Age)

5. The Webmaster manages the Club's online/internet activities such as the web site and online membership database. The webmaster coordinates online access and provides technical assistance to the Board and Committee Chairs.

Article 8. Elections:

1. The election of officers shall take place at the annual (spring) meeting and officers shall assume the duties of their office by the beginning of the new fiscal year.

2. Candidates presented by the nominating committee shall be elected by a voice vote of the membership present, provided, however, if there is more than one candidate for any office, the election to such office shall be by ballot with the winner being the nominee receiving the majority of the ballots cast.

Article 9. Financial Records:

1. All financial records of the Club shall be kept by the Treasurer.

2. The fiscal year for the Club shall be the 12 month period ending on the 30th of April.

3. Any expenses incurred in the planning and executing of Club sponsored activities or events may be reimbursed at the discretion of the Club Committee Chair or Officer responsible for the activity and the Treasurer.

Article 10 Parliamentary Authority:

In matters not covered by these By-Laws, Robert's Rules of Order shall govern.

Article 11. Amendments:

The By-Laws may be amended by a majority vote of the members in good standing present at any regular or any special meeting thereof regularly called, provided a quorum is present and provided further, that notice of such amendments shall have been mailed and/or emailed to each member of the Club and posted on the internet at least five (5) days before the meeting

Article 12. Notice:

Notice called for under these bylaws shall be sent regular mail, postage prepaid, to the last address of the members specified in the club records. The member has the responsibility to notify the club of any change in address. In the event the member or

members claim that notice was not given, the burden of proof shall be on the member or members.

Article 13. Youth Skiing:

The Club shall foster and support youth skiing. The Club shall promote youth programs and partner with organizations and take appropriate action and fiscally responsible measures to advance skiing opportunities for youth members.

MadNorSki to participate in Park Planning

Many of you may recall the email plea for public comment regarding the construction project and impact to Dane County's Badger Prairie Park. We, the Club, received a reply to the letter written on behalf of MadNorSki by co-president Mason. Dirk also had several conversations with Dane County Park staff.

Based on the communication with the Parks Department the new entrance will open as planned. However a traffic study will be implemented to determine the possible impact this new entrance will have on park traffic. So for those of you that have come accustomed to roller skiing at Badger Prairie please use the same level of caution you do on the public roads. I have already seen traffic utilizing this entrance prior to it officially being opened.

The Dane County Parks Department noted that the Department tries to accommodate the needs of all park users. The Madison Nordic Ski Club has been invited to participate in the planning process to update the five-year Parks and Open Space Plan. MadNorSki will participate in this planning process and will call upon our outspoken members as needed.

Thanks for your efforts to speak up and promote the sport of Nordic skiing.

Volunteer Corner

The Madison Nordic Ski Club is a tremendous organization because of our dedicated volunteers. The Club continues to have a variety of volunteer opportunities available. The newsletter will have a monthly Volunteer Corner to announce volunteering opportunities. Please help out and join the fun!

Ski Swap:

The Club will be holding an equipment swap on Saturday November 12 at the Shorewood Community Center. Volunteers are needed to cover two shifts, 7:30 am to noon and noon – 5:30 pm. Contact Tom at runski@charter.net if you can help or have questions.

SilverSki Coach:

Long time SilverSki coach Greg Jones

is hanging up his SilverSki hat, but is not vanishing. Greg will continue to represent the Youth Programs on the Board and will coaching the Junior program. Thanks Greg for your committed years of Silver Ski service. Is there anyone that wants to glide up and take over? Let Greg (jones6601@ameritech.net) know.

MadNorSki Instructors:

With the announcement of our new Director of Instruction we have become more formal in our lesson offerings. If you would like to be a part of this instructor pool that Jimmy can call upon to help throughout the season please contact Jimmy (jpvanden@mhtc.net) for details.

KidSki:

Mark Webber is continuing as KidSki coordinator for this season, he would welcome help instructing. Last year

KidSki had 30 participants, help is appreciated. Contact Mark (webber@chorus.net) for information.

Tyrol Open Ski and Race:

Once again the Club is working with Tyrol Basin to offer members early-season snow time.

Open Ski weekends are December 3rd/4th and 10th/11th. Similar to last year, Walt Meanwell will organize activities for the open skiing. Walt is looking for several volunteers to help out.

The Club is also planning on a few early-season races at Tyrol on Tuesday evening, November 29th, December 6th and 13th. We will need help with course set up, registration, and timing.

Contact Walt at Waltmeanwell@tds.net to lend a hand.

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***Saturday Nov. 12th**

Waukesha West High School ski swap. Skis for sale must be dropped off on Thursday the 3rd, email for details

***Saturday Nov. 12th & Sunday Nov. 13th**

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Club Outreach

Walt Meanwell

Dane County Parks has just completed their largest land acquisition to date with a lot of help from their friends, of which MadNorSki is one. The property, which is almost 300 acres and is now a conservancy park, is located in the northwestern area of the town of Middleton along highway 14, just north and west of the Blackhawk ski area.

Working with Jim Welsh of the Natural Heritage Land Trust and our friends at the Dane County Parks department, the club was able to help identify club members that lived in the town of Middleton. These folks were then contacted and encouraged to lobby their friends on the Middleton town board. This proved to be very effective and was well received by all the residents. Several went to the Town of

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Sunnyside Seed Farm
A new county park

 Sunnyside Phase 1
Sunnyside Phase 2
Black Earth Creek

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Middleton Board meetings and organized groups of their neighbors to get involved as well. This involvement was crucial to the success of the project because the Town Board was to vote on contributing over a million dollars toward the land acquisition.

The conservancy park includes wetlands, prairie remnants and woods. It also includes 3200 feet of Black Earth Creek, which is a great trout stream. Due to the fact that the property is so large and because of its unique location it serves as a large recharge area for water infiltration into Black Earth Creek. From the highlands of the property you can see Blue Mound State Park. Plans at this point call for non-motorized use of the park with hiking and ski trails to predominate.

As County Executive Kathleen Faulk stated; "To make this project happen, we worked with the landowner, the potential developer of the property, the Natural Heritage Land Trust, the Town of Middleton, and the State of Wisconsin." At a cost of \$3,535,000, the deal probably would not have gotten done without significant help from the town of Middleton, which is contributing \$1,250,000, and the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program of the state.

In a few years there may be another awesome place to ski within 20 minutes drive of downtown Madison. Certainly this is a great place to hike, fish, bird watch, look for flowers, and just meander around right now.

Thank you to everyone who helped to work on this project. You can and do make a difference.



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