

MACC – MICHIGAN ALPINE COMPETITION COUNCIL - MEETING 02-19-07

Minutes of the meeting conducted by call in.

President Mike Jablonski called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM.

Attendance: Officers

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

Attendance: Team Racer Representatives

Yas Miyawaki AA (P) Mark Banninger A (A) Peggy Konsza SM (A) Dave Corcoran SN (A)  
Bruce Johnson GM (P) Paul Mooradian R (P) Mark Arthers P (A) Ken McLaughlin SW (A)  
Romelle Taylor JD (A) Gary Konsza SM (A) 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: Ted Jablonski

Officers Reports:

President – Mike Jablonski

Third weekend of racing at Searchmont was very good. The snow was firm and held up well for the racing. There were no problems with the organization by the resort or the Ski Runners. And, the weather was not as cold as at times in the past. Mike will be preparing the race critique and asked for comments on the weekend. A few comments were made regarding the non-availability of a multi-day children's lift ticket, the set of the elite race courses, particularly the slalom, and the timeliness of the starts of some of the afternoon races.

The plans for the upcoming Boyne race weekend were reviewed. No issues were anticipated. Mike reported that he had not yet received a response regarding our request for improvements to the speaker system on the hills at Superbowl.

The plans for the end-of-season banquet were discussed. Mike reported that the tickets were ready and that the chairpersons, Terri Warren and Ginnie Uhley-Rose would begin selling them this coming weekend. Mike warned that if the tickets were not purchased this weekend or by mail before the next weekend, the price would be about 10% higher, which is the same as last season.

A suggestion by one of our recently upgraded racers was made regarding the providing awards for these upgraded racers, because many of them are upgraded during the season and do not get enough WC points to qualify in either class. This proposal was discussed and accepted and awards will be announced at the upcoming awards banquet, though the actual awards may not be available on this short notice. The "Most Improved" awards were discussed, as the physical awards were lost in the closure of the sponsor, the Boyne River Brewery. These awards will be replaced for future use.

The schedule for the next meeting was discussed, because Mike will be on an airplane returning from Jackson Hole at the time of he meeting. After some discussion and as survey of those present, it was decided to move the meeting to Tuesday, March 6, 2007.

Mike also discussed the death of long-time racer Cass Zarlikowski in December and the fact that the time to recognize the senior MACC racers is when they are still alive and racing. This will be done at the upcoming banquet and will be memorialized with a plaque in the Othmar Chalet permanently recognizing these racers.

Vice-President - Kate Fitkin

Not present, no report.

Finances – Scott Tater

Finances are in good shape, He reported that this season's MACC shirts will be light gray and will be distributed to racers at the last race weekend. Ginnie is to provide him with an idea of the number of each size required.

#### Computers, Software & Results – Steve Coatney

Steve reported that there was a change in the handicap for the last Boyne race because of an out of range pacesetter time. This then change racer Chuck White's handicap from just below the upgrade threshold to just above it. He will be notified.

#### Timing - Shawn Hughes

Shawn reported no timing issues at Searchmont, mainly because it was not his responsibility.

#### Web Site & Rules – Mike Sayers

Mike reported that a number of proposed rule changes would be presented at the April meeting. He also stated that a review of the handicaps would be conducted after the season and some changes may be made.

#### Race Workers – Jim Michon

Jim reported that the “pink” reports on delinquent workers is almost done and would be posted on the website and at the Othmar this weekend. He reported that the website was now open for worker sign-up.

#### Awards & Sponsors – John Thomas

Not present. Mike J. reported that he talked with John and that almost all of the awards have been delivered, with the remaining ones due in the next week or two.

#### Registration & Bibs – Ginnie Uhley-Rose

Ginnie reported that we have 257 registered racers. At Searchmont one racer picked up his bib and there was one guest racer.

#### Equipment – David Carrico

Not present; no report.

#### Course Setting – Dan Costigan

Dan reported that this upcoming weekend was the “AC-DC” weekend, where the courses are switch, with the usual north hill racers racing on the south side and the south hill racers moving to the north side. He mentioned that he checked the weather forecast and that the temperatures may require urea to keep them hard. He would discuss this with Mark Skop at Boyne. He also stated that a few of his course setters would be absent because of a masters race this coming weekend, but that he did not anticipate any problem finding replacements.

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

Ted reported that based upon the workers that participated in the first two Boyne weekends, he should not have a problem filling all of the worker openings, though this would probably require Jim's help.

#### Publicity & Recruitment – Debi Koltoniak

Debi reported that there was nothing new to report. She said that Denise was following up with the guest racers.

#### Correspondence – Doug Fellman

Not present, no report. Mike J. took notes in his absence.

#### Newsletter – Jennifer Shorter

Jennifer noted that the newsletter would have information on the upcoming race weekend and the awards banquet.

Old Business: None.

New Business: None

The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 PM.

Next meeting: Tuesday, March 6th. This will be a Call in meeting. (866-637-2663; pass code 299848).

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Jablonski, Acting Secretary