

The MACC Numbers for 2011

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This is the eleventh annual report on our attendance. All previous reports are available (along with this one) on the web site in the MACC section, at: <http://www.maccracing.org/macc/minutes/>

Summary

Last year had the lowest attendance on record. This year we increased slightly (average attendance at Boyne went from 143 to 147). We are not back to our old numbers, but it looks like the worst might be over with respect to the effect of the Michigan economy on our program.

The distribution of racers by team has shifted, with four teams not having enough attendance to earn a vote. Next year we have 12 votes spread over 7 teams. The MACC quorum will be 7 voting members.

The current four-course schedule is reasonably balanced and should work fine again next year.

Overall, the numbers show that most of the classes had enough turnout and should be offered again next year. Two classes to consider merging would be men's D and Super-vet D, which averaged only 6 racers combined.

MACC Team Attendance and Votes

Table 1 shows the team turnout for 2011 (not counting the Cantor Cup) and the resulting team votes for 2012. The table also includes a column **Reg.** that indicates the number of racers who registered with each team. The total registration is 188. We ended the season with one racer not linked to a team (she signed up at the end of the season).

Table 1. Team turnout for 2011 and votes for 2012.

Ski Team	Votes	Reg.	Total	Ave	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Ann Arbor	1	18	125	11.4	14	14	11	14	6	8	8	12	12	10	16
GM Ski Club	0	8	44	4	7	7	4	4				6	6	5	5
Jim Dandy	0	5	27	2.5	3	3	3	3	2	2	2	3	3	1	2
Renegades	0	10	48	4.4	6	7	6	5	1	1	1	5	7	5	4
Schussmeisters	0	6	27	2.5	5	4	1	2	1	1	1	3	3	3	3
Skiniks	2	20	156	14.2	20	19	19	18	7	8	7	14	15	13	16
Skiwis	1	13	91	8.3	11	9	11	9	3	3	3	12	11	10	9
Snow Drifters	2	16	133	12.1	12	14	16	15	5	6	6	15	15	14	15
Team Rust	2	28	188	17.1	23	24	22	22	4	4	3	21	23	20	22
Thunderbirds	2	33	232	21.1	27	27	22	23	12	13	13	22	23	25	25
Toledo	2	30	245	22.3	26	26	25	26	15	15	15	26	26	20	25
Unassigned		1	2	0.18								1	1		

It takes 55 racer starts for a team to get a vote, 132 to get two votes, and 330 to get three votes. Four of our teams will not have a vote for the 2012 season. Next year the MACC teams have 12 votes, a drop from the 14 votes that existed in the 2011 season. Although our total attendance rose, the new racers joined larger clubs. Hence, we have a rise in attendance combined with a drop in MACC votes.

For comparison over past years, Table 2 shows the attendance histories of the current teams since 1992.

Table 2. Average attendance by team from 1992 to 2011.

Ski Team	92	96	98	99	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11
Ann Arbor	16	12	14	13	16	12	9	8	10	10	10	9	12	11	10	11
GM Ski Club	43	24	17	14	9	6	5	6	3	5	4	5	6	7	5	4
Jim Dandy	11	11	11	14	11	12	12	7	3	5	11	7	5	4	2	2
Renegades									6	12	11	10	9	6	6	4
Schussmeisters	33	35	40	41	33	35	32	27	23	18	13	15	16	9	5	2
Skiniks	24	18	13	12	14	14	15	12	16	14	11	11	11	13	12	14
Skiwis	8	6	9	15	26	23	21	17	14	13	15	17	16	17	9	8
Snow Drifters	7	10	8	8	13	16	19	19	18	12	10	12	13	9	12	12
Team Rust	27	15	19	17	15	13	12	11	10	11	14	16	17	12	14	17
Thunderbirds	31	33	29	31	25	25	26	28	19	27	31	28	23	22	21	21
Toledo	7			11	13	13	13	15	13	20	22	16	19	17	17	22

Turnout per Race

Table 3 shows our turnout for each year since 1992 (except 1995—no files). Searchmont numbers are shown in italics starting in 1996. The averages in the column “**Boyne**” do not include Searchmont or the Cantor Cup. The averages in the column “**Ave**” do not include the Cantor Cup for years after 1998. These numbers do include guest racers.

Table 3. Turnout per race.

Year	Ave	Boyne	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
1992	286	312	360	353	316	320	203	204	299	297	246	286	267		
1993	256	284	333	339	275	278	208	195	209	205	247	236	237	288	272
1994	262	287	304	293	298	292	282	269	191	214	212	232	286	268	
1996	209	236	280	275	226	221	206	207	<i>129</i>	<i>153</i>	<i>142</i>	200	240	234	
1997	212	250	254		253	261	255	259	<i>129</i>	<i>127</i>	<i>122</i>	204	244	229	
1998	191	212	230	221	221	220	198	208	<i>138</i>	<i>142</i>	<i>136</i>	178	213	190	
1999	203	226	245	230	225	210	214	226	<i>153</i>	<i>158</i>	<i>152</i>	194	229	?	
2000	187	222*	238	221	227	226	217	203	<i>143</i>	<i>134</i>	<i>133</i>	143	179	108	
2001	185	203	231	218	220	220	187	198	<i>140</i>	<i>147</i>	<i>128</i>	158	193	144	
2002	176	210*	225	210	227	211	<i>117</i>	<i>128</i>	<i>126</i>	196	188	156	150	?	
2003	165	182	201	200	194	195	<i>114</i>	<i>121</i>	<i>123</i>	176	163	149	181	123	
2004	162	184	192	183	170	179	<i>104</i>	<i>112</i>	<i>112</i>	193	190		182	100	
2005	162	182	201	197	175	174	189	183	<i>100</i>	<i>116</i>	<i>114</i>	157	179	92	
2006	175	197	217	205	201	199	<i>117</i>	<i>120</i>	<i>116</i>	206	204	163	183	103	
2007	160	178	179	173	189	180	<i>111</i>	<i>115</i>	<i>113</i>	191	165	168	181	109	
2008	167	194	195	183	202	196	<i>95</i>	<i>103</i>	<i>94</i>	216	201	170	187	105	
2009	134	156	174	158	164	155	<i>74</i>	<i>78</i>	<i>75</i>	161	156	135	144	83	
2010	120	143	158	154	146	131	<i>57</i>	<i>60</i>	<i>58</i>	139	139	132	147	114	
2011	123	147	155	155	149	150	<i>56</i>	<i>61</i>	<i>59</i>	140	148	129	149	119	

*Average of first 6 Boyne 2000 / 2002 races (normal weather).

In most years prior to 2010, the turnout at Searchmont was between 60% and 75% of the turnout at Boyne. For example, in 2001, the average turnout at Boyne was 203 and the peak day at Searchmont was 147 ($147/203 = 72\%$). In 2010, the turnout was $60/143 = 42\%$; in 2011, it was $61/147 = 41\%$.

The Sunday Cantor Cup Super-Combined was again popular. In 2009 (last year of the dual format), we had $83/156 = 53\%$ of our regular Boyne turnout. Last year, it was $114/143 = 80\%$ and this year it was $119/147 = 81\%$.

Courses and Classes

Table 4 shows the attendance for the courses. On regular four-course days at Boyne, course 1 had as many as 53 racers, while course 4 had as few as 24 racers.

Table 4. Course attendance in 2011.

Course	Reg.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
1	58	44	49	53	49	32	24	36	44	49	41	47	70
2	57	45	44	41	42	24	37	23	42	44	39	46	49
3	35	35	32	29	30				28	28	25	30	
4	36	32	30	26	29				26	27	24	26	

Although not completely uniform, the spread over the four courses was better this year than last. (Last year we had up to 58 racers on course 2 and as few as 16 on course 3.) Given that any redistribution would involve moving racers from F.I.S. to Super Bowl, the current locations of classes is probably the best we can do.

Table 5 shows the attendance for each of our 21 classes. All but one of our registered racers are placed in classes, with the number of registrations per class shown (**Reg.**).

Classes are shown in the table with groups of men or women's classes with the same handicaps. For example, the B Men's group has three age-based classes that cover the same handicap range.

Any class with a turnout of 3 or less on a race day was a "finish and get on the podium" class on that day. If the number was 1 or blank, it was a "show up and win" class. Many classes were in the "finish and podium" condition for the Searchmont races 5-7. However, at Boyne, the only age-based classes with very low turnout were DM and SVDM (the combined average attendance was 6).

Table 5. Attendance by class in 2010.

Class	Ave	Reg.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Elite	3.5	5	3	4	3	3	2	2	2	4	4	6	5
Elite-1 Men	5.5	10	4	4	11	10	1	1	1	7	7	7	7
Elite-1 Men (Vet)	11.0	15	14	15	12	13	5	7	7	12	13	11	12
Elite-2 Men	8.0	9	11	11	11	10	5	5	5	7	8	7	8
Elite-2 Men (Vet)	12.5	19	13	14	15	15	6	7	6	15	15	15	16
A Men	5.0	7	5	5	6	6	2	3	3	6	6	6	7
A Men (Vet)	11.3	17	17	18	11	10	5	5	5	13	14	13	13
B Men	5.6	7	8	7	7	7	3	3	3	6	7	5	6
B Men (Vet)	5.4	9	7	6	7	7	2	2	2	6	6	7	7
B Men (Supervet)	7.3	10	10	9	8	8	4	4	4	9	9	7	8
C Men	5.1	9	5	5	5	7	3	3	2	7	7	5	7
C Men (Supervet)	6.1	8	8	7	7	7	3	3	3	8	7	7	7
D Men	3.4	5	6	5	4	3	1	1	1	3	3	5	5
D Men (Supervet)	2.6	3	4	4	4	4	1	1	1	2	3	3	2
Elite-1 Women	5.7	11	8	10	9	7				8	9	5	7
Elite-2 Women	5.1	8	4	5	7	6	2	3	2	6	8	5	8
A Women	3.5	5	4	3	4	6	2	2	2	4	4	2	5
A Women (Vet)	3.9	9	5	4	5	5	2	2	3	4	5	3	5
B Women	2.7	4	5	6	4	4	1	1	1	2	2	2	2
C Women	3.5	5	4	4	3	4	1	1	1	5	4	4	7
D Women	6.3	11	9	9	6	8	5	5	5	6	7	4	5