

"The Little Club that Could"

Club History

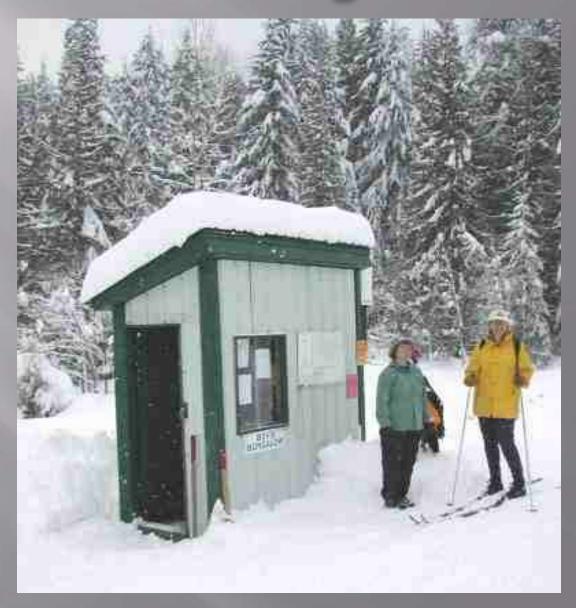
- The Revelstoke Nordic Ski Club can trace its roots back to 1891. The Revelstoke Ski Club is Canada's second oldest ski club.
- The Club represented all disciplines of skiing including Alpine, Nordic and Ski Jumping.
- The Revelstoke Nordic Ski Club became a separate registered non-profit organization from the Revelstoke Ski Club in the 1970s.
- In March 1974, the International Cross Country Championships were held on Mt. Revelstoke celebrating the City of Revelstoke's 75th anniversary.



The RNSC before 2010

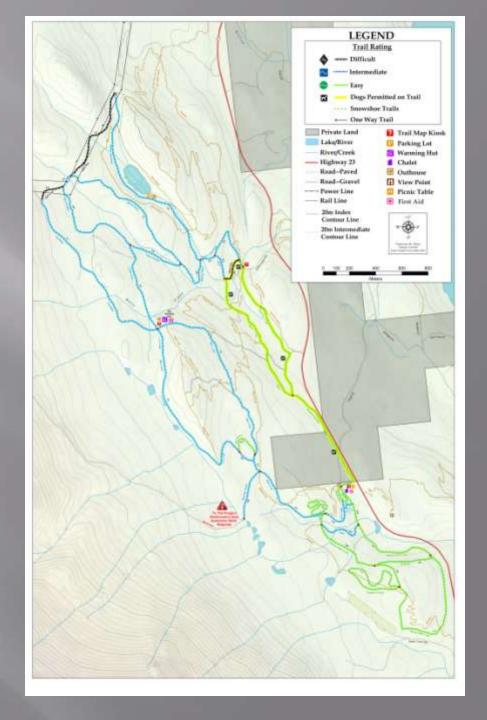
- > 24 km of track set trails
- Built facilities limited to a ticket booth off the parking lot (Bev's Bungalow), and a backcountry cabin (Ole Sandburg Hut) located
 2.5 kms from the trailhead parking lot
- > Trail grooming equipment was limited to a 2003 Bombardier BR 275 which was stored off site in the open on a neighbors property
- Club membership fluctuated from 270 to 330

Bev's Bungalow

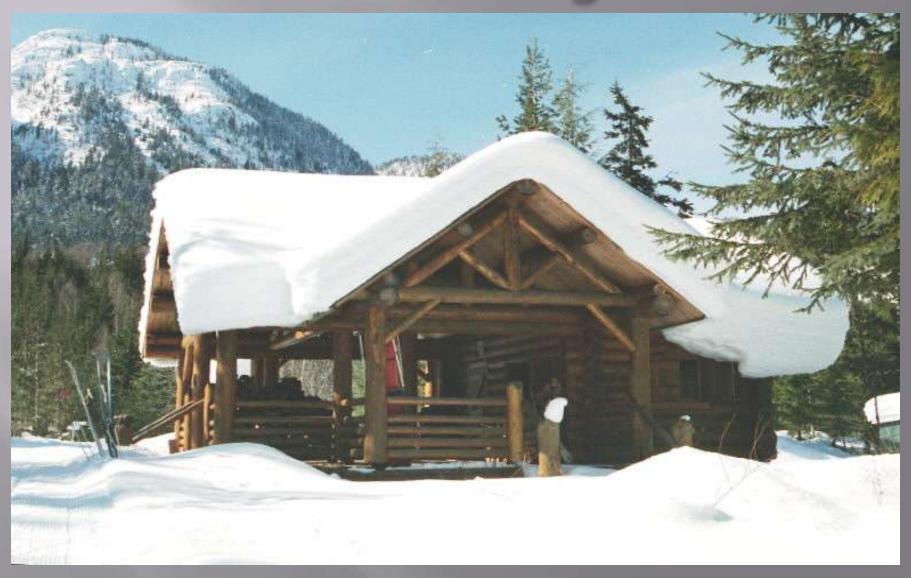


Trail Map

Trails are located & km south of Revelstoke on Hwy 23 South



Ole Sandburg Hut



The Club Today

- > 26 km of track set trails.
- > 492 members (32 families, 317 individuals, and 32 children)
- Paid Coach and Custodian for Day Lodge
- The Club has developed programs for:
 - Ski League with 76 children (17 Bunnies, 24 Rabbits, 14 Track Attack and 12 Junior Development Racing - 2 BC team members, 3 BC Development Squad members)
 - Trail Blazers a new non-competitive program developed to keep children involved in the sport
 - *Para Nordic* with one athlete who has successfully competed at the provincial level
 - *Masters* with 32 adults
 - Mom and Tots drop-in ski and day care
 - *Ski S'kool* program for all local Grade 4 students
 - Private & Group Ski Lessons, Clinics

The Club Today

- Built Facilities now include:
 - A new 3,600 sq ft 3 storey Day Lodge with a Custodian Apartment on the top floor (power, water and septic systems installed).
 - A new 1600 sq ft maintenance facility for storage of grooming equipment.
 - New 16 x 20 foot Pole Barn being constructed this summer for winter storage of grooming equipment
 - New Children's program storage shed
 - New trailhead roofed sign kiosk
 - Enlarged parking lot
 - New Stadium Sprint Loop
 - New 1, 2.5 km race loops that tied into existing 4 and 5
 Km loops that originate and end in the stadium
 - New Ski Terrain Park

Day Lodge



Day Lodge & Maintenance Building



Day Lodge (south aspect)



Day Lodge (norht Aspect)



Maintenance Building



Club Today (Continued)

- Trail grooming equipment includes 2003 Bombardier BR 275 with 3 track setting pans.
- > Snowmobile with new Ginsu Groomer, compactor/roller and rescue toboggan.
- Daily grooming of trails from a 12 member volunteer grooming crew.
- Night lights on our Stadium Sprint Loop.
- New race timing equipment (4 Summit timers, pace clock, headsets, etc).
- > New website.
- > Fulltime year round Coach.
- > Designation of a *Dog Trail* brought in almost 80 new memberships.
- Have hosted numerous successful regional dry land camps, regional time trials and will be hosting the 2013 BC Midget Championships.

How Did We Get Here

- Change in leadership at the Executive Level. Belief in a "Can do, forward thinking" attitude.
- Availability of a person to spearhead the Facility Development initiative.
- Change in local economic opportunities with the development of Revelstoke Mountain Resort and the City of Revelstoke now classified as a Resort Community (access to local Tourism Infrastructure monies).
- Successful leveraging of monies from funding sources and agencies.
- Developed excellence in writing funding applications.
- > Influx of a younger, active population to the community.
- Huge volunteer commitment on behalf of many club members and the Executive to take on tasks and see them through to completion. Club members have a strong sense of satisfaction from seeing their volunteer efforts making meaningful results (from coaches, to groomers, to Ticket Office duties). There is a vibe that the Nordic Club is the club to be involved with a Club that gets things done.

Plans for the Future

- Development of a mini hydro project. This will result in developing enough power to cover all of the electrical needs (including heating costs) of club operations. In addition it will produce a net positive revenue stream of about \$20,000/year.
- Continue Facility Development by purchasing adjoining flat land for trail and facility expansion, and install 4 kilometers of trail lighting for night skiing (possible from mini hydro revenue).
- Continue to grow club membership and crack the 500 membership ceiling.
- Continue to grow the Children's Ski and Racing Programs, Masters Programs.
- Increase the use of Day Lodge for club events (Slideshow nights, pot luck theme dinners, wine and cheese socials, etc.)
- > Continue the development of trained coaches and officials.
- > Development of a equipment rental program in partnership with local outdoor stores.