

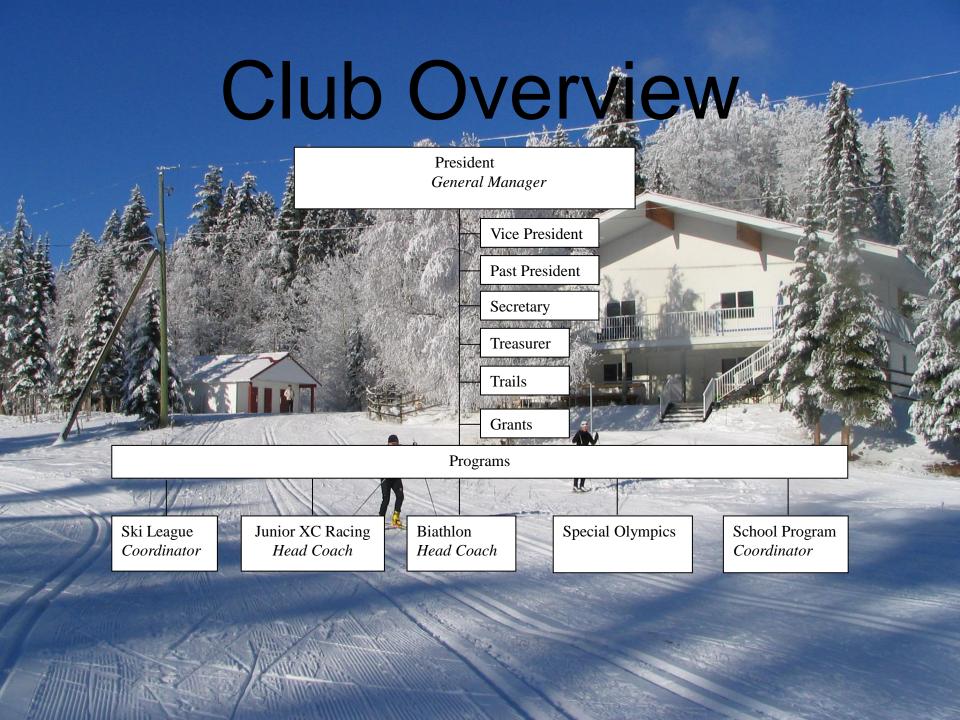


- >Club Overview
- >Why have a Professional Coach
- >How to sustain a Professional Coach
- >What we have learned
- **>Questions**

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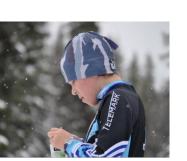
- 1,100 members, 25% of which are race affiliated
- 6,000 day passes (100 per day)
- 2,500 school visits
- 150 jackrabbits / bunnyrabbits
- 40 race athletes
- Trails
  - 3 beginner
  - 3 intermediate
  - 3 long advanced
  - 3 snowshoe
- Club revenue \$285,000



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Ski League -----

Race Committee

Junior XC Racing Program Director (Barry Allen)

President

Head Coach (Adam Elliot) Parent Committee

Development Team Assistant Coach (Corrie Allen, Jeff Kerkovius) Junior XC Racing Team Assistant Coach (Ross McKinnon, Paul Shipley) Administrative Support:

- web page
- marketing
- publicity
- sponsors

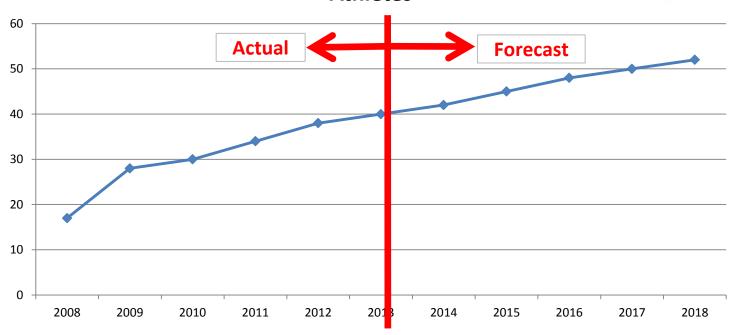
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#### **Athletes**





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Club Culture: cannot permit this to become an "elite" sport!

Telemark Junior XC Racing Budget	7	2014/15 Budget	
Income			
CCC Grant		\$10,000	
Telemark Club		\$10,000	
CCBC Contract		\$10,000	
Racing Team Member Fees		\$20,000	
Fundraising		\$12,000	
	Total	\$62,000	

#### Expense

	\$47,500
	\$3,500
	\$2,000
	\$4,000
	\$200
	\$2,500
	\$2,000
Total	\$61,700
	Total

Surplus

\$300

\$1500 per athlete

\$500 per athlete

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### Efforts This Year

- Head Coach Adam has proactively been working hard this season to set "involvement expectations" for race parents. Results have exceeded expectations with more parents participating in practices, waxing skis, and working with athletes at races. Having eager, informed, and involved parents means our athletes get better value from training and races go much smoother, consequentially our athletes' race results are showing improvements across the board.
- Significant increase in the percentage of our team athletes participating in BC Cup races, in particular amongst our 9-13 year old "Junior Development" athletes.
- Some of our new athletes who moved up from Jackrabbits have dominated their age category. We are pleased to see a developing deep talent pool for future elite athletes.
- Efforts to work with our Jackrabbits program to increase visibility of, and interest in, racing is starting to show results, with conversion rates from Jackrabbits into Junior Development increasing from near zero two years ago to the high 30s + percent expected next season. Our Jackrabbits are now registering for local races and talking to our race athletes and coaches unheard of 2 years ago.
- Success locally, regionally, and nationally.

Source: Telemark 2014 Year End Report to CCC

### Someone Who can Spend the Time!

- A Prepare individual training plans
- **A** Conduct one-on-one coaching
- Attend seminars and technique refreshers
- **A**Attend camps
- **A**Organize the volunteers
- **★**Take command
- **⚠** No burnout, no guilt

## Participation Growth

#### **Telemark-Hosted BC Cup Home Club Registrations**

Year	Total	Jackrabbits
2011	20	0
2012	n/a	n/a
2013	40	5
2014	75	15

### Summary

- A Head Coach facilitates *Capacity Building* which in turn enables sustainable growth
  - Mentoring volunteer and junior coaches
  - Mentoring parent wax techs
- A Head Coach ensures the strategic goals of the Telemark Race Program align with the LTAD model and strategic goals of Cross Country BC/Canada
- A full time dedicated coach is essential to building a quality program that is sustainable.



### **Basic Principles**

- Podium placements are low priority.
- Coach needs to be properly compensated.
- Let the coach do his job. "Let it go."
- We are not a charity.

### My Observations

- XC Ski racing is low cost / high benefit
- 40 high-spirited athletes with fond memories
- 80 parents happy, or at least placated. "Manage the parents."
- Manage the non-race club members
- The athletes are special -- over-achievers, respectful, polite

### **Our Racing Team Decision Criteria**

#### In order of priority:

- 1. How will the athletes benefit?
- 2. How will it impact club members?
- 3. How will it impact the Head Coach?
- 4. What is the parents' opinion?

## Feeding the Beast: Funding

- Grants (\$30,000 -- 50%)
- Fees (\$20,000 -- 35%)
- Sponsors and Fundraising (\$12,000 -- 15%)

### **Grants**

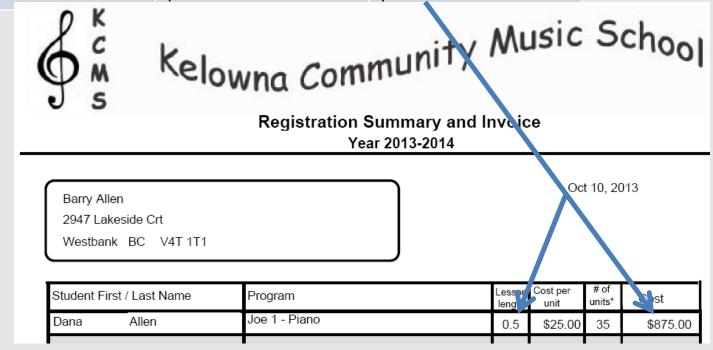
- BC Gaming Grant
- National Winter Sport Association (NWSA)
- CCBC Provincial Coaches
- ViaSport
- District of West Kelowna
- City of Kelowna Athletic Excellence
- Kidsport / Jumpstart
- Investors Group Community Coaching Conferences
- RBC Learn to Play Grant
- Club funding: racing puts more cash into the club than we take out...

### Telemark Fees

### Compare

	2010	2014
Junior Development	\$150	\$310
Beginner Racers	\$300	\$625
Elite Racers	\$300	\$750

Ski \$1.50/hr Swim \$5.00/hr Piano \$50.00/hr



## Sponsors / Fundraising

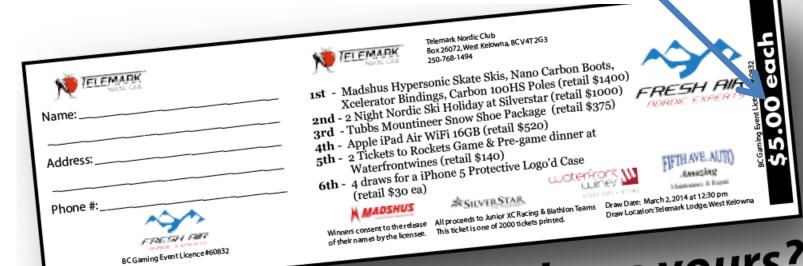
- Tree Planting \$2,500
- Ski Swap \$1,000
- Cyclo Cross \$1,500
- Coffee \$800
- Hot Dogs \$500
- Hot Waxing \$400
- Raffle \$5,000
  - Corporate Sponsors \$2,000
  - Other non-traditional opportunities?

Let's focus on these

# Raffle – Done Right

- Easy
- Low risk
- Popular
- "Opt-In fees"
- All Inclusive. All athletes contribute.
- Great for sponsors. 100% leverage.

\$25 lottery license \$150 ticket Printing 5 working days



\$5 is magic

### Fifth Avenue Auto's Experience

#### Congratulations To Our Client Of The Month!

Every month, we choose a very special client of the month. It's our way of acknowledging our great clients and saying thanks to those that support our business with referrals and repeat business.

This month's Client of the Month is

Barry Allen for talking me into providing a raffle item instead of donation to **Telemark which turned out to be pretty** good advertising!

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	Address:
	Phone #:
	BCGaming Event Licence #60832

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and - 2 Night Nordic Ski	Chow Shoe Package (Tetal) 43757	
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of their names by the licensee.

Winners consent to the release All proceeds to Junior XCRacing This ticket is one of 2000 tickets printed.

2,2014 at 12:30 pm

Do you have yours?

## Sponsors are Special

Respect their branding
Be on message
Bring value
Keep in contact



Mr. Patrick Rosen Kelowna Cycle 103-2949 <u>Pandosy</u> St. Kelowna, BC V1Y 1W1

#### Re: Thank You For Your Support

Pat, on behalf of the athletes, parents, and coaches of the Telemark Junior XC Racing team, I thank Kelowna Cycle and staff for the generous cash donations from your Cyclo Cross event and for supporting our athletes with team discounts and knowledgeable staff, plus a good inventory of race gear. As you commission, now, no is extremely costly for parents to fund an elite X-C ski athlete and your domains an important part of our ability to offer our young athletes a ton tion racing program. In Kelowna. We work hard to ensure your business benefits from your investment in the team. You are getting good exposure on our web page with over 5000 "click throughs" from local prospective customers. In addition, we now include a "sponsors" item in every monthly race parent meeting, plus your company logo has professional presentation in 2 places on the Club web page, on two huge new sponsor banners at the lodge, and on a Sponsors page in the Club newsletter which is sent to all 1000 club members 3 times per year.

I have included a brief update about the team. The team has competed in 5 races already: Nor Ams in

### How to Support your Coach

- Does he "show up"?
- Do the kids like him?
- Is he competent?
- Does he emphasize experiences and good memories, not medals?

Then "let it go"



### What We Got Right

- Web page
- Parent committee executive
- Parent participation expectations
- One point of interface for managing the program
- Non-conventional fundraising





#### Recent News

#### Host Family Needed For Quebec Exchange Student

Anyone willing to host a 16/17 year old exchange student from Quebec summer please call Dana at 250-768-4856 or email dana.allen@shaw.i Thank you. ... [Read More ... ]

#### Tree Planting Season is Upon Us!

Heartland has again offered us a tree planting fundraiser on May 24, 25 and June 7, 8! Planting this year will be near Silver Lake. Just like in t past, there will be morning, afternoon, and ... [Read More...]

#### Spring Rush Run and Thursday

Hello Ski Fans, I am doing a running race this weekend in Rosé Valley. I called Spring Rush and is being put on by PACE. If you don't know who PACE is I can tell you that Positive Attitude ... [Read More...]

#### Thursday TR2 Ski April 17 2014 Classic

Hello TR2s, Classic skiing Thursday from the Yellow gate. Let me know: you want a ride up ASAP. Probably the last opportunity at Telemark th season. Thanks, Adam ... [Read More...]

#### Saturday Pre-Ski 3pm CL

Hello Ski Fans, The Skiing yesterda was so good that I have added a ski before our season celebration on

#### Calendar

Category Key

JD Parents

Race

TR1

TR1 and 2

Entire Team

race team

Athlete Resources

« Prev			March 2014			Next »
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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BC Cup 3 Championships	3	4 * TR2CL spm * TR:CL 6	5 * Junior Development CL  Spm	6 "TR2 SK spm "TR1 SK 6pm "Parent Meeting	7	8 • SKI League Windup (
Sovereign Loppet	10	11 * TRzCL 6pm * TRiCL 6	12 • Junior Development CL 6pm	13 * TR2SK spm * TR1SK 6pm	14	15 * Nationals * Entire Team SK 10 am
6	17	18	19	20	21	22
Nationals	* Nationals	* Nationals * TR1+ TR2 SK 10am	* Nationals * JD State 6pm	* Nationals  * TR1 + JD Classic 1pm  * TR2 CL or SK 4pm	* Nationals	* Nationals
3 Entire Team SK 10 am	24	25 * TR1+ TR2 SK toam	26	27 * Roller Ski Wax Order Deadline	28	29 * Entire Team CL 10 an
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Junior Development

New To Racing?

#### **Upcoming Events**

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- May 1, 2014
- SEK SK Roller 5pm TR2 at 5:00 pm
- May 3, 2014

### What We are Working On

- Demographics
- Weaning off external funding
- Varsity program
- Conversion rate out of Jackrabbits
- More trained coaches

