

Tweedsmuir Ski Club (TSC) Winter 2013/2014 Newsletter

Last year got off to a slow start with a light snowpack. The cross country folks had the Old Highway Trail open early, but we weren't able to use the ski hill until February when we finally got a few good dumps of snow. The season was short after that. With the low snowfall, we had perfect conditions for working on the cabin. A lot of volunteer hours went into the interior and finishing details and by March the cabin was open for business and we had a grand opening day with a BBQ and speeches from founding members of the club. More work happened on the cabin in the late summer and fall and it is now nearly 100% complete. Be sure and consider using it. All the reservation system is done online via the website at: www.tweedsmuirskiclub.com.

Two work parties tackled the brush on the ski hill one day and then all the electrical connectors were replaced on the handle bar tow. We should be in much better shape for a moderate snow year. We will try to open the ski hill on Sundays, weather permitting and provided we can get tow operators. If you are interested in committing to one or more Sundays to run the tow, it would be appreciated. It's easy to train and it's a refreshing and fun place to spend a day. Please email tweedsmuirskiclub@gmail.com if you would like to help.

This year the XC crew has been busy on some trail improvements and some new custom built grooming and track setting equipment. They have been able to test it out since they have been using the Old Highway Trail for three weeks already. The Old Highway trail will be the only one tracked for the first part of year with other trails added when the lakes freeze and more snow falls. Sunday has traditionally been a day when many people have gone up skiing. We will plan on grooming every Sunday morning and one other day during the week if required. The 2013 race was a big success in spite of a huge snowfall a few days before, they were able to get enough track groomed and set in time to make it a fun event. The date for the 2014 annual race has been set as March 2nd.

Check on the Tweedsmuir Ski Club Home page under Cross Country Ski Conditions to get a report on when grooming was done. Please check out the "Tweeds Muir Ski" blog at <http://tweedsmuirski.blogspot.com> for photographs and comments on cross country skiing at East Branch. We are hoping for a good season.

We are planning our AGM for Wednesday November 27 at SAMS at 7:00 PM. See you there! The TSC now has a website (www.tweedsmuirskiclub.com) and email tweedsmuirskiclub@gmail.com to keep members informed. Drop us an email if you would like to be on the contact list.

If you can't come out to the meeting please support us by sending us your membership filled out on the back of this form. Many volunteers work to provide activities for families and children to enjoy winter boarding, skiing, snowmobiling, XC skiing, and cabin stays in one of the most beautiful parks in BC. We always need volunteers and of course financial support.

**Tweedsmuir Ski Club 2013/2014 Membership
Annual Membership/Tow Fees/Donation Form**

Name: _____

Street: _____ P.O.Box _____

City/Town: _____ Postal Code _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Tweedsmuir Ski Club Annual Membership:

<u>Annual Membership:</u>	<u>Name(s)</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Student (\$10/yr)	_____	\$ _____
Adult (\$25/yr)	_____	\$ _____
Family*(\$35/yr)	_____	\$ _____

*Indicate number of membership decals required for a family _____

Ski Tow Seasons Pass (Must also purchase an Annual Membership):

Student (\$50/yr)	_____	\$ _____
Adult (\$100/yr)	_____	\$ _____
Family (\$175/yr)	_____	\$ _____

Tow Fees due from prior year (name of person you are paying for): _____ \$ _____

Donations:** *We need help for the overnight cabin replacement fund!* \$ _____

Loan (the balance will be used to pay annual dues or amounts owing until gone) \$ _____

Total \$ _____

**Tax Receipt required for a Donation: Yes _____ No _____ (can only be issued for a donation)

Fee Information

<u>Annual Membership Fees</u>			<u>Ski Hill Season's Pass</u>		
Student	\$10		Student	\$50	
Adult	\$25		Adult	\$100	
Family	\$35		Family	\$175	

<u>Daily Ski Tow Fees</u>	<u>Members</u>	<u>Non Members</u>
Student	\$5/day	\$10/day
Adult	\$10/day	\$15/day
Family	\$25/day	\$35/day

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