

## Mount Cain Alpine Park Society February Meeting

**Date: Feb 1, 2025**

**Location: Office / Hybrid**

Called to order at: 4:04 pm

*Mount Cain is located in the territory of the 'N̓am̓g̓is First Nation. The mountainous area near the Davie River, is known as Papikalan in Kwak'wala, meaning place of marmots. The Mount Cain Alpine Society honours and respects our relationship with this Nation, and we are grateful to be able to recreate on these lands.*

### Attendance:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Director</b>	<b>Executive Role</b>	<b>Attendance at meeting</b>
Kim Kufaaas	Director of Communications		Yes
Kieren Britton	Director of Hospitality / Summer Ops	Secretary	Yes
Eric Sprenger	Director of Technology	Chair	Yes
Dean Hunchuk	Director of Buildings + Construction	Vice Chair	Yes
Matt Tjepkema	Director of Patrol		Yes
Christian Tuters	Director of Ski Shop + Snow School		
David Mazzucchi	Director of Ticket Booth		Yes
Darren Anonson	Director of Events / Summer Ops		Yes
Mike Green	Director of Ops- Road/Generators		Yes
Dave Steele	Director of Ops- Lifts		
Lynette Tanaka	Director of Human Resources		
Mason Masales	Director of Ops- Snow Machines		Yes
Drew Nagainis	Director of Occ. Health + Safety		Yes
Alec McBeath	Director of Administration	Treasurer	
Dave Weymer	Director of RV Park/Summer Ops		Yes
Sarah Duggan	Director of Grants		Yes

## Legend:

- Black writing – Discussions
- Purple – Defer
- Red – Motion
- Green – Action items
- Pink - Thank yous

## Campbell

- Monday School groups lacking instruction and not orderly
- Run lower lift earlier if L3 isn't working
- Recycling is not happening, we need a better plan for recycling (especially the stuff that can't be refunded)

## Motion to approve the agenda

DM – Motion to approve

Second - Sarah

## Motion to approve the previous minutes

[January Meeting Minutes](#)

DM – Motion to approve

Second - Dean

## Chair's Report (5 Minutes)

- Big thanks to Dean & David for filling in a gap in the DoD schedule at the last minute. Please make sure to sign up for shifts.
- While MCAPS doesn't respond to rescues and emergency situations outside our boundaries, I do want to take a moment to thank the whole Cain community for stepping up and helping with the SAR rescue in January. I wasn't at the hill when it happened but so many people have come forward to me with really touching stories and it makes me really proud to be a member of this community.

- Lease agreement is still in progress with the RDWM. We should have a draft agreement to review shortly.

## Financial Report (5 Minutes)

## Directors Reports (1-5 Minutes Each, let's try to keep this section to 50 minutes) [Rotating Order]

Note: Questions welcome, discussion and motions come after all reports are completed.

Director of Patrol

- Nothing to report

Director of Ski Shop + Snow School

- Nothing to report

Director of Ticket Booth - David Mazzucchi

- Things are running smoothly. The new staff are all really bright and are quick to catch on.
- Some hiccups over who was wrongly given Staff Passes but that's mostly sorted now.
- The membership database is up to date: 1278 members as of Jan 30. I plan to work with Sally to streamline the data entry for next season.

### January 2025 Ticket Booth Sales

Category	Items		Items			Net Sales
	Sold	Gross Sales	Refunded	Refunds	Discounts & Comps	
Uncategorized	3	\$144.70	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$144.70
Donation	1	\$10.00	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10.00
Events	16 (?)	\$160.00	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$160.00 (?)

Lift Tickets	849	\$49,774.89	-8	-\$506.51	-\$1,141.59	\$48,126.79
Memberships	115	\$3,065.00	0	\$0.00	-\$10.00	\$3,055.00
Season Passes	51	\$ 14,597.75	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$ 14,597.75

#### Director of Events/Summer Ops

- **Action item: Website up-to-date with events please**
- Fundraising for Backcountry fest, ideas
- Repeater, options
- Pricing for Local SAR Teams and Island Alpine Guide
- Discussing trail permits with Trails and Rec
- Donating money raised from Cain Cup to Port McNeill Skate Park

#### Director of Ops- Road/Generators - Mike Green

- D7 sale finalized
- NWAC member (Discussion)

#### Director of Ops- Lifts - Dave Steele

- Lift Maintenance has been well attended, two maintenance personnel have been onsite as Steve Golobar has been training and mentoring James Hennesy
  - T's replaced on upper lift with unstable seats and small poles.
  - Preventative maintenance on sheave assemblies
  - Preventative maintenance on L4 gear reduction unit
  - Two derailments dealt with
- Have had derailment reports going to Technical Safety BC over the last two weekends due to improper dismounts at L2 and L4.
- We had a delayed opening at L1 due to safety circuit.
- We have had issues with Estop on Dongle at L1, working on solutions. Also investigating set up and replacement of existing hardware with something less complicated.
- I have purchased tools specifically for Lifts recently, with an approximate value of \$700. Investment was required. Essentially prepared a jump kit.
  - Discussion items:

- Skidoo - When will the new skidoo be on the mountain? lifts dept is in need of a good machine to get to L4 with tools and people.
- Shovel Crew – perhaps DOD can please remind shovel crew leads to have their crews have a go at freeing up running gear with bonkers, prior to bumping lift ahead to see if it will all turn or not. Have a large crew, with members capable of safely accessing sheave banks. In heavy ice conditions, multiple bumps should occur with people spread out at as many towers as possible to ensure sheaves remain free. Sometimes ice dislodges and binds a sheave, so a few bumps ensure there are no surprises.
- L3 Motor – at the end of the season I would like to have the D500 currently sitting in the shop (originally from L1) sent to Klassens diesel for assessment and overhaul. Motor is still running, so hopefully no more than \$8k. Motor will be retained in shop on standby, just in case.
- Ron Minish provided a drive shaft repair, in short order. I am asking June to have 4 day passes on hand for him or his delegates.

Director of Human Resources

- Nothing to report

Director of Ops- Snow Machines

- Ski doo Skandic repair- \$726.88
- Polaris 550 repair- \$724.47
- Snow cat parts- \$3251.94
- Discussion on having a further understanding on low snow impact on groomers

Director of Occ. Health + Safety

- Health and safety committee had their first meeting, I have some meeting minutes to post up in the office for everyone to see.
- Need to make a Fall protection plan and possibly buy some rigging to help lower someone off of the lift towers.

- More in-depth Sled training, possibly set up a small course up so people can get some seat time. Would like to start doing this training day weekend if the snow allows. Or on there first weekend when snow allows
- Jump kit at L4 for back country rescues? Supplies to keep a patient there for a few hours until transport

#### Director of Administration

- Nothing to report

#### Director of Grants

- Destination BC grant application submitted; should hear back by early March
  - Thank you to Hakai for their support on this grant submission

#### Director of RV Park

- Nothing to report

#### Director of Communications

I'm not feeling well but will try to be online listening in)

- Note: our calendar on our site doesn't seem to have the Ski Patrol Fundraiser input – confirming we will be doing this on Saturday, April 5<sup>th</sup>
- Action item for Darren: Send Kim correct dates

#### Director of Hospitality

- Accommodation is fully booked except for one-night mid spring break and one other. Lodge is based on weather.
- 'Namgis Cabin rentals start next week
- Sally is preparing to be on leave as early as mid month

## Director of Technology

- Nothing to report.

## Director of Buildings + Construction

- Issues with the new washrooms vacuum system becoming plugged – often. We’ve implemented a new procedure – all toilet paper into provided receptacles (to be incinerated) and nothing but human waste goes into the system. Haven’t had a plugged pipe since – JL is very happy!!
- Up-flush toilet in Ski Patrol will NOT be installed...returning to Andrew Sheret – currently looking at other alternatives. Temporary solution is “suitcase” style port-a-potty – good solution for occasional patient and night-time emergency use.
- Ski Patrol grey water tank is 90% full already!! Very frustrating that people aren’t conserving water more carefully. Will get this tank, and new trailer park tank pumped out in next couple weeks.
- Lodge fire ladder replacements (front and back) not ready. “Throw out” rope fire ladders in place right now.

## Discussions / Motions (50 – 60 Minutes)

Check in on previous action items:

- Dave S - sending myself and Kim an overview of your directors report, and the thank you's (Kim will do shout outs on the next emailer)
- All - DOD shifts filled out
- All - Directors to include their large expenses in their director responses.
- ~~Kieren - accommodations + % of bookings shared by Kieren~~
- ~~David M - Ticket sales reported thus far in director report~~
- Sarah D- follow up on the sponsorship poster
- Kieren - Costco + Lowes pick up run (send me what you need!)
- Dean H - Understand what tasks we need to take off of JL's the role and who we can bring into a janitor position. Discuss wage.
- Dave S- Dave to ask Steve if there is an issue with accommodations
- Kieren - Label all the radios, label the charger they go with, add a sign out process
- Eric S - create the sign out pages
- Eric S - Jean Luc and Sally will need their own radios – delay until we know more

- Matt T - Set the bare minimum to open with the goal of being 9:15 am (and confirm morning meeting with DOD)
- ~~David M - Update DOD checklist~~
- ~~Mike G - NWAC membership~~

Discussion/confirm “thank yous” for sponsorship poster (recently donated time/resources)

Fundraising for Backcountry fest, ideas

- Fundraise for a repeater\*\*\*\*
- Fundraise for patrol gear
- Gates that check for beacons
  - Action item: insurance okay, check?

Repeater:

- Options:
  - \$3-5K suitcase repeater on L4. Part of the \$5K budget.

Defer to next meeting - Discussion: Cameras set up

- Action item: Eric to look at camera options

Defer to next meeting - Discussion: Wi-Fi

- Action item: Add it to the planning meeting and defer until then.

Complaint: “People are camping in the old trailer park, and the space is turning into a party place...” - Discussion

- Radio DOD if this is an issue, and the DOD will shut it down.

- No camping in the old trailer park. We don't see it, we can't monitor it, we have designated camping at the end of the parking lot. Quiet time is quiet time. This is enforced everywhere.

Recycling is not working. - Discussion on possible solutions.

- Recycling is gross. Can't have dirty jars and full beers. If you would like to recycle please take it home yourself
- Action item: Sign up saying take your own recycling in all areas
- Action item: Is there any way to cut down on recycling?
- Action item: Kieren ask OJ

Discussion – Do we remove all lodge bans and let Jamie manage these and future bans? The board reserves the right to impose bans as we see fits in extreme cases.

Discussion on new sled

- Patrol vs lift ops
  - Lifts, they need to go to the top, they use it all the time. Patrol does not use it for rescue, lifts will use it a lot.

Action Items – remove names in ops

Action item – what was the damage on the groomer, add to the planning meeting to discuss if opening with low snow is a good idea with the damage to the groomers

Action item – add Wednesday lodge bookings to planning meeting to discuss

**Adjourn meeting: 5:50 pm**