

Hello All TNSC Members and Friends!

The weather has been relatively mild this past week and the forecast suggests it will remain so for the next little while. We just need more snow!

There was some satisfying skiing at the club this last weekend for the North Bay Nordic and the Nipissing University Varsity Ski Team who were here on Sunday to do some time trials. Sera Tempio is the head coach for North Bay Nordic's competitive team of whom Hannah Story-Korman, Olivia Wolfram, Hudson McCubbin, and Mikell Blain-Rogers are members. The varsity team from Nipissing University with coach Dave Nighbor, plus Genvieve Nolet-Leger and Isaac Story-Korman from TNT brought the number to 13 skiers for this informal event. These time trials provided an opportunity for TNSC to try out some new timing equipment that will be used at the upcoming Midget Championships in March.

**Notice:** Membership tags are available at the ski chalet. They are in envelopes in a box by the door. If you have paid your membership in the last two weeks and do not see an envelope with your name on it, contact Joanne Beeson (Membership Director) at 705-679-8614. Please pin your tag to your hat or jacket and wear it every time you ski.

### **Upcoming Events**

**TNSC New Logo and Tagline Launch!** As some of you may have already noticed on your membership tags, TNSC has a new logo. We are going to do an official logo and tagline launch at our annual New Year's Day Potluck Brunch, which is on **Thursday, January 1, 2015**. What a great way to kick off the New Year! Mark it on your calendar – it is only about three weeks away!

### **News from our Open House and Ski Swap**

**Sat. Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>** was TNSC's Open House and Ski Swap. There was a good turnout for the ski swap, with some people finding just what they needed. As well, some people took the opportunity to go for a ski. We want to extend many thanks to Sylvain Denis and Shona Wyatt for organizing this event. They have the knowledge and expertise to help members and nonmembers find the right fit for those "new to you" skis. Also, a big thank you goes to Mary Anne Bardawill for organizing the muffin snacks, coffee, tea and hot chocolate drinks. They were delicious. As well, thank you to Julia Harke for her help in the kitchen on Saturday.

A photo op for the Ski Playground also occurred. This playground is for both children and adults, so check it out!

### **Deadline for the CONTEST for a TNSC Tagline**

We will be choosing a tagline at the Executive meeting on Wed. Dec. 15<sup>th</sup>. Keep sending those taglines – they are filtering in and we could use some more. The phrase should be less than 5 or 6 words, define our club and focused on grabbing the attention of a skier and the public. It might be about the great trails at TNSC, the health benefits of skiing, or the feelings of well-being that one experiences when skiing. Perhaps it will convey the excitement of skiing. Send them to [lynn gibson12@hotmail.com](mailto:lynn gibson12@hotmail.com) by Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> and use "Tagline" in the subject heading. If your tagline is chosen, you will receive two free day passes and two free ski rentals so that you can introduce your friends to our great club.

### **Ontario Midget Championships**

TNSC is proudly hosting the Ontario Midget Championships this year on March 7 and 8, 2015. We are going to repeat the superb job we did last year, so mark it on your calendar. Be part of the excitement! If you volunteered last year, we'd love to have you back. If you didn't have the opportunity to volunteer, you can be part of the fun and camaraderie this year. Just contact Barrie Story at 705-563-2914.

### **Membership Drive**

Keep telling your friends and family about TNSC. We want everyone to know about and experience this great sport and the fantastic cross country ski trails and facilities that are available in their own backyard. All new members will receive a club orientation session, 2 free ski lessons and 4 free ski rentals. Any present club member who recruits a new member (cannot have been a member in the past) will receive a 10% reduction on their membership fee. Please contact Joanne Beeson at 705-679-8614 if you have questions or would like more information.

### **Christmas Gifts**

TNSC memberships make a great Christmas gift! You could also buy a day pass and ski rental as a stocking stuffer for family and friends who are coming home for the holidays. Just pick up a registration envelope from the chalet (underneath the day fee box), put some money in it (for the trail fee and ski rental) and tell your friend/family member to come to TNSC and ski. Consider this option when you are planning your gift selections! Contact Joanne Beeson at 705-679-8614 if you have questions.

Seventeen more days until Christmas! 😊😊

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