

South Canoe Trail Advisory Meeting 2022 01 27

Attendance

Adrian, Chris Lind, Chris S, Jim, Dan, Veda, Mark, Diane, Brian, Joedine

Chair position – STA Adrian - (Temporary)

- Still looking for a chair position for the SCTA. Adrian can chair this group temporally. Minimal time commitment only needs to chair the meeting. will have support from STA staff to set up meetings and compile notes.

Winter trail grooming: Dan or Brian

- a. Storage container update:
 - container in place, hoping the club will be able to keep it at the pit over the summer.
- b. Winter Grooming Progress Report
 - Grooming going well, lots of volunteer hours put in. Con Cabellos is being groomed instead of Sin Cabellos as it is easier for the machines. We monitor this causes conflicts as the spring melts. The crew has also groomed flip side KC and lower Shizo which are outside the approval.
- c. Walker / Hikers using the trails and solutions to shared trail use?
 - a facebook post complaining about walkers and runners on the trails when they are soft which resulted in the STA being messaged by a concerned trail user
 - On going education with users
 - The fat bikers do not have approval to groom every trail, and they have groomed more than they have approval for, perhaps accommodations for walkers can be made
 - All users welcome to use the trails, but there are best practices for using wider groomed trails.

Parking lot redesign: Adrian

- Spring 2022, STA grant for parking lot upgrades to include capping the run bike loops, fencing the meadow

Gazebo progress.

- Spring 2022

Salty Dog – May 14 - 15, 2022 – TBA. Shuswap Ultra. 2022 September 24-25

- Question about what the salty dog donates to the trails? Historically nothing official but have contributed trail work, volley day support and general support of the trail net work. Going forward RSTBC will be requiring a donation of \$5-10 per rider for events which use RSTBC trails

Motorized access. Chris Lind.

- Desire to widen access around the south canoe gate to accommodate modern wider side by sides. Include more signage along the road.
- Any change to the access through the gate has to come from the city. All stake holders including Curl Olson, Rizzies and Larch Hills Nordic, STA will have to be consulted
- Concerns around added traffic to the area, currently locals using the road for access with little or no issues. Do we want to add more pressure into this area? Is there enough parking for added users?
- Question about what other areas are doing with shared use
- Chris Larson Note: 2021 01 31. City road right-of-way extending east roughly 240 m from the road/10&70 intersection or 150 m from the gate. would need to do some more research related to status, any agreements in place, ect, City would want some sort of user plan to clarify what is being proposed, at first glance this really doesn't appear to be a particularly viable orv location, basically hemmed in by private property, watershed, and provincial park. And a motorized trailhead adjacent residential land isn't something we see as viable.

Jackson MTB Academy Representative spring 2022 Chris S

- 1-2 students from the MTB Academy to represent the school / youth for a term. Perhaps just the spring, perhaps same students for a full year

BC Bike Race would like to hold a stage in Salmon Arm this September. Chris S

- They are seeking support from the local trail groups including SCTA, STA and SCC before moving forward. Will provide a formal proposal soon.
- September 18th or 19th.
- Planning stages only at this point
- Hoping to start and end at south canoe. And use Larch Hills Nordic and Rubberhead. Route not yet determined.

- No sure if riders will stay in town, no set volunteer commitments from the clubs at this point. Will be making a donation to the trails for use.

Next meeting

- March 17th