

AGENDA: FoRR AGM Nov. 29th, 2023:

- (1) Motion to accept Agenda as circulated
- (2) Call to order
- (3) Confirm quorum
- (4) Approve Minutes of 2022 AGM
- (5) President's Report (on website by [Nov 22](#))
- (6) Financial Report (on website by [Nov 22](#))
- (7) Set fees for 2023: Board recommends FoRR continue its \$5 Lifetime membership fee.

- (8) Elections: 11 Directors (at least 5 required) - 2-year terms in alternating groups.
6 vacant positions this AGM.

Nominating Les Carter, Kim Deane, Dan Derby, Gerry Heacock, Stewart Spooner & John Stephens.

5 Directors continuing for one more year:

Bob Bechaud, Troy Colautti, Larry Doell, Demitri Lesniewicz & Rob Richardson.

Thanks to Laura MacKay and Don Vockeroth who retired as Directors during 2023.

Nominations and election.

- (9) Old business
- (10) New business
- (11) Open discussion

President's Report - FoRR AGM Nov. 29th, 2023:

- 1) **2023 'Operations':** Rec Site facilities in good order with high usage; including a bike camp, running race and avalanche courses. Old Glory hikes continue to be very popular.
New Cedar Trail resulting in higher day use of Eagle's Nest Cabin.
Good snow plowing by Simm's Excavating (overseen by Rob). 15 plowings (most in a year so far); shared with Black Jack Cross-country Ski Club.
Maintenance of cabins accomplished by the cabin 'Keeper' groups involved.
Significant cabin work: Igloo Cabin: chimney repair; Chimo Cabin: stained, wall removed & heat shields beneath & behind stove; Red Dog Cabin: ceiling insulated & clad and Crowes Nest Cabin: metal cladding to thwart wolverine attacking wood.
Road/trail seeding & brushing (Rob). Old Glory Lookout shutters off&on (Demitri)
Upgraded Kiosk at Old Glory Trail-head.
Website (Sheree S.) maintained as a priority – FoRR's primary means of communication.
- 2) **2022 'Developments':**
Spacing Project by contractor Chris DeRosa. To improve down-skiing. Three areas: Beside Plewman Road, above Mosquito Cabin and in Lepsoe Basin.
New interpretive signs installed (Demitri) on Old Glory Met Station foundation walls.
Accessible Trail – (Rob) added bench at viewpoint. Summer ramp up & down at Booty's (Rob).
Cedar Trail (by Trail Society): built last link from Plewman Road to Seven Summits Trail near Eagles Nest Cabin. Trails now all the way from Rossland to Strawberry Pass area.
- 3) **Governance:**
FoRR maintained close ties with RS&T BC (Justin & Travis in Nelson), highway contractor YRB, Ministry of Highways and Search & Rescue.
Two of FoRR's eleven Board members resigned this year – Laura MacKay who, with partner Don Liszt built the busy Mosquito Cabin and will continue as its 'Keepers', and Don Vockeroth who led upgrading of the Red Dog Cabin building a new outhouse, porch & woodshed.
Our thanks to them for years of service to FoRR .

Dan Derby was appointed as a Director at mid-year.

John Stephens has taken over as Red Dog Cabin 'Keeper', and will be nominated for Director at AGM.

4) Future development plans & opportunities:

- (a) Pit area – upgrade bottom of Old Growth Trail; possibly add winter trail loops to the east; and, also to the northwest (off Old Growth Trail;
- (b) Parking Lots - enlarge: 100 Acre Wood & Crowe Road;
- (c) Spacing for down-skiing (costly work) – do more after assessment of 2023 Spacing work.

5) Other items:

FoRRS kept up contacts with Highways re future of Pit area (FoRR has a plan).

B.C. Ministry of Mines responded to FoRR advising of old mine holes in the Rec Site. They found several more – engaged a local contractor and filled three of concern during October.

Submitted by Kim Deane, Director (Chair)

Friends of the Rossland Range Society (FoRR)

November 10th, 2023

2023 FINANCIAL SUMMARY – for AGM November 29th, 2023

INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT FOR AGM – UP-TO-DATE as of NOV. 4th, 2023

Opening Bank Balance: \$ 81,148.83

Closing Bank Balance: \$ 66,358.52 (\$16,358.52 in cash & \$50,000 Term Deposit)

EXPENDITURES

Total: \$ 46,479.88

Administration	\$ 490.45	Accessible Trail	\$ 1,936.87*
Snowplowing	\$ 9,528.75	Spacing Project	\$29,400.00*
Signs	\$ 772.54*	Igloo Cabin	\$ 1,055.04
Red Dog Cabin	\$ 1,589.20*	Chimo Cabin	\$ 633.74
General Op. & Mtce	\$ 907.69		*Development

REVENUES

Total: \$ 31,689.57

Donations: ** Charitable Tax receipts issued

CanadaHelps (Website)**	\$ 2,343.49	KMC	\$ 1,000.00
Direct**	\$13,608.28	GST Rebate	\$ 685.03
Donation Box on site	\$ 775.10	RDKB Area B	\$ 8,000.00
Rec Sites & Trails BC	\$ 5,000.00	Teck Employees	\$ 120.00
Bike Camp	\$ 130.00		
PayPal transfer (memberships & donations)	\$ 27.67		

All expenditures by cheque (double-signed) issued by L. J. van der Ham & Associates Accounting.

Detailed records available.

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