

Camrose Ski Club Trail Director's Report AGM 2021- 2022

The primary goal of the Camrose Ski Club's trail committee is to maintain our XC ski trail system so that the public can safely enjoy them year-round. During the last year, we have continued to notice an increase in users enjoying the trails both in summer and winter. We wish to thank the following individuals who have volunteered their time in developing and maintaining our trails: Jasper Asfeldt, Kaisa Asfeldt, Morten Asfeldt, Gary Snyder, John Williams, Robert Earley, Bob Lyon/John Nielson (golf course), Jim Ofrim.

Notable 2021-2022 Activities

- Regular summer trail maintenance: cutting grass, trimming, clearing deadfall
- Ski trails were groomed, maintained, and snow farmed regularly. We experienced extreme low temperatures early in January and then a warm weather thaw shortly after making grooming more difficult than normal. Grooming began during the second week of December and ended mid-March.
- A grant request submitted by Morten Asfeldt to replace the Gator and mower and add a safety sled was successful. The club traded in the 2001 JD 1445 31HP Diesel Front Mower (valued at \$10,350) for a JD3039R Compact Utility Tractor (31 PTO HP) and accessories (valued at \$47,430). The club's JD 615 HPX Gator (valued at \$4,100) was traded in for a 2022 JD Gator HPX 615E (valued at \$14,500).

2022 Summer Projects

- It is expected that the ski club will partner with the City and other organizations to continue the work done to mitigate erosion along the Camrose Creek
- Regular trail and equipment maintenance including mowing, seeding, trimming, and removal of deadfall when necessary. Kaisa Asfeldt has been hired to cut the grass on the trails.
- Major construction work to improve water treatment has started in the pump house area by the City and contractor. We will need to work with the City engineer to ensure that the trails are ready to be used for the winter ski season.
- Water mitigation on Heartbreak Hill will continue.
- Replace rotting boards on double bridges at the far south part of trails.
- Provide support to the bike club in work done on the bike trails

Sincerely, Jim Ofrim and Jasper Asfeldt