



Annual General Meeting

MONDAY MAY 11TH, 7PM - ALL MEMBERS WELCOME

Questions?



- We would like to encourage feedback and questions/answer, but please hold your question to the end of each Coordinator's report!



2025-2026 Kanata Nordic AGM Agenda

1. Welcome / Record attendees
2. Adoption of Agenda / New business
3. Review of AGM minutes of May 2025
4. President's Report
5. Treasurer's Report
6. Membership
7. Events Report
8. Programs Reports (LTS, TS, Para, Racing)
9. We All Belong and Rentals Report
10. OWWT Report
11. Facilities Report
12. Trails Report
13. Motion to accept all reports as presented or amended
14. Extraordinary Motion: Review Engagement
15. Motion For Acquisition Of Tractor Storage Shelter Improvements
16. Motion For Acquisition Of A Storage Container For The Club's Rental Fleet
17. Election of 2026-'27 Executive
18. Awards
19. Adjournment



Motion to Accept the Agenda

Motion to accept the Agenda for the 2025-26 AGM: _____

Seconded: _____



Review the Minutes of the 2024-25 AGM

[2024-2025 Kanata Nordic AGM Minutes](#)

[2024-2025 Kanata Nordic AGM Presentation](#)



Review of the 2024-25 AGM Minutes

Motion to accept the Minutes for the 2024-25 AGM: _____

Seconded: _____



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Nigel Wallis





2025-2026 KNSC Executive

President: Nigel Wallis

Vice President: Chris Lindsey

Treasurer: Marsha Kelly

Secretary: Amy Thomas

Trails Coordinator: Gene Vigneron

Facilities Coordinator: Raam Gunasakaran

Events Coordinator: Wendy Barron

Ex-Officio:

Past President: David Bentley

Club Administrator*: Ardeth Kirkham

Rabbit Coordinator: *Vacant*

Teen Skate Coordinator: Heather
Boswell

Racing Coordinator: Andy Weekes

Community Programs and Rental
Operations: Peder Soeraas

Communications Coordinator: Wendy
Barron

OWWT Co-Coordinator: Roger Colbeck
& Tom Duxbury

Volunteer Coordinator: Norma Tucker

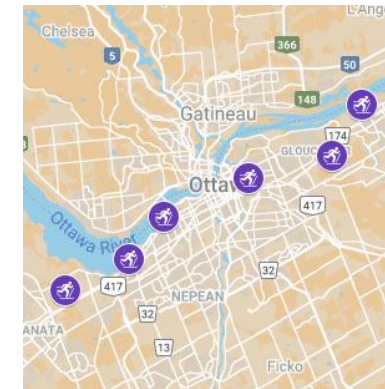
President Report: Thank You to Our Partners



Wesley Clover Parks



National Capital Commission



Urban Winter Trails Alliance



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Cross Country
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Race Sponsor:

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Ottawa West Winter Trail Sponsors

OWWT Gold:

- Theresa Kavanagh, Councillor for Bay Ward

OWWT Bronze

- Crystal Beach Lakeview Community Assoc

We're always looking for more sponsors!!!



2025-26 Year in Review: Summer

- 10-year lease renewal with WCP
- Dryland training for the U14, U16, U18 and U21
- BoD Planning
- Zone4 Preparations
- Partnering & Sponsorships
- SafeSport & Insurance





2025-26 Year in Review: Autumn

- Registration underway in September
- *New!* Street advertisements
- Racing, Biathlon Bears, Teen Skate dryland and Adult Fit for Skiing program started!
- Member discounts through *Fresh Air Experience & Kunststadt Sports*
- Fall Fun Run!
- Online KN ski wear store (Jakroo)
- Online KN spiritwear launched

2025-26 Year in Review: Autumn



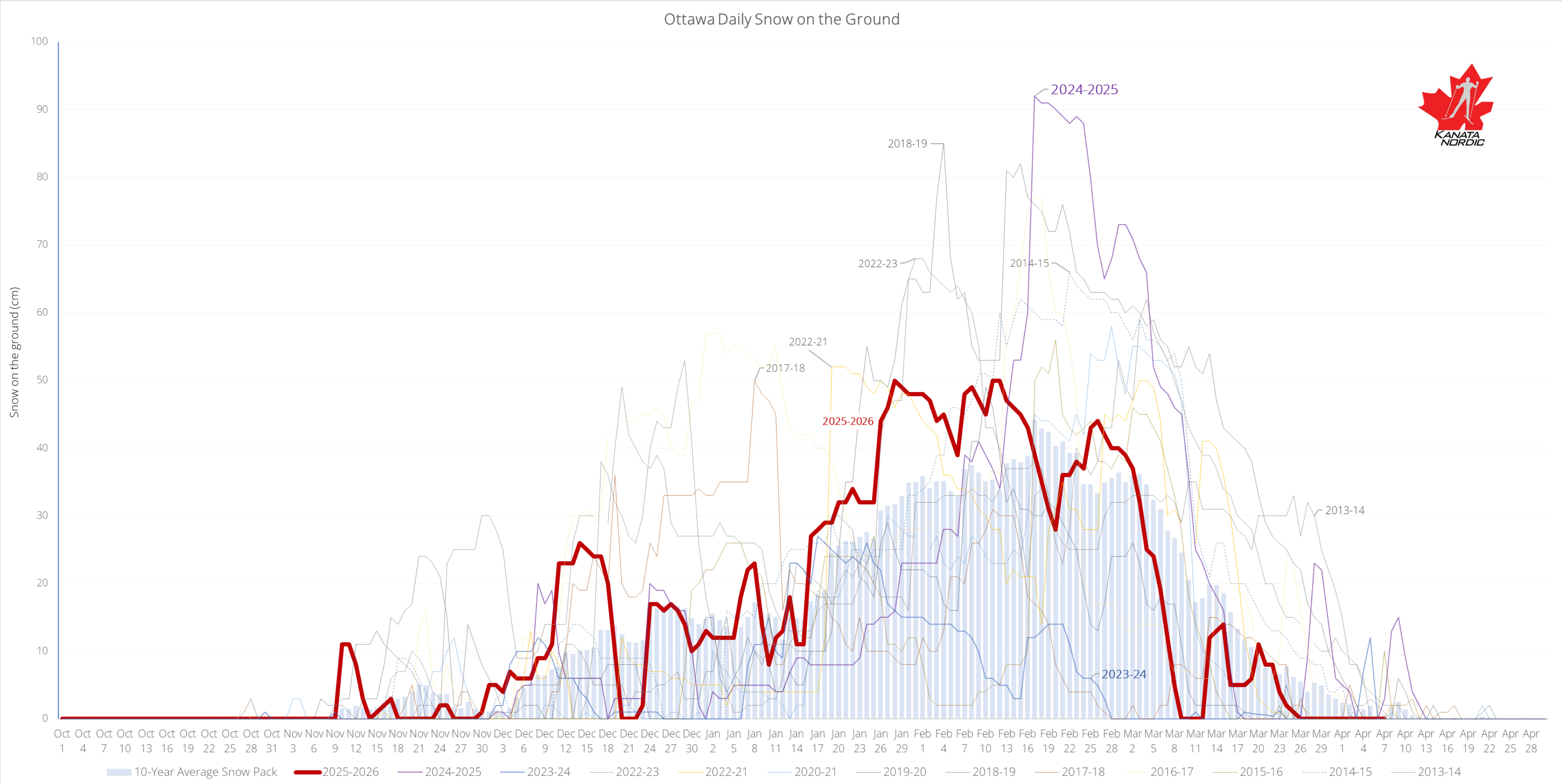
- Fall trail prep for the biggest trail network KNSC + OWWT has seen yet (adding Trail 10 to OWWT network)
- Wood chips, brushes, rocks & deadfall, drainage and more

2025-26 Year in Review: Winter

- Skiing by Christmas!
- Member Events
- Learn to Ski launches! Rabbits & Adults
- Community *We All Belong* programs
- Great year for Racing!
- Corkstown Classic in the campground!
- OWWT continues its popularity



2025-26 Year in Review: Winter



2025-26 Year in Review: Spring

- Member Appreciation event
- Equipment and Facilities maintenance
- Finances, Partners & PSO/NSO's





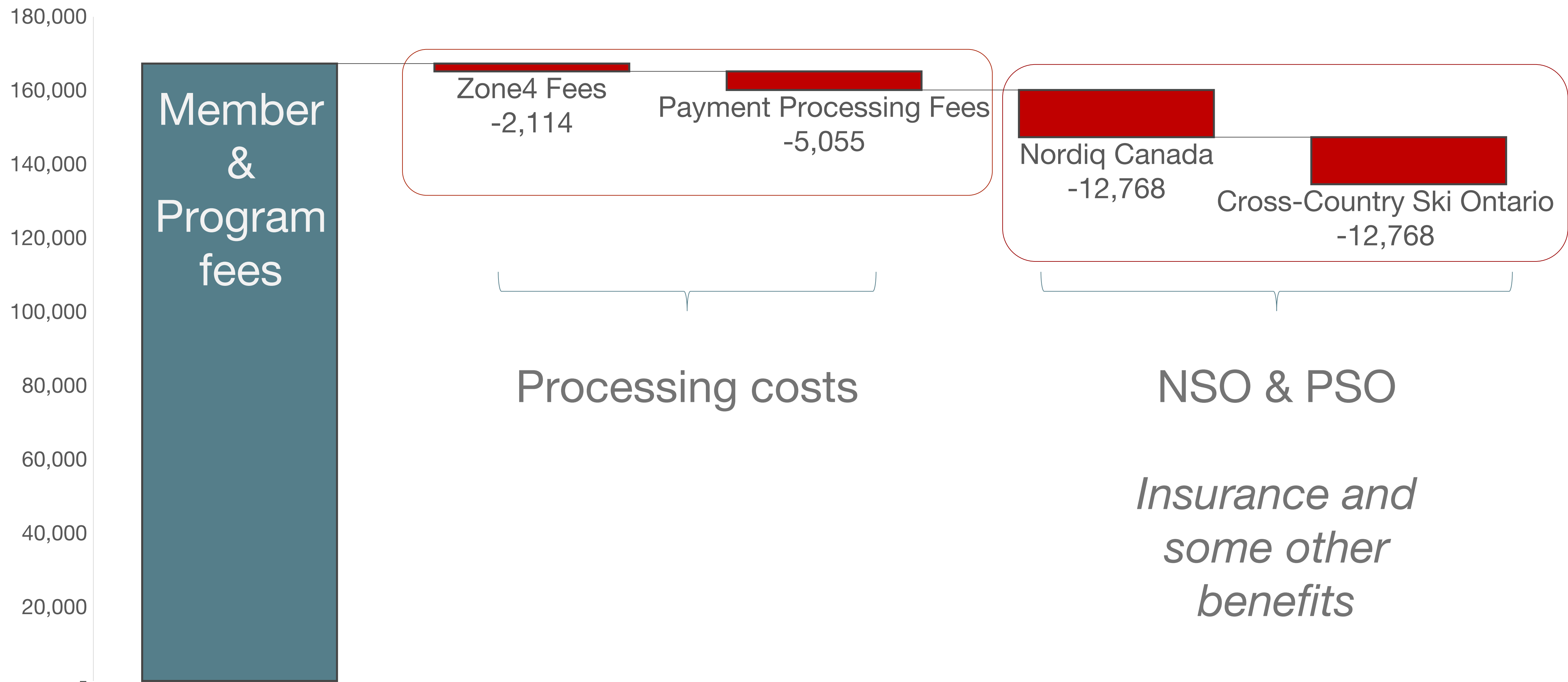
TREASURER'S REPORT

Marsha Kelly





KNSC has “left of our bank account” transaction costs





2025-2026 Statement of Operations

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS (000's)		
	Actual	Actual
	FY25	FY26
REVENUE		
Membership	54	59
Programs	81	83
Grants/ Sponsors/ Donations	70	57
Trail User Fees	3	4
Racing Program	11	10
Other (Rental Shop and Club Race)	11	12
Total	230	224
EXPENSES	196	202
PROFIT	34	23

2025-2026 Expenses



Expenses	FY25	FY26
	<i>In 000's</i>	
Coaching Fees and education fees	43.5	41.9
Depreciation	26.0	28.8
Admin Role and Racing Coordinator	30.0	32.5
Facility Costs (Signage, Outhouse etc)	23.5	16.8
Trail Maintenance/ Fuel	7.5	10.2
Equipment Maintenance and Insurance	4.5	13.4
Wesley Clover Parks License & Fees	12.0	12.1
Racing Program and Biathlon Costs	19.0	19.1
Rental expenses	0.0	1.3
Other Program Costs	5.0	3.4
OWWT Specific Costs	13.0	6.7
General & Administration	6.0	5.9
Special Events (Community Programs/Corkstown Classic)	6.0	9.6
Total	196.0	201.7



2025-2026 Statement of Financial Position

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (000's)		
	Actual	Actual
	FY25	FY26
ASSETS		
Cash	325	378
Equipment	187	188
Receivables	33.0	6
TOTAL	545	572
LIABILITIES		
Payables	0	0
TOTAL	0	0
NET ASSETS	545	572

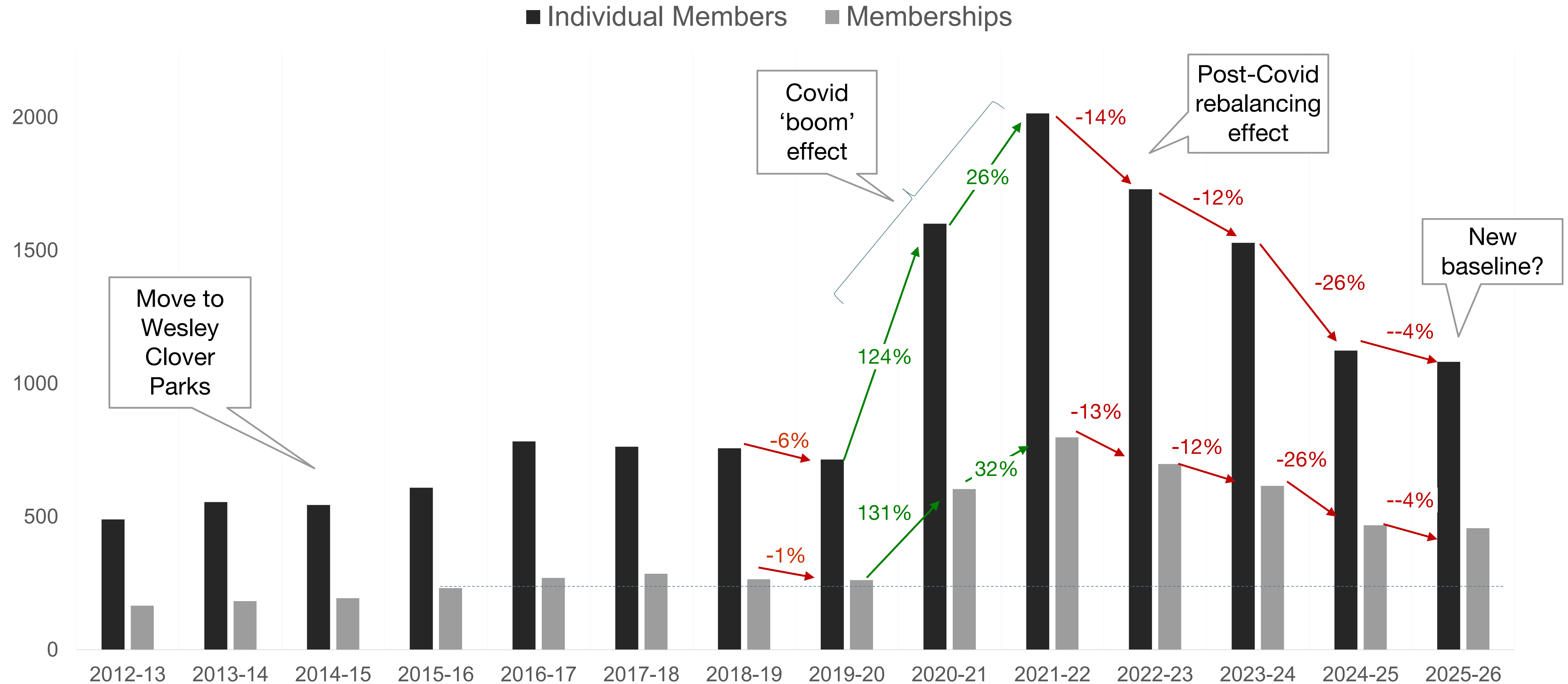


2025-26 MEMBERSHIP REPORT

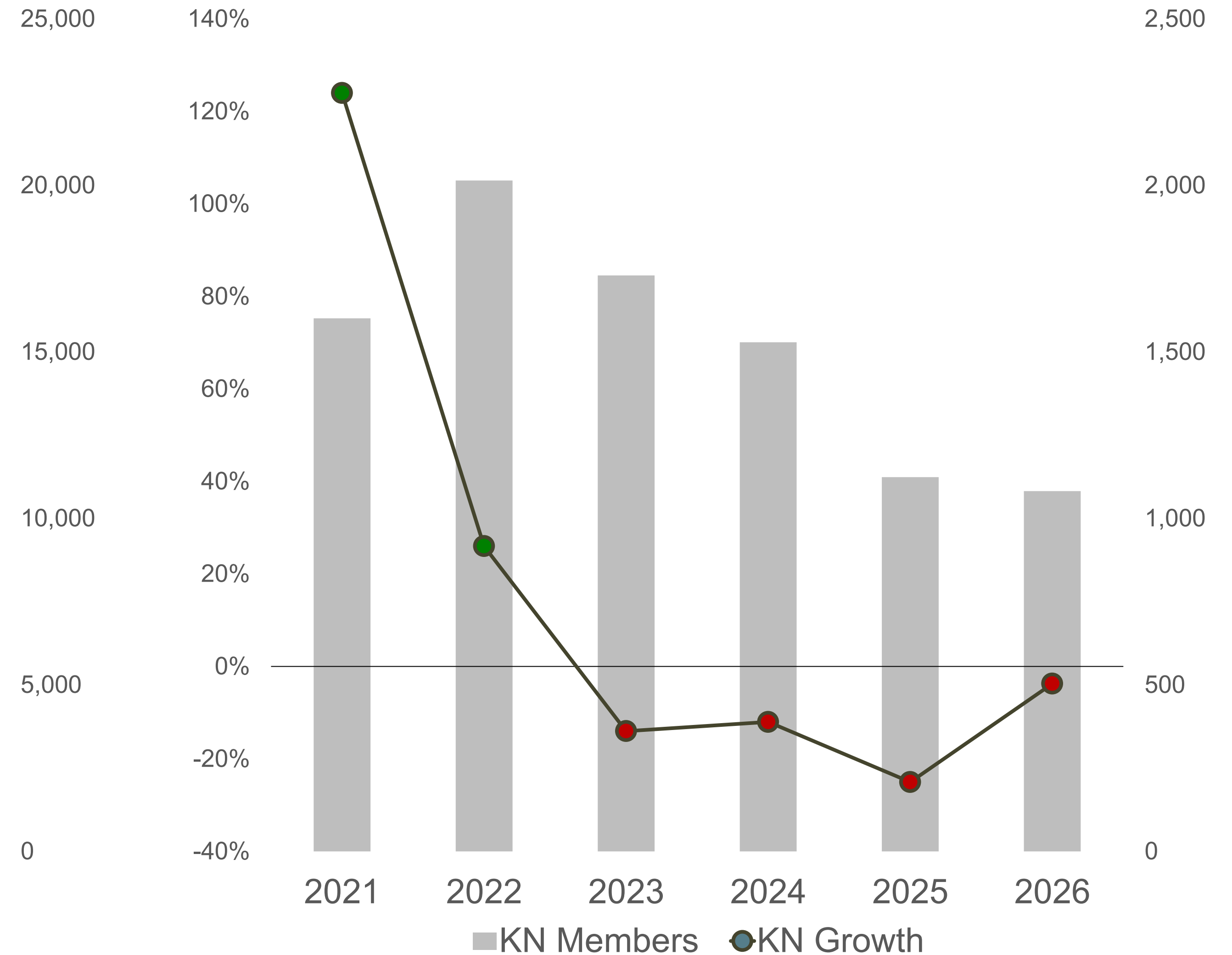
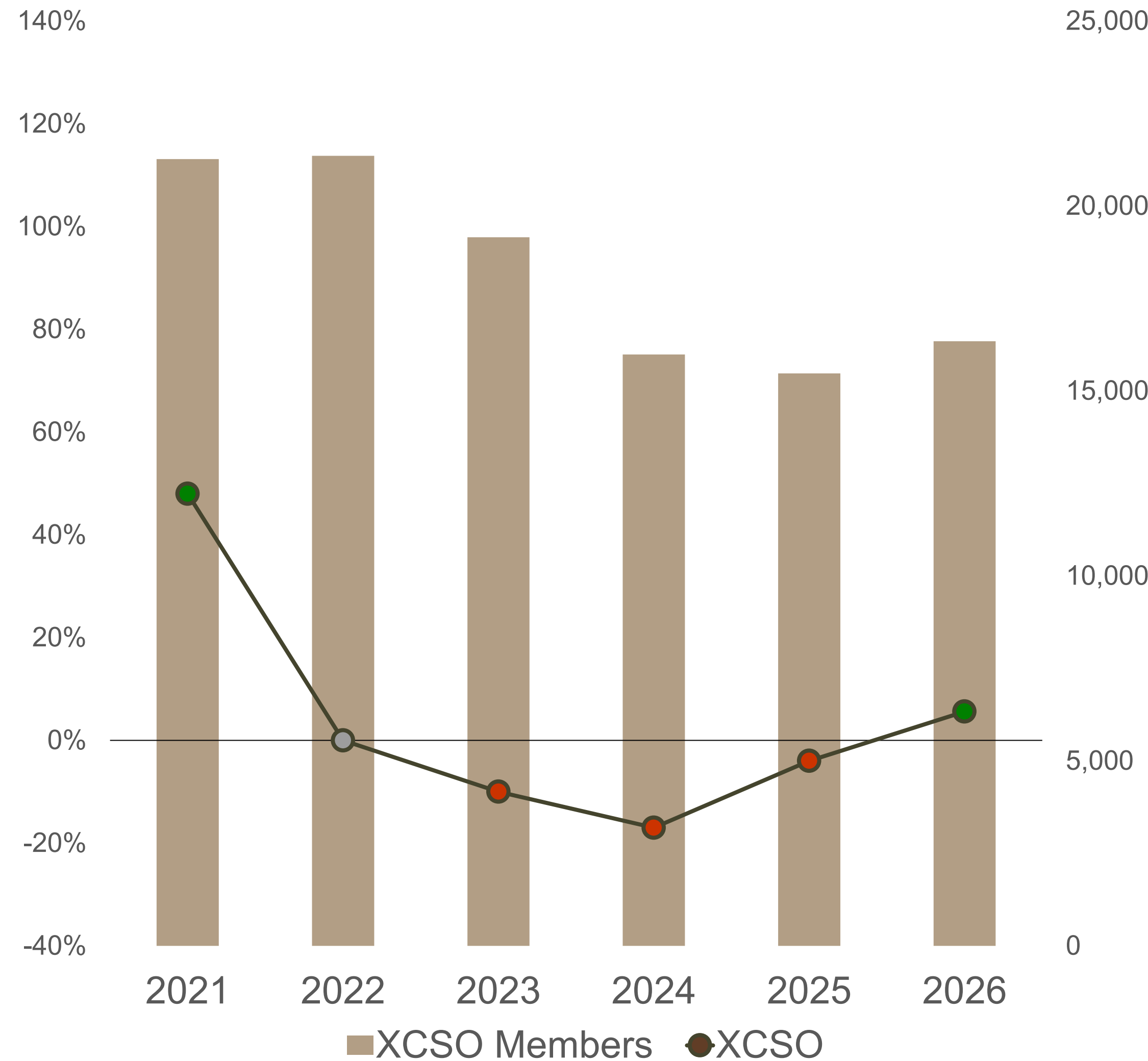
Nigel Wallis



Membership Report: Kanata Nordic Community Over Time

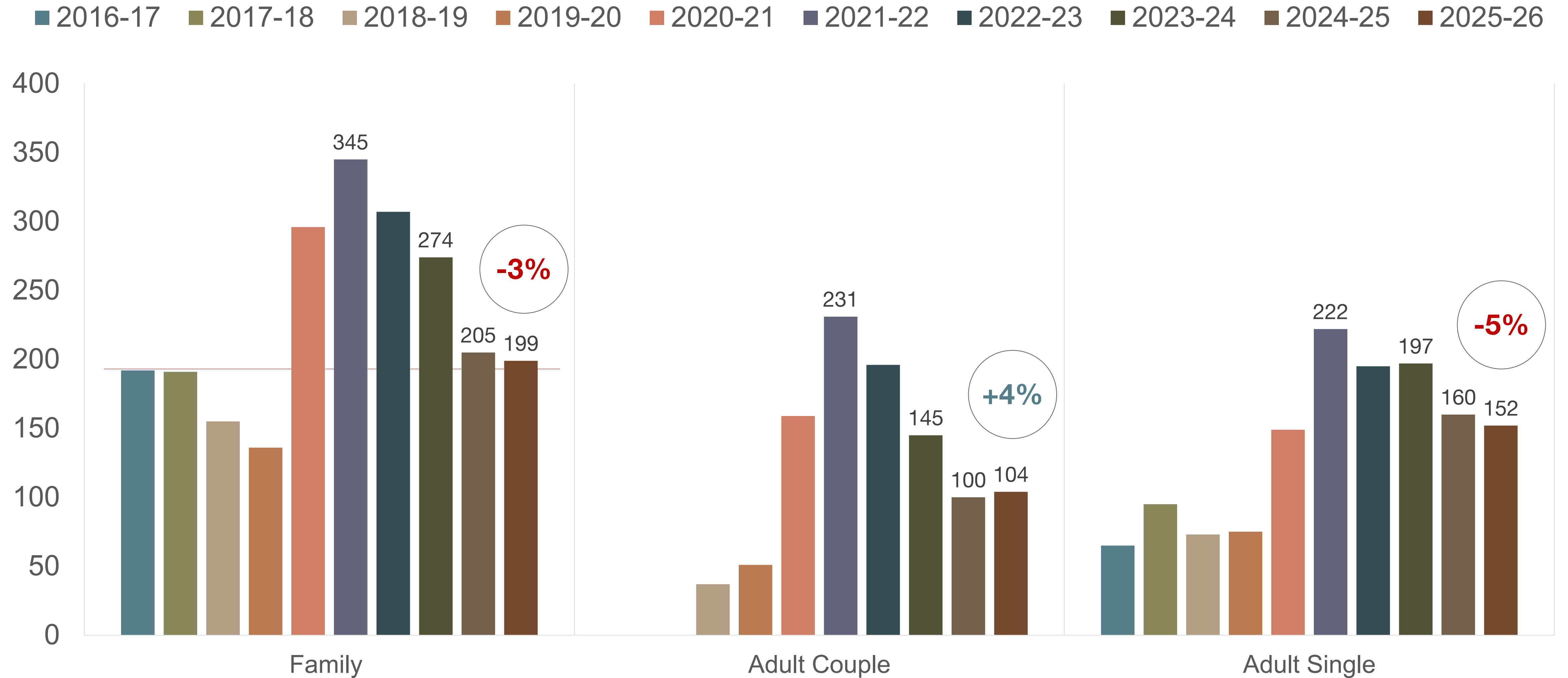


Membership: XCSO is Rebounding From A Similar Pattern



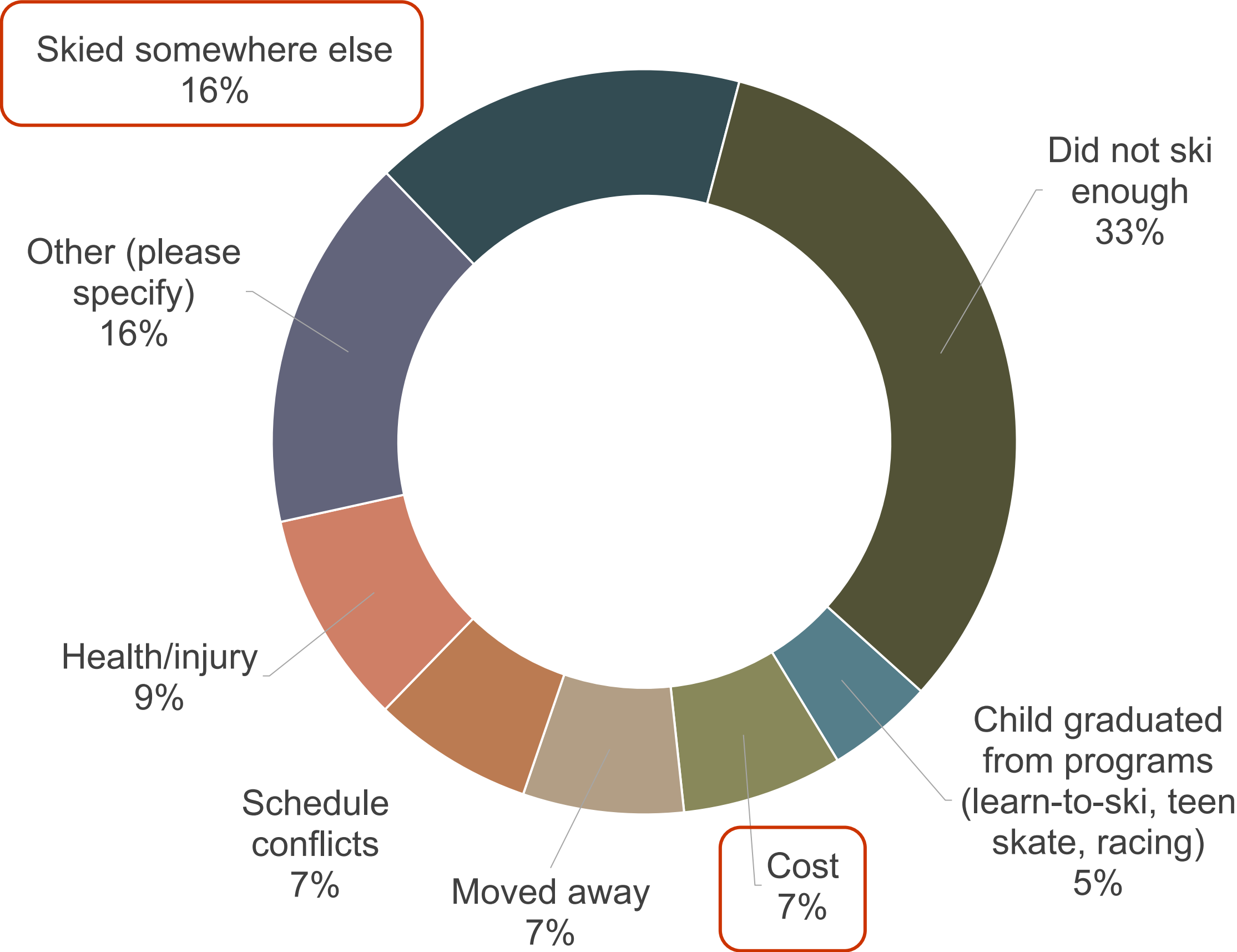


Membership Report: Memberships By Type



What Did Non-Returning Members Say?

What is the main reason you did not renew your membership this season?

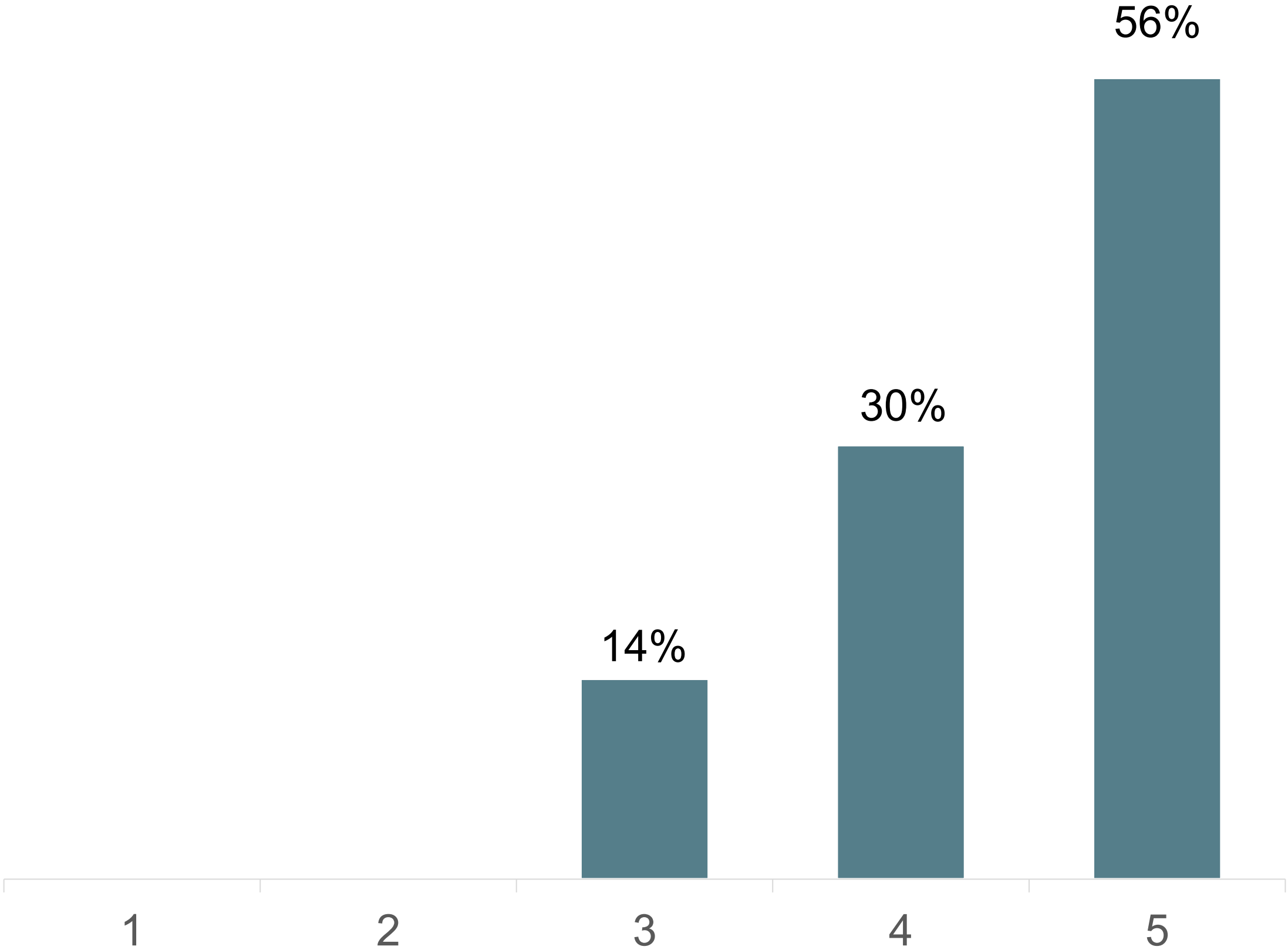


Did you ski cross-country anywhere this season?



What Did Non-Returning Members Say?

How would you rate your past experience with the club?





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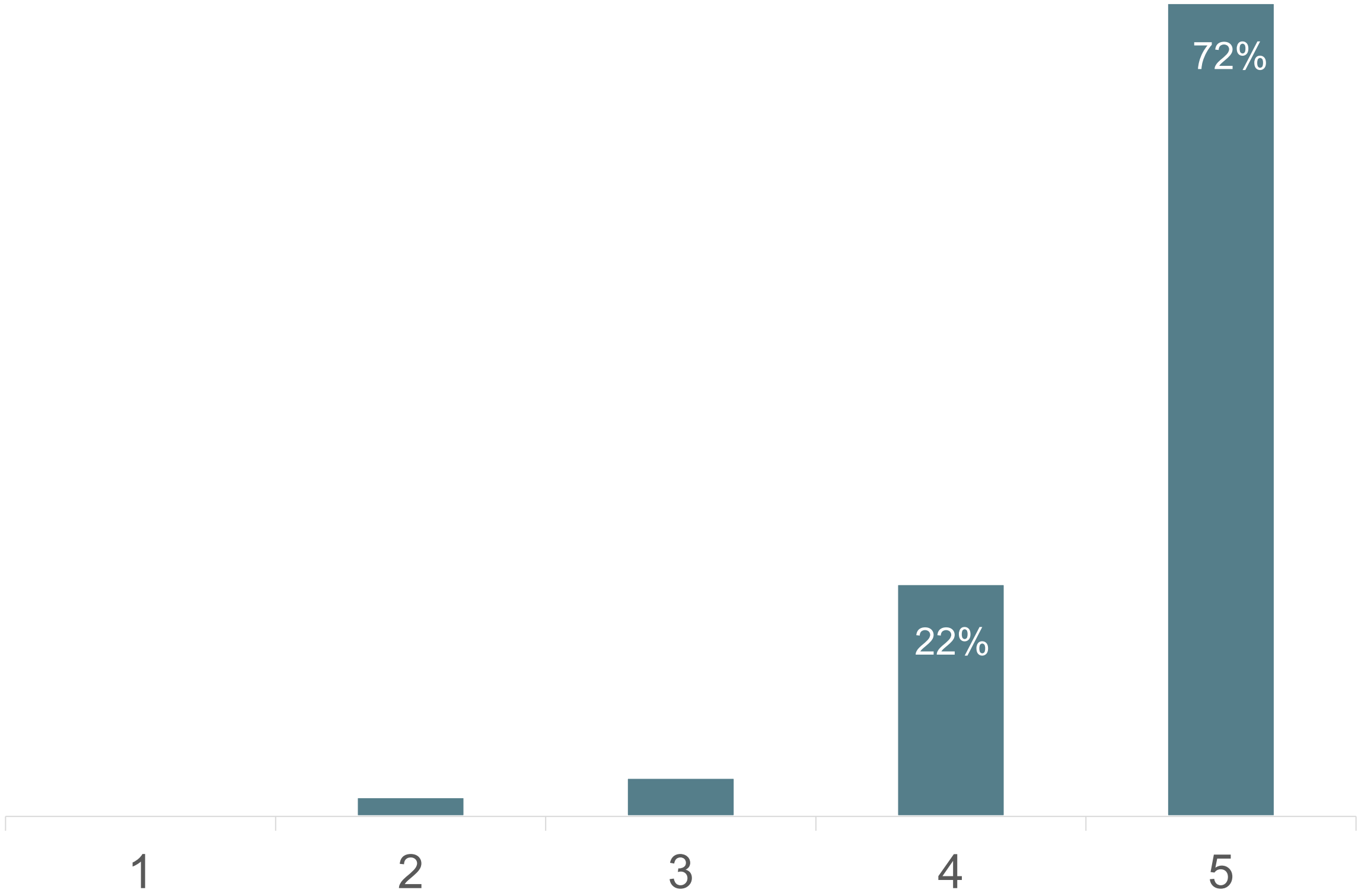
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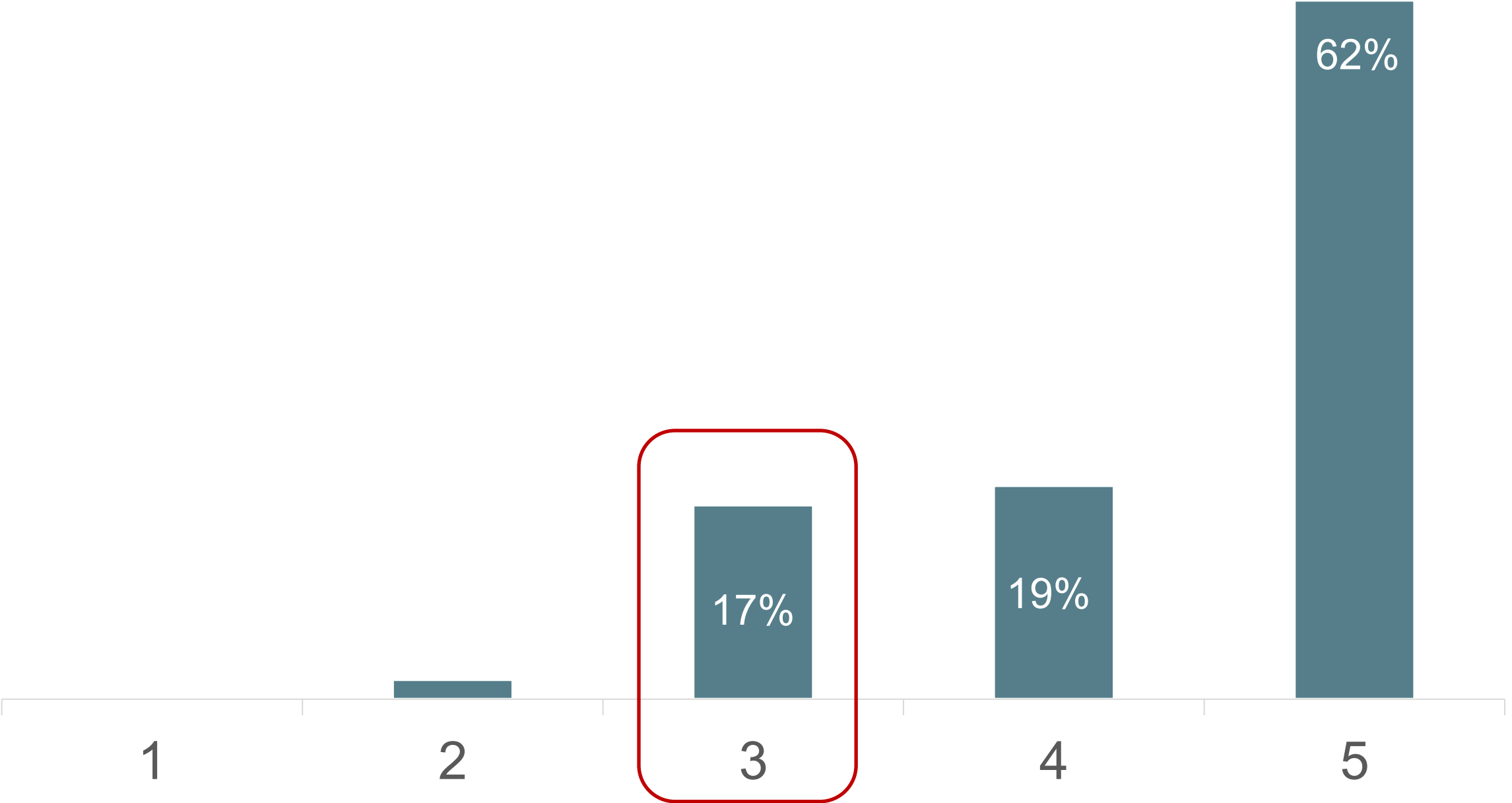
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2025-2026 Membership Survey

How satisfied were you with your membership this season



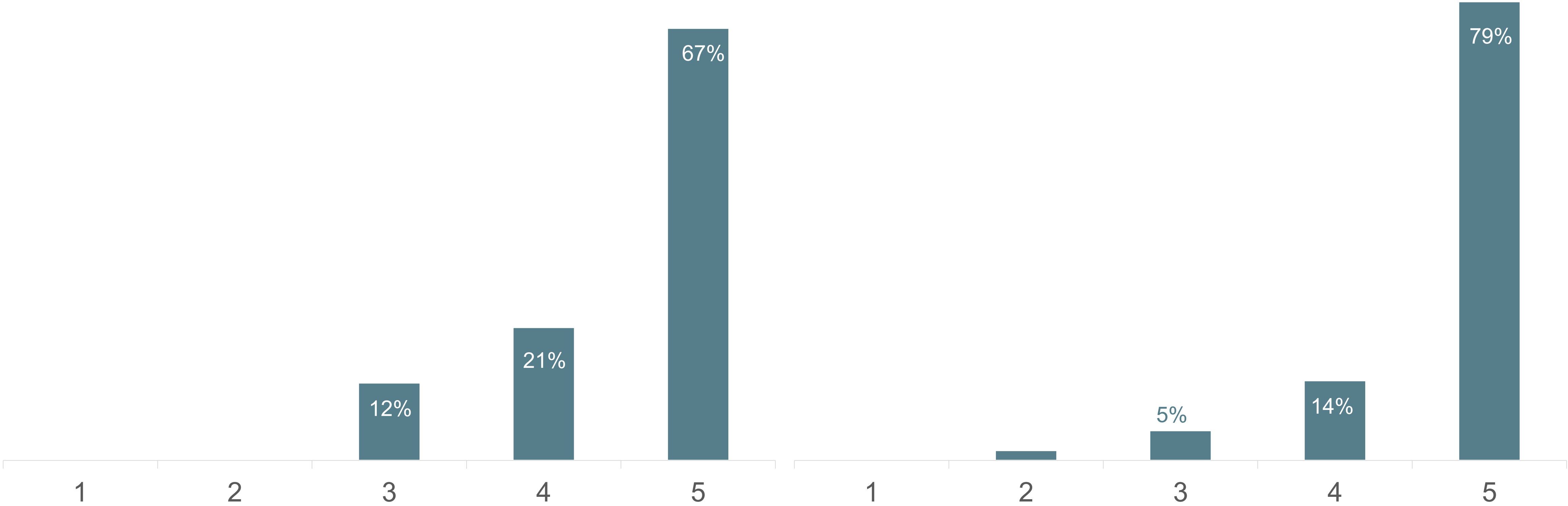
How satisfied were you with club programs and events?



2025-2026 Membership Survey

How satisfied were you with trail conditions and grooming?

How likely are you to renew your membership next season?





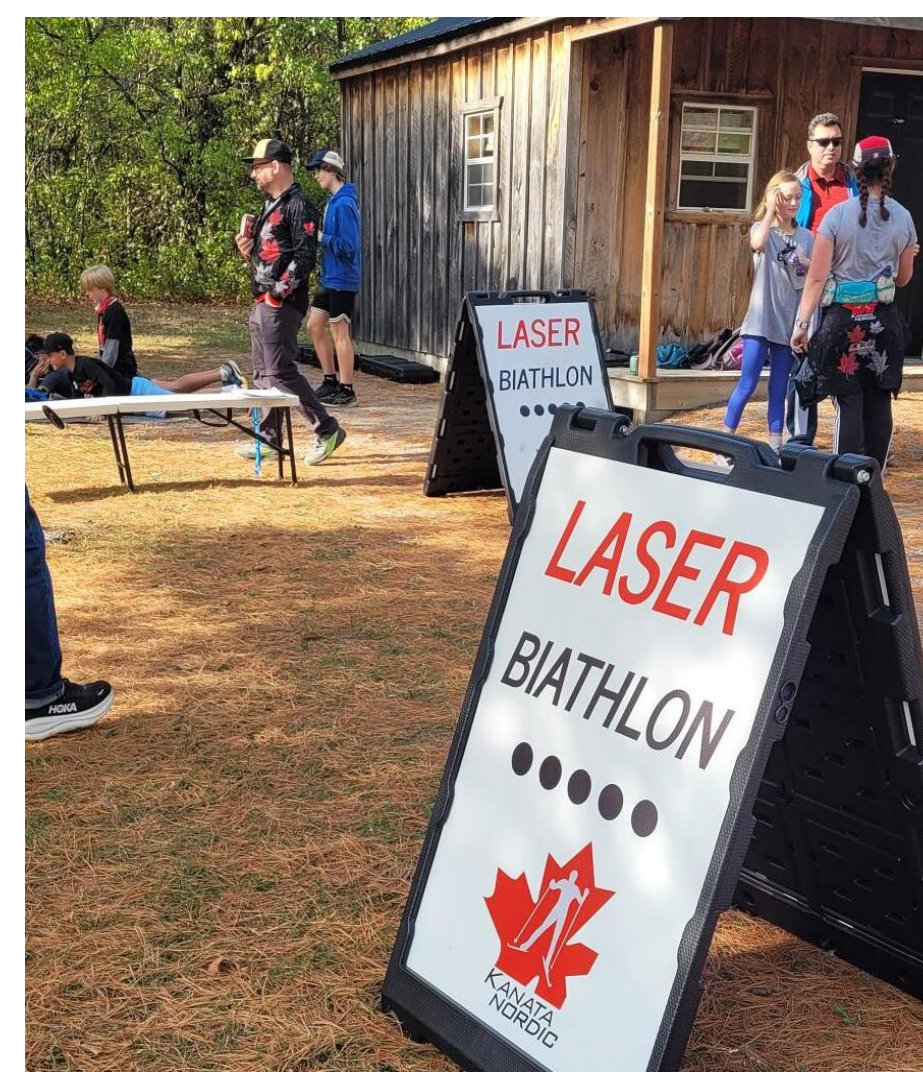
EVENTS COORDINATOR REPORT

Wendy Barron



Fall Fun Run – Sunday, October 19

- Event hosted at campground
- Approximately 130 registered participants
- Supported by 37 volunteers
- 2.5 km and 5 km marked trails
- Free for Kanata Nordic members and friends



Snowshoe & Yoga Nights

- Monday evenings from 6–8 pm, main cabin
- 5 events hosted from late January to early March
- Included a 1 hour snowshoe & 1 hour yoga stretch
- Attendance averaged 12–16 participants per week
- Supported by 15 volunteers





Friday Night Socials

- Friday evening drop-in for members
- Attendance averaged 2-12 participants per week
- Supported by 10 volunteers





Family Day Open House – Monday, February 16

- Free ski and snowshoe rentals from 1–4 pm
- Complimentary trail access during the event
- Approximately 100 community members and families attended
- Supported by 20+ volunteers
- Club members stepped up to provide introductory ski lessons to participants!





March Mad Dash – March 8, 2026

- More than 50 club members participated
- 2.5 km freestyle course
- Timed race format
- Supported by 15+ volunteers
- First race experience for many members!



Spring Clean Up & Volunteer Day – Sunday, April 12

- Approximately 100 members attended
- Popular ski storage wax fundraiser, laser biathlon demo and scavenger hunt
- The ski waxing raised \$785 for the racing team
- Pizza and refreshments enjoyed by participants





LEARN-TO-SKI PROGRAM REPORT

Nigel Wallis



2025-'26 Learn-to-Ski Report



We would like to thank our **volunteer leaders** for coaching this season!





Children's Learn-to-Ski Report: Up's and Down's

- New Fall Program offered - Rambling Rabbits - Sunday afternoons
- Night Rabbits (on Wed evenings) was also offered - extra ski session for JR3 & JR 4 skiers
 - Both of these offerings were only promoted after a lead was confirmed. This person has agreed to continue with both of these sessions. Continuity and earlier promotion should see an increase in participant numbers.
- Difficulties securing Dyna Rabbit leaders - very thankful for JennieF and ElspethN (Sat) and youth leads (Paige & Myriam) stepping in on Sundays
- Lessons started Jan 3/4 at 401, on snow for the first time in several seasons!
- 2 Saturday cancellations due to unsafe conditions (ice and cold).
- Final session Mar 7/8 on snow - very happy participants and leaders.
- *Coach the Coach* sessions were offered in Feb. Well-received, but difficult due to the 8 pm start. Will work to offer these at 401 as soon as there is snow and try to coordinate Sunday AM sessions.
- *Recommend (if possible) to have a consistent on-site volunteer Coordinator for each day, so that there is a Sat / Sun person on site.*





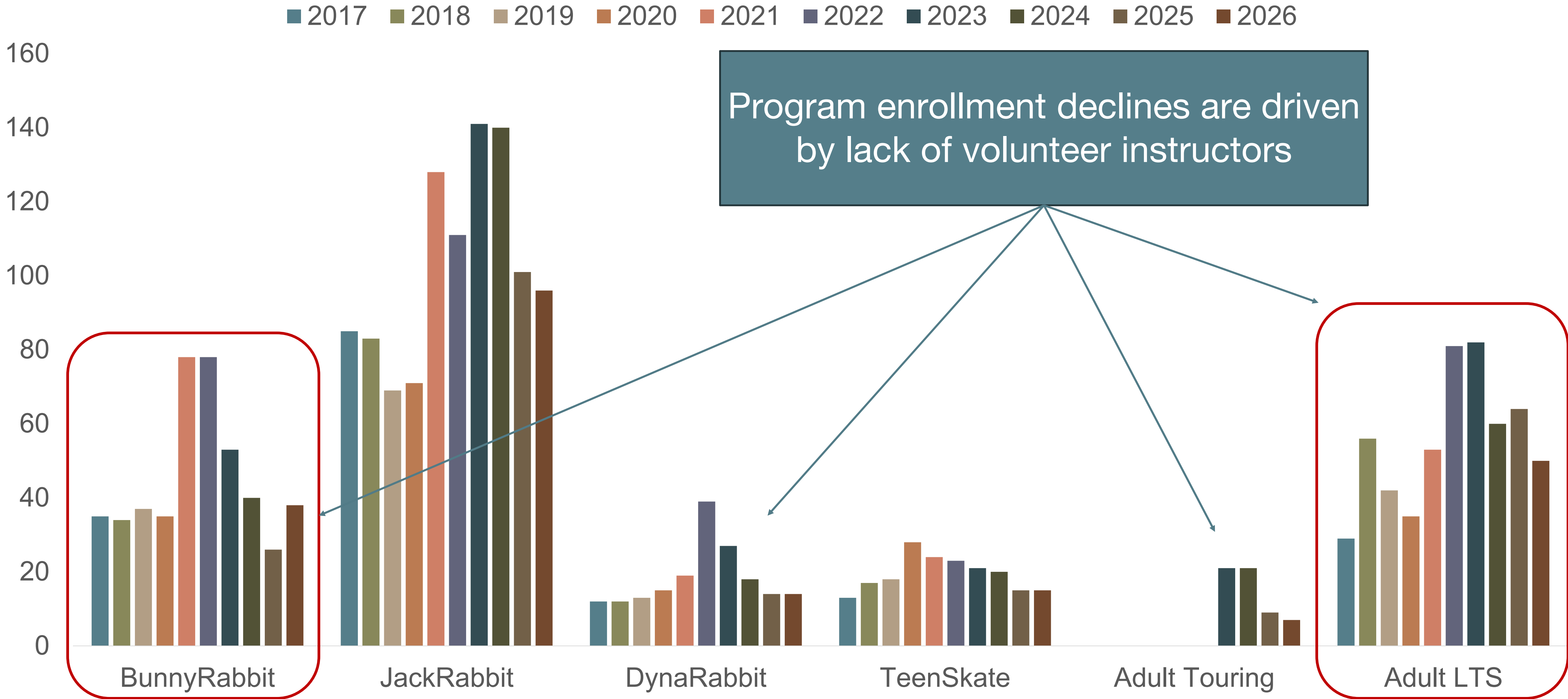
Adult Learn-to-Ski Report: Up's and Down's

Program offerings 1) Fall Fitness (8 weeks) and 2) On Snow Instruction (6-week session)

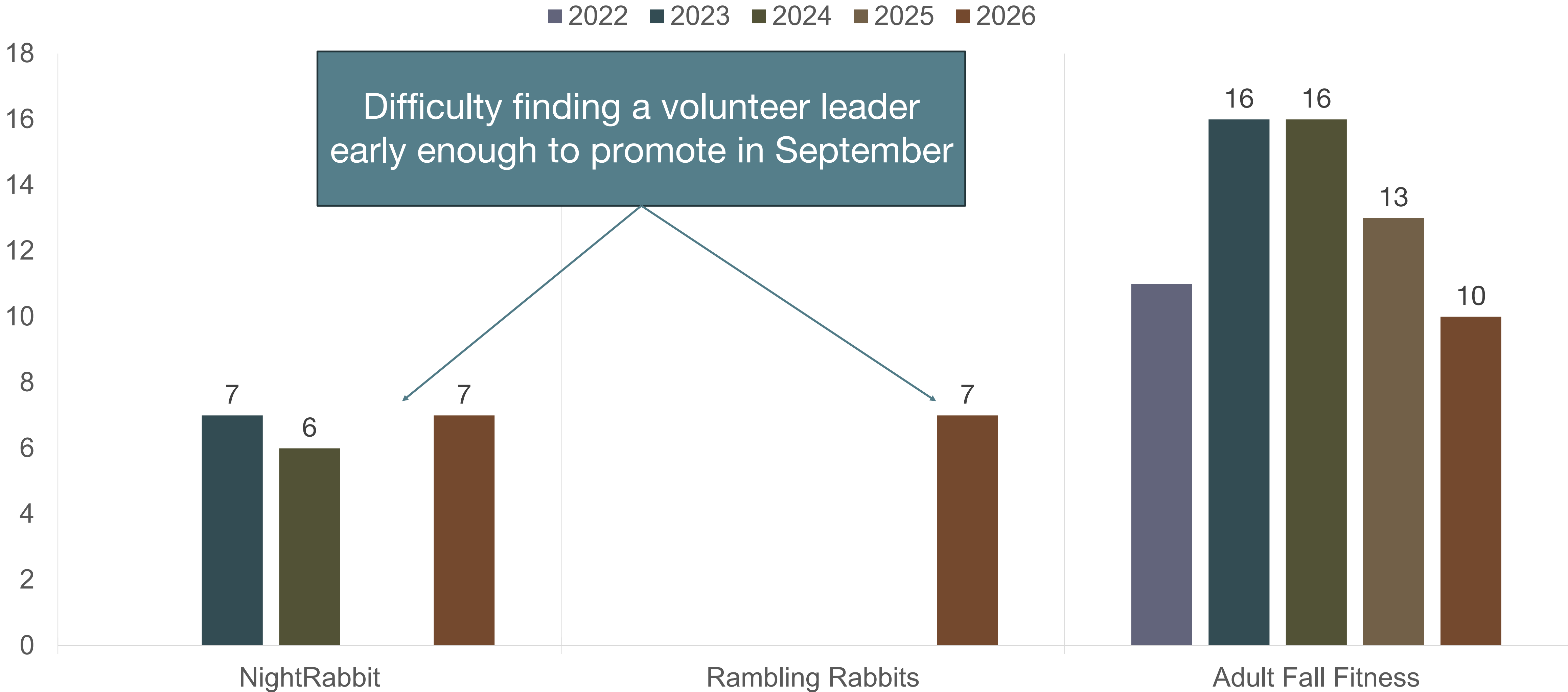
- Adult Beginner Classic instructors indicated difficulties with attendance and with late arrivals.... likely conflict with parent trying to take lessons at the same time as their children. The issue is the start time & location (Adult lessons 1:30 at 401 and JR 1:30 / 1:45 for BR at 411)
- * Intermediate classic was not offered as there was no committed instructor, despite recurrent calls for (volunteer) leaders.
- Touring was not promoted / offered on the registration form in September - there was no leader initially, someone came forward in December, and while communications were established with anyone expressing interest, many did not respond to the Leader's emails and he decided that it was not going ahead.
- Only 1 person offered to host "Technique Sessions"

There is a growing demand for lessons for Adults, but there are simply no leaders coming forward. There needs to be further investigation into how best approach this problem – a critical differentiator against free urban trails.

Program Enrollment Over Time



New Program Enrollment Over Time



LTS Coaching Survey: Areas for improvement

- Better communication between the club and team leaders was a top concern — specifically, more timely updates on trail conditions and cold-weather lesson decisions, ideally sent the day before a lesson, so leaders and parents can plan accordingly.
- Several respondents noted the challenge of wide ability ranges within groups, particularly in the Dyna and Jackrabbit streams, and suggested splitting groups by skill level or increasing the number of streams.
- A lack of structured support for leaders — especially those running adult programs — was noted, with calls for example lesson plans, resource lists, and access to competitive coaches for guidance. One respondent raised the need for a more systematic approach to coach development, with a clearer pipeline from parent to assistant to full leader. Zoom orientations were seen as useful in principle but not very impactful in practice.
- Adult LTS: Attendance and dropout were also common concerns: some programs never reached full roster even once, and habitual absences force leaders to repeat material and disadvantage committed participants, suggesting a need for clearer attendance expectations.

LTS Coaching Survey: Reimbursing Program Costs?

- Sentiment on this was generally positive, though nuanced. Most respondents welcomed the idea as a meaningful gesture of appreciation and a reasonable incentive, particularly for encouraging assistant leaders to step up into full leadership roles.
- Several noted it would make the contribution feel more equitable, especially given that non-volunteering members already pay higher membership fees.
- A number of respondents cautioned, however, that financial reimbursement alone is unlikely to be the primary driver of recruitment or retention — the more significant barriers are confidence, knowledge, and feeling adequately supported.
- Some suggested extending partial reimbursement / SWAG to assistant leaders as well.
- A few flagged the risk of attracting leaders who are motivated mainly by the incentive rather than a genuine interest in coaching, potentially affecting program quality.
- The strongest skepticism came from those who felt the real impediment is not financial but rather the perceived complexity and planning burden of leading sessions.



LTS Programs: Future

Thoughts for the future:

- Need on-site familiarization session in the fall before classes for leaders and families
- Recruit volunteers earlier
 - We are revamping approach to volunteer coaches.
 - Bringing back the *Coach the Coaches* sessions much earlier
 - The Exec has discussed reimbursing volunteer program leaders for their time/effort. Likely a seasonal cost of ~\$3,000
 - Likely to launch a JR4+ style program for families who want classic skiing, but aren't focused on joining racing.



KNSC Programs: Future

We're missing a number of Program Offerings, such as

- Late-entry skiing for teens
- More adult Learn-to-Ski group clinics
- Masters training (for adults preparing for Gatineau Loppet or CSM or CC or fitness)
- Adult group skiing
- “Women on skis”

– but at the moment, programs are the sum of what volunteers want to do*.

If you would like to launch a new program at KNSC, please reach out to the board!

* *Finding trained, qualified, certified & willing coaches is harder than you think, even if paid*



TEEN SKATE REPORT

Heather Boswell



Teen Skate Report: Heather Boswell & David Bentley

Teen Skate is the non-competitive skate-only program for youth aged 11-16. Our training season began in November with Sunday morning hikes (6-8 km) in and around the region including Gatineau Park. Ski lessons began Jan 5th with 2 lessons per week for 10 weeks

Teen Skate 1 - beginners and progression from JR4

- 7 students, Sunday AM at WCP

Teen Skate 2 - intermediate/advanced level

- 8 students

- Sunday mornings at WCP or Gatineau

Wednesday evening both classes at WCP.

Only one Wednesday PM class cancelled due to weather.

Teen Skate 1 had the benefit of an experienced assistant instructor this year – thank you Scott!



Teen Skate Report: Heather Boswell & David Bentley

- Student commitment and improvement were superb – Well done to all of you!
- This winter, Teen Skate participated in the Ottawa Orienteering ski event held at KN - we will always remember that very soft, deep snow!
- The March Mad Dash was the perfect way to conclude our ten weeks of lessons – many thanks to the volunteers/parents who helped with this event.



Teen Skate Report: Heather Boswell & David Bentley

Looking forward

- **There will likely be a recreational Teen Classic class starting next season. Look for details on the website this Fall.**
- Plans are to continue the March Mad Dash.
- Reduced enrollment numbers in JR3+JR4 could have a detrimental impact on the volume of students moving to Teen Skate in coming years.
- **Additional instructors/assistants would enable us to expand the program** at all levels.
- Please reach out if you're interested in helping!
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PARANORDIC REPORT

Nathalie Mousseau
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2025-26 Para-Nordic Report

- This season marked the successful launch of the pilot Para Nordic program at Kanata Nordic Ski Club, and I am incredibly proud of what was accomplished in this first year.

Program Overview

- 5 athletes participated in the program, ranging from 12 years old to adult
 - 2 standing VI athletes
 - 3 sit-ski athletes
- 6 dedicated volunteers (including myself) supported the program on a regular basis
- 5 weeks of training were completed
- The program benefited from a \$1,000 Para Nordic bursary, which helped us purchase equipment and essential materials for training sessions



2025-26 Para-Nordic Report: Season Highlights

What stands out most from this first season is the incredible commitment, enthusiasm, and community support:

- Three of the athletes attended every single training session, showing remarkable dedication and motivation throughout the season.
- Four volunteers consistently returned each week, eager to learn and contribute, whether through guiding visually impaired athletes or assisting sit-ski participants.
- One U14 athlete from the KN racing team attended every week to guide one of our visually impaired athletes. His commitment went above and beyond—he also volunteered to guide her in two races and is already excited to return next season. Another U14 athlete also stepped up to guide during a race.
- Additional U14 and U16 racing team athletes expressed genuine interest in learning guiding skills and becoming involved in Para Nordic skiing.
- Two of the athletes participated in several races, gaining valuable racing experience and confidence.



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2025-26 Para-Nordic Report: Season Highlights

One of the most meaningful outcomes was the strong bond that developed between the Para Nordic athletes and the broader KN community—racing team athletes, coaches, and families alike.

We also witnessed tremendous generosity from KN coaches and parents, who supported the program in many ways, including:

- Race waxing support
- Equipment donations
- Improving accessibility during the Corkstown Classic
- A genuine openness to learn, adapt, and help the program grow

Equally inspiring was the commitment of our athletes' families. Parents made weekly training a priority, consistently bringing their child to sessions and showing a strong interest in learning more about the sport, equipment, and ways they could become more involved in supporting the program.



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2025-26 Para-Nordic Report: Looking Ahead

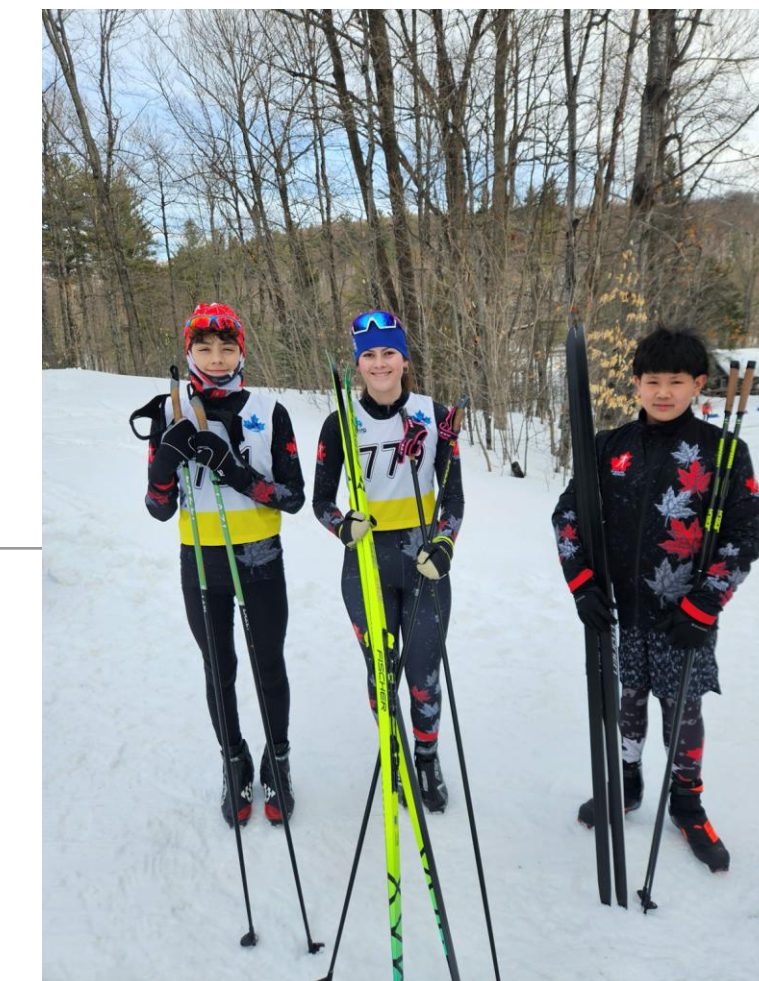
- Overall, this inaugural season was a true success. We built a strong foundation, created meaningful connections, and confirmed that there is real enthusiasm for Para Nordic skiing within our club community.
- Next season already looks very promising. By starting earlier, we hope to welcome more athletes, provide additional training opportunities, and continue building an inclusive and thriving Para Nordic program at Kanata Nordic Ski Club.
- If you're interested in assisting, please reach out!
kanatanordicpara@gmail.com



RACING REPORT

Andy Weekes &
Megan McAllister







2025-26 Racing Report

Coaching

- Mike Vieira (head coach), Tristan L, Holly B, Aidan, parents

Coordinators

- Megan McAllister (stipend) & Andy Weekes (BoD)

Athlete Numbers

- U10/12 - **16** (12) | U14 - **15** (9) | U16/18 - **19** (27) | Open - **4** (7)

Budget

- ~ Revenue **\$71,100** (\$79,300) vs. ~ Expenses **\$68,700** (\$73,400)

Races

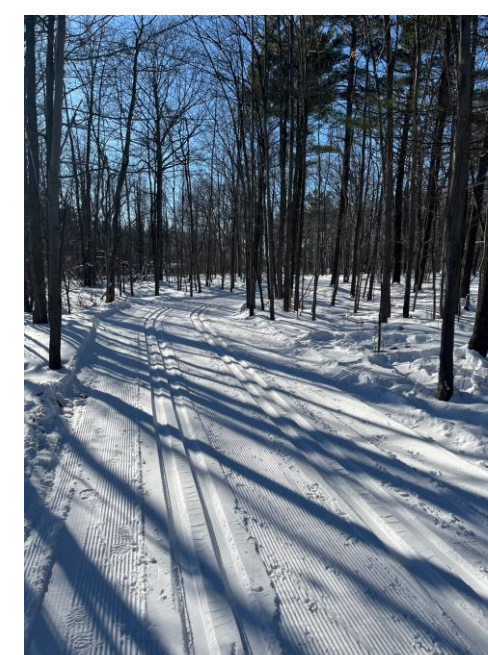
- Regional, O Cups, Q Cups, Candy Cane Cup, Ontario Youth Championships (OYC's), Easterns, Nationals



Corkstown Classic 2026



- Sunday February 1, 2026 (4th ed)
- 205 participants
- New this year: 411 location, timing
- Para, Ottawa Gliders
- Beautiful chilly day
- Great snow base, fantastic grooming
- Shovelling & planning +++
- Fundraising opportunity
- Fun event with a great atmosphere
- HUGE thanks to all the volunteers!



2025-26 Racing Update

Generally doing well 👍

- Positive vibe, retention, coaching/expertise, fundraising, CC & regional involvement, OYCs

Challenges 😬

- Identifying part-time coaches, athlete recruitment, snow conditions

Working on for the upcoming season... 🤞

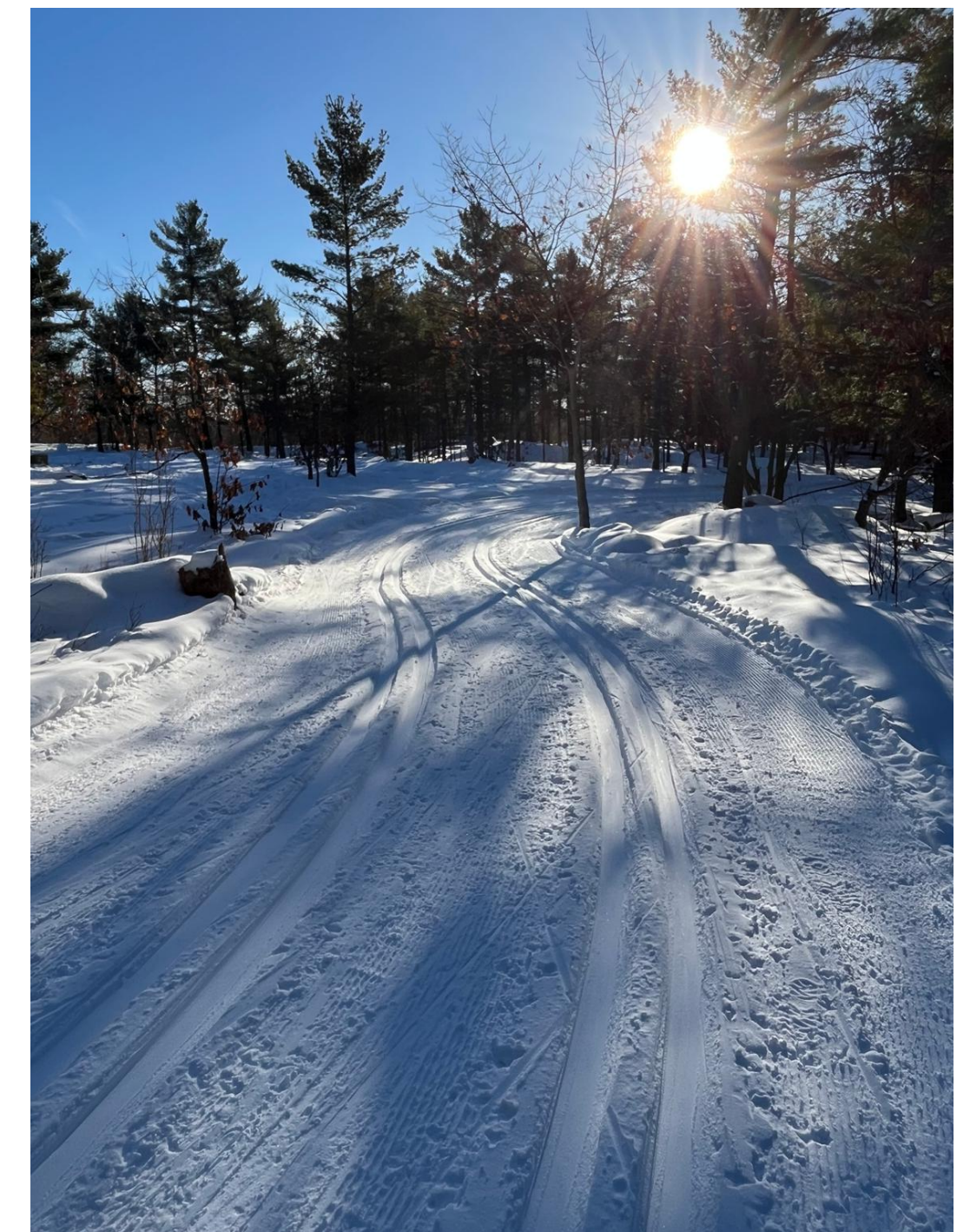
- Track Attack, increased coordination with para program



2025-26 Racing Report



- Dryland training started April 29!
- Thank you for attending



“We all Belong on the Trails” Community Programs and Rental Shop Coordinator Report: Peder Soras



Big thanks to all the great volunteers and our instructor Keisha.

Rental Shop: Peder Soeraas



- Offered skis (classic and skate) and snowshoes
- Equipment in cabins D and C, service in the main cabin
- Opens post MoL whenever trails are open
- 3 hours Sat & Sun
- Moved to hourly paid staff this season

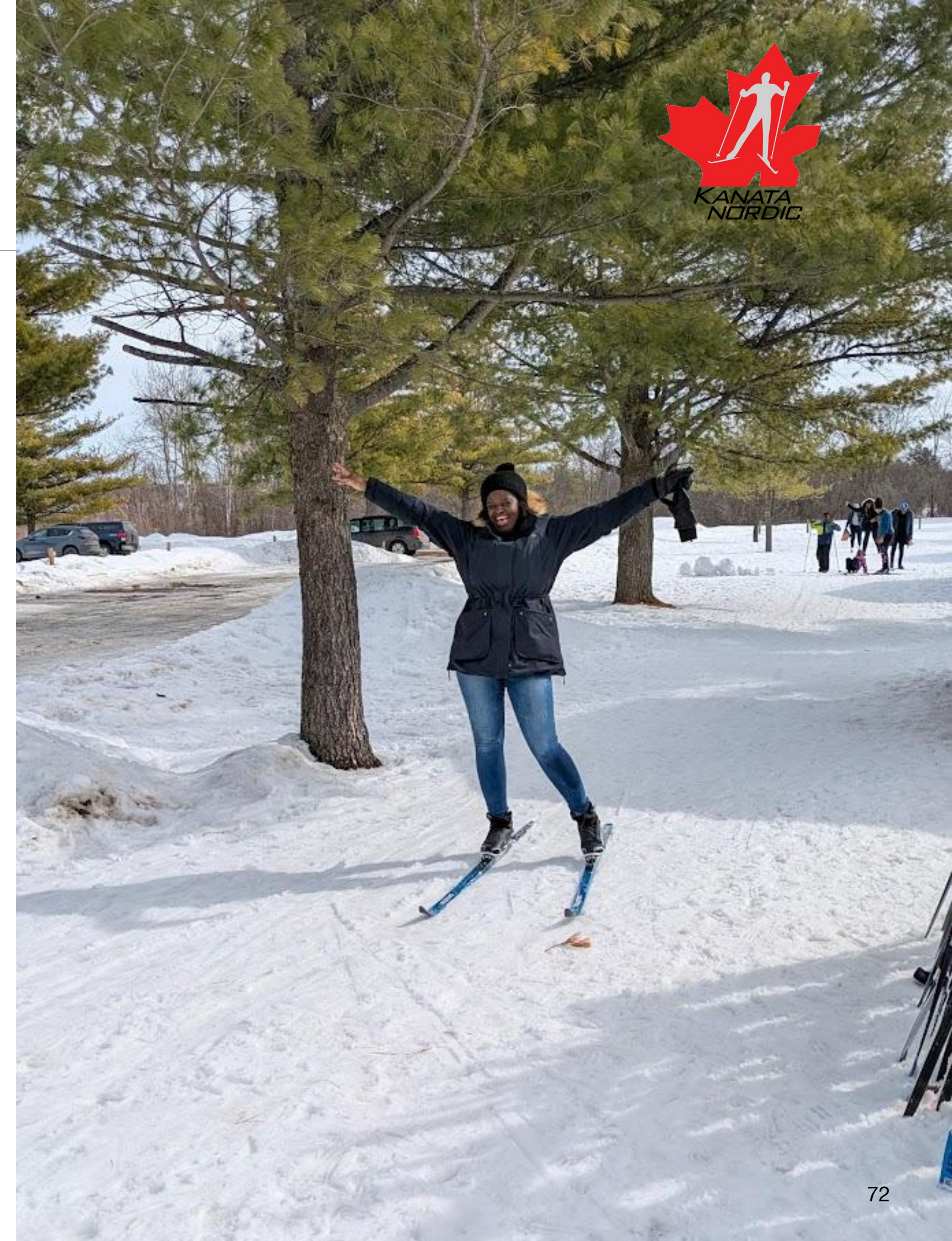
We All Belong Budget: Peder Soeraas

- Revenue neutral
- Budgeted \$3,500
- Brought in ~\$3,000
 - Rentals, school groups, diplomats
- Nordiq Canada's Community Sport for All Grant covered instruction costs



Looking ahead: Peder Soeraas

- Growth areas with revenue:
 - School programs
 - Christmas, weekday and evening rentals (generate demand)
- Growth areas for equity:
 - Loads of organizations (community outreach)
 - Reaching out to *Soldier On*
- Structure for growth:
 - Volunteer as main coordinator
 - Paid WAB lead, volunteer outreach lead
 - Paid hourly rental staff
 - In-person volunteers (rentals and programs)
 - Need more equipment
 - Need storage space for equipment





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FACILITIES COORDINATOR REPORT

Raam Gunasakaran



Facilities Update: 2025-'26 Update

Financial Overview

- Major Expenses: Seasonal tent rental at 401 and procurement of new blade flags.





Facilities Update: 2025–‘26 Update

Season Highlights & Challenges

- **Site Access at 411:** Access was restricted until Jan 15th due to Ontario ministry of Labour "Construction Area" designation during the Magic of Lights (MoL). While disruptive, successful coordination with Wesley Clover Parks enabled a mid-January opening.
- **Site Access at 401:** Wesley Clover wanted to close main gate at 4:00 PM to avoid MoL visitors accessing 401. They allowed us to use Gate B which helped with access to 401 during the MoL months. We expect this to continue for future as well.
- **Access to 411 till mid January:** MoL is here to stay at 411. This restricts our use of 411 trails till mid-January. We need to find out alternative access routes for KN members to 411 site and discuss the options with Wesley Clover very early on, likely in summer before WCP MOL season planning (whether P3, hydro corridor or alternative).

Facilities Update: 2025–‘26 Update

Upgrades:

- Lighting successfully extended to loops 3a and 3c.
- Day pass signage was updated to reflect current rates.
- Heating trials for the 401 tent were conducted (thanks to Roger); however, battery logistics for charging make this unfeasible for long-term use.
- Events: Parking expansion at 411 for the Corkstown Classic was highly effective and will be maintained as the standard layout moving forward.



Facilities Update: 2025-26 Update

Future Plans (2026-27)

- Plans to extend lighting towards Trail 2 (411) and the Pretzel Loop (401).
- Trailhead: To request Wesley Clover to relocate the 411 trailhead signage closer to the cabin this fall
- Signage: Update signage to reflect correct day pass fees at 401 – signs that go to Trails 105 and 106 to be completed this fall.



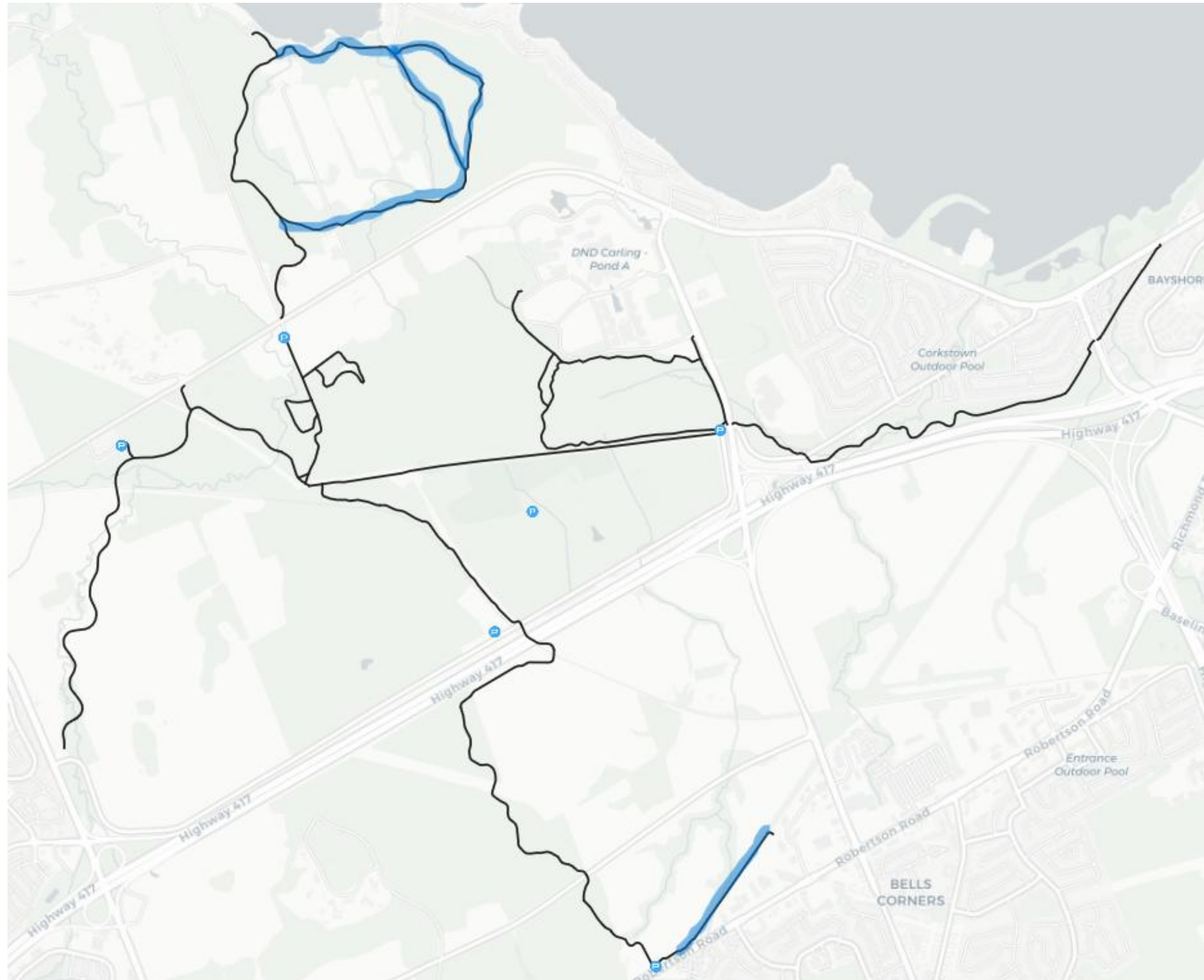


OTTAWA WEST WINTER TRAIL REPORT

Roger Colbeck



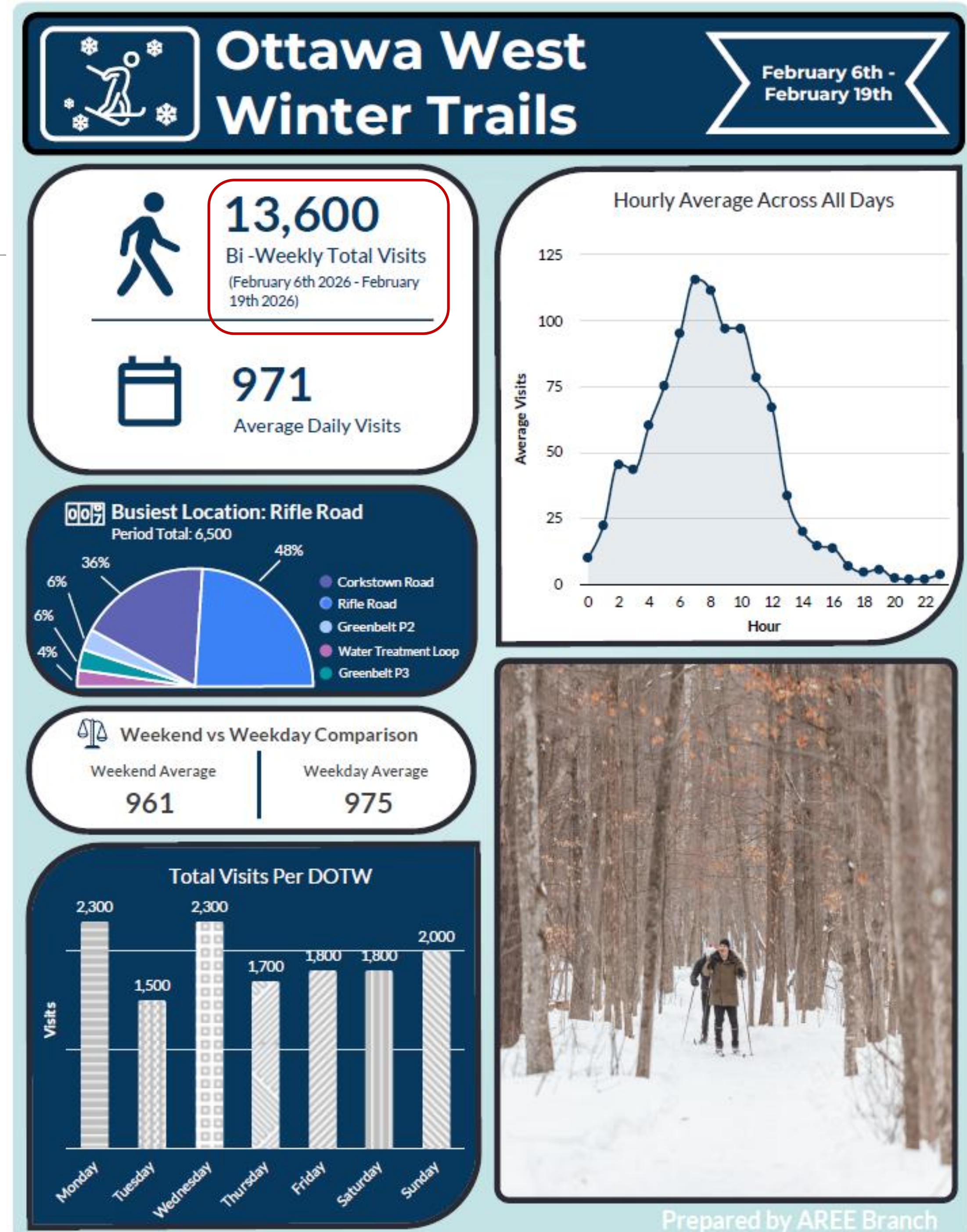
Ottawa West Winter Trail (OWWT/SHOO) 2025-'26 Update



- Great long season with no major issues and excellent public financial support
- Continues to be a great expansion of the club trails, and financially self-supporting
- When all trails are open, we have ~ 25km (including pilot trails) of free community multi-use winter groomed trails
- No major changes of the regular OWWT trail network this year but we did add two sections as "pilot trails" with intentions to make them permanent next year
 - Trail 10 loop, north of Carling and accessible from P2. This year we used regular grooming equipment on the loop, unlike last year
 - "Fitzgerald" leg, at the south end, east of Kichesippi brewery (RIP)
- We continued to groom regularly east of Moodie LRT, all the way to Carling to connect to the BWT (albeit a little less frequently)

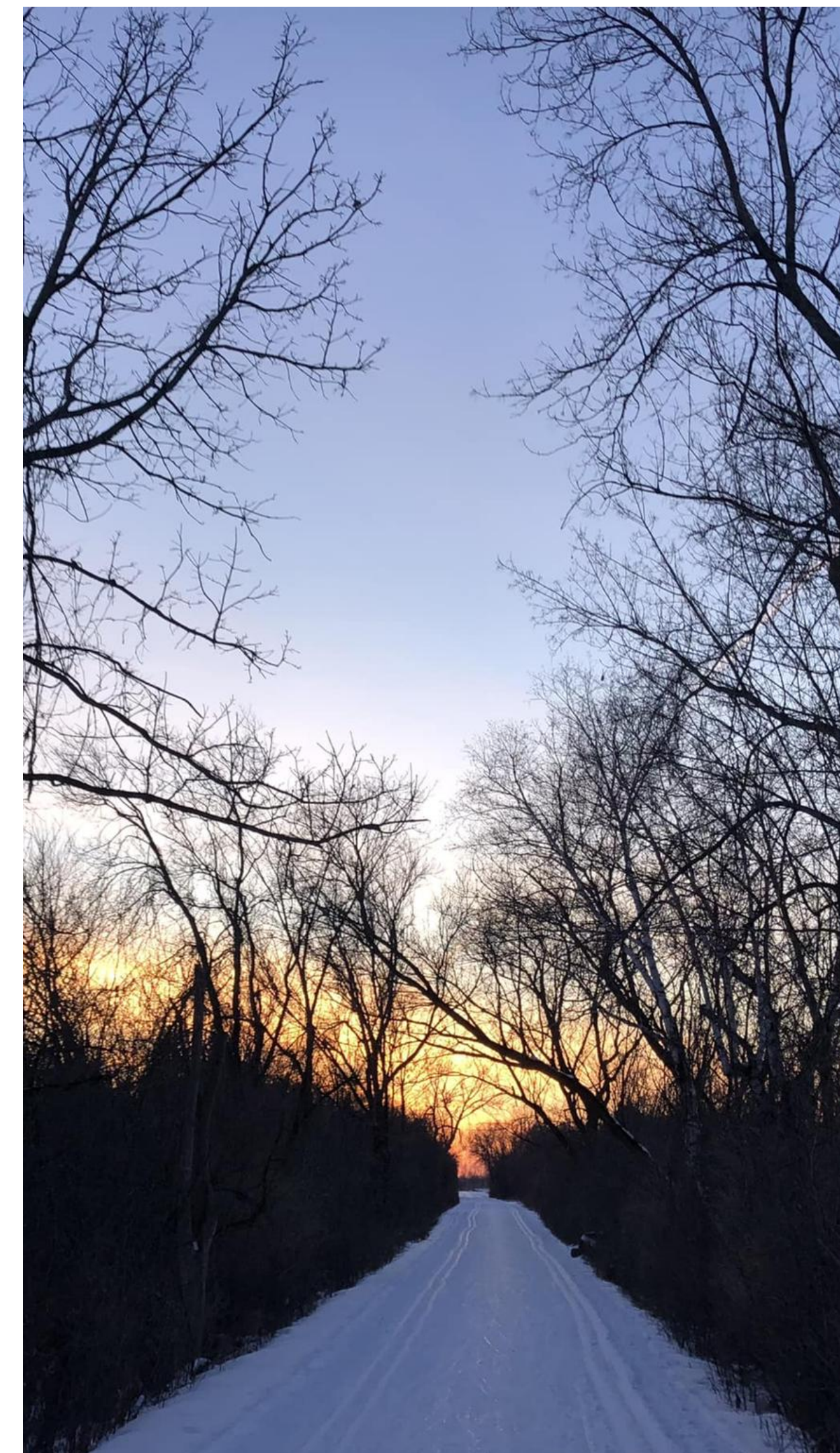
Ottawa West Winter Trail 2025-'26

- Usage reports, based on a few people counters, from the NCC provided good insight and showed quite high usage of the OWWT.



Ottawa West Winter Trail 2025-'26 Update

- Quality of flat asphalt/stone-dust base trails early in the season. This gives members a place to ski before the other trails are ready
- Longer ski trips are possible by combining the OWWT with Club Trails
- OWWT increases visibility in neighbouring communities, introduces newer skiers to XC skiing and provides a gateway to club membership (advertising for KNis on OWWT).
- Trail 10 was met with much enthusiasm and proved to be quite popular the few times we groomed it in the latter half of the season. It's a very pretty and interesting trail, best for Classic
- The grooming of T10 was easier this year but still had its challenges. The NCC put in quite a bit of effort to help provide a go-around for the north narrow bridge, and we did turnarounds at the south narrow bridge, attacking the trail from both sides there. Further improvement ideas have been sent to the NCC for next season.
- The whole OWWT grooming schedule and shifts were re-worked in order to keep the overall weekly grooming hours and distance similar, while incorporating T10 and Fitzgerald
- The OWWT tended to use dedicated equipment and a dedicated grooming team, with some overlap with 401 groomers.





Ottawa West Winter Trail 2025-'26 Update

- Excellent support by assistant/co-coordinator, Tom Duxbury, the KN grooming coordinators/groomers and all the OWWT specific volunteers
- This year, we dropped the ball on hosting some regular social-skis, but unfortunately lost Kichissippi Beer as a sponsor
- End of season hot-chocolate event was very successful with maybe 100 visitors
- Social Media presence is good and user condition reports continue to be well received, in conjunction with the use of Nordic Pulse for grooming conditions
- OWWT was financially self-supporting, and it was a banner year for user donations, more than offsetting our loss of some sponsorship funds:
 - UWTA (funded through City of Ottawa & NCC contributions and the NCC increased funding to UWTA in 2025)
 - GoFundMe/Nordiq Canada/CanadaHelps User Donations (\$16.8K), & Two Sponsors (\$3Kcash)
 - Trans Canada Trail Grant \$2K
 - No large grant this year as we had in 2024 - perhaps next year with volunteer effort
 - Funds cover grooming costs, equipment maintenance, equipment storage, and a capital fund to purchase additional equipment needed to groom the OWWT.
- 2026-27 focus will be improving "groomability" of Trail 10, investigating parking options, organize social-ski outings, improve branding & signage, and increase private sponsorship \$\$\$. We will continue to work with the equipment group to ensure we have sufficient, robust and reliable equipment to groom the OWWT
- More volunteers are needed to support the various OWWT activities – planning/coordination, trail prep, groomers, social media, translation, events, and fund-raising

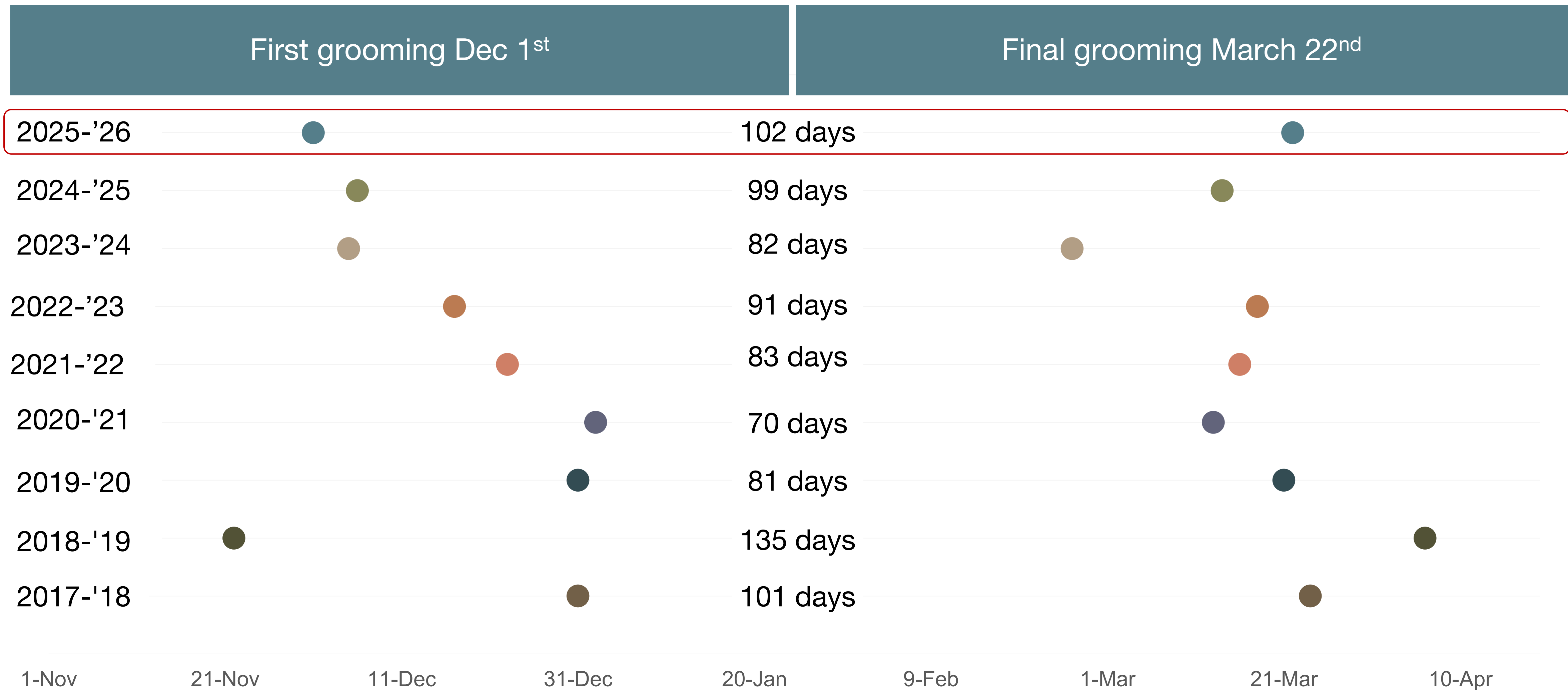


TRAILS COORDINATOR REPORT





Kanata Nordic Length of Season



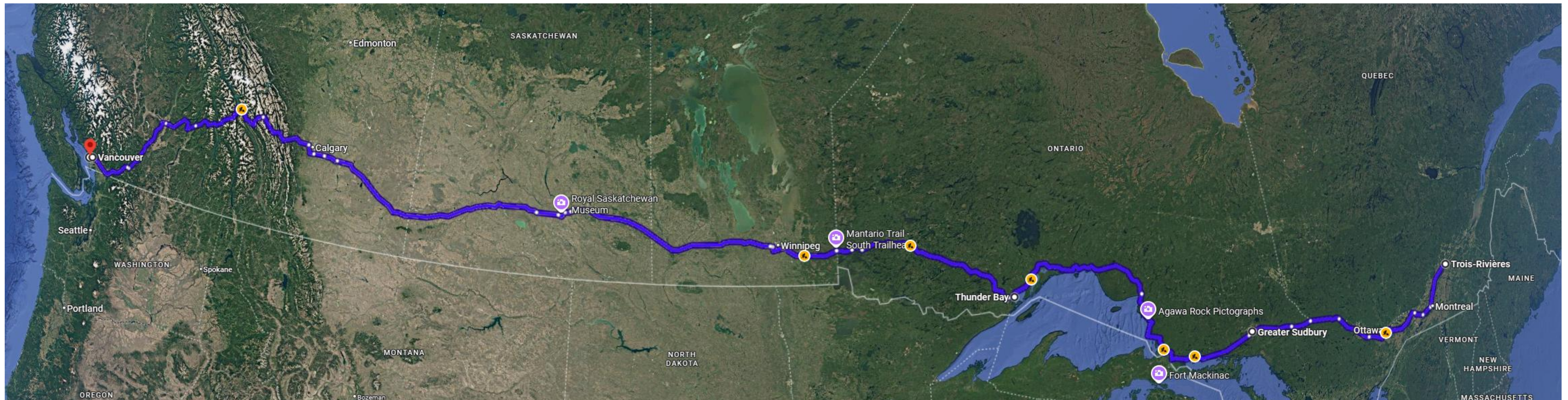


Kanata Nordic Length of Season

- Trail grooming generally occurred four times or more per week at each of the three grooming territories. We had 19 regular weekly groomers, each taking one or more shifts per week, and several fill in groomers. Thank you to Dan, Peter, Kurt, Jim, Larry, Ross, Tom, Mike H, Mike W, Mike D, Mike L, David, Blair, Harris, Chris, Rich, Roger, Gene and more.

Trail Operations Are A Lot of Work!

- Our grooming distances were 3,919 KM for Powersports grooming and 910 Km for Kubota grooming for total of 4,829 km. That's the distance from Trois Rivieres, QC to Vancouver, BC.
- Our volunteers collectively spent **779 hours of grooming** this past winter.



Trails Report: Maintenance

Maintenance team continued their expert customization and fabrication of equipment in addition to the routine maintenance of equipment.

For every 30 hours of grooming, there is one hour of routine maintenance time.

Thanks for all the contributions, from wiring to welding!



Kanata Nordic Trails Team Starts Well Before Winter

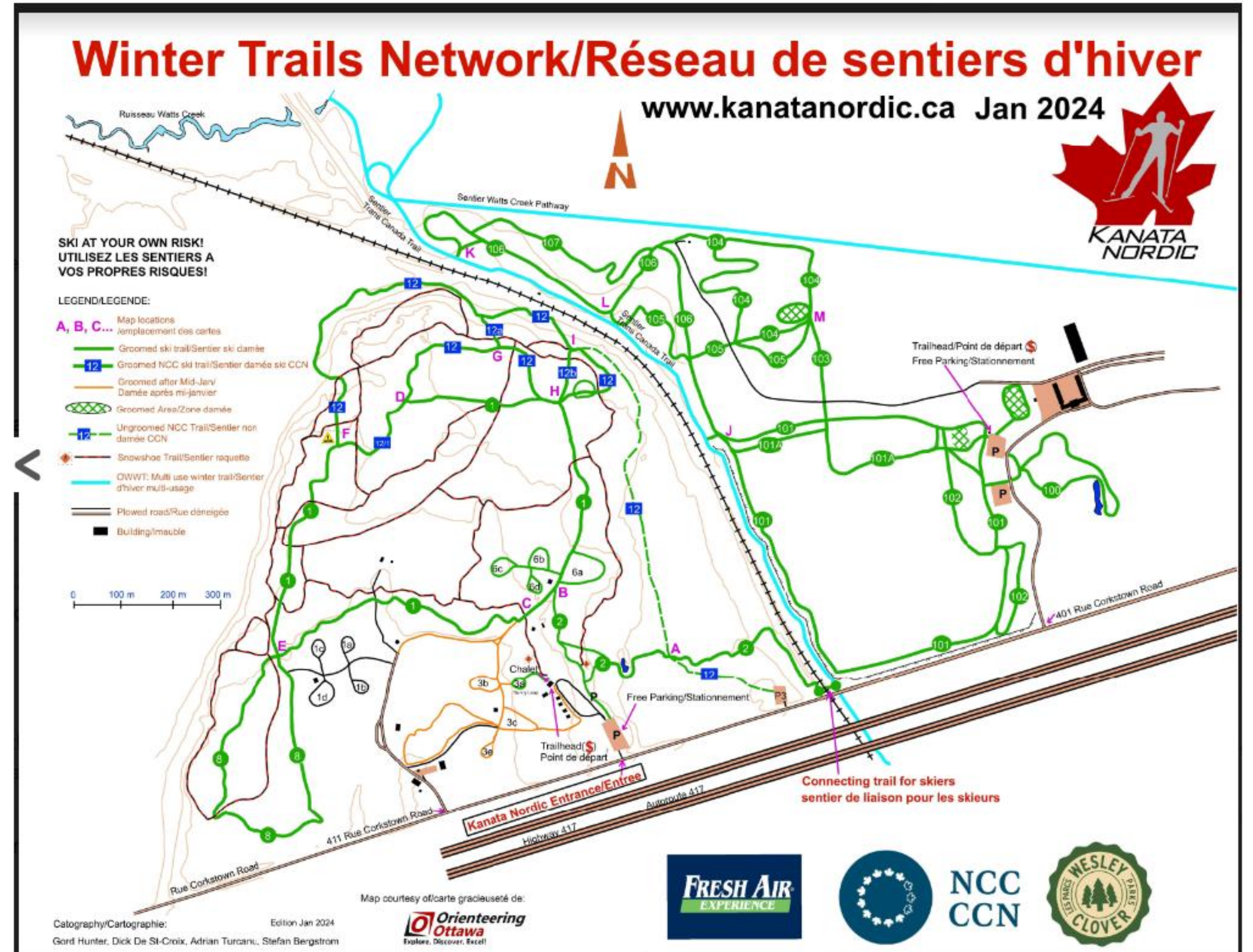
- Improvements / maintenance for safer grooming and trail quality (e.g. wood chips, culverts, etc.)
- Volunteers continued to improve the existing trail network with continued maintenance with resulting continued improvement of the trail quality for skiing.



Kanata Nordic Trail Grooming



- The complex role of coordinating the grooming shifts was accomplished by Mike Duivenvoorden and Tom Duxbury this year - many thanks for tireless efforts.

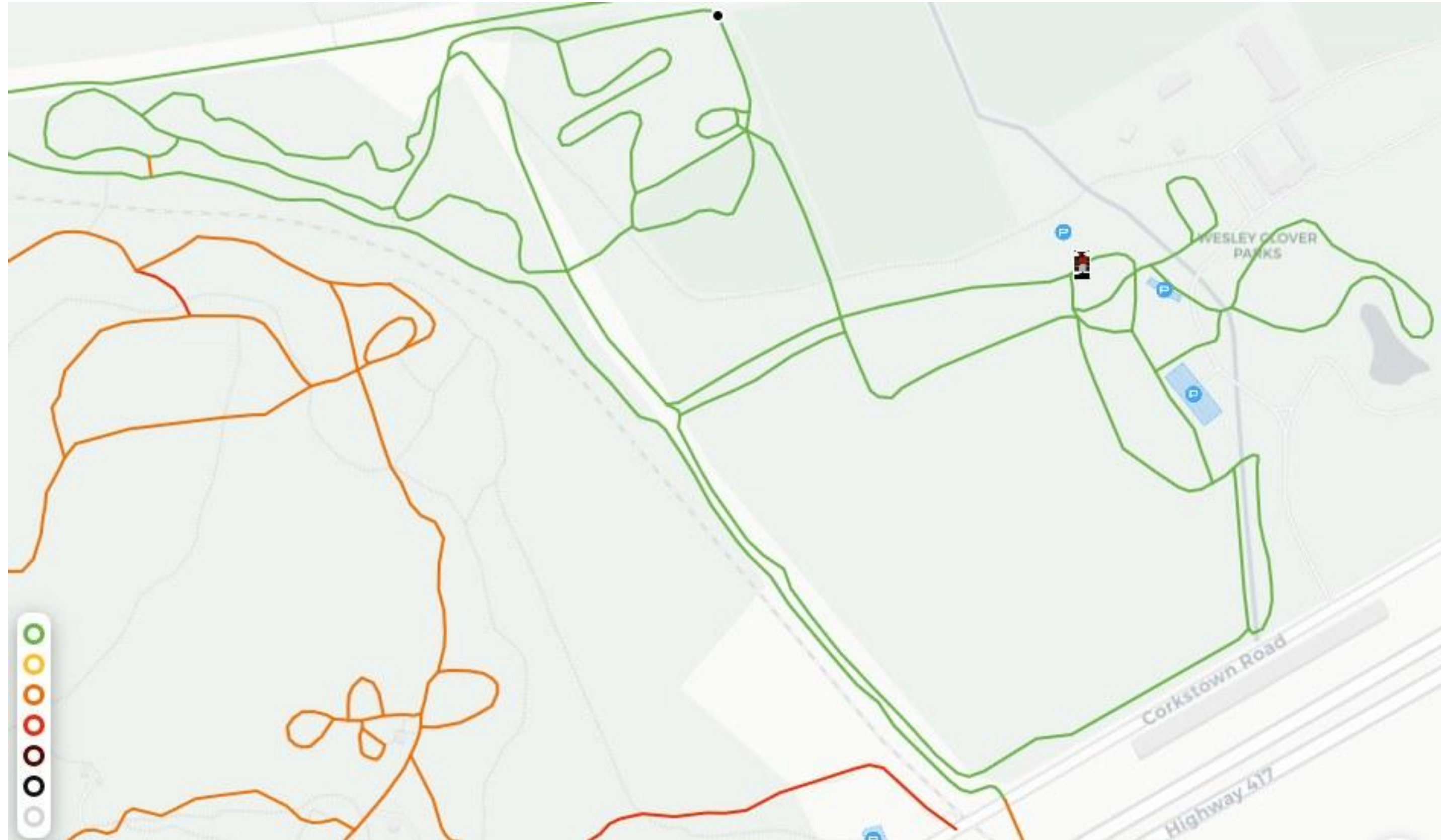


Kanata Nordic Snowshoe Trail

- Our snowshoe loop was continued with maintenance and marking thanks to Pat Kirkham and all his helpers for furthering this aspect of our club.



New Digital Trail Grooming Updates



- Real-time grooming updates were available in the 2025-26 season via Nordic Pulse app and website
- Goal is to highlight which trails are being refreshed, which have been refreshed and which should be avoided
- Nordic Pulse is **not** free, so if usage and value is not there - then we will not continue...

Trails Report: Equipment Grooming Fleet



Two BRP Outlander XT1000
Two Ski-doo Skandic
snowmobiles
Five grooming machines
Three snow rollers
Kubota Mueller Tractor groomer
and its new 8-way blade



Trails Report: Future Plans

- Continue preparing and grooming our existing trail network.
- Fine tune the deployment of our grooming fleet to optimize the trail system with continued maintenance of existing fleet.
- Continue to make adjustments in grooming to service both the public trail system yet prioritize grooming quality and frequency of the club trail system for our members. .
- Replace the oldest BRP Outlander ATV with a new unit, funding for which was already approved in last year's AGM.
- An additional roller is ordered as our oldest unit is >15 years and close to retirement. A motion was not required due to cost being under the threshold.
- Current Motion to upgrade the Kubota tent storage structure to allow ease of access / maintenance.
- We will continue to encourage recruitment of additional team members with specialized skills/knowledge in order to improve the service that the Trails Dept can provide to the club.



We look forward to another year of great skiing at Kanata Nordic in 2026/2027 !



VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR REPORT

Wendy Barron & Norma Tucker






Volunteer Coordinator Report

Six volunteer opportunities created through iVolunteer

Members contributed across many areas of the club:

- Ski Programs
- Facilities
- Trails
- Events

Sun, May 10 2026 - 9:11AM Kanata Nordic Ski Club | 2026 Family Day Open House | Administration



2026 Family Day Open House


Thank you for considering helping to make the Family Day Open House a successful event!

Our club relies on the help of our members to volunteer. This event is open to the public.

Instructions: Choose a slot below, click the Volunteer button and provide the required information. If you have not confirmed your email on this device, you will receive an e-mail from kanatanordic.family_day_2026@ivolunteer.com to confirm your intent to Volunteer. You must confirm by clicking a link in that e-mail. The slot(s) you signed up for will be locked for 10 minutes allowing you time to confirm. If you have any questions send an e-mail to Kanata Nordic's Volunteer Coordinator at volunteer@kanatanordic.ca.

There are no tasks currently visible for this event.

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Youth Volunteer of the Year Award

Presented to a young volunteer who has demonstrated exceptional involvement, leadership, and positive spirit within the club community.

Percy Jodoin



Rising Star of the Year Award



Presented to an emerging volunteer who has shown outstanding enthusiasm, initiative, and commitment to supporting the club.

Mark Bond





Legend of the Year Award

Presented to a long-standing volunteer whose exceptional dedication, leadership, and lasting contributions have made a significant impact on the club community.

Mike Duivenvoorden





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Thank You Volunteers!

President: Nigel Wallis



How It Started







Making Snow Playgrounds every weekend gave me an idea...



A little bit of teamwork and supervision



And it worked out okay



Try new things

Future KNSC: Cabin at Equestrian





How it's going now...



Future of KNSC: Challenges

- Recruiting, training and retaining volunteers and the risk of burning out the existing volunteers
- Sustaining the club with increased competition from ‘free’
- Difficulty of continuing to improve and grow club programs and club events with declining volunteer and member base. Cultural shock of having some paid staff for mostly volunteer-based club.
- Climate change – snow is later and more variable
- Struggle to seek out and win Grants and Sponsorships as revenue stream



Future of KNSC: Strengths

- Dynamic, dedicated community
- Incredible volunteers
- Solid partners
- Ideal urban location
- History and credibility within the community and within the sport
- Stable finances
- Capable capital equipment

President: Nigel Wallis



Questions from KNSC members?

President: Nigel Wallis



Motion to accept all reports as presented or amended

2026 AGM Extraordinary Motion: Review Engagement

Extraordinary resolution (at least 80% of members who vote must vote in favour of the resolution). As a not-for-profit corporation receiving more than \$10,000 but less than \$100,000 a year in public funds and with over \$100,000 but less than \$499,999 in annual revenues:

“A motion to authorize Kanata Nordic Ski Club to engage a public accountant to conduct a review engagement* in place of an audit for the upcoming fiscal year ending March 31st, 2027. This will waive the audit requirement under Section 76 of the ONCA.”

* An audit is when a certified public accountant that is independent of your nonprofit checks your financial records and financial position.

A financial review engagement also has to be done by a certified public accountant that is independent of your nonprofit, but it takes less time and is less expensive than an audit.

2026 AGM Motion: Expenditure Over \$10,000

Acquisition of tractor storage shelter improvements



Motion: Expenditure over \$10K

“A motion for the expenditure for to our large tractor storage tent / shelter, with a budget of up to \$25,000. This expenditure would include but not be limited to purchase and installation of an insulation blanket kit for the shelter, and to construct a rigid front wall with rolling overhead door. The decision regarding the details of the improvements will be researched and recommended by the trails equipment team reporting to the Trails Coordinator. Final approval of the purchase will be made by the sitting Kanata Nordic Executive Committee.”

Motion moved by Eugene Vigneron

2026 AGM Motion: Expenditure Over \$10,000

Acquisition of tractor storage shelter improvements

Reasoning: Retaining experienced volunteer snow groomers is an operational imperative.

A regular grooming shift commits the average volunteer snow groomer to an estimated (3 months x 4 weeks/month x 3.5 hours/shift) 42 hours of volunteer work per season. This work is typically done late at night or early in the morning, when there are few skiers out on the network thus giving the snow time to sinter.



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Acquisition of tractor storage shelter improvements

The introduction of Kubota and Mueller tiller to KN's snow grooming fleet has been very positive in terms consistency and quality of the 401 and 411 trail networks; however, this has come with an increased demand on volunteer snow groomers in terms of longer shift lengths to complete pre shift inspections and post shift de-icing of the equipment and to transit between the 401 and 411 sites.



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Acquisition of tractor storage shelter improvements

Post-grooming snow and ice removal must be done to reduce the risk of premature wear and equipment damage to both powersports and Kubota machines. This involves manually chipping away accumulated snow and ice from the tracks and the tiller barrel.

This must be done at the end of every shift and can take up to 30 minutes to complete.



2026 AGM Motion: Expenditure Over \$10,000

Acquisition of tractor storage shelter improvements

Upgrading the tractor storage shelter would allow for limited heating of the shelter. Storing the tractor in a heated shelter would reduce (possibly significantly) post shift cleaning efforts to remove accumulated snow and ice from the equipment. This would have the effect of increasing the “productive” length of a given snow grooming shift by allocating a larger percentage of shift time to working snow on the trail network.



2026 AGM Motion: Expenditure Over \$10,000

Acquisition of tractor storage shelter improvements

Cost Analysis:

- A quote of \$2,500 was received in February 2026 to purchase an insulation blanket for the current Kubota shelter. It is assumed that the installation would be done by KN volunteers.
- Further research is required to determine overhead door options and support framing requirements.
- Endwalls could be stud wall construction supported on screw piles, potentially with a metal roll-up door at each end. Alternatively typical 18” panel roll-up door, however this would need a structure to support rails.
- Insulation kit is \$2k, rough approximation to construct insulated fixed end walls.
- Note that anything we propose must be removable

2025 AGM Motion: Expenditure Over \$10,000

Acquisition of a storage container for the club's rental fleet



Motion: Expenditure over \$10K

“A motion to approve the purchase of a large portable container for the secure storage of Kanata Nordic's ski and snowshoe rental fleet with a budget of up to \$30,000. This expenditure would allow the club to offer ski rental operations and community programming into times when the club cannot access 411 trails (e.g. December-to-early January). The decision regarding the details of the improvements will be researched and recommended by the facilities team reporting to the Facilities Coordinator and the Rental/Community Program Coordinator. Final approval of the purchase will be made by the sitting Kanata Nordic Executive Committee.”

Motion moved by Raam Gunasakaran

2025 AGM Motion: Expenditure Over \$10,000

Acquisition of a storage container for the club's rental fleet



Reasoning

- KNSC operates a small equipment rental service out of two small, unheated cabins at the 411 site. The campground site has restricted access until mid-late January, and In the off season, rental equipment must be packaged and transported to an off-site storage location. Offering equipment rentals out of a dedicated, secure and movable storage container:
 1. Would allow KNSC to offer equipment rental operations and community programming out of the 401 site when the club cannot access the 411 trails. A movable storage container would allow KNSC to offer a rental service over the December holiday period at the 401 site, before re-locating rental operations to the 411 site for the bulk of the winter season.
 2. Provides the opportunity to store all rental equipment on-site during the off season, permitting an easier set-up experience for the club volunteers.
 3. Addresses a constraint (i.e., limited storage space in the 411 cabins) to growing the rental fleet over the longer term. Growing the rental fleet, particularly with equipment sized for primary school-aged skiers, presents additional opportunities for generating revenue and serving the broader community by being able to support school “intro to ski” days.

At 411, the container would be installed in the main parking lot, adjacent to an existing RV electrical service. The location at the 401 site has not yet been confirmed. A final site assessment for hydro connectivity at 401 site is required. If a suitable connection point is not available, it is proposed that the club's existing Generac large portable generator be used to provide power to the storage container.



2025 AGM Motion: Expenditure Over \$10,000

Acquisition of a storage container for the club's rental fleet

Cost Analysis:

Quotes to purchase customized or semi-customized shipping containers range from \$19,000 to \$24,000. All quotes reflect a core set of essential requirements, including:

- Insulated walls and heating (functional requirement for volunteer comfort and to dry boots),
- Electrical wiring for lights and heating, including a 30A RV power connection,
- Ventilation fans (functional requirement for moisture and odour control), and
- Plywood wall finish.

Price ranges reflect different fit-up configurations (1 vs. 2 access doors; number of windows; number of lights; number of heaters) and variances in delivery costs from the fabrication sites.

Recurrent costs consist of annual moving fees to transition the storage unit between the 401 and 411 sites (up to 3 moves per year).

Alternative options:

- Pre-fabricated storage shed on skids (e.g., Kodiak Sheds) – not insulated or heated; not designed for frequent relocations over long distances.
- Enclosed 17' utility/cargo trailer – not insulated, heated, or wired for shore power – additional costs to modify; theft risk; size and weight would require contracting transportation of the trailer between sites.
- Container on wheels – additional fabrication costs; size and weight would require contracting transportation of the unit between sites.

2025 AGM Motion: Expenditure Over \$10,000

Acquisition of a storage container for the club's rental fleet





Executive Nominees for 2026-2027

President: *David Barron*

Vice President:

Treasurer: *Marsha Kelly*

Secretary: *Amy Thomas*

Volunteer Coordinator: *Norma Tucker*

Trails Coordinator: *Gene Vigneron*

Saturday Rabbit Coordinator: *Vacant*

Sunday Rabbit Coordinator: *Vacant*

Ex-Officio:

Past President: Nigel Wallis

Club Administrator*: Ardeth Kirkham

Teen Skate Coordinator: *Heather Boswell*

Racing Coordinator: *Andy Weekes*

Community Programs and Rental
Operations: *Peder Soeraas*

Communications Coordinator:
Wendy Barron

Facilities Co-Coordinator:
Raam Gunasakaran & Vacant

OWWT Co-Coordinators: *Roger Colbeck &
Tom Duxbury*

Events Coordinator: *Vacant **



Motion to Elect the Slate of Candidates

Motion to accept all candidates as proposed

Looking Forward to Next Season!





Motion to Adjourn

Motion to adjourn the 2025-26 Annual General Meeting: _____

Seconded: _____



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Annual General Meeting

May 11th, 2026