

Sunday, December 23, 2007

(This Net is also recorded and available online [www.beargreasearc.com] for individual replay)

BARCNet began at 2003pm. Those participating checked with Net Control Operator Randy KCORTX

President's Report:

- Several members of the Yahoo groups list server have been missing emails; Jeff reminded everyone to check their inboxes and also the group web site to avoid missing any important information
- BARC Board and General Membership meetings will be held January 5, 2008 at Lakeview Christian Academy (155 W Central Entrance, Duluth) in the cafeteria; Board will meet at 1400, General Membership at 1600, dinner out afterwards
- Reminder that a link to the recordings of the BARCNet is posted on the Web site (www.beargreasearc.net); available for review for accuracy and information if you missed a net
- Related to the Web site, Brendan has updated with new information from coordinators as well as some new links; stop by to view
- The Air National Guard will be doing their checkpoint at the usual place again this year
- There are a couple of Beargrease Volunteers meetings coming up in January, as well as the Beargrease Board meeting, which are all open to BARC members; look for an email from Jeff giving you dates/times/locations in case you'd like to attend
- The previous Beargrease Board meeting did not have a great deal of information that impacted BARC, a small bit of discussion about Devil's Track Lake; Look for an email from Jeff with updates from that meeting

Vice President's Report: Jeff reporting for Loren, who is home after knee surgery, still using a walker to get around the house; recovery is feeling too slow

Secretary's Report: Diane thanked members for providing corrections to minutes that have gone out and asked they continue to read and notify her of any errors.

Net Control:

- Randy has filled his schedule with volunteers for the race; please contact him with any questions you may have regarding your times, etc.

Road Crossings:

- Tim was unavailable for the Net; please contact him directly or view the web site for information regarding openings at Road Crossings

Checkpoints:

-- Jeff reporting for Cory:

- Tofte is in need of volunteers; a busy morning with mid-distance mushers coming in, but slower afternoons allowing some photo & social opportunities

- All other Checkpoints are filled, though Cory reports he needs to meet with the "Finlanders" to setup a schedule that allows for some rest times/sleeping opportunities and still cover the checkpoint
- A big thank-you from Cory to Jayne and Pat for their coordination at the northern end of the race

After a couple of late check-ins, Randy KC0RTX closed the BARCNet at 2034.

Reminders/ Items of Interest from Q&A Session:

- Bob N0DFB, worked simplex last year with another volunteer at Billy's to relay information; worked well the busy in/out situation at the beginning of the race
- Volunteer signup needs to be with the coordinator of a particular function (i.e., Checkpoints or Road Crossings) rather than someone reporting in his/her absence to keep information accurate
- Please be sure to notify your coordinator if you're parking a vehicle at a particular checkpoint or road crossing for an extended time period so the information is communicated to Beargrease race officials who monitor traffic; this ensures you have permission/space allowed for your vehicle

Net closed at 2049 local time