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Description automatically generated**Highlights**

The 2021-22 season was a very successful year for us. The season didn’t officially kick off until December 4th, but thanks, once again, to the snowmaking loop it enabled us to start earlier than other places in the lower peninsula. Our last official day was April 10th.

The off season was spent completing various projects. We widened the current trails and did a lot of high limb removal. We opened up the new quick-dip by pass on the west side and the old pines loop connector on the new property. We sanded and sealed the yurt floor. We seeded the snowmaking loop with grass seed and did some leveling on roller coaster. We expanded the yellow snowshoe trail by 1 km and did some re-routes on the orange and red trails.

In the capital outlay department, we added a Sno-max system to the snowmaking loop to make more snow at higher temperatures and better-quality snow that is easier to move with the groomer. We tested it out in March and we were very pleased with the snow it produced and we are looking forward to using it in the Fall. We also purchased a small excavator to help with trail building and stump removal. We will need it to open up the trails on the new property and to make new trails.

We will be closing on the new property soon. We have about 2.5 km of trail already flagged and plan to have it open for the upcoming ski season. There is a lot of potential for many more trails to be added in the future. The new 2.5 km of trail will be similar to the current rollercoaster trail with rolling hills and a couple climbs.

The capital campaign was a success and ended with $120,000 in funds raised. The funds were used to pay half of the purchase price for the land and to help refinance/pay down the new groomer we bought last season. We will need to secure $67,000 for the second half of the purchase price for the land due by January 1, 2023. We also still owe $75,000 on the new groomer. We are looking into possible land grant money for the new property to help offset the second installment of $67,000.

We have also started a corporate sponsorship program for businesses that would like to support Forbush Corner Nordic. Our first corporate sponsor is Kevin Cusack from Stifel PearlStreet Investment Management . If you are interested in learning more about this program please contact us.

**Financials**

**Revenues**

Donations- $ 58,240

Sales- $ 86,244

Rentals- $ 9,374

Trail fees- $ 83,622

Misc- $ 11,047

**Total** **$248,527**

**Expenses**

Operating expenses- $ 116,618

Repairs- $ 2,609

Capital Outlay- $214,373 (includes the pay off of the new groomer)

Human resources- $ 9,845

**Total**  **$343,445**

**Cash Assets**

Savings- $ 65,064

Checking- $ 87,874

**Total-** **$152,938**

**Debts**

Groomer loan $75,000 (plus future 4.5% simple interest on unpaid balance)

Property loan $ 67,000- final payment due Jan 1st, 2023

\***Future contributions will continue to help pay off these debts.**

**New Projects for 2022-2023**

1. Complete land contract
2. Open up the old Roller Coaster trail on the new property
3. Widen and remove stumps on the current trails
4. Secure widening of the Weary Legs segment of the Pines loop with Hartwick Pines management to allow the new groomer access.
5. Fall Work bees to prune trail

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