

# All Canadians on skis to more Canadians on podium (XCSO 2021 AGM)

#### 2020-21 highlights

- Excellent performances from NST and PNST:
  - ▶ 6 career-best performances on WC and at WSC
  - ➤ 4 World Cup top-20 results
  - ➤ 4 World juniors top-10 results
  - BRONZE MEDAL at World Junior Championships!
  - ▶ 9 athletes shared \$25,000 in performance bonuses
  - Five Para athletes traveled to the lone WPNS World Cup, returning with one gold, one silver and three bronze medals
- Subsidized ICC and CC coach training led to more than 1500 coaches trained
- 40% increase in membership to 77 000 members
- Supported Club Fundraiser topped \$700 000 raised for clubs

#### **Excellence**

- ✓ Canada regularly wins World Championship, Olympic and Paralympic medals.
- ✓ Canada has a sustainable and growing cohort of developing
  World Championship, Olympic and Paralympic athletes.
- ✓ Athletes have a variety of training, education and competition options available that facilitate their development as highperformance skiers.
- ✓ Athletes are able to easily access their appropriate level and variety of competition within Canada, North America and abroad.
- ✓ Coaches, technicians and officials of all levels across Canada have the ability to access training and develop their skills and trade.

### **Sport Leadership**

Athletes and the ski community thrive in a collaborative environment exemplifying a culture of transparency, respect and humility.

- ✓ Divisions and Clubs have the resources they need to grow participation and help Canadians of all ages and capabilities learn to ski and/or continue their development.
- √The ski community has the resources needed to participate equitably and safely.
- √The ski community progressively works toward environmentally responsible practices.
- √The ski community has a financially thriving and sustainable national sport organization.

# **Sport Profile and Visibility**

- ✓ Cross-country skiing participants reflect Canadian society.
- ✓ The profile of cross country skiing in Canada is improved by hosting international events.
- ✓ The international ski community recognizes Canada as a leader in Nordic skiing.

# Investing for the future

| Business Plan Priority   | Notable Investments   |
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| Excellence Short-Term: Beijing 2022 (focused on NST athletes' DTE) and begin to establish sustainable NST Olympic Stream program | <ul> <li>Funding to Training Centres more than doubled</li> <li>NST athlete trip fees maintained despite 24% pandemic-related increase in costs</li> <li>FREE NST camps maintained despite 312% pandemic-related increase in costs</li> </ul> |
| Excellence Medium-Term: Strong talent pool of coaches and athletes and sustainable HP pathway                                    | <ul> <li>B-tour (Europe)</li> <li>Development tour (USA)</li> <li>Coaching experiences</li> </ul>   |
| Excellence Long-Term: Developed pipeline and program   | <ul><li>Athlete Pathway Manager</li><li>FISU Games</li></ul>  |
| Strategic plan to 2030   | > Fall in-person Division meetings  |
| Revenue generation: leverage membership growth, new sponsors, increased donations  | > Fundraising support   |

#### Rebuilding based on DEVELOPMENT

- Building a solid permanent talent pool
- Building excitement, passion, ambition and perseverance
- It will take more money; revenue generation strategies are critical
- Strong foundation: we have great staff, great board, great partners and an amazing community!
- Pursuing excellence is never easy but we have the ingredients

Let's get cookin' together!

# Thank you!