

VAIL PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT
d/b/a VAIL RECREATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

6:00 P.M.
Thursday, March 24, 2016
Town of Vail, Council Chambers
AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Minutes
 - a. February 25, 2016
3. Public Input of Items not on the Agenda
4. February 2016 Financial Report-Mr. Eric Weaver
5. Selection of Sub Committee for Reviewing Golf Course Donation Applications- Mr. Mike Ortiz
6. Review of New Website and Online Registration System-Mrs. Jessie Klehfoth
7. Executive Director Input
8. Board Member Input
9. Adjournment

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of the Regular Meeting Of the Board of Directors

Vail Park and Recreation District dba Vail Recreation District February 25, 2016

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Vail Recreation District, Town of Vail, Eagle County, Colorado, was held on February 25, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. at the Vail Town Council Chambers, Town of Vail, Eagle County, Colorado, in accordance with the applicable statutes of the State of Colorado.

1. MEMBERS PRESENT
 - 1.1. Tom Saalfeld, Kim Newbury, Kevin Foley, Bill Suarez, Jeff Wiles
2. MEMBERS ABSENT AND EXCUSED
 - 2.1. None
3. STAFF PRESENT
 - 3.1. Mike Ortiz, April Heredia, Jessie Klehfoth, Beth Pappas
4. OTHERS PRESENT
 - 4.1. Brian Rodine, Lee Rimel
5. CONSULTANTS PRESENT
 - 5.1. Eric Weaver, Marchetti & Weaver, LLC
6. CALL TO ORDER
 - 6.1. Director Saalfeld called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.
7. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES
 - 7.1. By motion duly made and seconded it was RESOLVED to unanimously approve the minutes of the February 11, 2016 meeting.
8. PUBLIC INPUT OF ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA
 - 8.1. Mr. Brian Rodine wished to introduce himself and state that he is running for the VRD Board of Directors this year. He also wanted to thank the current board for their service.
9. REQUEST FOR FUNDING OF ADOPT-A-RANGER
 - 9.1. Mr. Lee Rimel reviewed the Adopt-A-Ranger program to fund a seasonal ranger specifically to work on trails in the Eagle County area. The Vail Valley Mountain

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Bike Association has been working to train trail crew leaders over the past few years and are proposing to hire a National Forest Service Ranger Supervisor to oversee their trail crew on NFS land. The program is asking for \$50,000 from the community, and have so far raised \$29,000. Mr. Rimel asked the Rec District for \$5,000 to upgrade, maintain and support creating new trails around the area.

- 9.2. After some discussion, and upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously RESOLVED to donate \$5,000 to the Adopt-A-Trail program through the Vail Valley Mountain Bike Association.

10. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR INPUT

- 10.1. Mr. Ortiz highlighted that the Nordic trails are still in great shape with daily maintenance, and we are about 5% above average snowpack for the Colorado River Basin.
- 10.2. Mr. Ortiz stated that last week Scott Todd and Justin Gompf attended the PGA Golf Industry Show, focusing on equipment and services to improve cart paths and lake sediment removal companies. They are looking at new yardage accessory options for fairways and tee boxes.
- 10.3. Mr. Ortiz highlighted that the position of Assistant Golf Professional has been posted on the PGA website. He stated that we currently have three six-month PGM Interns committed for the summer, two from UNLV and one from Campbell University.
- 10.4. Mr. Ortiz mentioned that Mrs. Pappas has been working with Vail Resorts and they have approved a revised 10 @ 10 and 5 @ 10 courses for 8/21 on Vail Mountain and has approved the Hill Climb for July 10th. We are working on crafting the messaging with Vail Resorts to let people know about the change of date for the Hill Climb. Mrs. Pappas and Mr. Rabinowitz timed the Vail Mountain Uphill Race on 2/2, run by Jen Mason.
- 10.5. Mr. Ortiz highlighted that the VRD was featured numerous times in the Vail Daily recently including articles on the upcoming Board election and call for nominations, the Shamrock Shuffle, and a front page photo of the AcroYoga program, in addition to daily calendar items. He also mentioned that Mrs. Klehfoth and Mrs. Pappas continue to do weekly chats on air at KZYR.
- 10.6. Mr. Ortiz also mentioned that Mrs. Klehfoth is working on a brand new VRD website that will be more mobile friendly. The goal to launch this is the first week of April along with the new MaxGalaxy registration system.
- 10.7. Mr. Ortiz then stated that we had a very successful Parent's Night Out program on Saturday 2/13 with 20 participants. There was also a Cocktails & Canvas chocolate-making workshop on 2/12 that was full with 20 participants.
- 10.7.1. Director Foley questioned if the HillClimb date has been moved.
- 10.7.2. Mr. Ortiz stated that it will now be on July 10th, and that the half marathon course has been moved to Camp Hale and we are excited to work with the Forest Service to create new races in different parts of the county.

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10.7.3. Director Suarez questioned if we received any feedback from the PEC on the pickleball courts.

10.7.4. Mr. Ortiz stated that the project has been approved and that Mr. Oppenheimer will work on getting a contractor for the project. There was some concern from the council about drainage and that has been improved by 94%. The PEC has asked us not to put up the sound barrier yet, but it is in the budget. There will be a new bathroom building on the site along with a drinking fountain.

11. BOARD MEMBER INPUT

11.1. Director Newbury wanted to thank Mrs. Klehfoth on the great press coverage of the VRD in recent newspaper stories and radio ads.

11.2. Director Wiles stated that he enjoyed the Nordic track today and is excited about having a new Nordic facility. He was impressed with the track condition and encourages everyone to check it out. He also encouraged the community to attend the upcoming ski patrol vs. ski school hockey game at Dobson Ice Arena.

11.3. Director Foley mentioned that the Vail Trail plan will be discussed this upcoming Monday, February 29 at the Grand View Room and encourages people to come and learn about it and the I-70 underpass project. He also said that the sports department did a great job timing the Vail Uphill, which he participated in.

11.4. Director Suarez said that Mr. Seward requested a new squeegee for the tennis courts, and Mr. Ortiz confirmed that it is already in the budget. Director Suarez also talked about a new boxing program that's been helping Parkinson patients and wondered if this would be a good fit for the VRD and Community Programming Room. He also asked about the feasibility of covering the bridge at the Nordic center with a tent to keep the snow from melting on the bridge.

11.5. Director Wiles said hockey players have asked if a water bottle filling station could be added at Dobson Ice Arena.

12. ADJOURNMENT

12.1. Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously RESOLVED to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Vail Recreation District Board of Directors.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jessie Klehfoth
Secretary to the Meeting

VAIL RECREATION DISTRICT
 COMBINED BALANCE SHEET
 December 31, 2015 and February 29, 2016

	12/31/15					02/29/16				
	General Fund	Enter-prise Fund	General Fixed Assets & LTD	Ent. Fund Fixed Assets & LTD	Total	General Fund	Enter-prise Fund	General Fixed Assets & LTD	Ent. Fund Fixed Assets & LTD	Total
ASSETS										
CASH- UNRESTRICTED	2,971,779	(401)			2,971,378	2,399,609	(401)			2,399,208
INVESTMENTS- RESTRICTED		294,096			294,096		294,115			294,115
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	78,351	24,032			102,383	69,057	3,435			72,492
PROPERTY TAXES RECEIVABLE	2,787,408	281,771			3,069,179	2,697,728	272,705			2,970,433
PREPAIDS, DEPOSITS & INVENTORY	1,884	33,659			35,543	1,884	32,795			34,679
DUE (TO) FROM OTHER FUND	9,268	(9,268)			0	384,748	(384,748)			0
LOAN DUE (TO) FROM OTHER FUND	(664)	664			0	(664)	664			0
LAND & BUILDINGS			530,080	11,266,334	11,796,414			530,080	11,266,334	11,796,414
EQUIPMENT			754,717	1,816,096	2,570,813			754,717	1,816,096	2,570,813
ACCUM DEPR			(738,753)	(7,453,802)	(8,192,555)			(738,753)	(7,453,802)	(8,192,555)
TOTAL ASSETS	5,848,025	624,554	546,044	5,628,628	12,647,251	5,552,361	218,565	546,044	5,628,628	11,945,599
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY										
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	64,490	18,121			82,610	27,767	(3,851)			23,916
DEFERRED PROPERTY TAXES	2,787,408	281,771			3,069,179	2,697,728	272,705			2,970,433
DEFERRED REVENUE	28,623	3,175			31,799	16,834	13,775			30,609
ACCRUED COMPENSATED ABSENCES			32,633	26,384	59,017			32,633	26,384	59,017
ACCRUED INTEREST PAYABLE			0	21,088	21,088			0	21,088	21,088
DUE TO TOV- DOBSON IMPROVEMENTS				0	0				0	0
DUE TO TOV-GYMNASTICS			0		0			0		0
DOBSON BONDS PAYABLE				1,205,000	1,205,000				1,205,000	1,205,000
IMPUTED INTEREST			0	0	0			0	0	0
TOTAL LIABILITIES	2,880,521	303,066	32,633	1,252,472	4,468,693	2,742,329	282,629	32,633	1,252,472	4,310,063
NET ASSETS										
INV IN FIXED ASSETS, NET OF DEBT			513,411	4,376,156	4,889,567			513,411	4,376,156	4,889,567
RESTRICTED	108,798	278,913			387,711	119,668	278,913			398,581
COMMITTED & ASSIGNED FOR CAPITAL	1,800,000	-			1,800,000	750,000	-			750,000
UNASSIGNED	1,058,706	42,574			1,101,280	1,940,364	(342,977)			1,597,387
TOTAL NET ASSETS	2,967,504	321,487	513,411	4,376,156	8,178,558	2,810,032	(64,064)	513,411	4,376,156	7,635,535
TOTAL LIAB & NET ASSETS	5,848,025	624,554	546,044	5,628,628	12,647,251	5,552,361	218,565	546,044	5,628,628	11,945,599

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VAIL RECREATION DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
ACTUAL, BUDGET AND FORECAST FOR THE PERIODS INDICATE Modified Accrual Basis

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Modified Accrual Basis

	2014 Audited Actual	2015 Prelim Actual	2016 Forecast	2016 Adopted Budget	Variance Favorable (Unfavor)	2 Months Ended 02/29/16 Actual	2 Months Ended 02/29/16 Budget	Variance Favorable (Unfavor)	Percentage Variance Favorable (Unfavor)
COMBINED REVENUES									
PROPERTY AND OTHER TAXES, NET OF FEES	2,821,839	2,784,881	3,111,370	3,111,370	-	108,923	108,379	545	1%
OTHER NON-DEPARTMENTALIZED REVENUES	61,871	67,812	61,995	61,995	-	1,058	249	810	326%
SPORTS	411,980	377,836	395,575	395,075	500	34,453	31,230	3,223	10%
GYMNASTICS	193,439	167,230	184,031	184,031	-	31,898	24,472	7,426	30%
COMMUNITY PROGRAMMING	362,270	357,392	381,189	373,189	8,000	47,753	30,044	17,709	59%
NATURE CENTER & NORDIC	97,767	88,324	84,750	84,750	-	21,098	19,149	1,949	10%
GOLF COURSE	1,287,260	1,397,301	1,146,240	1,152,530	(6,290)	113	3,046	(2,933)	-96%
TENNIS	37,354	43,082	44,671	44,671	-	-	-	-	0%
DOBSON	555,582	644,492	584,895	584,895	-	75,984	83,352	(7,367)	-9%
BANQUET ROOM	-	750	36,185	36,185	-	-	-	-	0%
TOTAL REVENUES	5,829,362	5,929,101	6,030,900	6,028,690	2,210	321,281	299,920	21,361	7%
OPERATING EXPENSES									
ADMINISTRATION	(641,973)	(627,662)	(659,035)	(659,190)	155	(177,296)	(171,058)	(6,237)	-4%
PUBLIC RELATIONS/MARKETING	(220,207)	(246,240)	(259,361)	(259,361)	-	(35,566)	(42,112)	6,546	16%
PARK MAINTENANCE	(161,553)	(195,196)	(211,298)	(211,298)	-	(18,011)	(18,478)	467	3%
FACILITIES MAINTENANCE	(119,689)	(126,377)	(129,404)	(129,404)	-	(20,980)	(21,125)	145	1%
SPORTS	(510,750)	(470,067)	(522,489)	(522,637)	(550)	(54,476)	(55,664)	1,188	2%
GYMNASTICS	(212,015)	(203,707)	(238,887)	(238,887)	-	(34,506)	(36,949)	2,442	7%
COMMUNITY PROGRAMMING	(415,404)	(441,037)	(478,716)	(478,716)	-	(50,826)	(53,780)	2,954	5%
NATURE CENTER & NORDIC	(71,069)	(73,129)	(77,490)	(77,490)	-	(977)	(6,691)	5,714	85%
GOLF OPERATIONS	(657,681)	(823,053)	(881,874)	(881,874)	-	(32,156)	(37,804)	5,648	15%
GOLF MAINTENANCE	(771,021)	(767,580)	(823,470)	(823,432)	(38)	(80,860)	(77,844)	(3,017)	-4%
TENNIS	(80,140)	(66,863)	(87,585)	(87,585)	-	(1,812)	(1,528)	(285)	-19%
DOBSON	(618,089)	(619,034)	(691,287)	(691,287)	-	(102,777)	(109,333)	6,556	6%
BANQUET ROOM	-	-	(65,711)	(65,711)	-	(2,430)	(486)	(1,944)	-400%
ADDITIONAL OPERATING COSTS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENSES	(4,479,591)	(4,659,945)	(5,126,606)	(5,126,870)	(433)	(612,673)	(632,852)	20,179	3%
CHANGE IN FUND BAL BEFORE DS & CAP	1,349,770	1,269,155	904,295	901,820	1,777	(291,392)	(332,931)	41,539	
DEBT SERVICE	(324,582)	(274,144)	(277,989)	(277,989)	-	(251,631)	(251,632)	1	0%
CHANGE IN FUND BAL BEFORE CAP	1,025,189	995,012	626,306	623,831	1,777	(543,023)	(584,564)	41,540	
DONATIONS, LOANS, & SALE OF ASSETS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	(478,027)	(1,773,037)	(1,158,122)	(1,158,122)	-	-	(344)	344	100%
LESS UNFUNDED CAPITAL PROJECTS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CONTINGENCY	-	-	(200,000)	(200,000)	-	-	-	-	0%
TOTAL NET CAPITAL EXPENSES	(478,027)	(1,773,037)	(1,358,122)	(1,358,122)	-	-	(344)	344	100%
CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	547,162	(778,025)	(731,817)	(734,292)	1,777	(543,023)	(584,908)	41,885	
BEGINNING FUND BALANCES	3,519,855	4,067,016	3,288,991	2,981,787	307,204	3,288,991	2,981,787	307,204	
ENDING FUND BALANCES	4,067,016	3,288,991	2,557,174	2,247,495	308,981	2,745,968	2,396,879	349,089	

SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT VARIANCES:

COMMUNITY PROGRAMMING REV- Before/After and Schools out camps off to a great start

OUTDOOR PROGRAM REVENUES- Nordic Center revenues exceeding budget

DOBSON REVENUES- Open skate and concessions revenues are a little under budget but it's early in the year.

OPERATING EXPENSES- Most departments are favorable, not major variances to report and many are due to timing and will reverse themselves in coming months.

FUND BALANCE- Savings at end of 2015 rolled forward to 2016.

RFP's Applications for the 2016 Vail Golf Course Donation to Local Non-Profit Organizations. (3)
Three Applicants

Battle Mountain Touch Down Club

Bart Cuomo

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Describe your organization's impact in the community the past three (3) years:

Our event has enabled the Vail Valley to embrace the soldiers at Fort Carson, Colorado who put their lives on the line for the USA. Fort Carson is an infantry base, which means that soldiers stationed there are part of a combat division. The Huskies & Heroes event is a way for the Vail Valley to say "thank you" to the men and women who defend our freedom. The Battle Mountain Touchdown Club has enabled the High School football program to maintain a high level of quality equipment and coaching, which is vital to maintain the integrity of the program and the safety of our children.

The Battle Mountain Touchdown Club is a Colorado Non-Profit Corporation. The goal of the Club is to raise money to fund the grossly underfunded Battle Mountain Football program and youth football programs that are in need. The Club provides scholarships for less fortunate participants for football camps. The Club primary fundraiser is the Huskies & Heroes Golf Tourney in which the Event hosts soldiers stationed in Colorado who have engaged in combat duty abroad and their families. Over the last 9 years, we have hosted an average of nearly 40 military families each year and sponsored an average of 50 soldiers to play in our event.

Have coordinated (5) Golf tournaments for this cause. Expect 120 participants.

Best Buddies

Karl Berger

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Describe your organization's impact in the community the past three (3) years:

Now that BMHS has been such a successful pilot program for our area, we are strongly reaching out again to all the schools and organizations, including the District Accountability Team. The goal is to have (BB) (peer friendships for life, mentoring, leadership development and job training) at each middle school, high school and CMC in our valley. This then automatically moves on to the adult programs. It takes nothing away from wonderful programs already established in our community, BB (providing peers) only accents these programs for (Eagle River Youth Collation, Small Champions, etc.,etc..) BB is beneficial for our whole community by training compassionate younger groups (peers) who then are accustomed to working with children with learning differences, it becomes a more inclusive community where everyone benefits from the experience. It has been proven over and over, that these young kids with learning differences are always with adults, (parents, teachers, adult volunteers, Para's, etc...) yet they need real friendships to learn, improve social skills and feel more comfortable with life in general, just like their peers. Most kids in our regular population just have a lack of knowledge and understanding therefore, (unfortunately), focus on the differences and not the likenesses. With BB that all goes away, The student officers (and a least one adult) of the Club are required to attend the BB Leadership Conference each summer for training and leadership skills - which filters down to the other students in the program and throughout the school (I took Becky Matsen, and two students from BMHS last summer.) It is a wonderful organization, and has been working successfully throughout the US and abroad since 1984.

While our charter within BMHS is relatively new, 1 year now, we are making very significant strides in our community. We have hosted a prom at the high school, working with dozens of newly made peers and their families, and reaching out every day to grow and improve within our community. The differences are already visible and heart warming for everyone involved. When a child in BMHS receives a call from their peer to go out and catch a movie, or just hang out, it is those moments and those friendships that make a difference forever in their lives. The leadership skills these peers receive can never be replaced and will always become a part of them, helping them to overcome the fears of social interactions and give them the confidence to move forward with their lives independently and successfully.

As is such the case with all new ventures of this kind, it is a lack of understanding, involvement and, as always, a lack of funding. The Vail Golf Course, with it's program, is very aware of these challenges. It is a wonderful program you offer to help local charities grow within the Valley. We would like to be a part of that growth, and we look forward to being an integral part of Vail for decades to come. Our program will grow and it will thrive, of that we are certain. You can help us make those strides, and your wonderful gift will go a long way to achieving those goals. Thank you for this opportunity and thank you for your consideration of Best Buddies.

Best Buddies is a non-profit, 501c3 organization dedicated to establishing a global volunteer movement that creates opportunities for one-on-one friendships, integrated employment and leadership development for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

The IDD community that Best Buddies serves, but is not limited to, includes those with Down syndrome, Autism, Fragile X, Williams syndrome, cerebral palsy, traumatic brain injury, and other non- diagnosed disabilities.

Best Buddies is the world's largest organization dedicated to ending the social, physical, and economic isolation of the 200 million people with IDD. For individuals within this community, Best Buddies helps them form meaningful friendships with their peers, secure successful jobs, live independently, improve public speaking, self-advocacy and communication skills, and most importantly, feel valued by society.

I would encourage everyone reviewing this application to visit the Best Buddies website for further information. BestBuddies.org

Have organized (0) golf events. Expect 80 participants.

Education Foundation of Eagle County (EFEC)

Jenifer Hammond

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- E•f(ec) Distinguished Teacher Scholarship Awards is designed to reward and promote excellence in teaching in Eagle County by providing funding to public school educators who wish to continue study in specific subject areas to obtain advanced degrees or certification. Public K-12 teachers in Eagle County can apply with the requirement that they agree to remain in an Eagle County Schools teaching position for a minimum of three years following the completion of studies. Distinguished Teacher Scholarships are awarded at Evening of Stars.
- E•f(ec) Equity Grants - Every August principals or school communities can apply for grants. Since 2012 over \$150,000 has been granted providing primary literacy support, counseling services, teacher support services, and curriculum access.

The Education Foundation of Eagle County is a worthy recipient of the golf course donation because of the 6,500 students and 3,000 families we touch every day with our work in Eagle

County. The impact of the Vail Golf Club's golf donation would allow us to put on our Eagles fore Education golf tournament, and would help bridge the funding gap our teachers and schools experience, as Colorado funds K-12 public education 49th in our nation.

The Education Foundation of Eagle County is a nonprofit dedicated to funding strategic initiatives and programs for quality education in Eagle County, Colorado. Children spend 1,000 hours each year in a classroom. The purpose of the Education Foundation of Eagle County is to make specific and targeted recommendations to and to work in conjunction with Eagle County School District to retain our most qualified teachers, preserve staffing levels, maintain smaller class sizes, conserve and improve one on one teacher student ratios, and to protect vital programs and curricula that have been or are in danger of being reduced or eliminated.

Please learn more about the Education Foundation of Eagle County by visiting www.efec.org to make a difference in a child's education to be part of the funding solution by supporting our E•f(ec)tive events and programs: E•f(ec)tive Apple Awards, Evening of Stars, Project Funway, Summer School of Rock Day Camp & Benefit Concert, Eagles fore Education Golf Tournament, E•f(ec)tive Distinguished Teacher Scholarship Awards, E•f(ec)tive Grants, E•f(ec)tive Speaker Series, and Bots for Kids.

Have organized (3) Golf Tournaments at Red Sky Ranch. Expect 72 Participants.

VAIL RECREATION DISTRICT DIRECTOR REPORTS
March 24, 2016

GOLF MAINTENANCE

- Snow this week, so greens clearing was temporarily tabled. As of today, greens 1-4, 6, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, and the putting green have been cleared and retreated with a fungicide for snowmold suppression. In the next week, weather permitting, we will clear 5, 15, and new and old 18 green. After that, we'll clear 7-10, and 12 only if the weather doesn't melt the snow on them before we get to them. All greens cleared so far looked good, no snowmold or ice damage, and the new snow keeps them protected from windy weather conditions.
- Soliciting estimates from contractors to add drainage to some of the bird baths on the greens, as well as companies to remove sediment from our ponds.
 - Conversation with ERWSD on removal of sediment from ponds.
- Ordered three new utility vehicles, trading in three that are 7 years old.
- Looking to edge cart paths this year, looking for the most efficient and effective tool to do this procedure, not an easy proposition with asphalt paths that vary in edge conditions and have undulations on the surface.
- Nordic trails still in great shape. Settled base of 23" at our weather station by 3 green as of today. We are roughly at average snowpack for the Colorado River Basin year to date.
- Scott and Justin attended the Golf Industry Show the week of February 8th, attending seminars on Monday and Tuesday, and the trade show on Wednesday and Thursday. Focused on equipment and services to improve cart paths, lake sediment removal companies, less disruptive drainage installation options, and new yardage accessory options for fairways and tee boxes.
- An article appears in the March edition of "Golf Course Management" magazine, produced by GCSAA, detailing our 2015 recertification in the Audubon International Cooperative Golf Course Sanctuary program. The article, written by the Audubon Steward that toured the course and facilities last June to assess our practices, highlights our environmentally conscious management strategies. Later this spring, would like to work with Jessie on an article to be released in the local news publications.
- Several of us plan to visit a couple of the Nordic facilities in our area that host fat tire biking, to assess whether it might be an option for us in the future.

GOLF OPERATIONS

- The golf course is taking applications and interviewing for seasonal staff this month. Vail GC has openings for starter/ranger and pro shop positions. We hired George Hart, PGA Professional for an Assistant's position. George has worked at the Sonnenalp Golf Course for the past nine years. George has many years of

experience in the golf business and will be a great addition to our professional staff.

- With the maintenance staff and operations staff, we are looking for housing for two, three-month interns. The Town employee housing is for 6-month seasonal workers only. We need help, if anyone has any options, please contact Alice or Justin Gompf .
- Golf passes will go on sale on May 1st this year. Discounts for early purchase will be through the month until June 1st. Our punch cards will be all electronic this year with our new point of sale system. We are also working on the online sale of golf passes this year also.
- We are continuing to book small groups and tee times for the summer. We are clearly stating the fact we are under construction with the clubhouse. This will be an extremely important message as we book tee times this summer. Our smaller groups of 24-36 people have received this news well.
- Ethan Malzahn accepted a year around Assistant's position at Lakewood Country Club in Denver. He has started this position. Ethan worked at the Vail Golf Club for a total of four seasons. We will miss Ethan!
- Chris Johnson took a position as Assistant Professional at Cherry Creek Country Club this past August. His Head Professional recently took another job. Chris is a finalist for the HP Position at the club!
- The PGA Junior League is an exciting new format of Junior Golf competition and learning for junior golfers 8- 13 years old. The PGA of America introduced this program in 2011. All the Eagle County courses are adapting this for the 2016 season. Information will be sent out to our junior golf email list this week. This will take the place of the First Tee Players League. For the 14 – 18 year olds we have a "player tournament series". Registration for these events will be through the First Tee of Eagle County.
- We received three Requests from local non-profits for the golf course donation for 2016. Battle Mountain Touch Down Club, Best Buddies and Education Foundation of Eagle County.

SPORTS REPORT

- Krueger Family Shamrock Shuffle went off last Saturday, all though attendance was down slightly in 2016. It remains a great family event.
- Congratulations to Rafa's Crew for winning this year's Adult Basketball League, the champion in Adult Co-ed Volleyball was also crowned.
- We welcome Noosa Yogurt as a new sponsor of the Trail Running Series and 808 Distillery as a new partner of the Mountain Bike Series.
- Confirmed renewal sponsorships with East West Resorts/Athletic Club at the Westin for title sponsor of the Mountain Bike Series, and Keen for the title sponsor of the Mud Run
- Kids Adventure games registration opened with 50 teams signing up in the first hour
- Working with Summit Ford on a new sponsorship deal including our purchase of a new truck
- Beth got the ball rolling on this year's BBB golf tournament with the completion of a sponsor deck, some proposals out and a planning meeting.
- Investigating Adopt a Trail program with the Forrest Service, as a VRD community service project

- Met with Steadman Phillipon Clinic on 2016 programs and presented them with some additional opportunities in review of their multi-year partnership program
- Continue to support Pink Vail by helping them: get the word out to our participants via social media channels, equipment loan, and Beth is team captain.
- Registration is ongoing for Spring Soccer and T-Ball
- Met with the Glackin's and Alpine Quest Sports in preparation for this year's White Water Series
- Been interviewing for our summer full time staff and will hopefully have both the Summer Sports Coordinator and Summer Sports Admin positions filled by the time you read this

MARKETING

- Summer marketing is in full swing with media buys and graphic collateral creation, including numerous summer camp placements, trail running series advertising, sports clinics and more.
- Press releases and emails were sent out for the Krueger Family Shamrock Shuffle, Parents' Night Out program, board of director candidate forum, youth t-ball and soccer registration, gymnastics team success at a recent Denver meet, a Pink Vail reminder, Easter Egg Hunt information and more.
- The VRD was featured numerous times in the Vail Daily recently including a two-page spread on the Chocolate Making workshop hosted by Community Programming, an announcement of candidates for the upcoming board election, and an announcement of the candidate forum time and location, Shamrock Shuffle ads and town talks mentions, town talk announcements of league winners, in addition to daily calendar items. Jessie was also invited to the Midday Mile radio show where she and Kip talked about the VRD and Shamrock Shuffle during a 10-minute interview. Jessie and Beth continue their weekly chat on air at KZYR and also appeared on the morning show on The Lift, in addition to daily radio ads.
- Trail running series postcards have been created and sent, and the summer camp guide has been designed and will be sent pending approval from all directors.
- Jessie is working on a brand new VRD website, as well as assisting with the implementation of the new MaxGalaxy registration system, set for launch on April 4.

DOBSON

- George Selimos, a Dobson skating instructor has been selected to attend the World Championships in Boston as an apprentice for pairs skating as a representative of US Figure Skating.
- Operation Altitude put on another successful private event with Sheryl Crow as the entertainment. This marks the 9th time in 10 years we have hosted the event.
- Hockey season is finishing up. Every Vail Mountaineer hockey team made the state playoffs. Battle Mountain finished 8-10 and just missed the playoffs as the winner of their last game against Aspen moved on. BMHS couldn't overcome their injuries but still exceeded expectations this season with a very young squad.
- One of our Squirt C teams won the State Championship and our Squirt B team finished 2nd. Pee Wee A and our other Squirt C made the final 4. Hockey participation is at an all-time high in Dobson Arena right now.
- Dobson hosted the Burton after party March 6th. We had a packed house dancing the night away to the sounds of DJ Nu Mark from Jurassic 5. The event was a

huge success and people all over town have been talking about how much nicer a venue Dobson is over the Solaris and how much fun they had.

- Dobson hosted the H.E.R.O game put on by Speak Up Reach Out. The event helped raise money for first responders and Speak Up Reach Out which is a suicide prevention organization. We had about 150 people in attendance. This is was the first year for this event and they hope to build it from here.

PARKS MAINTENANCE

- Nothing new at the parks department, in the winter mode, setting Nordic, snow shoe, and snow removal.

COMMUNITY PROGRAMMING

Community Programming

- Traffic continues to be busy at Imagination Station. We see 5 to 10 families per day. We had the biggest month ever in February and the traffic continues in March. Paint Your Own Pottery has been particularly busy with many days having 12 or more painters.
- Adult fitness continues as it has all season. We are getting consistently better yoga participation than we have ever had.
- We have series of Parents' Night Out programs through Imagination Station.

KidZone

- We hosted five days of School's Out Camp over the February break. Thanks to Jerrica for a great schedule. We were full every day.
- We hosted a day of School's Out Camp on Monday, 3/21 with a full group – filling two vans.
- The VRD, Youth Foundation, SSCV Nordic Power Hours at RSES will continue through March and as far into April as snow will allow.

Other

- Chad, Jared, Joel, Julie and Jessie have agreed to move forward with Max Galaxy as a unified database and online registration portal for all VRD programming.
- We have begun to recruit and interview for summer positions. Fortunately, our Pre Kamp Director and Teacher are returning for 2016. These difficult-to-hire positions are already covered!
- We have begun to plan summer programming. We have some new and interesting ideas to produce more revenue in 2016.
- Easter Egg Hunt is Saturday 3/26. Come out to see the festivities or help out.

Marketing/Photos (Tooting Our Own Horn)

- A Vail Daily writer and photographer came to Chocolate Making, and there was a full-length story in the paper
- We are updating the website with summer camp information; we want to get parents and children excited about our summer offerings.

BUILDING MAINTENANCE/ F&B

Vail Golf & Nordic Club House Construction

- Cart Barn concrete floor to be poured this week
- Colorado Golf and Turf reviewing proposed electrical layout for carts
- Contractor coordinating with Holy Cross for Sewer / power conflict, recently “pot holed” and determined to be in direct conflict with proposed storm sewer. Holy Cross is working on solution to reroute power, project will start in early April.
- Parking grading plan under review based on challenges with existing elevation and impact to berm
- Design team addressing issues weekly as construction crews identify challenges with plan set.
- Landscaping plan under review for existing and proposed trees
- VRD staff now working with TOV and NV5 for restoration and enhancement budget development.

Vail Golf & Nordic Temporary Structure

- VRD maintaining walkway from parking lot to structures, checking daily for ice and other issues
- Provided G.C. with additional signage to alleviate guests entering construction zone, have had no issues since new signs installed.

Dobson

- Hosted 3 events in the last 4 weeks: Operation Altitude, Burton & HERO fundraiser. All events were successful with F&B operations busy for all events.
- Installation of F&B hand sink scheduled
- F&B concessions supervisor to operate Dobson will be posted and we will begin interviewing candidates

Youth Services Lions Head

- Small repairs at GP and punch lists at Lionhead including installation fire extinguishers and light repairs.

Tennis / Pickleball

- PEC approved Pickleball.

GYMNASTICS

- Vail Gymnastics will host its annual spring show on Saturday, April 16th. New this year, the gymnastics center will host Green Elephant Juicery as a sponsor during the event. The juicer will donate 20 percent of their proceeds at the event to the gymnastics program.
- The level 7 and 8 competitive team went on its first ever away meet to San Diego, California on March 3-6th. Addison Nothnagel took home a gold medal on the uneven bars with a 9.55 score. The team took home several individual bronze medals as well.
- The level 8 State Championships were held at Colorado Gymnastics Institute in Aurora, CO on March 20th. Samantha Nothnagel placed 11th overall and 7th on the balance beam at the championship.

- The boy's competitive team who is now competing in affiliation with Pinnacle Gymnastics have all qualified to the Region 3 championship in their respective levels. 5 Boys will travel to Colorado Springs in April for the Regional Championship. These 5 boy's train at Vail Gymnastics 2 to 3 days per week.
- The girls level 7 State Championship will take place on April 1st in Colorado Springs and Vail Gymnastics will be sending 3 girls in hope of qualifying to the Regional Championship in Little Rock, Arkansas in April.
- Tuesday, March 22nd will conclude a 6 week pre-school program with the Vail Child Care Center. The gymnastics center hosted 16 kids per week during a 6 week long introductory gymnastics program.