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Dear Lappe Ski Centre member:

It has been a great summer hiking on the well manicured trails at Lappe, despite the mosquitoes. People often ask me whether anything is happening on the trails or if we need to do any work during the summer. They are invariably astonished to learn that a great amount of time is spent brushing , digging rocks out, making ditches , and whatever is required each summer. It is Pauli Kaki who mostly carries out all these tasks. This year Maaritta and Emmi, third generation of the Ski Centre Puiras family, had an opportunity to experience what is required during the summer, in order to get ready for the season and especially to groom on early snow.

The renovated Chalet and the locker and waxing buildings seem to be functional and well appreciated. The relocation of the kitchen has made a huge difference. The Nordiq Canada Ski Nationals were a test for the kitchen's ability to serve big crowds, which they passed with flying colours.

This season our attention is shifting to the equipment/machines needed to groom the trails. Fortunately, the Pisten Bully is still relatively new. The skidoo is starting to feel its age and the quad is a 1984 Honda. We will also need a number of smaller machines for next summer for brushing and grass cutting. The aim is to slowly replace the equipment to be able to continue to maintain the trails in the exceptional condition that members are used to.

Summer is drawing to an end and the new ski season is just about to start. Let's get the gear out and ready. The Open House will take place on October 28, but you don't need to wait that long to get your Early Bird rate. Looking forward to seeing everyone again!

Sincerely,

Tuija, Timo, Becky and family