

KOC President's Report 2022

KOC emerged from COVID hibernation with anticipation that the conditions would align to pull off the Canadian Orienteering Championship that had been bumped the previous two years.

We started the year with our first in person event with limited restrictions with a ski orienteering race as part of the Kimberley Nordic Clubs Nordic Fest. We had 54 participants. It was great to finally see folks directly to start building some enthusiasm for getting things rolling for a scaled down COCs, not knowing how many folks may show up, or if things would be curtailed again..

Most of the available energy in the club was focused on ensuring the COCs were technically excellent. We welcomed the support from key folks from GVOC, Sage and FWOC and the Teutchs from Ottawa. A number of map updates were required on the now 3-4 year old maps with pent up trail construction activities underway on two of the venues. We were happy to host the 225 participants to cap off an excellent week of orienteering showcasing some of our best terrain. Thankfully the weather was fantastic with no smoke and reasonable temperatures. We are happy to have the legacy of a couple more high quality maps to our inventory of orienteering options.

We are looking forward to regrouping this fall to resume with more club focused events starting with a good contingent coming down to enjoy the BCOCs. Looking forward to seeing folks there!

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