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Councillor Ernie Crist has again suggested, in an article in the North Shore News, that Fromme is not a suitable place for mountain biking. I've also heard him suggest that St. Andrews isn't so hot for golf and that tennis should be banned at Wimbledon.

The recommendations of the Alpine Recreational Strategic Study are going to cost money - some say as much as \$900,000 to build two parking lots to accommodate 30 cars each. Councillor Crist doesn't feel that taxpayers should pay for these initiatives. I would be interested to know what the District pays each year to maintain soccer fields, golf courses or tennis courts. Mountain biking is conservatively estimated to bring \$30 million into the North Shore economy every year but Councillor Crist apparently feels \$900,000 is too much of an investment to preserve 30 mill in economic activity.