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Dear members

As another year draws to a close, skiing is probably the last thing on your mind. That is unless you are one of several of our members who are heading off to ski overseas in the new year.

However, activities for our club don't stop over summer. Our maintenance officer, Kevin Masters, has lots of improvements to our lodge under way. The lodge is of course available for summer bookings as we can usually manage to fit the maintenance around those bookings.

By now you will have received the notice of the AGM. We are trying Saturday this time to see if we can get more members along. Mark February 2 in your diary now and make sure you come along.

After 11 years of producing this newsletter, I've decided to not take on the task next year but take another role on committee. Thank you all for taking the time to read my newsletters and for the positive feedback I have received over the years.

On behalf of the committee I wish all our members and their families a very joyous Christmas and a happy and prosperous new year.

Enjoy you skiing
And your summer activities

Kevin Donegan



Membership Information

Subscription and Maintenance Levies Late Fees

As of 2008 the late fees that apply to overdue Subs and Maintenance levies will be increased. These levies (together with accommodation fees) are the income which enables the Club to operate successfully and carry out essential maintenance and upgrades on the Lodge each year. In order to keep the booking rates affordable, and the Lodge maintained and improved, it is crucial that these levies are paid on time each year. The Committee has therefore decided to increase the late fees as follows:

- Subs and maintenance levies will be required to be fully paid by 31st March each year.
- After this date a late fee of \$15.00 will be imposed for each year that the levies remain unpaid. A letter will be sent out in April advising members of any outstanding levies and fees owing.
- Members will then have until 31st May to pay their levies (including any late fees).
- From June the late fee will increase to \$45.00 for each year of unpaid levies. This new increased fee will commence from 2008. (ie all unpaid levies prior to 2008 will still only incur a \$15.00 yearly late fee).

SLOPES (Ski Lodge Operators of Perisher and Smiggins) is trying to encourage more usage outside the ski season. To this end they are trying the following:

BACK TO PERISHER APRIL 12-19TH 2008

THE FIRST WEEK OF THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS IS APRIL 12-19TH IN 2008

All of us who have been to Perisher in Summer or Autumn have loved it, but it is often lonely. We have 1600 Club Beds in Perisher and we hope to achieve at least 1200 visitors enjoying themselves at the same time and saying G'day.

Activities will include:

1). A 6.2km Fun Run from Perisher Gap to Charlottes. The run will start at the top of the hill near Eyres TeeBar, so the run does NOT include the heartbreak hill. Charlottes Chalet will be open for the runners to revive. Paramedics will be there. Water stations on the way. Working on having buses to return the runners to Perisher

For those who bring bikes, a bike fun run from Spencers gap to Charlottes and return..

2). Working on a Ski tube ride to Blue Cow from Perisher and return down the road, or over the top where you usually ski.

3). Organize a car driver swap, half go to Thredbo, half to Rawsons, and then walk over the top 13 ½ k,(or including the summit 15 ½ k) from Thredbo to Rawsons or vice versa. Down or up the Thredbo Chair lift. There is a hugely expensive toilet being installed near the summit!!

4. The Porcupine walk, and the old cattle stockade.

5. Walks at Guthega to Illawong , 1 hr each way or longer. Guthega Hotel will be open.

6. Inter Club Tug of war!!! Fire Brigade demonstration.

7. The Jatz bar will open in Perisher as a watering hole for everyone to get together for a beer. We are working on Smiggins Hotel to open their bar.

8. Clubs will be grouped in threes, and each Club should have the other two clubs over for a drink during the week so as to see how the other half live.

9. Visit Rainbow 2km Walk at Dainers gap and see the original wooden water pipes used in the 1800's.

10 Take a day and drive to Cabramurra or other parts of the Snowy scheme.

11. All insurances supplied by Snowline Insurance gratis.

ALSO FROM SLOPES

Skiers who ski mostly at Perisher Blue, and this is probably most of us, should carefully consider where they buy their NPWS annual pass.

80% of all entry tickets sold at the entry station at sawpit go to the perisher MSU funds

Only 35% of tickets sold anywhere else go to MSU. Beware of the annual tickets sold direct by hurstville npws.

0% of tickets sold at Thredbo entry station goes to perisher MSU