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THE THIRROUL SKI CLUB LIMITED

MARANATHA LODGE

PERISHER VALLEY

KOSCIUSZKO NATIONAL PARK

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Dear Members,

This newsletter brings a reminder about our AGM, some information from the committee including a link to our Member Protection Policy which some members said they had trouble finding on our website. It also brings notification of the prize winners from the 50th birthday celebration and an article from our president on that occasion.

After producing these newsletters for over 20 years, this will be my last. I am not standing for committee this year as I intend to use my retirement years to do more travelling. I will do all I can to help the new Publicity Officer as they take their first steps in the role.

Enjoy your skiing

And your summer activities

Kevin Donegan

Publicity Officer

News from the committee

The 50th **Annual General Meeting** of the Thirroul Ski Club Limited will be held at Russell Vale Golf Club (The Vale) located on Hicks Street Russell Vale on Sunday 29th March 2020 commencing at 10.30am. Lunch will be provided following the Meeting. Children are welcome. Presentation of Club Sporting Trophies will take place following the meeting.

For the purposes of catering please RSVP

to Gai Curtis gai.m.curtis@gmail.com

(note: Gai's old email address was put in the official Notice of AGM. Don't use that one, use the one above.)

Booking for 2020 winter season

All the information for winter accommodation at Maranatha is now on the club's website. Bookings for members open on Monday 9 March. Phone bookings open on Tuesday 10 March.

Member Protection Policy

The objective of Thirroul Ski Club is to encourage, develop and promote snow sports, skiing, ski touring and other athletic sports and athletic games in which human beings are the sole participants. (Memorandum of Association of The Thirroul Ski Club Ltd)

The main objective of the Club's Member Protection Policy is to maintain responsible behaviour and the making of informed decisions by members and other participants in this club. It outlines our commitment to a person's right to be treated with respect and dignity, and to be safe and protected from discrimination, harassment and abuse. Our policy informs everyone involved in our club of the standards of behaviour that are expected of them. It also covers the care and protection of children participating in our club's activities

A link to the policy can be found on the membership information page on our website or you can go directly to:

[http://thirroulskiclub.com.au/about-us/ewExternalFiles/TSC Member Protection](http://thirroulskiclub.com.au/about-us/ewExternalFiles/TSC%20Member%20Protection)

Members' Discount

Members should keep in mind that they can get a 15% discount on purchases at Rhythm Snowsports in Jindabyne, just by saying that they are a member of Thirroul Ski Club. Keep this in mind if you travel to the mountains over summer or winter.

Rhythm have generously donated Gift Vouchers for presentation to winners in our club championships.



Skiing vs snowboarding

Prize winners

.At the club's 50 birthday celebration all attendees went into a lucky draw for two prizes.
The winners were:

John Bresnehan who won 5 nights accommodation at Maranatha

Sam Knight who won two nights accommodation at Maranatha.

Congratulations, and enjoy your stay.

Bruce Norton wrote an article regarding our 50th birthday for publication in the Perisher Historical Society Newsletter. That newsletter can be found at

<https://perisherhistory.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/PHS-Newsletter-Issue-23-Summer-2019-20-Web2.pdf>

The article is reproduced below.

Thirroul Ski Club 50th Celebration

by Bruce Norton

2019 marked the 50th anniversary of the formation of the Thirroul Ski Club (Maranatha Lodge located at South Perisher). The celebration took place in the suburb where it all began, at the Thirroul Bowling, Leagues & Recreation Club on Sunday afternoon the 27 October 2019. The event was very well attended, with some 130 plus people making the celebration a great success. It was a real family affair with an excellent cross section of our membership from original, newer and junior members. A number of third generation and one fourth generation family took part. Thirroul Ski Club members and friends shared a most enjoyable afternoon of great food, drinks and company. There was much catching up and reminiscing about the club and its history with old ski friends.

Club history was also reflected in the decorations, with documents and memorabilia displayed on walls and tables around the room. A video interview captured early recollections of the club by two of our long standing and still active members Gordon McComb and Hans Buettner.

Three celebration photo cakes were produced for the occasion, with one showing our club logo, the second with an old 1970s photo of the lodge and the third the lodge as it looks today. Speeches and presentations during the afternoon acknowledged those who made

our great club what it is today. Finally, a big thank you to all the people who contributed to various aspects of making the day come together and to all those who turned up and made our 50th celebration an afternoon to remember.



The Thirroul Ski Club was founded in 1969 by a small band of members from the Thirroul Leagues Club with a desire to establish a club for skiing enthusiasts. The purchase of the already named Maranatha Lodge in Perisher Valley occurred in 1970. The lodge was fortunately purchased with fittings and basic stores so by the time the snow was falling in 1971 the club had employed a manager, had an enthusiastic committee and by the end of the year a membership of 220 people.

Since those early days the club has grown to about 300 members of all ages. It is a family lodge that provides accommodation in a location with one of the best views of Mount Perisher and Centre Valley.



Christine McComb and Jim Spiers



Caleb Barnes, Zoe Percy, Barb Frankum, Lyn Dblasi



John and Claire Crockett, Catherine Muir



Daniel Quinn, Lesley and Heather Snell, Robyn Quinn



Celebration cakes