



# *Snow Country Snippets*

## July 2016

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**Welcome to the third *Snow Country Snippets* for 2016.....**

If you have any Club related news or ski holiday pics, please send them to the above email address and we'll include in an upcoming newsletter.

### *The snow's arrived.....*

After some early season dumps this snow season looks like it's going to be one of the best. Lodge bookings are solid but there's still plenty of beds available in August and September.



### *2016 Annual General Meeting*

The Snow Country AGM was held on May 28 and was attended by around 30 members. Key matters discussed at the meeting were:

- The Presidents Report : Gavin's report is attached
- Life memberships
- The Smiggins Building Project

### *Presidents Report*

See attached President Gavin's report covering our financial results and highlights of the season.

### *Life Memberships*

Congratulations to **Robyn Carr and Lesley Ferguson** who were bestowed the highest Snow Country honour of Life Membership reflecting their significant contribution to the Club over many years - extremely worthy recipients.



**Thanks Robyn and Lesley for your commitment to Snow Country !**

### Smiggins Building Project

Adam Moate provided an update on the Smiggins Building Project - the presentation is attached.

It was proposed and agreed that a **Special General Meeting be held in October** (Sunday, Oct 16) for members to discuss and vote on the options to finance the required building works that will position Smiggins Lodge for another 50 years.

Since the meeting a Small Building Committee of members has been formed to progress the DA prior to the meeting

### **Smiggins Work Party - May**

The pre-season Smiggins Work Party was held in mid-May with members cleaning, painting, lifting (the oven), slashing and washing various parts of the lodge, getting it ready for opening weekend.

A huge thank you to those members who attended.



## ***Jindabyne Work Party***

Thanks also to Laurie and Jill Ward and their band of merry men (aka Mark Ward and Michael Green) who completed a range of tasks to ensure Jindabyne remains in tip-top shape for the winter season. Work included painting of the decks, installation of a fan in the drying room and bug spraying.

## ***Congratulations***

Congratulations to **Gavin Boyd** who has announced his engagement to **Lisa Thompson**. Gavin and Lisa are getting married in September and will be honeymooning in the US - congratulations Gavin and Lisa !

Congratulations also to club member **STUART WALLER** and his partner **KITTY** who were married in Wollongong on April 30, 2016.



## ***Junior Development Program: 10-13 July, 2016***

JDP participants who are not Club members will receive their invoice (\$100 fee) for involvement in the program this year prior to the program dates.

If any participating members have any queries regarding the JDP please contact David Winfield (Club Captain) by phone or email :

**David Winfield**

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## ***Snow Country Club Clothing***

An order has been placed for Snow Country Club clothing based on the orders received at the end of May.

Merchandise will be received by members in mid to late July.

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## ***KNP - No Smoking in the Park***

NPWS have advised that smoking is now banned in the Kosciuszko National Park, except for leased areas (e.g. lodges). SCSC Smiggins Lodge is a smoke-free lodge with smoking permitted in the immediate areas outside the lodge.

## ***Important Dates for the Diary - 2016***

Junior Development Programme	10 - 13 July
Senior Interclub Races	20 August
Junior Interclub Races	3 September
Smiggins Bowl	17 September
Special General Meeting	16 October

## ***Coffee in Smiggins***

The Club has purchased a Nespresso Coffee machine, complete with milk frother, for the Smiggins Lodge.

The machine arrives in July and guests can purchase pods or bring their own.

## ***The Smiggins LOFT (or attic)***

Members, PLEASE TAKE NOTE, the storage loft (or attic) in Smiggins Lodge will be cleaned out at the end of the season. Any items remaining in the attic at the end of the season will be donated (or dumped). The area will need to be accessed during lodge clean up and refurbishment in the off season.

## Sincere Condolences

Please see a note received from Greg Baxter, who's father Burnie Baxter, passed away recently. Burnie was just one of the members and wonderful helpers in the early 1960's who assisted with the building of the Smiggins Lodge.

Thanks Greg and our sincere condolences on the passing of your father.

*My dad, Burnie, passed way peacefully at 92, last week. I was going through some old photos and found this invitation (see next page) from when Snow Country Ski Club used to go on Safari in the summer time.*

*This one for a Safari to Bendalong, where we had a holiday house and attracted the Marchants to the area. After that weekend they decided to build a holiday house there as well. I think Sher Hannington might have done the job.*

*Dad was a great work party member, more than a skier and I remember used to delay the payment of building supplies he supplied from St George Lime and Cement. I remember this because it used to give my uncle Ron Baxter (who is still alive), the shifts. He was a tougher businessman than dad.*

*Someone said lately that dad had stated, at a work party, "I wouldn't work this hard if I was getting paid for it".*

*I have a fond memory of sitting in the pub at Smiggins with dad and Jack Shumack, getting him drunk. Why?. Because Jack had a broken ankle and wasn't going anywhere that afternoon, or night. Eventually we carried/dragged him up to the lodge where he sat up all night with dad, drinking rum in readiness for the ambulance ride the next day.*

*Don't we have a million great memories of SCSC?*

Regards  
Greg Baxter



## SNOW COUNTRY SKI CLUB GOES SAFARI FOR THE WEEK END - - AGAIN.

WHERE: Once again to Bendalong (Red Head) on the South Coast - 140 miles from Sydney - 84 miles from Wollongong - 40 miles from Nowra - See MUD MAP.

WHEN: Saturday and Sunday 11th and 12th February, 1967 - Arrive Friday if it is convenient - Come Sunday and make it a picnic day if you so desire.

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The members of the Snow Country Ski Club and their friends are invited to attend yet another super week-end at Bendalong. Those of you who attended last year will well remember the enjoyable time we had and must certainly be looking forward to this coming week-end. To those of you who missed out on this function, give this invitation your fullest consideration and do your utmost to attend this year. You can be guaranteed of a most happy and carefree week-end.

It is with the fullest confidence that we mention that Bendalong is one of the most beautiful little holiday paradises on the South Coast, with glorious safe sandy beaches - a real haven for children - and full facilities for safe swimming, surf board riding, fishing (all types), speed-boating (bring your boat whatever the size and shape), ski-ing, canoeing, skin diving, etc., etc., - you name it - Bendalong has it and you can do it.

Last year we mentioned that our only complaint concerning the Safari week-end would be that time would run out on us and this is just what happened. The week-end was perfect in absolutely every detail and all who attended were loud in their praise for the wonderful week-end which was enjoyed by all.

Once again it is our intention to hold a party and dance on the Saturday evening (this proved to be so popular last year) at the holiday home of Burnie and Leila Baxter and we know that you will enjoy the company and hospitality of these two very loyal supporters of our Club.

The camping ground is quite well laid out with ample fireplaces, water and toilet facilities, and we have arranged for a very large marquee, mainly for sleeping requirements, to be erected for our own use; however, should you have your own caravan or tent bring it along with you.

To our single members and their friends we extend a special invitation. You can be assured that your week-end with us will be a happy and comfortable one.

Should you require any further information:

SYDNEY MEMBERS - ring George and Vira Peninton, 34-7684, or  
Ray and Alice Marchant, 30-2850.

WOLLONGONG MEMBERS - ring Burn and Leila Baxter, Wollongong B2121 or  
Ray and Joy Browning - Corrimal 84-3880.

Burn Baxter  
Safari Organiser.

George Peninton  
Club Functions Organiser.

- P.S. BRING
- (a) Your own food
  - (b) Your own barbecue, camping gear, sleeping gear, etc.
  - (c) Your own liquor
  - (d) LADIES - a supper plate for the party night
  - (e) extra change to cover minor expenses and for the games.

## ***Snow Country - Directors and Officers***

Following the AGM, the Snow Country Board have met and agreed the following Committee / Officer positions.

- President - Gavin Boyd
- Vice President - Michael Brannon
- Secretary - Paul Lyth
- Registrar - David E Carr
- Treasurer - Peter Bond
- Club Captain - David Winfield
- Manager Jindabyne - Laurie Ward
- Manager Smiggins - David Bartley
- Building Supervisor and WHS Officer - Adam Moate
- Work Party Coordinators - David Bartley (S) and Laurie Ward (J)
- Booking Officers - Helen Waite (J) ; Karen Lyth (S)
- Webmaster - Ian Woods
- Newsletter Editor - Meg Brannon
- New Member Liaison - David E Carr
- Honorary Membership Committee - David E Carr, Laurie Ward, David Boyd
- Honorary Solicitor - Frank Back
- Snow Sports Encouragement Officer - Peter Bond