



# Snow Country Snippets

## August 2018

Welcome to the second *Snow Country Snippets* for 2018.....

### *What a season !*

It's turned out to be a great ski season at Smiggins (also at Perisher), where they have just announced they are extending the season into October.

With over 2m of snow, still plenty of accommodation across both Lodges in September, now's the time to book that cruisy Spring session on the slopes !

### *Welcome to our newest members...*

A warm Snow Country welcome to the following new members. We hope you enjoy your new association with the Club for many years to come.

- Cathryn Dorahy & Rod Leggett
- Kerrie Bendeich
- Keiraley O'Connor



### *And Welcome Back...*

And a huge belated welcome back to our "new" Lodge Managers !

#### Jindabyne

We welcome back **Gudrun and Juergen Paul** to Snow Country who will be our Jindabyne Lodge Managers. They've already made a great impression with the lodge looking fantastic and their infectious hospitality being noted by a number of members already.

#### Smiggins

We also (officially) welcome **Stephen Osborne and Allison Brailey** back to Snow Country who are managing our Smiggins Lodge. Steve and Allison worked Smiggins back in 1996 and most recently have spent 19 seasons at Cronulla Lodge in Perisher before returning to Snow Country. The Lodge

is looking great and the food excellent with Steve and Allison making a seamless transition to our Lodge.

### **Booking Officer**

Please note, all bookings for both Lodges should now be directed to **Karen Lyth**, booking officer for both Lodges. Thanks to Karen for taking on this demanding role; she is doing a tremendous job with our booking processes now running smoothly and consistently across both Lodges.

### ***Congratulations***

Well done to those members (and SCSC friends) who competed in the various Inter-Schools Racing championships in July.

Special congratulations to Melanie Filan who made the State team....Go Mel ! And to Mac and Joe Livissiaonos for their results which included Individual and Team Gold medals across moguls and snowboard racing.

Congratulations Mel, Joe and Mac !

### ***Junior Development Program - 2018***

Our 2018 JDP program was held in the July School holidays with 13 participants.

From all reports, the group good conditions and some excellent tuition.

We look forward to these honed racing skills being put to good use representing Snow Country !



Unfortunately, the photos of the JDP were not able to be included in this newsletter. However, they can be viewed on the clubs Facebook page.

### ***IMPORTANT - Annual Subscriptions and Building Levies***

All members should have paid their annual subscriptions and building levies for 2018.

**Members with outstanding invoices will soon be issued a final reminder notice.**

We look forward to the prompt payment of any outstanding invoices ; remember if not paid, any lodge bookings will be charged at non-members rates.

If you have any queries with either invoice please contact SCSC Registrar, David Carr.

### ***Smiggins Refurbishment Project – our DA is approved !***

Our Building Committee continue to make good progress on the Smiggins Refurbishment Project with **our development application now approved** by the Dept of Planning and Environment.

This approval has allowed us to progress the final tender process with our builders. We are still hopeful and planning for our building work to start before the next winter season.

### ***WORK PARTY – Smiggins Lodge***

In preparation for the winter season, a work party was arranged for Smiggins Lodge and held in May. Thanks to Dave Bartley for organising and the following members for giving up their time.

- Sally and Dave Bartley
- Kim and Paul Biddlestone
- Ian Woods
- Mary and Andrew McDonald
- Natalie and Christian Salmon (and kids)

The weekend saw lots of hard work and lots of laughs...plus a few drinks to soothe some tired muscles.

### ***Annual General Meeting***

The 2018 AGM was held in Wollongong in late May with around 35 members attending, including a number of our life members.

The Directors Report and Annual Financial Statements were presented and adopted by the members present and were sent to members in June.

We look forward to more members joining us at the meeting next year to hear about the progress of the Club and take the opportunity to catch up with other members outside of the ski season.

At the meeting two of our directors, Sally Bartley and David Carr, stepped down from the Board.

**We are now looking for 2 new directors to fill their positions.**

We are particularly keen to hear from any of our younger members who are keen to have some input into the direction of our Club.

We are also seeking some more gender diversity on the Board as we are skewed to our Male members – if you are a female member interested in making a difference to the Club, we're also very keen to hear from you.

### **THANK YOU !!!**

A big thank you to **David E.Carr and Sally Bartley** who both stepped down from the Board at the AGM.

As Treasurer, **Sally** has managed our finances, generating budgets and cashflow projections, providing accurate and insightful reporting and transitioning the Club to a new bookkeeper. Our finances are clear and accurate and Sally has been instrumental in achieving this. Thank you Sally !

**David Er**, a life member, has been a wonderful contributor to the Board over many years, and his commitment, dedication and energy for Snow Country is incredible. David embodies the culture of our Club, with his warm and engaging interactions with other members setting the example that we can all follow. We thank David for his contribution as a Board member - he continues to play the critical role of Registrar for the Club and we thank him for maintaining that position.

### **SLOPES – Latest News**

The latest news from SLOPES – the lobby group represented ski clubs in Perisher Valley – follows:

#### Vail / Perisher News

Vail have announced a new quad chair will be built to replace the Leichardt T-Bar in Centre Valley Snowmaking will be extended to Centre Valley in Perisher with a strong rumour of additional snow making around the Link T-Bar at Smiggins – fingers crossed for this one !

#### NPWS

Under the Capacity Review, requests for additional beds will be dealt with a case by case basis. No additional bed capacity is being offered by NPWS at the current time.

Camera based vehicle monitoring at the KNP entry gates has been installed but is not in operation this season.

### **SCSC Members Facebook Page**

Don't forget to follow Snow Country on Facebook – search for our Members Page and keep up to

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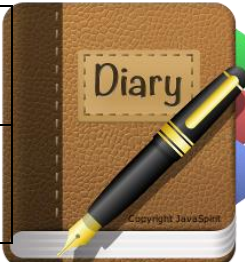
date with news and posts from other SCSC members.

***Special offer from Steve's Snow Store – 30% off***

From Saturday Sept 1 for the first two weeks of Septembers Steve will be offering Snow Country members a **whopping 30% off all full priced ski clothing and 20% off ski boots, boards and skis !**

Steve's a great supporter of our Club so if you need some gear for that overseas ski trip coming up now's the time to buy - make sure you tell him you're from Snow Country.

***Important Dates for the Diary – 2018***

Smiggins Bowl	Sept 22	
Summer Bookings – Jindabyne	Oct 1	