



Snow Country Snippets

April 2019

Welcome to the April edition of *Snow Country Snippets*...

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.

- Darren Stephens
- Darcy Moate
- Rob Palmer
- Tim Webster



Annual General Meeting

It is that time of the year again when the Board of Snow Country Ski Club invite you to attend the 2019 Annual General Meeting (AGM), to be held at the **Georges River 16' Sailing Club, Sanoni Ave, Sandringham NSW 2219, commencing at 10:30am on Sunday 5th May 2019.**

Members have received via email the notice of meeting, director nomination forms and background information on the three important resolutions that relate to changes to members subscriptions, introduction of a building levy and a Club overdraft. They can also be found on the Club's website.

We encourage members to come along to the meeting, hear how the Club is tracking, vote on the resolutions and catch up with fellow club members.

Smiggin's Refurbishment Project

The Smiggin's Refurbishment project is approaching its final stages.

As you may recall the project comprises the total external refurbishment of the Lodge to ensure we have a building 'shell' that will last the Club for the next 30 years plus.

The project sees the replacement of all external cladding and wall insulation (which was in terrible disrepair in some places due to the harsh mountain environment), full roof replacement and insulation and installation of new windows throughout the Lodge to stop the current leaks and improve heating efficiency.

During the works, a number of urgent variations were required which include replacement of some floor joists, electrical rewiring, structural enhancements to the roof frame and some wall sections, asbestos removal and structural supports for metal eaves.

Due to these variations the project has unfortunately run over budgeted and as such the scope of works has had to be pared back slightly, with these outstanding items (e.g. concrete around the lodge) to be undertaken in future years as finances permit.

A big thanks to the Club's Building Committee of Adam Moate, Lucille Back, Steve Winfield, Jeff Day and Richard Waller. They have put countless hours into the project so far and we sincerely thank them for their huge efforts so far – almost there!

Please see some photos of the Lodge refurbishments as at 18 April at the end of the newsletter.

Smiggin's Lodge Work Parties

With the Lodge upgrade approaching its final stages, there is a lot of ancillary work to be completed to get the lodge ready for the upcoming Winter season. As such there will be two work party weekends required.

The dates are: May 18 - 19 and May 25 – 26

If you're a tradesperson or just a generally handy person, we need your help! We require approximately 15 people at each work party with the following tasks to be completed:

- vegetation removal and grass slashing
- sanding and staining of the decks
- painting
- carpet and room cleaning
- waste receptacle installation
- kitchen floor insulation

David Bartley is coordinating our work parties. If you are able to attend please advise Dave via email or phone:

E: sunrise@comcen.com.au

M: 0437 608 838

Accommodation, meals and fuel reimbursement will be provided with details advised closer to the date. We look forward to member's support of these very important work parties.

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Jindabyne Lodge News

Gudrun and Juergen continue to do a great job of keeping our Jindabyne Lodge in great shape. Both the Christmas and Easter periods were well patronised at Jindy and they look forward to welcoming you as we approach the winter season.

Smiggin's Bowl – September 21, 2019

The Smiggin's Bowl is being held on September 21 and Snow Country is hosting the event this year.

The Board will be putting a small committee together to manage the running of the Bowl and will be looking to members to volunteer their time to make this Bowl one of the best organised events on record. Watch this space for further details.

Both Lodges will be reserved for Smiggin's Bowl participants on the weekend of the 20/21 September. Please note, we will NOT be accepting Lodge accommodations bookings for the Smiggin's Bowl weekend before June 1. A nominal accommodation charge will apply to bookings for the Bowl weekend to assist in covering the costs of operating the Lodges during this weekend as follows:

Smiggin's: \$30 per night for ADULTS / \$25 per night per CHILD
Jindabyne: \$40 per Room per Night

Important Dates for the Diary

Annual General Meeting	May 5
Work Parties	May 18-19 May 25-26
Peak Music Festival http://peakfestival.com.au	June 8 -10
Smiggin's Bowl	Sept 21



Reminder: Exciting news from Vail / Perisher Resort

EPIC Pass links to RUSUTSU Resort in Japan

- Starting in season 2019/2020 the Epic Pass will offer 5 days free skiing at Rusutsu in Japan. This now provides Epic Pass holders access to a number of Hakuba resorts and Rusutsu in Hokkaido.

Lift Upgrades

- **Replacement of the Mt Perisher Double Chairlift and Mt Perisher Triple Chairlift with a new detachable 6 seat chairlift** on the approximate alignment of the triple chairlift but with the unload around the location of the unload for the double chairlift
- Widening of the slope through summer slope grooming
- Moving snowmaking guns back to skiers left to widen the run in winter
- Renovation of the Mt Perisher Double Chairlift restaurant

Please see Smiggin's Lodge Upgrade Project Photos on the next page:

