



# Snow Country Snippets

December 2020

Welcome to the final edition of *Snow Country Snippets for 2020...*

## 2020 – what a year...

It has certainly been a challenging year...but the good news is that the Club has survived 2020 !

After dodging bushfires in Smiggins and Jindabyne in January, the global pandemic that has dominated the year, has seen the Club's financial position severely impacted.

Despite this, after lots of hard work, we opened both Lodges and pleasingly remained Covid-19 free.

A big shout out to our Lodge Managers – **Gudrun and Jeurgen and Steve and Alison** – for keeping our Lodges clean and safe for our members. We wish Steve and Alison all the best in their retirement and we sincerely thank Gudrun and Juergen for their amazing efforts despite suffering a devastating property loss themselves in the NYE fires.

Sadly, this year we have also lost some of our closest Snow Country family...our deepest condolences to go out to Ward, Curtis and Carr families...our thoughts continue to be with you as you grieve your loss.

We look forward to 2021...which we know will be a better year. We also look forward to your ongoing support to help us rebuild the Club's financial position – we encourage you to take that trip to Jindabyne this summer, urge you to pay your sub's as quickly as possible, volunteer at our work parties and support the lodges in winter.

The Board wishes you and your families a safe and happy festive season, and a prosperous 2021.

## 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.

- **Michael Barin**
- **Michael Stomps**



**NEW memberships remain temporarily suspended**, with the exception of member's immediate family members, however, with a number of members choosing to leave the Club this position will be reviewed in January 2021.

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## *Our thoughts are with you...*

We are saddened by the passing of the following members of the Snow Country family over recent months.

**Jill Ward** : a Life Member of Snow Country, Jill is survived by Life Member and husband Laurie, son Mark and daughter Nicole. Jill joined the Club in 1979 and with Laurie have spent many, many hours volunteering for the Club.

**Clare Curtis** : a member of Snow Country since 1977, Clare is survived by husband George a long time Club member, and children Gareth and Danielle. Clare and George provided much fun and friendship to many Snow Country members over many years.

**Symona Hall (nee Carr)** : Symona is daughter of Club Life Members Robyn and David Carr, who succumbed to a long term illness after fighting so bravely.

Our thoughts are with their families during this difficult time.

## *SCSC Club Clothing – Buy now for next winter !*

Don't forget you can purchase a new round of Club gear that members can order and pay for themselves online.

The link below takes you to a website that will display the available gear – which looks fantastic! **There's hoodies, t-shirts, soft shell jackets, fleecies, beanies and caps in all sizes.**

<https://www.xpresssportswear.com.au/snow/snow-country-ski-club>



## *Annual Subscription Fees*

Annual fee and building levy notices will be sent to you via email in January for payment in February.

The fees are unchanged from last year. Please remember that members need to be up to date with their fees before they can make bookings in the Lodges.

## Annual General Meeting – 2019 Year

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, we took the decision to delay the 2019 Snow Country AGM. We had hoped to hold the meeting towards the end of this year but this has proven challenging with ongoing restrictions.

After discussions with the Co-Op Society it has been decided that the 2019 AGM will be cancelled and we will now hold the 2020 AGM in May 2021, when we will cover off the financial reports for both the 2019 and 2020 years.

Watch this space for details of the meeting in coming months – it would be great to see a huge turnout of members (assuming that's allowed !)...

## Work Parties - 2021

Planning for upcoming work parties has commenced and we need a strong turnout of members to assist in 2021 to help keep our maintenance costs as low as possible.

We are planning two work parties this year, and will be covering the Jindabyne and Smiggins Lodges. Dates and work party tasks will be decided and announced in January.

## Summer holiday in the Mountains ?

With overseas travel off the agenda this year, the Snowy Mountains are a great alternative for that short break or longer trip. With more and more activities to undertake, and great bars and restaurants, a trip to our Jindabyne lodge is a great option.

The lodge is operating under a Covid-Safe summer plan (see our website) **which allows the use of the kitchen and the games room**. There are plenty of rooms available for the remainder of Summer and the Lodge is looking in tip-top shape with the work that Gudrun has done in preparation for guests.

