



Snowbowl Ski Patrol



General Meeting Agenda

12/10/19 7:00 PM Duran Learning Center @ St. Pat's

- 1) Mountain Update – ART
 - a. New PDF of Trail Map (sent with this agenda, also download from website)
 - b. Snowmaking update
 - c. Radio Repeater installed
- 2) Radio Training - BILL
- 3) Secretary Report – CHRISTINE & STAN
 - a. Patroller Expectations (video and document)
- 4) Treasurer Report – PAUL
 - a. SOS Fair Distribution – CHERI
 - b. Change to BUDGET for increasing education reimbursement (see attached budget)
 - i. Offer half off registration for all first time WTO attendees = \$100 ea.
 - ii. Offer partial travel/lodging reimbursement for Senior candidates training/testing
- 5) Recruiting – JORDAN
 - a. EMT Challenge Class – Intro meeting tonight at 8:00 following general meeting
- 6) ICS 100 certification – must complete by end of year (**MANDATORY**) NSP course # N029190005.
 - a. Prepare to be called out if you have not completed this.
- 7) Winter Tip Off at Red Lodge: Jan 11-12, register NOW
- 8) IDC: Instructor Development Course – Steve Thompson
- 9) By-Laws (attached) ready for general membership review. Discussion at January meeting. Vote at February meeting.
- 10) Old Business
 - a. OET Refresher last season – register for Stan's class or be scheduled as non-transporting
 - b. Lift-Evac and Self-Evac still needs to be scheduled
- 11) New Business
- 12) Adjourn

December 2019 General Meeting Notes

Attendees: Christine Lustik, Joe Lustik, Neil Marjerrison, Art Wear, Tom Kerr, Danielle Pettry, Ryan Hamilton, Karl Uhlig, Bill Bucher, AJ Bucher, Kyla Sautter, James Gardner, Chelsea Leven, Amberleigh Hammond, Jack Matthias, Cheri Thompson, Jasmine Doremus, Marea Kuehl, Bynum Jackson, Larry Abramson, Erin Jones, Josh Jones, Stan Sneath, Anthony Krolczyk, Eric Weckenbrock, Frank Maus

Called to Order: 7:00 PM

Typed up by the secretary: 12/14/2019 12:25 PM

Joe passed out new coats to first years.

Mountain Update: Art says we need snow. Everything is good to go, just waiting on snow. Can make snow at night, but too warm during the day.

Lightning strike that took out Griz control system also took out the main pump that pushes water up from Bulter creek for making snow. Had to replace that.

If on duty wait for email, should know Thursday or Friday if we are opening.

Radio Training with Bill.

Notes from Bill's email 12/11/2019

Attached is a list of additional frequencies that we are permitted to use "As Needed".

Our radios are currently set on "MSB RPTR" which is Montana Snowbowl Repeater. NOTE. This is not the same frequency we used before.

This is the primary channel you will use for Normal Patrol Duties.

You will Notice a Delay when you transmit because it has to go through the repeater and is re-transmitted to all radios on this frequency.

If another radio user is standing next to you, you will notice an Echo effect because of this delay.

If we have a power outage and the repeater goes down, Unlock your radio and change the channel to Snow Bowl "T". This is our old frequency.

To Unlock your radio, Push and Hold "P3" until the "key" symbol disappears. Then you can toggle through the channels.

If Lifeflight has been called, one person should be tasked with changing to their frequency which is "TAN" or "AIR2GRD" and should be in charge of the "LZ" (Landing Zone) to talk to them.

The additional frequencies on the attached list will be seldom used, however for training purposes we may use "NEON" or "GOLD" if they are not otherwise in use. If we were requested to work with Search and Rescue, we would use either MT SAR or NAT SAR as they indicate.

When selecting a Radio, turn it on and check to see if it is on the correct channel. Also make sure the "Key" symbol appears so your channel is locked, otherwise it may change if you bump the toggle keys. If you have questions or need more information, feel free to contact me.

Please note we have 4 different ICOM radio models (25 in total) and 3 Kenwood radios for a total of 28 radios. They have been programmed similarly but there may be slight variations to them.

If you experience a problem with a radio other than transmitting, leave me a note in the radio box so I can check it out. If your problem is In transmitting or receiving, switch radios with someone else and see if the problem goes away.

Fun Fact: Our radios are capable of 100 plus frequencies. We have entered the frequencies by name and color because different disciplines are familiar with one or the other. I.e. TAN or AIR2GRD are both on frequency 155.3400. These are State Wide and National frequencies.

Jordan asked if we can set them to scan between 2 channels. Bill says maybe but the more things that we set up, the more challenges and with 4 radio models it won't be easy, so let's stay with what we've got this year and then we can make changes as necessary. Karl says we can ask for someone to serve as a relay. Bill says if you are in a dead spot nobody else can hear you either with the repeater.

If lifeflight is coming, one designated person should be at LZ, someone that knows about patient, and be on the life flight frequency as they are coming up.

A lot of people aren't using microphones and Bill found out the ports are corroding. Bill is going to try to find a plug, in the meantime please use the microphone.

Secretary Report: Christine went over the following:

1. Scheduling: GledHills:
 - a. Why the unavailable slots? Only get 15 passes per day. Only 15 people should sign up each day.

- b. My assignments – a quick and easy place to see your personal schedule.
 - i. When need a sub we can go in and mark it. Those looking to be a sub, look for names highlighted in yellow.
 - ii. There is a sub email list
2. Member website is up:
 - a. Go to <http://www.snowbowlskipatrol.org/>
 - b. Click on member area.
 - c. The super secret password is **skisnowbowl**.
3. Training Video (Patrol expectations video) on patrol website member page this is for everyone this first year as there is new information on it with changes occurring due to the new mountain. It will hopefully be very helpful to first years and transfers in the future.
4. Questions?

Joe notes the Patroller Expectations document was sent out today, 12/10/2019. Originally from Anthony's document. This is what team leaders will run the hill with, long range we'll redo policies and procedures and things may need to be changed and revised. This is a living document, especially as we have a new hill.

Treasurer Report: Paul wasn't here.

Cheri (SOS Fair) It was a good year and this year Snowbowl earned \$12,000 off the fair. There were no big expenses this year. They wanted to share as much with us to help the patrol since it's a big senior year. Joe was happy we covered the event and this was worthwhile.

Joe brought up a proposal. He showed the budget that was approved in fall, went over item areas that we already know are bringing in more income (SOS) or will cost less (CPS and coats) than we thought. Joe would like to propose a revision.

Joe is proposing to increase the education reimbursement amount for a variety of reasons. Joe feels strongly that our funds should support ongoing training and education of the patrol.

- 9 people are doing senior and we are doing 3 trips for clinics and testing to Red Lodge, Showdown, and Lost Trail. With lodging and travel that's a lot of commitment.
- He'd like to propose to pay ½ the registration cost for anyone that wants to go to winter tip off that hasn't been to it before.
- As always this would help us cover other applicable education opportunities, such as avalanche classes or other courses that happen.

Asking for a motion to move some surplus to increase education reimbursement. He needs a number. Didn't have a number. Would like to add \$2,000 additional to the educational. Cheri moves that we increase the pool money by \$2,000 for the 2019-2020 educational budget.

- Anthony asked if there was a wish list and how this fit in with our priorities. Joe noted again he's always believed the money should support our patrollers and patrol first with education.
- Amberleigh, what's the danger level when our budget is too low.. We keep 125% of budget.

Larry Seconded. Vote All in favor. No opposed. Joe will ping nonattending members to get a quorum. Karl's an abstention. Jones weren't here to vote (left early). Anthony noted that makes education about 27% for future info.

Jordan, **challenge course** is good. 4 strongly interested. 30 candidates. Jordan is looking for people to help him make calls to keep track of people. Jordan would be excited to hear from qualified people. Woofer or higher

medical personnel and currently certified. Amberleigh are we communicating that the fee is not challenged any more and the fee is \$30? Yes it is in the figure provided.

ICS 100 – please, please, please, if you are not in the first column of Cheri’s list finish ICS before the end of this year.

Winter tip off – since we are offering a ½ price registration. Ask if you don’t know what it is.

IDC Class Steve Thompson is our IDC instructor, Neil, Cathy, James, Ryan Hamilton, Casey Brucher, Chelsea Leven, Joe Messina. We have a class. Steve will reach out to everyone.

By laws – were attached with agenda. They are boring. We’ve never had by-laws and have been operating under Northern Division and many believe we’ve grown and these by-laws will help cover us. We don’t want to have to change them. They should be pretty static. Read through over the next month. Email Stan and Joe with questions. Will need a 2/3 vote to bring in by-laws. We’ll vote in January or February. Joe sees in the future there may be less meeting in-person and we want to be able to still get business done. He really wants clarity. Who’s a member; who can vote; how do we elect officers; and how do we handle money are the key areas.

Old business:

OET for last season is closed. For this season we need to do it all over again. Please sign up on Stan’s class so he’s not hounding people at the end of 2020.

Lift evac training still needs to happen on the new chairs. Neil will be up there as much as possible please plan to get up there on days Stan asked if we don’t open this weekend could we do the training. No. But Art is expecting us to open on Lavelle but not snowpark and will probably do as much as possible then. Snowpark closes early and we can do things future weekends also.

New business:

Amberleigh asked is anyone interested in taking an avi 1 later in spring? There are some people that need to teach to get avy teaching certification. Late march early April.

Please look at trail map with new names on member site. Can we get to the bottom to the base? No. Pat’s team is building sleds that can be towed behind snowmobiles if the lift goes down to tow people to the headwall or Lavelle. There is a structure to house people and it’s only for that. Will not be kept warm. There is not a structure for the public at the top or bottom of Snowpark. Everyone, including patrollers with toboggans, have to get towed out of bottom of Snowpark. Anthony asked if you needed to walk out, what’s the most efficient route. It would be 4 miles from bottom of lift to boneyard. Trees will be open and gated. Karl is concerned about us having to close the trees before the snow is good.

Just asked if anyone wanted to head up a place to gather after. Danielle threw out VFW – trivia right next to biga if anyone wants drinks, join them.

Adjourn 8:17 PM Ryan First, Stan Second