



Snowbowl Ski Patrol



Snowbowl Ski Patrol General Meeting

Date: 3/8/22

7:00 pm to 8:00 pm

City Life Center

Present: Stan, Paul, Christine, Joe L., Cheri, Frank S., Kelly, Larry, Tom, Sean, Mollym Kyle

Online: Rob, Anna, Bynum, Jeanette, Bruce, Kelsey, Jacob, Eric, Josh, Kyler, Cathy.

1) Mountain update- Stan and Art

Some more snow
Not much to report.

2) Secretary Report – Meg

- Second half scheduling went fairly smoothly. Thanks to those who signed up in that short window. There are still open shifts, please check GledHills and sign up if you're able.
- Please let me know if we need more sign-in sheets, radio sign out, etc. printed for the mountain. I updated the sign-in sheet with a column to indicate if you receive a season pass or voucher to help the team leads when issuing vouchers.
- Minutes are on the patrol website- let Meg know if you are having trouble accessing the website
- Christine updated the website to include the Warming Hut phone number. Please program this number in your phones: **406-215-2636**
- Keep sending Christine or myself pictures to update social media.
- Don't forget to refresh CPR this is required **annually** by NSP
 - o Danielle's (Fight or Flight) next CPR class is March 30; check with her for details to attend or just use it as a skills "refresher".
 - o If you refresh annually (or more frequently) through work, please **send your current CPR card to Cheri.**

3) Treasurer Report – Paul

- license plate check >\$1k
- expenditures
 - o vacuum splint
 - o radios

4.) Important Dates:



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- May 7, 2022 - OEC Final Exam and Patrol End of Year Party and Picnic @ The Lustik's (Details to come)
 - o Neil doing food, please RSVP with forthcoming email
 - o Please email Christine or Cheri if you are able to volunteer for OEC final, Cheri will send out email with more details
- Oct 15-16, 2022 - OEC & Patrol Refresher/Training Weekend for the 2022/2023 season. We will attempt to schedule a full weekend: OEC, CPR refresher, Stop the Bleed, lift evac training, LifeFlight interfacing etc.

5.) Summer Events- Christine

Following are the dates of the summer events we hope to support this year as ski patrol. Great opportunities for keeping up with skills.

1. YMCA Riverbank Run - Saturday April 30 - 6 hours – Bill will coordinate.
2. MTCX - Friday Local Races and Pro XC- Christine will coordinate.
Shaun at MTCX is going to give us sponsorship status and make a nice donation to the patrol for our support. Details at the meeting!
 1. 5/13 4-7 pm - 2 ppl
 2. 5/20 4-7 pm - 2 ppl
 3. 6/3 4-7 pm - 2 ppl
 4. 6/10-6/12 Friday afternoon and evening / Sat and Sun normal shifts
 5. 6/17 4-7 pm - 2 ppl
 6. 6/24 4-7 pm - 2 ppl
3. BIAMT @ Snowbowl - Sunday, July 10th 6 hours- **Still need a point person**
4. Seeley Tri - Aug 6 – Cheri will coordinate

6.) Education Updates- Christine

- o A newsletter was sent out with a review of the EMT to OEC Pipeline. We are working to make this information clear.
 - o If not getting the newsletter.... Check Spam for the newsletter on 3/7/22 around 4 PM. @. Let Christine know and she'll check her email list!
- o Upcoming Division and National Training Opportunities
 - o March 25/26, 2022: Northern Division Women's Clinic @ Showdown
 - Flyer <https://www.nspnorth.org/uploads/1/1/9/5/1195830/2nd-annual-gfsp-women-event.pdf>
 - Registration via the following link:
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe3ZvTkvPLsiy4rTtl_wf0AUTCIVKNvaJKk1B_URFONZcbb2w/viewform



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- Snowbowl women have a house if you aren't on the list and want to go let us know.
- April 6-10, 2022: NSP Powderfall – Breckenridge, CO

7.) Nominations for Assistant Patrol Director - Stan

- The person we elect for APD will serve two years as assistant patrol director, then become patrol director for the next two years. They will then serve as an advisor to the next patrol director for the following two years. (This is a six year commitment in total).
- Tom brought up not having such a big commitment of 6 years as explained above- discussion regarding having less time commitment for APD training and advisor following directorship
 - Joe L. and Stan brought up their lack of training prior to taking on Directors and that they both felt that it was a hindrance.
- Nominations? Open until next general meeting.
 - Joe L. nominated Frank S. but he declined nomination.
- Please email Stan with nominations.
- **Vote will occur at next meeting!**

8.) Ombudsperson - any issues or ?- Cathy

Nothing new from ombudsperson

9.) OET/Lift Evacuation- Stan

- Patrollers- please sign up for OET refresher if you have not done so already.
- The NSP course number is **N029210008**.
- We have held several successful lift evac practices, but there are still patrollers who have not done this. If you have not done this yet, contact Jack.
- **This is an annual requirement for every patroller to be in good standing**

10.) Red Cross Blood Drive- Anna

- Discussed setting up a blood drive
- Soonest date would be in June
- Would need 25-30 donors for a 5 hour period- can involve anyone, not just patrol members
- Would need 7 hours to set up/ break down- would need good lighting and plenty of outlets
- Most scheduling and paperwork can be done in advance prior to blood drive
- Anna will follow up with the Red Cross to schedule soonest possible date and report back to the patrol

11.) Policies and Procedures- Stan



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- Thank you for your votes. The P&P updates passed by popular vote and it is now in effect.

12.) Draft Daily Operations manual- Stan

- We will continue to refine the daily operations manual this year. Any thoughts are appreciated.
- Please share them with Stan by e-mail or in person. See E-board meeting notes for discussions about working with the pros as a team and things to do during down-time.

13.) Working with the “Pros”

Professionalism

- Expectations of pros and nationals:
 - Pros: Act as directors, dispatch, run snowmobiles, fix lifts, etc. They would much rather be out skiing but they need to stay in the Warming Hut and Caddy Shack to be available for things that they exclusively are trained on.
 - Nationals: Are primary patrollers during the weekends and the mountain depends on us. Have our “Patrol Glasses On”
- We need to communicate with pros on projects or tasks needing to be done.
- Check in routinely with pros to see what needs to be done- this can also help with the perception that we are a united team.
- No bad talking each other, this erodes our unity and decreases morale.
- Downtime tasks:
 - Check rope lines
 - Fences
 - Tower pads
 - Check and re-set all bamboo every time you pass it- please put in at an angle perpendicular to the fall line, not upright and especially NEVER pointing uphill towards popular ski lines
 - Signs- if they don't stay upright because you can't place them deep enough, go get an electric drill from either top huts and make a better hole.
 - Mark newly exposed hazards
 - Remove boo if it's covering hazard >1 1/2 stripe on boo
 - If hazards exist on opening sweep, call in to address or request assistance
 - Clean warming hut/ aid room
 - Review equipment in warming hut/ caddy shack



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- Review lifesaving techniques: A (airways, O2), B (tourniquets, packing and bandaging wounds), C (CPR), c-spine indications- teach, return demonstrations
- Review or practice wave offs in person, not just on maps
- Toboggan handling
- **Tell the Pro Patrol that you did something so that they can acknowledge and document as needed.**

14.) Monthly Debrief: Accident and Hill Review –Christine

Christine: Cardiac event: prior h/o syncope. Presented with ashen complexion, LOC with repositioning. Pt was having some sort of cardiac event. Good call to use LifeFlight.

Cheri: Young man with lower arm injury. Edema but no pain. CMS intact. Cheri sling and swathed and put ice on injury. Recommended to have assessed at SPH and ultimately required surgery for displaced olecranon process.

Cheri: Young man who tweaked his ankle on Gelande weekend. Due to body habitus, patrollers utilized toboggan to aid in safe transport.

Take home lessons and discussion:

- When making calls- provide information that EMS will need. Please give this at the get go. Take the time to slow down and give them a moment to write down information. Couple phrases then a break, then more information then a break... like the weather is announced over the radio in the morning.
 - Age
 - Sex
 - Type of injury
 - LOC? A&O?
- When you come up on a scene, take a minute to assess scene, check in with primary patroller to see how you can help them. Good communication.
- Pros will give direction to delegate tasks- Consider crowd control at LZ
 - Refer to Mountain Operations Manual for detailed instructions of working with helicopter
 - Wait for helicopter crew to exit and follow directions. NEVER approach a helicopter.
 - Remove hazards such as fences, signs, etc. before the helicopter approaches
 - Keep in mind to notify the need for helicopter or EMS as soon as possible
 - “We can call the ambulance, you don’t have to get in.”
- As always, if you hear a big incident, cycle up to the top of the mountain to be able to assist.



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- When you are running a toboggan loaded with t a pt, don't go any lower the next road cut on Snowpark as you will need to be towed out, this will decrease the time/ distance needed to tow

15.) Old business?

- None

16.) New Business

- Paul: We have a new Patroller- Jake Zimmerman- #252. Registered in GledHills and able to schedule patrol shifts.

17.) Adjourn

- Paul motioned to adjourn at 1955, Frank S. seconded.