

WARRUGANG SKI CLUB

NEWSHEET MARCH 1976

THE LODGE

The board is pleased to announce that extensive refurbishing of the lodge is taking place before the coming season. A few of the main items include:-

1. Exterior of the lodge has been completely restrained. If a suitable contractor can be engaged, it is intended to completely repaint the lodge interior.
2. The common room floor including the steps to the ski-room will be covered with broadloom carpet.
3. The kitchen floor will be recovered with vinyl tiles.
4. Rooms 5 and 6 have been stripped and completely relined.

Other small but convenient improvements have been carried out and will no doubt be readily apparent during your next visit to the lodge.

BOOKINGS & TARIFF

Firstly, welcome to our new Booking Officer - Mrs. Barbara Williamson.

Whilst mail bookings are always preferred, Barbie may be contacted on 949 2124. Calls should be made WEEKNIGHTS ONLY and STRICTLY BETWEEN 4.00 -5.00 p.m. and 7.30-8.30 p.m.

The booking officer is a volunteer officer of the club so please be considerate. It is timely to mention that friends of members who contact the booking-officer direct, should be acquainted with the courtesies normally extended to the booking officer.

Don't forget the \$15.00 adult weekly tariff reduction for the budget weeks of the season. (1st three weeks after June weekend and last week before October weekend).

Good news, in these inflationary times, no increase in members tariff for this season. The 1976 Tariff Schedule will be issued separately but please note changes for CANCELLATION FEES and FINAL TARIFF PAYMENT.

VALLEY

Construction is well in progress for the new 3 seater chair lift in centre valley. It starts somewhere between T-bar lifts 3 and 4. (Can't recall their explorers titles!!!) There is an intermediate station near Cooma Hut and it will terminate in the area adjacent to the top of the Olympic T-bar.

The Poma lift has been replaced with a high capacity T-bar. These new facilities will open a great deal of new skiing area, so here's hoping for plenty of the 'necessary stuff' to ski on this season. (Oh well, guess the toothpickers will have to venture a little further west now for their peace and serenity).

WORK PARTIES

No Easter Work Party has been arranged this year. Apart from the work done during the summer, there still remains a host of small items requiring attention. If anyone is interested please ring Myrna on 631 9479 or Elton on 827 1483.

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● The proofs of photographs taken at the 21st Anniversary Dinner Dance will be available for all to view at the Annual General Meeting and dinner on 5th March.

● There are a variety of monogrammed Olympic T-shirts available for sale. All funds go towards supporting our Olympic teams expenses. They are attractively priced. Please contact the Club Secretary for further details.

SKI AMERICA 1977.

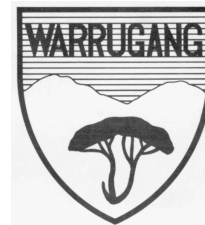
Further to the brief announcement in the anniversary magazine, there are about a dozen definite starters for this fabulous tour.

There will be a week each in Sun Valley, Jackson Hole, Alta and Aspen. Tour departs Sydney 26th January and returns 3rd March. A couple of days in Los Angeles and San Francisco are also included. Cost, at current prices, is \$1,950 per person including air fares, transfers, accommodation and lift tickets at the ski resorts.

This is a magnificent opportunity to ski in the world's best resorts with your fellow Warrugangsters. For further details phone Greg Fulthorpe at 523 5688 or Kaye Mahler on 546-2934.



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Club members elected to the Board for the current year and the relevant portfolios allocated, are as follows:-

President	George Failes	Phone 412.2771
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## VALLEY IMPROVEMENTS

The big development, of course, is the new 3-seater Chair Lift which commences in a newly levelled area beside the Valley Inn (our side) with a Middle Station below Cooma Hut and a Top Station just below the top of the Olympic T-bar. You travel three in a chair so cold hips should no longer be a problem, but there could be some interesting jostling beside unattached blondes in the queue by the males, or ski instructors by the girls!

No. 7 Poma has been changed over to a high speed, self loading T-bar.

The area around the Valley Inn has been grassed. There is an area of timber decking outside the Valley Inn and there is a very wide bridge from below Eiger (well above the mud flats) to a ticket box near the new Chair.

GETTING THERE (1976 STYLE)TRAIN

Departs Sydney Fridays 8.47 p.m. - arrive Cooma 6.43 a.m. (Sat).  
 Departs Cooma Saturdays 8.10 p.m. - arrive Sydney 5.14 a.m. (Sun).

Fare Sydney/Cooma	-	Economy	\$11.00
		1st Class	\$16.50

Return Fare is twice the above rate (Children - half fare)  
 There are no sleepers available on the Cooma train.  
 Bookings open one calendar month in advance.

PLANE

Sydney/Cooma	\$30.00 single	\$60.00 return
Bus - Cooma/Perisher	\$6.60 single	\$12.00 return

Children under 19 years travel at half fare  
 (over 15 years students concession form is required).

N.B. Off Peak rates \$17.80 each way  
 only available Sat. or Sun. 4.30 p.m. ex Sydney  
 Sat. 7.55 a.m. or 8.30 a.m. ex Cooma  
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CAR

Travel time is to suit your own convenience but you'll have a long wait if you miss the last bus. Ansett/Pioneer have published the following proposed bus timetable to operate Sawpit/Perisher 11th June 1976 to 4th October 1976.

Sawpit Car Park to Perisher

<u>Mon/Wed.</u>	<u>Tues/Thurs.</u>	<u>Fri.</u>	<u>Sat.</u>	<u>Sun.</u>
● → 9.20 a.m.	10.30 a.m.	● → 9.20 a.m.	6.00 a.m.	8.00 a.m.
1.30 p.m.	1.30 p.m.	1.30 p.m.	7.00 a.m.	9.30 a.m.
		6.10 p.m.	8.00 a.m.	11.00 a.m.
		8.30 p.m.	9.00 a.m.	1.15 p.m.
			10.00 a.m.	2.45 p.m.
			11.00 a.m.	4.15 p.m.
			12 Noon	
			2.00 p.m.	
			4.00 p.m.	
			5.45 p.m.	

Perisher to Sawpit Car Park

<u>Mon/Wed/Fri.</u>	<u>Tues/Thurs.</u>	<u>Sat.</u>	<u>Sun.</u>
● → 10.45 a.m.	11.30 a.m.	7.00 a.m.	8.45 a.m.
3.00 p.m.	3.00 p.m.	8.00 a.m.	10.15 a.m.
		9.00 a.m.	11.45 a.m.
		10.00 a.m.	2.00 p.m.
		11.00 a.m.	3.30 p.m.
		12 Noon	5.00 p.m.
		1.00 p.m.	
		3.00 p.m.	
		4.00 p.m.	

Fares - Adult	\$2.50 single	\$5.00 return
Child	\$1.00 single	\$2.00 return

Transport is to No. 1 Terminal only (oversnow transport from No. 1 Terminal if required).

● → Operates at Tues/Thurs. times prior to 1/7/76 and after 30.9.76.

N.B. Whilst every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the above information, it is printed only as a guide. Your Magazine editor is not to be held responsible if you spend a night at Sawpit or Cooma.

WHEN YOU ARRIVE

You may decide that this is the year when you are finally going to invest that \$80 in "toothpicks" and attachments and leave the "madding crowds" far behind. Warrugang has kept inflation down but you'll have to stretch the budget if you still want to use the T-bars. 1976 Perisher Valley Prices are as follows:-

<u>Lift Prices</u>	<u>Adult</u>	<u>Child</u>
Day Ticket	\$11.00	\$6.00
$\frac{1}{2}$ Day Ticket	\$7.00	\$4.00
Single T-bar	\$1.00	.60
Single Chair	\$2.00	\$1.20
7 Day - Sat. to Friday (saving \$15.00)	\$62.00	\$34.00
6 Day - Sun. to Friday (saving \$10.00)	\$56.00	\$29.00
5 Day - Mon. to Friday (saving \$5.00)	\$50.00	\$27.00

Pretty Valley Triple Chair Lift

Tourist Return Ride Foot Passengers)	\$3.00	\$1.00
Family (2 Adults and 3 or more Children)		\$9.00

Ski School

Casual 1 x 2 Hour	\$6.00	\$5.50
Class 5 x 2 Hours	\$25.00	\$20.00
One hour private x 1 person	\$14.00	
One hour private x 2 persons	\$16.00	
Private Supplement extra person	\$4.00	
Charter (2 hours min).	\$40.00	
Charter (per day 5 hours)	\$120.00	

Special Packages

5 x 2 Hour Class Lessons - unlimited use of ski lifts

Available weeks commencing -

Mon. 14th June

Sat. 19th June

Sat. 26th June

Sat. 3rd July

Sat. 10th July

Sat. 11th Sept.

Sat. 18th Sept.

Sat. 25th Sept.

7 Day Package (Sat. to Fri.)	\$67.00
6 Day Package (Sun. to Fri.)	\$61.00
5 Day Package (Mon. to Fri.)	\$55.00

WINTER WARM-UP EXERCISES - If you haven't started these yet, you're too darned late! - but better late than never.

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VEHICLE CHAINS IN KOSCIUSKO NATIONAL PARK.New legal requirements.

Between the 1st June and the 10th October each year, all vehicles travelling in snow/ice risk sections of the Park, must carry chains suitable for their vehicle. Those snow/ice risk sections will normally commence at Sawpit Camp ground and applies to all roads above that point. It also applies to the park entrance at Little Thredbo River if you are travelling to Thredbo. N.P.W.L.S. staff, Main Road staff and Police are all authorised to enforce the conditions of entry. If you get barrellled, the maximum fine is \$200. (Chains must be cheaper than that!)

POT-POURRI

••••• Bon Voyage to Myrna Burke who leaves for a two-month's trip to Europe on the 7th July.

..... Congratulations to Gill Marr who has recently married Maurie Rosenberg.

..... For Sale - Pr. of skis, approx. 105 cm., no bindings - \$10. Also - children's rubber clip boots, size 9. Phone John Williamson - 949.2124.

••••• Welcome back to Ray Ferguson, one of our Canadian members who will be spending one week in the Lodge in August.

..... "Win one, lose one" - John Davenport has moved to Melbourne and will be using the Victorian snow fields this year.

••••• Information on snow conditions. Perisher/Smiggins will be providing accurate (their guarantee, not ours) up-to-date, 24-hour snow reports from the 1st June. Phone Sydney 290.3066.

..... National Parks Annual Ticket. For \$9 per year you can purchase an annual sticker for your car which is available in any National Park in New South Wales. As a daily ticket costs \$1.40 per car, you will soon pay the cost of the annual ticket by one visit to the snow and several picnics in your local National Park. The tickets can be purchased annually from July/June or January/December.

..... For Sale - One set of chains in good order, to suit 165 x 13 tyre (Datsun 180B or similar). Contact Elton Squires - 827.1483.

..... A number of club members have anonymously sent us cheques from Building Societies, bank cheques etc. Without a name attached we wonder if these were donations to Club funds??

..... New Club Rule. Do not hang gloves etc. on the new Common Room fire screen. If they don't fall into the fire, the Manager has been instructed to confiscate these items.

..... The facia of the Lodge now proudly wears a new Club badge which we hope will survive for many years. It was made by Nu-Lite Ski Hire Services, Balgowlah, and we recommend a visit to their premises in Rosebery Street, when next you want to buy or hire equipment. Our thanks to Hilton Mace for the original suggestion and the work he put into this project.

..... Lodge bookings. Please make all bookings by mail to the Booking Officer, Box 1075, G.P.O., Sydney. If you need to phone Barbara Williamson to ascertain available periods, only call on Mondays to Fridays between 4 to 5 p.m. or 7.30 to 8.30 p.m. and when you give your friends Barbara's phone number, please advise them of these telephone hours.

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SKI TOURING RULES

If you leave the valley area, make sure you observe the instructions on the Lodge notice board. Although we have a long waiting list of prospective members, we don't want membership vacancies occurring through members being lost in the snow!

LODGE IMPROVEMENTS

At long last carpet has been laid throughout the Common Room and the furnishings have been revamped, including new curtains and cushion covers. We have also installed a new firescreen. The kitchen floor has been fully repaired and new vinyl floor covering laid. The outside of the Lodge has been restained and all doors throughout have been rehung. Rooms 5 and 6 have been completely relined with gyprock and are virtually unrecognisable as the two original dormitories. The Retreat has been finished off with quad etc. and shouldn't leak any more. The sun verandah has been cleaned out underneath and we hope you won't get water down the neck when leaving the Lodge. A new style front door has been installed with stronger hinges, the heating system has been overhauled and we hope that the hot water supply will no longer be a problem. The Board also hopes that the odours surrounding the septic system have been removed!

Norm McAdoo, a carpenter friend of Myrna's, has had a couple of long "holidays" in the Lodge and has virtually repaired hundreds of things of which you will probably not be aware unless you remember the arguments you have had with many drawers, doors, loose nails etc. in the past few years. To Norm, the Board and members of the Club can only say a heartfelt thank-you for a magnificent job.

To Brian Marshall and Brian Budden, our thanks also extend for the great amount of plumbing work etc. listed above and the many unnoted jobs they have done.

MUSIC

There is no need to bring your own 12" records if you don't like our antiquated supply, as the gramophone has been disconnected. We now have a brand new tape-deck in our Lodge with, at the moment, four tapes, so if you're there for a week, we suggest you put two or three of your favourite tapes in the corner of your luggage to relieve the tedium.

SUPPORT YOUR FRIENDLY ORTHOPAEDIC SURGEON ..... GO SKIING!!!



DATES TO REMEMBER THIS YEAR

Weekend 17/18th July

WOMB Cup.

Weekend 31st July/1st Aug.

Warrugang Club Races  
(all members welcome and invited  
to participate)

Sat. 14th August

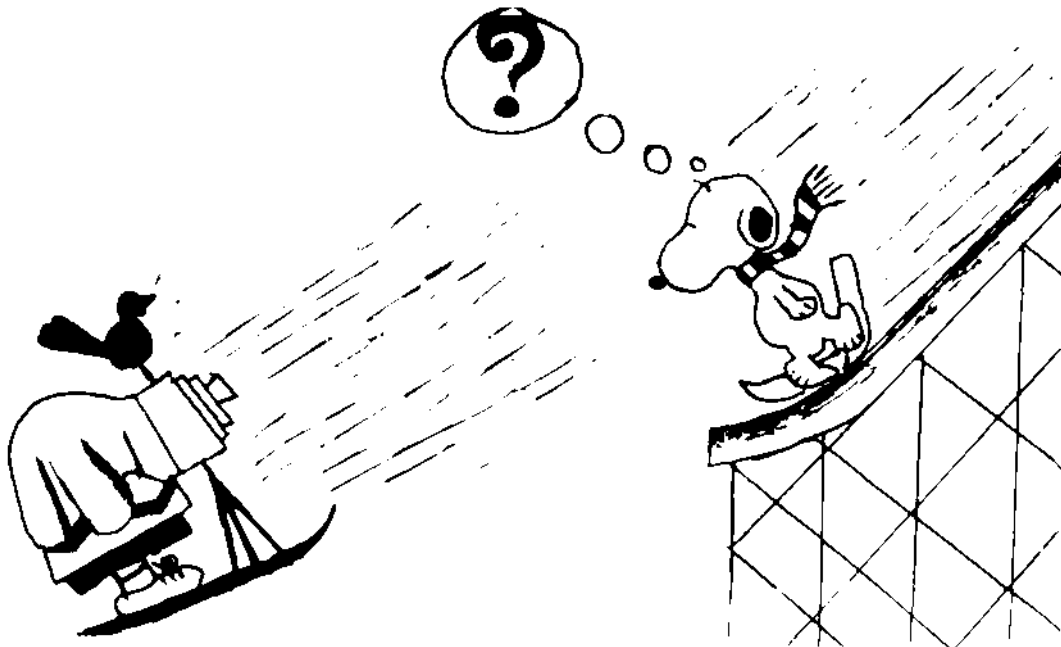
Paddy Pallin Classic

Sat. 28th Aug/Sat. 11th Sept.

Extra long queues guaranteed on  
all T-bars and Chair Lifts – and  
lots of hot chocolate on the  
floor of the Valley Inn.

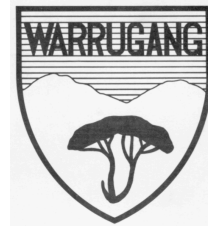
October Long Weekend Perisher Cup.

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NEWS SHEET - SEPTEMBER 1976

## ANNUAL DINNER DANCE

Once again the Annual Dinner Dance will be held at the Queen Elizabeth Pavilion, Randwick Racecourse - on Saturday, 6th November. See separate notice attached to this News Sheet and advise Kaye Mahler of your bookings as soon as possible.

## W.O.M.B. CUP

The coveted W.O.M.B. Shield has now returned to Warrugang's Hall of Fame after being on loan to our neighbours at Boonoona Lodge for the past year!

The W.O.M.B. Cup was run on July 17th in sunny conditions. Snow cover was reasonable on the southern side of the Eyre T-bar where the Ski School set a testing course for this annual contest between Warrugang, Oldina, Maranatha and Boonoona.

Our team members were Kaye Mahler, Greg Fulthorpe, Greg Brookes and Elton Squires. Due to a belated start we could not, unfortunately, run our Club Champion Chris Williams. Although no member of our team recorded particularly fast times, all ran consistently. It was this fine team spirit that won Warrugang the Shield by an aggregate of some 30 points.

Champagne flowed abundantly in the Lodge that evening and a great party for those who can remember followed at the host club, Oldina.

Many thanks to officials Barbie Graham, Liz Squires and ardent supporters, in particular, Stan Williams and Fred Arnold.

## ANNUAL CLUB RACES

Due to severe blizzard conditions on Saturday and Sunday (July 31st, August 1st), both Slalom and Langlauf were cancelled for the year. The conditions were the worst for many years as the N.S.W. State Championships were also cancelled. Some of our hearty stalwarts who made the 30 yards to the quarry decided that was far enough in the unbelievable conditions of cold and snow. Even Chris Williams admitted that he was almost blown off the new bridge in Centre Valley on the way up to the Lodge.

## SKATERS WILD

A few Sundays ago, a group of Warrugangsters converged upon the Canterbury Ice Skating Rink.

The group included Barbie Graham, Kaye Mahler, Nev and Aileen Fulthorpe, Greg Fulthorpe, Greg Brookes, Fred and Marsha Arnold, Janet and Mike Shearer, Ewan Morrison, Elton and Liz Squires.

Few of the group had tried the sport before. Fred thought overpants would be a good way of keeping dry! Barbie, on skates for the first time in 20 years, characteristically sang as she skated, much to the delight of the crowd! Nev searched the hire department for a pair of "Wizzard" skates, but had to compromise!

With a little more practice, most of the group are hoping to

be able to après in a slightly different way when on the Warrugang Tour '77.

A very pleasant afternoon with no casualties (save, a lot of wet trousers) was enjoyed by all. It finished off with some well earned quaffing at St. George Sailing Club.

#### GETTING MARRIED

The Club extends sincere congratulations and very best wishes to Kaye Mahler and Ewan Morrison who recently announced their engagement and plan to marry on December 24th (it is said, to avoid a group honeymoon on their ski trip with the other Warrugangsters late in January!) It is fitting to note that Kaye, our enthusiastic social director, met Ewan at a Warrugang Thursday night Lodge party.

Congratulations also to Ian Kershaw who is getting married on the 2nd October in Nyngan. Brian Budden and John Bible will attend if there is more snow at Nyngan than there is at Perisher.

PADDY PALLIN CLASSIC - 25 km Perisher Valley to Chalet and return.

Brian Willis	-	62nd	-	2 hrs.	10 min.	16 sec.
Peter Roberts	-	64th	-	2 "	11 "	36 "
Henke Feeken	-	143rd	-	3 "	47 "	45 "

Peter Roberts also came 2nd in his class (56 and over). Brian was 5th in the Men's Novice Section. Incidentally, Paddy Pallin celebrated his race weekend by dining at Warrugang on the Friday evening.

Peter Roberts also starred in the Martini and Rossi race to the Chalet. He received third place in the over 50's and also received a medallion for being in five consecutive Martini and Rossi events.

Our Building Director, Elton Squires, came in 50th in the Martini and Rossi event out of 140 starters.

#### SKI HIRE

The N.S.W. Ski Association is concerned at the potential danger emanating from lack of control of ski hirers and their staff. In particular they warn against ski hire businesses set up as sidelines to garages etc. en route to the snowfields. It is considered that some of these firms use equipment already discarded by the larger, more reputable ski hirers.

#### CHEAPER DAY TICKETS FOR STUDENTS

We were advised (too late for the June Warrugang News Sheet) that Kosciusko Alpine Resorts have formulated a High Schools Students concession on lift ticket prices. Adult day ticket (normally \$11) can be obtained for \$8.50 with similar reductions for weekly tickets etc. To obtain the concession, it is necessary to obtain a letter signed by the Headmaster (on school letterhead) stating that the student is attending the High School and also bearing the student's signature. The letter must be presented to the Perisher Ski Centre to obtain tickets. We suggest you make enquiries next season in case the same conditions apply then.

#### LANGLAUFING

Have you had a look in the Club Langlauf Record Book lately? It was started in 1963 to record any trips out of the Valley area

FOR YOUR OWN SAFETY IF YOU GET LOST. There are 5½ pages of entries in 14 seasons!! But at least we're getting better as over a full page of recorded trips took place in the winter of 1976.

THANKS to Elton Squires, Carol and Peter Grant, John Bible for assistance in compiling this news sheet. This is one media where you can "dob" your friends. And we often don't know what you are up to if you don't tell us. So drop a note to "Magazine Director" at Box 1075, G.P.O., Sydney.

POT-POURRI

..... Anna Funnell is now a fully qualified Ski Patroller. After spending a gruelling wet week down in the Valley in July, we are sure she deserved it.

..... We remind members that it is not necessary to attend the Ski School to receive the merit badges awarded by the Australian Ski Federation. Tests may be judged by Kaye Mahler, John Bible or John Williamson to 2nd class standard.

..... New innovation at Warrugang - Barbie Graham's "HAPPY HOUR" - champs and peaches. At the inauguration fourteen bottles of champs were consumed. Naturally this is a record for the event.

..... Anne Mayall broke her toe après skiing - where? playing in the Retreat!

..... Nine Warrugangsters ventured to "Threadbare" one hot sunny day. Michael and Stephen White completed the course with collapsible stocks. Don Widdicombe from Tasmania, carried his skis (would you believe) half of the way, finding it much easier and quicker uphill. Peter Wilson had the clues for the mountainous terrain - the old faithful downhill with touring bindings were the answer. After making it to the old chair restaurant situated at the chairlift that never was, everyone enjoyed their lunch and then off to the Thredbo Chair for more hilarious spills and thrills. Chris Tracy was welcomed with open arms when she offered a ride back to Perisher in her car.

..... Barbara Williamson is now an unqualified ski nurse. She held the clamps and mixed the araldite for our ski doctor, Peter Roberts.

..... In early August, there was an unusual pair of langlaufs in the ski room - 3' long and 1' wide which became known as "Failes Pailes".

..... Funny things go on in the ski room at times! Allan Howard will shorten anybody's skis - he specialises in 153.5 cms but you have to negotiate the cost of this service directly with Alan.

..... Guard your valuables. Two weeks ago, one of our lady members was threatened with the removal of her bib and brace to which was securely attached her weekly T-bar ticket. To all concerned that bib and brace seemed to be worn day and night. Said lady had not ventured on to the T-bar slopes for one entire day pleading exhaustion from her first langlauf trip to Spencer's Creek and back. However, with the club members as witnesses, the threat was still made "I'll get that bib and brace off you yet!" Of course, we know it was for the ticket only. What some will do!

..... Many members enjoyed Peter and Carol's mid-day picnics in the snow throughout the season. Hot soup, hot-dogs and cold beer are very pleasant in the mid-day sun.

..... Did you notice all the would-be T.V. stars at Middle Station on the Triple Chair this season? Trying to emulate the Six-Million-Dollar-Man with a mighty leap from the Chair!

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