

WARRUGANG NEWS



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WARRUGANG SPECIALS

Now's the time to take advantage of the specials for accommodation at Warrugang this season—

- * Bring a Friend for Associates' price from September 5!
- * Your second week's visit? Then bring a Friend for Associates' price anytime!

Do you have friends who could be members at Warrugang?

If so, we've got a "try before you buy" special for new members — stay at Warrugang, become a member and we refund the difference in the year of application between the rate they paid and the member rate for their stay. We'll also give them free subscription for that year!

There's also a special for members family - 20% off joining fee — now \$5,200 incl. GST.

Lastly, associate membership is now open to members adult children.

Details from Graham Priddle — 0423 052 643.

JULY 2010 — AND THEN IT SNOWED!

The start to this year's snow season was disappointing in terms of the natural snow we love — until it bucketed down in early August.

July could be described as well groomed snowgun fed slopes with grass & closed runs everywhere. But there was no need to panic.

I never thought I'd praise snowguns, but to the credit of Perisher, their 271 snowguns laying down near 750,000 cubic metres of snow were intelligently spread.

It made for an enjoyable tour from Mid-station to Happy Valley and on to Mt P for the morning, home through Leichhardt, Goats Gully, a quick play on Centre, then Front Valley.

And if you then caught the SkiTube to Blue Cow, you could go through the beginners Early Starter triple area down to Roller Coaster and up the Ridge quad and back down Side-saddle for another round or reverse that and go to the Summit Quad and down Excelerator or Zali's (Zali's was absolutely brilliant).



Yes, it was busy, but the snowgun areas were well groomed and Perisher maximised the available area to also cover races, training & terrains parks.

It raised comparisons of 1982 when pre-snowgun "skiing" consisted of going horse riding in Jindabyne, seeing a film or things quite somehow unrelated to a snow holiday.



So, what happened in August – snow! Great, gorgeous large lumps of it. Some 60 cm in 2 days.



That nearly tripled what was on the ground.

Suddenly Perisher was interlinked with Blue Cow, Guthega & Smiggins, and everyone was dancing.

You could ski down from the Lodge to the lifts and have that buzz back from Pleasant Valley to Pretty Valley on Copperhead Road or go off-piste and stand on snow – instead of rocks.

The white winter land had arrived!

So, when are you going down?

There's space from Sunday 22 August and plenty from Sunday 5 September.

Mt P Triple Chair after 53 cm of fresh snow (Photo: Perisher)

HELP SAVE THE PERISHER CUP

David Arens has suggested that Warrugang should enter a team in the Perisher Cup which is an interclub cross-country ski race run by Cooma Ski Club on the third weekend (18-19) September.

He's even offered to ski for us – thanks, David.

We need 4 competitors for a team, or 8 for 2 teams!

The event consists of –

- * Cross Country 4x2km Relay
- * Giant Slalom - best three times to count.
- * Jump - best three jumps (by three different competitors to count).

Volunteer to our Club Captain – Hugo Loneragan – on 0416 172 476.

If we get sufficient, we could even create a mini-competition – just for Warrugang members – within the competition.

Alan HOWARD	Garth WILSON	Matti NOVAK
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Alison WRIGHTSON	Gordon SCHOLES	Merrick SAMOJLUK
Andrea GRIMES	Graeme DOYLE	Michael FRICKER
Andrew ROSE	Graham PRIDDLE	Michael ROBERTS
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Ann BAILLIE	Hugo LONERAGAN	Michael WILLIAMSON
Anna FUNNELL	Ivan VORTOUNI	Michele FRICKER
Anna LONERAGAN	James KEATING	Michelle KEATING
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Anne COYNE	Jennifer CAMERON	Nicholas CAIN
Anne HORSLEY	Jennifer JENKINS	Noel GREENSLADE
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Barbara GRAHAM	Jennifer SLARKE	Paul BOURS
Barbara WILLIAMSON	Jennifer WILSON	Paul JELFS
Bob OLIVIER	Jill KING	Paul ROBINSON
Brenda PINKSTONE	John BIBLE	Paul TUMMINELLO
Brett DARLEY	John COLVIN	Peter CAMERON
Brian MAZLIN	John KNIHA	Peter FUNNELL
Carl BANNING	John McINNES	Peter HAYES
Catriona JOHNSTONE	John O'NEILL	Peter O'NEILL
Christine JONES	John WILLIAMSON	Phil GEORGIUO
Christopher JENKINS	Jonathon TAPP	Phillip JOSEPH
Cindy BREW	Julie PRIDDLE	Rachel SCOTT
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Clinton MARQUET	Kate McDonald	Richard VICKERY
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Dana VORTOUNI	Katherine PRIDDLE	Ross KEATING
David BEARDMORE	Kay TURNBULL	Sally PRIDDLE
David CALVER	Kaye MORRISON	Sandy LAWSON
David DAVIES	Keith SHEPPARD	Sarah MARR
David GRIMES	KENNETH WILSON	Sarah O'NEILL
David LIEBERMAN	Kerry McEWAN	Simon MAYALL
David LOXTON	Kim RUMBLE	Stewart GAULT
David MORRIS	Kirstin CROTHERS	Stuart JOHNSTONE
David TRACY	Larry WRIGHTSON	Sue McEWAN
Deborah KEATING	Len REED	Susan STEVENSON
Dianna BANNING	Leonard BAILLIE	Susan ALLSOP-JONES
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Donald PINKSTONE	Mal McEWAN	Victoria MARR
Edward VICKERY	Margaret HALL	Walter BAER
Elisabeth LONERAGAN	Margaret KNIGHT	Wendie McDOUGALL
Elizabeth MIDDLEBROOK	Mark LAPIDGE	William Albert STEARN (Jnr)
Elizabeth MUNN	Martin WALKER	William DWYER
Ellis GENTLE	Mary BARNES	William STEVENSON
Fiona MARR	Matthew SACHR	

WARRUGANG MEMBERSHIP LIST – ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Alison KNIHA	Mandy DOYLE
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Jenelle McINNES	Sue KELLY
Joanne SHEPPARD	Trina COFFEY
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Lesley SCOTT	Wayne
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SUMMER MEMBERS

Alan WILLIAMS	Ian MACE
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Eva JONES	Rhonda WOOD
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BOOKING REVIEW UPDATE

For 2011, the Board has set two priority booking periods—

- * Bookings for the period from the start of the season to the end of the July school holidays will open in early January each year and close in early February.
- * Bookings for the remainder of the ski season will open in March and close in April.

Bookings received within those periods from financial members with the correct payment will be allocated when bookings close in the order of priority set by the Board—

- * Members or members' family engaged in ski-racing.
- * Members staying with other members.
- * Members staying with Associates.
- * Members staying with their family.
- * Members staying with friends at the time when the member is staying.
- * Members' friends staying at a time when the member is not staying.

Bookings after that will be allocated, as received, to the available accommodation.

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And the 3x5 day "weeks" in school holidays have been canned — we're returned to 2 full weeks. We're told it worked in other lodges—but it didn't work for us.

VALE BRUCE REID

It is with sadness that I have to report that an old Warrugangster, Bruce Reid, from the Lake Macquarie area passed away on July 5th, 2010, after a long and courageous battle. He is survived by wife Helen and children Christine, Lisa and Greg and grandchildren April, Sam, Tom and Will. Bruce joined the club in the late 50s and he and his wife Helen & family were long standing members, very keen skiers and frequent contributors to the social life of the club.

HUMOUR – Murphy's lesser known laws

Light travels faster than sound. This is why some people appear bright until you hear them speak.

He who laughs last, thinks slowest.

Change is inevitable, except from a vending machine.

Those who live by the sword, get shot by those who don't.

Nothing is foolproof to a sufficiently talented fool.

The 50-50-90 rule: Anytime you have a 50-50 chance of getting something right, there's a 90% probability you'll get it wrong.

If you lined up all the cars in the world end to end, someone would be stupid enough to try to pass them on a hill, in the fog.

If the shoe fits, get another one just like it.

The things that come to those who wait will be the things left by those who got there first.

Flashlight: A metal tube used to store dead batteries.

A fine is a tax for doing wrong. A tax is a fine for doing well.

The shin bone is a device for finding furniture in a dark room.

When you go into court, you are putting yourself in the hands of 12 people who weren't smart enough to get out of jury duty.