

WARRUGANG NEWS

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EDITORIAL

At a recent meeting the Directors were concerned that members tended to lose sight of the fact that they belong to a club, and only have that community feeling when spending a fortnight or so in the snow. It was felt that if members were kept in touch with one another during the rest of the year they would be more members of a club instead of a group of people who own a hut. It was therefore decided that a monthly magazine which would contain a report from the Directors, social news, odd bits of gossip general announcements etc. would be circulated to all members. As this is a club magazine it will be what the members make it.

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Letters to the Editor will be welcomed, as will articles of interest to the members. It is hoped that the next edition will be more elaborate, so all budding journalists are asked to contribute their ideas.

All correspondence to the Secretary, Mrs. F. Wood of 14 Britannia Avenue, Burwood.

Hut Booking arrangements are as yet a little uncertain, because the cook-hut-manager proposed at the Annual General Meeting is unavailable. However, attempts are being made to obtain someone suitable. If this is possible all food worries will be over – no more worrying whether or not the order will be delivered, or need to be rescued at 1.00 a.m. from a snow-mobile in Rock Creek. However, bookings should be made early because heavy reservations are expected.

Building Committee plans are being held up owing to lack of funds, so the main task this year is a general clean-up of the hut. This Easter work party will be concentrating on this rather than on structural alterations.

Two cups will be awarded this year – one to the member who turns in the best time for the Langlauf course and the other to the member with the fastest downhill run. This should encourage interest in the Perisher Cup – as yet "Warrugang" has not competed in this, and until we do we must be regarded as not quite full members of the Perisher Valley community. A two year programme is intended here – the first year we make the best showing possible and the next year we see how much this can be improved on.

A competition is being held for the design of a club badge; the important thing here is that it is the idea that counts, not the standard of the work.

Finally, the Editor would like to take this opportunity to wish all members the very best for the coming skiing season, and hope to have criticisms and suggestions for the magazine in time for the next issue.

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After much hard work and a considerable amount of worry Beryl Pike, Pat Stony, John Deasey, John Wild and John Thomas, the Social Committee for last year, are retiring. Thanks to them we have had a number of enjoyable and varied events; and out of the profits they equipped the bunks in the Women's Dormitory with foam rubber mattresses.

The new committee so far consists of Heather Reid (president), Gwen Oldfield, Betty Neville and Rod Illingworth (News Editors). They would like a few more people to join the Committee, and they would be especially appreciated if male, as Rod is somewhat outnumbered. New members to the Committee will be welcomed even if they are not members of the Club.

A number of events have been planned, details of which which are given separately. If anyone has any bright ideas for future events the Committee would be very glad to have them - mention them to any member of the Committee or write to Heather Reid, Tindale Road, Artarmon.

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EDITORIAL.

This, the second issue of our Magazine is larger, and our third issue should be even more so. However its success depends on contribution, and we would appreciate articles or letters on any topic, not only ski-ing, by members or others.

The first theatre party of the year was a great success, and the next two "Murder in the Cathedral" and "The Hostage" should be equally so. If it is not possible for you to attend on the night of the theatre party, it may be possible to arrange for cheaper seats another night by contacting Betty Neville at UJ1914.

The Barbecue at Rodd Island should be most enjoyable, and the Social Committee is looking forward to seeing quite a large number of you there.

IMPORTANT

Due to the loss of income and damage being done to the hut by unauthorised persons, it has been arranged that all persons staying there must first sign the Register at John Davis' Perisher Ski Tow Hut, and pick up the key from him. Penalty rates of £3 per week per person will apply to those who do not notify the hut manager of their having stayed at the hut within one week of their return to Sydney.

If you have been down and not paid, would you please send John Wild a cheque. His address is 33 Norfolk Road, Epping.

KNOW ANY SKIERS?

Since the Club's inauguration, there has been a slow turnover of members. People leave the State, have families, or sometimes just lose their enthusiasm for ski-ing, and resign, and the gap left by their resignation is usually filled before very long by a new member. Our membership has always been steady at 180 or slightly under.

If any of your friends are skiers, and are thinking of joining a Club (or could be persuaded to join) try to make sure that the Club they join is Warrugang. There are usually a few vacancies.

One of the best introductions is of course for a non-member to spend a holiday with us first.

OUR BUILDING LOAN.

Last year we floated a building loan, and with the £600 odd we received, managed to do quite a lot of urgent work on the hut.

Shortage of funds will this year prevent us from doing anything, more essential maintenance, though there are many things crying out to be done - completing the bathrooms, providing efficient drying space and tidying up the basement are but a few.

Interest is at $6\frac{1}{2}\%$ more than twice that paid by a Savings Bank, and subscriptions are in units of £10.

If you want to see improvements to the hut for the coming season, please help by sending a cheque payable to Warrugang Ski Club Ltd. Building Fund, to the Secretary. If there be any questions you would like to ask first, ring Ron Sim at XY2403.

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We want the hut to be full for the whole season this year. So get around as many skiers or prospective skiers as you can, and publicise our existence. This is our most effective, and cheapest form of advertising.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE NOTICES.

BARBECUE.

The Social Committee has arranged for a barbecue-social-dance at Rodd Island on Saturday, 19th March - all members and their friends are welcome. Bring your own steak, grog and glasses, and the Social Committee will provide rolls, salad and sauce. Two large fire places are

available, complete with wood; there is also a good dance floor.

Uni, C.S.I.R.O. and Technology have been invited, so you may meet some of the people you got to know whilst ski-ing last year.

We have arranged for a boat to pick people up from the Leichhardt Boat Shed at 6.30 p.m. This is at the end of Glover Street Leichhardt, right next to Broughton Hall (see Gregory's map 26). Please ring Betty Neville (UJ1914) by Wednesday, 16th March, and let her know if you are coming so that she can arrange the food. The cost for the evening will be 8/- including the ferry charge.

THEATRE PARTIES.

T. S. Eliot's "Murder in the Cathedral" will be presented by the Elizabethan Trust Players, and a theatre party has been arranged for Friday 8th April. 15/- seats will be available to members and their friends for 12/-. Those interested should contact Betty Neville by 25th March at UJ 1914.

This play was commissioned for the Edinburgh Festival, and although one of Eliot's earlier works, it is in general regarded as one of his greatest. The play deals with the martyrdom of Thomas A'Beckett, and endeavours to show that whilst those in power in a state are directly responsible for evil, all those who do not actively oppose an action, share in a collective guilt.

The leading role was created by Robert Speight who will appear in the Sydney production.

You have all heard about Brendan Behan, the Irish author and playwright, and as you will doubtless know, "Borstal Boy" his controversial book has been banned by the Commonwealth Government. His play "The Hostage" a mixture of wild Irish comedy and drama, will be presented by the Elizabethan Theatre Trust Players. The Social Committee has decided that this is a play that Warrugangers should see. 15/- tickets will be available for 12/- from Betty Neville for the performance on Friday 8th April. You should contact her at UJ1914 by 25th March.

CAR TRIAL.

Remember to keep Saturday, 14th May free for the car trial. Since some found the last trial a bit too strenuous, the organizers will make this one a little easier. Further details will be given shortly.

GENERAL NEWS.

Many of you will have read in the daily press that electricity is being taken to Perisher Valley. The Directors have written to the Shire Council and requested details regarding cost of installation and charges for power. One important and welcome fact is that the cables will be underground, and this will not constitute either an eyesore or menace to unwary skiers.

The Directors recently accepted Mr. Jim Craig as a member of the club. He has a B.Sc. from Sydney and has recently returned to Australia after two years in London, and a tour of the Continent in a "Heinkel" "bubble car". Jim is a keen photographer and slides of this trip together with those taken on a trip to Ayer's Rock would be of interest to members if the Social Committee can arrange to have them present at one of the Club nights.

Congratulations to Bill Reichel recently married to Donna Hardwicke. We understand that he now has two children, which is quite a fair effort, considering the time involved.

The recent engagements have been announced; that of Cedric Faulkner to Ruth Hopper and that of Fae Porter to John Kent. Cedric's friends will be pleased to hear that he is now established in a practice at Marulan.

Two engagements that will shortly turn into marriages are those of Dorothy Caddy to Bob Lucas, and Ann Lucas to Warwick Fayle, the former on 14th May and the latter a little later in May. Gwen and Harry Mladek recently arrived back in Australia from Sumatra on holiday! They have gone to Tasmania on holiday, but will be back in May for the Lucas' weddings.

Max Pike, after doing a particularly good job as a Secretary of Warrugang is going to Melbourne to live, where he has a new job with B.A.L.M. We wish him the best of luck in Melbourne, but at the same time, hope we will still see him on occasions.

We are also losing John Thomas, who has just gained a B.Sc. from N.S.W. for which he must be congratulated, where he will work for I. C. I. at Slough. (This may be a desperate attempt to get away from the new social committee, which after his two years of hard work won't leave him in peace).

Congratulations also to John Deasey, who was awarded a B.Sc. by University of N.S.W.

Reg and Doris Porter have been joined on their banana plantation by a bouncing baby girl, who should make sure Reg washes up early enough in the mornings.

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CARS FOR SALE.

These cars are offered to members, or others, by members:

1. An MG-TD, Mark 11, 1953 Model, immaculate condition, grey, knows its way to Kosi, best offer, WF9675.
2. A fiat 1100, Two tone green sedan, 1958 model, in immaculate condition. First person to phone YA4581 and offer £9PP will get it (the car).
3. Murky green ? A40 Sedan in immaculate condition. Best in Sydney, guaranteed 90,000 miles, needs new crankshaft, engine, body, wheels &c. good pitted duco, rear vision mirror in Cooma.

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HOW TO LEARN TO SKI SAFELY.

Everyone about to take up ski-ing expects a great deal of pleasure out of this wonderful sport. It is therefore advisable to realize at the very beginning of one's ski-ing venture the quicker one can learn the fundamentals of ski-ing technique the sooner one will be able to really enjoy ski-ing.

It is possible for a beginner to master the fundamental movements and the rudimentary turns after a few days' practice on the snow. During that period he will also familiarize himself with his skis and stocks and will begin to realize that they are his friends, if properly controlled, and not gadgets whose only purpose is to dump him on the snow.

There are two preliminary requirements which should be considered some time before that first trip to the snow fields:-

1. Proper adjustment of the equipment.
2. Good physical condition.

Adjustment of equipment can be done on the back lawn or in one's sitting room. By putting on ski boots, skis and holding stocks whether on the lawn or on the carpet one gets the feel of the equipment. One can also try some movements and stationary turns. Even a half an hour's play with your equipment in this way, or better still with a few words of advice from a friend with some experience in ski-ing, is worth the effort even if some damage to furniture results from this experiment.

Physical condition can be adjusted to the requirements of ski-ing by doing a series of exercises for a period of six to four weeks before the commencement of the season. The main purpose of these exercises is to tone up muscles, improve the balance and generally to prepare for the movements on the snow. There is no need to adhere strictly to any specific set of exercises as long as they include plenty of loose bent knee action, hops, squats and transfers of the weight from one leg to another.

It is important to exercise proper breathing: breathe in deeply through the nose and fill your lungs to the fullest extent; exhale through the mouth being careful to completely empty your lungs.

Instructors' task will be greatly facilitated and your progress speeded up by your understanding of the fundamentals of the ski-ing technique.

The basic requirements for a beginner may be conveniently divided into four parts and should be practised in that order:-

Part 1.

Ski-ing on the level, kick turn and climbing up hill.

Part 2.

A free downhill run straight down a slope of appr. 15 degrees with an outrun on the flat.

Gradually after a few hours practice the downhill run can be made on a slope a little steeper but also with an outrun on the flat.

Part 3.

Exercises in transferring the weight from one ski to another and stem turns.

Part 4.

(a) Downhill run in which speed is checked by stemming and the run resumed and followed by stem turns on the slope to the right and to the left.

(b) Ski-ing a short distance on one foot at a time: this shows control of balance and weight transfer.

(c) Crossing a depression in a telemark position to learn forward and aft stability.

(d) Side slip: keeping skis parallel and sliding down while still moving forward across the slope. This should be done to the left and to the right.

Good side slipping is a basis for a series of turns at higher speeds (christianias or swing turns).

Having gained a degree of experience in these basic movements and turns it is best to practise them on short tours or walks. This increases one's appreciation of the snow conditions. Such short tours preferably led by an experienced skier lead to a balanced progress in all aspects of ski-ing:- ski-ing on the level, climbing up hill and down-hill running.

Ski tours link ski-ing experience with the snow craft. These two are always closely related and one soon realizes the importance of a quick and correct appreciation of the snow conditions if one is to ski safely irrespective of one's ski-ing ability.

THE TOW

The following is an extract from the June, 1958 issue of Schuss -"Safety Instructions for the use of Ski-Tows".

To get the full benefit of a ski-tow, lift, etc., certain rules should be followed.

(a) Learn the right way to get on and off the tow. The ski-tow operator will willingly demonstrate.

(b) Do not wear loose clothing (scarves, open jackets, etc.) which can easily be caught in the twisting rope and cause a bad accident.

(c) Keep stocks clear of the rope.

(d) Don't gate-crash the ski-tow queue. Form a queue away

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from the ski-ing slope.

(e) Don't ski under, or close to, the ski-tow rope as this can cause accidents.

(f) Know where and how to use the emergency stop gear on the tow.

BRUMBY TOW

Some hints are listed below for skiers using a rope tow, your help in observing these principles will help keep the tow running at maximum efficiency and lighten the task of the Tow Operators.

1. Do Not overload the tow, but join the tow IMMEDIATELY the person in front reaches the marker.

2. Keep your skis flat and straight on the tow line, and pass as close to the pulleys as possible, lifting the rope when a short distance from the pulley if the rope is not clear, and then pushing down on the rope immediately you pass, to keep it in the pulley groove.

For persons of tall and average stature the rope will automatically rise off the pulley as one approaches if it is held close to the body at waist height.

Should you fall over on the rope, roll out of the way FIRST before getting up, then return to the bottom of the tow. DO NOT try to rejoin the rope.

Always carry both stocks over one wrist on the side furthest away from the tow poles. NEVER have stocks on both sides of the tow rope.

When the tow is started or restarted after a stop leave the rope clear till the operator gives the signal to join the rope, otherwise undue wear on the clutch will result.

CARS IN THE SNOW

A further extract from the June, 1958 issue of Schuss:-

"Driving & Care of the Car in the Snow"

(a) Before taking your car on a snow trip make sure that it is in perfect mechanical condition.

(b) If a ski rack is carried on the car make sure that it is securely attached to the car and that the skis are firmly attached to the rack,

(c) During the ski season, portions of our mountain roads are often covered in snow and mud which can make driving difficult. Chains attached to the rear wheels of the car are a definite asset under these conditions as they improve the traction. Chains should

always be put on the wheels as soon as the first patch of snow or mud is encountered; it is too late to put them on when the car is starting to lose traction and bog in snow or mud. If you put your chains on lower down the mountain, you will find that it is a far easier and less dirty job.

(d) Drive slowly in mud or snow, but do not let your engine revs drop.

(e) On the narrow mountain roads, usually the up-going traffic has the right of way. Down-going cars must back to a passing spot.

(f) If the road is narrow and winding, sound your horn before every turn to let down going traffic know you are coming.

(g) Park only in recognised parking areas (if any). Use as little space as possible when parking - parking space is often limited. Do not park so as to obstruct the traffic. Park your car facing downhill before departing for your ski-ing.

(h) As the temperature in the mountains often gets below freezing, it is advisable to drain the water out of your radiator AND cylinder block to prevent splitting the block or radiator. Spare water to refill them should be carried in the boot

SNOW CRAFT & SAFETY

The following notes also are extracted from the June, 1953 Schuss:-

"Safety in the snow"

Although sensible ski-ing is in reality no less safe than most other outdoor sports, there are a number of elementary rules to be followed if accident or danger is to be avoided.

There is in the first place the natural risk attached to ski-ing - that of a fall or collision while ski-ing, resulting in an injury. And secondly, the no less important risk of exposure to the weather from becoming lost or from being caught in sudden changes of weather with insufficient clothing.

Investigations have shown that ski-ing accidents are caused from the following four major causes:-

1. Lack of experience and uncontrolled ski-ing.
2. Muscular fatigue.
3. Poor judgement, collision with rocks, skis, other skiers.
4. Inferior or inadequate equipment, or conversely, equipment incorrectly adjusted for the competency of the skier.

There are all obvious risks for a novice skier, who should when ski-ing obey the following rules.

1. Ensure that his ski bindings are tight enough to give control but loose enough to spring open with a bad fall.
2. See that skis are attached to the boot by a leather dog-strap or some such method.

3. Ski within his capability.
4. Do not make sudden excursions across a slope.
5. Fill in all "sitzmarks" and holes as created.
6. Take particular care when ski-ing away from a regular track for patches of heavy wet snow, patches of ice, and hidden rock. Breakable crust on snow is particularly dangerous and cannot be skied by a novice with any safety
7. Form ski-tow queues away from the track and do not obstruct tracks unnecessarily.
8. Do not ski fast when tired and do not ski over blind bumps, cornices, and the like.
9. Do not wave ski stocks about unnecessarily.
10. NEVER SKI ALONE.

"General Snowcraft"

(a) One of the main worries of the novice skier is to keep himself dry and warm. Therefore at least two pairs of dry socks and mittens should be available for use each day.

(b) Don't ski alone. The effects of minor mishaps are often increased if no one is about to give assistance. There is also the chance of getting lost.

(c) Don't walk up the middle of ski runs; use the side. This can seriously inconvenience other skiers and cause accidents.

(d) Don't use alcohol as a stimulant in the snow; a serious collapse may be the reaction even with the strongest skiers.

(e) It is not uncommon in a bad fall for skis to come off; unless they are attached to the boots by some form of safety strap. They can easily run down the mountain and be lost or injure another skier. Therefore safety straps must always be worn on the skis to prevent this.

(f) In the snow, particularly in the sunny weather, never ski without gloves and a shirt or jacket, as a fall in the snow is likely to cause extremely bad gravel rash, and possible skin poisoning.

LODGE MANNERS

The following is still another extract from the June, 1958 issue of Schuss.

Ski lodges are often crowded places, and to make your stay there, and that of your fellow lodge members an enjoyable one, certain rules should be kept to:-

(a) Don't bring snow into the building. Brush all snow off clothes and boots before entering the door. Many places in the snow require everyone to remove their ski boots before entering the Lodge

(b) If there is a rack provided for skis and stocks, use it. Of the drying room; drying rooms are often crowded places and their function is to dry clothes, not to store dry clothing. If hangers and hooks are provided to hang clothes on, use them. Don't place ski boots near the source of heat in the drying room.

(c) There is often not much room in ski huts, therefore be tidy. If lockers are provided for surplus clothing, use them. Don't leave your pack and other junk around in the middle of the bunkroom floor.

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This issue of our magazine has a number of items of interest, including social news and information about booking fees for the coming season. Mr. Anton Crouch has written an article that will stimulate thought about the Kosciusko region, and we hope that it will inspire other members to send in contributions for future issues. This is most important if the magazine is to be a success, because without material to print the production of a magazine is rather difficult. If you do not feel up to writing an article, letters to the editor will be printed - these can be on anything of interest, including comments on Warrugang and its Directors, or the magazine.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE NOTICES

The recent theatre party to "Murder In The Cathedral" was a decided success. All seats were sold and a second party was arranged for later in the season. The play was most stimulating: Hugh Hunt's production and Robert Speight's acting were outstanding, even if one thought the four knights were a bit "folksy".

Picnic Rally

Bruce Barlow has organised a Picnic Rally for Saturday, 14th May. It will start at 2.00 p.m. from Castle Hill Showground, and the social committee will be organising a barbeque afterwards. The only requirement for the Rally is a car (your own, or preferably somebody else's in case the driver and navigator start fighting), and a Windsor Military Sheet Map, which can be bought from Paddy Pallins, Swains or Penfolds, or if you contact Heather Reid at JA 6102 by 12th May she will arrange to have one at the start for you. Instructions for reading the map are given on the bottom of the sheet -if you have any difficulty ask one of the organisers to help you before the rally starts. There will be prizes for the best driver/navigator team, but there is no restriction on the number of people in the car. For those who would like to go to the barbeque, but do not want to go to the Rally, Betty Neville will be available at UJ 1914 after the rally starts, and she will tell you the destination. The charge will be 8/- per person, and will include steaks etc. at the barbeque. Bring your own plates, knives, cups etc. Should you happen to drink, bring that too!

Club Evening

On 27th May at 8.00 p.m. the Social Committee has organised an "AT HOME" at the Stage Club in Forbes Street. This is the first Club meeting of the year and we expect a fairly large number to come. This will be your chance to get

together and talk over the coming season, and possibly to make group arrangements for transport and so on.

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IMPROVEMENTS TO THE HUT

The Directors are negotiating for a loan of £1,000 to finish work on the hut. It is anticipated that by the beginning of the season there will be lino tiles on the dormitory floors; new partitions in the toilets; tiles on the bathroom floors and a granite face on the fireplace (with a mantle for Bill to lean on, and to support the Perisher Cup - when we get it). Also manager's quarters will be built in the basement, which will be improved.

Subscriptions to the building loan are still being received and carry 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ % interest - twice that paid by a savings bank. Subscriptions are in multiples of £10. If you are interested would you please ring Ron Sim at XY 2403, and he will give you further information.

NEW MEMBERS

John Furedy has recently joined the Club. He is studying Psychology and Philosophy at Sydney University and should either liven up or further confuse the deep arguments that sometimes take place at 3.00 a.m. after a party. when everyone is full of solutions to the world's problems.

Other new members are Barbara Nall, a typist (the editor needs some willing hands to cut stencils and perhaps she could be pressed into service); John Davenport, an Insurance Assessor; and David Hammond an Optician (the editor does not need new glasses - mistakes in editorial being lack of brain power). They went to a Warrugang party last year and decided to join the club, believe it or not!

There are still a few vacancies for new members, so if you know anyone suitable would you please contact Fran Wood, and if possible bring them along to the Stage Club so that they can meet some of the members and see if they still want to join.

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS

Annual Subscriptions are now overdue, and should be forwarded to Ken Wood, 14 Britannia Avenue, Burwood. Remember, reduced booking rates will be available to financial members only. The Directors intend publishing a list of un-financial members in the next issue of the Warrugang Magazine!

IMPORTANT

Due to the loss of income and damage being done to the hut by unauthorised persons, it has been arranged that all persons staying there must first sign the Register at John Davis' Perisher Ski Tow Hut, and pick up the key from him. Penalty rates of £3 per week per person will apply to those who do not notify the hut manager of their having stayed at the hut within one week of their return to Sydney.

If you have been down and not paid, would you please send John Wild a cheque. The address is 33 Norfolk Road, Epping.

DEATH FROM EXPOSURE

Extract from "Hills & Valleys"

Vol.12 No.6 September 1959

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Tramping Club (Inc.) New Zealand .

Over recent years there have been several mountain accidents resulting in "death from exposure" , and the Ski Council thought the issuing of a short statement on this important matter could result in saving someone's life in the future.

An analysis of fatal mountain accidents shows a high proportion of deaths from exposure. This is not peculiar to New Zealand, as accidents in mountains overseas follow the same pattern. In this country the Federated Mountain Clubs has a Committee responsible for the critical examination of each mountain accident with a view to the publication of "Findings" from which lessons may be learnt. One of the most impressive features brought out from these investigations of cases of "death from exposure" has been the startling suddenness with which the victim has passed from consciousness to unconsciousness and death. Apparently there is little if any warning of the approach of a condition of utmost danger and the Ski Council feels that all Clubs should issue a warning to their members of this fact.

Conditions which may build up to a state of great danger to climbers and skiers are: (a) exposure to strong, cold winds; (b) insufficient clothing to retain body warmth; (c) lack of readily digestible food which would generate warmth.

As soon as rigorous conditions are met with, or may be anticipated, extra clothing should be donned and, if no substantial meal has been eaten for more than three to four hours, food should be taken. Barley sugar, honey, chocolate and such like should be taken at regular intervals on long trips.

Leaders of parties have a responsibility to see that all in their care take these precautions. Remember that the collapse of one person may suddenly place the whole party in conditions of great danger. It is not possible to over-emphasize the extreme danger of alcohol under these circumstances. Keep it until the safety of the hut has been reached.

It must be a sobering thought for many of us to ponder on the narrow escapes we may have had. Remember, there can be little or no warning of the approach of a state of danger, so act wisely, take precautions, and ski safely. At the same time, do what you can to protect others from the dangers you may have escaped by good luck alone.

ALL NIGHT GARAGES

Cooma.

Mr Benedict, who has a Caltex garage four miles from Cooma on the way to Kosi will be available all night during the skiing season to sell petrol and oil. If he should not be about ring the bell on the doorpost for service. Mrs Benedict will be serving tea, coffee, and hamburgers, so if either car or self need attention, look the Benedicts up.

They both come from Czechoslovakia, and have been in Australia for a number of years. Mrs Benedict managed the Kiosk at Adaminiby for some time, and Mr Benedict worked on the Snowy for six years. Recently they decided they would like to work for themselves, so have put their combined talents into service, and we can assure you that they will be most helpful, no matter what time of the day or night you drive through. As they are giving us this service we would appreciate your patronising them at other times.

Collector.

The Three Legs of Man garage at Collector will be open for the sale of petrol during the skiing season.

SNOWMOBILE SERVICE

John Davis will be operating two snowmobiles in the Perisher this season, and so far as is known these will be the only ones available for general use. Ken Murray will have a number of snow mobiles, but like those belonging to the Chalet will be limited to the use of their owners and their customers.

FOR SALE

Two pairs of Corunda boots, one pair size 7 and the other pair size 8. Anyone interested can get more details from Bill Newton at UM7085.

THE NAMING OF MOUNT KOSCIUSKO

Few people who visit the Kosciusko region are aware of the extraordinary confusion which once existed with regard to the naming of the actual summit. This confusion came into being due to the fact that early explorers in this region took the present Mount Townsend to be the highest peak - a mistake which can be easily appreciated by any person who has visited the summit.

Mount Kosciusko itself is a most unimposing peak, actually the term "peak" is quite inappropriate since topographically, Kosciusko is little more than a low, rounded hill. In contrast, Townsend stands out as a steep, symmetrical, rocky cone. The sides are inclined at about 20°, and the top is about 180 feet above the general plateau level.

From all directions, Townsend appears to be the highest point in the area and this illusion is particularly strong when the Main Range is viewed from the valley of the Geehi. It was from this direction that Count Strzelecki first ascended the Main Range in 1840. Strzelecki was undoubtedly the first white man to ascend this peak and he calculated the height by the boil-water test to be 6,500 feet. It has been suggested that Strzelecki did not name the actual peak he climbed, but used the name Mount Kosciusko to refer to the general elevated region. This is not so. Strzelecki named the peak Mount Kosciusko and it was so termed on the first maps of the County of Wallace. The actual highest point, the present Mount Kosciusko, was apparently not even recorded.

It is well known that Strzelecki was struck by the similarity in appearance of the present Mount Townsend and the mound over the tomb of the Polish patriot Kosciusko. Because of this similarity and in honour of his famous countryman, Strzelecki named the peak Mount Kosciusko.

The Government Surveyor, Townsend, visited the area during the years 1846 and 1847, retained the name Kosciusko for the peak climbed by Strzelecki, but calculated the height to be 7,260 feet. He recorded a peak to the south which he named Ramshead and gave the height as approx. 6,600 feet. This "Ramshead" is probably the present Mount Kosciusko but this is not certain as Townsend referred to two hills at this locality whereas there is in fact only the one.

Later explorers, such as the Rev. W. B. Clarke in 1852 and Baron Mueller in 1855 climbed Strzelecki's Mount Kosciusko and calculated the height as being between 7,000 feet and 7,175 feet. No mention is made of the actual highest point. The first confusion entered at this stage when the Victorian Geodetic Survey calculated the height of the present Mount Townsend (i.e. Strzelecki's Mount Kosciusko) to be 7,266 feet but named the feature Ramshead. It is quite certain that this is not the same Ramshead (i.e. the present Mount Kosciusko) as named by Townsend.

During 1884, Dr. von Lendenfeld made a study of the Kosciusko region on behalf of the N.S.W. Department of Mines and was the first man to make clear the geography of the area. He re-named every locality in the area, however, and thus began the great confusion. von Lendenfeld was the first man to actually identify the present Mount Kosciusko as the summit of the main range. - he climbed this hill, calculated the height as 7,256 feet and states "It is without doubt the highest peak in the Australian Alps, and consequently the highest mountain in Australia. " He named this "peak" Mount Townsend, and calculated the height of the present Mount Townsend (i.e. Strzelecki's Kosciusko) as 7,171 feet but named it Mueller's Peak. In keeping with local custom, von Lendenfeld referred to the whole mountain range as Mount Kosciusko.

The terminology remained in this state of chaos until the advent of the Snowy Mountains Hydro-Electricity Scheme, when the Royal Australian Army Survey Corps began a detailed survey of the Kosciusko area. The Kosciusko 1 mile sheet published in 1952 is now looked upon as the final authority. The actual summit, Mount Kosciusko, is given as 7,316 feet and the peak $2\frac{1}{4}$ miles to the north-west, Mount Townsend, is given as 7,249 feet. The map of the Snowy Mountains area published in 1959 by the Snowy Mountains Authority gives the height of Kosciusko as 7,314 feet and that of Townsend as 7,251 feet.

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EDITORIAL

Just to clear up one point of possible confusion; although the editor's name has been changed from Illingworth to Power it is still the same person, who has resumed his correct name.

As stated in the last issue we are printing a list of unfinancial members. This is not a pleasant thing to do, but the overdue subscriptions will help our financial condition quite considerably, and we hope that all the guilty members will send cheques to Ken Wood. Until they do they cannot, of course, use the Hut unless they pay non-members rates.

Included in this issue is a questionnaire, and the social committee would appreciate your completing it and returning it to Heather Reid, 33 Tindale Road, Artarmon, as soon as possible. This is the only way the social committee can get to know what people want - if you have any ideas that are not listed would you please write them on the back of the sheet. You are not asked to sign it, so don't feel someone is going to point to you and say, "You didn't turn up to the last barbecue, although you said you liked barbecues." Would those who filled in the questionnaire at the "At Home" the other night please not return it.

We would be interested to know how members feel about Ron Sim's suggestions that membership be expanded, certainly another twenty members debentures and joining fees would help our financial position. Those feeling strongly about this could drop a note to the editor, Box 98, the Union, Sydney University.

It is most important that everyone read the item immediately following the editorial. The last Annual General Meeting authorised this move, following what some members felt was an invasion of the Hut by nine people one weekend; and who thus showed no consideration for the rights of those who had booked ahead.

IMPORTANT

The Hut Booking Manager, John Wild, must be notified by those who wish, without previous booking, to stay at the Hut at weekends during the season, and his authorisation must be obtained before proceeding. At a recent Directors meeting a motion was passed that a monetary deterrent be agreed upon to discourage groups of people from spending casual weekends at the Hut when it is full, and thus inconveniencing others.

This amount has been fixed at £5.

All those who wish to stay at Warrugang for the weekend without previous booking must contact John Wild at WM 2455 by 7.00 p.m. on the Thursday before the weekend. John will then notify the Hut Manager of

those booked into the Hut, and the Hut Manager will then let any available bunks to those in the area. After 8.00 p.m. Thursday those who would like to stay in the Hut may ring Warrugang direct and see if accommodation is available.

UNFINANCIAL MEMBERS

The list published below represents a sum of more than £150 in unpaid annual subscriptions. Much of this money has been owed for more than one year, and yet many unfinancial members have availed themselves of Hut and membership privileges during this time. This practice?? will no longer be tolerated. As previously stated in the magazine unfinancial members will be charged non-member rates in future. In another part of this Journal, the winter rates for 1960 have been published. It is obvious from them that it is now even more advantageous to be a member. It is anticipated, indeed expected, that some members who are unfinancial for 1960 may be slandered by having an entry in this unfinancial Register. Apologies are offered to those persons with the excuse that some confusion must arise with a change over of treasurers. Apologies due will be published in the Magazine if the offending members will ring me (74 9511) Please assist us by paying your sub.

Ken Wood
Treasurer

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WARRUGANG CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS - 1960 SEASON
LANGLAUF AND DOWNHILL

Two trophies have been presented to the Club (by Messrs. Bill Newton and Tony Cetinich) and this year it is hoped to see some keen competition for these in a langlauf and downhill.

In the formation of Warrugang Ski Club, most of us were recruited from the ranks of inexperienced or non-skiers, and as a natural consequence entries for inter-club competitions have been sadly lacking. Over the past few years it has become obvious that quite a few members have progressed to keen and proficient skiers and it is felt that by some club competition a

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team worthy of inter-club competition may develop.

A course for the langlauf, and for the downhill will be set at the beginning of the season and it is hoped that each week everyone staying at the hut will have at least one shot at each course. Possibly everyone has witnessed the fun that even the rawest of us has had in competing in the Friday races organised by Snowrevellers. Well now we have our own trophies to compete for!

Details have not been finalised yet, but it is hoped to co-opt our hut manager Mr. Lu Vozab to time all attempts. You will be notified of final arrangements in the next issue of this paper - so wax up your skis, brush up your technique and become Warrugang's champion for 1960!

Les Jones
Sports Director.

EXPANSION OF MEMBERSHIP?

Members should be able to stay at the hut when they wish. This is most important, but is there any reason to restrict membership, below the level, where this happens? I understand that last season members accounted for only half the guest weeks, and even in the August school holidays, recognised as the peak of our season there were several non-members staying there. Obviously members are not finding difficulty in making bookings.

Though the total membership stands at 180, the number of active members (i.e. those who use the hut) must be far below this, probably no more than half. Most of the others are either overseas or have family commitments which at present prevent them from skiing. Many of these are very active in social or administrative aspects of the club and are therefore valuable members whom we do not wish to lose. It is, however, also important that we have sufficient members to provide the bulk of our bookings.

The finance provided by a few extra debentures would also go a long way toward solving the present problem of obtaining money to finish the hut.

I suggest that the club give urgent attention to raising the membership and the board be given authority to accept extra members to a maximum of 200, taking into account the rights of members to use the hut at all times they wish.

Ron Sim.

BUILDING LOAN

Lu Vozab has started working on the hut, and we urgently need finance for the purchase of material, and to pay carpenters. The building

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loan is still far short of the total needed.

If you have a few spare pounds ring Ron Sim (XY 2403) or Ken Wood (74 9511) as soon as possible.

Subscriptions are in multiples of £20 and the interest is $6\frac{1}{2}\%$ per annum. You will help yourself to greater comfort this season if you take up one or more units, but we must have the money quickly - if you can help, or would like more information, ring Ron or Ken now.

WANTED

A copy of Hume's "Dialogues Concerning Natural Religion." This is unavailable at the moment, the last edition being published in 1947, and a copy is urgently needed by Rod Power. If anyone should be willing to lend, or preferably sell him a copy, would they please write to him at Box 98, The Union, Sydney University.

PSYCHOLOGISTS

The Sydney University Psychological Society will be holding a conference at the Narrabeen National Fitness Camp, from 7.00 p.m. Friday 22nd to Sunday 24th July, the topic for lectures and discussion being, "The Relationship Between Learning Theory and Psychotherapy." Speakers will include Professor Hammer, Psychology Dept. and Dr. David Maddison, Senior Lecturer, Psychiatry Dept. Further information may be obtained from Margaret Galbraith, Psychology Dept., Sydney University.

FOR SALE

One pair of Austrian cane stocks in excellent condition, and have only been used once. They are very light, but extremely strong, and would suit a tall girl. Ring Fae Porter, WL 1095 at night, or FA 0411 during business hours.

NEW DIRECTOR

Rod Power, editor of the magazine, has been elected a member of the Board of Directors of Warrugang.

THE PERISHER VALLEY

The latest report is that the road is open up to Rock Creek, but this is likely to change at any time. There is snow six feet deep on both sides of the road, which took two weeks to clear. This road must be kept open for the time being in order to get material to the Man From Snowy River, which will be opening according to plan.

It is claimed that Sundeck will be finished in time for the season, and fifteen carpenters have been hired at £35 per week to finish off the outside. However a number of men have already refused to work in the snow, so not everyone is confident that Sundeck will be open.

Apparently the electric cables are being laid under the snow, and will be supplying power to the hotels and some huts. It is not, at this stage, known whether or not the power will reach Warrugang. In case it doesn't the generator has been pulled down and overhauled.

All the poles and wires are in for the telephone, and all that is necessary is a handset and connection to the lines outside. This means that direct contact will be possible to and from the Hut, and thus make the work of the Directors and the Hut manager much easier. The phone should reduce the number of unnecessary search parties during the season, as it will now be possible to make a quick check of all the huts to make sure that whoever seems to be lost really is so, and not sheltering somewhere else. It should also ensure that when a search party is needed it will get off to a quick start. The main thing is to observe all the safety rules and make sure it isn't you that the party (or wake) is for!

SOCIAL NEWS

All Jan Somerville's friends will be glad to hear that she has become engaged to Glen Wischer, an engineer from Melbourne. As yet we don't know what her plans are.

We wish Helen Sim and Bob Mayall every happiness for the future - they were married on 28th May, and haven't been seen since.

Tom Dirst, a prospective member, was at the barbecue the other night, and met a number of members, who were glad to see him.

Fae Porter and John Kent have postponed their marriage for a month, and now will be married in early July.

Gwen and Harry Mladek are on their way back to Sumatra. Harry to hunt for oil, and Gwen to sit back and let her trained monkeys and native boys do all the work.

Dorothy Caddy and Bob Lucas are married, as are Ann Lucas, and Warwick Fayle, and we wish them the best of luck. Neither pair met through Warrugang, although all four are members, and are well known to many of us. (With Ann's training Warwick should be eating well!)

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

The social committee would like to thank Bruce Barlow and Bernie O'Brien, who devised a particularly interesting picnic rally. They put three weekends into working out the route, and went to a great deal of trouble to get route directions and control sheets ready. Unfortunately only six cars took part, which was a pretty poor show on the part of the members -those who did take part certainly enjoyed themselves, and think Bruce and Bernie did a terrific job (even if during the trial the navigators said a few harsh words.)

Thanks are also due to Gloria Strachan, Alex Reichel. Tom Souter, Peter Stone, and Claude Schanffel, who manned the control points in what must have been rather bitter (both weather and number of competitors) conditions.

The detailed point scores were:-

Car Driver	Navigator(s)	Navig- ation	Points Lost		Total
			Road Safety	Things To Find	
1 Ron Sim	Margaret Sim	16	50	50	116
2 Bill Newton	James Chabou	59	300	50	409
3 Anton Crouch	Ken & Fran Wood	44	--	10	54
4 Joan Lynch	Tony Lynch	425	50	100	575
5 Heather Reid	Alison Mills & Rod Power	13	50	100	163
6 Alistair Stuart	Ana ...	334	150	300	784

As can be seen, Anton, Ken and Fran won the trial, and the driver and chief navigator were each presented with an engraved mug at the Stage Club "At Home" on the 27th May.

Those in car five are going to insist that the next trial be judged purely on navigation.

The barbecue after the trial was a definite success, and the committee would like to thank John Wild for cooking the steak and sausages for about forty five people. Judging by the success of the barbecue this is what Warrugangers want, but it is probably getting a bit cold for more barbecues until after the skiing season.

FILM EVENING

There will be a film evening at the Stage Club (upstairs) on Friday 8th July at 8.00 p.m. Do come along and meet some of the new members, and see some of the people you met whilst skiing last year. We are getting some new cartoons from the Canadian Film Board, which should be rather beaut.

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EDITORIAL

The most important item in this month's issue is Ken Wood's statement about the increase in membership. We would like you to read this carefully and then complete the enclosed voting slip and mail it in the next few days.

Anton Crouch has had to resign from the Board, because he spends quite a bit of time in the country, and is unable to attend directors meetings. His fellow directors are sorry to see him go, and appreciate his past efforts,

The social committee have arranged for Mr. Maclaurin, the manager of the Australian team to the Winter Olympics at Squaw Valley, to come and tell us about the trip at the Stage Club on July 8th.

The results of the recent vote show that Warrugangsters like barbecues best, social evenings second, with car trials and theatre parties third. Live comedies are the most popular, then live drama, and third ballet ... Opera is out!

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sir,

I think Mr. Sim's idea just ideal. Only why not make the maximum two thousand instead of a miserly two hundred.

Just think what this would mean. A solid platinum mantle for selected members to lean upon. And just think of the glorious Roman marble bathrooms guests could wallow in, together with little black boys to scrub backs, etc., etc.,

Another £45,500 in kitty sure would go a long way in removing the petty worries and inconveniences of the guests and building committee.

Your most elevated reader,

Arthur

INCREASE OF MEMBERSHIP

Article II of the Articles of Association of the Club states:
"For the purposes of registration the number of members of the Club is declared not to exceed 150 but the Directors may from time to time register an increase of members."

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Despite this power vested in the Directors, when the membership was increased to 180 from 150 some years ago a special general meeting was called to discuss the proposal and put it to a vote. It was intended to adopt the same procedure this time but it was pointed out that it is always the same small group of interested members who attend meetings of this type, and whilst the great majority of these people are also active skiers in the club it is precisely these same people who would feel (erroneously) that they might lose something by an increase of membership.

With these thoughts in mind the Board felt that a postal vote conducted amongst all members rather than Proxy votes in the hands of a few, would be a fairer way of gauging the members reaction to the proposed membership increase.

In support of the proposal to raise the membership to 200 I should like to offer the following information:-

Last season there were 320 bed weeks available at Warrugang between the June and October long weekends. Of this total only 260 were occupied. This represents approximately 80% utilisation of the hut over a four month period. Of the 80% almost exactly half were not members of the Club. Therefore only 40% of the use of the hut last year was made by members.

Even during the peak period for bookings, namely the school holidays, the hut was not entirely filled by members, and several non-members were able to find accommodation.

It is apparent that not all of the present 180 members are able to, or interested in, spending a winter holiday at the hut at the present time. Obviously the reason for a lot of this is the existence of young families and other domestic pursuits which prevent these members from enjoying the hut facilities. It is similarly obvious that an increase of membership by 20 persons is not going to cause inconvenience either to active or inactive members in the immediate future.

The Board is still negotiating for a loan of £1000 to pay for the major alterations and improvements carried out by our manager recently. Twenty new members would contribute £100 in joining fees, £400 as debentures and £20 as annual subs - a total of £520.

Those members worried about possible future overcrowding would do well to remember that the club hopes to expand its facilities as soon as possible. A sun deck, enlarged basement beneath it and a

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married accommodation wing are all planned for early completion, finances permitting. We cannot have an exclusive club for only a £20 debenture. We cannot improve and enlarge the hut without money. We can raise money by an increase in membership or an increase of lodging fees.

It is up to the members to choose.

Please complete the enclosed voting slip and return not later than the 20th July, 1960.

K. G. Wood
Hon. Treas.

HUT BOOKINGS

Bookings for the coming season can be made with the Booking Manager, John Wild, 33 Norfolk Road, Epping.

Please forward the booking fee when making bookings. Refunds can only be made where three clear weeks' notice of cancellation is given.

Lu Vozab has been appointed cook-hutmanager for the coming season, and he will have an offsider called Murph. Mr. Vozab has been manger at Albina and has worked for Bob Strizek. He is a good skier, and likes being in the Perisher area.

The Directors have been able to fix the weekly tariff for the whole season. This will be £10.10.0 per week, which will include all meals, which will save people the bother of arranging to have food delivered to the Hut, and cooking when they could be enjoying themselves. This will obviate the anxiety in wondering just where the food is (in Perisher Creek, or being eaten at Cicero) when it has not arrived by 10 p.m. on Saturday. For non-members the tariff will be £16.0.0 per week, again with all meals supplied. Casual rates are slightly higher and may be obtained from John Wild.

We would like the hut to be full for the whole season, so if you know anyone who is interested in skiing, tell them about Warrugang - this is our best method of contacting people, and ensure that those staying in the hut will be known to at least some of us.

BUILDING COMMITTEE REPORT

Members will find many changes at Warrugang this year. Those who were at the Hut over the Queens Birthday weekend will have some idea just what has happened, but for most this will be news.

The Directors decided on this major rebuilding program because the unfinished state of the Hut made it hard to maintain, and, in the long run it is more expensive doing things in dribs and drabs. Another consideration is the increasing competition in the valley, we must have an attractive Hut to attract non-members, whom we rely on to fill up the Hut. Also the place was uncomfortable, the fire smoked, the showers and toilets were primitive, and there wasn't much to sit on. Finally, a number of alterations had to be made to carry out the directive of the last annual general meeting that a cook should be engaged this year.

In the basement the drainage has been improved, the front wall strengthened, there is a timber floor, and two rooms, one for storage, and the other for the Hut manager.

Upstairs the kitchen has been partitioned off from the main room, and panelled in the same timber as the rest of the room. This was essential if Lu was to cook adequately, and surprisingly does not seem to make the main room smaller.

There is a new fireplace, and behind this a drying room. Beside the fireplace is a wood box, and finally a mantelshelf. Two new curved lounges have been built, and they ensure most everyone a place by the fire.

The men's bathroom has been panelled with blue Tilex - there are two toilets with doors, and two showers with curtains. Shelves and hand towel rails have been added and the whole place is much more compact.

The women's bathroom has had similar modifications, although the panelling is, of course, pink.

There is a refrigerator in the kitchen, and a cowl over the stove, and a porch outside the door for rubbish tins etc.,

This is the '60 model Warrugang, and we feel sure that everyone will like it. We are well on the way to completing the Hut, but still have some way to go. Next year we will have power laid on, and with luck will have bunk lights, and a Sundeck of our own outside.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

The 'At Home' at the Stage Club the other night was very successful - over forty members were present, and what with talking, dancing, drinking etc., seemed to enjoy themselves. Ken Wood was

presented with his trophy for winning the "picnic rally", and Fran Wood accepted Anton Crouch's trophy, as he was unable to attend.

Unfortunately the social committee has been unable to lay hand on a film projector, so that the film evening has been turned into a talk (with slides) by Mr. D. Maclaurin, who was manager of the Australian team that contested the Winter Olympics at Squaw Valley. So come along at 8.00 on July 8th., for what promises to be an interesting evening, and meet Mr. Maclaurin and also have a get together with the other members.

Betty Neville has arranged another theatre party, this time to "The Hostage," at the Elizabethan on Saturday 30th July. 15/- seats will be available for. 12/-, but you must ring Betty by the 16th, as she has to let the theatre know the number. To quote the blurb ... "This audacious play was the smash hit of London's West End in 1959 and is still running." Critics hailed it as "magnificent", "Superb," "funnier than ten comedies." The turbulent Irish author who also wrote "Borstal Boy" has provided you with a rare experience.

SOCIAL JOTTINGS

Who was it that when ordering roast beef and Yorkshire pudding at the Man from Snowy River Hotel recently was told by the waitress that she would "only take the orders for the main course now, and I'll get your sweet order later???"

The Club is in the news with the announcement of the engagement of Olympic swimmer Lorraine Crapp to Dr. Harold Thurlow, medical advisor to the Olympic team. Harry is a good friend of the Reichels (Alex and Bill) and has been a member of the club for some years.

WANTED

Rod Power still wants a copy of Hume's "Dialogues Concerning Natural Religion." This is unavailable at the moment, the last edition being published in 1947, and a copy is urgently needed. If anyone should be willing to lend, or preferably, sell him a copy, would they please write to him at Box 98, The Union, Sydney University.

FOR SALE

One pair of Munari ski boots. size 7.
One pair of Nordica ski boots, size 8.
Both pairs of boots are in excellent condition. and have only been used a little. Further information from John Carter, 4 Railway Parade. Thornleigh.

THE NAME IS WILD

A while ago a non-member called at the hut and asked about the possibility of staying for a week in July. He had asked a member he knew and was told that someone called Wild was looking after bookings, but he didn't know his address.

Fortunately this particular non-member is now booked in for a week in July, but it is interesting to wonder just how many others have gone elsewhere because members couldn't give them the information they wanted.

John Wild's address is on the front page of every issue of this magazine. It would help your club a great deal if every member acted as an unofficial booking agent and made sure that every prospective guest who came his way ended up by staying at Warrugang.

NEW MEMBERS

Bob Neil, whom many of us have known for sometime, has joined the club (in fact thought he was a member.) He has been down to Warrugang several times, and we are glad to know he is now a member.

Helen Reid has also joined the club. She is married to Bruce Reid, who has been a member for some years. We look forward to seeing her at some of our social evenings.

UNFINANCIAL MEMBERS

Don't forget, unfinancial members have to pay non-member rates when staying at Warrugang, so hurry up with those cheques!

SKIING AT KOSY
(WALTZING MATILDA)

Once a team of shooting men
Planned on a change of scene
They had been shooting, all over the state
Then they heard of a sport
That's practiced in the winter time
They've gone down to Kosy, to ski and to skate.

CHORUS.

Skiing at Kosy, skiing at Kosy,
Who'll come a skiing at Kosy with me,
And they sing as they're skiing
Down from the mountain tops,
Who'll come a skiing at Kosy with me.

Up came a draughtsman
 Straight from the drawing board,
 Up to the ski club, he came you see
 And he sings as he slips
 Down the slopes on his drawing board
 Who'll come a skiing at Kosy with me.

CHORUS

Down came a lawyer man,
 he'd been on a murder case
 He said to the plaintiff, "How do you plea"
 The plaintiff he said
 I'll give you an answer if
 You'll come a skiing at Kosy with me.

CHORUS

And now every year,
 When the snow is on the southern alps
 You'll hear a song, that is sung with glee
 And it echoes quite clearly
 From ski club to mountain top
 Who'll come a skiing at Kosy with me.

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EDITORIAL

Bill Newton has written every useful article for all people going to Kosi this winter, and therefore is well worth keeping. Also he has some information on what has been happening in the Perisher Valley.

Ron Sim has a somewhat controversial article dealing with Warrugang's future. Some of us will disagree with what he has suggested, and the building committee would be interested in your reactions.

The directors have made a new rule which will affect unruly members of the club who turn up at the hut without booking. If you don't want to spend the night in the snow, and you are an unruly member, read it!

At the same directors meeting it was decided to increase the membership to 200. The case was decided both on its merits and the wishes of members.

WARRUGANG WINTER 1960.

Winter 1960 will see a lot of changes for Warrugang members and guests. Snow is in abundance, the hut is finished and is equal to the standard offered in any other lodge, the road is sealed to Jindabyne and the telephone connected. This year we hope can be topped off as being our most successful by having some representation in the Perisher Cup.

Without wandering into the wonders of Warrugang the purpose of this article is to let members and guests have some knowledge of Kosi this year before reaching the hut.

TRANSPORT

<u>Train services to Cooma</u>	Leave Central	Arrive Cooma
Monday to Saturday	7.35 a.m.	2.30 p.m.
Sun, Tues, Thurs, Fri	8.45 p.m.	7.30 a.m.
Sunday	5.25 p.m.	7.30 p.m.
Friday (Winter only)	8.42 p.m.	6.20 a.m.
 <u>Train services from Cooma</u>	 Leave Cooma	 Arrive Central
Monday to Saturday	3.17 p.m.	9.46 p.m.
Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat.	7.35 p.m.	5.20 p.m.
Sunday (Winter only)	8.50 p.m.	5.30 a.m.

Seat booking is compulsory on the daily air-conditioned Monaro Express, but you would be well advised to book on other trains. The skiers special is a much faster train than the Cooma snail, not stopping as much and giving a service to Sydney on Sundays.

Plane Services (Airlines of N.S.W.)

	Leave Syd.	Arr. Cooma.	Leave Cooma	Arr. Sydney
Mon to Sat	6.50 a.m.	8.05 a.m.	8.10 a.m.	9.25 a.m.
Daily	4.20 p.m.	5.35 p.m.	5.40 p.m.	6.55 p.m.
Daily but not Sunday and via Canberra			4.10 p.m.	6.05 p.m.

COOMA TO THE SNOWLINE

Bus - Pioneer will meet the train and plane on Saturday mornings and take you to the Snowline - £1 to the Old Hotel and 25/- to Smiggin Holes. The bus returns to Cooma, arriving about 3.p.m. Buses also travel to Island Bend on weekdays leaving Pioneer Depot about 7.30 a.m. and leaving Island Bend on the return journey in time for the evening train.

Taxi - These meet the train or can be picked up in Cooma township. You would be well advised to make up a party if travelling by taxi as the charge is £8.0.0 per trip.

Hitch a ride or walk ???

SNOWLINE TO WARRUGANG

Walk! ... Ski! ... Snowmobile (Ah!)

The Snowmobile is this year being operated by Perisher Valley Enterprises Pty. Ltd., ... a company of which John Davis is Managing Director. The service is much improved and is £1 from Smiggins to Warrugang. For the more energetic persons, the snowmobile will carry your pack for 5/-

BY CAR

Car drivers will be very pleased to find that the road to Jindabyne is now completely sealed and the road to Smiggins graded. All-night garages are at:

Marulan	-	Atlantic Service Station
Collector	-	Shell " "
Cooma	-	Atlantic " " (last garage before the turn-off to Kiandra and Tumut)
The Creel	-	via Jindabyne - Johnny Abbotsmith.

Drivers would be well advised to enquire of road conditions this winter before setting off from any of the Sydney ski shops. Owing to the very heavy snow, chains will probably be essential to get to Smiggins.

SKI EQUIPMENT

Skis, stocks and boots, or one item alone, may be hired from:

1. Mick Simmonds Sports Store, George Street, Sydney.
2. Ski Sports, Strand Arcade, Pitt Street, Sydney.
3. Paddy Pallin, Castlereagh Street, Sydney.
4. Snowline, " " "
5. Johnny Abbot Smith, Jindabyne (Ring and book)
6. The Old Hotel Site, Kosciusko.
7. Snowline, Alpine Gate, Smiggins Holes (Ring and Book)

WARRUGANG

This year the hut has become a lodge with alterations from basement to roof. Ski and boot racks have been built in the basement, the floor is dry and wooden and an air-lock built to keep out snow.

Upstairs there is a very efficient fireplace with completely renovated sitting room and seating. A drying room has been built beside the fireplace and works wonderfully.

The sleeping accommodation is full of warm innerspring mattresses and quite warm enough to have your sleeping bag alone. The floors all have lino laid and beside each bed is a carpet square.

The bathrooms and toilets are amazing ... pink for girls and blue for boys.

Last but far from least is our manager Lu and his assistant Mervyn. We are very privileged this year to have two such wonderful people with us. Lu, is as many know, from higher mountain parts and the best skier in Perisher ... his cooking is better and his capabilities unlimited. Mervyn helps Lu and I doubt if a nicer person you could find.

In all, the new Warrugang with its comfort, tremendous meals, early morning tea and supper, will, we feel sure, be something for all to look forward to. You will find that Lu and Mervyn will look after you like royalty and make sure your 1960 skiing the most memorable to date.

PERISHER VALLEY

This year the Perisher boasts two hotels, two T-bar lifts and two rope tows. The Man from Snowy River Hotel is very conveniently placed on the road to Smiggins where the manager is Mr. Fritz Firesinger. It is ultra modern and has both guest and public lounges.

Sundeck is rebuilt where mine host is Ernest Larese ... an old Warrugang manager. Ernest and his charm have now become part of Perisher and we wish him all the best with the new Sundeck.

The T-bars are placed side by side to relax last year's queue. The rope tows are the same as last year.

May we wish all skiers a happy 1960 ski season and look forward to see you and your friends at Warrugang soon, so ski hard, Ski Heil!!

Bill Newton.

WHERE ARE WE GOING?

Now the hut is basically finished we can, in our new leisure (while the washing up is being done) think, and talk about the way we want the hut to develop in the future.

First of all, I think we should concentrate on really finishing the place as it now stands. Next year we will be able to buy ready - made electricity which will be cheaper, and much more convenient than our present home-made type. The services of an electrician will be necessary before we can be connected and while he is there it will be much cheaper if the extras ... the bunk lights, mirror lights etc., are installed ... instead of being done later. There will also need to be a bit more work done downstairs. Despite the strengthening of the front wall last summer it is still only temporary, and the Park Trust will probably insist on our facing it with granite before very long. It would be nice, in the process, to move the wall out a few feet to increase the basement area and give us a sundeck. When the granite wall is being made obviously the fireplace should also be done.

The bathroom floors will need a bit of attention and there is still other straightening up to be done .. but these are comparatively minor matters.

Looking further into the future (when all our present debts are settled) we will need to think of our married members who will want to take their children with them to the hut. With the present birth-rate this will be quite a problem in four or five years and the hut is at present not really suitable for children.

A wing of married quarters, usually visualised as an extension at the kitchen end, has been talked of since the early days of Warrugang. Rather than make it a collection of family rooms where parents and children can live with the minimum interference to the rest of the hut activities, I think a better solution would be to build extra dormitories for the kids and let the parents sleep in the existing dormitories, and hence be more "in" the activities of the hut. For supervisory purposes it would be desirable for one set of parents to be close to the children's dormitories so we had better include one double room, and an extra bathroom.

All this could be fitted into the roof, an arrangement which would give a more compact hut, and hence one easier to heat, and it would almost certainly be cheaper than a ground level extension.

There are quite a few members who have some regrets at the increasing "luxury" of Warrugang, feeling that there is "something" in living with the minimum of frills for a while every year. I do agree with them but I don't think Warrugang was ever intended to be that sort of hut, and I don't think Perisher Valley is the place for it. I also think most, if not all, of us prefer the hut to be comfortable and well finished since it is where we usually spend all of our annual holidays. I would like to see a second hut built, somewhere in good skiing country, a good day's run from Warrugang, where we could spend a few days in different surroundings away from the tows and crowds of Perisher Valley. A hut of this type needs to be built as cheaply as possible with no hot water, no electricity and no Dunlopillo mattresses, since it would be mainly a depot for touring.

Let's keep alive Warrugang's pioneering character and not succumb too easily to the luxuries of tows and snowmobiles!

Another thought which could lead to cheaper skiing, is that the club could buy a vehicle - a VW Kombi or such like for the transport of members to and from the hut. One party could drive it down to the

snow on Friday nights and another bring it back on Saturday, sharing expenses. This would be much more convenient and rather cheaper than the 2nd class train and bus combination and the Kombi would also be useful in summer for taking supplies to the hut, and for working parties. There would be quite a few major problems to be resolved before going into this and we would need to be certain it would be used by the majority of members.

These are all obviously very long range thoughts, with our present negative bank balance, but there is no harm in thinking about our plans and discussing them so that when we can afford to go further, we know where we want to go. I haven't thought about the likely attitude of the Park Trust, the State Government or Monaro Council, but since the ideas of these bodies could quite easily change completely before we are ready to go ahead we could face these details only when necessary.

Ron Sim

READ THIS!

At a recent meeting of the board it was decided to rescind the decision that a fine of £5 per person per day be levied on those staying in the hut without first contacting the Booking Manger. It was felt by some directors that a fine was not in keeping with the general policy of the club.

However, in order to protect members and non-members who have booked into the hut it has been decided that no one is to be allowed to stay overnight unless there is a bunk available. This rule will be rigidly enforced against people arriving without notification, and will only be relaxed in cases of emergency, or when enforcement of the rule would endanger those concerned.

Our new address for bookings Box 62, Post Office, Avalon.
And the phone number is 9183521 (Business Hours)

INCREASE OF MEMBERSHIP

As the recent postal vote was unanimously in favour of increasing the membership to 200, the Directors have decided to do so. (There was one vote against, but this came from an unfinancial member, and thus was not counted.)

Our waiting list almost covers the places available, but there are some vacancies. If you have any friends wishing to join would you either ask them to contact Fran Wood, or do so yourself.

NEW DIRECTOR

John Dickin, who many of you know well, has been made a Director of the club. The board welcomes him, and feels that he will be able to make a real contribution to its effort in running and improving the Club. He already has his first job, that of Fire Officer (Prevention.)

BOOKINGS

Our new address for bookings Box 62, Post Office, Avalon. And the phone number is 9183521 (Business Hours.)

The weekly tariff for the season is £10.10.0 for members and £16.0.0 for non-members. This includes all meals, including a cut lunch if you are going out for the day, and morning and afternoon tea, plus supper.

When booking please forward a deposit of £3 (members) or £7.10.0 (non-members) per week. The balance, £7.10.0 (members) or £8.10.0 (non-members) is to be paid at least a fortnight before the period they have booked for. If this balance is not received the booking manager has the right to pass this accommodation on to those on his waiting list. Refunds can only be made when three weeks notice of cancellation is given.

Unfinancial members must pay non-member rates, and this also applies to any member who owes the club money.

FOR SALE

1 pair of ski pants, size 6 $\frac{1}{4}$, full length 42 $\frac{1}{2}$, crutch to instep 31", waist 40", hips 47", made by Mick Simmons of 45% silicone, 55% wool material. If interested contact John Furedy at XY 4846.

SOCIAL

We have arranged a film evening at the Stage Club on the 5th August at 8 o'clock. Films of course will be mainly on skiing ... with the odd cartoon thrown in ... So come along and bring all your friends.

Betty Neville has arranged another theatre party for "The Hostage" on Saturday 13th August. This theatre party was arranged for last month but the production was put back when the producer Robin Lovejoy became ill ... To quote the blurb ... "This audacious play was the smash hit of London's West End in 1959 and is still running." Critics hailed it as "magnificent", "Superb", "funnier than ten comedies." The turbulent Irish author who also wrote "Borstal Boy" has provided you with a rare experience ... so hurry and contact Betty Neville at 31a Murray Street, Croydon or ring her at UJ 1914 for your 15/- tickets at 12/-

The Annual Ball will be in the Satellite Room of the Sky Lounge in Pitt Street. More details next month, but the date to keep is Saturday October 22nd.

STOP PRESS ...

Meg and Bruce Barlow have just had a baby daughter ... name unknown...

Brenda and Don Pinkstone have also, even more recently, had a daughter ... Jennifer Louise.

And don't forget our new address for booking ... Box 62, Avalon Post Office ...'phone 9183521 (business hours)

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EDITORIAL

Mail is looking up! Marcia's letter suggesting some statement about Lu's cooking arrived at the same time as Vince Munro's letter, and as his effectually answers Marcia's, that is that. A Grateful Skier's letter also compliments Lu; the last paragraph gives away the writer.

The Ball is coming up shortly, and the social committee urges members and friends to make up their parties quickly and buy their tickets as soon as possible.

There is a new bus service running between Smiggs and Wilsons Valley all day on Saturday (time table page 5) This means cars can be left in safety at either the old hotel or Wilsons Valley. There is also a service to and from Cooma on Fridays and holidays. Bookings on this service can be made by ringing Sundeck at Smiggin Holes 222 or 223, or Warrugang Office at Avalon 918 3521.

Warrugang now has an overdraft limit of £1,000 with the Rural Bank, which enables the directors to pay for the recent alterations. The directors would like to thank those who, by guaranteeing the overdraft, made this possible.

It is unfortunately necessary to again publish a list of unfinancial members, who must pay full rates when using the hut, and cannot vote at the forthcoming annual general meeting.

The directors would like to congratulate John Hextall on his recent marriage to Margaret in Melbourne, and wish them both every happiness for the future.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear sir,

Enclosed please find my cheque for annual fees up to date. Also enclosed is voting form. Please note change of name and address as from now.

Just as a point of interest to members, how about a few notes in the paper on Lu's cooking from some members who have been up there. Might make the increased accom. fees more acceptable to members who have not been up yet. I have heard views both in favor and against, and a little article might just settle a lot of dissatisfaction being felt by some members I have come across.

2.

I think the "Skiing at Kosi" song is beaut, and would like to say also how glad I am to hear the club is being run more businesslike. Maybe a few others would like to know (another note in paper?)

Excuse briefness of this letter, but time's a'wasting so must away.

Yours sincerely,
Mrs. G. W. Bodewes.
(Marcia Flynn)

Dear Sir,

Enclosed herein please find cabbage to the value of £16.7.6 being way of payment for my week's residence at W.S.C.

I would like to take this opportunity of thanking the club, through you, for its hospitality. Also, may I repeat my praise of, and thanks to, Lu and Merv., and may I make one small suggestion?

I join with the members whose voices you will probably soon hear in saying that a record player is almost an essential for the hut. Apart from that, I have nothing but praise for the layout and amenities .

Thanking you once more, I remain,

Yours faithfully,
V. Munro.

Dear Sir,

I do not hesitate to say that congratulations will be forthcoming to the Board of Directors of the Club for the admirable job they have done in transforming our Club into a lodge comparable in comfort and design to any other in Perisher at the next Annual General Meeting. Every person I have spoken to who has seen the "New Look" agrees that the Club is now something of which we can all be very proud.

I would also like to congratulate the Board on its choice of Manager and his assistant. Lu and Mervyn are the most untiring and helpful persons in the Perisher and I feel sure will help the club gain a reputation beyond and in excess of all other places in the Perisher.

One point, however, I would like to suggest to the Board is that serious consideration be given to the purchase of a record player. We now have a modern club with modern facilities and run in a very efficient manner, but we have no music whatsoever apart from that provided by the Warrugang Band. It does seem a pity to me that at parties and when alone in the hut owing to injury some form of music is not forthcoming.

A Grateful Skier.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE NOTICES

The next social is at the Stage Club, 155 Forbes Street, Darlinghurst on Friday 16th September at 8 p.m. in the upstairs room. The highly commended New Zealand film "Snows of Aorangi", will be shown, plus others.

The annual Ball will be held in the Satellite Room of the Sky Lounge, 204 Pitt Street, Sydney on Saturday 22nd October, 8.30 till 1.00. Double tickets only £2.10.0. This should be lots of fun, but please ring Heather Reid at JA 6102 or Gwen Oldfield at LJ 1480 as soon as possible and book so as to reduce the chances of the social committee becoming completely neurotic worrying about unsold tickets. If you don't have a phone write to Heather at 53 Tindale Road, Artarmon or Gwen at Coogarah Street, Blakehurst.

BUILDING LOAN

The Club was recently advised by the Rural Bank that an overdraft limit of £1000 had been established on our account, to enable the recent extensive alterations at the hut to be paid for.

Negotiations for this loan have been carried out over a period of approximately 10 weeks. The loan is for a period of 4 years, to be repaid in half yearly instalments of £125, the first of which is due on the 22nd February 1961.

In order to guarantee the repayments 20 persons were asked to nominate as guarantor, and 10 guarantee forms for £100 each have been completed, each signed by two persons.

It is felt that a message of thanks from the Club should be passed on to the following in appreciation of their faith in the Club's future.

Jim Brennan	John Hextall	Don Pinkstone
Tony Cetinich	Les James	Rod Power
Jim Craig	Tony Lynch (non-member)	Heather Reid
Anton Crouch	Bill Newton	Brian Smith
John Dicken	Bob Neil	Ian Sim
Jeff Greethhead (non-member)	Gwen Oldfield	Ron Sim
John Wild	Ken Wood.	

It should be noted that two of the above are non-members.

Ken Wood
Hon. Treasurer.

UNFINANCIAL MEMBERS

The following is a list of the unfinancial members of the Club. Some of them are overseas and thus may be excused. The rest are either disinterested or just plain lazy. It is hoped that this appeal will awaken the defaulters into life and active membership once again. Remember that unfinancial members are not entitled to vote at a general meeting, and our annual meeting is not far off.

If by accident financial members find their names slandered by appearing below please contact me and I will apologise profusely. It may be that errors have crept into the books and this is the only way we can correct them.

Angel, Kenneth (last paid 1956)	Lee, Peter	(57)
Aplin, Peter (59)	Locksley, Harry	(56)
Ashpole, Ron (58)	MacAlpine, Dave	(57)
Baird, David (59)	McEwan, Malcolm	(59)
Brown, Roger (58) overseas	Malone, Edmund	(58)
Butler, Geoff (59)	Mann, Else	(59) overseas
Currie, Arthur (59)	Mladek, Harry	(57)
Curtis, Pam (56)	" Gwen	(57)
Davies, Ken (59)	Morgan, Hal	(55)
Dooner, Stan (57)	Nicholas, Dawn	(59)
Eastwood, Frank (58)	Packham, Gordon	(55) overseas
Fels, Marjorie (57)	Pegum, David	(58)
Figgis, Rhonda (59) overseas	Rourke, John	(57)
Hall, Norman (57)	Robinson, John	(59)
Halleday, Alice (57)	Singleton, Lucy	(59)
Hardie, John (56)	Slayter, Michael	(57)
Hextall, Pat (57) overseas	Smith, Doug	(56)
Horder, Jan (58)	Smith, Edward	(55)
Jefferson, William (57)	Smith, Phillip	(57)
Jeffreys, Frank (55)	Spinks, Lorraine	(58)
Lee, Ian (59)	Stone, Rodney	(58)

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Stoney, Pat	(57)	Wigney, Peter	(59)
Stone, Peter	(58)	Williams, Kath	(57)
Swift, Alan	(57)	Wilson, Garth	(58)
Thompson, Betty	(58)		

Ken Wood.
Hon. Treasurer.

TRANSPORT

A new bus service known as the Kosciusko Express Co. is operating between Smiggins Holes, Hotel Kosciusko, Wilson's Valley and Cooma for the benefit of skiers. This bus is driven by Freddie Moser, an Austrian who last year worked at Sundeck.

The timetable is as follows:

	<u>Leave Smiggins Holes</u>	<u>Leave Old Hotel Kosi</u>	<u>Arr. Wilson's Valley</u>
Sat. only	8.00 a.m.	8.15 a.m.	8.25 a.m.
Daily	9.00 a.m.	9.15 a.m.	9.25 a.m.
	10.00 0.m.	10.15 a.m.	10.25 a.m.
	12,00 noon	12.15 p.m.	12.25 p.m.
	4.30 p.m.	4.45 p.m.	4.55 p.m.
	5.00 p.m.	5.15 p.m.	6.25 p.m.

	<u>Leave Wilson's Valley</u>	<u>Leave old Hotel Kosi</u>	<u>Arr. Smiggins Holes</u>
Sat. only	8.30 a.m.	8.40 a.m.	8.55 a.m.
Daily	9.30 a.m.	9.40 a.m.	9.55 a.m.
	10.30 a.m.	10.40 a.m.	10.55 a.m.
	2.30 p.m.	2.40 p.m.	2.55 p.m.
	5.00 p.m.	5.10 p.m.	5.25 p.m.
	6.30 p.m.	6.40 p.m.	6.55 p.m.

	<u>Leave Smiggins</u>	<u>Leave Hotel Kosi</u>	<u>Leave Wilson's Valley</u>	<u>Leave Cooma Airport</u>	<u>Arrive Cooma</u>
Friday & Sunday only	7.00 p.m.	7.15 p.m.	7.25 p.m.	8.15 p.m.	8.30p.m.

	<u>Leave Cooma</u>	<u>Leave Airport</u>	<u>Leave Wilson's Valley</u>	<u>Leave Hotel Kosi</u>	<u>Arrive Smiggins</u>
Friday & Sunday Only	8.30 p.m.	8.45 p.m.	9.35 p.m.	9.45 p.m.	10.00 p.m.

FARES

	<u>Adult</u>	<u>Child</u>
Smiggins Holes to Old Hotel	5/0	2/6
" " " Wilsons Valley	7/6	3/6
" " " Airport	20/-	10/-
" " " Cooma	25/-	12/6

This new service will enable skiers to leave their cars lower down the mountain without risk in being snowed in or damage to their cars owing to the extremely bad condition of the road between the Old Hotel and Smiggin Holes.

Airlines of N.S.W. are now running an additional plane service on Fridays and Saturdays so that the plane services now are:

SYDNEY - leave	<u>Daily except Sunday</u>	<u>Daily</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Sunday</u> (up to 9.10.60)
	6.50	4.20	6.30	8.30
COOMA - arrive	7.55	5.25	8.10	9.35
COOMA - leave	8.10	5.40	8.25	9.50
SYDNEY - arrive	9.10	6.40	10.05	10.50

BOOKINGS

Our new address for bookings Box 62, Post Office, Avalon. And the phone number is 918 3521 (Business hours.)

The weekly tariff for the season is £10.10.0 for members and £16.0.0 for non-members. This includes all meals, including a cut lunch if you are going out for the day, and morning and afternoon tea, plus supper.

When booking please forward a deposit of £3 (members) or £7.10.0 (non-members) per week. The balance, £7.10.0 (members) or £8.10.0 (non-members) is to be paid at least a fortnight before the period they have booked for. If this balance is not received the booking manager has the right to pass this accommodation on to those on his waiting list. Refunds can only be made when three weeks notice of cancellation is given.

Unfinancial members must pay non-member rates, and this also applies to any member who owes the club money.

C O N C E R T

by

GRADUATE GROUP

of

Sydney University Musical Society

Wednesday, September 21

8.15 p.m.

Great Hall, University of Sydney

Programme Includes:

New Love Song Waltzes - Brahms
 Spiritual Rhapsody - Oldroyd
 Cantata : "My Spirit was in heaviness"
 - J. S. Bach

MORE -

CHOIR CONDUCTED BY G. FAUNCE ALLMAN

'Metamorphoses' for Oboe unaccomp.

- Britten

'Sonata for Harpsichord and Oboe'

- Telemann

VANESSA MERRY, oboe; BOB DONNELLY, harpsichord

TICKETS 6s. PLANS AT PALINGS FROM SEPT. 5

"an oboe is an ill wind nobody blows good ... "

JOTTINGS

Would anyone who has anything, either about themselves, or anyone else to go in this section, please write it down and mail it to the editor ... If they don't, and it gets distorted or forgotten, they have only themselves to blame.

Congratulations to Brian and Margaret Smith who have recently produced a child, Stephen.

Jill Burgess, who recently graduated from Prince Alfred, is going to Tasmania for a year to do an obstetrics course. Whilst there she will let us have a report on skiing in Tasmania.

Jill Chaplin had her 21st birthday party at Warrugang - it was reported to be one of the best parties ever held in the valley, with something like 120 people present.

A certain non-drinker (female) thinks Hextall's punch is not to be taken lightly next time (particularly after Grant's added the metho) or perhaps not by the brandy balloon full!!

Barbara Nall has taken on the job of minutes secretary in order to make Fran Wood's job lighter. She will now have to go through the agonizing process of sitting in on discussions and not being able to vote.

No prize for guessing who made up the group that found 18 doz. beer and 5 gallons of claret insufficient for a fortnight's stay at the hut.

The Warrugangsters are having a brawl at the Sky Lounge, Pitt Street, Saturday 22nd October. Tickets £2.10.0 double - tell your friends, or better still, come yourself. For tickets ring either Heather Reid at JA 6102, or Gwen Oldfield at LJ 1480 NOW and not the night before the ball.

Lu Vozab, hut manager and honorary member, came third in the N.S.W. Langlauf for which feat he deserves our heartiest congratulations.

Hextall's got a new problem --- a wife! Does she ski?

Last year's trail blazer (our fire officer (prevention)) seemed to have little success in finding a suitable companion for his evil plans ... The Editor suggests Fred's Friendly Society-- from personal experience he finds them quite satisfactory.

MURPH'S ULTIMATE EXPERIENCE

I'm getting over the worst hangover, that I ever had before,
The first was a whisky, the second a gin,
The third was a beer, with a cigarette in,
There's no need explaining the one remaining,
It's all over the kitchen floor,
I'm getting over the worst hangover, that I ever had before!

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STOP PRESS...

We've just received news of Merv's broken leg! He apparently had a bad crash up behind Technology. Hope it's better soon Joe.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR CONT.,

Dear Sir,

I recently spent a week at the hut, a week which I enjoyed greatly, thanks to Lu and Murph's cooking, and the general improvements to the hut.

One thing I found most pleasant was the restful atmosphere -- no wireless or player blaring away in the background, as there is at Sundeck or The man from Snowy River. I feel that the directors should be congratulated for not allowing such noise machines to intrude.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Mr. Editor,

Per medium of your columns I would like to comment on the recent alterations in design and management of Warrugang.

I would like to congratulate the Board firstly for their foresight in making provision for a Hut Manager-Cook and secondly for their good judgement in selecting someone of the capacity and conviviality of Lu and Mervyn. My wife, Aileen, particularly enjoyed the freedom from the mealtime demands of a hungry family.

The further improvements in the bath rooms, lounge, ski room and air locks have all added to make an immense difference to the Warrugang we knew last year. It is rapidly becoming a very comfortable ski lodge.

So much for bouquets, the main brickbat is one which would be easily remedied, that is more provision for eating in a conventional manner. The balancing of plates on one's knees whilst wielding one's knife and fork does seem a trifle precarious. No doubt the semi-circular lounge has been designed to serve also as a buffet, however the absence of sufficient stools leaves this facility undeveloped.

The other brickbat is one for the members, it is amazing to see not only visitors but empty bunks before and during school holidays. I am sure that if Club members as a whole realise the pleasant time that awaits them at Warrugang, Lu would be able to hang up a permanent sign over the door ... "House full."

Yours faithfully,

N. A. Fulthorpe.

EDITORIAL

The Annual General Meeting of the Club will be taking place in the MacLaurin Room of the Sydney University Union at 8.00 p.m. on the 11th November. The new Board of Directors will be elected at the same time, so come if you possibly can. If you can't, proxy voting forms are attached, and must be in the hands of the Secretary 48 hours before the beginning of the meeting. Nomination forms for directors are also included, and must be in the hands of the Secretary 3 weeks before the meeting.

There are several special motions to be considered at the meeting, which are listed separately. Remember, unless you are a financial member you are not allowed to vote.

The Board decided to recommend that the joining fee be increased from £5 to £10 because of all the work that has been done in the past by the older members, and the inconveniences they had to put up with. Now that the alterations have been completed Warrugang is one of the most comfortable huts in the Valley, and it is therefore felt that the additional cost is justified.

Another recommendation is that the board be reduced to seven members. The present size, twelve, is unwieldy. It is difficult to arrange for all members of the Board to meet at the one time, and far too much time is wasted in general discussion of unessential matters. It is felt that a smaller body would be far more efficient.

The Annual Ball is on in a few days, so hurry up and contact Heather Reid (JA 6102) or Gwen Oldfield (LJ 1480) if you are coming. The Social Committee feels that the evening should be great fun, so contact your friends, make up a party, and come along!

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This is the last issue before the Annual General Meeting, which takes place in the MacLaurin Room of the Sydney University Union at 8.15 on 11th November, and therefore includes a number of reports. The Directors urge members to attend if they can.

The Annual Ball was a great success; everyone really seemed to enjoy themselves. Lu, Murph and Dawn received presentations from Bruce Barlow, who expressed a general wish that they return to us next year.

BUILDING DIRECTOR'S REPORT - 1960

The 1960 season has seen many changes in Warrugang, probably more than any season since the first, and, I would like, at the beginning of this report to acknowledge the very valuable contribution made by Mr. G. Hromas, who, though not a member of the Club, agreed to join the Building Committee and gave very valuable advice. He also made available his crack team of carpenters to work on the hut, and without them it would have been impossible to achieve very much in the time available.

Lu Vozab, Mervyn Burrows and Dawn Bulman worked frantically during the few weeks before the beginning of the season. Murph built the new fireplace and re-organised the plumbing, while Lu made dozens of trips to Cooma for building materials at all hours of the day and night in their Jeep. They also manhandled all this material at least from the road, and in many cases from Rock Creek to the Hut.

Unfortunately, building operations this season started rather late, because of:

(a) An early decision to do only essential maintenance and to concentrate on paying off all outstanding debts. This decision was later revoked when it became obvious that, if we were to satisfactorily put into effect the decision at the last Annual

General Meeting to provide cooked meals, a considerable amount of work would be necessary.

(b) This meant the serious problem of finance had to be faced.

(c) The opportunity occurred to let the hut to the Architon Construction Co. Pty. Ltd., for the workmen building the two hotels. This helped the finance greatly.

(d) The abnormally early winter seriously aggravated the problem.

A bank overdraft, guaranteed by twenty members whose names have been published in the magazine, satisfactorily deferred the financial problem.

The actual work done has been described in some detail in the club magazine but, for the record, it is briefly as follows.

(a) Re-arrangement of both bathrooms which now each include two toilets, two showers and two washbasins and are panelled in Tilex on stud frames.

(b) A new brick fireplace with a drying room behind, accessible from the common room. The cypress panelling has been completed over the fireplace.

(c) A wall over the island cupboard dividing kitchen from common room panelling in vertical cypress.

(d) A new room, with two bunks in part of what was the girls bathroom.

(e) A large porch outside the kitchen door.

(f) Wooden flooring in the basement.

(g) Two bedrooms in the basement for the manager and his assistant.

(h) Two large lounges in the common room.

(I) "Estafoam" or spring mattresses replacing all remaining kapok mattresses.

(j) Temporary porch outside front door, ski racks, boot drying rack in draught from generator fan etc.,

All this work was carried out by Lu, Murph and three carpenters. The total cost was approximately as follows:-

Materials	£854
Labour	£450
Transport	£100

Our confident hopes of being connected to the Monaro Council's electricity supply this season were dashed by the early snow. There should be no doubt about its being available before next season and considerable economies should eventually be achieved - eventually because we must contribute £400 as our share of the capital cost of the line into the valley and its associated substations. This is payable over 5 years in £80 annual instalments.

As an indication of the savings to be gained by using council electricity, we spent, during the last two seasons, an average of about £90 on petrol, oil etc., The same amount of electricity would cost about £10. There is unfortunately a snag here in a £52 annual minimum charge. Even at this we are saving but we could save on other fuels by using electricity at least to the minimum charge. Though we cannot consider changing the kitchen stove or using other than firewood to heat the common room, this aspect needs careful thought in the future.

We are also now connected to the PMG telephone system, to Smiggin Holes automatic exchange. As well as being a convenience to members and others using the hut this was found very valuable in co-ordinating bookings etc., between Sydney and the Hut.

Almost all of the "temporary" look of Warrugang has gone and we now have a hut which is attractive both to non-members and prospective members. I consider this a very important factor in the future activities of the club. It is also a hut which will make our annual holidays much more enjoyable

R. M. Sim.



Lu Vozab (Hut Manager)



John (Rajah) Davenport and Mervyn Burrow (Manager's Assistant)



John Barrie (President)
(Photo by Bob Cater, 1955)



Ken Wood (Treasurer)



Fran Wood (Secretary) with Merv



The circular lounge
(Photos by Ken Wood)