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FROM THE DIVISION DIRECTOR . . .

When I addressed you for the first time as your Division Director at our Spring Convention in Abingdon in April, I pledged the following: "Any decisions I make, any action I take during my tenure will be predicated on what I believe best for the NSPS and the Southern Division". I asked that you "help me by giving me your ideas, your thoughts, your renewed dedication". Four months have passed since that evening of "mixed emotions", and I want to give you an interim report of my thoughts, my actions, and my struggles on your behalf.

Administrative Policy — As I thought about the Southern Division, and the role of DD, his staff and advisors, as I studied the By-Laws, and our past actions, certain rather clear cut principles crystallized. It seemed to me that we had grown "like Topsy" and created positions and policies at times out of expediency, rather than rationally. At the risk of hurting my two illustrious predecessors, Keith Argow and Dave Dillard, for whom I have the utmost admiration, I made certain changes. These changes are, I believe, for the good of the Division.

The first of these changes was to reduce the ADDs from three to one. We had become "top-heavy", in my opinion, with an ADD for T & T, one for "Line" and one for "Staff Liaison". In a division as small as ours, I think the DD can deal directly with his RDs without another step interposed in the "chain of command".

The ADD for T & T appeared to me to be a superfluous post if we had a strong T & T chairman. In short, it seemed best to me to select one man to serve as the ADD, my "alter Ego", abreast of all the problems, and ready to "step-in" in the event of an "administrative emergency", an Executive Officer, to borrow a term from the military. For this post I chose a man who is a dedicated patroller, an excellent organizer, a man of mature judgment, a man who has done a superb job with every responsibility he has been given. I chose Farris Jackson — and he accepted — "for the good of the Division".

In regard to the ADD for Liaison with Area Management, I propose to continue my personal acquaintance with the Area Managers within our Division. I propose, further, to extend the good will built up over the past four years with Area Managers by bringing to their meeting our new ADD and selected Advisors and Line Officers, introducing them, and, by this means enhancing the good relationships we have established. The first opportunity to put this policy into practice occurred in June.

Southeastern Ski Area Managers Association (SSAA) — The Annual Spring Meeting of the SSAA was held at Snowshoe June 3rd and 4th. I attended with our new ADD, Farris Jackson, and his wife Susan (Southern Division's executive secretary). In addition Walt Eaton, Division Safety Advisor, came to the meeting and delivered a very scholarly and well received presentation on what NSPS has to offer in regard to Ski Safety Programs. All these people traveled at their own expense.

Meetings such as this are of inestimable value. Farris, Susan and Walt got acquainted with people in management they might never have met under other circumstances. At the "attitude adjustment" session, the dinner, the breakfast, the meeting, and the coffee-break, and in informal pow-wows, you get to know people, and in so doing, you build a foundation of good will for NSPS and for the Division. We not only need to continue this — we need to expand it. For example, the SC and PL in whose territory these meetings are held should be there. In a reciprocal gesture, I invited the Area Managers in the Banner Elk area to attend the Fall Officers Meeting. Most of the problems of the world arise from: a. Lack of good will, or b. Lack of communication. There is no lack of good will between patrollers and management. Most of our past problems are from lack of communication.

The most significant action that came out of this meeting in Snowshoe was the passing of a resolution asking NSPS to extend the boundaries of the Southern Division NSPS to coincide with that of SSAA (see Resolution page 3).

Administrative Policy Statement — By the end of June, all elections were over, new PLs, SCs and RDs selected, changes in Advisors made where indicated, and my concept of how the system ought to work was clear in my mind. I did not want to wait until the Fall Officers Meeting or the fall issue of the Southern Cross to disseminate this information. In the interest of better communication, therefore, I mailed each officer and advisor in the division a bulletin (POB 80-1), dated July 2, 1979 together with a revised roster of all officers, advisors and Area Managers. A copy is enclosed with this issue of Southern Cross. It is an important tool of communication.

The calendar of events published in Southern Cross is an important item. I insisted at the Spring Meeting that we set the date of the Fall Officers Meeting and publish it in that issue. I see no reason we cannot select the dates of these meetings a year in advance so that it can be announced and planned for well ahead of time. This is what we intend to do as a matter of policy henceforth.

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SOUTHERN DIVISION SCHEDULE 1979-1980

October	13	Carolina Highlands Section First Aid Refresher, Sugar Mtn., NC
	20	Cumberland Section First Aid Refresher, Renegade Resort, TN
	21	Deep South Section First Aid Refresher, DeKalb-Rockdale American Red Cross Center, Decatur, GA
	26	Smoky Mountain Section CPR Refresher, MAHEC, 501 Biltmore Ave., Asheville, NC (6:00-10:30 p.m.)
	27	Smoky Mountain Section First Aid Refresher, MAHEC, Asheville, NC (8:00 a.m.)
	27	Virginia-West Virginia Section First Aid Refresher, Charlottesville, VA
November	3- 4	Circle A & Circle M, Cascade, VA
	5-11	Greensboro Ski Show & Swap Shop, Carolina Circle Mall, Greensboro, NC
	10-11	Ski Mountaineering Instructors Clinic, Gatlinburg, TN
	17	Senior First Aid Test, Seven Devils, NC
	17-18	Ober Gatlinburg First Aid Refresher, Gatlinburg, TN
	18	Senior First Aid Test, Snowshoe, WV
December	1- 2	Circle M, Wolf Laurel, NC
	1- 2	Circle A & Circle M, Ober Gatlinburg, TN
	1- 2	Circle A & Circle M, Seven Devils, NC
	8- 9	Circle A & Circle M, Wintergreen, VA
	8	Senior First Aid Test, Cataloochee, NC
	13	Basic Test, Snowshoe, WV
15-16	Certified Patroller Test - First Aid, Administrative & Oral, Snowshoe, WV	
January	3	Southern Cross deadline
	5	Senior Test & Training Clinic, Snowshoe, WV
	6	Basic Test, Seven Devils, NC
	7	Last date for Certified Patroller application
	12	Senior Test & Training Clinic, Cataloochee, NC
	19	Certified Patroller Clinic, Beech Mtn., NC
	20	Senior Ski & Toboggan Test, Sugar Mtn., NC
	26	Certified Patroller Test - Ski & Toboggan, Snowshoe, WV
27	Senior Ski & Toboggan Test, Cataloochee, NC	
February	1- 3	Mountaineering Patch Course, Mt. Rogers, VA
	2- 3	Certified Patroller Test - First Aid, Administrative & Oral, Beech Mtn., NC
	4	Southern Cross deadline
	10	Senior Ski & Toboggan Test, Wintergreen, VA
	16-17	Junior Jamboree, Seven Devils, NC
March	2	Basic Test, Gatlinburg, TN
	22-30	Avalanche Patch Course, Bozeman, MT
April	26	Spring Convention, Greensboro, NC
	27	Southern Cross deadline
September	13	Fall Officers Meeting, Sugar Mtn., NC

The Fall Officers Meeting — In considering my duties as DD, one of the changes which seemed highly desirable appeared to be the format and content of the Fall Officers Meeting. We have sat through many long sessions, involving debate over minutiae in which only a few people had an interest, and yet the whole delegation was captured and had to listen. Budget items were debated ad nauseum before the entire assembly before a decision was made and so on. I asked myself the question "What is the purpose of the Fall Officers Meeting?" The answer is clear. "To help the patrols of the division get ready for the coming season." The next question I asked myself was, "How do we get all these other things done?" I went back to our Division By-Laws which clearly state that "the Board of Directors of the Division shall have the power to determine administrative policy, and take administrative action for the operation of the Division". A lot of decisions can be made by the DD, after consultation, if necessary with an appropriate person or Advisor. Deadline dates for The Southern Cross, for example, can be decided by the Editor (and the DD if she wants "back-up"). There is no need to discuss items such as this in any large gathering.

In going back to the By-Laws it seemed obvious that our "founding fathers" never intended policy decisions to be made by any large body of people. The Board of Directors consisted of RDs, SCs and the DD. "It was said" that this was expanded to include all PLs at a meeting "in Gatlinburg", but no minutes were available to assert this as fact and our Division Legal Advisor was of the opinion that the By-Laws, as such were never properly amended.

In order to put our house in order, I duplicated and mailed out to all officers, including all PLs, copies of the original By-Laws, the proposed new By-Laws and a letter stating my position on each item at issue. (See POB 80-2, 27 August 1979 and accompanying letter and By-Laws). All Administrative and policy questions were to be resolved Friday night, so as to leave the entire day on Saturday for discussion and activities pertinent to the task of preparing for the coming season.*

Fund Raising — It is my firm belief that there exists a large, untapped reserve of donors if we but set up the mechanism for doing so. The target population initially will be in three categories: Ski Clubs; Physicians and Dentists who ski; Corporate gifts. In regard to ski clubs and the professionals, these people to a great extent, are aware of, and appreciate the work we do. What they do not know is that we need money for our Junior Program and for T & T. Appropriately worded letters of solicitation will, I am sure, bring in donations. The key to these two categories is the development of mailing lists. We need your help in this. There must be fifty or sixty ski clubs in the South. If thirty of them would give \$100 annually that's \$3,000, for example.

The key to corporate gifts, I believe, is to find a corporation in which a key man, is an avid skier. (All who ski are avid.) Then work on him personally, (one on one) to sell him on the idea of an annual giving program for the Southern Division. We need your help here. Our goal is to raise \$10,000 per year from donations. If we can do this, and I believe we can, we can really "build for the future" through ever improving Junior and T & T Programs.

Other fund raising techniques such as sale of zipper-pulls, fast wax, etc. will be left up to patrols and/or sections. It is the feeling of this administration that the problems of inventory, bookkeeping and distribution make this type fund-raising unsuitable on a division-wide basis.

In closing, let me say that I look forward to the challenge of the coming season with you. I ask your understanding as decisions are made and pledge to you again that they will be predicated on "what I believe best for the NSPS and the Southern Division". Again I say "Help me by giving me your ideas, your thoughts, your renewed dedication". Together we shall make this the best season ever for the patrollers of the South — The Southern Division. *cont. page 3*

* This meeting took place Friday night as scheduled and the By-Laws duly amended. After this meeting, a copy of the missing minutes (Beech Mtn. 1973) was found by Bobbie Rupp and the question of the composition of the Board of Directors resolved Saturday morning by another (called) meeting of the Board of Directors.

Format of Meeting — We are experimenting with a new format for the meeting. All administrative announcements and items of general interest were dealt with in the morning. The afternoon was broken down into two work-shops as indicated in the agenda, one on "Leadership" and one on "Training and Testing". It is my hope that the dialog coming from these sessions will result in greater dissemination of knowledge, better cross-fertilization of ideas and better patrolling. Each of the work-shops reported back to the general session with a fifteen minute summary. If this format proves to be a good one we will keep it, unless a better idea comes along. Let me have your ideas.

In order to prepare this type meeting it was necessary that your Executive Committee meet ahead of time, which we did on August 25th. It was also necessary that your Board of Directors meet ahead of time, which they did the evening before the Fall Officers Meeting. If this format proves a success, it will continue to be necessary for a few people to spend extra time ahead of time, to resolve any administrative policy problems not decided by the DD, so you won't have to be bothered with it. This is the way the business of the division was conceived to operate, and this is the way it should operate: Any PL, Advisor or patroller who has a problem of such magnitude that it must be resolved by the Executive Committee, or the Board of Directors, is always welcome to appear before these bodies to present his case. I plan to have at least one meeting of the Executive Committee during the season, and one immediately prior to the Spring Convention. I also intend to rotate these geographically so as to equalize the distances traveled by the members.

C. Harwell Dabbs, M.D.

1979-80 DUES

New Candidates	\$23.00
Old Candidates	19.00
All Others (except alumni)	19.00

Alumni dues are \$5.00 and are paid directly to NSPC in Denver.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS the Southeastern Ski Areas Association values the services of the National Ski Patrol System (NSPS) to its membership and to the skiing public and;

WHEREAS communication between the NSPS and Ski Area management at all levels is extremely important and;

WHEREAS attendance of a representative of the Southern Division, NSPS at all meetings of the SSAA for several years has proven very effective in improving communications and solving mutual problems and;

WHEREAS several ski areas which are members of SSAA do not benefit from this liaison because of slightly different geographical boundaries of the two organizations and;

WHEREAS the NSPS at the national level is laying great stress on better communications between the two parent organizations;

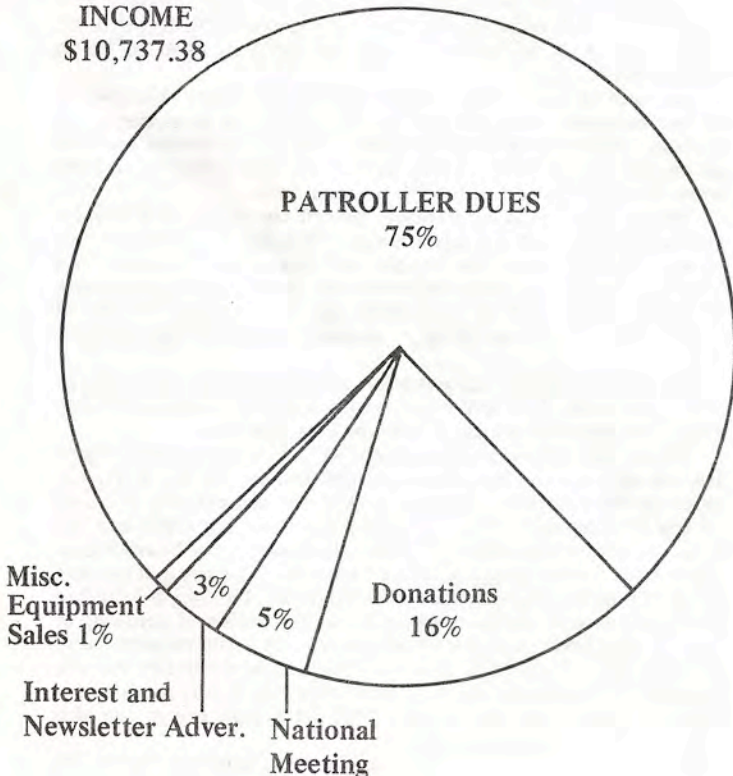
Now, therefore, be it resolved that this organization petition the National Director of the NSPS to extend the geographical boundary of the Southern Division NSPS so as to coincide with the boundaries of the SSAA and;

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be sent to the National Director, NSPS; and to the Division Director, Eastern Division, NSPS; and to the Division Director, Southern Division NSPS.

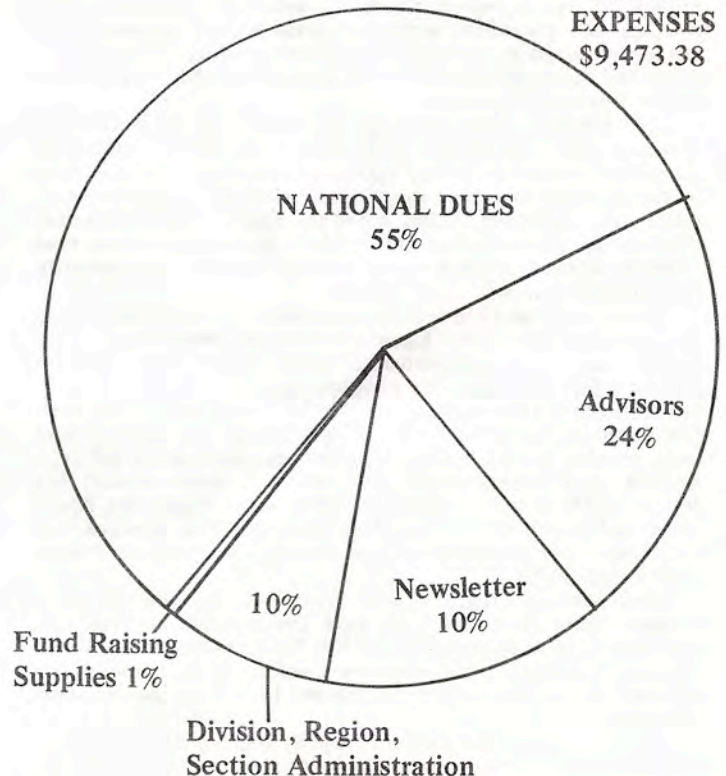
Passed this fourth day of June, 1979 at the Spring Meeting, SSAA, Snowshoe Ski Resort, Snowshoe, West Virginia 26209.

WHERE THE MONEY COMES FROM AND THEN GOES

1978-79
INCOME
\$10,737.38



1978-79
EXPENSES
\$9,473.38



NSPS — THE ANNUAL MEETING Salt Lake City, June 21-24

As you know, each DD is also a member of the Board of Directors, NSPS. I am your representative to this body. Originally each Division had one vote, but this was changed several years ago so that larger divisions have more than one representative, based on the number of registered patrollers. At each of the Annual Meetings of NSPS the DD is obligated to go and represent his Division. In addition, selected National Committees meet each year (the National Committees being composed of all the Division Advisors in a specific category) with the National Advisor of that "specialty" serving as chairman. For example, I had attended two previous NSPS National Meetings when the National Medical Advisory Committee had been called to meet.

This year meetings were called for Nordic and Mountaineering. The notification of these committees occurred only a few weeks prior to the annual meeting, which represented very poor planning in my opinion. Norm Bishop was able to go in mountaineering on short notice. Jim Scott (Nordic) was already committed to a European course, so Tom Moss (T & T) volunteered to go as surrogate. Fate decreed that he was not to go. First he sustained a fracture of his os calcis. He was still going in his cast, but the day before we were to leave he was afflicted with a fulminating attack of labyrinthitis. He couldn't even stand up, much less walk. So Norm Bishop and I represented the Southern Division. I shall give you a very brief summary of the high points of the meeting. First, Don Williams, who was elected National Director at the Knoxville Meeting, appears to be doing a very fine job under difficult circumstances. You have no doubt read his report in the summer issue of the National Patroller. One of his recommendations is the hiring of a full-time Executive Director, which, I feel, is badly needed. No one can carry all the duties of the office unless he is retired or independently wealthy and devotes full-time to it.

Interestingly enough, many of the thoughts Don expressed you have heard from me before. For example, quotes from his address: "You must continually monitor the system to make certain the system works". "First, we must think Ski Patrol-not volunteer or full time, or part time." "... what probably holds the most importance for all of us is our relationship with Area Management."

I served on a committee to consider the question requiring Lift Evacuation Training for all registered patrollers including Nordic. According to The Ski Patrollers Manual this is required. It was my opinion that this should be changed so that Nordics and patrollers serving at areas having no aerial lifts not be required to take lift evacuation training. This proved to be the recommendation of the committee and it was passed by the Board of Directors.

The Finance Committee is composed of each Division Director with the National Treasurer serving as chairman. Although it was not clearly within our province, we took note of the practice of calling meetings of National Committees at a late date, deplored it, and urged the First Assistant National Director to make and announce these decisions early so that Division Advisors could plan accordingly. We were subsequently assured that such would be the case.

The resolution of the SSAA (see page 3) was presented to the Board of Directors. I gave the background of events leading to this, as I had previously in letters to Don Page (Eastern DD) and Don Williams. My position was that we of the Southern Division are not seeking to "raid" the territory of the Eastern Division, from whose loins we sprang, but that it does seem logical, would make for better communication between us and Area Management, and we will gladly accept the responsibility if it is given to us. After some debate the Board voted not to change the boundaries and Don Page pledged that he would have someone call on Murray Dearborn at Canaan Valley right away.

That Saturday night dinner proved to be very pleasant. Senator Orrin Hatch of Utah gave the keynote address. As you know, he is sponsor of our bill for a Federal Charter. He is a very personable and effective speaker. I recommend you all read his address which is printed in full in the National Patroller.

An unexpected and pleasant surprise was my being called to the head table three times to accept awards on behalf of the

Southern Division. *Gatlinburg Ski Patrol* for runner up for outstanding Ski Patrol, *Jim Williams* for runner-up, outstanding Junior Patroller, and *Phil Birdsong*, runner-up for outstanding Professional Patroller. I was bursting with pride and beaming at the accolades the Southern Division collected, and all richly deserved.

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SKINNY SKIS COME TO THE SOUTH



Photo of Tom by Brenda Thomas

Have you ever thought about skiing up hill? Would you like to be involved in one of the fastest growing winter sports? How hard is it to learn? How old do you need to be to participate?

Anyone in your family from 6 on up can enjoy this leisurely recreational type of skiing over snow in a safe gliding motion. Ski-touring takes us away from our fireplaces and our down hill slopes and out into nature's winter wonderland over snow filled fields and hills with pleasant ease.

The equipment is moderately priced for rental or purchase compared to down hill equipment. The skis are narrower and longer and the poles are longer and have large baskets. The bindings allow the heels to come off the skis and permit the walking-sliding motion necessary for tour skiing. Clothing can be found in your closet — something warm and comfortable.

At first you feel a bit awkward and will need to experiment with your skis. You will enjoy a new way of traveling and also enjoy the peaceful winter landscape in a new way.

There are three main categories for cross-country skis. Racing skis are the lightest in weight and are for the advanced skier or competitor. Mountain skis are usually the heaviest of the touring skis. They are used for breaking trails and are built to take a great deal of punishment and carry heavy loads. They have metal edges for ease of turning. The general touring ski is the middle weight ski and is flexible. This ski is found in many styles and can be used for breaking trails and camping as well as day trips with the whole family. It is the most popular touring ski. Some skis must be waxed, while other such as mohair and fishscale do not need wax. It is hoped that this brief summary on ski touring will help you select the skis right for you. Good touring.

Tom Thomas, Sapphire Valley PL

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FUND RAISING

At the request of Harwell Dabbs, the Southern Division will initiate a fund raising campaign this year that will give us the potential to greatly enhance the future growth of our division of the NSPS. The funds will be used for equipment, training and the Junior Program. The fund raising approach will be to ask for donations largely through a direct mailing campaign. The key element of such a campaign is the establishment of a good mailing list. Each patroller can help make this a successful campaign this year and in years to come by providing five to ten names of contacts who know and appreciate the services provided by NSPS and are therefore likely to contribute if asked.

The division has been divided into four zones — each zone will have a campaign chairman and that chairman will have additional solicitors who will provide assistance. The zones are: Tennessee-Kentucky — North Carolina-South Carolina — Virginia-West Virginia — Georgia & other states.

Initially this campaign will be targeted primarily at ski clubs, corporations and professionals (physicians and dentists). Please provide a list of names, addresses and editorial comments on the following form and mail to Gary Riser, Southern Division Fund Raising Advisor.

Remember: All donations will remain in the Southern Division. All donations are tax deductible.

PHYSICIANS AND DENTISTS WHO SKI

Name	Address	Name of Ski Club (if member)
1. _____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____
5. _____	_____	_____
6. _____	_____	_____
7. _____	_____	_____
8. _____	_____	_____
9. _____	_____	_____
10. _____	_____	_____

CORPORATIONS WHICH ARE POTENTIAL DONORS

Name of Corporation	Name of "Keyman"*	Address	Comment
1. _____	_____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____	_____

*Preferably a skier known personally by a patroller

SKI CLUBS (anywhere in the South)

Name	President	Address	NSPS Members?
1. _____	_____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____	_____
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NAMES OF PATROLLERS IN YOUR AREA WHO MIGHT HELP WITH CORPORATE-DONATIONS PROGRAM

Name	Address	Patrol
1. _____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____

CIRCLE M COURSE

The below form is required for any patroller wanting to take this course. It must be filled out completely and received by the instructor two weeks ahead of the course. If you have any questions, contact Norm Bishop, Division Ski Mountaineering Advisor.

Circle M Mountaineering Course Pre-registration

Name _____ Phone: Home _____ Office _____
Street Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
NSPS Registration _____ Ski Patrol (other affiliation) _____

Enclose \$3.00 registration fee. Your registration must be confirmed by MAIL.

MOUNTAINEERING PATCH COURSE

There will be an Advanced Ski Mountaineering Patch Course February 1 to 3, 1980 at Mount Rogers, Va. The classroom work will be held at the Mount Rogers Rescue and Fire Station on U. S. Route 58 near the White Top, Virginia Post Office. It will begin at 12 Noon on Friday, February 1st. The field work will be Friday night through Sunday afternoon. All participants must pre-register using the form below with a signed recommendation from either your PL or a Division Mountaineering Instructor and mail to F. H. Moore, Jr., Box 516, Abington, Va. 24210 by January 4, 1980. All information needed for the course will then be mailed to you.

This course is open to registered patrollers with Circle M and Circle A, Forest Service and Rescue Squad personnel possessing the basic equipment (cross country skis and/or snow shoes required), knowledge, mental and physical stamina to take part in a survival-type winter weekend. The course is also open to alumni of previous courses. All Southern Division Registered Ski Mountaineering Instructors should make every effort to attend.

NATIONAL SKI PATROL SYSTEM, SOUTHERN DIVISION APPLICATION FOR ADVANCED SKI MOUNTAINEERING COURSE

Name _____ Phone: Home _____ Office _____
Street Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Current NSPS Registration No. _____ Patrol _____ Region _____
Circle A Card No. _____ Year _____ Circle M Card No. _____ Year _____
Division Circle M Instructor No. _____ Year _____
Evidence of winter mountaineering experience *other* than Circle M Course _____

Other general outdoor and mountaineering experience, including schools, etc. _____

PATROL LEADER'S RECOMMENDATION: I hereby approve and recommend the above patroller as candidate for the Advanced Ski Mountaineering Course.

Signed _____

DIVISION SKI MOUNTAINEERING INSTRUCTOR RECOMMENDATION: I hereby approve and recommend the above patroller as candidate for the Advanced Ski Mountaineering Course.

Ski Mountaineering Instructor, Card No. _____ Signed _____

NOTE: Do not recommend any person who in your opinion is not mentally, physically and emotionally capable of participating in a rugged winter expedition. Candidates should also display strong leadership qualities.

WORKSHOPS HELD DURING FALL OFFICERS MEETING

Leadership Workshop: Coordinated by Sam Bruce

A two-hour discussion snapped through the how-to's of leadership. The four major concerns were determined to be *morale, esprit de corps, discipline* and *proficiency*. After defining each aspect, questions, experiences and suggestions were offered as ways to accomplish these purposes.

Morale — Know your patrollers and look out for their welfare. Know them as individuals, but train as a team. Search for new leaders. (How to find them? Look for who's first to do something? Who takes the toboggan up the lift without being asked? Who offers to do, without waiting to be asked or told?) Train with them; the one-on-one idea was emphasized: seasoned patroller working with candidate = better patrollers. Set the example: nobody wants to know you can do something; they want to see you do it.

Esprit — Keep your patrollers informed. Increase the number of full patrol meetings. Through knowledge, have the courage to make proper decisions; then have the strength to stand by them. Keep equipment, patrol rooms and personnel in good condition. Give your patrol something to be proud of!

Discipline is not difficult if fair and impartial judgement is made for both punishment and rewards. A leader, from day one, must establish goals; let it be known what is expected; then stick with it. The steps to solving a problem can eliminate much of the problem, itself. First, recognize the problem; then estimate the situation; determine your solutions; pick the best; act. One of the best ideas on counseling was offered in connection with testing. If an individual has not done well on, say, the Senior test, that person should be asked to critique his own performance. The blow of defeat is often lessened by the individual's own recognition. And, more often than not, interest in trying again remains.

Proficiency as a leader encompasses all other aspects of the position, from screening of potential candidates and being selective on who is accepted, remembering the all important "attitude"; from realistic training to developing new leaders, and knowing when to step down and let them take over. It's counseling, encouraging, setting examples, developing a sense of responsibility, using tact . . . and don't forget all that paper work. New PLs were encouraged to learn their problems with registration were not unique. The workshop concept was good, and benefited all who participated.

Benning Garrison, PR Adv.

Training & Testing Workshop: Coordinated by Tom Moss

The two-hour discussion took in many areas of testing and training patrollers. Often we tend to think about T & T as merely what we do to become Basic, Senior or Certified. Instead we should be conscious of the many facets of this area

and use the opportunity to improve ourselves and to help others to do the same. We heard from division advisors about how this program affects their fields of interest and enjoyed the discussion about each of them.

French Moore, First Aid Advisor This is the third year in the series of three to complete the training for the Red Cross Advanced First Aid & Emergency Care course. Every patroller should have a yellow card with signatures on it for having taken the two previous parts. Topics for this year's refresher were listed from this book as well as those from the Winter Manual.

Norm Bishop, Mountaineering Advisor The course is designed to teach the basic level of skill. The main thing to be learned is how to keep yourself alive. This knowledge is invaluable if a search and rescue operation must be undertaken at a ski area to be able to find a person after the lift closes. When a lost person is found, first aid must be given and then stabilize the victim where they are found or get them out if at all possible.

Ron Geist, Avalanche Advisor The idea of the Circle A is to go through the procedures. There are three tapes available in this division for this course. Ron has one and there is one in each Region so they are available to all. The Patch Course will be held in Bozeman Montana the 2nd or 3rd week in March. There will be a fee of \$25.00 to cover the book, transportation to and from the ski area and other incidentals. The cost for air fare (excursion rate), motel, meals and lift tickets will be about \$500.00.

Walt Eaton, Safety Advisor The Patrol Leader and Section Chief should meet with the area manager at each ski area about their particular accident prevention program. There are many things each patroller can do to help skiers to be safer and have more fun. One example is to go along the lift lines and chat with skiers, answer any questions they may have and leave telling them to have a good day.

Phil Birdsong, Certified Being a Certified Patroller means that you are truly a "professional" in every sense of the word. You must have a working knowledge of all equipment and be able to handle all snow conditions and all situations even if alone. An interview is part of the examination and must show that you are fully competent.

Tom Moss, T & T Advisor The problems of taking and giving tests were discussed. Patrollers should be familiar with what is expected of them when they go for a test and try to evaluate in their own mind how they did. Examiners should point out weaknesses and strengths of individual candidates to help them know what to work on to improve. Tests should be given at times and places so that everyone will have an opportunity to participate.

Bobbie Rupp, Editor

FALL OFFICERS MEET — PLANS AND UNPLANS

General sessions were planned, as were announcements, reports, lunch, workshops and adjournment. Something known as "free time" was on the agenda too, but got lost somewhere down the line between the rhubarb at Friday night's Board of Directors meeting when it was thought the By-Laws hadn't been officially updated since 1972, and the Board was asking itself who's who and do you really think you belong. The discovery of minutes of a board meeting in 1973 which showed that everything thought to be illegal was, in fact, quite legal; so Saturday morning another vote was taken after which who met who who really belonged. (See official report for clarification — as will everyone who attended the meeting!) Unplanned were, between meetings, mad races down the Alpine Slide — a thrill a minute must for all who've never tried. For Tom Moss, this will be mandatory next year.

Sherry's Sugar Social was great! A keg of beer and food, food, food turned the porch at Sugar into "Fat City", with honors on number of pieces of cake being fought over between Dave Dillard and Ron Geist. Nobody kept tallies on beer consumed, which was just as well, since summer (?) temperatures required extra warmth measures — which led to even wilder after dark Alpine Slides . . . to Tom "Travolta" wearing Bobbie Rupp's jacket and Harwell sporting his "Runeer Red" jacket ("It's in the catalogue") NSPS patch on pocket (what, no epaulets?) . . . and home movies of repelling Mr. Rogers and the Martha Washington . . . "nobody could fill those boots" . . .

and after the party parties . . . and jokes, of course . . . something about Harwell's clock and a fan? Oh well, it was late.

Benning Garrison, PR Adv.

Photo by Harwell Dabbs



A&M COURSE LEADS TO ALTAR



Last November a new Seven Devils candidate, Mary Masters attended her first Ski Patrol function, a Circle A and Circle M course. On this trip she met Kim Annas, a Senior Patroller from Seven Devils.

After dating and skiing together all season, Mary and Kim were married on March 17th. This coming season they will be patrolling together in New York.

Doris Benbow

MOUNTAINEERING IS AT NEW HEIGHTS

Norm Bishop, Division Mountaineering Adv. attended the National Meeting in Reno, NV. He is a Registered National Instructor in this field. Steve Waldrup, Wolf Laurel PL and John Lawrence, Div. Lift Evacuation Adv. are also RNIs. Dick Weinberger, Gatlinburg Patrol, is a newly appointed Division Mountaineering Instructor.

LIFT EVACUATION SEMINAR & REFRESHER

The Carolina Section will offer this seminar on October 27 & 28, 1979. It is tentatively scheduled to be held at Seven Devils. Pre-registration is a must. Registrations *must* be received no later than October 17, 1979. If interested, send \$10.00 to Charles Benbow, Carolina Highlands SC.

Keith Gray, Equipment Adv.

DISCOUNTS FOR PATROLLERS

Diamond Brand Camping Center will give a 10% discount with presentation of a current NSPS registration card, for any patrol-related item. Articles included in this are parkas, packs, climbing and cross-country equipment, etc.

Tom Thomas, Sapphire PL

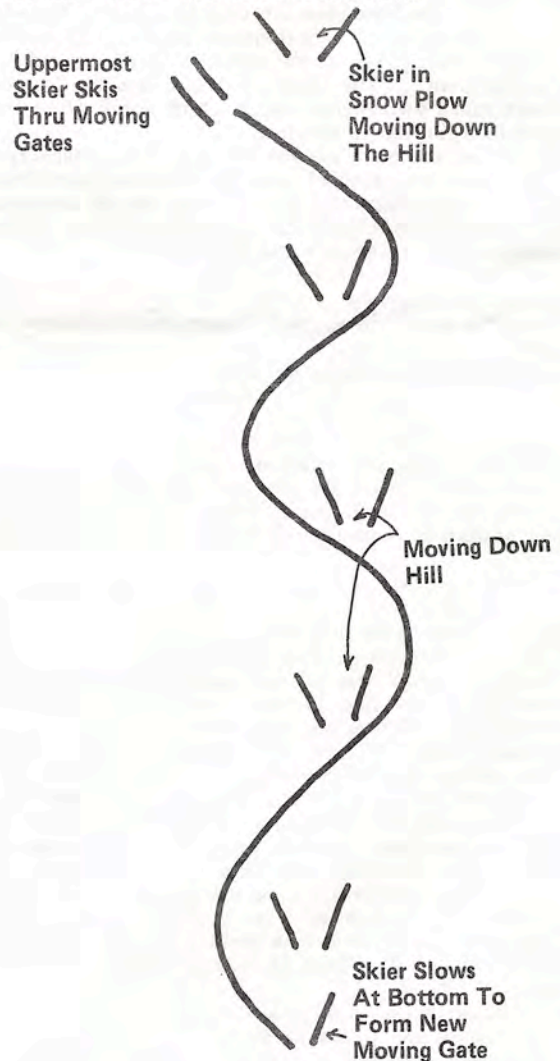
CONGRESSIONAL CHAPTER

A Federal Charter (The National Ski Patrol System Recognition Act Senate Bill 43 and House Bill 2279) is gaining congressional interest. This charter is vital to maintain and extend the capabilities of the NSPS. It would make our national, state and regional requirements more efficient and effective and keep overall costs down. It would put us on a similar keel with the American National Red Cross and the Boy Scouts of America. Furthermore, it would open up surplus equipment and supply opportunities not now available — offering considerable savings to patrols and members in performance of their duties.

We need it! To get it, we need the positive support of our respective Senators and Representatives. We need *your* letters to your Senators and Representatives now. Write your legislator requesting his or her support to co-sponsor this bill if they have not already done so, and urge each to ask members of the House and Senate Judiciary Committees to give this bill its prompt support. Your letter need not be long; merely a request as a member of the world's largest volunteer winter rescue organization. Encourage area management and friends of NSPS to help by writing too.

Roger W. Bollinger
Southern Div. Coordinator
Congressional Charter

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