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A New Website Is Launched By The Southern Division

R. Morgan Armstrong, Division Director

The Southern Division announces a new Website at the Fall Officers Meeting. **Kelly Drewnowski** was the Web Master who created this new site and you are referred to its new address at the following:

<http://www.SouthernNSP.org>

NSP NEWS – The National Ski Patrol has a new executive director, **Mr. Timothy White**. Formerly the Education Director of the National Ski Areas Association (NSAA), he brings to our organization a wealth of experience in the ski industry and with his history with NSAA, close ties to the resorts of the United States. During his introduction to the NSP Board of Directors in Lakewood, Colorado for the June Meeting he emphasized the direction he wanted to take the NSP. A focus on the patroller, the resorts we serve and also the community. He defined our community as a community that includes skiers, riders, outdoor sports enthusiasts and the general public. His goal is to have the NSP continue with programs for the patroller but to advance the programs offered to the resorts and the community in the areas of safety and education. Our new website has links to the NSP Website for additional information about Tim White and the other new appointments being made at the national level.

The NSP announced that the Southern Division had the fewest number of delinquent patrollers of any division in the system. We only had 22 patrollers who were not current on the rolls and each patrol with a patroller or patrollers will be working on

getting that number reduced to zero. It is very important each patroller is current so if your patrol representative contacts you as being delinquent, follow up immediately. It is probably a paperwork error rather than you not actually being current, but we have to get the problem solved, so help us out.

DIVISION NEWS – The last Southern Division Fall Officers Meeting was held August 18 & 19, 2007 in Kingsport, Tennessee. The meeting will ***no longer*** be for officers but will be a Fall Conference for ski patrollers as well as officers and instructors. This years meeting was changed in format and several programs were added for entertainment, education and to give the division a sense of our history. The instructors in the OEC Program came to the meeting and were able to attend sessions of the Board of Directors as well as take their 3-year instructor update for re-certification as OEC instructors. Thirteen proposals were introduced and passed and one of them was the change of the name of the meeting to a conference.

The meeting contained a program by **Dr. Keith Argow** our first Southern Division Director. He explained how the resorts began in our division, how the first patrollers arrived and how the division was carved out of the Eastern Division.

Did you know our division ran from the Atlantic Ocean to the Mississippi River and from Florida to the border between North Carolina and Virginia? That's right, in the beginning, we did not have Virginia or West Virginia and these parts were later added to the division but we ran clear to the Mississippi River just like the original southern colonies under the British. He also presented a slide show of old photographs of the resorts and the first patrol activities as the division was being created. If you missed this event, you missed a lot.

The meeting also contained a program of comments by three NSP Board members, who attended our meeting, **Barbara Dixon** (Idaho), **Mark Rees** (North Carolina) and **Larry Bost** (North Carolina). These three brought us up to date on recent events at NSP and what we might expect in the near future.

The National Awards Director, **Myer Avedovech**, attended the meeting and gave two programs. One presentation was to the Board of Directors, Instructors and patrollers present regarding the Awards Program of the NSP. **Peggy and T. Harris**, our Division Awards Supervisors, also gave presentations at this part of the program.

The ***New Officers Course*** was held Sunday, after the regular meeting of the Board of Directors, and Myer was kind enough to stay over and present his second program to the division and gave special information to the new officers attending this course. This meeting was for new officers and officers that would like an update on procedures and policies regarding the administration of the division. Topics included litigation and risk management by **Chuck Lollar** (Division Legal Advisor) and **Jim Underwood** (Treasurer), financial and registration by **Jim**

Underwood (Treasurer & Registration Coordinator), information on the Southern Cross and how the division is now able to handle your printing needs with its new printer by **Teresa Stewart** (Southern Cross Editor), end of year reporting by **Richard Boyer** (1st ADD), awards at the patrol and division level by **T. and Peggy Harris** (Division Awards Supervisors) and OEC issues by **Leslie Carter** (Division OEC Supervisor). A lot of information, samples and handouts went to the officers to help them transition into their new jobs or upgrade their quality in proceeding with their current assignments.

Awards were presented at the Awards Banquet along with a tribute to **Charles Benbow**, who passed away this year and will be missed by everyone who knew him as the patroller's patroller. This year the awards were plentiful and very, very significant. A special section of the Southern Cross is devoted to this special topic.

COMMENTS FROM THE DD – This past Fall Officers Meeting gave me, your new division director, an opportunity to let you know my thoughts and goals. Here is some of what I told your Board of Directors. I will administer your division for you, but I will not make the major decisions. That belongs to the representatives appointed or elected by the patrols. Together, these patrol representatives; the regions directors and the assistants to the division director make up the delegation that decides the major issues for the division. This group is known as your Board of Directors. I, as your division director under our bylaws, do not even have a right to vote at the meeting, except to break a tie vote. That is, as it should be!

I requested the Board make some changes to help patrollers let their voices be heard in the division. One change was in the Proposal Form – to make it a little easier to read and follow as it proceeds through the voting process. Any patroller may file a proposal for consideration by the Board of Directors at any time. If filed prior to the meeting it will be presented to the Executive Committee, but that committee may only make a recommendation to the Board to approve it or not approve it. The executive committee may submit a similar version of the original proposal for approval but may not change or kill the original proposal. This is the way our division has always operated but I wanted to re-emphasize this to each patroller. Every proposal goes to the Board for a vote. Proposals may be submitted at the meeting and by-pass the Executive Committee and that was done at this past meeting.

Once a patroller has presented a proposal to the Board, the Board will either vote on it or refer it to a committee (governance, finance or programs) for study and/or they may send it to the Executive Committee for their response. After a committee has studied it and reported on it, the Board of Directors will vote on the proposal. I see my job as your division director as the person who makes sure each and every proposal gets a fair hearing. Once your Board of Directors votes on the proposal and I have received its mandate on how to administer that issue, I will proceed to

make sure the wishes of the Board are carried out. The majority rules and with this democratic process, every patroller should be able to support the division. If someone does not agree with the decision of the representative body of our division, I have no problem with that. Your job, if you continue to disagree with the vote, is to continue to try to get your message to enough patrollers and their representatives so that your side obtains the majority vote at the next meeting of the division. I will try to make sure your minority view gets a fair hearing and if the idea is a good one, I believe it will eventually prevail. When it does, I will encourage every patroller to support this idea.

Another change this year was that all proposals were made to the Board of Directors on Saturday but were not voted upon until Sunday. That gave everyone time to discuss the proposals with each other and all patrollers at the meeting. Proposals that were filed early were sent to the members of the Board of Directors early and the Executive Committee also got to view and review them early. This gives the division time to consider each issue and make good decisions for the group. When we make a less than perfect decision, it can always be returned to the delegation for consideration the next year and changed by majority vote.

In closing, I agree with our new Executive Director, Tim White. I work for you, the patroller, the resorts and the general public. My job is to insure the Southern Division serves each to the highest standard possible. I am dedicated to each patroller, to make the programs run smoothly and insure the safety of the general public. We must stay valuable to the resorts and the general public, train to the highest standard possible but the most important thing for the health of the Southern Division and the National Ski Patrol – **have fun** patrolling. Together, we can accomplish our goals.

From the Assistants...

Kelly Duke Drewnowski
Division Webmaster, Secretary

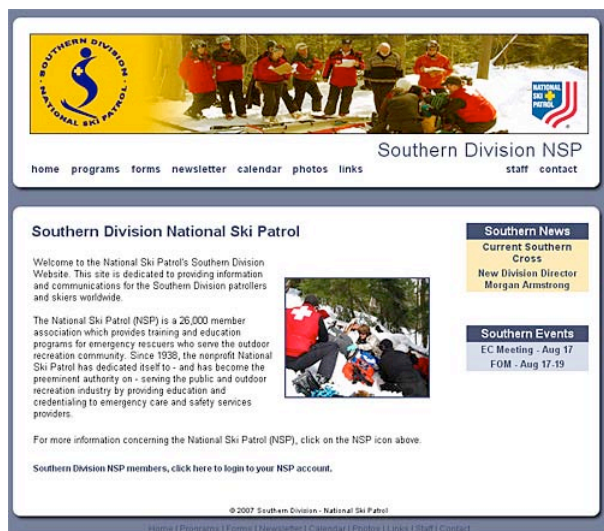
Freeloading No Longer

As classes begin and students across the nation move away from the shelter of their parent's homes, one can't help but think of the enormous step each child is taking towards independence and self-sufficiency. Eventually, there comes a point in every life where one must relocate out from under the wing of our parents. For Southern Division the time to quit freeloading has arrived! As of the 2007 Fall Officer's Meeting I'm proud to announce that the Southern Division is finally hosting its own website complete with a new and easy to remember web address:
www.SouthernNSP.org.

If you'll recall, the address for the old Southern site, www.nsp.org/divisions/southern/ was concealed under NSP's site and we hosted

it there as well. This made finding the Southern Division site difficult and the actual web address impossible to remember. As a sign of our maturity and spreading our wings we now have an easy to remember address, we have secured our own hosting off of NSP's server and we threw in a shinny new site to go with it!

The new Southern Division web site provides members with a more streamlined approach to information sharing, updated content and an easy to use online marketing tool, all in a graphically pleasing package.



On the main page of our new site users will find important news and events as well as a link to login to your NSP account and the current Southern Cross. *(As a handy tip, it's good to remember that the Southern Division logo will always take you home and the NSP logo will take you to National's site.)* The **programs** section contains an overview of NSP courses and links to the corresponding areas on the NSP site. Under **forms** users will find files available for downloading, which will soon include the updated division bylaws

and the policy and procedures manual. Check out the **newsletter** section to find current and archived editions of the Southern Cross dating back to 2001. Click on **calendar** and you'll discover an updated calendar in .pdf format that is easily downloaded or printed. Under **photos** you'll find a gallery of images from events around the division. **Links** will guide you to patrol sites throughout the division as well as division ski areas and industry links of interest. The current division directory is located on the **staff** page in an Adobe .pdf format which users are able to download, or open and print from the site. And if you need to let Morgan know how handy the new site is, or if you have a great idea, the **contact** page contains useful information including the Division Director's and the Division Webmaster's contact information.

If you find that something is missing which you feel the division just can't live without it, have a great suggestion as to how to make the site more useful, or if you have a few photos you'd like considered for the photo gallery, shoot us an email. *(To get the address you'll have to check out the site and visit the contact page!)* In the meantime, update your bookmarks, download the division calendar and have fun browsing the photo gallery, but most importantly, please provide us with some feedback on the new face of Southern Division so we that may make it work for you! Why wait? Visit us now: www.SouthernNSP.org

Jim Underwood,
Division Treasurer

Southern Division, NSP / Treasurer's Report For 7/01/06-6/30/07

Listed below is a summary of the Southern Division's Treasury report for last season. If any member wishes a detailed copy of this report please contact Jim Underwood, 865-483-3675, jun@bellsouth.net, or 109 Wildwood Drive, Oak Ridge, TN 37830 for a postal mailed or E-Mailed copy.

	Beginning Balance 07/01/06	Closing Balance 06/30/07
Checking *	\$11,694.33	\$ 9,707.44
Savings *	\$42,592.34	\$44,629.95
Contingency	\$26,568.66	\$27,430.80
Total	\$80,855.33	\$81,768.19
Junior Memorial Fund (Savings)	\$ 3,855.65	\$ 3,400.02
Mary K. Twomey Fund (Savings)	\$ 2,807.45	\$ 2,845.76

* Operating Account

Brent Bowman,
2nd ADD, Southern Division



Well... We kicked off the ski season with a GREAT Fall Meeting in Kingsport, TN. We had some entertaining speakers and a TON of awards delivered to the patrollers and patrols in the region.

We are looking forward to a busy season in the Skills Department. Currently we are trying to still fill a couple of very important division positions. Still open is the NSP Ski & Snowboard School Supervisor and the Snowboard Supervisor. The Ski School Supervisor is in charge of the training and paperwork for the registration of the Ski School with Eastern Division PSIA. This person would coordinate a Ski School meeting sometime this season and get PSIA Demo team members in for some ski training. This training is invaluable for assisting the local instructors with training candidates, senior patrollers and everyone else on the local patrol. The Snowboard Supervisor is well...the Snowboard Supervisor. This is a great position for someone (a snowboarder, AASI certified) that would like to travel around the division and ski at every area in the division. There are many areas in the Southern Division that do not have a qualified snowboard patroller on the NSP Ski School roster. If you think that you are qualified (or want to know what is necessary) for either of these positions please send an e-mail to brent2489@gmail.com. I look forward to skiing at many of the 'Northern' areas this season that I have not gotten to in the past. Hopefully I can ride a chair with some of you this season!!!

See you on the hill.....

BRENT

Richard Boyer,
1st Assistant Division Director – South Area



In August we held our annual meeting that had been called the Fall Officer's Meeting. It has become the primary meeting for handling most of the business of the Southern Division. This year we changed its name to the **Fall Patroller's Conference** in the hope we can get more patrollers to attend. The hope is we can attract more of the people for whom this division structure provides support in their day-to-day patroller activities.

The theme **Morgan Armstrong**, our new Division Director repeated for officers and non-officers alike was, “*Folks, this meeting is your meeting and we welcome all your input and involvement!*” We hope that in the future, patrollers, including their families, will feel welcome to travel to our Fall Patroller’s Conference and participate in the affairs of our Southern Division. A few do this already and we benefit immensely from their help. Thank you!

There are many things for the non-patroller family members to either, visit, partake in or otherwise occupy their time while our meetings take place. As we get more interest maybe we can organize some fun things for these important members of our greater NSP families.

I urge any patroller to take the weekend when we schedule this meeting, travel to Tennessee, Virginia or wherever we agree to hold the meeting and bring your family. You will be able to see how the Southern Division of the National Ski Patrol works and carries on business. This is not just for officers of patrols or the division, but is for everyone in the NSP.

A repeat of what I covered in the New Officers Class we recently held, directed primarily to the first time Patrol Representatives (PR’s) dealt with record keeping. One of my responsibilities as 1st. Assistant Division Director is to tally all End of Year (EOY) Reports from each patrol in the Southern Division and compile a Division EOY Report which is sent to National. Timeliness and Completeness are the watchwords of these important reports. In order to complete them, ALL PR’s must keep detailed records on a weekly basis to keep up with what the report requires. Anyone who has been lax in this important detail will tell you what a problem the compilation of the EOY Report can be. Check the report form so you know with what you have to keep up. If you need a copy of it let me know and I’ll get one into your email for you.

We all look forward to a great upcoming year! Thank you for being a ski patroller!

Notes From The North...

Jan Starr

Assistant Division Director – North Area

It’s still warm out, but I can see some touch of color in a few trees on the hillside that tells me that winter is not far off.

Everyone should be preparing for fall refreshers, marking dates on calendars, working on study guides. Instructors should have their



assignments, be working out a lesson plan, and getting ready to teach. This seasons calendar has had dates and events added to it since the fall patrol conference. It can be seen at our new division website (You rock Kelly! Great job.) www.southernnsp.org. This calendar will be updated periodically and information will be posted on our site.

Bill Smith and **Mary Underwood** have done a wonderful job updating our PES program and putting it into a new format. I'm excited that the North end of the division will have the first class in the "Leadership Course". It was voted on by the board at the patrol conference to replace the PES program with this new course as a senior elective. So if you still have an elective to fulfill come join us in the pilot program and be a part of the future!

I would like to welcome the new folks to the northern team:

Bill Kost – PR Bryce Mountain patrol

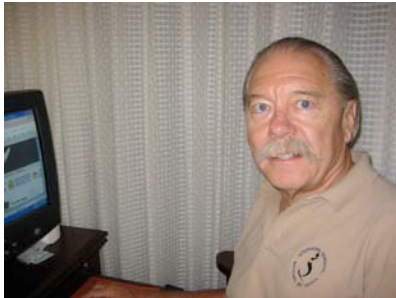
Ted Forbes – Assistant Region Director VA

Tom Wagner – Assistant Region Director WV

I look forward to working with all this coming season.
Let's hope we have a snowy one!

Jan

Mike Harris,
Assistant Division Director – South Area



We have new Region Directors in the Southern half of our division. Both of these individuals have served as Region Director previously. **E.B. Fox** will be very good for the Blue Ridge Region as will **Dennis Slagle** for the Dixie Region. Both of their region articles in this issue of the Southern Cross should have information regarding Fall Refreshers, planned activities, and needs for the upcoming season. Refreshers, seminars, and workshops should be featured.

Not wishing to be redundant, I would like to bring to your attention the desire of your Division Board of Directors to change the name of the Fall Officers meeting to the Southern Division Fall Conference. The hope being that it could be made enough of a fun experience to attract two hundred members. Your ideas and feedback through your Patrol Director and Patrol Representative would be appreciated.

On another subject, I was very disappointed to learn that our National Board of Directors had voted to cancel Powderfall for the 07/08 season. I understand that plans are to resume having Powderfall in April of 2009. Any of you that have attended this function know just how great it is to ski with a small number of patrollers with like skills and be coached by a member of the Alpine Demo. Team. If you haven't been fortunate enough to have attended, please consider signing up early next year when Powderfall is announced.

I am looking forward to skiing and spending time with all my friends in Blue Ridge and making just as many friends in Dixie this upcoming season. Don't forget to keep your E-mail address current with N. S. P. This is important for communications, the Southern Cross, and VOTING. See you at the refreshers and on the SNOW.

Mike Harris--Tyrone

From the Regions...

Virginia Region

Bill Smith
Virginia Region Director



The Virginia Connection!!!

Well here we are, its September again. I just don't know were the time goes.

Here in the north and with the summer almost gone, believe it or not, it's time to begin to start thinking about a new ski season as we all get ready to plan and schedule our refresher programs, spiffy up patrol rooms, etc.. I trust that each of you have had an opportunity to do some fun things this summer and maybe even get in a little vacation time somewhere delightful.

At the FOM out in Kingsport, you may have had a chance to meet some new folks and get reacquainted with old friends. We all had a great time there and the weather was delightful.

Here in Virginia, we will once again have a strong leadership team. In addition to me serving as the team coach, **Ted Forbes** will fill the role of Assistant Division Director. **Ron Dull**, will be the Patrol Rep at Massanutten. It certainly looks like he has things well under control there along with the ever-capable **Bartek Drewnowski**. Over at Bryce, **Bill Kost** will be the new Patrol Rep and along with **Bob Mecaughey**, will lead the charge. At The Homestead, **David Woods**, M. D. will guide the troops with help from **Jeff Kelly**. Last, but certainly not least,

Wintergreen's **Ted Forbes** along with **Tucker Crolius** will keep things under control there. Congratulations Bill and welcome back to everyone else. Of course I would be very remiss if I did not thank Carl Larsen, Ron Dull, Ted and David for the fine job each of them did for their respective patrols over the past year or so. My personal thanks to each of you!!!

Although we have just finished the FOM and this years awards were presented (and there were many), it is never too early to begin to start to keep notes on the good deeds each of your folks do so that when the time comes to prepare awards in April, all you will have left to do is to transcribe your notes to the respective awards form. Let's make this coming season the one where we "*catch someone doing something right*"!!!

With the coming of a new season, we know it is time to dust off the fanny packs, parkas and other equipment that is so important to what we do as patrollers. But what about you, have you gotten the cobwebs out and gotten yourself prepared for another great ski season? **Are you ready???** Have you signed up for any of the scheduled education programs that the Virginia folks asked for this year???. Have you heard about the brand new "Basic Leadership Development for the Ski Patroller" program that was announced at the FOM? As we go to press with this edition of Southern Cross it looks like two "pilots" will be offered, one in December at The Homestead and one in March down in Asheville, NC. We believe that you will find the program to be both rewarding and fun so take a few minutes to get signed up soon.

Based on your input earlier this year we have scheduled many other interesting and informative programs. Now, we are just waiting for you folks to write or call the instructor's and let them know which one's you would like to attend. So let's not put that task off any longer...pick up the phone and make the call or get on your computer and send your instructor an email to let him/her know you want to get in their class to improve your skills as a patroller.

Finally, if you haven't yet seen the brand new Southern Division's website that was launched at the FOM, you are really missing out!!! Go to www.southernnsp.org and see what Virginia's very own **Kelly Drewnowski** has developed for all of use to use. I personally believe you will find it will provide great information, is easy to use and is very appealing to look at. Great job and thanks Kelly!!!

Hope to see you on the slopes soon...



Blue Ridge Region

E. B. Fox

Blue Ridge Region Director

Exercise Your Right to eVote

NSP has entered into the electronic voting era. At this year's June Annual Meeting, the Board adopted Votenet as the election vendor for Board elections, bylaw votes, and surveys. Votenet's proposal will result in significant cost savings compared with our prior vendor, while improving the service provided to the membership.



As a member, in order to vote you need to insure that NSP has your valid email address on file. To update your address, go to nsp.org and log onto Member Services (if you have never logged into Member Services, follow the directions to Activate Your Account).

Electronic ballots for this year's Board election will go out on October 15. Voting will close on December 1. Sixteen candidates are running for four Board seats (three-year term).

Three of the candidates are Southern Division Patrollers: **Lisa Adams**, from Beech Mountain; **Charlie Lentz**, from Appalachian; and **Norris Woody** from Sugar. Thanks to all three for having the guts to run and the time to offer to NSP.

Please update your email addresses and please vote. Your vote makes a difference for the NSP

E. B. Fox



BLUE RIDGE NEWS

Appalachian Ski Patrol participates at Blowing Rock, NC's EmergencyFest.



From left to right in this picture: Joe Donadio, Chris Martin, Mike Harris, Mark Cook, Logan Sumrell, Tony Ray, and Kent Graham. (Photo by Logan Sumrell)

DixieRegion...DixieRegion...DixieRegion...DixieRegion...DixieRegion...DixieRegion

Dennis Slagle,
Dixie Region Director

Hello again to everyone in Dixie Region. I was at the Fall Officers' meeting and I will have to say that I was proud of showing in the awards department for Dixie Region. I hope we can keep that going for this coming year. I am really looking forward the skiing at Wolf Ridge this year (if I can find my way around there).

There are several events in Dixie that have not been settled yet. They are the EMM clinic and evaluation and the Senior S&T clinic and evaluation. Please keep an eye on the Division calendar for these events on the NEW Southern Division Web Site, as they will be added as soon as they are confirmed. I am looking forward to a good season, and hopefully with out a meltdown this year. See you on the slopes.

Dennis

From the Supervisors and Advisors...

Transportation...Transportation...Transportation...Transportation...Transportation

Tony Tingle,

Transportation Supervisor

Here I sit in Tennessee in September. It was about 90 degrees today and humid, in the 80's and muggy now while I sit on my back porch and watch the moon rise. Hard to imagine that in just a few weeks, it will be snowing in the mountains and we will be back on skis and boards. I just wanted to drop a line and let you folks know what is coming down the road for the transportation program.

First, let me introduce myself. I'm Tony Tingle; I am a patroller at Hawksnest Ski Resort in Seven Devils, NC. I live in Oak Ridge, Tennessee, so I spend a lot of the winter months making the commute to the Blue Ridge Mountains. I'm a geologist in my day job. I'm married to another Hawksnest Patroller named Carla, and we have 5 dogs. I've been a patroller for over 20 years (a number that I have a hard time believing), and I have been the Division Transportation Advisor for a couple of years. I'm still figuring this position out, but I think we get a little better each season.

You are probably most familiar with your Region Transportation Advisors. They are:

- **Mike Fisher** - Virginia Region,
- **David Cline** – West Virginia Region
- **Brandon Olson** – Dixie Region
- **David Hall** – Blue Ridge Region

These guys do a lot of work for the transportation program and all deserve a pat on the back. I'm looking forward to the working with them again this season.

Now, looking ahead to when the snow flies.....

Toboggan check-off is an important beginning of the season activity. If you pull a sled during the season, it is recommended that you take a rig out for a spin, and get checked off. Different mountains have different protocols, so follow yours. Just a reminder, be safe!

Early in the season is a great time to have a Toboggan Enhancement Seminar (TES). If you need to know more about the TES, the new Transportation Manual has a course description, as does the NSP website. If those two sources don't get you the information you need, drop me an e-mail and I'll tell you what I know. I'll throw in a shameless plug for the events.....you get to spend a day with a bunch of

hands-on sled action. They are a lot of fun *and* they count as an elective for Senior. Other transportation program courses that can be taught during the season include: *Skiing Enhancement Seminars, Snowboard Enhancement Seminars, and Ski Trainers Workshops*. All are a lot of fun; see your local transportation instructor, Region Transportation Advisor, or me for more info.

If you have indicated an interest in becoming a transportation instructor during your instructor development class, I'll be sending out e-mails to you, your Patrol Reps and Region Transportation Advisors and let them know that we need to line you up with a mentor. There are some folks out there that indicated an interest last season and I didn't get a mentor assigned, for that I apologize, and you will be hearing from me this fall. Anyone interested in becoming a transportation instructor, I encourage you to hop in the program. You need to take an instructor development (ID) class, if you don't have it already. Once you have the ID class, and let someone (e.g. Patrol Rep, Region Transportation Advisor, or Me) know you have an interest, you will then be assigned a mentor. A mentor is a transportation instructor that will work with you on your toboggan teaching skills. Once your mentor thinks you are ready to get evaluated by an instructor trainer (IT) they will get in touch with an IT to come observe your teaching skills. If all goes well and you demonstrate good transportation teaching skills we get you set up as a transportation instructor.

I look forward to skiing with you this winter. Have a safe fall.

Tony

Certified ...Certified Program...Certified Program...Certified Program...Certified

Stephen Kuller,
Certified Program Supervisor

Hello, it is that time of year for me to say thanks to our certified members for there contributions to the clinics and the exam. We continue to make things happen under extraordinary circumstances. Thanks to all of you that provided their time and effort to make last season a success. Congratulations to **Shane Bradley** of Silver Creek Patrol. Shane became our newest member last year.

Additionally, we received a nice contribution from The Brad Short Memorial Fund that was established after his passing (God bless his Family and Friends). These funds are to be used at the discretion of the active membership. I want to take a moment to say thanks to the Snowshoe Patrol for this blessing that was bestowed upon our organization this year. Thanks again.

I want to take a moment to provide you with a description of what I feel the certified program is. The Certified program is a group of committed patrollers striving to keep a level of participation ongoing for all that wish to attain a strong sense of professionalism. The program is designed to encourage the sharing of ideas and concerns among the more experienced members of the division while validating the skills set by National organization. The return flow of this knowledge back to the local patrols will enhance the training and skills of the local patrols, to the benefit of the area they serve.

Now having read what the program means to me and speaking for the other members of the program, I would like to ask you the reader a question. Could you see yourself becoming an active member of the Southern Division Certified Program? If you answered yes, to this question feel free to contact me for more information on how you could become a part of this great program.

This sets the stage for those of you who are still holding out on getting involved in a program that will enhance your knowledge, skills and overall management involvement at your mountain. We would love to hear from those of you in the division that have not traditionally participated in the program. We wish to expand this opportunity to all that have an interest.

Yes, the program takes a dedicated person with the eagerness to learn, a willingness to grow, and the time for development. This is your opportunity to let someone know that you want this program at your mountain. We have patrollers that are willing to talk to you, answer your questions, and share the process with you. Please step out of your comfort zone.

We currently have several candidates that have made the commitment to the program, they will be giving it their all. This is a three-year commitment and it will take most the entire three years. During this process these candidates will be sharing the strengths of the program at their home resorts. Some of you will want to know what they have learned, accomplished, and shared. Ask them and they will respond with eagerness and a willingness that only comes from hard work.

Thanks again for letting me stir your interest in this program.

Stephen Kuller

Rick Woodlee,
Telecommunications Supervisor

Southern Division Telecommunications

I hope everyone is enjoying a great summer and all is well. It is fall 2007, and ski season and patrolling will be here in a “skinny minute”; so, you may be wishing, I sure would like a new radio!

One of my jobs as your Southern Division Telecommunications advisor is to find FCC acceptable radios that are reasonable in price, and function well on the slopes. Well, you might have found a cheap radio that may be better than the expensive radios; but first, you need to know that all transceivers used in the US must be a type that is acceptable to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). This acceptance is usually indicated by an id number on the radio. For example, I found a very reasonably priced radio called the Puxing PX-777 radio and it has a FCC id = *UBYQZPuxing02*.

You can find out if a radio is an acceptable type by going on the FCC internet site and doing the following:

1. Type in the FCC address www.fcc.gov then press enter
2. Click on “Search” at the top of the page
3. Scroll down to “FCC ID Number Search;” then, left click
4. In the third line down (Applicant Name) type in the name of the applicant (for example; puxing)
5. Scroll down to the bottom; then, click on “start search”
6. After a moment or two the information should come up.

I have to thank my fellow patrollers at Hawksnest who put me onto finding these cheaper radios. You can find these radios by going to the Ebay internet cite; then, search for “Puxing.” Most likely you will get several hits for Puxing. Browse around and you will most likely find a Puxing VHF radio for about \$50 plus shipping. I think the high shipping amount is a rip-off; but, is still cheaper that the \$300 to \$500 type radios.

Some of the specifications for the VHF radio are as follows:

1. Transmit power = 5 watts
2. Receive sensitivity = .2 uwatts/12 db sinad
3. Both broadband (25 MHz) and narrow band (12.5 MHz)
(this is important if you are using a narrow band repeater)
4. A Li-ion battery that lasts me 3 days on one charge under normal use.
5. 118 channels
6. Lots of other bells and whistles

7. Optional speaker/mic
8. Optional program cable plus software to program the radio with a computer.
(you can also program the radio manually---good luck)
9. Very small size (about the size of a regular pack of cigarettes)

There are other radios from China (I think made in the same factory) with names like the following:

1. Quanzhou
2. Licheng (who knows what other names)

If you would rather me deal with the radio dealers, I can provide you a new radio, drop in charger, speaker mic, and programmed for about \$100.00 plus shipping. If you need more information, please contact me.

Now is a great time to prepare your radio for patrolling use. My suggestions are as follows:

1. Clean exterior of radio.
2. Open the battery compartment, take the battery out, look for corrosion; then, clean the battery compartment and the battery contacts.
3. Put battery back in the radio if it is not corroded; then, recharge the radio for 14 hours.
4. Cycle the radio by turning on for 8 hours; then, recharge back up for 10 hours.
 1. If the radio does not work OK, take it to a repair shop now, before the season starts. This gives the technicians time to order and receive parts and fix the radio to like new condition.
 2. Take the radio to someone who is certified to check the key operating parameters to verify that the radio is operating in accordance with the FCC rules and regulations Part 90, para. 201-217. You are still required to have the primary operating parameters to be in tolerance. If there is an incident involving your radio and found to be negligent in maintaining those parameters; then, you are responsible. (The primary operating parameters are as follows: frequency tolerance, spurious radiation, modulation, and power output.)

The operating requirements and procedures can be found in the FCC rules and regulations Part 90 para.401-449. A brief summary proper radio communications and operations are as follows:

1. Never use profanity or improper communications on the air.
2. Never interfere with other users of the frequency. (example, Rescue and EMS
3. units, ambulances, law enforcement, etc. This is the quickest way to get a pink slip from the FCC.)
4. Identify yourself by saying your call letters at the end of your conversation or every 30 minutes, which ever comes first.
5. Post a copy of your FCC license in the patrol room.

6. Be responsible to clean and recharge the radio after use.

One can use the NSPS frequencies during training, examinations, searches, intra-communications with other patrols, rescue and search teams, or anything in the special emergency realm. If you are using the Ski Areas' frequencies, I suggest you post a copy of the Ski Areas' license close to your base radio; so, there is no question about frequency authorization and use.

One of my goals this year is to visit as many ski areas as possible. I will bring my test equipment; and (time permitting) I will be happy to check as many radios as possible.

Please contact me if I can assist you in any of your telecommunications programs.

Rick Woodlee
Phone: 828-693-1554
N4FAT@juno.com

OEC Program...OEC...OEC...OEC...OEC...OEC...OEC...OEC...OEC Program

Leslie Carter,
OEC Supervisor

Hard to believe how fast the summer flew by! The house is still not done....but we hope to be in by the middle of October. I have to wonder who names paint colors – I can understand “October Mist” but “Kitten Whiskers”? Meanwhile.....

REFRESHER 2007 – CYCLE C: By now most of you have been notified of your local Refresher schedule so I have just a few reminders and requests.

If you have misplaced your copy of this year's Refresher Guide it is available on line simply by going to the NSP main page – no need to log in – just look for the icon on the right side of the page.

If you are attending a Refresher other than the one being presented by your home area, please be sure to notify the Instructor of Record in advance – if there is no room you may be turned away!

OEC INSTRUCTOR RENEWAL OF STATUS: Teaching opportunities are available in abundance this time of year – sign up now!! In addition to teaching at your home area please consider helping out with classes in other locations. With the new testing requirements the final OEC Exams can be labor intensive and help would be appreciated by all! Check the Southern Division Calendar for dates and contact information.

Instructor Status must be renewed every 3 years - within each 3 year period (check your card for your renewal date) an Instructor must:

- Attend 1 Instructor Update
- Teach at 1 OEC Class
- Teach at 1 OEC Refresher

	2006	2007	2008
Attend Update	X		
Teach at OEC Class		X	
Teach at Refresher			X

OR

	2006	2007	2008
Attend Update	X		
Teach at OEC Class	X		
Teach at Refresher	X		

If you are not sure where you stand contact your Patrol Administrative IT for information.

BLUE RIDGE

Appalachian - Debbie Lentz
 Beech - Lisa Adams
 Hawksnest - Teresa Stewart
 Sugar - Patricia Woody

DIXIE

Cataloochee - Steve McCarragher
 Cloudmont - (see Sylvia Talley)
 Sapphire Valley - Justus Baird
 Ober Gatlinburg - Dennis Slagle
 Wolf Ridge - Larry Erb

VIRGINIA

Bryce - Jonathan Snow
 Homestead - Greg Pence (Wintergreen)
 Massanutten - Travis Dorman
 Wintergreen - Greg Pence

WEST VIRGINIA

Blackwater Nordic - Janette Bennette
 Snowshoe - Dan Philippi
 Silvercreek - Jason Hall
 Timberline - Janette Bennette
 Winterplace - Walt Watson

UPDATE ON THE Updated "E" Class – The five update sessions from the Annual OEC Update were taped and are currently being edited for transfer onto DVD. This program will be provided at the discretion of the Regional OEC Administrator, will have a fee of \$25.00 (to offset the cost of materials etc.) and will require completion of a 50-question test before credit will be given.

ON THE NATIONAL FRONT: Due to a variety of considerations, the release of the 5th Edition of the OEC Text and supporting materials has been delayed until 2009. Meanwhile, please use the opportunity to continue contributing your suggestions and thoughts to the Committee.

AND FINALLY....have a great fall and keep your fingers crossed for a good snow year !!

SOUTHERN DIVISION PATROLLER SURVIVES NUCLEAR EXPLOSION

By R. Morgan Armstrong

It was very dark in the Nevada dessert. The tent city was quiet with a few scientists and security guards moving about. The cooks were the first to begin the day followed later by transportation staff and officers. Prior to dawn, the entire camp was awakened, fed and moved out to the testing site. Harry Stowe of the United States Air Force was to arrive at a point in the desert for a date that would make such an impression on him, he would be able to recount the event after fifty years with clarity and detail to his fellow patrollers at the Southern Division Fall Officers Conference in Kingsport, Tennessee on Sunday, August 19, 2007.

Members of the Southern Division awaited his account with anticipation. Not the intense anticipation Harry had felt on that morning some 50 years ago when he was about to face a nuclear explosion of 40 kilotons from a distance of only 4,000 yards. But we could hardly wait for Harry to start his part of the program. Then, as he started his talk, not a sound could be heard in the room except the soft voice of Harry Stowe.

He began with a brief history of the development of the atomic bomb during World War II and how he had received a short course on nuclear warfare from the United States Air Force. He told us how he had taken a non-descript course. Then, a couple of years later, he received orders to report to Nevada to participate in a nuclear bomb test. "I had no idea why they picked me, other than I had that one class in the military on the subject" Harry stated to the group of patrollers. I found myself in the desert, in this tent city with a whole bunch of other military personnel and there I was.

The Nevada test site conducted from 90 to 100 atmospheric explosions of nuclear bombs from 1951 until 1962. The clouds and explosions became a tourist attraction for Las Vegas, since the events could be seen from the city, which was about 100 miles from most of the tests. Harry was not exactly a tourist, he got to see the cloud and explosion, but it was not at a distance of 100 miles. It was not at a distance of 50 miles or 10 miles. He got a front row seat, courtesy of the United States Air Force and he was only 4,000 yards from the bomb itself.

He told us how the early bombs were very heavy. They had lead shielding around the nuclear material. That made the bomb about 6 feet wide, 12 to 15 feet long and very heavy. They put it up in a tower. They told us the lead shielding would stop

about 1/2 of the radiation from getting to the workers on the bomb. We really did not want to get any closer to it than we had to get.

The morning of the test we found ourselves in the desert behind a slit trench. It was about two feet wide and five feet deep. They had taken the dirt out of the trench and threw it up on the side facing the tower. "I thought that was good of them to put it on the side nearest the bomb," Harry said, "I wanted all the protection I could get." He explained how he could see the tower in the distance with the light blinking on top. It was about 4,000 yards away and the only thing between that tower and me was flat dessert. There were parked, military vehicles in front of us and behind us of various types. Live animals of various types were in cages placed around us, both in front of the trench and behind it. There were some trees behind the trench at some distance from us and we waited for the officers to tell us what to do.

We had been told after we got to the trench, prior to the blast we would climb down into the trench. When given the word we would crouch down and first a typical bomb would be detonated, which contained TNT. Then the atom bomb would be exploded. We were warned not to stand up or look at the atom bomb. While we waited, I heard a senior officer approach and stop to talk with an officer, who was standing a little distance away. I heard the officer, who had been with us for the pre-blast preparation, ask the senior officer about handing out dark glasses to help protect the eyes of the troops. The senior officer simply responded, "When that bomb goes off, they don't need dark glasses. I am betting they will close their eyes."

Now that all the technical problems had been resolved, we were ready for the test. First, was the explosion of a typical bomb. They lit the match and off it went. Harry said his thoughts about that explosion were "not much." No one even hunkered down in the trench for that one.

Next came the show. We got down in the trench and when the big bomb went off the light was so bright it hurt. "It hurt with my eyes squeezed shut. I had them shut just as tight as I could get them and I could still see the shadow of the man in front of me. Even through my eyelids with my eyes shut tight." The blast wave went right over us. After a while I stood up and looked. The atomic cloud had risen to over 100,000 feet in front of us in seconds. The colors in the cloud were pinks and blues - very strange. I looked around and the trees that were behind us were on fire. That blast of fire had gone over the top of us and lit up every one of those trees. Now the officers began to call us out of the trench.

We were told to get up and walk around. Men with Geiger counters were around us and told us where we could walk and when to stop. The animals in the cages were all burned. Some of them were still alive. We walked around for some time, looking and taking in the scene until they brought up the trucks and rode us back to camp.

Questions to Harry came pretty fast after his talk. He reported as far as he knew he never suffered any ill effects from the experiment. He turned in his radiation badge and has never been contacted by the government about its reading, no follow-up testing and no medical examinations. Harry commented: “We went to the test, watched it and that was that. I am fine as far as I know. I am still here.”

The meeting with Harry ended with one final question. Harry answered it as he turned off the microphone - “Nope, never have glowed in the dark.” There you have it. If you were at the Fall Officers Conference and heard Harry Stowe tell this story, you were present for a piece of ski patrol history. If you missed it, Harry just might fill you in with some of the details in his quiet, unassuming way. Those of us who heard Harry are betting, even if he starts to glow a little; he won’t admit to it.

SOUTHERN CROSS ARTICLE
By R. Morgan Armstrong

THANKS FROM THE DIVISION DIRECTOR & THE DIVISION:

There are times when a note or card is a sufficient “thank you.” There are other special, times when that is not nearly enough. This is one of the special times. We have two recent contributions by patrollers where the division needs to make a public acknowledgment of the service provided to the division.

OUR NEW WEBSITE at www.SouthernNSP.org is such an event that requires a division wide thank you. Kelly Drewnowski has spent a lot of time and given a great artistic effort into creating our new site. It has already come to the attention of the National Ski Patrol and they have requested permission to use parts of our design in re-working their own site. When ones work is copied, it is said that is the best form of flattery. Thus, I want to thank Kelly on behalf of the entire division on a great effort and a very pleasing and user-friendly product. I invite every patroller in the Southern Division to visit our new website at the above address and use it frequently.

OUR RECENT CONFERENCE held at Kingsport, Tennessee was a great success due in no small part to our Meeting Committee. The logistics of putting on a conference with the division officers going in one direction and the OEC instructors going in another is not easy. The Southern Division Meeting Committee pulled it off without a hitch. There were lights, sound and action and I mean that literally from the start to the end of the conference. The sound system, lighting system and room organization was excellent. It made the work of the instructors and officers so much easier. I would like to thank Rob Raff for chairing this committee and working tirelessly for us, and here are the people who made our last conference a real success:

MEETING COMMITTEE:

Rob Raff – Chair of the Committee
Fred Wessels – Registration & Accounting Coordinator
Teresa Stewart - Registration
Jo Ann Ehlinger – Registration & Hospitality Suite
Jonathan Hale – Hospitality Suite
Hugh Jernigan – Hospitality Suite

A Sincere Thanks,

R. Morgan Armstrong
Southern Division Director

Awards...Awards...Awards...Awards...Awards...Awards...Awards...Awards...Awards...Awards

Peg Harris,
Awards Advisor

Annual Southern Division Awards 2007

My first full season as your Southern Division Awards Advisor was an eye opener. It was stressful, rewarding, exciting and yes very, very busy especially as it got closer to the annual awards banquet. I would like to thank all the patrol and region awards coordinators for all their hard work in pulling together the necessary information and ultimately writing the award nominations. Patrol Representatives; please ensure these individuals are recognized at your Fall Refreshers for the extra work they put in to help their fellow patrollers receive the recognition they so deserve.

This year the Southern Division had nominations for all the outstanding award categories with the exception of Nordic Patrol and Small Alpine Patrol. Remember, the more nominations submitted, the more chance of success and this year truly proved that point!!

Before getting to the listing all the awards, I would like to thank **Myer Avedovech**, National Awards Coordinator, for attending our meeting. He gave an in-depth talk on how the national awards process works and was very inspiring in his belief on awards and how they benefit us all. **Editors Note:** The individual award write-ups will be available on the website for your review.

Service Awards

Appalachian

Robert Barbour	10 years
Debbie Lenz	10 years
Mark Soule	10 years
Joseph Donadio	20 years

Blackwater Nordic

Ronald Alt	10 years
Gary Berti	15 years

Bryce

David Canon	10 years
Robert Lane	10 years
Lee Miller	10 years
Robert Meacaughey	15 years
Kevin Fagin	20 years
Kent Christian	25 years
Carl Larsen	30 years

Cataloochee

Robert Brewster	10 years
Brent Bowman	15 years
Keith Kiser	15 years
Richard Boyer	20 years
Thomas Raudorf	20 years
Randall Avery	40 years

Massanutten

Carol Bartus	10 years
John Davis	10 years
Jeffrey Salem	20 years
Robert Pusey	20 years
Harold Blacka	25 years
Charles Coleman	30 years
Robert Martin	30 years

Beech

Marc Chabot	10 years
David Hall	10 years
Mark Latendresse	10 years
Theresa Varner	10 years
Julia Adams	15 years
Dan Cheek	15 years
Tim Holland	15 years
James Moore	15 years
Bill Tuck	15 years
Richard Adams	20 years
Charles Handley	20 years
Greg Sowers	20 years
Douglas Whelan	20 years
Bob Mahoney	25 years
Charles Travis	30 years
Rodney Farris	35 years

Cloudmont

Ken Collins	20 years
Bob Palik	40 years

Homestead

David Woods	15 years
Robert Kolesha	35 years

Ober Gatlingburg

Glenn Campbell	10 years
William Mattison	15 years
Neal McKinney	20 years
David Bjornstad	25 years

Sapphire Valley

Ben Tholkes	30 years
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Hawksnest

Kirk Mangum 15 years

Snowshoe

Ronald Bailey 10 years

Michael Becker 10 years

Blaine Daniel 10 years

Mary Legg 10 years

Christopher Methvin 10 years

Susan Murad 10 years

John Carruth 15 years

Jason Hall 15 years

Marc Poore 15 years

Michael Cassis 20 years

Howard Gibson 20 years

Jerry Goldfarb 20 years

Jan Gooding 20 years

Claude Hylton 20 years

Jeffrey McKelvey 20 years

Nancy Tiffey 20 years

Daniel Vincent 20 years

Robert Humphris 25 years

Daniel Philippi 25 years

Jan Starr 30 years

Smokey Mountain Nordic

Linda Pace 30 years

Sugar Mountain

Meredith Phillips 10 years

Melissa Rees 10 years

Jane Boyer 15 years

Wayne Persons 15 years

Bryan Webb 15 years

Patty Woody 15 years

Clarence Ilderton 20 years

Dirk Krause 20 years

James Bolton 25 years

Joseph Chesson 25 years

Larry Fleming 25 years

James White 25 years

Mike Harris 30 years

Wintergreen

Robert Coleman 10 years

David Stolze 10 years

Paul Thompson 10 years

Peg Harris 15 years

Judith Kay-Monaghan 20 years

Robert Leavenworth 20 years

David Quidort 25 years

Doug Carlberg 35 years

Timberline

Joseph McNeer 15 years

Robert Poole 15 years

Winterplace

Grant Dragan	10 years
Dennis Kinsella	10 years
Nadine Watson	10 years
Walter Watson	10 years
Conrad Cooper	15 years
Byrd White	15 years
David T. Cregar	20 years
Stephen Finch	20 years
Thomas Wagner	20 years
Cynthia Boehling	30 years

Wolf Ridge

Lynn Poletti	10 years
Phil Bentley	15 years
Marc Jarvis	15 years
David Katterman	15 years
Rick Ligeikis	20 years
Lee Wilkinson	20 years
Julian Waldrep	30 years

Instructor Service Awards

Appalachian

Anne Fox Donadio	12 years
Mike Fletcher	12 years
E. B. Fox, III	12 years
Cathy LaMarre	12 years
Charles Lentz	12 years
Gordon Sox	12 years
Eddie Winkler	12 years

Cataloochee

Chris Polhemus	6 years
Stephanie Crowe	12 years
Melanie Wolford	18 years

Sugar Mountain

James Bolton	12 years
Larry Fleming	12 years
Flynn Harris	12 years
John Tolbert	12 years
Ernie Whitner	12 years
Norris Woody	12 years

Timberline

Steve Cvechko	12 years
Robert Chatman	12 years
Janette Bennett	12 years
Joseph McNeer	12 years

**Certificates of Appreciation
for Outgoing Division and Region Personnel**

Morgan Armstrong	1 st Assistant Division Director
Richard Boyer	Assistant Division Director-South
Christine Myatt	Division Legal Advisor
Carl Larsen	Patrol Representative for Bryce
Thomas Raudorf	Patrol Representative for Cataloochee
Larry Bost	Patrol Representative for Hawksnest
Ben Tholkes	Patrol Representative for Sapphire

**Certificates of Appreciation
for Outgoing Division and Region Personnel Continued**

Rick Sharp	Patrol Representative/Director for Snowshoe
Bill Boughton	Patrol Representative for Wolf Laurel
Mike Harris	Region Director for Blue Ridge
Brent Bowman	Region Director for Dixie
John Shaffer	Division Supervisor/Ski & Snowboard School
John Shaffer	Virginia Region OEC Administrator
Clark Bell	Division Snowboard Supervisor
Paul Calvert	Continuing Support of the Cataloochee Patrol

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Merit Star Recipients:

Purple Merit Star: Presented to **Michael Chaney** for Medical Assistance with a Motor Vehicle Accident, Route 32 North Canaan Valley, WV August 20, 2006.

Blue Merit Stars: Presented to **Janette Bennett, Darren Bennett** and **Dan Sullivan** for Medical Assistance with a Motor Vehicle Accident, Route 32 North Canaan Valley, WV August 20, 2006.

Blue Merit Star: Presented to **Kellie Kathleen Brohm** for Using Her OEC Skills on a Collapsed Gentlemen During a Class Field Trip.

Yellow Merit Star: Presented to **Dawn Joy Jucker** for Exceptional and Dedicated Service to the Ober Gatlingburg Ski Patrol.

Yellow Merit Star: Presented to **Grayson Cooper** for the Development of the Cataloochee Ski Patrol Web Site.

Yellow Merit Star: Presented to **Bob Brewster** for the Continuing Support of the Cataloochee Ski Patrol.

Yellow Merit Star: Presented to **Peg Harris** by Myer Avedovech, National Awards Coordinator, for Updating and Standardizing all the National Awards Nomination Forms.

Patroller's Cross

Patroller's Cross presented to **Sarah Moore** for Her Personal Sacrifice in Service to All Who Ski.

Leadership Commendation Appointment

Leadership Commendation Appointment No. 8327 presented to **Byrd White** for His Leadership and Years of Service to All Who Ski.

Division Outstanding Awards

Each recipient received a Division Outstanding Award Plaque and a Yellow Merit Star for being nominated by Southern Division in the National Outstanding Categories.

- **Outstanding Student:** Presented to **Brandon Landreth** of Hawksnest Ski Patrol.
- **Outstanding Division Student Runner-up** went to **Deidra Banks** of Ober Gatlinburg Ski Patrol.
- **Outstanding Professional Patroller:** Presented to **Thomas Katarsky** of Timberline Ski Patrol.
- **Outstanding Professional Patroller Runner-up** went to **Brett Henyon** of Wintergreen Ski Patrol
- **Outstanding Nordic Patroller:** Presented to **Joshua Saville** of Timberline Ski Patrol.
- **Outstanding Patrol Representative:** Presented to **Larry Bost** of Hawksnest Ski Patrol.
- **Outstanding Administrative Patroller:** Presented to **Dave Quidort** of Wintergreen Ski Patrol.
- **Outstanding Auxiliary Patroller:** Presented to **Fred Wessels** of Hawksnest Ski Patrol.
- **Outstanding Instructor:** Presented to **Gregg Bradley** of Wintergreen Ski Patrol.
- **Outstanding Instructor Runner-up:** Presented to **Teresa Stewart** of Hawksnest Ski Patrol.
- **Outstanding Alpine Patroller:** Presented to **Hugh Jernigan** of Hawksnest Ski Patrol.

- **Outstanding Alpine Patroller Runner-up:** Presented to **Darren Bennett** of Timberline Ski Patrol.
- **Outstanding Large Alpine Patrol:** Presented to Cataloochee Ski Patrol.
- **Outstanding Large Alpine Patrol Runner-up:** Presented to Hawksnest Ski Patrol.

National Outstanding Awards

Presented by National Awards Coordinator, Myer Avedovech.

- **National Outstanding Patrol Representative Award and Gold Merit Star:** Presented to **Larry Bost** of the Hawksnest Ski Patrol.
- **National Outstanding Alpine Patroller Award and Gold Merit Star:** Presented to **Hugh Jernigan** of Hawksnest Ski Patrol.
- **Silver Merit Star:** Presented to **Gregg Bradley** of Wintergreen Ski Patrol as National Outstanding Instructor Runner-up.
- **Distinguished Service Award:** Presented to **Neil Booth** for his service as our Division Director.

This year was such an exciting year for awards as you can see after reading all of the names of the various award recipients above! What a great way to say thanks to all the deserving patrollers. Patrol reps/directors, region directors – you should already be thinking of who to nominate for next season’s outstanding categories, merit stars and all the other various awards available. Let’s keep the momentum going!!

Southern Division Calendar

Please refer to the Division Website for updated schedules!

www.southernnsp.org

The calendar is flexible dependant on the weather – please check the calendar and/or with your patrol representative / Region Director for the most up-to-date changes.

2007-2008 SOUTHERN DIVISION CALENDAR

Rev 10-01-2007

2007 DIVISION PROGRAM DATES					
DATE	EVENT	PLACE	CONTACT	PHONE	EMAIL
11-16 – 11-18	Course – Mountain Travel & Rescue, Level I & II	Blue Ridge Region	Mark Rees	704-887-5603	mark.rees@conclusivemarketing.com
12-08	Senior – EMM Trainer/Evaluator Clinic	Cataloochee	Dave Quidort	919-363-7935	quidortd@us.ibm.com
12-08	Basic Leadership Development for Ski Patrollers	Homestead	Mary Underwood	865-483-3675	jnu@bellsouth.net

2008 DIVISION ADMINISTRATIVE DATES					
DATE	EVENT	PLACE	CONTACT	PHONE	EMAIL
01-14	DEADLINE – Southern Cross articles		Teresa Stewart, Editor SC	704-718-5675	sceditor@bellsouth.net
04-01	DUE – Awards Nominations		Peggy Harris	804-320-1901	tandpeg@netzero.net
04-01	DUE – Patrol – Financial Reports DUE – Division Expense Reimbursements Requests (2007-2008)		Jim Underwood	865-483-3675	jnu@bellsouth.net
04-01	DUE – Patrol – End of Year Reports DUE – Supervisor – End of Year Reports		Richard Boyer, Jr.	770-975-5875	richardboyer@bellsouth.net
04-15	DUE – Budget Requests to Division for Ski Season 2008-2009		Jim Underwood	865-483-3675	jnu@bellsouth.net
05-21	DEADLINE – Southern Cross articles		Teresa Stewart, Editor SC	704-718-5675	sceditor@bellsouth.net
09-08	DEADLINE – Southern Cross articles		Teresa Stewart, Editor SC	704-718-5675	sceditor@bellsouth.net

**2008
DIVISION PROGRAM DATES**

DATE	EVENT	PLACE	CONTACT	PHONE	EMAIL
01-12	Certified – Clinic	Sugar	Steve Kuller	540-234-9108	sdk@juno.com
01-26	Certified – Clinic	Massanutten	Steve Kuller	540-234-9108	sdk@juno.com
02-02	Certified – Clinic	Massanutten	Steve Kuller	540-234-9108	sdk@juno.com
02-09 & 02-10	Certified – Clinic (Mandatory for new candidates)	Snowshoe	Steve Kuller	540-234-9108	sdk@juno.com
03-20 – 03-22	Certified – TEST	Snowshoe	Steve Kuller	540-234-9108	sdk@juno.com

**2007
BLUE RIDGE REGION EVENTS**

DATE	EVENT	PLACE	CONTACT	PHONE	EMAIL
10-06	Refresher – OEC – Grandfather	Valle Crucis	Teresa Stewart	704-718-5675	sceditor@bellsouth.net
10-07	Refresher – on the hill	Sugar	Flynn Harris	704-366-5487	eflynnh@bellsouth.net
10-07	Refresher – on the hill	Hawksnest	Brent S. Rockett	336-922-4317	Brent.rockett@ncmail.net
10-27	OEC Course Challenge* [* Pre-registration required]	Sugar Mtn.	Larry Fleming	828-437-8448	imfeyeski@bellsouth.net
10-28	OEC Course Challenge	Sugar Mtn.	Larry Fleming	828-437-8448	imfeyeski@bellsouth.net
11-02	CPR Refresher	Boone	Charles Lentz	828-264-5261	lentzcl@bellsouth.net
11-03	Refresher – OEC – Carolina Highlands	Valle Crucis	Teresa Stewart	704-718-5675	sceditor@bellsouth.net
11-04	Refresher – on the hill	Beech	Tom Watson	423-636-1096	fishski@usit.net
11-04	Refresher – on the hill	Appalachian	Joe Donadio	828-297-5885	donagdioa@watauga.k12.nc.us
12-02	S&T Examiners Clinic – Region	Appalachian	David Hall	828-299-3324	dhall@buildingsmart.net
12-08	Senior – EMM Trainer/Evaluator Clinic	Cataloochee	Dave Quidort	919-363-7935	quidortd@us.ibm.com

**2008
BLUE RIDGE REGION EVENTS**

DATE	EVENT	PLACE	CONTACT	PHONE	EMAIL
01-05	Senior S&T Clinic	Beech	David Hall	828-299-3324	dhall@buildingsmart.net
01-06	Basic Patrollers S&T Test	Sugar	David Hall	828-299-3324	dhall@buildingsmart.net
01-19	Senior EMM – Clinic	Beech	Lisa Adams	828-387-2892	pleasingmona@skybest.com
01-20	Basic Patrollers S&T Test	Beech	David Hall	828-299-3324	dhall@buildingsmart.net
02-02	Senior S&T – Clinic	Hawksnest	David Hall	828-299-3324	dhall@buildingsmart.net
02-03	Senior S&T – Clinic	Hawksnest	David Hall	828-299-3324	dhall@buildingsmart.net
02-24	Basic Patrollers S&T Test	Hawksnest	David Hall	828-299-3324	dhall@buildingsmart.net
03-02	Basic Patrollers S&T Test	Appalachian	David Hall	828-299-3324	dhall@buildingsmart.net
03-09	Senior EMM – TEST	Appalachian	Lisa Adams	828-387-2892	pleasingmona@skybest.com

**2007
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10-13	Pre-refresher	Cataloochee	Wayne Morgan	828-926-0285	wmorgan@cataloochee.com
10-13	Pre-refresher	Ober Gatlinburg	Adrienne Armes	865-617-7669	One_ton_cherokee@hotmail.com
11-03	Refresher – OEC	Cataloochee	Wayne Morgan	828-926-0285	wmorgan@cataloochee.com
11-03	Refresher – OEC	Ober Gatlinburg	Adrienne Armes	865-617-7669	One_ton_cherokee@hotmail.com
11-03	Pre-refresher	Wolf Ridge	Bruce and Sue Estridge	828-689-2050	estRidge@earthlink.net
11-04	Refresher – on the hill	Cataloochee	Wayne Morgan	828-926-0285	wmorgan@cataloochee.com
11-04	Refresher – on-the-hill	Ober Gatlinburg	Dave Crawford	865-406-3638	dave@rapidexpeditions.com
11-15	OEC Course Challenge	Cataloochee	Wayne Morgan	828-926-0285	wmorgan@cataloochee.com
11-17	Refresher – OEC	Wolf Ridge	Bruce and Sue Estridge	828-689-2050	estRidge@earthlink.net
11-18	Refresher – on the hill	Wolf Ridge	Phil Bentley	828-251-0604	philbentley@charter.net
12-08	Senior EMM – examiners clinic	Cataloochee	Dave Quidort	919-363-7935	quidort@us.ibm.com

**2008
DIXIE REGION EVENTS**

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01-13	S&T Clinic	Ober Gatlinburg	Brandon Olson	865-471-5197 865-603-3045	
01-27	Senior EMM Clinic	Cataloochee	Bob Brewster	828-684-8100	
02-10	S&T Test	Ober Gatlinburg	Brandon Olson	865-471-5197 865-603-3045	
02-24	Senior EMM Test	Cataloochee	Bob Brewster	828-684-8100	

**2007
VIRGINIA REGION EVENTS**

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10-20	Refresher – on the hill	Wintergreen	Tucker Crolius	434-325-8060	tcrolius@aol.com
10-21	Refresher – OEC	Wintergreen & Bryce	Greg Pence	804-821-4309	gpence@flowserve.com
10-27	Refresher – on the hill	Massanutten	Bartek Drewnowski	540-289-4954	bdrewnowski@massresort.com
10-28	Refresher – OEC	Massanutten	Will Drury	540-421-4890	mgb72wj@planetcomm.net
11-03	OEC Basic Course	Massanutten	Bartek Drewnowski	540-289-4954	bdrewnowski@massresort.com
11-23	Ski Swap by Wintergreen Patrol	Wintergreen	Jim McCaslin	703-250-5193	mccaslin_jim@earthlink.net
12-08	Basic Leadership Development for Ski Patrollers	Homestead	May Underwood	865-483-3675	jnu@bellsouth.net
12-09	Transferring Patroller Orientation	Wintergreen	Ted Forbes	434-979-9354	Ted.Forbes@capitalone.com

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01-12	Senior EMM Clinic	Bryce	T. Harris	804-320-1901	tandpeg@netzero.net
01-13	Senior S&T Clinic	Wintergreen	T. Harris	804-320-1901	tandpeg@netzero.net
01-26	Toboggan Enhancement Seminar	Wintergreen	Mike Fisher	434-296-8485	heardmtn05@earthlink.net
03-09	Avalanche Fundamentals & Rescue	Wintergreen	Mike Fisher	434-296-8485	heardmtn05@earthlink.net
02-23	Senior EMM – TEST	Bryce	T. Harris	804-320-1901	tandpeg@netzero.net
02-24	Senior S&T – TEST	Massanutten	T. Harris	804-320-1901	tandpeg@netzero.net
03-08	Instructor Development Course	Massanutten	Cathy Riley-Hall	703-830-9520	Catherine.Riley-Hall@fairfaxcounty.gov

**2007
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10-09	OEC Course – Basic	Winterplace	Walt Watson	304-253-6963	dewawatson@msn.com
10-27	Refresher – OEC	Snowshoe	Dan Philippi	304-572-0535	dphilippi@carolinarr.com
10-28	Refresher – on the hill	Snowshoe	Dan Philippi	304-572-0535	dphilippi@carolinarr.com
10-20	Refresher – OEC	Timberline	Bill Cox	703-351-9747	Mountain.bc@verizon.net
10-21	Refresher – on the hill	Timberline	Bill Cox	703-351-9747	Mountain.bc@verizon.net
10-27	Refresher – mixed OEC & on the hill	Winterplace	George McMurray	304-252-3345	jorgemcmurray@gmail.com
10-28	Refresher – mixed OEC & on the hill	Winterplace	George McMurray	304-252-3345	jorgemcmurray@gmail.com
12-08	Instructor Development Course	Winterplace	Greg Rash	502-263-3323	g.rash@insightbb.com
12-08	Basic Leadership Development for Ski Patrollers	Homestead	May Underwood	865-483-3675	jnu@bellsouth.net

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3-3-8	Senior EMM TEST	Timberline	Bill Cox		Mountain.bc@verizon.net

2007
SOUTHERN DIVISION STAFF DIRECTORY
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