

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Albury Ski Club Inc. will be held at

THE STANLEY C ROOM, COMMERCIAL CLUB,

618 Dean Street, Albury NSW.

On Thursday 4th March 2021 at 6.00pm

BUSINESS

1. Apologies
2. To receive the minutes of the previous meeting
3. To receive annual reports for the year ended 30th September 2020
 - a) Building Sub-Committee report
 - c) Falls Creek Booking Officer's Report
 - d) Thredbo Booking Officer's Report
 - e) Treasurer's Report
 - f) Falls Creek Release Report
 - g) President's Report
4. Appointment of Auditor
5. General Business
6. To elect Club Office Bearers and Committee for the ensuing year

By Order of Committee
Sue Chamberlain (Hon. Sec.)

ALBURY SKI CLUB RETIRING COMMITTEE

Position	Name	Year first elected	No. of Years
President;	Peter Simpson	2020	(as President) 1
Vice President;	Paul Oberin	2020	1
Secretary;	Sue Chamberlain	2020	1
Treasurer;	Yolana Andrews	2020	1
Booking Officer Falls Creek	Joel Harris	2017	4
Booking Officer Thredbo	Mark Hawkins	2019	2
Catering Officer	Andrea Keen	2018	3
Committee	Stuart Masters	2019	2
	Nick Taylor	2019	2
	Rachael Voogt	2019	2
	Andrew Martin	2020	1
	Byron Pattison	2016	6

PRESIDENTS AGENDA

1. Welcome
2. Call for reading of minutes of the AGM held on 12th March 2020
3. Call for acceptance of minutes as an accurate record of the March 2020 AGM
4. Call for business arising
5. Presentation of annual reports (please note no Race Captain's Report as races were not held)
 - a. Building Sub Committee
 - b. Falls Creek Booking Officer

- c. Thredbo Booking Officer
 - d. Treasurer
 - e. Falls Creek Release
 - f. President
6. Appointment of Auditor
 7. Notice of Motions
 8. General Business
 - a. Honorary Life Memberships
Nominations for Honorary Life Memberships have been received for Claire Calder (White), Sally Louw and John Percy.
 9. Spill of office bearer's positions
 10. Appointment of electoral overseer
 11. Forwarding of nominations for office bearer positions and general committee
 12. Election if required

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Albury Ski Club Inc. held at
THE ALBURY CLUB, 519 Kiewa St, Albury on Thursday 12th March 2020 at 6pm.

Present; 37 members in attendance; Michael Foley, Roslyn Frawley, Sally Louw, John Louw, Mark Hawkins, Helen Stewart, Nan Brandt, Tony Brandt, Nick Taylor, Robert Alston, Paul Oberin, Heather Morgan, John Morgan, Con Madden, Gary Matheson, Lionel White, Claire White, Sue Chamberlain, John Percy, Helen Harrod, Bailey Martin, Byron Pattison, Philip Frawley, Libby Pattison, Andrea Keen, Greg Keen, 2 Kate Martin, Andy Martin, Jack Killalea, Peter Simpson, Rob Harrod, Ash Fraser, Nerida Millward, Rachael Voogt, Kaylene Severin, Ken Davey, Gordon Douglas

Apologies; Tom Hutchinson, Catherine Frawley, Malcolm Gunn, Peter Shannon, Jo Shannon, Camille Bradley, Joel Harris, Micaela Perry, Harry Perry, Ross Perry, Nicholas Louw, James Louw, Nina Sandral, Neil Brandt, Nikki Cole, Rob Martin, Hunter Martin, Merrilyn Rootsey, Isabell Pattison, Brody Pattison, Georgia Pattison, Maureen O'Connell, Euan Brown, Dawn Brown, Nikkei Chamberlain, David Jenkins, Vivian Jenkins, Sam Jenkins, Emily Jenkins, Ben Jenkins, Jessica Holmes, Trish Ryan, Alison Percy Craig Severin

Business; 1830hrs

1. It was resolved to confirm the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 28/02/2019.

Moved; Michael Foley **Seconded;** Tony Brandt **Accepted**

2. Call for business arising from the 2019 minutes. No business

3. The Albury Ski Club Maintenance Officers, Nick Taylor/Stuart Masters, presented reports on behalf of the Committee on the maintenance of both lodges for the year and it was resolved to receive that report.

Thankfully in early January neither of the lodges were burnt down with the bushfires. Thanks to Falls Creek fire department who collected the trophies from the lodge and took to their building for safe keeping over this time. Thredbo Insurance claims relating to the upstairs water leak in 2018 were signed off and finalised in

2019. Repainting of the ceiling in the living room completed in May. The BBQ exhaust fan was repaired, a broken window in room 7 replaced, a new hotplate installed and the treads on the stairs redone. In progress is the installation of a mains water isolation valve and upgrade to the fire panel. Falls Creek Insurance and repair works completed with respect to the water leak in rooms 9, 11 and both units. A leaking water pipe in boiler room repaired by David Speed and a new electrical boiler timer was replaced during winter. In the kitchen new toaster, urn tap, and oven knob have been replaced. Check the fuse board if appliances are not working. A new control panel for the beer and wine fridge installed in March. The 3 main fridges have been serviced and cleaned. The fire system has had annual inspection (Stevenor services) Painting of the rubbish box, drying room, locker room and ski tunnel also completed prior to last winter 3 15m³ of wood was consumed during the year and this quantity has been ordered again for this Saturdays working bee. Release of Falls Creek. Will be addressed by Sally and Michael later in the meeting.

Moved; John Morgan **Seconded;** Nan Brandt **Accepted**

4. The Annual Race Captains report on behalf of the committee was to be presented by Stuart Masters (Race Captain), however unfortunately he was unable to do so. In the absence of Stuart Master's report Sally Louw reported.

Races were held on Nastar for the first time in many years and both the weather and the course were acceptable. A re-innervation of the cross-country races were held and awarded. The Louw family featured very successfully in these. Thanks to SM for his efforts over this and previous years in running the races.

Moved; Kate Martin **Seconded;** John Morgan **Accepted**

5. Joel Harris, The Falls Creek Booking Officer, was an apology and the report was presented on behalf of the Committee on the Falls Creek Accommodation for the year by the Secretary, Roslyn Frawley.

I present the Falls Creek Booking Officer's report for your interest and comment. As you are aware the Lodge and units are booked with different needs in mind. I will report on lodge matters and occupancy and unit matters in turn. The Lodge. The Winter booking period for 2019 spans 28 June to 20 September, being 86 nights. The 2018 winter period was a comparable period of 86 nights. During the 2019 Winter season 1,815 bed nights were booked representing a 57.0% occupancy rate. This is a slight decrease over 2018 in which 1,934 bed nights were booked at an occupancy rate of 60.8%, which was an increase over 2017's 1,671 and 53.1%. There were 119 more beds sold in the 2018 winter than the current year representing a 3.8% decrease in occupancy. In the 2019 Winter period there were 19 nights of full occupancy in the Lodge compared to 17 in 2018, assisted by the hiring of the lodge to school groups. They continue to be a valuable source of revenue for the club and we find them to be well behaved and very appreciative of the opportunity to use our facilities. It is a challenge to bring the school groups to the lodge for catering and organising of appropriate sleeping plans. Recently we have been fortunate that some teaching staff from Scots School have become full members of the club. I speak of Daisy Thomas and David Smith. They are both very keen to continue the association between our club and the school. Fortunately, Sally Louw has been available to help the teaching staff from each school to supervise their students thus maintaining the integrity of our club rules and growing our 4 reputation as a generous and well organised club. Sally can now look to taking a more comfortable back seat in organising these groups as Daisy and David take the driver's seat. The Units Winter Unit occupancy figures for 2019 were significantly higher than the 2018 season. A total of 278 bed nights were booked representing an occupancy rate of 44.8% up from 26.9% in the previous year. This increase in Unit occupancy negates the loss of revenue caused by the fewer beds sold in the main lodge for the key months of July and August in 2019. Coincidentally the total number of beds sold for this period in the main lodge and units combined for the 2018 and 2019 years are virtually identical. In summary for Winter

bookings, there has been a substantial increase in occupancy of the units this year. As always, our aim is to provide comfortable and affordable accommodation. Our maintenance program assisted by many volunteers who attend working bees helps keep the standards high and guests appreciate the attention to detail. Coming upgrades to lodge facilities will add strength to our reputation of keeping families in mind when planning skiing holidays. For the 2020 year there has been some necessary increases to the cost of nightly accommodation and as always, this decision is made thoughtfully to balance both Club needs and costs to members and guests. Summer bookings The Summer period spans 1 December to 28 February. The 2018/19 period had occupancy of 515 bed nights compared to only 279 bed nights for the 2019/20 period. Of course, the mitigating factors were bush fire risk and the unavailability for members to book associated with the earlier planned reconstruction works. The regular attendance of the Dragon Boat paddlers was missed along with numerous other Summer-time activities that were disrupted. Falls Creek continues to increase its popularity as a summer cycling and recreation destination. Hopefully we can continue to grow the use of the lodge in this period. We had fewer community groups than in the past use the lodge facilities this Summer and we look forward to attracting their patronage in future. Autumn and Easter The period between 1 March and 28 June tends to be very quiet for the lodge. Easter of course is very popular and was heavily booked for the Good Friday to Easter Monday in 2019. Summary comments. Pleasingly in the last 12 months there have been very few complaints about the running of the lodge and units, and we have had great support from members, Trip Leaders and working bee volunteers. We have working bees coming up in this weekend in March and again in May and I would encourage members to check their schedules to make some time to assist. It is becoming harder to attract members to come to working bees and a regular loyal core group continues to turn up. We thank them for their continued support. It's your club so you should feel comfortable to contribute and not be intimidated because you don't think that without trades like skills you can't. Many hands get the jobs done quickly. I mentioned this last year. But delays to the website are almost ended. We look forward to using the new web site booking facility soon. We hope to have a video tutorial for members to watch so they can learn to use the site. There will be fine tuning to be done so please be patient as we iron 5 them out. In closing, thank you for the opportunity to serve the club in this role and I look forward to doing so again in 2020.

Moved; Kate Martin **Seconded;** Claire White **Accepted**

6. Mark Hawkins, The Thredbo Booking Officer, presented a report on behalf of the Committee on the Thredbo Accommodation for the year.

I present the Thredbo Lodge Booking Officer's report for your interest and comment. I would like to start with a thank you to Paul Oberin for his assistance in a smooth hand over to myself as the incoming booking officer for 2019. This also being my 1st year as a committee member. The year ran smoothly with members being mindful of the rules and code of conduct with no issues being reported, the excellent season may have been a big contributor to this. With the excellent snow falls Thredbo was able to extend its season giving all users additional time on the snow Winter Bookings The Winter booking period for 2019 spans 28 June to 20 September, being 84 nights. The 2018 winter period was a comparable 84 nights. During the 2019 Winter season 796 bed nights were booked representing a 67.7% occupancy rate. This is almost equivalent over 2018 in which 799 bed nights were booked. Total beds nights available for the winter season 1176 In the 2019 Winter period there were 22 nights of full occupancy in the Lodge Summer bookings The Summer period totalled 281 nights representing 3934 bed nights. 882 beds in total were booked, this included the extended season to 13th October 2019, % of total beds = 22.4% 2018 summer period totalled 810 bed nights representing 20.6% of total nights available This was an additional 72 beds for the summer period over the previous year Working Bee This year's Thredbo working bee is being held on the 3rd & 4TH May with a full contingent booking. 6 Conclusion Thank you for being patient with myself and the recent bumps

we have been experiencing in trying to place our bookings, also the enjoyment I have had in this role meeting more and more members. I look forward to doing so again in 2020.

Moved; Kate Martin **Seconded;** Nick Taylor **Accepted**

7. The Treasurer, Byron Pattison, presented the Statement of Receipts & Payments for the period 1st October 2018 to 30th September 2019.

This will be my last Treasurer Report to you, the Members. I have had two stints, totalling about 11 years and have enjoyed being of service to a great club and working with the different members of the Committee on maintaining a strong Members Club. I can only commend those that have in the past, present and future stand up and volunteer to keep this club strong. 2019 got off to a bit of a flyer and I know we had great snow in July. August held up and then a late flurry saw us go into October and the season extend a week. We are seeing more summer events at Falls Creek and this is beginning to be seen in summer numbers. Still a long way to go to get to winter participation so you should all take more time in the mountains in summer. The riding, walks and general relaxing space is brilliant. The evacuation for bushfires did not impact on the 2019 Financials but will impact on 2020 as we had cancellations, refunds and members asked to move out of the Village. Thanks to Falls Creek Fire Brigade who went to our lodge and removed all the trophies to a safe place. However, I digress and know that you are all impatiently waiting for my summary of the Financials in order that I reinforce your interpretation of them.

Headline acts 2018 2019 Difference Revenue (All)	\$362,613.00	\$333,165.00	\$29,448.00
Administration Expense	\$100,875.00	\$93,094.00	\$7,781.00
Depreciation	\$99,545.00	\$97,539.00	\$2,006.00
Thredbo Lodge	\$18,587.00	\$15,064.00	\$3,523.00
Falls Creek Lodge	\$67,776.00	\$58,053.00	\$9,723.00
Borrowing Costs	\$4,049.00	\$5,242.00	-\$1,193.00
Surplus	\$71,781.00	\$64,173.00	\$7,608.00

Moved; Tony Brandt **Seconded;** Sue Chamberlain **Accepted**

8. The Chair, Sally Louw, presented a report on behalf of the Committee on the Albury Ski Club's activities for the year ending 30 September 2019 and it was resolved to receive that report.

It has been another year of hard work for the Albury Ski Club committee. Some of the tasks have been like being on the groomers. A nice smooth run, where you know what to expect, but it can still be a little tiring on the knees! Like the restocking and catering of the lodges. This has gone smoothly thanks to the efforts of Catering Officer Kate Martin and her understudy, Andrea Keen. Kate is retiring from the committee and I would like to thank her for all the meals she has ordered for us at Falls Creek over her several years and a number of stints on committee. Kate has also organised the supplies for Thredbo. In addition, Kate has cooked many a fine meal at the end of the day. Stuart Masters and Nick Taylor, both new to committee in 2019 (but both longstanding members), took over the roles of Building Maintenance Officers. They have coped well with the unpredictable bumps or moguls that this position carries. We have at last completed the insurance claims for the water damage at both lodges and the frequent maintenance issues – like the radiators coming off the wall (please don't use them as seats or suitcase supports) but all issues have been addressed as they arise – or when possible. It's a difficult position as problems don't always arise at convenient times but they have been up to the challenges. Joel Harris continued as Falls Creek Booking Officer and Mark Hawkins (also new to committee in 2019) took over the role of the Thredbo Booking Officer. This role is a bit like starting off on a green run and then discovering it's got a few black sections you didn't know about. It's cruisy through summer and then suddenly bookings open for associates! Or there is a big dump of snow and everyone wants a bed. This year was complicated by the devastating bush fires and the

summer bookings that had to be cancelled as a result. Small in magnitude to what some Australians have had to endure but nevertheless an increased workload. In addition to Thredbo Booking Officer, Mark has assisted Stuart and Nick with Thredbo maintenance issues. A real mogul course this year has been the IT issues, both current and prior. At the last AGM we mentioned that we were about ready to launch a new website. Unfortunately, there were several areas of the website that didn't meet our needs and it has taken a lot of work and time to refine the website to deliver what we want. Our booking rules are complex and so a 'plug in' system isn't suitable. It is now in the final testing phase and hopefully this weekend, at the Falls Creek working bee (when not stacking wood) we will be able to sit down and give it the final tick of approval. The current website is still down, and it has been down since 14 February, and as a result the treasurer and secretary 8 have had a greatly increased workload. It does give us some appreciation for what the role of the booking officer was like in the days of written booking requests. At the last AGM members voted for changes to the constitution that disallow 2nd generation members who live outside the 80 km radius of the Albury PO to apply for membership. Thanks go to retiring honorary secretary Roslyn Frawley who (with the assistance of Sue Chamberlain) has updated the membership list to include the historical residential status of members. Just one of the many tasks taken on by Roslyn. Roslyn has done a great job as secretary over the past 5 years and I would like to take this opportunity to thank her for all the post she has opened, letters she has responded to, agendas she has sent out on time and minutes she has typed out. As well as to thank her for all the things we don't know she has done because she does them so well. Like the accomplished skier she is, she makes it look easy. The treasurer's role is a hard one. It's definitely a double black. Byron was persuaded to take on the role of treasurer again in 2016 and he has done a fantastic job of keeping our finances in order and meeting the challenges of the position. Thank you, Byron, for the time and effort you have put in over the years. And thank you for standing for general committee again so that there can be a smooth transition to the position for the incoming treasurer. The lease at Falls Creek is due for renewal in October 2020. The lease renewal process started 5 years ago, and it has definitely been a mogul course. We thought we were at the jump off point for the midway aerial manoeuvre when we sent the plans out to the 3 companies we had selected to quote, but came crashing down when we received only one response with a price that was way over budget. Since then the Falls Creek release subcommittee has modified our masterplan and I would now like to interrupt my report and invite Michael Foley from the Falls Creek release subcommittee to report on the Falls Creek release. Michael Foley is retiring after 6 years on committee and he has been an invaluable member of the Falls Creek release subcommittee. He has done an enormous amount of work getting us to this point and I would like to thank Michael for his input, his expertise and his efforts, as well as John Percy and Stuart Masters and Nick Taylor – who joined the subcommittee this year with a new energy and a new perspective.

Report from Michael Foley regarding the progress of the Falls Creek Release application: The Development Application approval has been received and we now have a set of approved master plans completed. We will focus on getting the release done and presented to the Resort Management Board within the next few months. The minimum amount of work required to bring the current structure up to building code compliance and mandatory bushfire works will be the focus of the application. The incoming committee will need to make a decision on what we can afford in addition to the minimum requirements required for the release. Questions from the Floor – Nan Brandt – what are the most important stages that the current committee feels should be done? Sally Louw – committee should focus on not having to do works twice. E.g. upstairs balcony and reno to upstairs "skinny" bedrooms, works that are sympathetically linked. 9 Potentially we can tender to a wider number of builders perhaps in Melbourne. Con Madden – with regard to staging the project? Michael Foley – staging of the master plan will depend on what we can afford. 1st stage will be release compliance works. Claire White – Are there local builders (Albury/ Wodonga) who might be available? Sally Louw – They will need Vic registration. Unfortunately, the recently bush fires have got in the way. Gordan Douglas – Should the club consider getting a project manager to make this happen. Michael Foley/ Sally Louw – this has been discussed by the sub-committee and it was felt to be a good option Rob

Harrod – is there a time frame to works? Michael Foley - after October this year the lease will become a month by month lease with no financial penalties. We will boldly ask The Management Board for a 40-year lease and see. The minimum lease so far has been 15 years.

Sally Louw resumed her report: To the committee as a whole, thank you all for your contributions to keeping the Albury Ski Club running smoothly. We have had to say goodbye to some long-standing members of the Albury Ski Club, but I am happy to say that there have been many new members, especially junior members, join the club. At present we have over 50 junior members and they are the future of the club, we hope! My time on committee has now come to an end. I have thoroughly enjoyed the time in the various roles I have had although there has been the odd sleepless night and I am sure that I can attribute some of these grey hairs to some of the tough decisions the committee has had to make. So, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all members for their support of the committee and of the Albury Ski Club and for helping it keep going for the past 85 years! **Moved;** Mark Hawkins **Seconded;** Libby Pattison

Accepted

10. Appointment of an Auditor. The treasurer, Byron Pattison, expressed his satisfaction with the timely fashion, quality and cost of the work performed by Johnsons MME for the 2020 Financial Year.

The meeting was unanimously in favour of re-appointing Johnsons MME to attend to the club audit in the coming year.

Moved; John Morgan

Seconded; Con Madden

Accepted

11. General Business. Questions from the floor;

Sue Chamberlain - are people over 70 covered by insurance at working bee? Sally Louw – People over 65 aren't covered for loss of income as it is considered that they are no longer working! However. accident cover is irrespective of age. The cover for children is similar and various parameters for cover are based on their ages. Again, they are not expected to be working and drawing an income. You are covered for injury not income.

John Morgan – last year I have an issue with getting a refund which took over 4 months to be returned to me. Sally Louw – my apologies for a problem with your refund. New booking system will help to provide a “refund wallet” which will be quicker and more reliable.

Kate Martin – The members of committee are all volunteers and we work when we can do it. This should be taken on board when considering such matters.

Greg Kean – how will the club deal with the Covid-19 pandemic? Mark Hawkins – currently there are no written protocols, once these are received, we can then act to bring appropriate and necessary procedures.

Sue Chamberlain – Re cladding: What are the colors we can choose from. Are they made of metal and have no flammable surfaces? Sally Louw - Further insulation will need to meet bushfire

Libby Pattison – Summer supplies including toilet paper needs to be really well stocked. Sally Louw/ Kate Martin - members need to advise the catering officer when supplies are running low. 'Foodworks Falls Creek is always available

Tony Brandt – Are Kosciusko Thredbo going to re-zone the land behind our lodge. Peter Simpson has established that it is not really a re-zoning issue and that it was due to an error on the applicant's submission.

12. Spill of office bearer's positions. The Chairman declared all office-bearer and committee positions vacant and as an election was not required (being as many nominations as there were places vacant on committee) the following positions were announced.

Peter Simpson

President

Paul Oberin

Vice President

Yolana Andrews	Treasurer
Sue Chamberlain	Secretary
Joel Harris	Falls Creek Booking Officer
Mark Hawkins	Thredbo Booking Officer
Andrea Keen	General Committee
Stuart Masters	General Committee
Nick Taylor	General Committee
Rachael Voogt	General Committee
Byron Pattison	General Committee
Andrew Martin	General Committee

13. The meeting congratulated all office bearers & committee members on their appointments and invited to resume the chair. The President thanked the members for entrusting him with this opportunity to contribute to the club.

14. The meeting closed at 1940 pm

Minutes Accepted as Correct;

Proposed;

Seconded;