



# SASC NEWSLETTER

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Please note that the Club postal address (above) changed in January 2020

## LODGE BOOKINGS

## MEETINGS

**Due to COVID-19 response, meetings will be held electronically in the short term. Members should contact the relevant secretaries for meeting details in the week prior to the meeting date listed in the Calendar on page 2.**



**All Southern Alps Lodges** - Southern Alps, Christiania and Kahane Lodges - are currently closed until further notice to comply with Government and Health Department COVID-19 protection measures.

AT THIS TIME WE ARE CONTINUING TO PLAN TO OPEN THE LODGES FOR 2020 WINTER SEASON.

Members will be kept up to date by email, Southern Alps website and Facebook.

Winter bookings are still being taken through Clubman or by contacting the appropriate Booking Officers.

Should the Lodges not open bookings will be cancelled and a full refund provided.

In the short term you may elect to cancel your booking (not retain your booking dates) and receive a full refund.

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### From the Editor

Tim and I were very lucky to catch late snowfalls in Japan in February, but then had to self quarantine for 14 days on our return. Six weeks apart from a 92 year old Mum and a delightful young grandson have been especially hard. Now our 2 daughters, and new granddaughter, living overseas have had to cancel their long awaited trips home in May.

"Not happy Jan"

We are also deeply saddened to hear of Bruce Murrell's death. Years ago Marie Westgarth asked if we could help provide transport for Bruce in August. Bruce's wife, Val, trusted us with her life long companion as we set off on our annual pilgrimage to Kahane. We became a well oiled team, over many years of delightful trips, entertained by Bruce's stories from the past. More recently, Bruce enjoyed coming to SASC meetings at Norths, especially his steak dinner beforehand.

**NEXT DEADLINE**, for the July 2020 Newsletter, is Wednesday, 20 May 2020. Contributions to Editor: [sasc.newseditor@gmail.com](mailto:sasc.newseditor@gmail.com) or ring Helen

## END OF SEASON

# Celebration

SATURDAY,  
24TH OCTOBER 2020  
AT 6.30PM

The Alcott,  
1 Birdwood Avenue, Lane Cove

Gather your family or SASC buddies and join us for a fun, end of ski season get together. There'll be movies and arcade games for the children in their own room, a presentation of SASC Junior and Club Awards and of course the drawing of the Juniors Guessing Competition where you could win a ski trip along with other great prizes. Also SASC gold member badges for 25 years continuous membership will be presented.

**ADULTS \$30 • CHILDREN UNDER 12YRS \$10**

Includes finger food and a welcome drink. Drinks will then be available to purchase.

### BOOKINGS

Email Marie Westgarth at [marie.westgarth@bigpond.com](mailto:marie.westgarth@bigpond.com)

### PAYMENT

By EFT to SASC BSB 062 204 Account 10290244  
Note: Name and member number

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# 2020 CALENDAR

## SOUTHERN ALPS SKI CLUB INC

We continue to plan the following events however COVID-19 protection measures may require some events to be modified or cancelled. Please contact the event contact for latest information.

### APRIL

- Wed 1 Less than 5 day Lodge bookings open for Club Members
- Sat 11 Start NSW Public School holidays
- Wed 15 Lodge bookings open for Temporary Members
- Mon 20 Lodge Meeting at Homebush, directors only
- Wed 25 Anzac Day
- Sun 26 End NSW Public School holidays
- Tue 28 Club Committee Meeting, all welcome, 8pm

### MAY

- Tue 5 Junior Committee Meeting at Chatswood
- Sun 17 XCBW Walk – Sydney Harbour – contact Bob Sims
- Wed 20 July Newsletter deadline
- Wed 20 **SASC LODGE Co-Op Annual General Meeting** 8 pm
- Sun 31 Preparation Day for Juniors Bus Trip

### JUNE

- Tue 2 XCBW Mid Year lunch - Drummoyne Sailing Club – contact Sally Sims
- Fri 5 Christiania and Kahane start catered period
- Sat 6 Charlotte Pass Village, Perisher and Thredbo SEASON OPENING
- Sun 7 XCBW Walk – Hornsby area Sharon & Harm
- Mon 8 Queens Birthday Public Holiday
- Tue 16 Club Committee Meeting, all welcome, 8 pm
- 16-19 CanTeen - Christiania Lodge
- Sun 21 Interschools Participation and Development Series 1 - Perisher.
- Mon 22 Lodge Meeting, directors only
- 25-28 XC Summit Tour, contact Bob Sims

- Sat 27 Southern Alps Lodge (Charlotte Pass) start catered period
- Sun 28 Interschools Participation and Development Series 2 - Perisher.

### JULY

- 2-5 Junior Bus Trip for 8-13 year olds – all welcome to apply
- Sat 4 Start NSW Public School holidays
- Sun 5 Walk – Botany Bay Foreshore, contact Russell Barnes
- 7-11 Interschools – Northern NSW + QLD at Thredbo
- 10-17 Junior Race Training Week at Perisher (by selection)
- Tue 14 Thredbo Junior Inter-Club, contact Kim Easdale 0412 851 615
- 14-18 Interschools – Sydney division at Perisher
- Sun 19 End NSW Public School holidays
- Mon 20 Lodge Meeting at Homebush, all welcome
- 21-24 Interschools - ACT + Southern NSW at Perisher
- 23-27 Boys' Weekend at Southern Alps Lodge (Charlotte Pass) (by invitation)
- Sat 25 Thredbo Masters race TBC

### AUGUST

- Sun 2 Walk – La Perouse area, contact Ron McCann
- 2-8 SASC Race week / Club Championships at Thredbo
- Mon 3 Bank holiday
- Wed 5 KAC XC Classic Cross Country Race - Perisher to Charlotte Pass
- Sat 8 Thredbo Top to Bottom and Thredbo Senior Inter-Club
- Thu 20 October Newsletter deadline
- Mon 24 Amelia McGuinness Memorial Time-trials - Thredbo
- 24-30 Snow Australia Northern States Interschools - Thredbo
- 30/8-6/9 Nordic Week – Charlotte Pass, contact Bob Sims

### SEPTEMBER

- 9-13 Interschools – Australian Champships - Perisher

- 11-13 Alpine Access Arc'teryx Back Country Training Weekend at Charlotte Pass - contact David Herring 0423 470 090
- Sun 13 Walk – "A City Ramble"- contact Annette Fitzallen

- Sat 19 Perisher Cup (Alpine, XC and Jump) teams race, contact Club captains or Kim Easdale
- Sat 19 Interschools Participation and Development Series 3 - Thredbo.
- Mon 21 Lodge Meeting at Homebush, directors only
- Wed 23 Club Committee Meeting, all welcome at Norths, 8pm
- Sat 26 Start NSW Public School holidays
- Sun 27 Southern Alps (Charlotte Pass), Christiania and Kahane Lodges end catered period

### OCTOBER

- Mon 5 Labour Day Public Holiday
- Mon 5 Charlotte Pass Village, Perisher and Thredbo SEASON CLOSE
- Sun 11 End NSW Public School holidays
- Tue 13 Junior Committee Meeting at Mosman
- Sat 17 XCBW Walk – Blue Mtns, contact Andy Cairns
- Mon 19 Lodge Meeting at Homebush – all welcome
- Sat 24 End of season Party 6.30pm The Alcott, Lane Cove
- Sun 25 XCBW Meeting - Sims Home, contact Bob Sims

### NOVEMBER

- 6-9 XCBW 4WD camping week-end – Abercrombie NP, contact Bob Sims
- Wed 18 **SASC Annual General Meeting**, at Norths, 8 pm
- Fri 20 January 2021 Newsletter deadline
- 21-22 Lodge Meeting at Thredbo, directors only
- Sat 28 XCBW Christmas Picnic/Walk – venue TBA, Contact Bob Sims

### DECEMBER

- Sat 19 Start NSW Public School holidays

## SASC OFFICE BEARERS 2020

Check the website first, then contact appropriate Club office bearers if needed,

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Junior Racing Co-ordinator

- Kim Easdale 0412 851 615

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Rod Peile 0448 670 586

### **CROSS COUNTRY AND**

### **BUSHWALKING COMMITTEE:**

Chairman - Bob Sims

Secretary - Sally Sims

### **LODGE DELEGATE:**

Tim Moore 0411 220 789

### **AUDITOR:**

Ron Giles

## President's Report

What a dreadful summer it has been. Member's holiday plans had to be cancelled as the fire threat closed Kosciuszko National Park in January. Frequent NPWS notices on Park evacuation and closure were posted on our website as they were received. We are grateful for the efforts of the emergency services teams who protected the resorts containing our Lodges and thank them for their dedication to the community. It was very unfortunate that Selwyn Snow Resort was destroyed and we wish Kevin Blyton and his team all the best for rebuilding the resort.

We have members that have been personally affected by drought, fire and/or flood in past months and years. These members are in my thoughts and I trust we will all rally behind these members to provide support and comfort to aid their recovery. And now, on top of everything else, we have the uncertainty of the COVID-19 virus. Our reaction to this will be guided by NSW Health Department guidelines.

### **Please check the website for meeting cancellations.**

There has been a lot for the Committee to do with the implementation of Clubman. Your new Assistant Secretary, Leanne Price, has been at the front line handling a huge number of new and changed email addresses and adding family members. Our Secretary, Duncan Sutherland, has been busy chasing missing data and entering the

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## Clubman Implementation

The implementation of Clubman, our new membership and booking system, certainly highlighted the deficiencies in our member data.

The Lodge booking officers have done well managing the new system, the Coop booking rules are set in Clubman according to member class to ensure fairness to all members.

Points to note:

1. There are new pages on our website with information and videos for member data and bookings.
2. If you have not logged in yet please do so before you rush to make your Lodge bookings.
3. If you are having difficulty with operation of Clubman please check the internet browser you are using is displaying Clubman correctly. Using Chrome or Edge is preferred.

new members into Clubman. Clubman has also kept the treasurers busy as we work our way through new systems but I think we are well over the peak now and I thank the committee for their efforts to get the new system up and running.

Vice Presidents, Kim Easdale and Lindy Ellis-Jack, also deserve recognition for their effort developing the Club's policy documents. These are quite extensive and, when finalised, will be published for your comments.

It was noted, at our February Committee meeting, that Ron Giles completed the audit of the 2019 Club accounts, presented at the AGM, which represent the Club's true financial position.

There was a smaller but very effective crew at the Kahane Lodge working bee in February. The main task, to install drain channels on the bedroom windows to collect condensation was successfully completed, then the bedrooms, hallways and stairs were prepared for painting. I thank the working bee crew for their great company and their work to complete many tasks over the weekend. As the last of the working bee volunteers were leaving Dukes Painting team arrived, now the bedroom wing entry and stairs look brand new.

Our next Committee Meeting on 28 April at 8 pm.

I hope to see you in the mountains.

Take care,  
Rod Peile  
0448 670 586

4. When making your booking ensure you search "Add Guest" field to find family members, if you cannot find them please contact the secretaries by phone or email. All family members were imported from the old records so if you cannot find them you must contact the secretaries.

5. The "ENROL NEW GUEST" button is only to be used to add Temporary members or non-member Lodge Associates who have not been booked on Clubman previously.

6. Recent Club newsletters can be found on Clubman > More > Files.

7. If you are having difficulty with your member data please contact the secretaries, If you are having booking difficulties please contact one of the booking officers.

# Snippets



## Harrie "Bruce" Murrell

(15/6/1927 – 6/2/2020)

Bruce was born in Mosman and moved to Willoughby in 1931. He was an apprentice with Shell at Gore Bay, qualified as a fitter and turner and later worked at Garden Island Naval Dockyard. He joined Qantas in 1954 and was posted to Cocos Island, then an important link in the Qantas route to London. It was a very happy part of his life and he made many life-long friends. Bruce and his brother, Russell, managed the family real estate business after their father died suddenly in 1957. Bruce was always very committed to anything he tackled. He passed all the real estate institute exams and also became a qualified valuer. He introduced computers into the office very early and by 1989 was using remote access technology. Bruce and Russell sold their real estate business in 1995. Bruce was very active in the community, as a Mason for many years, and with Rotary International, taking up leadership positions including President of the St Leonards Rotary Club. Bruce got his motorcycle licence in the late 1940s which he kept until 2016.

About 1949 he made his first trip to the snow. Skiing became his other great passion and he kept skiing well into his 80's. He skied in Europe and North America.

Bruce was a well loved regular at Kahane Lodge in August with mates Kerry Manhood, Jack Grant and John. His ski tales of the early days were legendary.

Bruce maintained a very active retirement, continuing his work with Rotary and skiing as often as he could and being involved with the local Men's Shed. He told one of his grandsons that skiing "was the next best thing to flying like a bird."

Bruce was a man who enjoyed life to the full. He was genial and sociable, enjoying the company of family and friends. He was also a true and proud Australian gentleman, sadly missed by all who knew him.



## Sponsored Skiers

### Sami Kennedy-Sim –

The Ski Cross tour has taken Sami across Europe, North America, Scandinavia and Russia. Sami has regularly finished World Cup events inside the top 10. Highlights were 2nd place at NorAm Cup with the Canadian team and 10th in Nakiska at the World Cup, her best result at that location to date, and 6th and 7th places at IdreFjall in Sweden.

Sami has also been thinking of home, writing - "Hoping all is well at home during this devastating bush fire season- I have everyone in my thoughts".

### Theo Coates -

Theo managed to complete the Sweden leg of his training and made some good technique improvements. Unfortunately Theo had a big crash in December while training GS at Reiteralm (Austria). The talus bone in his left foot was fractured but the ligaments remained intact. Theo returned home on the 23 December to have diagnosis confirmed. Since then he has started rehabilitation but full recovery will take up to 6 months.

Theo has returned to study at University of Wollongong and is hopeful of being back on snow in June. Theo wrote - "Thank you for all your support, it means the world to me".

## Perisher X-Country (PXC)

PXC are volunteers who are keen to promote all forms and levels of cross-country skiing. They conduct work parties that carry out maintenance on the Perisher XC trails, volunteers are welcome to help.

See the PXC website <https://www.perisherxcountry.org/> for more information. You can register on line for their regular newsletters.

The 2020 Perisher XC ski week will run from 1 to 8 August – "A week of fun, activity and socialising in one of Australia's uniquely beautiful environments" See [www.perisherxcountry.org](http://www.perisherxcountry.org)

## Australian Alpine Snowsports History Association (AASHA)

brings together the resort related historical societies and individuals to share information on the history of snowsports and development of the resorts. The 2020 national conference has been postponed to 2021. More information is available from the AASHA newsletter, linked on the Southern Alps website, their Facebook group or AASHA President, Genevieve Fahey at [genevieve123@bigpond.com](mailto:genevieve123@bigpond.com)

## Other Historical Society Diary Dates

7 June - Perisher H.S. Annual Dinner - Marritz Hotel 6 pm

13 June - Thredbo H.S. Cocktails and Museum Exhibition Lunch

22 July - Thredbo H.S. Mid-Winter Dinner

4 August - Perisher Hello in the Snow, Marritz Hotel 4 pm.

More details and interesting stories are included in the Perisher and Thredbo Historical Society newsletters. Links are included on our website [www.sasc-aus.com](http://www.sasc-aus.com).

## Ben Ricketts Environmental Preserve

has several small cottages that are available for weekend/holiday rental. They are located 120 km from Sydney at 774 Jamberoo Mountain Road, Jamberoo. As Southern Alps is a shareholder our members are able to take advantage of reduced shareholder rates. Please contact Rod Peile 0448 670 586 for our shareholder password before you book. There is always work to be done on the preserve, volunteers are welcomed at the working bees planned for May 16/17, July 25/26, Nov 17/18. See [www.benricketts.org.au](http://www.benricketts.org.au) for more information or call 0491 718 963.

# Bushwalking and Cross Country

Bob & Sally Sims

## Past Events

### November - Christmas Picnic/Walk

We returned to Haynes Flat in the Lane Cove National Park for our final event of 2019. We started with a short walk taking in the two historic cottages plus a welcome stop at the café. By lunch time we had 29 members enjoying a relaxing catchup. We finished with our traditional cricket match. It was a great day, enjoyed by all.

### February - Bantry Bay Circuit

On a warm Sydney Sunday 15 hardy walkers met at Seaforth Oval to walk the Bantry Bay circuit. It was an easy drop down to the water for a view of the WWII ammunition bunkers. We climbed up to the Bluff for morning tea and a great view back up the river. Given the heat it was a short walk with a swim and lunch taken at the home of Geoff & Ursula. We finished the day with a visit to Rosemary MacDonald's home and Fish & Chips on her veranda. Many thanks to Geoff, Ursula & Rosemary for the planning and hospitality to make it a very pleasant day.

For more extensive walk details, lots more photos and some maps please visit the Cross Country & Bushwalking section of the SASC web site - [www.sasc-aus.com/cross-country-bushwalking-news](http://www.sasc-aus.com/cross-country-bushwalking-news)

Our walk schedule is included in the SASC Newsletter calendar and on our web site. The walk details are sent via email one week prior to the event, please contact me if you would like to receive our walk email.

We look forward to seeing you on one of our walks.



**Christmas Picnic Cricket**



**Christmas Picnic**



**Bantry Bay Walk**

## CAPTAIN'S REPORT

If your family is like mine, the big skiing challenge between the generations is “who is the best skier” or “who is the fastest skier”?

Race Week gives you the opportunity to settle the scores once and for all!

In a fun atmosphere there is the opportunity for the eight year old to race the eighty year old on a fully timed Thredbo race course in a fun and supportive atmosphere. Will “youth and exuberance” beat “old age and cunning”? In my case I hope not but that’s dreaming for me!

Race Week begins with some individual coaching from Thredbo ski instructors on technique and skiing gates. Then you get to compete in slalom, giant slalom, super g and even ski cross at a level and pace you are comfortable with. You will also get the opportunity to see some of the clubs best racers at work! All in a fun atmosphere with some club prizes at the end.

There is still Race Week accommodation at Christiania during August 4 to 7 so please consider joining us as your best and cheapest opportunity to come and test your ski racing skills – advanced ski race training at a fraction of the price you would otherwise pay for coaching! At the Thredbo Interclub on August 8 the club’s best skiers across all adult age groups will compete. Southern Alps has an outstanding history of regularly winning this event - only beaten last year by too much snow cancelling the event. There will also be some opportunities for newly recognised talented racers from Race Week to be selected to join the SASC Interclub team and compete to retain the Thredbo Interclub trophy!

SASC continues to sponsor talented skiers competing at international levels. Scott Duncan & Tim Easdale  
Club Captains

## Junior Committee

**Stuart Jones - Juniors Chairman**

### Sponsored Skiers Update

Hi everyone, I would like to start with a warm congratulations to our 3 junior skiers who have been participating in northern winter racing and development with sponsorship support -

**Ben Wynn** won selection into the Winter Youth Olympics and placed 14th in the individual Ski-Cross and 9th in the team Ski Cross. Ben also competed in a Europa Cup race for SkierX.

**April Wynn** trained and raced with the Mammoth Mountain training academy in 2020.

**Letitia Murphy** performed strongly in the USSA qualifying races and is on track for qualifying for the Nationals. Letitia also made the Australian Whistler Cup team, held in April.

### Junior Bus Trip

- Thurs 2 to Sun 5 July 2020, Charlotte Pass

We invite children between the ages of 8 and 13 years inclusive to join up for the 2020 Junior ski camp bus trip. The aims of the camp are to improve the skiing and snowboarding ability of our young club members, to help them become more responsible and independent on the snow, and to have some fun. We expect there to be strong interest, so get in early if you are keen. Applications need to be in by Friday 1 May, 2020.

There will be an orientation BBQ lunch on Sunday 31 May for families of children attending the bus trip.

See the flyer enclosed in this newsletter for more details about this year’s trip including costs, or contact this year’s coordinator, Lani Richardson by email on lanirichardson2233@gmail.com or phone 0422 249 409.

### Junior Race Training Week

- Fri 10 - Fri 17 July, Perisher

Eight children from the bus trip will be selected to attend a week of supervised ski race training at Perisher in 2020. The Junior committee will pay for race coaching, lift tickets, race entry and transport to races. Parents will need to pay lodge accommodation and provide transport to and from Perisher. All race team members will stay at the Kahane lodge under the supervision of this year’s race team managers, Matt Coffey and Troy Ingle. This program is designed to give participants the chance to experience race training before progressing to a race club.

While the focus of race training week remains on skiing, the Juniors Committee is aware of the growing interest and abilities of our junior snowboarders. As and when we see a sufficient number of snowboarders reach the levels required for race team selection, we are open to revisit the format so that we can accommodate snowboard race training.

### Thredbo Junior InterClub

- Tuesday 14 July, 2020

Any junior club member may participate - race training is not essential and you do not need to be registered for Interschools. We are especially looking for any Under 11 children and children 15 and over who have been in the race program. The Junior Committee will pay for competitors’ race entry fees and a 1 day lift ticket for those not staying in Thredbo. If you are interested, please contact Kim Easdale at kim@easdales.com or phone 0412851615 before the Friday 10 of July.

### Australian Winter Sponsorship for Junior Racers

The Junior Committee invites applications from children who actively participate in race clubs such as Perisher or Thredbo, and participate in our junior events. If you are interested, please complete the expression of interest form on the SASC website. If you have any questions about this process, please contact Stuart Jones by email stuart@stuartj.net or mobile 0412500900. Sponsorship applications must be received by Friday 1 May.

Our next Juniors Committee meeting is on Tuesday 5 May. At this meeting we will finalise bus trip arrangements and sponsorships for the Australian winter season. If you have any questions about this newsletter or the Juniors program, please feel free to contact me. Stuart



*Sami Kennedy-Sim in action*



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### Sunpeaks Report

My husband Nick was terrified to accept the prize due to his fear of flying. Once I had some words with him and told him he was crazy and we were accepting the prize, he had a couple of months to prepare himself for the flight.

When we arrived, it was like a fairytale you only ever read or dream about. The resort and accommodation was incredible and the skiing was magnificent. The chair lift was only 50 metres from the resort so you walk out of the resort, put skis on and off you go with so many runs to choose from and once you have finished for the day you can ski right back to the resort entrance. The Sun Peaks town and community is small, very friendly and welcoming with great restaurants, pubs and shops. The worst part of our time at Sun Peaks was having to leave. We were very sad to check-out however we will visit again in the future.

Sun Peaks was the most beautiful trip we have ever had to date and how can we ever thank SASC and Sun Peaks for such a lovely prize?

Well worth the flight!!

- Nick and Suzanne Croker



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Contact appropriate Lodge office bearers for queries re accommodation, Lodge members' change of address, shareholdings, comments/general correspondence concerning the lodges.

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R Peile P Rochaix  
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### LODGE SECURITY

Members and guests are reminded that they are responsible for the safety of all their valuables, cash, credit cards, equipment and clothing while staying in the lodges. The Lodge Co-operative cannot accept responsibility for loss or damage of such items.

### DRESS STANDARDS AT LODGES

Members are reminded that guests in the dining and lounge areas of the lodges are required to maintain a reasonable standard of dress. Night wear, bare feet or scruffy footwear are not permitted.

### Lodge Share Holdings

Currently there is a waiting list for lodge share holdings; interested members should contact Christine Marriott 0428 821 555  
sascoop@bigpond.com

## LODGE REPORT

Thankfully all our lodges survived the fires that closed Kosciusko National Park. I was at Thredbo over the Christmas/New Year period and, after speaking to the Fire Brigade Captain, I left on New Year's Eve in the evening. The headlights of oncoming cars appeared as red brake lights due to the thick red smoke. We have been able to get some rental rebate assistance from National Parks regarding the Kahane lease but so far no assistance regarding loss of bookings for Thredbo and Charlotte Pass.

We received the valuation of Charlotte Pass and the rent calculation for the lodge is acceptable to the directors so we now have a 40 year lease.

About 25 persons attended the February **Kahane working bee** including new attendees with strong trade skills. A lot of work was done. Thanks to Rod Peile and Daniel Kavvo who organised the weekend. Also a special thanks to Uschi and her team who provided fantastic meals for the workers.

Work has continued at Charlotte Pass and shareholders and club members will notice fire upgrades and other improvements. Thanks to Tim Moore, Will Sidwell and Kim Easdale for their input.

New boilers have been installed at Christiania Thredbo as well as painting. Our long serving Club Secretary **Beverley Endicott** has now formally resigned and passed the reigns and records to Christine Marriott, our new Lodge Secretary. Beverley kept the Lodge records in an exemplary fashion which has made Christine's takeover much easier. There are so many people who have worked continuously and tirelessly behind the scenes and contributed to the success of the Lodge and Beverley is a stand out. Thanks again to our treasurers and CFO. The monthly financial reporting to the directors is very comprehensive.

**Our Clubman online booking system** is now in full operation and I thank the booking officers for their major effort to oversee the introduction with the assistance of Rod Peile. The new system is very transparent as to the available beds. If here are any queries about arranging a booking please contact to relevant booking officer. We now have a waiting list of persons who wish to become Lodge members.

Hoping for a long and snowy winter.  
Phillip Friedlander  
Chairman of Directors



*Kahane Working Bee - photos Robert Bartlett*

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