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#### **Editorial**

#### Nola Charkos and Jenni Bodell

After an impressive two decades with Judy Lejins at the helm, we're excited to be the new Co-editors of *Frozen Acres*. Judy now takes up the role of Editor-at-large. You can expect to hear from her as she chases down new stories.

The fact that the Club filled the Editor role with two people rather than one says it all. We know we have big shoes to fill. We hope that together, we can do justice to what *Frozen Acres* has become, and continue to bring you exciting and useful reading.

Most of all, we look forward to receiving and sharing your stories, ensuring *Frozen Acres* remains at the heart of what the Canberra Alpine Club is all about – community and adventure.

Thank you for your patience as we get up to speed. If you have any suggestions for *Frozen Acres*, please send us an email.

#### **Frozen Acres Contributions**

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#### Club Calendar 2024-25

October	27	Post-season presentation	Black Mtn Peninsula	
November	4	Peak '25 & off-peak 25/26 bookings open	N/A	
	16–17	Work party	Mt Franklin	
	17	Peak '25 tier 1 bookings cut-off	N/A	
	19	Frozen Acres contribution cut-off	N/A	
	22–24	Work party	Jindabyne	
December	6–8	Work party	Perisher	
January	3–5	Work party	Perisher	
	6–12	CAC hiking week	Perisher	
February	16	Peak '25 tier 2 bookings cut-off	N/A	
	21–23	Work party	Jindabyne	
March	14–16	Work party	Perisher	
	17–23	CAC hiking week	Perisher	
May	TBC	Work party	Mt Franklin	
	TBC	ACT Heritage Festival open day	Mt Franklin	
	2–4	Work party	Perisher	
	30/5– 1/6	Work party	Jindabyne	

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#### Welcome Back to Jindabyne

The Jindabyne Lodge has a fresh new look, and we're celebrating!

Why not plan a springtime getaway and experience the new look Jindabyne lodge?

Book and pay for any two nights between 29 November and 5 December and enjoy a third night absolutely FREE!

That's one night on us, open to members and guests.

Bring your bikes, walking shoes, fishing rods or a good book.

You may wish to enter or watch the inaugural <u>Ultra-Trail Kosciuszko</u> from 28–30 November.

With four distances to choose from in the Kosci30, Kosci50, Kosci100 or KosciMiler, there's something for every trail runner, from the first timer to the ultra-enthusiast.



#### **REGISTER NOW**

#### Post-season Presentation & Social Picnic

#### Sunday 27 October 24 1 – 4pm

#### Black Mountain Peninsula

Public playground area, Garryowen Dr. Acton ACT

Come and enjoy a casual get-together with fellow CAC members and help celebrate this season's trophy recipients.

Picnic food and sausage sizzle, provided by the club.

BYO drinks & picnic chairs.

This event is open to all ages.

There is no cost to attend, however you will need to register.

In case of wet weather, marquee tents will be setup.

Please RSVP with your name and number attending by Wednesday 23 Oct to Cheryl Taylor

Email: social@cac.org.au

#### **President's Precis**

By Caroline Walker, President

While the 2024 winter season was looking promising in July, warmer August temperatures, strong winds and a lack of snow unfortunately meant conditions in the latter part of winter were less than ideal. However, many members still travelled to the mountains and enjoyed their time, even when certain areas were forced to close ahead of schedule.

Disappointingly, because of overnight rain, the Brumby Cup race was unable to go ahead, but this didn't stop members enjoying a fun afternoon of impromptu indoor events at the Perisher lodge. There was a can walk, boot scoot, ping pong basketball and an egg and spoon relay with participants (young, and not so young) showing great competitive spirit. And the events were followed by a delightful Asian-themed BBQ dinner.

Lots of photos of the night were posted to Facebook, along with plenty of comments. Thanks to organisers Cheryl Taylor and Sarah Brake, and to everyone who helped with the food prep, cooking and clean up, along with all who participated, for making the event such a success.

Clubs also took the difficult decision to cancel the 2024 Balmain Cup given the snow conditions and weather forecast in the lead up to the event. But in more positive news, XC Week went ahead in early August, including the KAC race which serves as the Club Championships. Congratulations to Bentley Walker-Broose, fastest classic male, and Harriet Greville, fastest freestyle woman, and to everyone else who took part. And at the major XC week

presentation, Canberra Alpine Club was awarded the Club trophy in appreciation of our volunteers and participation in XC Week, and the accommodation we provide for Nordic Shelter work parties each year.

Fortunately, State and National interschools events were able to go ahead, with many junior members recording strong performances. Shoutout to Ryder Young, second in Snowboard GS and Snowboard X, Noah Shepherd, second in Slopestyle Snowboard, Jet Lange, third in Slopestyle Snowboard and Ali Guseli, third in Snowboard X, for their individual podium efforts at Nationals.

The Club was also well represented in the Perisher Cup, with junior, women and open teams taking part. The team of Amanda East, Emily Frain and Ingrid and Heidi Bremers won best women's team, with Emily Frain the fastest XC female – congratulations to all!

With thoughts now turning to summer, work party dates have been set. Please consider whether you are able to help out and contact the organisers to book a spot.

And the highly successful 'walking week' organised by Andrew and Jenny Cupit last year will be making a return in 2025 – more information is provided in a separate article.

I'd like to encourage as many of you as possible to consider a visit to the mountains in the summer months. Hiking, mountain biking and water sports are just some of the activities which can be enjoyed and there are plenty of events scheduled. It could also be an opportunity to take a look at the newly clad Jindabyne lodge and enjoy the pergola in the summer months! Several members have already made bookings at both lodges for large family and friend groups. And special deals will be made available at certain times, so keep an eye out for these in *Frozen Acres*, *Skimail* and Facebook.

The post-season presentation, recognising sporting and other achievements, will be held on Sunday 27 October – see separate article for more details. I hope to see many of you there.

And while Peak 2024 has only just finished, bookings open on 4 November for Peak 2025, with the member only Tier 1 cut-off of 17 November. Don't miss out on getting your bookings in by the deadline!

Finally, Vicki will be taking some well-earned leave from 7–27 October. I'll be filling in as Admin Officer during this time.

As always, if there are any issues you would like to raise with me, please email me at *president@cac.org.au*.

## CAC Hiking Weeks in Kosciuszko National Park/Ngarigo Country

By Andrew and Jenny Cupit

The CAC hiking week in March 2024 was very successful, so we are planning to have two more CAC hiking weeks in the Snowy Mountains in 2025 (based at the Perisher lodge). These are open to any member or wait-lister interested in going on guided walks in the National Park.

We plan to have walks over five days/six nights on the following dates:

- Monday 6 January to Sunday 12 January 2025 timed for the school holidays for our junior members. We are planning an optional night camping at Horse Camp Hut in Munyang Valley.
- Monday 17 March to Sunday 23 March 2025 (not school holidays).

Members need to book their own accommodation through the normal online booking system, self-cater (like you do in winter), drive to the lodge and have suitable hiking gear.

We are planning to have different graded walks each day for people to select based on their fitness and experience, ranging from easy walks of a couple of kilometres to harder walks around 20 kms.

These will be selected from the following:

- Rainbow Lake track
- Perisher Lodge to Blue Cow
- Porcupine Rocks
- Sawpit Creek

- Mt Stilwell (could include off-track walking to the old Stilwell Restaurant and old Stilwell ski fields)
- Munyang huts walk from Guthega
- Mt Tywnam loop starting and ending at Charlotte Pass
- Mt Anton and Mt Tate circuit from Guthega
- The Main Range track to Mt Kosciuszko from Charlotte Pass
- Snowies Alpine track between Charlotte Pass and Guthega (one way).

We are members and walks leaders of the Brindabella Bushwalking Club and are trained in navigation and safety (first aid) for bushwalking. We always carry a personal locator beacon, thermal blanket and first aid kit.

If you are interested or have questions, please email us at cupit@cac.org.au.



CAC members at Horse Camp Hut in March 2024

#### **Capital Works Update**

By Caroline Walker, President

As advised in the July/August *Frozen Acres*, work on the deck pergola at the Jindabyne lodge was put on hold to enable the lodge to reopen on 6 July. Work to complete the pergola is now scheduled to take place from mid-October to mid-November.

The Committee is also considering cladding the entrance to the Jindabyne lodge. We have sought a quote from Manteena with a view to them undertaking the cladding at the same time as they are on site completing the pergola. At the time of writing, we are still waiting to receive a quote and will inform members once a decision has been taken.

Please keep an eye on *Skimail* for updates on the dates we expect the builders to be at the Jindabyne lodge – we have agreed they can occupy three rooms while finishing the work. The lodge will remain open to members while the builders are on site but there will be no access to the deck, including the BBQ. Parts of the car park may also be cordoned off for deliveries at certain times.

Given the delays in completing the capital works at the Jindabyne lodge, the member forum on the Perisher lodge capital works expected to take place at the end of the winter season will no longer go ahead. We anticipate the next update on the Perisher lodge capital works will be provided at the AGM in March. The Club's financial position is expected to be clearer at that time, as the final costs for the completed work at Jindabyne should be available.

### **Lodge Coordinators, Work Parties and Maintenance** *By Andrew Cupit*

The Club has appointed new Coordinators for the Jindabyne and Perisher lodges, as follows:

- Jindabyne: Doug Boast, Lynette Johns-Boast and Teresa Harrington
- Perisher: Andrew Cupit and Amanda East.

I would like to thank Peter Richards and Peter Cunningham for their years of fantastic service to the Club in these important roles. Peter Cunningham is still the overarching Coordinator for the Lodges Subcommittee which also looks after Mt Franklin and O'Keefe's Hut.

For the most part, the Lodge Coordinator roles have not changed. They are still responsible for general maintenance of the lodges, including organising tradespeople to undertake repairs and safety checks.

Another key job is to organise work parties over the summer periods to conduct thorough cleaning of the lodges and minor repairs. Occasionally, there may be specialist work parties for more specific tasks, using members who have specialised skills.

The main changes to the roles are:

- two to three people are responsible for each lodge
- there is a two-year tenure for the positions.

These changes ensure more members understand the detailed functions and maintenance requirements of two of our most valuable assets – our lodges.

The work parties for the coming summer are now advertised. We encourage members and wait listers to consider participating.

The Committee has brought to our attention of some minor issues encountered in the lodges during the winter period:

- A toilet was left blocked. If you encounter a problem in one of the lodges during your stay, please notify the Party Leader, a Committee member, or if it is not urgent, one of the Lodge Coordinators. If it is at the Perisher lodge during winter, you could also notify one of the Lodge Managers Jill or Ken.
- Personal medication was left in one of the common areas. Please be aware that there are often young children in the lodges and some substances can be dangerous for their health.

All members and their guests should have a shared duty of keeping the lodges clean, safe and secure at all times.

Contact details for the Perisher and Jindabyne Lodge Coordinators:

Perisher: <a href="mailto:perisher@cac.org.au">perisher: perisher@cac.org.au</a>
Jindabyne: <a href="mailto:jindabyne@cac.org.au">jindabyne@cac.org.au</a>

## Early Confirmation of Additional Saturday Nights in Winter

#### by Amanda East

Members may be eligible for the early confirmation of bookings and may hold more than two Saturday night bookings in special circumstances, including:

- when a member is providing a service to the Club for organising and officiation at Club and/or National sporting or social events
- when members are involved in a formal training/development program that hinges upon their accommodation being guaranteed for the season
- if a member attends one or more work parties in the offpeak season (maximum of two additional Saturday nights).

Noting all early confirmation is at the discretion of the Committee and is covered by By-Law 7 in the Booking Rules. Early confirmation entitlements are not transferable, other than under Rule 7.4. Where early confirmation is for a junior member, confirmation may also be granted for an accompanying adult. This will normally be at a ratio of one adult to two juniors.

#### **Sporting and Social Event Organisation**

Applications should be in writing and include which event the applicant is organising, the role the applicant has and for whom the accommodation is requested. If requesting Perisher, the application should include why Jindabyne is not suitable. There is a standing decision to grant early confirmation of accommodation for the

organisers of the Club Championships and Brumby Cup dinners. (one organiser per event and for one night).

#### **Formal Programs**

There is a limit of 12 beds per Saturday that may be used for early confirmation for participants in formal sports programs. Applications must be in writing, and preferably be lodged by the start of the winter season. The request should set out what program the applicant is enrolled in, the dates requested for early confirmation and who requires the accommodation. It is recommended that applicants include a statement of their contribution to the Club and/or intended future contribution.

Applications should be sent in writing to <u>snowsports@cac.org.au</u> and submitted before the end of November for consideration prior to the cut-off of Tier 1 bookings, noting later applications will be considered in order of receipt. Where there is high demand for early confirmation, the Committee will give priority to new applicants and members demonstrating 'Club spirit'.

#### Other

No application is required to obtain early confirmation of extra Saturday nights granted for work party participation.

View the early confirmations guidelines on the website.

#### **Vale Geraldine Foley**

By Susan Foley

This year's was a very different ski season for us. Not because of the lack of snow here in Victoria. For my siblings and I, there was something else missing, or rather, someone missing. On 29 March this year, our mother passed away.

Some of you will know Geraldine Foley, and you'll know what a special place the Canberra Alpine Club and your community were for her. My siblings and I wanted to acknowledge the wonderful club spirit of the CAC, a spirit that brought so much happiness to our mother for well over 50 years.

Our parents met at Perisher. You could say they fell in love with skiing first and then each other. Soon after, mum joined the CAC, and then pretty much made a standing booking for the same week every year, for the next 50+ years.

They say two things in life are certain, in our family there were three certainties; death, taxes and mum escaping the Melbourne winter for her sanctuary in the snow, your club. It never failed to reenergise her, the skiing and snow walks, the catch ups and lively conversations, the shared meals and games, the club spirit.

After Dad passed, mum kept up the annual routine, now with good friend Joanne Tyler. She was the driver, mum was the navigator...they usually made it to their destination as planned (maybe one or two wrong turns on the way). They continued the trek to Perisher up until the lockdowns forced mum to cancel her

booking, a first. Even as her health declined in recent years, talk of the snow, and of the club, always pepped her up.

From our family to the CAC community, thank you for creating a wonderful community for our parents to escape to each year. Mum found joy at the snow, and the Canberra Alpine Club was her sanctuary.

Go well CAC community.

#### Vale John (Jack) Palmer 28 April 1932–18 August 2024

By Judy Lejins

Jack was a member of the Club from 1980 to 1986. He was responsible for O'Keefe's Hut and arranged work parties which were attended by a number of our Club members over the years. Later, as a member of Kosciuszko Huts Association (KHA), Jack continued for many years to maintain O'Keefe's. The hut burned down in the 2003 bushfires but rebuilt in 2007–8. The Club extends its condolences to his partner Jane and children David, Peter and Helen.

#### Yumalundi

Spoken by Gene Ross at Perisher Family Week 2024

When we do a Welcome to Country, or an Acknowledgement of Country, for me and most Indigenous people, it's with a real sense of pride. Being asked to be part of something we have been part of for 65,000 years finally is a really big step for all, and not always something that has happened. For us, we are not welcoming someone born on that land or who lives on that land, onto their own land, but welcoming you into our culture, our history, our ancestors, and asking you to share with us our knowledge and love. We will treat you with care and respect, as we do everything on country as we have for 65,000 years.

'I ask you to join me in acknowledging the Traditional Custodians of this land on which we are meeting. The people of the Wiradjuri, Wolgalu, Ngunnawal, Monaro Ngarigo people, the people who met here, cared for and respected this land.

We pay respect to the spirits that guide us, those Elders whose words and actions shape our decisions, point us on our path. Whose knowledge has been given to us freely so that we may look after Country and family. We pay our respects to the Elders present, and the Elders from other communities who may be here today. We request that the emerging Elders of this land keep up the traditions by learning, understanding and telling the story of the land we learn, live and walk on.

For we are all part of the story of this land. It's a different landscape from where we were this time last year, lots of hope and positivity, that was quickly erased – replaced by sadness, as the reality of this

truth set in. We are just not ready for adult conversations, as a nation, and I see that gets played out every week now. But for me and others it was a time to reflect and look forward, with the same positivity, the same hope.

I have been working with teal Politician, Allegra Spender and her crew as well as people like Luke Harris from Harris Farm – who I know you know because they opened in the ACT recently – as well as a bunch of CEOs, business and councils and Indigenous groups both small and large and come together in the spirit of making things better, all because of the result of the referendum. It's called 'Wadjiid Community Collective'. Last week alone we recruited 34 indigenous people young and older to staff Harris Farm's new store in Redfern, in one day! All because good people wanted change and decided to do it ourselves.

And I guess that's the lesson. These issues are not government issues with government solutions. They are people issues with people solutions.

Great things happen when good people get together. How do I know? Because I am part of the Canberra Alpine Club. It's what we do here we get together and great things happen.

We just need to keep reaching out to each other, take the first step. If you haven't yet, there are rewards both ways exchange of culture is always beneficial both ways. Let's keep adding to the story, combining 65,000 years of Indigenous culture and 250 years of migrated settlement, the combination makes us greater.

For we are all part of the story of this land. Thank you.'

#### Report on O'Keefe's Hut Work Party, 9–11 March 2024

Extracts of a report by Paul Oboohov

Having packed my vehicle, I headed from my home in Canberra around 8:30am on Saturday 9 March. I met the other work party member, Sue Attreed, and we proceeded driving on the hard packed Happy Jacks Road, to the start of the Doubtful Gap Trail. The vast bulk of Mt Jagungal, seemingly in the near distance, beckoned. We continued on, crossing Bogong Creek to go up to the top of the ridge that leads to O'Keefe's Hut.



O'Keefe's Hut.

At the Hut, after setting up our tents and having some lunch, I went through the work required and the safety briefing. The rear door, which had been painted with undercoat at the previous work party had weathered the winter quite well. Sue proceeded to paint several coats of brown exterior paint on the inside and outside of the door and on the exterior of the front door.

Later that afternoon, I cut the grass around the hut. The tufts of thin clumps of snowgrass were very tough and required particular attention.

The next day, Sue walked the track up to Mt Jagungal, leading up to the top of the southern ridge, and beside part of the headwaters of the Tumut River. Meanwhile, I set about cutting up the wood I had collected for the new cubic stove and was able to fill the wood box, which was one of the objectives of the work party.

O'Keefe family descendants visited the new hut during the past year, leaving not only a logbook entry, but also a watercolour painting of the original hut, a photo of the builder of the original hut, and a photo of the horse 'Baronin', winning a race for a consortium that included an O'Keefe descendent in the early 1970's.



Interior of O'Keefe's Hut, with items left by the O'Keefe family on their recent visit.

#### **Brumby Cup 2024**

By Sarah Brake

This year, the Brumby Cup looked a bit different. Due to inclement weather, the usual race was cancelled but the CAC rallied in true fashion and competed in a series of indoor events. Events consisted of a can race, boot scoot, ping pong basketball and an egg and spoon relay.

Teams were drawn randomly in Brumby Cup style, with team A winning the boot scoot, and team B winning the can race, ping pong basketball and egg and spoon race. The final scores were 66 - 91 with team B victorious.

The events were hilarious, and competing off snow did nothing to dispel the club's competitive spirit. Competitors pushed, elbowed and wrestled their way across the finish line (all in good fun).

Thanks to Cheryl Taylor for all her time and efforts in organising another fabulous club event, the dinner was delicious and a great way to cap off the event!





Left: The boot scoot race in action.
Right: Ali Guseli in the lead in the egg and spoon race.



Thanks to the chefs who supported Cheryl in preparing the Brumby Cup dinner.

#### Cross Country Week - the KAC

By Jenny McLeod

The Kosciusko Alpine Club Cross Country Classic, usually known simply as the 'KAC', is one of the main citizen races on the XC Week calendar and runs from Perisher to Charlotte Pass. It is used as the CAC XC Championships race. It also has a reputation for regularly having terrible weather – blizzards, gale force head winds, flooding rain (!) or sometimes a combination of these.

This year, the weather gods gave a half-smile. In a week of gloriously sunny days, the day of the KAC was cloudy (but visibility was mostly OK), breezy (but not particularly strong), and snowing slightly (but not blizzarding or raining). Regular KAC racers considered it to be excellent conditions.

In contrast to 2023, there was reasonable snow cover on the road up to Perisher Gap, past the much-appreciated cheer squad of CAC members and others at the bottom of Eyre T-bar.

I'm one of the slower freestyle skiers, but classic skiers started 15 minutes ahead of freestyle skiers, and from Perisher Gap I was regularly overtaking the slower classic skiers. The run down to Betts Creek was great, with the snow not too icy or badly chopped up by oversnows. Sugarloaf, just after Spencers Creek, is not a particularly large hill, but always feels higher than its 30 m elevation rise. And the pimple, a short sharp hill less than 1 km from the finish, was particularly awkward this year – or maybe I was just less fit!

KAC provided the usual excellent soup and brownies at the end of the race, before the presentations, and then the ski back to Perisher with plenty of company.

Congratulations to Harriet Greville, who was fastest woman overall (and third overall), thus comfortably winning the CAC XC Championship (again) and to Bentley Walker-Broose, who was first classical skier and 6<sup>th</sup> overall (a very quick result on classic skis), and male CAC champion.

#### **Results of CAC members**

Name	Time	Overall place	Place in class	
Harriet Greville	29:07.9	3	1	
Bentley Walker-	30:26.5	6	1	
Broose				
David Hislop	31:43.6	10	2	
Tim Greville	31:56.3	11	2	
Monika Binder	39:07.8	37	5	
Jenny McLeod	45:31.3	53	8	
Kylie Fountain	50:09.2	68	10	
Margaret Mahoney	58:19.9	87	5	
Louise Rose	1:11:16.4	115	5	

#### **Club Championships Results**

27 July 2024

				Age		Run	
Rank	Name	Discipline	Gender	Group	Run 1	2	Best
1	Barlow Darcy	Ski	Men	U18	27.79	27.14	27.14
3	Bygrave Stephen	Ski	Men	18+	28.89	28.52	28.52
5	Barlow Finlay	Ski	Men	18+	30.53	29.88	29.88
10	Hunter David	Ski	Men	18+	34.14	33.23	33.23
11	Brake Sarah	Ski	Women	18+	34.05	33.31	33.31
12	Guseli Valentino	Snowboard	Men	18+	35.12	33.86	33.86
14	Ineson Ken	Ski	Men	18+	34.8	34.74	34.74
16	Hartwig David	Ski	Men	18+	36.32	36	36
17	Lucas Jeremy	Ski	Men	18+	36.59	36.18	36.18
19	Court Alistair	Snowboard	Men	18+	36.67	37.16	36.67
21	Hislop David	Ski	Men	18+	36.84	37.2	36.84
23	Webb Peter	Ski	Men	18+	41.4	40.25	40.25
27	GUSELI ALI	Snowboard	Women	U18	44.54	42.21	42.21
28	Cambourn Gregg	Ski	Men	18+	43.63	42.39	42.39
30	McLeod Jenny	Ski	Women	18+	43.46	42.56	42.56
31	Walker Caroline	Ski	Women	18+	44.73	43.07	43.07
34	Guseli Riccardo	Snowboard	Men	18+	48.64	44.47	44.47
35	Court Jemima	Snowboard	Women	U18	45.01	44.86	44.86
36	Court Sebastian	Snowboard	Men	U18	46.41	46.4	46.4
38	Davies Maija	Ski	Women	U18	47.85	48.03	47.85
39	Douglas Rhonda	Ski	Women	18+	52.13	48.24	48.24
40	Guseli Kristen	Snowboard	Women	18+	53.57	48.9	48.9

#### **Snowsports Development Program**

By Amanda East

The Club places great importance on the development and support of active snowsport participation by members of all ages, and in all disciplines and events.

Recognising the costs involved, each year the Club makes funding available to provide financial assistance to members who meet relevant criteria. The funds are made available through development grants, subsidised accommodation at the Club lodges and through less formal arrangements as appropriate.

Items that are considered for reimbursement include: skills development, race entry fees, equipment hire and lift tickets. The Club expects the applicants to represent the Club in competitive events if possible and to write articles for the Club newsletter, Frozen Acres. In addition to the financial assistance, early confirmation of Saturday night bookings may be considered. In the case of a junior, the extra Saturday will include the accompanying parent.

Assistance is granted in three categories:

- At the top competition level, National/Elite level grants provide up to \$1000 for Club members who are selected to compete or train overseas in part of a national team or squad.
- Junior and Youth members may receive up to \$500 each if they are participating in a formal training program.

• The Club may choose to support any number of snow-based activities through the season, for example training clinics for the general membership.

The final amount available to applicants who meet the criteria depends on the total number applying as there is a cap to the total allocated in the annual Snowsports budget.

The development grant process commences before the start of each season with the submission of an application form which sets out the individual's plan for the season. This application is considered by the Snowsports sub-committee for approval in principle. The final decision will be made at the end of the season based on actual performance during the season, using information on the acquittal from. The form must be provided to the sub-committee by the end of October.

Further information and the application and acquittal forms can be found on the Club website.

#### **Club Publications**

Available on request:

- Club constitution
- Club by-laws
- Membership application forms
- Applicant's information sheet
- Guides for lodge users during off-peak season
- Bedding plans for each lodge.

Check our website to obtain copies of these items.

#### **Alliances**

The Club is a corporate member of the following organisations:

- Snowsports ACT
- SLOPES (Ski Lodges Organisation of Perisher, Smiggins and Guthega Inc.)
- The Kosciuszko Huts Association.

The Club is a regular sponsor of the Perisher Ski Patrol.

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