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Patrol Leader – Earl Esson

What an excellent 07-08 season it has been! Snow on time for a strong holiday opening of the hill. The Special Olympics Winter World Invitational Games Alpine events at Bogus Basin ran well and we were able to gather valuable experience for use in planning the week long 2009 Special Olympics Winter World Games.

The Southern Idaho Region Senior Exam held at Bogus Basin this year ran 6 Patrollers through their Senior skills testing (BBSP Patrollers Heather Van Houten passed Toboggan and Tom Muncy passed OEC). The Nordic Candidate class this year more than doubled their Nordic patroller membership and the Alpine Candidates are scheduled for their winter skills testing at the end of March. Some amazing events and things have been accomplished and the season is not over yet. I must stop

and reflect on the collective efforts of all the Volunteer/Pro Patrollers who have contributed to the success of the Patrol at Bogus Basin. Thanks for all your efforts to date and with our future projects/goals.



**Showing off Gold at this season's
Special Olympics**

by Dave Kennedy

One of the goals presented to the BBSP by Bogus Basin Mountain Resort (BBMR) Area Management in January was to combine/incorporate the NSP Mountain Host Program into our "P004" Patrol. The primary reason to combine these two NSP volunteer services was to leverage some of the existing volunteer Ski Patrol management systems, training, personnel, committees, and to meet the BBMR request to have a single NSP volunteer organization to report to area management in an effort to simplify NSP volunteer services at Bogus Basin.

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On Monday February 25th at the start of the Special Olympics Winter World Invitational Games we had two special NSP guests show up for the opening ceremonies. The NSP Division Director Dolores La Liberte and the NSP National Chairman Terry La Liberte showed up for our morning meeting and spent some time with Steve Shake (see photo of all three). This meeting in Steve's office allowed for unique interface on NSP and National Ski Area



Terry and Dolores La Liberte with Steve Shake

photo by Earl Esson

Association (NSAA) information exchange. Terry's view of the NSP Mountain Host program was helpful in validating some of the issues we at Bogus Basin have in planning the roll out of the program at our resort. The final details with dues, registration, voting rights, training materials and autonomy issues are items that are under review at the National level to provide a finished program that can adapt to the many different ski areas management needs. The work done at Bogus Basin with incorporating the NSP Mountain Hosts into our patrol group will be a pilot type project which may push some concepts to help define needs/requirements for other resorts who may wish to have both Ski Patrol & Mountain Host volunteer programs combined.

If you missed the Tuesday March 11th General Meeting you will need to take note of the Patrol members who were nominated and put onto the voting ballot contained within this newsletter. Please take the time to review the ballot and to vote by mail with your ballot (sent to the BBSP P.O. Box) if you will be unable to make the Tuesday April 8th General Meeting to vote

Bogus Basin Ski Patrol

in person.

Thanks for the excellent work you do and ski safe for the final 4 weeks of the season. . . EEE

Notice Bogus Basin Treasurer Position for 2008-2009

The nomination committee was unable to secure a commitment from a qualified patroller to run for the treasurer position for the 2008-2009 season. In accordance with our bylaws, an individual may not hold the same office for more than two terms, however due to the lack of interest from any qualified patroller to run for the Treasurer position for the 2008-2009 season John Orlovich has agreed to continue to do the job, thank you John.

An agenda item is planned to propose a motion for a one time variance from the bylaws in order to allow John Orlovich full board member voting rights and continue as treasurer for a third term. If anyone has concerns to this pro-

posal, they are encouraged to come to the April General meeting and let their voice be heard. This newsletter article serves as notice to the purposed, one time variance amendment to the Bylaws of the Bogus Basin Ski Patrol.

Board Meeting Feb 26

The board meeting was at Charles home with Earl, Karen, Dave, John, Greg, Mark, Charles, and Scott present. Also at the meeting were Bob L. from the Ken M. It started at 7:15pm.

Patrol Leader – Earl Esson

Chris Garvin has a shoulder injury that will keep him off the slopes for now.

Earl has talked with Delores and Terry from the Division about our plans to incorporate the mountain host program. They were here at Bogus during the first day of the Special

Olympics. This issue will be explained in more detail at the upcoming General meeting.

It was reiterated that the Patrol meetings will incorporate Roberts Rules of Order to keep things moving along. Any questions by the members will be discussed under new and/or old business.

APL – Mark Stephensen

Pam has been busy organizing the events for the upcoming Senior test at Bogus.

APL – Greg Malcom

Greg has been working on the Nomination Committee, the report will be included under new business.

Treasurer – John Orlovich

John compared last years budget and expenses to this year. He reviewed account balances.



Altetes celebrating during the Special Olympics

photo by Dave Kennedy

Currently there is approximately \$11,000 less in the account than last year.



Jaker presenting a medal

photo by Dave Kennedy

The Patrol has received many very good responses via the “sorry you crashed” letters. There were only a few very minor complaints from our guests.

John has the computer program disks for the Microsoft software members have ordered. He is in the process of distributing them.

Secretary – Dave Kennedy

Dave is ready to print the next Newsletter before the General meeting in March. It was noted that a ballot would have to go out after that meeting. Therefore the mailing was delayed until after that meeting. We are currently mailing to about 300 people.

Member at Large - Karen Jensen

Karen would like to register the Spring OEC class. A motion was made and seconded for her to proceed with the class. John asked about some of the details. The motion passed. Karen will contact the firestation for the use of their facility.

Karen has created an OEC instructor resource file bin. It will be organized by OEC chapters and will include various items useful for teaching. It will be kept at the fire station.

Truman would like to have more storage for first aid supplies near the radio closet. The cabinet that used to enclose the old radios will be remounted under the stairs for this purpose. This is a temporary solution until something more permanent can be found.

Karen has also put together a binder that lists the inventory of the first aid equipment we use on the mountain. She has also placed a copy of the Sager instructions that was received with the new purchases.

The sorry you crashed letter have generated \$975 worth of revenue. That costs for the program were \$328 for stamps plus \$53 in misc. supplies.

Member at Large – Joe LaGue

Joe was absent from the meeting. Karen reported that 8 yellow vests were received (instead of the planned 12) for the SWAP program. That was all the supplier had available. More will be purchased when needed, but the current supply should be adequate for now.

Past Patrol Leader – Charles



Sandra with Earl at the Senior Banquet

photo by unknown

Butrick

Charles reported on the Special Olympics. There was some feelings that were hurt related to some who wanted to help but had not met the deadline for notify Charles. The deadline was to ensure that the proper “credentials” could be prepared by the event staff. Those who showed up anyway were able to fill in for those who did not make the event. There was one accident during the event that was worked by Karen Jensen and Dave Kennedy.

The candidates have been busy with fund raising. There is a possibility of a \$1,500 donating from Walmart.

Two brand new Cascade toboggans are on the hill and were used for the Special Olympics. We also have a demo of a cascade 350. This is a four-handle sled.

First Aid – Scott Putnam

Scott noted that we are in the last couple of

weeks of training for this year’s candidate class. There is a party scheduled for the 14th of March.

There are no plans at this point for a Fall OEC class. Those interested in joining the Patrol next year need to take the spring class.

New Business

The next Board meeting will be at Greg’s home.

Earl notified the board that

recent employment changes might complicate his ability to continue as Patrol Leader next season. Although characterized as unlikely, he may be looking for employment outside of Boise. The Board fully supports his desire to continue as Patrol Leader and have his name on the ballot.

The mountain Host program is currently being incorporated into Bogus Basin Ski Patrol. One issue that remains is allowing them voting privileges.

The board was notified that we currently do not have a nomination for Patrol Treasurer. John has served that position for two years. Term limits in our bylaws prevent him from running for that office. John offered to continue if no one else could be found.

The meeting adjourned at 9:10pm.

General Meeting Mar 11

The scheduled meeting was held at Sockeye restaurant in Boise and started at 7:30pm with approximately 23 people present.

Alex Homachevarria

Alex had a 25-minute long PowerPoint presentation to the Patrol on head injuries. This covered post concussion syndrome as well as second impact syndrome. Thank you Alex.

Patrol Leader – Earl Esson

If you need a key to the building the cost is \$2. Please see Earl if you need one.

There is a memorial sweep for Bob Metlen on March 23rd at Anthony Lakes.

Dolores was at Bogus during the Special Olympics. Earl has been talking with her about the NSP Mountain Host program. We may need some changes to the NSP Bylaws to accommodate this new program. So far only two other patrols in the country have NSP mountain hosts.

The Candidate party is March 14th. Details and directions to the event are available on the BBSP web site.

Senior testing was a success with the help of Pam, Sandra, and Andrew.

Roberts Rules of Order will be used on discussion to speed the pace of the meetings. New items to discuss will be placed under New Business.

APL - Greg Malcom

Greg was present at the meeting, but did not have anything to report.

Treasurer – John Orlovich

John was away on a business trip. Financials were not available at this time.

Secretary – Dave Kennedy

The Newsletter will be published after the general meeting. It will be sent out with ballots for the Board Election. Charles will send a copy of the mailing data that separates those who are voting members from those who are not. Ballots will only be sent the former.

Member at Large –Karen Jensen

Karen is working on a scrapbook. Please forward you photos to her.

The spring OEC class starts April 7th and will run through July 3rd. The times will be 7pm to 10pm at the Firestation. An instructor planning meeting is scheduled for March 18th at the down town office.



New Seniors at the Banquet

photo by unknown

Member at Large – Joe LaGue

Joe has plans for a couple more days of the SWAP program. If you have anyone interested in joining the Patrol please be sure to contact him. Information is available on the Patrol web site.

Past Patrol Leader – Charles Butrick

The awards banquet is tentatively planned for April 26th. The alternate date is April 19th. Charles will send out emails or incorporate the information into the Newsletter if the details are finalized soon enough.

The candidate party is this upcoming Friday at the Surprise Valley clubhouse. It will start at 6:30pm and run to whenever. There is a raffle with lots of prizes.

The Patrol received a donation for \$1,800. This is dedicated to the purchase of two Cascade 350 toboggans. These are four handle sleds similar to an Akja. One of the sleds is already in use on the mountain. Please remember to load the sled facing forward. The fins on the bottom will not run backwards. Secure the chain brake on the front.

Omar Fricke

Omar thanked all those on the Patrol that helped with this year's Special Olympics. Many people were on the mountain all four days of this event. There were two courses with a station on the top of both. Three patrollers manned each station with three more backing up at the hideout.

There were only two minor glitches for the event. We need to remember to call in and give a full report on the patient. Next time the medical staff in the tent will monitor our frequency.

The second issue is that only athletes may be treated in the medical tent. Any other staff will be seen in the patrol aid room.

There were a few suggestions for improvement for next year from those who helped with the event. One was an alternate route for wheels. The other related to the slippery floor in the medical tent, and the third was to have all of us in our normal Patrol jacket with a white cross rather than the jackets that were provided.

Omar also talked about the need for lifeflight to have a level landing spot on the snow. The location on tweeties saddle has been moved closer to the back country gate due to current snow conditions where we have been landing.

We need more wool blankets. And Omar suggested that we start planning now for the end of the season tear down of our equipment.

Scott Putnam – First Aid

Candidate testing is planned for March 29th and 30th. Refresher records are being resubmitted to NSP. Apparently they did not receive the original copies. Although they did receive the dues.

Mountain Host

Russ and Pam represented the hosts. For those who do not know this new group comprises the old Ambassador program at Bogus. They have formed some committees and have had planning meetings to elect leadership. The current goals include having a basic outdoor first care course completed by the beginning of the next ski season. They also plan on having a basic CPR class prior to refreshers next season.

Old Business

The web page updates have been pushed back

to this summer.

New Business

The next board meeting is at Greg's home.

Earl explained the details of a new accident supplemental form that has been designed by Pam. Instead of a blank page this form prompts you for various information. Pam would like some feedback. Remember that any time you run out of space on the main accident report, that you should using a supplemental form.



The first gate on the Bowl, Special Olympics

photo by Dave Kennedy

Tom Muncy has completed his Senior OEC testing component. He is now a Senior Auxiliary patroller. Heather has passed both the senior ski and toboggan portions. She plans on testing for OEC next year. Congratulations to both.

Roark with the help Sandra and Paul served on this years nominating committee. They presented their slate for board positions. Patrol leader – Earl Esson, APL - Rob Hambleton, APL - Mark Stevenson, APL - Joe Peager, APL- Scott Putnam, Secretary – David Kennedy, Member at Large – Kevin Hudson. The Treasurer was

not filled. The motion to accept these nominations was seconded and subsequently passed. A motion to have the name on the ballots appear in alphabetical order was also passed.

Ed Holm volunteered to make up new pads if he is supplied the material.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Submissions

Any member who would like to submit a story or a photo to be included in the newsletter, is encouraged to send them via E-mail. Please contact the Editor at:

davekennedy@qwest.net

Editor: I can easily take the photos in any format that you have, including digital, slides, negatives and of course prints. All originals will be returned.

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Calendar

Date	Event	Location	Time
Mar 25	Board Meeting	TBD	7:00pm
April 7	Spring OEC Class starts	Firestation	7:00pm
April 8	General Meeting	Sockeye	7:30pm
April 26	Awards Banquet	Gowen Officers Club	6:00pm

Awards Banquet

A p r i l 2 6 t h 6 : 0 0 p m
Gowen Field Officers Club

There are a few rules to get on the base:

- Must have Current, Valid Driver License
 - Must have Current Proof of Insurance
 - Must have Current Vehicle Registration
- (Your Name must be on the list at the gate)*

And a Couple Rules in the bar:

- No Hats in Bar or you must buy a round for the house
- No Hats ON Bar or you must buy a round for the house
- Ring the Bell, Buy a round for the house

All Current Patrollers will have their name on the list,
Please RSVP your guests to
charles@skibbsp.net by April 18th, 2008

Patrol will provide soft drinks, one Keg and limited quantity of wine.
Cocktails are No Host

Mexican Theme

A^{to}E Appetizers
J^{to}R Main Dish

F^{to}I Deserts
S^{to}Z Salads

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