



ELOUERA NEWSLETTER

REPORT TO MEMBERS

SEPTEMBER 1985

PRESIDENTS REPORT

Our first season is almost finished and has been made memorable for a number of reasons. It has been the first time I have been able to have a fortnight at the snow, and what snow, the snow this year was the best for several years, falls being spread over all weeks, even to now as I write.

Sadly there is a number of accidents to report, my cracked rib, numerous twisted knees and ankles; most of which were only of nuisance value and certainly not allowed to interfere with the important things in life. However, Margaret Nugent was the exception to this, she had a horrific fall while using the T-Bar, sustaining two collarbone fractures, lots of broken ribs and a punctured lung. Everyone joins me in wishing Margaret a full and speedy recovery.

Our lodge has been the talking point of Charlotte Pass, it has set a new standard for accommodation in the snowfields and is the most outstanding building in the valley, to my biased mind dominating the area. I am surprised how few modifications, with the exception of the plumbing, will be required over the summer months. The committee will soon be calling on those members who reply to our call for "work party volunteers".

My congratulations to all the members and families who competed in the races, both cross-country and downhill. You have made the skiing fraternity aware that a new lodge has arrived on the scene and from our successes this year it is evident we will ultimately be a force on the competition field.

Ray Barnes



Fellow Members --- The 1985 Downhill Ski Season is now over; but the conditions are ideal for Cross-Country Skiing and there are vacancies available. (See Booking Officer's Report).

We would like to welcome new members, please get involved with your new club - write to the editor - ring committee members - voice your approval (or otherwise).

Many of us have sampled Pygmy possum in its first season. I am sure you will agree it is the "Pride of Charlotte Pass".

The fact that the building was ready for this winter was due mainly to the efforts of one man - Geoff Mathie - our treasurer. Since the lodges inception he has arranged and controlled all financial aspects, organised memberships and bookings, as well as, being the direct link with our architect/builder - Ken George. In addition, his brainchild is our accommodation credits system, unique in this field and the fairest system possible. THANK YOU GEOFF.

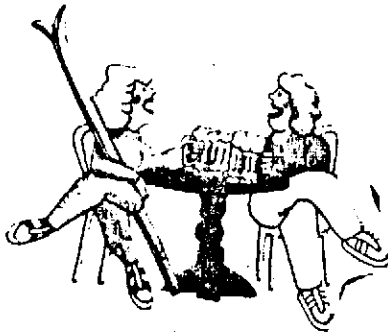
Thanks are also due to Ken George and Bill McNamarra (both fellow members) who moulded an experienced work team to complete our lodge in only seven months.

Special thanks to Kevin and Barbara Robinson whose continued work on the lodge throughout the season made the lodge more liveable and corrected many problems.



This list could continue - so thank you to all who attended "working bees" or contributed in any way.

Now that the lodge is out of the "Building Stage" where instant decisions were required, the committee's tasks have been reallocated.



- President: ..... Ray Barnes
- Treasurer: ..... Geoff Mathie
- Secretary: ..... Pat Martin
- Minutes Secretary and Food Store Registrar ..... Jan McFarlane
- Booking Officer (next winter season): ..... Jack McGregor

- Investment Registrar: ..... John Redpath
- Newsletter/Publicity: ..... Jim Felton  
John Riggs  
John Redpath
- Lodge Management: ..... Jack McGregor  
John Redpath  
Ray Barnes
- Finance Committee: ..... Geoff Mathie  
Ray Barnes  
Wayne Jarvis

A "Lodge Captains" meeting has been envisaged - before next season. If you are prepared to act as a Lodge Captain please indicate on the form provided. A big thank you to all who acted in the position this year - (at short notice and with little assistance).

EDITORS NOTES

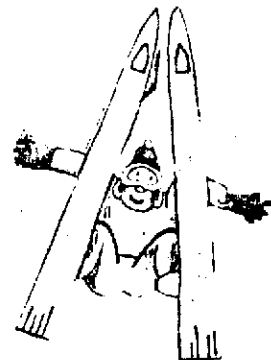
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Observations during the first week of the school holidays:-

1. Transport was less of a problem than expected - we missed the main rush by a 4pm arrival at Pygmy Possum.
2. Ski tow attendants and ski instructors were all helpful and courteous.
3. Co-operation by members with "Lodge Duties" was excellent.
4. Rex McDermott's "Gluwine Night" will become a "tradition". Visitors appeared from all over the valley as soon as the first cup was served. It was a beautiful drop and very popular. (But maybe the wine had a seditive effect , most couples went to bed early that night!)
5. We made many friends including some fellow sailing enthusiasts and Tolkien fans.
6. The children were very well behaved - surprising how many helped their parents with meals etc. They also assisted with lodge duties and food store inventory.
7. The kids also happened to be good skiers - Pygmy Possum won prizes in both Wednesday and Friday Slalom and Cross-Country events. Here are a few names - I apologise if I have missed anyone. (Please contact the editor so you can be included next issue)

Daniel and Paul Chermack  
 Malcolm and Stuart Mathie  
 Lorette Vidler  
 Elise Goodwin  
 Todd Hamilton  
 Wayne Jarvis

Congratulations to all participants.



LODGE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE NOTES

A recent meeting with Ken George to discuss outstanding items in and around the lodge include.

1. Balconies, handrails and balustrades.
2. External tiling to balconies.
3. Internal tiling to foyers and laundry.
4. Enclose back "wings" with blockwork.
5. Painting - internal and external.
6. Completion of external upper floor decks and fire escapes.
7. Landscaping - general.

Some problems noted this season:-

Kitchen - ventilation - lack of cupboard and fridge shelf numbering - gas stove ignition problems.

Drying Room ventilation - bedroom lighting - condensation - water pipe freezing problems - etc.

The committee is now deciding how best to rectify all, before next season.

BOOKING OFFICER'S NOTES

September 1985

There are no vacancies from the 21st December until the 25th January 1986. Vacancies exist from now until the 21st December.

A reminder of the cheap rates now applicable.

Prime Spring/Summer Rate: 12th October to 9th November  
14th December to 1st February 1986  
Easter Fortnight  
May School Holidays

	Members	Non Members
One adult	\$25.00/week	\$40.00/week
Two adults	\$40.00/week	\$60.00/week
Child	\$10.00/week	\$20.00/week
Family	\$55.00/week	\$80.00/week

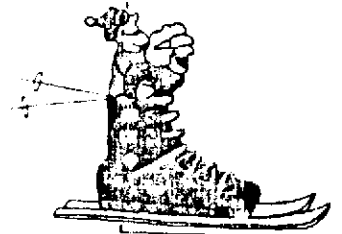
Concession Spring/Summer Rate: All other times

	Member	Non Member
One adult	\$20.00/week	\$30.00/week
Two adults	\$35.00/week	\$50.00/week
Child	\$10.00/week	\$15.00/week
Family	\$50.00/week	\$70.00/week

A food deposit of \$10.00 per person or \$30.00 per family per week plus your tariff must accompany your booking.

Assist your club by circulating the idea of staying at our lodge among your friends and acquaintances. It is essential to get as large a utilisation factor as possible this season to ensure we pay off the loan promptly.

Further enquiries ring Geoff Mathie 84 III2



TREASURERS NOTES

The annual subscription of \$5.00 was due on the 1st of April 1985. If they have not been paid by the 31st of October they will be deducted from accommodation credits.

Members are reminded that the limited opportunity is still available to increase your investment (\$2,450 per unit until the 15th November 1985). Ring Geoff Mathie 84 III2.

Food Store Refund Cheques - have been issued where applicable.



PLEASE FILL IN AND RETURN TO:

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We urgently need your views on the following topics.
Please add your suggestions and return as soon as possible.
If insufficient space please use back of form.
THANK YOU.

- 1. Working Bees. Availability.....
Special expertise.....
2. Lodge Captain. Willingness to act.....
3. Food Store. System.....
Items etc?.....
4. Smoking in Lodge (suggested area).....
5. Games Room. General purpose?.....
Childrens area?.....
Smokers area?.....
Common lounge?.....
Bar?.....
Other uses?.....
6. General Drying rooms?.....
Heating?.....
Kitchen?.....
Furnishing?.....
Laundry?.....
Microwave ovens?.....
7. Fund raising ( ? ) for furnishing or equipment?.....
8. Storage ( Lockers, Trunks, ) Skis and general purpose?.....
Open space,etc. General purpose only?.....
Rent or purchase?.....
9. List any problems you encountered.....
10. Suggest any improvements.....

Name.....Address.....

Signed.....