



TOP TIMES

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SKI COOPER'S
NATIONAL SKI PATROL
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This edition of Top Times contains the minutes of the 24-Mar-2007 Patrol Meeting.

Meeting Minutes: Ski Cooper Ski Patrol
24-Mar-2007

Call to Order by Patrol Representative Dan Lynch at 16:43. This is the annual meeting as specified in Section 4 of the By-Laws.

Minutes from the March 10, 2007 meeting were accepted as written.

Treasurer's Report from March 10, 2007 meeting accepted as written. Current balance is \$18,189.79. National Day had income of \$1,765 and expenses of \$1,558 for a profit of \$207. Thanks to George Gipson for his work organizing this event. The National Day Pig Roast included a generous \$250 donation from Clint Yant. Steve Gaylord and crew did an excellent job with this!

Old Business:

1. Michelle Nesbitt was voted on under the old Operating Directive as a Veteran Patroller. Vote passed.

New Business

1. **Motion** to purchase an additional 5 radios. Currently, there are 19 working radios available. Radios are approximately \$300 each. It was suggested to have the Scheduler provide statistics on the number of patrollers present each day. An amendment was raised and accepted to form a committee to investigate the need and bring forth a recommendation at the OEC Refresher. Motion as amended passed.
2. **Motion** to spend not more than \$300 for an addition to the toboggan shed outside PHQ to house the CPR toboggan. Gerry Noe agreed to supply materials if the Patrol would supply the labor. Robin Johnson will coordinate. Since the materials will be furnished, the motion was withdrawn.
3. **Motion** to discuss having all Patrollers, including Auxiliaries, in red coats. This would unify the look of the Patrol to the public. Gerry Noe and Tim Kerrigan have both been approached and would consider this proposal if the Patrol agrees. Robin will start the discussion via e-mail and we will vote on this at the OEC Refresher. Motion passed.

4. **Motion** to have a coordinator to provide ongoing refresher training each weekend day. Motion passed.
5. **Motion** to have the Scheduler be an elected position starting in 2008. Motion failed.

Announcements

1. The annual S&T test was held today. Congratulations to Gage Conly, Vince Bucci, and Steve Denning! And thanks to Elena Steiner, Jeff McLaughlin, and Scooter Berry for their excellent S&T instruction this season.
2. Sarah Mercer passed the Senior S&T test last weekend. Congratulations!
3. There will be a Pig Roast on 31-March. This one will be a fundraiser and we'll be selling to the public as well as Ski Cooper employees. Cost will be \$8. Patrollers who are not scheduled on this day are particularly encouraged to come and help serve. Last year, the Patrol netted approximately \$1,000.
4. Larry Ennett will head this year's OEC class. It will probably be held in Monument or Castle Rock and will start in July, 2007. All OEC instructors are expected to assist Larry and teach a class.
5. It was suggested to investigate having toboggans at the bottom of the lifts. Gerry Noe will research the number of incidents that have occurred historically and determine if this warrants further investigation.
6. Transfer and Transfer (T&T) training will begin anew next season.
7. Elena Steiner will offer an Instructor Development course in May. All instructors must refresh on this topic every 3 years; also, this class is required for all new instructors.
8. Reminder: when calling for an ambulance, their dispatcher will ask for patient information such as age, gender, chief complaint, conscious/breathing, etc. If you call for an ambulance, it will help to relay this information to the Patrol Dispatcher.
9. An injury that occurred on the ramp at the Double Top closed down the lift for over 5 minutes. When this happens, strongly consider sending a skier down the lift line to inform guests of the issue and expected resolution time.
10. The Leadville 100 will be August 17-19. Put it on your calendar now!
11. Thinking about next year already? The OEC Refresher instructor's meeting will be August 29; the OEC Instructors Refresher will be September 15. Patroller CPR Refresher will be September 28. The Patroller OEC Refresher will be September 29.
12. The Columbine in Leadville has announced that they will not have a patroller discount next season. George Gipson volunteered to investigate further with them and will also look into alternatives.
13. Steve Gaylord was voted in as our new Patrol Representative. Marty Mercer was retained for another 2-year term as Treasurer. Congratulations to both! And thanks to both for agreeing to serve the Patrol in these important roles. We appreciate your hard work and dedication.
14. Dan Lynch was thanked for his work as Patrol Representative. He has been an excellent leader and Steve has big shoes to fill.

Motion to adjourn passed. Meeting adjourned at 17:25.