



# SASC NEWSLETTER

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### Beautifying our Lodges - the results.

Following the call out in the January Newsletter for alpine photos to adorn our lodges, there has been a great response with many high quality images of the Australian Alps in summer and winter. The judging panel has awarded the top gong to David Duke for his stunning photo of Seamen's Hut (see above).

A chilly picture of Olympic T Bar in a white-out from Daniel Vickers and a lovely summer snap of Blue Lake from Will Sidwell are also highly commended.

The three winners can select some merchandise from the Junior's range and all participants should see their stunning contributions appear on the walls of our three lodges through 2023. Thanks to all who contributed!

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## RAFFLE

The Southern Alps Ski Club annual raffle is live, now with the chance to win a stay at 2 overseas resorts!

For the 1st time we are excited to offer the chance to ski Japan thanks to our friends from Echoland Apartments in Hakuba – check out their special offer for SASC members on the website.

We once again welcome back the opportunity to travel and stay at the Sun Peaks Grand Hotel with thanks to Tourism Sun Peaks who have been long time supporters of our club.

The raffle is the principal fundraiser for the Junior section of the ski club and subsidising activities such as the annual Bus Trip, Junior Race Training Team and Junior sponsored skiers. The prize list is longer than it has ever been, Pass this onto your friends and family



*Cootapatamba maintenance*



### NOTE

Our Club postal address is now  
PO Box 471, Terrey Hills, NSW 2084

### NEXT NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

- for the October 2023 issue, is Sunday, 20 August, 2023. Contributions to Editor: [sasc.newseditor@gmail.com](mailto:sasc.newseditor@gmail.com)

# 2023 CALENDAR

## SOUTHERN ALPS SKI CLUB INC

Please get in touch with the event contact for the latest information.

### JULY

- Sat 1 Start NSW Public School holidays  
Sun 2 Walk - Royal NP, contact Russell Barnes  
2-9 Junior Race Training Week at Kahane (by selection)  
Tue 4 Thredbo Junior Inter-Club, contact Lorena Juracich 0414 525 651  
Sun 16 End NSW Public School holidays  
Mon 17 Lodge Meeting, all welcome, 7pm online  
20-23 XC Summit Tour, contact Bob Sims  
26-30 Southern Alps Weekend at Charlotte Pass (by invitation)

### AUGUST

- Sun 6 Walk – Kuring-Gai / St Ives, contact Sharon/Chris/Harm  
6-11 SASC Race Week / Club Championships at Thredbo  
Mon 7 NSW Bank Holiday  
Mon 7 KAC XC Classic Cross Country Race - Perisher to Charlotte Pass  
Sat 12 Thredbo Senior Inter-Club  
Sun 13 City2Surf  
Sun 20 October Newsletter deadline  
27-3/9 Nordic Week 1 – Southern Alps Lodge, Charlotte Pass, contact:Bob Sims

### SEPTEMBER

- 3-10 Nordic Week 2 – Southern Alps Lodge, Charlotte Pass, contact:Bob Sims  
10-24 Nordic Ski Club of NSW at Southern Alps Lodge, Charlotte Pass  
15-17 Cadets Weekend - Kahane  
Sat 16 Perisher Cup teams race  
Sun 17 Walk – City Ramble, contact Annette Fitzallen  
Mon 18 Lodge Meeting, directors only, 7pm online  
Wed 20 Club Committee Meeting, all welcome, 7pm online  
Sat 23 Start NSW Public School holidays  
Sun 24 Christiania Lodge end catered period

### OCTOBER

- Sun 1 Southern Alps (Charlotte Pass) end catered period  
Mon 2 Labour Day Public Holiday  
Mon 2 Kahane Lodge end catered period  
Mon 2 Charlotte Pass Village, Perisher and Thredbo  
SEASON CLOSE  
Sun 8 End NSW Public School holidays  
Sun 8 XCBW Meeting - Thomas's home, contact Bob Sims TBC  
Sat 14 Walk – Blue Mtns, contact Andy and Marion Cairns  
Tue 17 Junior Committee Meeting, 8pm online  
Mon 23 Lodge Meeting, all welcome, 7pm online

### NOVEMBER

- 3-6 4WD camping week-end – Abercrombie NP, contact Bob Sims  
18-19 Lodge Meeting at Christiania, directors only  
Mon 20 January 2023 Newsletter deadline  
Wed 22 SASC Annual General Meeting, 8pm at Norths  
Sun 26 XCBW Christmas Picnic/ Walk – Haynes Flat, Lane Cove NP, Contact Bob Sims

### DECEMBER

- Wed 20 Start NSW Public School holidays

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### MEETINGS

**Club committee meetings** (online and face-to-face) will commence at 7pm. Contact Assistant Secretary, Duncan Sutherland, for meeting details - secretary@sasc-aus.com

**Juniors Committee online meetings** will commence at 8pm. Contact Darren Gore for meeting details - 0419 691 717 or dgore@iinet.net.au

**Lodge online meetings** will commence at 7pm. Contact Daniel Kavov for meeting details - 0401 895 777

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Dynasty Colelough

# President's Report

I hope the cold snap and snow in May was a precursor for another good season. Fitness for snowsports is essential to performing at your best and Snow Australia SnowReady program is a great resource and features Sami Kennedy-Sim. Good luck to anyone competing this season, our Race Week events will be run on 9-11 August and Perisher Cup 16 September.

Sue Davies had a significant part in Southern Alps history, Sue's family appreciated the condolences expressed by members, please see Sue's obituary on page 6.

The longicorn beetle larvae has had an increasing effect on snow gums in Kosciuszko National Park, and the affect is clear with dead and dying trees around our lodges at Perisher and Charlotte Pass. In March 500 trees were planted by Clubs and NPWS at Guthega after the rapid decline was noticed there. A revegetation plan has been developed with Amy Slocombe from NPWS for the

Kahane site. Please see further details on page 7. If you can help, please contact me. The rehabilitation for Southern Alps Lodge site will follow.

The Perisher Volunteer Ski Patrol has been advised that their services will not be required after this season. Vail Resorts prefer to operate with their professional patrol. We thank all the Volunteer Patrol members for the many hours of dedicated service.

Thank you to everyone who attended the Kahane working bee in March and Southern Alps Lodge stores weekend in May. A lot was achieved at both events. It was great to see Club sponsored skiers, April Wynn and Hugo Thompson, helping in May.

I welcome Finn Vickers to the Social Secretaries position. Finn is still settling in and will be posting news and interest items on our social media platforms. We will still need help with the social functions, so if that interests you, please contact me.

Our Concussion Protocol has been completed and will be applied to club events where the organisers believe it is appropriate. The aim of the protocol is to improve concussion safety and awareness. Where a concussion is suspected we take the Snow Australia view, "if in doubt, sit them out". Club documents can be accessed on the Clubman platform by clicking on More at the top right of your home page, then Files.

Members training or competing in snowsports events at an elite level during the 2023-24 Northern Winter season should submit applications for funding by end of August – please see details on page 6.

The next Committee meeting will be online, commencing at 7pm on 20 September. All members are welcome to contribute, to have a say and raise any concerns. Meeting details will be emailed prior to the meeting date.

Please take care,  
Rod Peile  
0448 670 586

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## Captains Report

Whilst we have had some early snow to get excited about, one never knows whether Ullr will shine on our endeavours during this 2023 snow season. The past 4 yrs have been somewhat tumultuous with 2019 having too much snow (unheard of I know), 2020 Covid affected, 2021 Covid affected and 2022 rain affected.

This will not dampen our spirits and hopes for the **2023 Race Week** - 4th time lucky. TAC and KAC have accepted the challenge of racing with us this year once more and once again, the format remains unchanged and our focus, as usual, will be having fun and "just having a go." If it's your first time, we will be having some race training on the Tuesday afternoon 8 August. On Wednesday 9 Aug we will run two runs of the slalom and then two runs of ski cross. On Thursday 10 Aug, we will have two runs of Giant slalom and on Friday 11 Aug, we will have two runs of super G.

During the week we normally have some social events with KAC and TAC either before or after dinner. Families often compete for bragging rights and in the past we have had three generations of family come together to race. If you are living in Jindabyne or are around Perisher and would like to race give me a call on 0401 250 866

On Saturday 12 August Arthur Owens organises our annual **Interclub race**. The Interclub pits all lodges in Thredbo against one another and Southern Alps stars come out to play. We normally keep some places for the rising stars that have come through Race week.

Later on in the year we also race in the Perisher Cup which is made up of a short cross country race, a giant slalom and a jump. It's a lot of fun and will happen on 16 September. Oliver Small has agreed to be the contact person for the Perisher Cup.

All spectators are welcome to cheer on the SASC racers for all of these races - "All welcome"

Daniel Kavov  
SASC Captain



## Juniors Report

We are excited to advise that we have received confirmations from 47 children who will be joining us on the **Bus trip**. Due to the high demand, we have decided to run the trip at Charlotte Pass and Perisher. This year, we have a significant number of 8-10 year-olds who will greatly benefit from staying at the Southern Alps Lodge, while the older children will be accommodated at Kahane Lodge. We are incredibly fortunate to have access to these resources for our events.

The **Bus Trip Planning** barbeque was a resounding success. Thanks again to the Juniors crew for their assistance with shopping, cooking, stacking chairs, and cleaning up afterward. I would also like to express our appreciation to the Lane Cove Sailing Club for graciously allowing us to use their facilities once again.

The **Junior Interclub** event is scheduled to take place at Thredbo on 4 July. The **Junior Race Training team** will be heading to Thredbo from Perisher for a slide, along with the local members who reside in Jindabyne, those who are staying at the lodges (Kahane and Christiania) or down for the week and eager to represent SASC. If your child is under 18 and interested in participating, please contact Lorena Juracich at [sasc.race.coordinator@gmail.com](mailto:sasc.race.coordinator@gmail.com). We will provide assistance with Thredbo lift tickets and race entry.

I am delighted to announce that our Club's **Juniors raffle** is back, featuring some incredible prizes. We are offering two overseas trips: one to Hakuba in Japan (don't forget to check out the special offer from the Echoland Apartments for club members in this newsletter and on our website), and the other to Sun Peaks in Canada, a long-time sup-

porter of the Junior's raffle. Additionally, we have lodge accommodation prizes contributed by the Club and Lodge Co-operative. We extend a warm welcome back to Alpsports and SX Snow, who have generously provided support to the raffle and our members by offering discounts in their stores. Please remember that this raffle serves as a major fundraiser for the juniors, and all funds raised will go towards supporting the events we organize. To participate,



simply use the QR code or visit [www.rafflelink.com.au/sascjunioraffle2023](http://www.rafflelink.com.au/sascjunioraffle2023) - Good Luck!

I would like to express my gratitude to Sandy Brinkman for organizing the replenishment of the club's apparel stocks, and to Rod for ensuring that the gear reaches the lodges. Merchandise sales also contribute to Junior funding, so make sure to don your SASC attire and represent the club in the Alps this season!

We have already had some early-season snow dustings, and we are hopeful for more to come. Enjoy the upcoming season and make the most of what is available if you can get to the mountains.

Go Well!

Darren Gore

Junior Chairperson

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# Bushwalking and Cross Country

Bob & Sally Sims

## Past Events

### March – Northbridge Tour

Sixteen walkers trekked from Willoughby Leisure Centre to Clive Park and back.

Our track took in Flat Rock Creek and the foreshore walk below the Northbridge Golf Course. En route we stopped at Henry Lawson's Cave, the Fatty Dawson ruins, Tunk's Park and Hallstrom Point.

Many thanks to walk leaders Fiona and Colin especially for the afternoon tea.

### March – Cootapatamba Maintenance Trip

After two days of rain, on Friday 24 March, we managed to walk down to Cootapatamba for a maintenance inspection. The hut is in amazing condition the new exterior cladding has survived the alpine conditions extremely well. We recoated the doors jams, repainted the exterior ladder and touched up several paint chips. Look forward to hearing from any members who manage to visit it during the winter.

### March – Kahane Walking weekend

We had a full lodge of 39 walkers. This year we decided to go two weeks prior Easter to avoid the crowds, it was a good decision and allowed us to plan walks from The Pass.

Walks included: The Old Restaurant from Charlotte Pass, Charlotte Pass to the new Spencers Creek Suspension Bridge (return), Charlotte Pass to Perisher (on the new section of the Iconic Snowy's walk, The Pallaibo Track.

On Saturday a few of Sue Davies' friends met up on Rex's Run for a last farewell, it was a very moving experience made more when the weather cleared to a clear, calm and sunny window just long enough for the service.

On Sunday everyone enjoyed the new NPWS track from The Pass to Perisher an amazing piece of work through an area we all thought we knew so well, fabulous views, easy grading. This walk is a must-do for every club member, young or old.

It was agreed that in 2024 we will continue to hold our walking weekend at Kahane prior to Easter.

Many thanks to Bridget and Tony for looking after us, sorry about all the bottles!

## May – Dangar Island

For our May walk we had 32 members Family and friends met for a pleasant stroll around the very interesting Dangar Island. After a short ferry trip from Brooklyn we took a well-earned (!) rest at the very picturesque Dangar Island Cafe. Our walking tour started with a visit to the pop-up market in the community park, then on to Bradleys Beach with views to Little Wobby (the destination for a memorable SASC Easter in 1992). We then walked the loop around Riverview Crescent including the short climb to the viewpoint from Kilparra Park. We headed back to the Community Park for lunch, just in time for the clouds to clear for a warm and sunny afternoon. The island is a fascinating destination: lots of history, easy walking, friendly 'river-dwellers', a lovely cafe and no cars.

## May – Mid-Year Lunch

On a beautiful Sydney day, we had 32 members join us for lunch at the picturesque Drummoyne Sailing club, it was great opportunity to catchup with some of the founding members of our little group.

The XC & BW page of the SASC website (<https://www.sasc-aus.com/cross-country-bush-walking-news>) has details of past walks (description, pictures and maps) and a calendar of our upcoming walks.

We look forward to seeing you on a walk.

Please see the club calendar on page 2 and/or the club website for more details of past as future events

We look forward to seeing you on a walk.

Bob Sims



Northbridge Walk



Charlotte Pass to Perisher

# Snippets

## Vale Susan Davies (nee Johnson)

Sue passed away on 6 December last year at Corryong Nursing home after a battle with dementia, aged 86. Sue joined Southern Alps in November 1974 after encouragement from her stepmother, Jean and father Jim. Starting skiing later in life Sue was not a very confident and found cross country skiing was more to her liking. Sue persisted and improved with lots of encouragement from Rex Cox and others to a point where she toured the main range and entered cross-country races.

It was in the late 1970s when Sue and Rex formed the Club's Cross-Country & Bush Walking sub-committee to organise Cross-Country ski trips and summer walks. Sue was involved in the first Summit Tour bus trip, an event that has lasted, and judging by last year, is now going through a resurgence.

Sue loved Charlotte Pass in summer and winter, she spent a few winters in our lodge as a kitchen hand/cleaner for several managers. Sue was very friendly and helpful to everyone.

Sue was awarded life membership in 2002 for her contribution to Southern Alps. Her life member certificate was proudly displayed in her lounge room beside a photo of Charlotte Pass.

After retiring to Khancoban, Sue moved into Upper Murray Retirement Village (now Corryong Health Retirement Village), and while there continued to have holidays at Charlotte Pass. When she could, Sue attended the Lodge stores weekend in April. The staff at the retirement village were fantastic help to Sue, when the 2 ½ hour drive along the Alpine Way to Charlotte Pass became too difficult for her, retirement village staff drove her to the Pass and picked her up at the end of the weekend.

A memorial service, held at Charlotte Pass in March, was led by Sue's nephew Murray Quant and attended by members of the XC & BW group who were on their pre-Easter stay at Kahane. It was an overcast day and as proceedings started the clouds parted for a short period.



## Vale Fay Isobel Friezer

(13/02/33 -24/03/23)

Fay passed away peacefully on 24 March 2023 after a long battle with Dementia, aged 90.

## Snowy Mountains Bus Service

The bus service from Jindabyne to the resorts has been enhanced this year and provides a lower cost option for anyone wanting to park in Jindabyne and avoid taking their car or the skitube to the resorts. See <https://transportnsw.info/news/2023/snowy-mountains-bus-service> for details

## EMS reports

Both Southern Alps and Kahane Lodges are required under their leases to record and submit environmental data and aim to improve performance year on year, the values are analysed on a per bed night basis for 12-month period from March to February each year. The data for the COVID years was affected by the low bed count so the 2022-23 period has been compared against the 2019-20 figures.

For Kahane Energy consumption was reduced by 4%, emissions were down 11% and water usage was down 5%. At Southern Alps Lodge Energy was down 8%, Greenhouse Gas Emissions down 19%. Water is not metered at Charlotte Pass. This is a good result by the management teams and guests at both Lodges.

## 2023/24 Elite Snowsports Sponsorship

Any members planning to train and compete at 2023/24 elite northern winter snowsports events should submit sponsorship applications to the Secretary (email [secretary@sasc-aus.com](mailto:secretary@sasc-aus.com)) by 31 August, 2023. Applications will be reviewed by our sponsorship group and their recommendation considered by the Club Committee at the September meeting. Applicants should include the following information in their application:

Proposed overseas program, including duration; Estimated program cost; Years as SASC member; Planned level of races/events participating in; Coach's name.

Junior members also have sponsorship opportunities, please contact Juniors Committee.

## Interschools calendar link:

<https://www.interschools.com.au/home-nsw-act-qld-sa/events-dates>

### Sponsored Skiers update

**April Wynn** will be working for Perisher Ski Patrol during our winter and also undertake race training. April plans to return to Europe for the 2023 - 24 northern winter.

**Letitia Murphy** will compete in Australian and New Zealand Continental Cup (ANC) races at Mt Hotham and compete in the Thredbo Senior Interclub. Letitia has part time role with Thredbo media and hopes to undertake a 3 - 4 week training camp in New Zealand. Away from skiing Letitia is studying international relations at ANU and is hoping to return to training in Sweden and Italy at the end of the year.

**Matt Clayton's** ankle injury has healed well, and he has enrolled in a Slope-style program with the Thredbo Mountain Academy which includes access to private jumps with the coaching staff. Matt's goals for this season are double cork 1440 and switch double cork variations. During the winter season Matt is aiming to compete in all the suitable comps and will ski the Perisher Front Valley jumps on his days off. A relocation to East Jindabyne will give Matt year-round access to the National Snowsports Training Centre Airbag facility at Jindabyne.

### Perisher Cup

Planning is underway for the Perisher Cup race to be held on Saturday 16 September. This is an alpine, cross country & jump team event with 4 people required in each team. Participation is encouraged. If you are interested, please contact Oliver Small 0422 441 355 or [oliversmall37@hotmail.com](mailto:oliversmall37@hotmail.com).

### Kahane Lodge Revegetation Plan

The realisation that the Longicorn beetle has infested the snow gums outside the dining room windows has highlighted the need for action to encourage regrowth. At the end of March, Tony and Bridget Vorreiter worked with NPWS to plant ten snow gums among the existing stand where it is expected that most of the existing trees will die. A plan has been developed that aims to control introduced grasses and weeds, protect and expand existing native vegetation and establish a native flowering garden.

This is a long term plan and will require volunteers in December and March each year. Some of the tasks can be done by children and they can take pride when their plants have established and our area is back to its native state. If you are keen to help, please contact Rod Peile 0448 670 586 or [rod.peile@bigpond.com](mailto:rod.peile@bigpond.com)

### Kangaroo Chalet plate

Kangaroo Chalet was destroyed by fire in 1970. It stood on the current Kahane Lodge site. Jenni Jones, a Jindabyne resident, came across a Chalet plate and knowing the site history, donated it to us. The copper plate is in the dining room display cabinet. Thank you, Jenni.



### Dianne Gluckstern

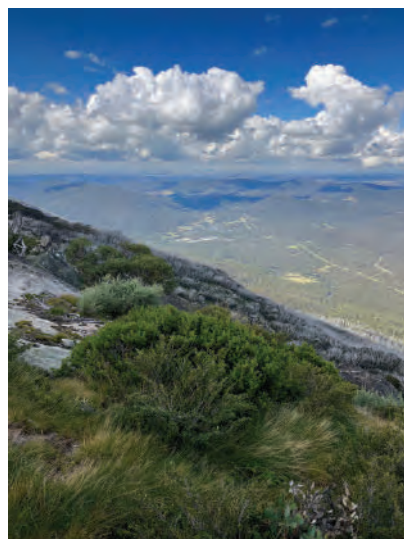
We have been unable to contact Dianne. If you can provide any information please contact Lodge Coop Secretary, Christine Marriott, at [sasc-coop@bigpond.com](mailto:sasc-coop@bigpond.com)

### Kahane Theme Night

Thursday night's this winter the theme is 'Halloween'. Bring your outfit and be ready for some fun.

### Ben Ricketts Environmental Preserve

Ben Ricketts cabins are available for holiday rental at 774 Jamberoo Mountain Road, Jamberoo (120 km south of Sydney). Members have access to a limited number of days at shareholder tariff. Please contact Rod Peile (0448 670 586) for our shareholder password before you book. See [www.benricketts.org.au](http://www.benricketts.org.au) for more information or call 0491 718 963.



### Snowies Iconic Walk

Stage 3 from Charlotte Pass to Perisher was completed in April; the alignment of this stretch runs through some very interesting terrain with fantastic views of the Thredbo Valley and Main Range. The walk is 13 km long constructed from rock paving, elevated steel mesh, and gravel. A must do walk for anyone who enjoys the alpine environment. Stage 4 from Perisher to Bullocks Flat is planned for completion next summer. See NPWS website for updates or follow the link on our website News page [www.sasc-aus.com](http://www.sasc-aus.com).



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**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 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.

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**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

We appear to be back to "normal" operations this winter season.

The snow gods also have delivered some early season snow falls which hopefully will continue with good snow-making conditions. The bookings have been very strong for the 2023 season and hopefully lodge shareholders have been able to make a booking as their first or second preference. We have made some improvements and maintenance to the lodges to ensure a pleasant stay. Guests will be greeted at Christiania and Charlotte Pass with new chairs and tables. We are also in the process of acquiring new linen. Kahane has installed sound baffling in the dining room. The recladding of Charlotte Pass has obtained Develop-

ment Approval and we look forward to this work being completed before the 2024 winter season.

Tony at Kahane, Carolyn at Christiania and Nadia and Kimmy at Charlotte Pass return for the 2023 winter season and we look forward to their delicious meals and efficient management of the lodges.

The lodges health protocols are being monitored with regard to government regulations but I personally request that all guests comply with the lodges' rules and if possible go beyond them for the protection of themselves, the lodge managers and their staff and all other guests.

Phillip Friedlander  
Chairman of Directors

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Stores weekend 2023 achieved a lot but was cut short by snowfall that threatened to close the road. Brand new tables and chairs are now in place in the Dining room, winter stores are tucked away in freezers and the loft and essential repairs made.

Most people left at lunchtime on Saturday so they didn't get snowed in. Rob Bartlett, Helen Pearson and Tim Moore remained until Monday morning, completing urgent maintenance. Thank you very much to everyone who gave their time to help out over the weekend and especially to Kim Easdale for organising catering and NPWS gate passes.



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