Snow Job
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PREZ SEZ
As the new president for 1983-84 I would like to extend sincere thanks to the outgoing Board members, especially Jeff Menzer, for all the work they have put in this year. Many hours were spent at organizational meetings by these people and a lot was accomplished.

In the coming year we have split the office of Secretary/Treasurer to lighten the work load, and we are now in the final stages of setting up a new budget process as developed by our V.P., Scoop Remenih.

It seems that more and more people are putting forth an effort to help our organization develop and this has been great. If you see an area that you want to help in, please speak up and get involved.

Keep up the good work, and thanks.

NATIONAL AVALANCHE SCHOOL
The Bernie Kingery Fund is sending two people to the National Avalanche School next winter. One of these needs to be a member of the Tahoe Nordic Search & Rescue Team; the other need not be a member.

The school consists of two phases — Phase I, which is six days of classes in Reno from November 6-11th, and Phase II, which takes place in several separate field locations during the 1983-84 winter season.

If you’d like to be considered for the school, write up a winter-related resume on yourself, including such things as your current level of avalanche knowledge and experience, any previous training, the kind of work you do with avalanche situations, and basically why you want to go. Send this information before June 1st to:

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NEW BOARD
At the last General meeting the new Board was elected. It consists of President Doug Read, Vice-President Tony “Scoop” Remenih, Treasurer Marilyn Henriquez, Secretary Dave Fenimore, and Board members Bob Moore and Mike Wolterbeek. Charlie Kellermeyer and Skip Reedy are serving the second year of a two-year term, and Jeff Menzer is on board as the outgoing president.

This August body convened for the first time last Monday evening at Scoop’s home in Tahoe City where they discussed, among other topics, the committee system and next year’s budget. Most committee chairpersons submitted a departmental budget, which will give an idea of how funds are to be allocated, as well as help determine the goals of next year’s fund-raising activities.

Don’t forget the next, and final (we hope) General Meeting of the season, this Monday night May 2nd, 7:30 pm (it’ll still be light outside) at Granlibakken.

SNOW JOB!
Thanks, Linda Russell, for thinking up the winning name for this here Tahoe Nordic Search & Rescue Team, Inc. newsletter. Charlie Kellermeyer’s also responsible, in a small way, since he noticed the entry had been inadvertently (sure) left off the official ballot.

We hope Linda’s figured out by now how to collect her prize — a lightweight collapsible snow shovel, which may be a necessary piece of equipment for this summer’s backpacking.

Currently we have our team’s graphic designer at work on a new logo, but until she returns from the Caribbean, the Old English will have to do.

FROM THE EDITOR
As I sit here pasting this thing together tonight a couple feet of snow has fallen in the past 24 hours, the Interstate is closed, and visibility in Kings Beach is rapidly deteriorating. Sooner or later it’ll be summer, though, and during that brief period between winters we’ll put out an issue or two of your newsletter to keep the whole Team up to date on various activities that are planned.

Next season a lot more of you will be involved in newsletter production, from writing and picture-taking to the actual drama of assembling the artwork and typesetting.

Thanks to Mike Wolterbeek and Allison Anderson for submitting articles this past season, Doug Read for taking pictures, Marty Cohen and Tahoe Crafts for printing and folding us up, Leo Poppoff for computerizing our mailing list, and Jim and the crew at the Carnelian Bay Postal Station for showing us how to do a bulk mailing every time we come in.

—Dave Fenimore
There have been a few first-level alerts over the past few weeks, but they've all been called off just as Scoop finished loading his Thiokol on the trailer. Thanks are due to the Education Committee for getting the word out about safe use of the backcountry, and about not skiing out-of-bounds.

THIOKOL OUTING

Thursday April 14th was dawning calm and bright as members and friends of the Thiokol Committee rendezvoused at The Red Dog Yard in Squaw Valley. Tony Rumenih and Larry Sevison each piloted a machine, while the rest of the entourage rode or skied along. Alongside were two snowmobiles, driven by Al Henry and Dave Baumgartner, who were also taking part in the exercise.

The column moved up to the saddle on KT-22, where they paused to survey the situation. They then descended to the Bradley Hut in Five Lakes Basin, and proceeded from there a few miles down the creek toward Diamond Crossing.

By 10 am all felt satisfied that they had accomplished their objective: to ascertain the difficulty of going over KT’s saddle. “Real simple,” summed up Rumenih.

The skiers got a tow back to the top, and everyone chalked up a perfect morning. Thanks to the U.S. Forest Service for the unusual (and not soon to be repeated) privilege of taking the machines in there. The practice might someday prove invaluable.

SUMMER TRAINING

There are some training sessions planned for the summer months. Among them is an orienteering course offered by Tod Lloyd, a well-orientated fellow if ever there was one. He’ll do at least two classes during the summer, and they’ll both be on a beginning level. All are welcome. For more information call Tod at 546-4505.

FINAL REMINDER—GENERAL MEETING ON MONDAY NIGHT, MAY 2nd, 7:30 pm AT GRANLIBAKKEN!

REMEMBER TO OBSERVE THE ONE-WAY SIGNS!