

## Email News Update – October 2014

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This news update is to provide brief information updates regarding the Summer of 2014/15. Articles and feedback are welcome by emailing [website@karralika.com](mailto:website@karralika.com).

### **From the Chairman**

With June snow looking so pathetic I think the dump the snowfields received just in time for the school holidays was almost a record in terms of how much snow we got in two to three days!

It set up the snowfields for a great year and I doubt the snowguns were used again after that dump. I'm sure that all of you that did go to the lodge had a great time. It's amazing what good snow conditions do for our income. Our trusty Treasurer advises that winter income this year was up 18.5% from last year to \$92,859, an excellent result. Having said this, I did notice a few prime weeks had hardly anyone booked into the lodge which is a travesty considering how good the snow was.

We intend to publish a small book on the history of the club. A good start has been made by Roger Glover which we will build on. Please, if you have any pertinent information about the early years of the club, let me know about it. Old photos would be most welcome also. Please send to me at [ikfergz@bigpond.com](mailto:ikfergz@bigpond.com)

Continuing on a similar theme, I think it is important that the club has a record of how it has assisted members and their families and relatives learn and improve their skiing. I know that without Karralika, I probably would still be a very average and infrequent skier. And of course, our kids were given a fabulous opportunity to become even better skiers (not hard!) than me. Some founding members and quite a few of our children represented their school in State and National interschools racing and/or University, or became members of the ski patrol or ski instructors. Many of these "kids" I'm please to say are now members of Karralika in their own right. As part of our history and club record of achievement I want to hear from you about these achievements that have been aided as a result of association with our club and use of the lodge. Please send details to my email address above.

Sadly, on the 14<sup>th</sup> September Peter Docker passed away. Peter was a founding member of the club and assisted in the building of the original lodge. Peter was in partnership with Kevin Smith in the civil engineering firm Docker and Smith. Through business and the scouting movement Peter knew Frank Dick-Smith and along with other senior foundation members such as Kevin Smith; Ned Phippard; Tom Marish and Ken Scott, got caught up in the drive

and enthusiasm to form the club and build a ski lodge. Whilst Peter wasn't personally interested in skiing it is nice that his membership was passed to one of his children, Jan Plain, who regularly stays at Karralika. I attended the Memorial Service for Peter on behalf of the club.

Best wishes to you all;

Ian

### **Annual Subscriptions**

Annual subscriptions for the year commencing 1 November 2014 are due, payable by 31 December 2014, please refer to the subs notice attached. Subscriptions may be paid electronically, please use the banking reference provided with your Karralika Membership Record previously notified to you. If you have forgotten your membership identification number please contact Cliff Brake. If any members haven't yet received their Notice for Annual Subscription they should email [secretary@karralika.com](mailto:secretary@karralika.com) or contact Cliff direct.

### **Are you utilising your membership enough ?**

Some of you members are getting to the stage where skiing for whatever reason, is no longer an option. Have you considered applying to the Board to transfer your membership to a family member who could better utilise the club? We are keen to have an active membership, so if you are finding it difficult to fully utilise the club you can either put in an application to transfer your membership to a direct family member or call the club Secretary, Cliff Brake to discuss your situation.

### **Current Bookings**

Bookings are now open for the summer season, including the long weekends and Easter holidays. Rates are included below and are unchanged from last year, otherwise for bookings and further details go to the Karralika web site ([www.karralika.com](http://www.karralika.com)).

Bookings for the winter 2015 will be open for members on 1 March and non-members on 1 April. Winter rates will be advised in the New Year.

### **Summer Events and Entertainment**

As we go to print, Perisher has not updated their events for the summer and autumn season, but check their website later in the year for all they have to offer.

Thredbo has lots of events on over the summer, many outdoors activities. Check out their website for all the details.

The Thredbo Blues Festival is a weekend of great blues music, dancing, food and wine in the stunning surrounds of Thredbo from 16 to 18 January. For further information and the latest updates visit <http://www.thredbo.com.au/events/thredbo-blues-festival/>

Thredbo Jazz Festival is indicated for 1 to 3 May. A 3-day celebration of jazz music, held in bars and restaurants throughout Thredbo Village. More details available on the Thredbo web site <http://www.thredbo.com.au/events/thredbo-jazz-festival-3/>

### **Summer 2014/15 Tariffs**

The tariffs for the remainder of Summer 2014/15 are as follows. The lodge is also available for use during the Easter 2015 long weekend. All rates are inclusive of GST.

#### **Summer rates (1) - Summer 2014 / 2015 (Excluding dates below)**

	<b>Week (7 nights)</b>	<b>Long Weekend (2 nights)</b>	<b>Weekend (1 night)</b>
<b>Member</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>75</b>
<b>Concession</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>85</b>
<b>Non-member</b>	<b>360</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>145</b>
<b>Whole of Lodge</b>	<b>3,500</b>	<b>1,500</b>	<b>N/A</b>

#### **Summer rates (2) - Easter Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> -Mon 6<sup>th</sup> April**

	<b>Long Weekend (3 nights)</b>
<b>Member</b>	<b>170</b>
<b>Concession</b>	<b>190</b>
<b>Non-member</b>	<b>320</b>
<b>Whole of Lodge</b>	<b>2,500</b>

As with previous years, the lodge may be booked during the Summer tariff periods exclusively for a week for \$3,500 (Easter and other rates as per the website). During the Summer tariff period, children under 5 years of age may stay at the lodge free of charge and children under 13 years may stay for half the scheduled rate applicable.

### **Annual Work Party**

The annual work party is being planned for April 2015. The date is not yet set, but for anyone interested in helping with cleaning and light maintenance, the details should be available in the next newsletter.