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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

I hope this newsletter finds you all well. You don't need me to remind you that this season is shaping up to be one of the best for a very long time as far as quantity and quality of snow, the media's been yelling about it and Sydney has been so cold I'm surprised it hasn't snowed here.

The AGM on 28th March was a most enjoyable evening and some useful suggestions were made that the Board has taken note of. The meeting was also a farewell to Kate Branch who has relocated, with family, to Hong Kong for a number of years. As you know, Kate was our very able club Secretary and will be missed. Thank you Kate for all your hard work.

Businesses and communities are all being asked to help the environment by being more efficient users of energy and resources. Karralika's lodge is no exception. For quite a number of years now Karralika has paid for green energy to be included in our electricity. We are also encouraged to minimise the use of water (water charges to the club is based on usage). It seems strange to imagine there is a limited supply of water when you are surrounded by snow but this is the case. So, enjoy your week skiing at the lodge but please be as mindful of water usage there just as much as you are at home.

Likewise with energy. If it's warm please do not open windows but leave the heating in your rooms on. If it's warm, please consider turning your room heating off.

The response to the 'kids under five' week in September has been huge and I'm sorry that not everyone has been able to get a booking for this week. This is very much a trial for the club and we will be closely monitoring how this week goes. The Board cannot emphasise enough how dangerous the snow environment can be for young children and for those taking their young ones down to the Lodge this year we remind you that you should be on your guard at all times for their safety, whether in the Lodge or outside.

Feedback. Your Board really appreciates feedback. Whether it's the condition of the Lodge (hopefully good), the makeup of products we supply in the food store or any other thoughts that could benefit the Lodge, we really would like to hear about it.

Finally, an update in respect of the proposed sale of more bed leases by the National Parks. It's gone very quiet and whilst six months ago we thought an offer to tender for additional bed leases would be made within the first half of 2007 this has not eventuated. So unfortunately, it's very hard to now know what to expect or when this tender process will occur. We will keep you posted.

Best wishes

Ian Fergusson

KARRALIKA CLOTHING

A reminder that Karralika has a line of clothing available for purchase including mens' and women's' polar vests and rugby jerseys. These are available in a wide range of colours and sizes.

The full range can be found at www.karralika.com

LODGE AVAILABILITY

So far this year the snow is fantastic and the lodge is booking up quickly. The latest lodge availability for the 2007 winter season can be found online at www.karralika.com

MOUNTAIN PASS PRICES 2007

	Adult	Children (6-14 years)
	\$	\$
Noon start mountain pass	76	42
1 day mountain pass	95	52
2 day mountain pass	190	104
3 day mountain pass	271	145
5 day mountain pass	418	241
5.5 day mountain pass	418	241
6 day mountain pass (new for 2007)	492	284
Night skiing and boarding (Tues and Sat 6:30-9:30)	23	13

LIFT PASS DISCOUNTS AND REBATE

Pre-book your September lift passes through Perisher Blue Snow Holidays (ph 02 64 514 870 or 64 514 877), identify yourself as a lodge member and receive a substantial discount on your lift pass.

Booking this way will not only ensure you get a get lift passes at great prices but it will also entitle SLOPES to a rebate which will be beneficial in the long term for Karralika and other Perisher Blue lodges.

WINTER 2007 BOOKING RATES

Shoulder period (1): 9 - 30 June and 23 September – 6 October. Bookings for the October long weekend will be at the “standard” winter rate.

	Week (7 nights) \$	Long Weekend (2 nights) \$	Weekend (1 night) \$
Member	180	95	64
Concession	244	132	88
Non-member	485	250	170

Shoulder period (2): 15 – 22 September

	Week (7 nights) \$	Long Weekend (2 nights) \$	Weekend (1 night) \$
Member	233	122	82
Concession	318	172	112
Non-member	615	307	210

Standard winter rates: 30 June – 28 July and 1 – 15 September

	Week (7 nights) \$	Long Weekend (2 nights) \$	Weekend (1 night) \$
Member	286	148	100
Concession	392	212	140
Non-member	742	370	250

Peak period rates: 28 July – 1 September

	Week (7 nights) \$	Long Weekend (2 nights) \$	Weekend (1 night) \$
Member	370	190	130
Concession	424	245	165
Non-member	835	424	285

BOOKING PRIORITIES

Booking priorities are unchanged and are in this order.

- Member
- Member and up to three guests (whether family or otherwise)
- Member's family
- Other guests

Please note that our lease only permits 16 people staying at the lodge at any one time. Contravention of our lease obligations in this regard represents a serious breach and the Board reserves the right to terminate the membership of a member responsible for such a breach of our lease requirements.

Members are reminded that where they have recommended non-member friends to stay at the lodge but will not be staying at the lodge at the same time, they remain responsible for the actions of those guests including any breach of the lease terms mentioned above.

BOOKING CANCELLATIONS

If bookings are cancelled 21 days or more in advance of your first day of stay, a cancellation fee of \$100 (per person) or cost of the booking, whichever is the lower, will be charged.

If winter bookings are cancelled with less than 21 days notice, the full tariff will be forfeited except for when the accommodation is re-let in which case the cancellation fee will apply.

LINEN SERVICE

Included in the winter tariff is a linen service which provides sheets, pillowslips and towels. This service is included in the winter tariffs only but arrangements can be made for an additional charge during summer. For further information contact the Booking Secretary.

SUGGESTION BOX

The Board looks forward to your suggestions concerning any improvements to the lodge or the running of the lodge. These can be forwarded via email or post.

LODGE TELEPHONE

The Lodge telephone is now an honour system. Local calls will cost 50c each and long distance calls to Sydney or country NSW will be \$1.00. The Lodge Captain is to collect the money at the week's end.

LODGE EQUIPMENT FAILURE AND BREAKAGES

Must be reported to the Lodge Captain immediately they occur. Please do not attempt to repair lodge equipment yourself. The Lodge Captain should contact Roger Russell (maintenance director) who will determine what action to take.

PANTRY OUT OF STOCK

If certain line items run out of stock during your stay at the lodge please advise Jeff Mullins (02) 9487 4085. Members do not have authority to purchase items on the club's behalf; Jeff should be consulted and will make whatever arrangements are appropriate.

If line items are found to be past their 'use by date' kindly do not have this stock removed and destroyed. Rather please leave in the bulk storeroom with a sign "out of date – do not use". If such stock is removed we have no accurate means for gauging actual lodge consumption for purchasing requirements.