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# POTOMAC VALLEY SKIERS

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#### Membership Nomination

DOUG and JEAN TOONE (sponsors: PAT and DON COPE) have been recommended to the member-ship chairmen by the Excom for PVS membership. Most of the Excom have skied with the Toones in Colorado and getting recommended was a shoo-in.

### April Meeting

The April meeting will be at the Windsor Park Hotel, 2300 Connecticut Ave., Washington, just south of the bridge over Rock Creek. Election of our president and Excom members. Parking is available. Cash bar.

### Nominating Committee's Report

GLADE FLAKE, Chairman of the nominating committee, presents the following nominees for election at the annual meeting in April: for president - DORIS HEGE; for executive committee - JACK IAMS, BILL PEARSON, and MURRY LYON. Biographies of the candidates appear on page 5. Other members of the nominating committee are DON COPE, RON FETT, DICK KING, PETE LANG and JEFF WADEY.

## USEASA Convention - by LARRY PEASE, USEASA Director

The 1970 USEASA Annual Convention will be at Tamiment, Pa. (in the Poconos) from Friday, May 8 through Sunday, May 10. Last year a large PVS contingent attended, and this year, since the locale is so scenic, we should muster another congenial group. A reasonably priced package rate is available, including registration fee, 2 nights lodging, 6 meals (including midnight buffet Friday and prime rib banquet Saturday), beer bust, bloody Mary party, whiskey sour party, and full use of facilities. For the athletes (and of course, all PVS'ers are-Ed. note), there are tennis courts, an 18 hole golf course, canoeing, volleyball, and other physical activity to condition you for the next party. Panel sessions of interest to PVS'ers will be concerned with membership, club activities, recreation, Alpine officials, publications, junior development, competition, ski patrol, proficiency tests and other subjects. The panels provide a form where those unasked questions can be discussed. Only by becoming involved do we benefit.

Registration opens at 7:30 P.M. Friday, May 8; panel sessions from 9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M., Saturday, May 9, and general business meeting from 2:00 to 1:30 P.M., and fun time in the evening. The business meeting will reconvene at 9:30 A.M. Suncay, May 10, closing about 2:00 P.M. More info and reservation sheets at the April PVS meeting: see LARRY PEASE or HANK THOMAS.

# HAIL VAIL! - by JACK LILLEY

Washington's birthday week was celebrated in gay fashion by many PVSers. Enjoying the sun, fun, wining, dining, elbow bending and excellent snow conditions were the condominium partners MEC and E.P. ANDERSON, NANCY MONACELLI, RON FETT, LARRY FAGG, and JACK LILLEY, who stayed in the condominium apartment at the Crossroads of Vail. Down the street, at the Wedel Inn, the SCWDC Colorado ski group included our friends GINNY LARSON and PETE LANG. Ginny and Pete went on to Aspen the following week while the Condo gang stayed on for another exciting week of fun, food and snow at Vail.

During the entire time, Vail had fantastic snow, and the sun shone every day but one. The Tuesday night after Washington's birthday, over 9 inches of real powder snow fell so that on Wednesday morning when the sun came out -- hundreds of screaming ecstatic creatures could be heard all over the mountain as skiers floated through the soft powder. The second week also produced 5 to 6 inches more of fresh snow to maintain the already excellent cover over the entire 10 square miles of skiable terrain now available at Vail.

Vail has added a whole new mountain this year, Lion's Head, complete with a new 6-passenger, high-speed gondola, a new bowl area - Game Creek, and a host of new trails.

Lift lines in the new Lion's Head area were relatively short even on weekends. To the
delight of the gung-ho skiers, the fabulous back bowls of Vail were in great shape.

MASTAR races were available each week for interested competitiors and to top off the race program the Crossroads PVSers organized the First International HARVEY WALLBANGER Giant Slalom Classic race. This novel race was held in honor of the great popular Arink in Colorado ski country this year -- Harvey Wallbanger. After two HWB's, no mountain, hill or ski trail is too steep to ski (provided you can get up off the lodge floor).

This classic race was conducted in a classic manner on Golden Peak. E.P. Anderson had the best? time for the men (subject to certain foul claims). BRUCE HARSTAD, who arrived to train for the National Veteran's Races to be held the following week, left the starting gate 3 seconds early. Ron Fett made the last 15 yards backwards through the last gate in a flourishing finish. Jack Lilley roared! through the finish gate in a swirl of snow only to learn that the timer had not even seen him on the course. Nancy Monacelli finished first in the exciting girl's competition. One gal (initial M. Anderson) even missed the first gate. Anyhow, the competition was fierce and a lot of laughs were generated. Next year's Harvey Wallbanger Classic will be conducted with electronic timers and improved (?) officiating.

To prepare all interested PVSers for this great race next year, following are the ingredients of a Harvey Wallbanger:

HARVEY WALLBANGER

1 oz Vodka
1 oz Galliano
3 oz Orange Juice
Mix in tall glass filled with ice

## Richmond Ski Club Wins by Two-Tenths! - by DICK KING

The last weekend of February 1970, Richmond Ski Club skiers pressed forward to victory by the narrow margin of two-tenths of a second in the first annual Potomac Valley Skiers vs. Richmond Ski Club in tra-club race. The race, run at the Ski Roundtop area near York, Pa., within the NASTAR race sponsored by that area, added another dimension to the enthusiasm stirred by participation in NASTAR.

The PVS LOWE family can claim leadership on this day. SHIRLEY was the only gal running in the PVS/RSC competition; thus her time of 47.7 stands unchallenged. Shirley's son, BOBBY, led the men racers with an excellent time of 40.7, which won him a silver NASTAR medal. Second in the PVS/RSC competition was enthusiastic Meade Broaddus, whose time of 43.7 won a silver NASTAR also. All other competitors won bronze medals. The average time for the two men's teams was: Richmond--46.0 and PVS--46.2. Congratulations to all for their participation and success in winning their medals. Let's look to another bigger and better race next year between these two neighboring clubs from the Banana Belt of Skiers!

Name	<u>Time</u>	Ski Club	NASTAR Medal
Bob Lowe, Jr.	40.7	PVS	Silver
Meade Broaddus	43.0	RSC	
Donald Satterwhite	43.5	RSC PVS	Bronze
Dick King	44.9	RSC	it
Sam Ukrop	45.5		ti
Larry Pease	47.1	PVS	π
Bob Mason	47.4	RSC	n
Shirley Lowe Bill Carneal	47.7 47.8	PVS RSC	II .
Don McBride	47.8	PVS	11
Murray Lyon	48.2	PVS	
Bill Pearson	48.5	PVS	11
Tom Holman	48.9	RSC	11

#### NASTAR Pins

A ski pin from Bad Gastein may be impressive, but NASTAR pins are becoming collectors' items. PVS got the habit this season, and nine members have started a collection. At present, we have 2 silver and 7 bronze pins - about 13 percent of our total membership. Next year, maybe we can challenge the Blue Ridge Ski Council to a contest: What club can show the highest percentage memership with NASTAR pins?

### PVS NASTAR Pin Collection

BRUCE HARSTAD	.Silver
OLEG JERSCHKOWSKI.	
DICK KING	
LARRY PEASE	
SHIRLEY LOVE	
DON McBRIDE	
MURRAY LYON	
BILL PEARSON	
JACK FOX	+ "

### International Dinner May 2nd

International gourmet dishes will be prepared by PVS cooks (and friends). The buffet will provide several hors d'oeuvres, entrees, exotic vegetables, desserts and cheeses. Wines, beers and soft drinks will be cheeses. Wines, beers and soft drinks will accompany the meal.

PAT COPE needs your reservation before April 24 so that she can insure an adequate supply of edibles and potables for all gourmands. Those wishing cocktails, BYOB.

Those preparers or purchasers of international exotics (including American) who have not been turned up thus far should contact PAT. Card tables, chairs and warming trays are also needed.

PLACE:

Pat and Don Cope's "Barn" 117 W. Monroe Ave. Alexandria, Va. 836-5436

TIME:

6:00 P.M., Saturday, May 2

COST:

\$3.50 (incl. beverages)

All contributors will be reimbursed.

DIRECTIONS:

From 14th Street bridge, take Route 1 South. Where U.S.1 makes sharp left onto bridge over railroads, turn right on Monroe Ave. Go through two traffic lights to very large white house on right. If you find yourself at the Monroe-Russell Road light, do not pass, go back two houses.

## PVS Summer Schedule

May

Spring meeting, Pennsylvania Ski Federation 19 April

21 April Annual PVS Election, Windsor Park Hotel, Potomac Room

(Tuckerman Slides - KING and PEASE)

International Night and equipment demonstration for assault of Mt. Washington, COPE Manor

3 May Tennis - Haines Point

8-10 May USEASA Convention - Tamiment, Pa.

16 May Monthly meeting - SOLERS'

21-26 May Mt. Washington trip

29-31 May Hatteras thaw-out

18-19 July Float trip - THELMA BELLOLI for registration

### Biographies of Nominees

DORIS HEGE is a charter member of PVS, who has served as secretary of the club and on the Executive Committee. She has also served as secretary and on the Board of Directors of SCWDC.

Born and reared in the south, started skiing in 1960 on a 10-day trip to Stowe with a group of friends who had grown up in New England. They insisted that she attend ski school every day and by the end of the trip they had a somewhat shaky, but totally enthusiastic skier on their hands. Doris is a big booster of ski schools and strongly feels that beginners especially should take as many lessons as their time and money will permit.

A political science major, Doris works as secretary to two attorneys who represent one of the major oil companies in Washington. The job sometimes requires long hours and she finds skiing a perfect way to rid oneself of the tensions and frustrations that build up during the week. In addition to skiing, Doris plays tennis and swims as often as possible. During high school and college she swam in competition as well as working as a life guard and swimming instructor during the summer. Doris was also cocaptain of her high school cosser team captain of her high school soccer team (Yes, girls do play soccer).

On the esthetic side, she has a large collection of classical and jazz (cool) records and is a nut about history - medieval English variety preferably! She is a former music student--played the drums.

JOHN IAMS\* B. Oklahoma Flatlands. M. Mary Lemmon (Bryce Ski Patrol) C. Barbara (Bryce Ski Patrol), William (determinedly unaffiliated). First boards, Mr. Washington (ca. 1939). Notable spills: Innsbruck (1945), Tabriz (1952). Garmisch (1955). Nordsfiell (1958), Geilo (1959), Krknose (1964), Tremblant (1966), Winter Park (1968). Refused to ski Mansfield (1967), Sugarbush (1967), Bromley (1968), Vail (1968), Squaw (1968), Bear (1969). Failures: SCWDC Junior Program Director, ski patrol, PVS attendance. Likes: skiing, mountain climbing, anything north of Arctic Circle. Dislikes: organized skiing, American technique, First Aid instruction, ski publications, Vail and Aspen.

MURRAY LYON has been a member of PVS for 15 months. He and his wife, Jane, were sponsored for membership by DICK HARSH and JIM KEY. Murray's first contact with PVS was was in 1966 when he and RUSS KINAMAN skippered a couple of Rainbows on a July 4th weekend outing on Chesapeak Bay (temperature 104 - Ed's note). Last summer he was one of PAT COPE'S assistants at her famous annual lobster picnics. Murray passed the USEASA basic and standard uniform proficiency tests at the Ski-O-Ree at Charnita and earned a NASTAR bronze medal in the slalom. The Lyons came to this area last year from central Pennsylvania. They now live in Gaithersburg.

BILL PEARSON is what you might call a resurrected skier. Having taken up skiing in the '30s, he learned the old Arlberg technique. This was good enough to get him on the Cornell freshman ski team, where all he did was jump on a 20-meter hill and race cross-country. The war and family formation forced a hiatus, but he got his children started early enough so that his older son now skis circles around him. Since moving here from California 3 years ago, Bill revivied his interest in skiing tenfold. He qualified as a patrolman in NSPS last year and has raced a few times in NASTAR this year. In order to be able to continue skiing, Bill works, too - as Chief Engineer for Aerojet-General Industrial Systems Division in Frederick.

\*Abstracted from CS Form 57

## USEASA Committee Chairman Visits PVS

SIMON CARMEL, chairman of the USEASA Committee for Deaf Skiers, managed to get to the March meeting in time to say Hello to his many PVS friends. (He had attended two other meetings in the Washington area that evening!)

Simon, who stands about 5 feet 6 in his socks--and over 10 feet tall on his skis--had just raced in the Deaf Skiers National Championships at Snowmass, February 18-20. He finished 6th in slalom and 12th in G.S. At Snowmass, Simon met former PVS member, E.P. ANDERSON.

Simon has appealed to us to help raise \$30,000 for the Deaf Ski Team by December. One-third of the money is needed sooner to send the squad to training camp in June. The 7th World Winter Games for the Deaf are only 10 months away--January 1971 in Adelboden, Switzerland. At the 6th games held in Berchtesgaden, German, in 1967, an 18-year old girl from Fitchburg, Mass., Tammy Marcinuk won two gold medals. Simon was manager and coach of the U.S. team. He says to watch Tammy in 1971.

"A contribution is a vote of confidence," says Simon. Mail checks, made out to USA Deaf Ski Team Fund" to Mrs. Patricia Insley, Treasurer, c/o USA Deaf Ski Team Fund, 14506 Woodcrest Drive, Rockville, Md. 208353.

#### Notes from the Bog Runner's Log

MAIDA EIROD returned from Europe with a borken foot. ANN JONES broke her foot at home. Former number MORT STIMLER almost attached himself to an Alp. He would have succeeded had his leg not released first ... a bad spiral. GINNY LARSON broke her hip, THELMA BELLOLI is also out with a hip injury from skiing--and the TOOT editor has a headache from --- ? SABRINA GILMORE was born in February to BRUCE and INGEBORG. I wonder...when a candidate for membership is introduced to the club by his sponsor, should the sponsor tell us how the candidate's membership will benefit the club? SCWDC provides USEASA with four committee chairmen. "SHIRLEY DUNCAN's pictures of Sapporo were the best I've ever seen at a PVS meeting." BILL STECHER, charter member and former president, may be seen on weekends in Switzerland sitting behind the wheel of his new Mercedes Benz waiting for it to start. The editor presents the squanto Award to AINA HERTELIS, who nominated three new members to PVS this year. Eleven new members were voted into PVS this past year. WHO is the most serious skier in PVS? Send your claim to your Winter Program Chairman, listing the number of days and evenings you skied this season. The winner may try to tell his ski story at the end of the May meeting, time permitting. WHO is the best skier in PVS? WHO is the most improved skier this season? How do you rate yourself? WHO did the most for the club this year? Which member has skied the most years? WHO is our oldest and WHO our youngest skiers???

#### Editor and Manager Join TOOT Staff

GINNY LARSON is our new Copy Editor. Send your copy to Ginny. JANE LYON is the Circulation Manager and would welcome some help on her staff.

TOOT needs a typist. We also need an electric typewriter. Contact Ginny.

## Change for PVS Directory

GERTRUDE (TRUDY) R. LEMKE to TRUDY SANTORO, 1400 S. Joyce St., Apt. C211, Arlington, Virginia 22202

# Old Pharz (sounds like parts) Never Die; They Just Blaze Away - by a Class III Racer

The gladiator amoints his body with oil before the contest, and the young squire keeps vigil on the eve of his knighthood. In the tiny chapel beneath the grandstands the matador prays, but the veteran racer frets loudly and swears irrevently at the capricious mountain weather as he changes his wax combination for the third time since midnight. He will never face death in the afternoon, because he plans to bring home the bacon before lunch.

Its early in the morning of the Veteran's Giant Slalom at Mt. Snow in Vermont, and already a small orderly crowd of contestants have gathered before the race secretary to pick up their bibs and copies of the running order. They murmur quietly, like a hive of awakening bees.

Snatches of private conversations can be overheard as the line moves along, past the registration table and out the door. "...Watch out for Old Barney," observes one racer in hushed tones, "He's putting in his contact lens." "Yea," replies his buddy, "and Uncle Joe is removing his new teeth for safekeeping." "Look, Big Al is placing a side bet with the patrol leader. He sure looks confident today." "Maybe, but let's follow him to see if he tries to hedge this one with a bigger bet."

As Bruce Harstad said, New England competition is more serious than the local brand.

Gray hair, false teeth, contact lens, bursitis, and almost every affliction and malady of the aging could be detected, except cardiac conditions, and I'm not certain about that. Race day cures all ailments.

I was impressed by the general atmosphere of casual determination, mature confidence, and youthful enthusiams. But I was disappointed that Number Eight, the slight balding man with the pot belly and the bifocals under his goggles, did not keep the cigar clinched between his teeth as he slid easily into the starting gate at the top of the steep, fast course.

I watched them throughout the morning with growing interest as they cleaned their gogles, lashed on their hard hats, changed wax combinations, studied the course, made last-minute inspection of skis and bindings, and reached into their rucksacks packed with waxes and Milwaukee's finest. And I recall with awe the stable grace of a skilled athelete as one old chap illegally shadowed the course before the officials arrived. When eyes and reflexes fade and slow down, judgment, experience, and guile compensate effectively.

The tone of the conversations I overheard set the mood and told the story better than any reporter. "...Fritzie is getting too blind to play golf, but his wife let's him come up for the races so his friends can look after him." "Damn kids! (the kids are Class I vets and range from 27 to 33 years of age-Editor's note) "...buy a whole mountain for just \$3.50. For almost two minutes its mine." "Have a good run, Bill." (Aside) "He'll never make it in under two minutes." "... has more badges awards, and trophies than Major Bowes." "Look, Jerry, I think I see the first robin - over there in that funny birdbath. See 'em?" "Better wear your glasses today, Sid. That's an Irish Setter in a Buick convertible that you are looking at."

Yes, its worth any effort to attend a Vets race. My few grey hairs and increasing laugh lines will never seem so numerous or so drastic as long as I can finish within my seed.