

REPORT TO THE FAR WEST DIVISION
MOTHER LODE REGION STATUS REPORT
2018-2019 MID SEASON REPORT – due February 16, 2019

Mother Lode Region Mid-Season Report for 2018/19 Patrol Season

From: Tony Atkins, MLR Director

Date: 2/28/19

Highlights for 2018-19:

Mid-Season BOD Meeting was held Saturday 1/26/2019 at Donner Ski Ranch.

We had a great meeting that was well attended and filled with positive energy due to a full training calendar with a strong group of program advisors ready to go to work.

Update to the MLR Leadership Team:

Randy Baerg was appointed and approved to replace Dori Bietz as an assistant MLR Director. Dore has taken on the role as Patrol Rep for the Kirkwood Ski Patrol making her a primary member of the ESR and a secondary member in the MLR. You must be a primary MLR member to hold an office on

Sonja Kivley Borelli from the Dodge Ridge was appointed and approved to replace Vicky Day as the MLR Secretary. Sonja will do outstanding. Vicky was both the Asst RD and Secretary. Vicky will focus on the Asst. RD position.

Bill Borelli from the Dodge is our new Social Media Advisor. This will add much traction and value to our recruiting program for the MLR. He will focus on our social media profile to help draw the skiing public to join the MLR NSP Patrols.

Rob Maxim from the Sugar Bowl Ski Patrol has taken over Mid-Season the MLR OET Program from Jim Simons of China Peak. Jim has mentored Rob beginning last season and continuing during this season. This is a perfect example of a program advisor finding and developing his/her replacement. Rod is an outstanding instructor and provides a very positive teaching style.

Thank you to Jim for all he has contributed to the MLR OET Program, the NSP and to our patrollers over many Patrol Seasons!

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Rob is off to a great start proving many opportunities for our Senior Candidates for training and enhancing their Toboggan skills. Please see an attached recent picture taken at China Peak of a group of patrollers that Rob was training in an MLR Toboggan Enhancement Seminar.

Please see the below highlights from our most recent Women's Clinic & Training programs held Dodge Ridge. The work and service by our Program Advisors and NSP Instructors delivered to our members is important and valuable. Thank you to Dori and all our NSP Instructors for your outstanding leadership and work!

Dore,

Thank you for including the candidates in Dodge Women's Clinic. It was awesome. The weather was tough, but the instruction was amazing- and once again I feel like I took on a level of training that was way above my comfort zone but it set me up to be able to do that again at Heavenly. I loved learning to maneuver through the powder as that is something I want to get good at. Heidi was off the charts. I cannot tell you how much her teaching resonated with me from ankle articulation to boot fitting. I really enjoyed meeting female patrollers from other mountains and it was even more fun at Heavenly reconnecting. I didn't really understand how different it was for women to teach women until then. Thank you so much for organizing this. I also really appreciated the Heavenly clinic and sent a thank you note to Trudy and Tammie. Though I could see combining them would be a lot easier, I think having 2 weekends back to back was really valuable for me as a candidate, but either way I am already looking forward to next year's clinic(s).

Best,

Venecia Jacobs
Candidate 2019
Dodge Ridge

From: Dore A. Bietz <dorebietz@aol.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2019 7:01:17 PM
To: DoreBietz@aol.com
Subject: 2019 MLR Women's Clinic

It has been almost two weeks since our amazing event and I have finally caught up and am able to send a great big thank you to all of you for attending the 2019 MLR Women's Clinic

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To Heidi for her amazing instruction and always ever-present awesomeness!! To Trudy and Debbie for their top-notch toboggan instruction. To Robert Maxim our new MLR OET Advisor for stepping in and supporting our program and of course to the ever wise and wonderful Daryl Witcher for representing as the FWD OET Advisor. I could not do it without any of you!!!

To our hosts the Witchers and Gloria for providing us warmth and laughter and a place to stay! What an adventure it was!

To our participants.... WOW!! You conquered the snowmagedon, chains, driving in a blizzard and the ever-changing logistics....and for also stepping up to helping out the mountain operations like true Ski Patrollers always do.

Huge accomplishments were had by all...while we missed out on a few sleds runs. We conquered the trees and deep powder, had some great laughs and made lasting forever friendships. I am truly blessed to get to do what I do, and I thank you all for making it such an awesome event. I hope that each of you were able to get something out of it while you were here.

Please tell me what you liked or disliked and if you have really good kudos, cc them to the MLR Director Tony Atkins (tony_atkins@comcast.net) and of course our FWD Director Lance Vaughan (lancevaughan1@gmail.com)....the more we can document the positive difference these clinics make for our women patrollers the better.

Last weekend several of us were able to attend the annual Heavenly Women's Clinic and those of us (between the two regions ESR and MLR) are looking about maybe combining the two events for next year. Let us know if you would be interested.... thinking Tahoe area resort of course. More information to come.

Last but not least, if there is anything I can do to help you improve your skills, pursue leadership or becoming an instructor, please don't hesitate to ask. With all this snow our resorts could be open well into late spring so if you want me to come make a visit at your resort...all you have to do is ask.

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MLR highlights for 2018/19 Patrol Seasons:

- **MLR financial position is very strong.**
- **MLR Registration/Membership is 314**
- **MLR Leadership provided at the Division level is healthy.**
- **MLR has 27-30 new NSP Candidates for the 2018-19 season.**
- **MLR has 13-15 patrollers working to their Senior Status.**
- **MLR with the ESP provided 2 make-up OEC Refreshers for Cycle A & C.**
- **MLR hosted a last chance OEC Refresher Cycle B to help keep NSP patrollers current.**
- **MLR will host a full Instructor Development course on March 31, 2019 at The Shriners Hospital located 2425 Stockton Boulevard in Sacramento. The NSP Course number is F069190006.**
- **MLR Program Advisors during the 2018/19 Patrol Season are working hard increase in our NSP training programs for S & T, Woman's program and Senior Evaluations.**
- **MLR Awards Dinner is Saturday May 11, 2019. Dori is leading our planning process for our annual Awards Dinner.**
- **MLR/ESR ICE Clinic is scheduled for 9/14/2019. The MLR Leadership Team is Bill Borelli, Rob Maxim, & Dori Bietz. The MLR Team will work with Brain Haena from ESR to put the event together.**
- **Please see the updated MLR Leadership Roster attached.**

MLR Calendar items scheduled for the season:

- **March 9-10 and March 30-31, new Avy I class offered at Sugar Bowl, IOR Chris Oakes being mentored by Mike Laney.**

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- **March 13, 14, 15 Squaw OET clinic**
- **March 24 - OEC Mid-Winter Final at Northstar**
- **March 24 - OEC SEM at Donner Ski Ranch**
- **March 29-31 – Senior Evaluation for S&T @ Sugar Bowl**
- **April 3-6 Powderfall**
- **May 11 - MLR Awards Banquet**
- **September 14 - ICE Clinic hosted by MLR/ESR in Davis.**