



OLYMPIC MOUNTAIN RESCUE NEWSLETTER

A Volunteer Organization Dedicated to Saving Lives Through Rescue and Mountain Safety Education

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REPORTS of Chairman, Officers, Coordinators, and Committees:

TREASURER:

Treasurer reports funding adequate for current operations. The repair and update of the White Truck transmission cost about \$3000.

TRAINING:

Please note that there are two training schedules in this newsletter. The first is our schedule for the year, which Patrick addresses below.

The second is the schedule for Hurricane ridge Sunday information sharing sessions, with other ONP activities included.

Meeting Training:

Thanks to Tom Banks, and newest member Andy Graham for the Patient Assessment training at the recent general membership meeting. It was a refreshing change and a good hands on opportunity.

UPCOMING:

As a reminder of upcoming events, there is going to be a Snow Training Jan. 19th at Hurricane Ridge. The instructors will be Dale Boyle and Greg Barron, they will cover various topics such as snow anchors, snow evaluation, avalanche awareness and beacon training. This is a bi-annual requirement for the unit, so please make sure if you need it to go on the 19th, or the next one on February 16 & 17th put on by Niko Weiss from SOS. If you plan on attending contact myself, one of the instructors or be at the gate when it opens, usually 9:00am.

Due to insufficient participants, the 1st Aid/CPR class that was also going to be held on the 19th of January

is going to be rescheduled. I am looking into different dates, and possibly two evening classes instead of a full Saturday, and the possibility of attending one evening for CPR only certification. The other options are to contact the local Red Cross for classes in your area, or stop by a local fire station.

As the new year for mission eligibility arises, it is very important that if you attend a training outside the unit that you send me the information. You can email or call me so the info can be put in the database, but I still need a hard copy that goes into the archives. The hard copy can be mailed to the P.O. Box, or brought to me at the next meeting.

If you have any ideas on training's you would like to see the unit have, whether at the general membership or weekend let myself or someone on the board know. We are striving to provide the best training for our unit and are always looking for new ideas to do this.

Patrick McAuliffe

MEMBERSHIP:

Congratulations to our newest member Andy Graham. Andy was recommended by the board and voted in by the membership at the January meeting. Andy is a Paramedic with a general mountaineering background.

FIRST AID:

Check your card or contact Patrick. Be sure you are current or will be by the end of May.

TRUCKS:

Sarah Armstrong will take the White Truck in to have studded tires put on and brakes checked.

I had a meeting with the

Forest Service about our Blue truck storage issue.

They are prepared to write us a temporary permit at no cost for the use of the building in Quilcene. They have a request that our insurance cover the building. I will be contacting our insurance company on 1-11-02 about this issue.

The timing is rather bad due to the fact that our insurance is only good through March 8th 2002. (Ed. Note: our current insurer has stopped writing this kind of insurance) I must move the Blue truck on Friday the 11th. It will be parked at my house or at Cass's house.

The Forest Service indicated they will write the permit if we provide the insurance they require. I am hoping that the current coverage will have us covered.

Greg Barron

MISSIONS

None to report

OMR ID BADGES

For those members that do not have an OMR ID Badge, or for those members that wish to update your badge, Greg will be taking portraits at the February General Membership meeting.

See Dale Boyle for updates of current badges if photo is not required.

CALL OUT ROSTERS

Please examine the included Callout Roster for errors. Contact Jim Groh with corrections.