



NATIONAL SKI PATROL EASTERN SIERRA REGION Heavenly Resort Lake Tahoe, CA

Minutes for Saturday, November 18, 2017

Called to order 9:04am

Proxies accepted

In attendance, proxies

Katie DuMont, ESR Director, Brian Haena, ESR AD; Tim Stephens, ESR AD; Keith Neergaard, Heavenly Area Patrol PR; Nancy Stromswold, Kirkwood PR and Assistant Director FWD; Mike Fanelli, Northstar PR; Todd Sprague, Sierra Ski Patrol PR; Chris Haagen, Tahoe Backcountry PR; Tom Werner Squaw Valley PR; Derek Koonce, Tahoe Donner Alpine PR; Jerry Milana, Tahoe Donner CC PR; Julie VanEtten, Sierra Host Representative; Bob Hoffman, ESR Alumni Advisor; Ian Bolliger, ESR Avalance Advisor; Leilani Connolly, ESR Awards Advisor; Loretta Barranger, ESR Equipment Advisor; Dave Stromswold, ESR OET Advisor and Homewood Proxy; Rob May, ESR Senior Advisor; Tammie Hoedeman, ESR Women's Program Advisor; Jim Sindt, Guest – Homewood Patrol Director; Bob VanEtten, Guest – NSP member

Additions to Agenda under New Business: none

Motion to Accept Agenda: Derek Koonce, 2nd Nancy Stromswold; passed

Presenters listed in gray submitted report by email and were not in attendance

Patrol Representative Reports

Answers to ESR meeting questions attached as Appendix A

Northstar – Mike Fanelli

- Jim Larrimore (mountain ops) is retiring – a search is on for his replacement
- March 16th is tentatively scheduled as alumni day. Northstar will welcome ESR and MLR alumni – lunch may be included.
- Keith T. may be selling his house – he is currently storing ESR equipment. Northstar may have a mid-mountain location available to store the equipment if needed.
- Dave Rossi will be putting together an OEC final for March. Date TBD, more info will follow

Tahoe Donner Nordic – Jerry Milana

- This season there will be 1 candidate, however 2 patrollers have left
- On hill training will be on 12/9. Truckee fire and Care Flight will be participating

- Looking for input on traction splints as they are looking to make a change and are considering either Sager or Slisman splints

Kirkwood – Nancy Stromswold

- There will not be a volunteer patrol at Kirkwood for the 2017-2018 season.
- The Kirkwood Patrol needs a new PR this season who skis at Kirkwood, can interface with the Paid staff and management, and be there with "boots on the ground" to work with management and potential patrollers to set up a volunteer patrol.
- I am the only member of Kirkwood who needs to pay FWD dues. All other members are Paid staff.

Tahoe Donner Alpine – Derik Koonce

- Current patroller count – 5 patrollers, 1 out for medical leave and 1 out with family.
- 1 new transfer, 3 candidates and 3 secondary patrollers.

Homewood – Dave Stromswold (proxy)

- New mountain ops director – Scot Cotner
- Combined paid/volunteer candidate training program. Looking to create a “seamless” training between the two programs.
- Ski patrol was voted department of the year by Homewood management.

Heavenly – Keith Neergaard

- Each patroller provided with a piece of polycarbonate to scrape bottom of toboggans and a pair of Yak Trax as a gift during their refresher.
- Galaxy lift is closed for the season. A replacement chair will be a “priority” for Vail Corp
- Heavenly will be hosting the FWD meeting on March 3rd
- Level 1 Avi course – modules 1-3 will be held over two weekends – March 3rd – 4th and 17th – 18th

Sierra-At-Tahoe – Todd Sprauge

- Todd attended the 4 day paid staff refresher. It was broken into several parts – day 1 focus was administrative, day 2 avi and explosives, day 3 medical and day 4 lift evac (including volunteers)
- Management has decided to mandate the use of helmets by all skiing personnel
- 1 risk online paper free reporting will be implemented. This will replace the use of paper forms for incident reporting
- New Verizon tower added in parking lot – this will improve mobile and wifi reception at the resort.

Squaw Valley – Brian Berry

- Casey Blan is now the VP of mtn ops for both Squaw and Alpine
- Will Payden is the paid staff director. He will have two assistants – Steve Hurt and Don B.
- 3 new Gasex avi devices added bringing the total to 6

- 2 patrol dedicated snow cats as well as new radios for the mountain – this includes 20 units for NSP
- Paid staff has been provided with new avi airbags
- 2 mobile and 1 fixed avilaunchers were added
- A patrol dedicated Astar B3 helicopter – not sure if it will be an available resource for other resorts, but will look into it. If it will be available information will be shared about what the request process will look like.
- 65 paid patrollers, 6-8 paid hosts and 72 active volunteers
- Dependent age for benefits was just changed to 26

Tahoe Backcountry – Chris Haagan

- 29 members and 26 candidates
- Avalanche and Mountaineering courses are open to the public to enhance public safety.
- Working with the Sierra Avalanche Center to install beacon checkers at the assorted trailheads.
- If anyone has a local need for an MTR course they may be able to host one.
- Discussed lack of participation from Avi and MTR instructors at Davis ICE
- The relationship between NSP and the American Avalanche Assoc. instruction programs is a potential concern as the two curriculum seem to line up, but NSP is currently not approved
- Tahoe Backcountry patrollers are also involved with the FWD California Winter SAR patrol

Sierra Host Program – Julie VanEtten

- 80 hosts – all are NSP members with a waiting list of 40 people
- Fully self-funded program
- Assist in various departments on hill. Customer feedback to Sierra Management has been very positive.

National, Division and Region Reports

Far West Division Director Lance Vaughan

Division update

PATROL REPS:

- Patrol Registration Ensure your members are not listed as Associate members, members are paying their National Dues and that you complete the Registration process on-line.
- Clean up OEC records of patrollers with missing OEC training data, this item is not going away. Patrol Reps and Patrol OEC advisers work together to address missing data from your patrollers records. Non compliance for a patroller can result in removal of patrollers with missing training records. Region and Division have a ideas to assist with the data verification process. Move non-active / retired patroller names to the unassigned patroller list. Candidates are moved to Patroller status when they advance to patroller. Remaining entries on the delinquent list are addressed per Division & Region OEC instructions.

- Remind Toboggan Instructors register Sled checks, Sled clinics and early season sled training. Showing on-going training is critical should an issue arise in the future, and common sense & course registration provides some coverage for Tob instructors.
- Division, Regional Dues and Rosters - Send to Peggy Jamison FWD Registrar
 - Dec 1. is due date to Peggy Jamison.
Registrar needs:
 1. Roster of patrollers being paid for.
 2. How many pros are registering
 3. Check for total amount due
 4. IDENTIFICATION on check (Patrol Name written out or F0 number.)
 5. Check made payable to Far West Division,

Mailing address is:

Peggy Jamison

1006 Aloha Way

Lady Lake, FL 32159

phone (559)642-8006 cell (559)683-8409

- Region Dues -- I again suggest the Region is under investing in the ESR membership. I'd caution you all of changes in the Community College program having a negative impact on a major revenue stream. I recall from the Summer meeting it seemed the Region assets were overstated by ~\$3.5-4 K (liabilities for Avalanche expenses that were not yet claimed) I wish to avoid the ESR incurring a budget shortfall. Suggestion is it is time for proactive revenue planning and increasing your training offerings as the past years lack of snow has created a need for more training. Recall the abundance of snow last year did not allow us to catch up on missed training.
- Election --- Vote in the NSP Board election. I support diversity in leadership, ideas, needs, business practice, types of areas served. A blending of ideas makes us stronger as an organization. Please vote as you feel, do read the candidate statements, you can cast one or five votes. Again I support Diversity, not a super majority on our Board.
- I look forward to the ESR winter meeting, Let's go skiing. Thank you for your time.

Lance V 415-377-0057

Treasurer Steve Costello

Here it is...the great finance report. Once the intensive class and hybrid class pay for OEC supplies and the ESR Equipment fee we are positive for the year to date. (The ICE cleared over 1500.)

The intensive class sent a check but the check was made out to me so I requested another.

I have not received a community college check...I don't know much about the payment for that but it seems to be random so I was not expecting anything yet.

I still need to get final expenses for the East Bay class and the admin expenses for the east bay/Sac and the south Bay finals.

*Request for reimbursements posted on the ESR website

ESR Financial Report November 15, 2017

| Balances | | | |
|-------------|-----------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|
| \$ | 22,645.40 | Checking | |
| \$ | 501.10 | Savings | .05 interest FYTD thru 11/15/17 |
| \$ | 23,146.50 | Total | |
| Outstanding | | | |
| \$ | 177.48 | Outstanding Checks (2) | (Sac OEC, Postage) |
| \$ | - | Outstanding Deposit | |
| ✓✓ \$ | 22,969.02 | Agrees with spreadsheet | |

| Activity July 1, 2016 - November 18 (First meeting) | | | |
|---|-------------|---------------|-------------|
| Income: | | Expenses: | |
| OEC classes | \$ 5,575.00 | OEC classes | \$ 5,532.32 |
| Shirt Sales | \$ 22.00 | OEC Equipment | \$ 835.95 |
| ICE | \$ 3,081.20 | ICE | \$ 2,540.29 |
| Interest | \$ 0.05 | meetings | \$ 322.95 |
| | | Postage | \$ 19.10 |
| | | Awards | \$ 80.21 |
| | \$ 8,678.25 | | \$ 9,330.82 |

| Outstanding/Anticipated Items (Estimated) | | | |
|---|-------------|-----------------|-----------|
| ESR Fees* for OEC classes | | Expenses: | |
| Intensive | \$ 1,155.00 | OEC Final Admin | \$ 50.00 |
| Hybrid | \$ 715.00 | EB OEC | \$ 200.00 |
| | \$ 1,870.00 | | \$ 250.00 |
| * Equipment Fee, OEC student kits | | | |

Assistant Director, Parliamentarian, Calendar, Tim Stephens

Distributed course info sheets for EST to PR's. All items are also posted on the ESR calendar.

Please continue to send calendar items to Tim Stephens

Assistant Director, Brian Haena

Davis ICE event went well. After all expenses were covered there was a positive cash flow of approximately \$500 mainly due to the number of participants this year. Two "last chance" ICE dates are on the calendar – 12/3 (OEC only) and 12/9 (sponsored by MLR).

Reviewed the PR questions form. Some have had issues with submitting the .pdf forms – if the "submit" button is not available you can save the form and email it back to Brian – just don't change the form name and it will work the same as using the submit button. Will look into potentially using google forms for future information collection.

Director Katie DuMont

*Polo shirts: 1 left: Men's 1 Lg (\$22 & \$25 if shipped)

*Announcements:

- Community College; lacking participation
 - Discussion on community college program included a lot of feedback on the registration / sign up procedure. Many were not happy with the amount and type of information requested. Most have made the decision not to continue participation in the program
- Patrol Registration
- Dues

- Derek discussed the potential of adding ESR dues in the future. He will be sending a “value proposition” list to the PR’s for review and addition
- OEC Refresher options; ESR Webpage and more
- OEC classes; 22 candidates for our ESR patrols
- ESR ICE event - Last Chance - December 3, 2017
- MLR ICE event - Last Chance - December 9, 2017
- FWD Whistles; promoted by Bill Gibson
- NSP Board Election Vote Now - October 16th - Dec 1st
- FWD Election Open; Asst. Div Director Position nominations due Dec 4, 2017

TRAINING ADVISOR REPORTS

Avalanche Ian Bolliger

2017-18 ESR Preseason Avalanche Program Report

Recap of 2015-16 Courses

TBSP: TBSP hosted a successful 20-person course over MLK weekend last year. With the new NSP Avalanche course requirements, we found we could not complete all three Level 1 modules (classroom, field, professional rescuer) within 3 days. Given an already expansive set of candidate requirements, we did not want to add an additional day and also felt that the professional rescue component, while valuable, is not as crucial to the skillset we want our backcountry patrollers to possess as is the Module 1 and 2 material (including companion rescue). Thus, for 2015-16 and going forward, we will be offering a Mod1/2 course, which is different than most, if not all, of the other ESR courses.

Others: ?

2016-17 Courses

Classes

There are 4 Level 1 courses occurring within ESR this year (that I am aware of). There is one Level 2 course (the same Level 2 course that has occurred roughly biannually within ESR). If your patrol is conducting a course and are not in the below table, let me know! Also, if your patrol has not yet registered your course, please do so ASAP. The live version of this table is available at: <https://goo.gl/CRbi87>

| Patrol | IOR | Level | Modules | Max Students | Status | Registered | Classroom Dates | Classroom Location | Field Dates | Notes |
|-------------------|----------------|-------|---------|--------------|--------|------------|-----------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| Tahoe Backcountry | Ian Bolliger | 1 | 1,2 | 20 | Full | Yes | 1/13/2017 | Truckee Airport | 1/14 and 1/15 | |
| Alpine Meadows | Rob Morrow | 1 | 1,2,3 | ? | Open | Yes | 12/2 and 12/3 | Tahoe City FD | 1/27 and 1/28 | Alpine/Squaw |
| Heavenly | Keith Neergard | 1 | 1,2,3? | ? | Open? | No | 3/4 and 3/5 | ? | 3/17 and 3/18 | |
| Tahoe Donner | ? | ? | ? | ? | ? | No | ? | ? | ? | |
| Alpine Meadows | Rob Morrow | 2 | | ? | Open | Yes | 12/2 and 12/3 | Tahoe City FD | 2/24-25 and 3/10-11 | Alpine/Squaw |

Course Calendar

I have started an ESR Avy Google Calendar so that I can keep track of the various dates for classes. At some point, I’d like this to be widely distributed to Avy Instructors so that when someone registers a course they can add it to the calendar. If you are running an Avy course

and/or you want to be kept in the know on any dates, please add the following calendar: <https://goo.gl/AbvSPz>. If you would like to request write access, just let me know.

Interest in Courses

Speaking from the TBSP course perspective, we have many interested public simply among the friends and family of instructors. We discussed adding a second course this year but did not have the instructor bandwidth. We will pass these folks along to other ESR courses, but I feel we have the demand for more courses. Which means we need more instructors.

Instructor Status/Development

I don't know how many instructors we have in total within the region, nor how many candidate instructors. This information will be helpful to gauge the state of our instructor core. I will begin to try to compile a list of these instructors

Continuing Education

Several continuing education events have occurred this fall:

1. A ICE Clinic was conducted in Davis on Sep 9. I was unable to attend, but I believe 6 FWD Instructors attended (at least 4 were ESR).
2. The California Avalanche Workshop (CAW), an annual preseason gathering and series of presentations, occurred on Oct 14 in South Lake Tahoe
3. Another ICE course was provided at the Tri-Advisory Nov 3-5, organized by Keith Church. I do not know how many instructors attended.
4. Rob Morrow and I both attended the National Avalanche School (NAS) classroom sessions in October (Rob as a volunteer assistant), and I will attend the field sessions in February.

American Avalanche Association Course Compliance/Certification

Bob Moore (Squaw) recently asked if it was possible to obtain A3 certification for NSP Avy courses. Apparently, this may be important for pro patrollers that may enroll in these courses if they ultimately want to obtain a higher level (e.g. Pro 1 or Pro 2) certification. I am looking into this with A3.

Comment on course costs

I think it probably would be good to roughly coordinate course costs across courses. The TBSP course is \$70 for TBSP candidates and \$170 for others. The Squaw/Alpine course is \$135 for NSP members and \$185 for others. I think these are close enough and wonder if other courses are in this ballpark.

Certified Keith Tatsukawa – No Report

Instructor Development Open – No Report

Nordic Roger Yang – No Report

OEC Karl Barber

The new OEC Delinquency Report still needs to be assessed and corrections made as needed. PRs need to drop those that they are not willing to remediate.

One last issue that I just thought of is the instructor renewal. I have received reports on instructor renewal from NorthStar, Squaw Valley, Alpine, Reno, Homewood, Diamond Peak, Tahoe BC and Sierra. I have heard nothing from Heavenly.

Equipment - I think we should have better spider straps for classes and we are at the edge on airway heads. While we only use them once a year, every one wants them at the same time.

ITs - Diamond Peak and Tahoe Donner have no ITs. PRs should make some recommendations for appointments of those willing.

OET Dave Stromswold

- ICE clinic was successful for OET – there are two people who still need to complete an ICE, plans are in place to address this.
- For the season – each patrol will need two toboggan refresher courses – one for IT's and instructors (toboggan training workshop) and one for patrollers
- Alpine is discussing a senior OET event potentially in late March

Senior Program Rob May

- SEM currently scheduled at Heavenly on April 14th
- 10 people attended the Senior OEC evaluator clinic in Davis.

Women's Program Tammie Hoedeman

- Women's clinic currently scheduled for the last weekend in February (2/24-25). As usual, the program will include sled handling and ski enhancement
- Tammie is working on putting together a toboggan clinic taught by women but open to everyone. This will help OET instructors understand teaching sled handling to women and will allow all to understand some of the techniques that have helped women and may help others with sled handling.

ADMINISTRATIVE ADVISOR REPORTS

Alumni Bob Hoffman

New process is being developed for alumni registration with a new set of F600 numbers to sort alumni registrations down to the division and region level and eventually to the patrol level. Tim Vale and others are working on this new process – it is a work in progress.

Bob encourages PR's to have recent retirees register as alumni – the form can be found on the ESR website. Only national dues are paid and patrollers with 50yrs in NSP no longer have to pay dues.

PR's please go through the list of registered alumni and identify those from your patrol. Two "Alumni Day" events are in the works – Northstar on 3/16/18 and Dodge Ridge (date TBD)

Awards Leilani Connolly

ESR awards this year included: 4 purple merits, 2 blue merits and 5 yellow stars. There was also one national appointment this year.

A recap of available awards was put together and distributed (copy attached as Appendix B)

James Grant, Heavenly Mountain Ops Manager welcomed the group and expressed his and the resorts continued support for NSP.

Equipment Loretta Barranger

There has been a lot of frustration around the equipment use in ESR. The major cause of the frustrations is simply poor communication. Here are some of the key issues that should be addressed:

- When returning equipment – please communicate directly with Loretta if any of the equipment is in need of service – DO NOT simply repack and store equipment if it is not in good working condition. The IOR's should review all equipment before returning.
- O2 bottles need to be turned off and regulators removed before storing. Recently, all bottles were stored with the regulators attached and a few of them were left on – again, IOR's should inspect these prior to returning to ensure that the regulators are removed and the bottles turned off.
 - 14 of our O2 bottles are due for hydrostatic testing. This will happen through the summer. Once complete, the next hydrostatic testing cycle will begin in 2019.
- As mentioned earlier, the equipment storage location may become an issue. Katie will reach out to Keith to confirm.

New / replacement equipment needs:

- We were short on Saggers for the intensive class – the question came up as to if we needed more. We currently have 7 mono and 3 bi's on hand. Loretta suggested that we add 2-3 more bilateral splints to the inventory.
- Vacuum splints – these run about \$330 each and the one we have is not fully operational.

80 student kits will be ordered and assembled this spring to be ready for the summer OEC courses. Derek K shared that he may have a new source for these supplies and will share the information with Loretta.

Historian Chuck Herbert

Janice Waits is working hard to get the FWD Archives properly into the FWD website. When that is accomplished in the near future, we can use that as a template for the ESR Archives. I have already turned over some past Newsletters to Derek Koontz, which he is so kind to digitize when the ESR Archive foma is finalized

Legal Nate Garhart – no report

Medical Jim Margolis

No news other than OEC 6 is being worked on and I have offered to be a reviewer

Recruiting Jim Margolis

Snow Bomb SF and Santa Clara poorly staffed John McGuigan did both shows almost by himself. We got very contacts. The Sac show was well staffed and we had 42 serious contacts

We are looking for a new advisor – key requirement is enthusiasm and eager to go out and recruit. Snow Bomb events held in late October / early November are the main events that are currently used to recruit. Jim is happy to stay on as a mentor for at least the first year. If you know someone who fits the bill please let Jim and/or Katie know.

Website Rye Livingston

Status report on the ESR website.

Most content on the site needs updating. Some advisor pages have info for 2016 such as the Alumni, Instructor Development and Women's Programs. Other pages have very general content that's been posted for several years and could use refreshing.

Bottom line I'd like each advisor to review the content on the page of their area of focus, and ask themselves if this is compelling content that Patrollers and Patrol Reps would find of value. To help make each advisor more approachable, I'd like a 2-3 sentence bio of their patrol career and a close up photo in their patrol coat.

Below is a page by page assessment.

Alumni Page

Old invitation for March of 2016. Should take this down, and ideally post a new invitation for 2018. Also post bio and photo of the Alumni Advisor.

Avalanche Page

Decent content, but very static. This has been on this site for several years. Would be good to refresh with current content, and any classes being scheduled should be posted on this page. Also post bio and photo of the Avalanche Advisor

Awards

2017 Award winners have been added.

Certified

Good content, but it's been the same for many years. Would advise refreshing, and if there are any classes or seminars they should be posted here. I've got a good photo for Keith, would like a brief patrol bio

Equipment, Forms, Minutes

This is the password protected area. I believe it's all current forms and the minutes are posted. Is there any update to the equipment inventory?

Also post bio and photo of the Equipment Advisor

Instructor Development Program

Very old content from 2016. Who is the advisor?

Medical

Old content. I don't believe anyone is searching out this page for help.

Also post bio and photo of Advisor

MTR

This content has been posted for many years. Is this an active advisor position? Should we delete the page?

OEC

Fairly current, but has past dates for OEC classes and refreshers and should be updated.

Also post bio and photo of Advisor

OET

Current but static. If there are any upcoming trainings being planned, would be good to post here.

Also post bio and photo of the OET Advisor

Recruiting

Old content, and overlaps with the "How To Join" page. Delete or combine them. Also post bio and photo of the Recruiting Advisor

Senior

Who is replacing Dave Pinsky? I suggest new advisor make this content their own. Also any Senior trainings being planned should be posted here. Also post bio and photo of the Senior Advisor

Woman's Program

Nothing posted for 2017. Would be good to post more current info.

Also post bio and photo of Advisor

PowderFall

Do we have content for 2018?

Old Business: None

New Business:

None

Next meeting date and location:

Saturday February 24th 9am at Tahoe Donner

Motion to close by Jerry Milana, 2nd by Dave Stromswold

Closing 1:51pm

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|------------------------------------|---|
| | Northstar |
| Number needing Cycle A Refresher | 0 |
| Number needing Cycle C Refresher | 2 |
| Need for Last Chance ICE | No |
| Number needing ICE | 0 |
| Has Patrol Submitted Division Dues | No |
| Needs Toboggan Refresher Help | No |
| Need ID Class | Yes |
| Number needing ID | 3 |
| Number of OEC SR Candidates | 2 |
| Number of OEC SR ready to test | 0 |
| Number SR S&T | 2 |
| Willing to host OEC SR Eval | Yes |
| Willing to host OEC S&T | Yes |
| Recruiting Advisor | Dave Rozzi |
| Email Address | drozzi@risk-strategies.com |
| Awards Advisor | Dave Rozzi |
| Email Address | |
| New At Resort | Opening for New MT. OPS 10-15 new candidates Some Interesting Vail Resort items concern NSP OEC Intense Class OEC Intense Final/testing |
| What can ESR do for you | Nothing right now |

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| | Tahoe Donner Nordic |
| Number needing Cycle A Refresher | 1 |
| Number needing Cycle C Refresher | 0 |
| Need for Last Chance ICE | No |
| Number needing ICE | 0 |
| Has Patrol Submitted Division Dues | No |
| Needs Toboggan Refresher Help | No |
| Need ID Class | No |
| Number needing ID | 0 |
| Number of OEC SR Candidates | 0 |
| Number of OEC SR ready to test | 0 |
| Number SR S&T | 0 |
| Willing to host OEC SR Eval | No |
| Willing to host OEC S&T | No |
| Recruiting Advisor | Jerry Milana |
| Email Address | jerry@in2snow.com |
| Awards Advisor | Jerry Milana |
| Email Address | |
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| New At Resort | 0 |
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| What can ESR do for you | 0 |

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| | Kirkwood |
| Number needing Cycle A Refresher | 0 |
| Number needing Cycle C Refresher | 0 |
| Need for Last Chance ICE | No |
| Number needing ICE | 0 |
| Has Patrol Submitted Division Dues | No |
| Needs Toboggan Refresher Help | No |
| Need ID Class | No |
| Number needing ID | 0 |
| Number of OEC SR Candidates | 0 |
| Number of OEC SR ready to test | 0 |
| Number SR S&T | 0 |
| Willing to host OEC SR Eval | No |
| Willing to host OEC S&T | No |
| Recruiting Advisor | Nancy Stromswold |
| Email Address | 0 |
| Awards Advisor | N/A |
| Email Address | |
| New At Resort | I am the only member of Kirkwood who needs to pay FWD dues. All other members are Paid staff. There will not be a volunteer patrol at Kirkwood for the 2017-2018 season. |
| What can ESR do for you | The Kirkwood Patrol needs a new PR this season who skis at Kirkwood, can interface with the Paid staff and management, and be there with "boots on the ground" to work with management and potential patrollers to set up a volunteer patrol. |

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| | Tahoe Donner Alpine |
| Number needing Cycle A Refresher | 0 |
| Number needing Cycle C Refresher | 0 |
| Need for Last Chance ICE | No |
| Number needing ICE | 0 |
| Has Patrol Submitted Division Dues | No |
| Needs Toboggan Refresher Help | No |
| Need ID Class | No |
| Number needing ID | 0 |
| Number of OEC SR Candidates | 0 |
| Number of OEC SR ready to test | 0 |
| Number SR S&T | 0 |
| Willing to host OEC SR Eval | No |
| Willing to host OEC S&T | No |
| Recruiting Advisor | Derek Koonce |
| Email Address | derek@dkoonce.com |
| Awards Advisor | Derek Koonce |
| Email Address | |
| New At Resort | Confirmed that Jason Haddod is the Patrol Director this season. We are low on patrollers this year. As of now we have 5 patrollers (one on medical leave), 3 secondaries, 3 candidates. |
| What can ESR do for you | 0 |

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| | Homewood |
| Number needing Cycle A Refresher | 0 |
| Number needing Cycle C Refresher | 0 |
| Need for Last Chance ICE | No |
| Number needing ICE | 1 |
| Has Patrol Submitted Division Dues | No |
| Needs Toboggan Refresher Help | No |
| Need ID Class | Yes |
| Number needing ID | 1 |
| Number of OEC SR Candidates | 2 |
| Number of OEC SR ready to test | 1 |
| Number SR S&T | 3 |
| Willing to host OEC SR Eval | No |
| Willing to host OEC S&T | No |
| Recruiting Advisor | Chris Johanson |
| Email Address | stromswold@sbcglobal.net |
| Awards Advisor | Nancy Stromswold |
| Email Address | |
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| New At Resort | No |
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| What can ESR do for you | 0 |

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| | Heavenly |
| Number needing Cycle A Refresher | 1paid |
| Number needing Cycle C Refresher | 0 |
| Need for Last Chance ICE | No |
| Number needing ICE | 1 |
| Has Patrol Submitted Division Dues | Yes |
| Needs Toboggan Refresher Help | No |
| Need ID Class | No |
| Number needing ID | 0 |
| Number of OEC SR Candidates | 1 |
| Number of OEC SR ready to test | 1 |
| Number SR S&T | 0 |
| Willing to host OEC SR Eval | Yes |
| Willing to host OEC S&T | Yes |
| Recruiting Advisor | Keith Neergaard |
| Email Address | leilaniconnolly@hotmail.com |
| Awards Advisor | Leilani Connolly |
| Email Address | |
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| New At Resort | Removal of old Galaxy chairlift |
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| What can ESR do for you | A 501 c (3) documentation form |

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| | Alpine Meadows |
| Number needing Cycle A Refresher | 0 |
| Number needing Cycle C Refresher | 0 |
| Need for Last Chance ICE | No |
| Number needing ICE | 1? |
| Has Patrol Submitted Division Dues | |
| Needs Toboggan Refresher Help | |
| Need ID Class | |
| Number needing ID | 3 |
| Number of OEC SR Candidates | 6+ |
| Number of OEC SR ready to test | 6+ |
| Number SR S&T | 10+ |
| Willing to host OEC SR Eval | Yes |
| Willing to host OEC S&T | Yes |
| Recruiting Advisor | Lucy Milligan |
| Email Address | lucy.milligan@gmail.com |
| Awards Advisor | None |
| Email Address | |
| New At Resort | Limited combined operations with Squaw Valley as we compare and contrast. We will likely have 5 candidates and 1 transfer. Still need to finalize as they have not all been ski checked. |
| What can ESR do for you | Nothing at this time. Senior OEC evaluation clinic should be for our patrol only. We may be interested in hosting a Senior S&T evaluation clinic. |

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| | Sierra At Tahoe |
| Number needing Cycle A Refresher | 0 |
| Number needing Cycle C Refresher | 0 |
| Need for Last Chance ICE | No |
| Number needing ICE | 0 |
| Has Patrol Submitted Division Dues | No |
| Needs Toboggan Refresher Help | No |
| Need ID Class | Yes |
| Number needing ID | 1 |
| Number of OEC SR Candidates | 0 |
| Number of OEC SR ready to test | 0 |
| Number SR S&T | 0 |
| Willing to host OEC SR Eval | No |
| Willing to host OEC S&T | No |
| Recruiting Advisor | Stefan Ten Brink |
| Email Address | stefantenbrink@yahoo.com |
| Awards Advisor | Still looking for one |
| Email Address | |
| New At Resort | Our paid staff EMT+s have been trained to expanded scope: Epipens, Aspirin, Bleeding Control. Helmets required in all skiing/riding positions while on duty. |
| What can ESR do for you | 0 |

Eastern Sierra Region, Far West Division, National Awards

(see Chapter 12, NSP Policies and Procedures for details)

Appointments

National Appointment leadership, served 8 years+, senior status
 Leadership Commendation leadership, senior status or partial completion of requirements

Distinguished Service Award extraordinary service to NSP over 20+ years; National appointment not necessary

Merit Stars

Purple Merit Star primarily responsible for saving a life (sustained for 24 hours)
 Blue Merit Star attempt to save a life or support role for primary patroller(s)
 Green Merit Star outstanding act of heroism/rescue work (ie. plane crash)
 Yellow Merit Star outstanding act or service/also support role for above merit stars

National Outstanding Awards

Large Alpine Patrol 41+ members
 Small Alpine Patrol 40 or fewer members
 Nordic Ski Patrol
 Alpine Patroller do not confuse with Patroller (formerly auxiliary)
 Nordic Ski Patroller
 Young Adult Ski Patroller no greater than age 19 on June 1 of year nominated
 Paid Ski Patroller the paid patroller's value to NSP; must be NSP registered
 Patroller formerly auxiliary patroller
 OEC Instructor must have been a certified OEC instructor for past 3 seasons
 Non-OEC Instructor must have been a certified instructor for past 3 seasons
 Patrol Representative active PR or served the previous season
 Administrative Patroller outstanding administrative contribution above patrol level

Additional information for writing nominations:

National Outstanding honorees are ineligible for any national outstanding award for the following 4 years.

Information included on the nomination form should not be older than 4 years; additional information can appear in the letter.

Classes/courses taught for NSP or appropriate. outside agencies: give as much detail as you can (dates, skills taught, particular strengths of nominee). If outside agency (ie. winter survival skills) explain connection to ski patrol.

Under awards received, include local awards and explain importance of such.

Outstanding nominations must have no geographical references: use XXX patrol, nominee's patrol; likewise, use his/her, nominee, this patroller, etc., instead of nominee's name.

Bullets, spaces, and charts make forms easier to read; long paragraphs without breaks do not. Fill in all blanks if possible: specificity, accuracy, examples.

To download nomination forms, click on Member Resources on the NSP website. The first listing is Awards. **Deadline for Outstanding nominations: March 15, 2018.**