

LAKE ALBINA
SKI LODGE
(Kosciusko Main
Range)
Alt. 6,530 ft.
(Highest Aust. Hut.)

ROSLYN LODGE
(Thredbo Alpine
Village)
Alt. 4,540 ft.

ILLAWONG SKI
LODGE
(Near Guthega)
Alt. 5,400 ft.

KAREELA HÜTTE
(Kareela Station
Thredbo Chairlift)
Alt. 6,002 ft.
(Sold to Land
Lease Corporation.)

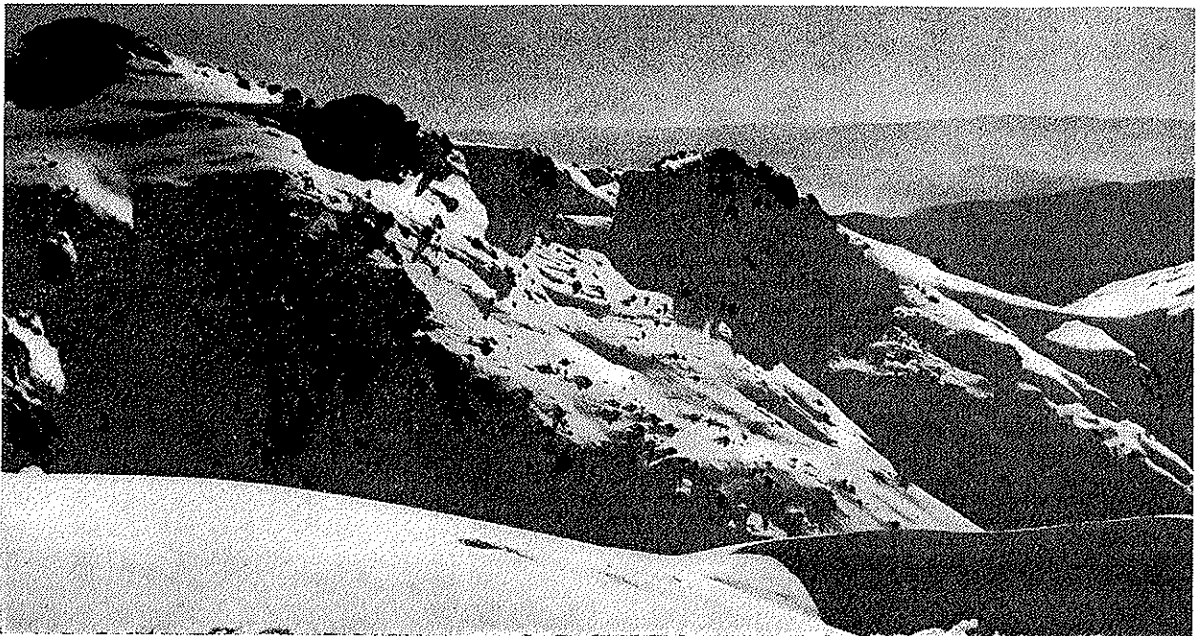
New Projects:

PERISHER HÜTTE
(Perisher Valley)
Alt. 5,660 ft.

FALLS CREEK
HÜTTE
(Falls Creek Village)
Alt. 5,224 ft.

Lost Projects:

KUNAMA HÜTTE,
NORTHCOTE TOW
AND TOW HOUSE



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FALLS CREEK HUETTE PROJECT

May, 1963

Newsletter No. 1.

Lodge Opening Queen's Birthday Weekend

Such tremendous progress has been made with the construction of the Huette by our builder, John Ritchie, that the building is now at the lock-up stage with only the interior work awaiting completion. It is anticipated that all work will be completed by the last week in May, in ample time for the grand opening on the Queen's Birthday Weekend (8th - 10th June, 1963).

Bookings for this weekend are restricted to members and are now open at J. MOLONY SKI SHOP. As bookings will probably be quickly taken up, prospective members wishing to stay at the lodge for the holiday weekend are advised to join without delay to permit a booking to be made for them.

The Foundation Membership fee is £50 and an application form is attached to this newsletter. Also attached are booking forms for members and their guests.

Advantages of Life Foundation Membership

- * First-class accommodation in the most modern club lodge at Falls Creek at a fraction of the tariff charged by commercial lodges.
- * Membership numbers limited to prevent overcrowding.
- * Accommodation allocated for both weekly and weekend skiers.
- * To permit maximum use of the lodge, accommodation is only available to members and their guests.
- * Members have second booking preference and reduced accommodation charges in all other Australian Alpine Club lodges.
- * Existing A.A.C. lodges occupy excellent sites in Thredbo, Perisher, Guthega Area and Kosciusko Main Range. Lodges are planned for Hotham and Buller.
- * Members have reciprocal membership rights with overseas Alpine Clubs.
- * Membership may be transferred or sold with the approval of the Committee.

Huette Model in Tourist Bureau window

If you would like to see what the lodge looks like and you happen to be in Melbourne, why not walk along Collins Street and look at a model of the lodge in the Victorian Tourist Bureau window. It is the centre of attraction in their ski resort display. The address of the Bureau is 272 Collins Street (between Elizabeth and Swanston Streets).

Skiers who have recently visited Falls Creek have been greatly impressed with the pleasing appearance of the lodge, and some have even declared it to be the most attractive lodge on the mountain. I am sure that regardless of the direction you approach the Huette, you will like its external appearance.

Luxurious Interior

From the moment you enter the lodge you will be amazed by the modern facilities it contains. Entering through the front door, you find yourself in the ski room. Here, in addition to the usual ski rack and workbench, there is a lockable ski rack where you can keep your skies between visits, and a bank of steel lockers in which members can store their belongings between visits to the lodge. A large, efficient drying room is entered from the ski room.

Another door leads to the Living Room which has wall-to-wall carpet and is kept at a cosy temperature by thermostatically controlled "Florheat". The exposed roof beams and the interior balconies give a sense of intimacy and spaciousness. The furniture and curtains, specially manufactured for this room by Stylecraft of Melbourne, blend in well to create the ideal atmosphere for a ski lodge. Surrounding the living room on three sides is an exterior sundeck with marvellous views of the skiing slopes and the Kiewa Valley.

Luxurious Interior Cont'd

Adjoining the Living Room is an ultra-modern kitchen, which has been designed to give the equivalent of two separate kitchens within the one room. There are two Frigidaire Master 22 Electric Ranges, two Frigidaire Deluxe 9 cubic feet Refrigerators, two double stainless steel sinks, large cupboards and ample bench space.

The bedrooms are roomy and comfortable. Each contains a handbasin with running hot and cold water, a 750-watt space heater, large built-in wardrobe and reading lamps above each bed. Similarly well fitted out are the two bathrooms which contain, inter alia, exhaust fans to draw off the steam from the shower recesses and thus prevent condensation.

Proximity to Car Parking Area

Situated just up the slope from Pretty Valley Lodge, the Huette is only 250 yards away from the Parking Area.

Route to Ski Tows

From the Huette to the Ski Tows is 600 yards. As the Huette is at the same level as the tows, the most direct route is almost flat. At the end of May, Members will receive detailed information concerning the lodge and including a map of this route. Another route, slightly longer with more undulation, follows the road past Winterhaven.

I understand that next summer will see the construction of a chairlift from the Parking Area to the Tow House. Hence next year members will be able to ski from our lodge straight down the hill to the lower chairlift station, and use the chairlift to reach the T-Bar Tows and Beginners' Tow.

Hotel Development in 1964

The projected 100-bed hotel will be built next summer and will be operational by winter 1964. The site for the hotel is adjacent to the top end of the Car Park and only 200 yards away from our lodge. The hotel management also has the right to build ski lifts on the slopes adjacent to our lodge, but as yet it is not known whether these lifts will be built before Winter 1964. Therefore, although our lodge is not next-door to the existing tows, it will be alongside the new development.

Eating Out Facilities

Members who wish to have meals at commercial lodges are advised that the approximate casual meal prices are - 15/- for dinner, 10/- to 12/6 for lunch, and 8/- for breakfast. Belle Rouschard (now under Bob Scott's management) caters for casual meals. Pretty Valley Lodge (about 100 yards from the Huette) will also serve casual meals if notified a short time in advance.

Appointment of Caretaker

Miss Faith Frankenberg, a foundation member, will reside in the lodge this winter and will be in charge of the lodge.

Administration of the Club

This is vested in a committee of seven consisting of - Warren Peck (Chairman), Geoff Henke (Director of the Ski Club of Victoria and a Director of Alpine Development), Eric Burt (Secretary of V.S.A.), Malcolm McColl (Advisory Architect), Fred Griffith (for eight years the Chairman of the Falls Creek Village Committee), Charles Anton (President of A.A.C.) and Lindsay Allsop (Treasurer).

A General Meeting of the club will be held early in July. Unless otherwise directed by this meeting, the membership of the club will be limited to 120 members.

Availability of Accommodation - Winter 1963

- Falls Creek Huette - vacancies exist for all periods, including school and University vacations.
- Roslyn Lodge (Thredbo Village) - vacancies exist for all periods.
- Perisher Huette - vacancies exist for all periods except 10th August - 6th September.
- Illawong Lodge (near Guthega) - vacancies exist for most periods.
- Albina Lodge (Kosciusko Main Range) - vacancies exist for most periods.

Non-Member Bookings.

Accommodation is available for relatives and friends of Foundation Members, if they are accompanied by Foundation Members. Non-member bookings are open now for all New South Wales A.A.C. lodges, and will open on 15th May, 1963, for Falls Creek Huette. Members desiring to make bookings for themselves and/or their guests should contact one of the following :-

J. MOLONY PTY. LTD.,
110 KING STREET,
MELBOURNE.
Telephone: 62-7387

LINDSAY ALLSOP,
39 MARTIN PLACE,
SYDNEY.
Telephone: 28-3636

Weekend Bookings

With the exception of Queen's Birthday Weekend, bookings for any weekend for Falls Creek Huette open the preceding Monday. Charges during Winter 1963 are 30/- per day for Foundation members and 45/- per day for accompanied non-members.

Value of Foundation Membership

An interesting illustration of the value skiers place on a Foundation Membership in an Australian Alpine Club Lodge is the fact that £50 memberships in Perisher Huette are currently being transferred in Sydney at £70 a membership!

1st May, 1963.

Warren Peck,
Chairman,
Falls Creek Huette Project.

FOUNDATION MEMBER BOOKING APPLICATION

J. MOLONY PTY. LTD.,
110 KING STREET,
MELBOURNE, C.1.

FALLS CREEK HUETTE PROJECT

DATE:

I / WE, being Foundation member(s) of Falls Creek Huette Project, wish to book for a period of _____ week(s) - (Minimum 1 week, Maximum 3 weeks), starting Saturday, the _____ of _____, 1963, (alternate period starting Saturday, the _____ of _____, 1963) and I am enclosing my cheque for £ _____ made out to Falls Creek Huette Project together with STAMPED ADDRESSED RETURN ENVELOPE.

NAME (BLOCK LETTERS) ,.....

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ADDRESS:

The following booking fee (which is the full accommodation charge) applies for the Winter Season of 1963 :-

Foundation Member £ 9. 0. 0. per week

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NON-MEMBER BOOKING APPLICATION

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110 KING STREET,
MELBOURNE, C.1.

FALLS CREEK HUETTE PROJECT

DATE:

I, _____, being a Foundation member of Falls Creek Huette Project, and having applied for a period of _____ week(s) - (Minimum 1 week, Maximum 3 weeks), starting Saturday, the _____ of _____, 1963, request accommodation for my guests :-

Name: Address:

Name: Address:

Name: Address:

Period requested from Saturday, the _____ of _____, 1963 to Saturday, the _____ of _____, 1963.

Non-member accommodation charges are :-

Ordinary rate £13. 0. 0. per week

Concession rate £ 9. 0. 0. per week (Members' children attending school)

I am enclosing my cheque for £ _____ made out to Falls Creek Huette Project together with STAMPED ADDRESSED RETURN ENVELOPE.