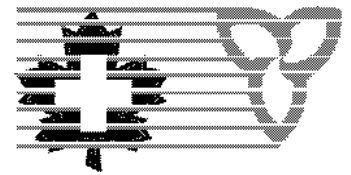


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President's Message

Brian Low

Ontario Division President

Welcome to the 10th Annual Edition of "The Lift Lines", CSPS Ontario Division's newsletter. As usual, when you receive and begin to read the great material found within the next few pages, we will be well into our season... hopefully having experienced the very best of snow conditions, the confidence and positive comments from our resorts and snow sliding participants regarding our presence and services, and having dealt with what we hope are very few injuries reflecting the very high standards of service that we have trained to!

In support of our CSPS mandate: "To promote safe snow sliding and to provide assistance to injured snow sliders", the Ontario Division Mission statement has been developed and followed to support patrollers and patrols in Ontario. Our mission states that: "We of the Canadian Ski Patrol System, Ontario Division, are committed to support the system through leadership and training. We strive to create opportunities for members to develop their

skills, and to promote their personal growth in an enjoyable and professional environment." Division Executive members, who are identified further into the newsletter, are committed to this mission and are eager to hear your suggestions, and receive your support in actualizing the words contained within it.

Each year the Ontario Division Executive holds a Strategic Planning session, usually in the spring after the season has ended... looking forward to the following year and years beyond to focus the volunteer efforts within the Division. This year's efforts resulted in identifying the Areas of Focus that were shared with Zone Presidents and their Executive members in August and to other CSPS Division Presidents and the National Board at meetings in October. In brief, the Areas of Focus include the following:

Leadership, Education, & Development of Skills:

- Encourage and support National Data Base utilization
- Update and distribute ZP and PL Manuals
- Support On Snow Training and Assessment

approach

- Support Succession Planning throughout the Division
- Encourage Zones to stay current on National Completions Lists
- Provide support to the development and distribution of Instructor manuals/collaterals
- Promote maintenance of high standards in all aspects of Patrolling
- Support/encourage competitions in all Zones
- Provide resource links for information on Infectious Diseases
- Provide leadership opportunities through PL Seminars and ZP meetings

Safety Promotion:

- Provide support for Safety Promotion and Awareness
- Provide program and resource support
- Provide Leadership within the Division and at the National level

Market the CSPS System:

- Through Communication... website, news releases... "Branding" the CSPS
- Maintain high FA/OS standards
- Develop strong "brand" recognition
- Support Recruitment and Retention efforts at Zone

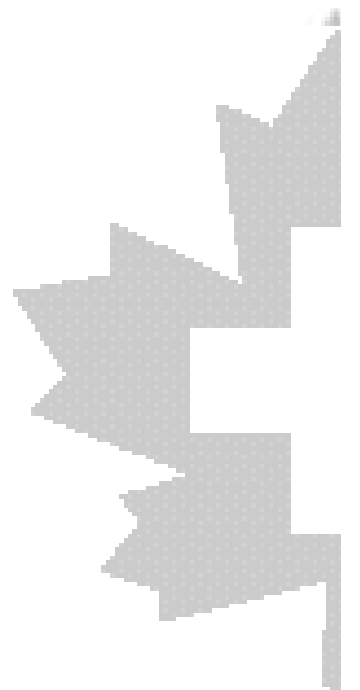
and Patrol levels

- Consider resort signage "serviced by CSPS", "CSPS present", etc.
- Division Executive to be "present"... Modeling/listening

Support the Snow

Industry:

- Assist/support Zones and Patrols with Resort Relations
 - Maintain high FA/OS standards
 - Maintain strong representation at Ontario Snow Resorts Association (OSRA) and Ontario Ski Council (OSC)
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In order to carry out its functions, Ontario Division Executive members have adopted the following operational principles:

- Maintain regular contacts, set clear expectations and provide helpful communication
- Have a presence at Zone functions
- Establish a Project Management approach to tasks....use patrollers..."many hands make light work"
- Focus on patrolmanship, standards of professionalism and safety promotion
- Ensure that actions support mission!
"The Lift Lines" is designed to provide you with timely, helpful information that will enhance your patrolling experience. The information is provided to complement our National newsletter "SWEEP" and the regular

email communications to members nationally, and also to complement the Zone communications, which provide you with the local updates on things of interest to your patrol and fellow patrollers.

This year, in "SWEEP" there was an insert on clothing "deals" provided to CSPS members. Avalanche, the supplier of our Official Uniform has made available a variety of jackets, pants, vests, and tops that represent an incredible value well below retail levels. Take a look, this is one of the advantages to membership. Avalanche has also provided a sample kit of products that we will be sharing around the province throughout the season. I have heard nothing but positive comments from those who have taken advantage of this promotion, so don't let it slip by.

I also want to congratulate Western Zone on the fantastic job it did hosting the 2003 National Annual Conference in Niagara Falls. Billed as "Over the Top", it lived up to its billing and more with a terrific response from across the country and setting a standard for content and activities that future NACs will strive to attain. Western Zone is currently providing advice to the 2004 NAC organizers for the conference to be held in Halifax. Well Done Western Zone....we are proud of the work you have done in Ontario!!

In this edition, you will receive information on many topics that will be of assistance to each of us as we patrol this year, as well as items that we can discuss with our fellow patrollers in order to deliver our services in the most effective way possible.

Articles are provided to

assist each of us to access our National Data Base; news on who has been recognized for awards at the Division and National level in the past year; information on our Division Skills Competition, this year hosted by Kawartha Zone; the latest information on Education; Nomination forms for elections for Zone President that will occur this year in Frontenac, Kawartha, Superior and Western Zones. There are many other articles of interest to you as we continue to provide the very best services possible as very proud and highly skilled members of the Canadian Ski Patrol System here in the Ontario Division!

Enjoy your reading of this 10th edition of "The Lift Lines"! Have a great season... it's wonderful to be part of a highly skilled, highly motivated group of over 1,300 patrollers in the Ontario Division! ❄️

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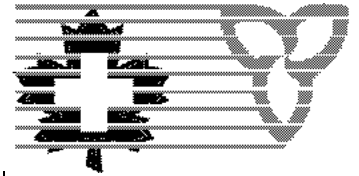
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Division

The latest from your Safety Promotion Team



For the past three years, the National Safety and Injury Prevention Team has been led by Sandra Williams, our National Safety Coordinator. In addition to Sandra, the team brings together a group of dedicated Division VPs of Safety who regularly teleconference to set priorities, share ideas and review the existing programs. Our mission statement is:

“The National CSPA Safety and Injury Prevention Team will actively promote all aspects of snow skiing/boarding/sliding safety and injury prevention. Through our commitment to education, we strive to increase the safety awareness of the snow riding public to make their activities safer and more enjoyable.

We will be the injury prevention leaders in the skiing industry. We will make a difference!”

Ontario Division continues to assist patrollers, patrols and zones to develop and maintain safety promotion programs in their local area. Here is a description of just two of the National Safety programs that currently exist within the CSPA that might complement the safety promotion programs already running in your zone. If you would like to know more about either of these programs, please contact the person listed below for each program.

Safety Now!

Safety Now! is a program intended to communicate a number of safety messages about snow sliding to primary school or other community groups as they prepare for a trip to a local snow resort. The program can be tailored to either an alpine or cross country excursion.

The program covers the safety mandate of the CSPA, which is to promote safe snow sliding to prevent injuries and to provide assistance to injured skiers. Components of the program cover pre-trip conditioning, equipment, clothing, recognition and treatment of cold-related injuries and proper nutrition. Students also learn what to expect once they arrive at the snow resort. The program introduces them to different kinds of lifts and tows, resort signs and symbols, the snow environment and the alpine and cross country responsibility codes. The program consists of a 45-minute lecture-style presentation and video. In addition to the formal part of the program, students can test their knowledge of snow safety through a multiple choice quiz. Presenters use a number of props so that students can learn hands-on about equipment like skis, snowboards, mini-skis and ski boots.

For more information about Safety Now! contact Sandra Williams, National Safety Coordinator, at sandra.m.williams@shaw.ca

Junior Patrol Program

One of the main goals of the Junior Patrol Program is to introduce safe snow sliding habits and attitudes to youths and young adults (min 13 to 18 yrs). Junior patrollers are trained in first aid, become knowledgeable about resort procedures, assist with the daily duties of the local patrol and help to promote safe snow sliding. The involvement of junior patrollers at an accident scene is limited to preventing further injury and control of an accident until a fully qualified CSPA patroller arrives on scene. Junior patrollers are not certified by the CSPA in the operation of on-snow evacuation equipment nor do they carry a first aid kit.

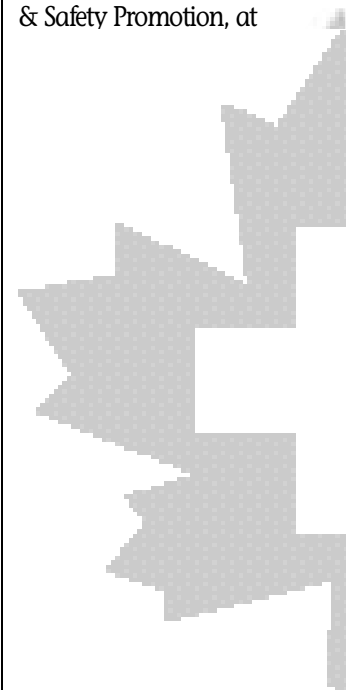
For more information about the Junior Patrol Program contact Gord Marples, National Junior Patrol Coordinator, at dianne_marples@telus.net.

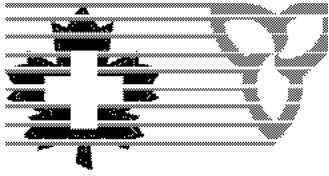
We need your help... In addition to the other National Safety Programs, Ontario Division is taking the lead to review and revise the Safety in Numbers program for implementation in Ontario over the next two years.

Unlike the two programs described above, the Safety in Numbers program is designed to be presented by non-patroller group leaders of snow clubs or other groups that are planning for a day or weekend of snow sliding. The program consists of a

guidebook that will help leaders understand their responsibilities and give them the necessary information to promote safe snow sliding to their group. The principles presented in the guidebook can be adapted to snow sliders of any age or skill level, but it is primarily targeted to young adults. Once snow sliders have completed the program, they should be familiar with the principles and responsibilities of safe snow sliding, resort signage and hill/trail classifications, how to dress properly for the winter environment, the importance of pre-conditioning and what to do and who to approach should they come upon an accident on the hill or trail.

If you are interested in getting involved in this project please contact Vivienne Ball, Ontario Division VP Communications & Safety Promotion, at





The CSPS Harassment Policy... our awareness is priority!

By now, most of us are familiar with the words of the CSPS (Ontario Division) Harassment Policy – we have seen it posted in our patrol room, in past issues of this newsletter and on the Ontario Division website - but what does it mean to me? The following is based on an actual incident and shows how the policy was applied to resolve a potential harassment complaint involving two patrollers. You may have observed a situation like this when you have been patrolling...

Last fall, two patrols were holding a first aid re-certification course at one of the resorts. With so many patrollers turning out, patrollers were randomly assigned to partners for the skills and diagnostic exams. Susan was paired with John, a patroller from the same resort and a good friend

of Susan's boyfriend. Susan and John took turns

demonstrating their skills to the instructor. By the end of the patient assessment skill, Susan, who was acting as a patient for John, was visibly upset. As Susan and the instructor were setting up for John's diagnostic exam, Susan asked the instructor if someone else could act as John's patient for the diagnostic exam. When the instructor asked her why, Susan said that she preferred if she could work with someone else. In response, the instructor said that everyone was busy and that if they were going to finish on time, they needed to stay with their same partners. As soon as John completed his diagnostic exam, Susan quickly left the area without a word to either John or the instructor.

Susan then approached a Zone Executive member, Bob, who she knew and respected. With some difficulty, Susan explained to Bob that John had "fondled" her during the assessment of the chest during the skills exam and then during the diagnostic exam. Bob listened to her account of what happened and reassured her that the CSPS does not tolerate any form of harassment, if that is what happened. Bob asked her if she had approached John to express her concerns and discomfort and whether she had discussed the situation with anyone else. She explained that she was really

embarrassed by what happened and didn't say anything to anyone including John because her boyfriend is John's best friend.

After further discussion, Bob suggested, and Susan agreed to meet with John to talk about what happened if Bob agreed to be present and if the conversation could be done in private. By this point in the day, patrollers were finishing up their exams and making plans to celebrate at the local bar. As John was leaving the chalet, Bob stopped him and took him aside. Bob summarized the events that Susan described to him and asked John if he would be willing to discuss it with Susan and him. John appeared shocked and showed great concern for Susan's feelings. John explained that he had completed the patient assessment as he had been taught and was not aware that anything was wrong. With Bob's help, Susan and John discussed what had happened during the skills and diagnostic exam earlier in the day. Bob discussed the CSPS Harassment policy and the responsibility of every patroller to treat each other with respect at all times. John said that he was sorry that he had offended Susan. He was unaware of her concerns and thought that he had conducted himself in a professional manner during the

assessment according to how he had been taught. Bob spoke about how the assessment is a very "hands on" skill and is an experience that may become very personal for the patient or in this case, the patroller, involved. As patrollers, we have a responsibility to treat every patient, even in practice, with respect and courtesy.

Susan accepted John's apology and thanked Bob for supporting her without judgment and facilitating the meeting in a timely manner. While no further action was taken with respect to this particular incident, John took a few moments at the re-cert the next day to talk to patrollers about the importance of carrying out the patient assessment according to the standard procedure. As part of this, he emphasized that patrollers need to recognize and respect the fact that we are, many times, working within the personal space of our patients and need to read their reactions.

See the Ontario Division website at skipatrol.on.ca for a more detailed article about "Respecting your Patient's Personal Space". ❁



Accessing the National Database for the first time



1. Go to <http://www.cspcs.ca/>www.cspcs.ca
2. Click on either "English" or "Francais" your choice
3. At the bottom of page 2 you will see..... Click it



4. On page 3 at the top you will see again Click it



5. That will bring you to the sign on page
 - a. On the left hand side you will see **"First time user? Click here to set up your password"**
 - b. Click it and you will see:

Member ID

Last Name

Date of Birth (yyyy-mm-dd)

Sign on using my:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> My Member ID Number
	<input type="radio"/> My Account Name
Member ID	<input type="text"/> - <input type="text"/> - <input type="text"/> - <input type="text"/>
Password	<input type="text"/>

CANADIAN SKI PATROL
PATROUILLE CANADIENNE DE SKI
EXPIRY/DATE LIMITE 2004-11-30

Name / Nom: **Pat Smith**

Address / Adresse: **123 Main St**

City / Ville: **Sudbury** prov. / province: **ON**

Birth date / Date de naissance: **1961-01-15** sex / sexe: **F**

Div. / Div.: **04** zone: **01** Reg. no. / No. d'enreg.: **123-90** area / centre: **Crapping**

Membership class: active / actif affiliate / affilié Training: patroller / patrouilleur associate / associé

Patroller's sig. / sin. du patrouilleur: _____ Zone President / président de la zone: _____

- c. You will now have to complete the information required:
 - i. Member number
 - 04 Ontario Division Number
 - 01 Algonquin Zone number
 - XXX Your three digit number
 - YY Two digit number of the year you joined
 - **Note all these numbers are found on your yellow membership card, left of center near the bottom**
 - ii. Last Name
 - iii. Date of Birth yyyy-mm-dd **Note 4 digits then 2 then 2 with dashes between**
6. This will give you access to the National Database.
 - a. Once in you should set your password to something appropriate.
 - b. You can, **and should** keep your own information up to date
 - i. This is done by clicking on the icon with the quill
 - ii. Make the necessary changes
 - iii. Finally click on **"update"**
 7. If you are an instructor you will need to go into this to keep track of your instructional hours.
 8. There are many functions contained within this web site, play with them and take advantage of what is there and things it can do for you. Such as:
 - a. Email to patrollers
 - b. Find patrollers in our zone or across the country
 9. If you have difficulty or questions contact Marlaine Eggett at marlaine@progressive-solutions.com or Eric Waddell at eric@wzone.com

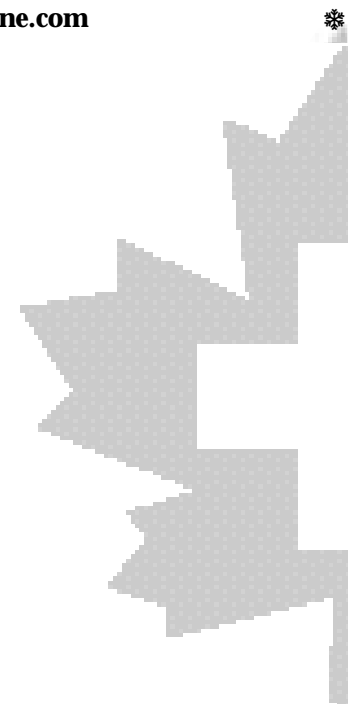
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Membership Comparisons

Zone	94/95	95/96	96/97	97/98	98/99	99/00	00/01	01/02	02/03	03/04*
Algonquin	112	95	97	93	85	133+	195+	83+	65+	90+
Central	840	806	742	730	770	758	769	813	736	742
Frontenac	73	65	71	59	45	43	32	30	25	25
Kawartha	229	218	236	233	219	238	229	196	237	208
Muskoka	36	33	34	29	38	34	30	34	39	30
SSM	61	55	43	32	30	38	37	47	36	34
Superior	173	136	127	110	94	57	82	81	56	54
Western	243	260	238	218	211	216	195	146	120	174
Total	1821	1719	1642	1552	1524	1517	1569	1430	1314	1357

+reflects amalgamation of Algonquin and Northeastern zones
*estimate only, actual numbers not available.

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Division

Ontario Division Skills Competition Rules

- Team selection is entirely up to the Zone. Usually the overall top Alpine and Nordic teams compete in the Ontario Division Skills Competition ('Competition'). If space is available, the First Aid and On-Snow winners from a Zone Competition may be allowed to enter the Competition. The decision to allow additional teams to enter the Competition will be at the sole discretion of the Ontario Division Competition Organizing Team in consultation with the Division President.
- All Zones are minimally encouraged to send both an alpine and a nordic team.
- **Teams must have:**
 - Permission from their Zone President
 - Competed in their Zone Competition if one was held
 - The Official CSPA Uniform including properly crested CSPA jackets: or resort specific patrol uniforms

- Current and valid ID cards
- Standard first aid kits and contents.
- **Teams must not have:**
 - Competed as a trio at the National level within the last 3 years (i.e. 2003, 2002, 2001)
 - More than three members.
- **Teams should have:**
 - At least one first year patroller
 - Won a Zone Competition
- Snowboards, Telemark and Mini Skis are considered to be part of the alpine discipline. Mixed teams of snowboard, mini ski, telemark and alpine skis are acceptable.
- Only those first aid procedures described in the current edition of the CSPA Training Manual are evaluated at the Competition.
- Only standard CSPA equipment as described in the current edition of the CSPA Training Manual will be allowed. Backboards and toboggans will be provided at the competition site as required. Team appearance will be monitored

at all times during the day of the competition. Teams may lose marks if they are not wearing the official CSPA / properly crested resort uniform as described in the current edition of the CSPA Training Manual.

PROTESTS

Any team wishing to file a protest is required to give it in writing to the Ontario Division Vice-President of Education within one hour of the completion of the Competition.

- A Competition jury will be formed to resolve any protests and their decision will be final. The jury will consist of the following:
 - The Ontario Division Competition Organizing Team
 - The host Zone President, or a suitable replacement appointed by the host Zone President
 - The Ontario Division President

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Caution: Athletic Therapy

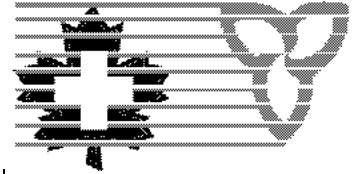
Many members of the CSPA have been using their first aid skills away from the ski resorts throughout the year. We assist at mountain bike races, volleyball tournaments, charity runs and walks, speed skating events, and triathlons, just to mention a few. Involvement in these events is an excellent partnership with the organizing committees, and a fantastic opportunity to do some recruiting.

Please keep in mind that members of the Canadian Ski Patrol System are not trained in "Athletic Therapy". Taping athletic injuries is not part of our training. We are trained to stabilize injuries and apply "first aid" to injuries. If further treatment is required, we suggest transportation to a medical facility. We are not trained to apply tape to allow the "athlete" the chance to "get back in the game". This may lead to further injuries and complications.



Division

Instructor Certification Program



The backbone of First Aid training within the Canadian Ski Patrol System (CSPS) is our group of Instructors. Our first aid and on snow programs are standardized across Canada, requiring our Instructors to be certified under the Instructor Certification Program (ICP).

The Instructor Certification Program is the standard for all CSPS Instructors in Canada.

There are two principal goals for the ICP.

1. Improve and standardize the instruction and material of CSPS Education Programs.

2. Achieve federal/provincial accreditation for CSPS Education Programs. Improving the quality and standards of the instruction which patrollers receive will fulfill several objectives:

1. improve the level of service to our customers
2. improve the level of satisfaction of the Instructor and Student
3. encourage patrollers to increase their level of training and participation
4. assist in achieving federal/provincial accreditation for CSPS

Education Programs
A standard and effective Instructor Certification Program is an important factor towards accreditation. The accreditation by government organizations, such as the Workplace Safety Insurance Board (WSIB) in Ontario, raises the profile of the CSPS and assists in recruiting volunteers.

If you are interested in becoming an “instructor”, please contact your Zone Education Officer.

All Zones in Ontario have run their First Aid Instructors through the

National Instructor Certification Program this season. The program is in its early stages and we will no doubt find some things that could be done a bit differently next time. Be sure to pass those positive comments along to your Zone Education Officer. The On Snow Instructors are looking at further development and fine tuning of the ICP for implementation next season.



“Buy a page” is back.

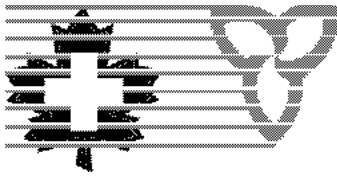
CSPS First Aid Manual

Sponsorship Program

Four years ago, the CSPS successfully established a page sponsorship program (“Buy a Page”) that assists in offsetting the costs of ensuring that the first aid manual is current and up to date. Traditionally, Ontario Division and its member zones have approached individuals, members, Patrols and businesses at the local level to sponsor one or more pages for a three-year term. Here we are four years later and many sponsorship arrangements are up for renewal. We are hopeful that our original sponsors will renew their commitment to the CSPS.

Each year, the nine Divisions from across the country compete for the honour of being the National leader in pages sponsored. Ontario Division has been the leader three of those four years! Let’s make sure that Ontario Division stays on top and receives the National Award at NAC 2004 to be held in Halifax. Remember as well, that our Division has an award for the zone who obtains the most pages sponsored – the winning zone will be recognized as part of this year’s Division Competition in Oshawa in February. Last year’s winner challenges all the Zones in Ontario to reach for the top this year!





Division

An Upgrade for the On Snow “Tool Kit” ...

The “Tool Kit” used by On Snow Instructors and Instructor Trainers has been upgraded. There are two new tools available to help make the On Snow process more patroller friendly.

The first new “tool” is the new On Snow video. This video was released in September 2003 and features the various aspects of On Snow activities which patrollers must practice. These activities include a snow sliding skill demonstration, a toboggan handling demonstration, as well as an incident site management scenario. This video is a great training and recruiting aid. There are obvious points throughout the video where a pause for discussion will provide an opportunity to relate to local area or zone procedures such as the

type of toboggan used, the communication

protocol and sweep procedures. There are numerous opportunities to find “teachable moments” to show patrollers minimum On Snow standards for CSPS members.

The second “tool” is the new assessment/evaluation system for On Snow skills. Most will agree that the numerical rating system in use for many years was due for an upgrade. The new skill demonstration system has some definite advantages:

- Relieves the stress and strain of a formal summative exam after hours of training. A summative exam may not be the best indicator of a patroller’s On Snow ability.
- Saves time in training – especially for returning patrollers who need to re-qualify.
- Provides a progressive system of training and evaluation.
- Provides flexibility for Instructors and Instructor Trainers.

Patrollers will complete phases of training and complete demonstrations as their skills improve. The process begins with a snow sliding demonstration. If successful, then patrollers will complete a series of demonstrations which conclude with a final demonstration. The various demonstrations include toboggan/equipment checks, toboggan skills techniques, and incident site management.

As patrollers progress through the training, an “On Snow Checklist” tracks the results of the training process. The checklist is submitted to the zone office as the official record indicating that a patroller has completed “On Snow Training”. The real advantage for returning patrollers is that they can move directly to the final demonstration once they have successfully completed the snow sliding skills demonstration.

The patrollers assessing candidates will appreciate

the fact that this system uses a “yes/no” system. Patroller candidates must successfully demonstrate the required skills in order to complete the phases of the training program.

All of the zones in Ontario have agreed to use this system this year. Comments and suggestions can be sent directly to me and I will forward them to Dick Hornby, the National Director of On Snow Training. I am very interested in your reaction to the changes that you will experience this season. In order to improve our system we must be ready to try out new ideas. I hope you find these changes to be positive. We all share a responsibility in making the CSPS the best that it can be. By working together to improve our training systems, we can encourage patrollers to share the pride as well as the challenge of serving the Snow Sliding public to the best of our ability. ❄️

Ontario Division Skills Competition

When? Saturday February 28, 2004

Where? Lakeridge Ski Resort, Kawartha Zone

Check out their website at www.ski-lakeridge.com

Why Should I Enter?

- demonstrate your first aid and on snow skills
- meet fellow patrollers from other zones
- have a blast!
- earn the right to represent Ontario Division at the National Competition to be held in May 2004.





Zone President Elections

Call for Nominations

In
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KAWARTHA
SUPERIOR
WESTERN**

Please be advised an election for the office of President of Canadian Ski Patrol System in Superior, Kawartha, Western and Frontenac zones has been called. The term of office will be for a period of up to two (2) years commencing May 2004 to May 2006.

Nominations will be received until 6:00 p.m. on February 25, 2004 by:

*CSPS ONTARIO DIVISION
c/o Linda Andrews
66-2350 Grand Ravine Drive
Oakville, ON L6H 6E2*

To be eligible for nomination as President of a Zone, the nominee must have been a registered Patroller in good standing in the System for a period of 18 months at the time of nomination.

All nominations must be made in writing, stating the nominee's experience and qualifications, and must be signed by two (2) Patrollers in good standing in the Zone at the time of nomination. The nomination must also contain a signed statement by the nominee accepting the nomination and indicating a willingness to serve if elected. (A sample nomination letter is shown here).

Nominees may be interviewed by the Ontario Division President.

Brian Low, President ❄️

NOMINATION FOR THE POSITION OF

ZONE PRESIDENT

_____ is hereby nominated for the position of President of the Canadian Ski Patrol System for _____ Zone.

Nominated by: _____ **Seconded by:** _____

Name: _____ Name: _____

Address: _____ Address: _____

Phone: _____ Phone: _____

Zone: _____ Zone: _____

Position held: _____ Position held: _____

I.D. Number: _____ I.D. Number: _____

Signature: _____ Signature: _____

Nominee Data:

I, _____, hereby accept the nomination for the position of Zone President in _____ Zone. I will abide by the Election Rules and Regulations as set out by the CSPS. I accept that the Ontario Division President and his Executive members shall operate, appoint and scrutinize the election for _____ Zone at the Zone's expense. I certify that I have been an active member for 18 months, and am a member in good standing.

Name (print): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Postal Code _____

I.D. Number: _____ Zone: _____

Present Position: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____





Division

2002/2003 Award Winners National and Division

National Award Winners from Ontario Division

Canadian Ski Patroller Award

Cindy Cameron Kawartha Zone
Frances Norlen Central Zone

National Appreciation Award

Jan Beard Central Zone
Paul Besley Central Zone
Scott Fraser Algonquin Zone
Steve Kohler Superior Zone
Jim Matthews Central Zone

25 Year Service Awards

Nancy Askin Western Zone
Peter Wood Western Zone
Sal Garofalo Kawartha Zone
Jim Matthews Central Zone
Kevin Mowle Central Zone
Jim Ross Central Zone
Joan Sommerville Kawartha Zone



Ontario Division Award Winners:

Division Appreciation Awards

289 Deanna Anderson Muskoka Zone
290 Marc Beyore Algonquin Zone
291 Marg Bruineman Central Zone
292 Patrick Buchanan Central Zone
293 Barb Bull Central Zone
294 Rick Bull Central Zone
295 Kim Dubeau Muskoka Zone
296 Jack Haley Kawartha Zone
297 Tom Hall Central Zone
298 Ted Kennedy Central Zone
299 Ted McLeod Central Zone
300 Chantal Rathwell-Fraser Algonquin Zone
301 Laurene Redding Kawartha Zone
302 Sandra Roe Central Zone
303 Tim Stezik Kawartha Zone

20 Year Service Awards

Linda Andrews Western Zone
John Herd Central Zone
Eric Kohler Central Zone
Brian Low Central Zone
Roderick MacAlpine Central Zone
Peter MacEwen Central Zone
Gary Maddeaux Central Zone
Steve McKee Muskoka Zone
Logan Naftel Western Zone

Executive Award – Vivienne Ball, Central Zone

President's Award – Kawartha Zone

Doug Wilson Administration Award

Muskoka Zone

Special Achievement Awards

Marg Bruineman Central Zone
Ann Heide n/a

Division Skills Competition Winners

Overall Competition Winners

Central Zone, Blue Mountain Kim Bohlman
Sarah Potter
Scott Syme

First Aid Winners

Muskoka Zone, Hidden Valley Tony Barker
James Dawe
Gabrielle Moore

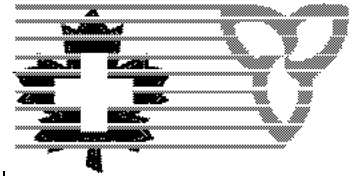
On Snow Winners

Western Zone, London Ski Club Nicole Anderson
Michael Corty
Kate Moerman



Division

2003 NAC - Niagara Falls, Ontario (Western Zone)



It hardly seems possible that it was only 8 months ago that the Western Zone NAC committee was busy hosting fellow patrollers from across Canada at the 2003 National Conference in Niagara Falls. And it was only a year and a half ago when our group was in full swing planning the educational, social, and professional development agendas to make the event a success.

In choosing the location, the committee felt the venue needed to be both a place in which patrollers from the far reaches of our system could enjoy the natural beauty of Canada, as well as provide the necessary structure and logistical support needed to accommodate the NAC. We chose the Sheraton Fallsview Hotel because it

was close to the falls and met the needs of our delegates.

The NAC committee was formed from an enthusiastic group of patrollers who had either volunteered to help, or had been sought out for their particular skill and expertise. Our group was comprised of patrollers mainly from Western Zone, and others, who gave us assistance in online registration, banquet planning, finance, social, fundraising and gift store. Our National office employees were indispensable in keeping us focused and on track with timelines and logistical support. Other committee members were responsible for the educational and annual general meeting streams, spousal and children's

programs, trade show and First Aid Competition. The work that this group put forward to make this conference the best it could be was phenomenal!

The success of NAC 2003 could not have been achieved without the full support of the Sheraton Fallsview Hotel. The staff of the hotel, and I mean the entire staff, could not have done more to make us feel like we were a part of their family and to provide our committee with everything we asked for. Before, during and after the event, the hotel and its staff accommodated our needs in every way.

The committee was very pleased with the finished product and received congratulations from all across our system. Although attendance was slightly below what was

expected, due in part to SARS, West Nile Virus, Mad Cow Disease and costs of travel, those who did come were treated to a very special conference.

The conference committee believes the NAC met its objectives as promised in that the event was educational, provided for great social interaction, gave a chance for delegates to sample the natural wonder, history, and economic diversity of the Niagara region, and did so in a safe and relaxing environment.

Thanks to each and every person who attended and supported our conference and to those who gave their volunteer time and financial resources in bringing you NAC 2003. ❁

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Ontario Division

Thank You Instructors

Please be sure to join me in offering a big thank you to all First Aid and CPR assistant instructors, instructors, and instructor trainers! Without these dedicated volunteers our First Aid Training program would not run as smoothly as it has over the past few months. These individuals have already put in many dedicated hours preparing lesson plans, copying exams, and taking the "Instructor Course" before you meet them at your First Aid course. You may only see them as the "EXAMINER"!!!! But please step back, and look at them as someone dedicated to the First Aid side of our Organization trained

in how to deliver the best First Aid program around! All First Aid "instructors" are there to help you be successful in meeting the requirements of our Organization.

And one more group of enthusiastic instructors is now well underway with their training for the upcoming season... the On Snow Instructors. Soon you will see them on the snow putting the final touches on our training to allow us all to become fully certified members of the CSPS.

Thank you to all "instructors" in our Canadian Ski Patrol System!!!



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