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WHAT'S IN THE FUTURE?

BY COOKIE

What's in store for the future of Plumas Eureka Ski Bowl? Plumas Ski Club, Plumas Corp and many others are working together form a new organization to chart the future of the ski hill. John Sheehan drafted a memorandum of understanding to coordinate the planning for the future of Plumas Eureka Ski Bowl. The planning group will be comprised of public and private organizations working together to insure the operation of the local ski area.

Outgoing Supervisor Don Clark called a meeting on Dec. 4th at the Graeagle Community Hall. People interested in the future of the ski hill in Johnsville were invited to attend. Participants at the meeting were asked to "buy-into" the future of skiing. The buy-in idea was well received by the groups involved. John Sheehan is presently working with the group so that we can optimize our success.

There is still much that needs to be done to make Plumas Eureka Ski Bowl fully operational. This season, the ski area will be used only for longboard races. We all hope to have an operational ski hill for the seasons to come. A definite time line has not been established yet. We are taking things one step at a time. Right now the Plumas Ski Club's efforts are being spent working out agreements with Gold Mountain and the State Park System to re-establish ownership of the ski facilities at Eureka Bowl.

As you know the ski hill was run by volunteers of the Plumas Ski Club. The Club is no longer able to run the ski hill solely as a volunteer group. A new organizational group is needed. In the mean time, if you are interested in supporting skiing for children in Plumas County, contact Plumas Corporation or the Plumas Ski Club at PlumasSkiClub.org

PLUMAS SKI CLUB PRESENTS:
The 11th annual
Redstreak Snowball.

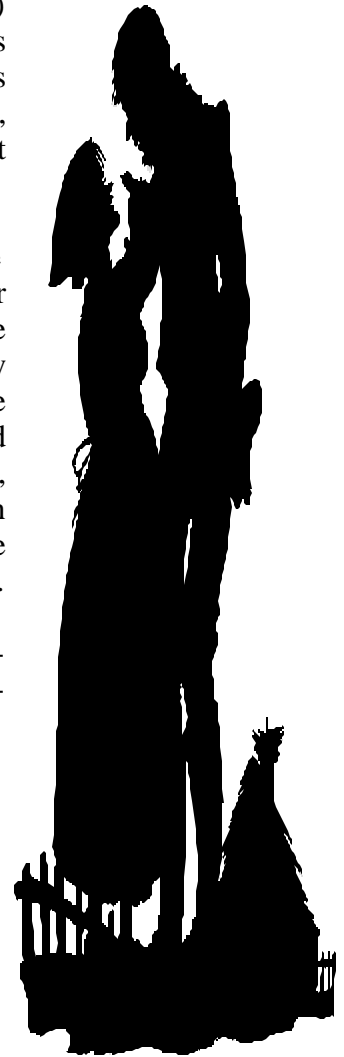
The Semi Formal Gala Event will be held on Saturday February 15th, 2003 at Longboards Bar & Grill in Graeagle 7:00 PM ~ Hors d'oeuvres ~ No Host Bar. Dancing begins at 9:00 with music by Deja Blues. Tickets \$40 in advance \$45 at the door. A limited quantity is available. **Ticket outlets: Dollard's, Graeagle Store, The Bookshelf, Quincy Natural Foods.** Rooms available at River Pines Resort 530 836 2552

DEJA BLUES (<http://www.dejablues.net/>)
Deja Blues, is a wildly popular, high energy, group of veteran musicians performing in Northern Nevada and California. And while these members have been together under the name Deja Blues for just less than 1 year, their accomplishments to-date are those usually reserved for bands that have been together for many years.

Lead singer, Wanda Cobb, with roots in gospel music, is a major presence on stage; audiences love it when this "lady sings the blues". Her distinctive personal approach is stamped with her own artistic signature from the first note to the last. Gordon Bulcock on guitar is a truly gifted lead performer. Warren Coleman on bass and Kelly Beyer, the percussionist, have played together for so many years they almost read each other's mind -- this is rather important as everything Wanda does, she does on the spot; making each performance a new experience for both the band and the audience. Deja Blues believes in spontaneity and the importance of the moment, and do what just comes naturally.

As in the style of our ancestors, the dance is being held the week end of the historic Longboard races. Make the most of your time and plan to attend the Longboard races the morning after the big dance.

The annual Snowball is one of the events of the season!
Show your support for the Plumas Ski Club
by attending the Snowball.
For more information check the website
www.PlumasSkiClub.org



The Outdoor Recreation Leadership Program at Feather River College will be hosting a Telemark Ski Class on Feb 28, March 1st and 2nd. Those interested should sign up at the FRC Registration Office. Equipment, instruction, and transportation will be provided. Lift tickets will need to be purchased by the students. For more information call Rick Stock at 283-0202 Ext. 275

PLUMAS SKI CLUB

The Plumas Descendants of the Right Honorable 1867 Alturas "Snowshoe" Club SUMMON all able riders to the YEAR 2003 11th ANNUAL

YEAR 2003 HISTORIC LONGBOARD REVIVAL RACES

1860's Style, 10'-15' Wooden Ski Races at the historic ski area at Johnsville (formerly Plumas Eureka Ski Bowl, 60 miles north of Truckee/ Reno; 30 miles south from Quincy) above Historic Johnsville, Plumas County, California, Sunday, February 16, & World Longboard Championships, Sunday, March 16, 2003

ANYONE 18 or OLDER CAN RACE. PRIZES, UNIQUE FUN! HISTORIC ATTIRE/ LEATHER BOOTS REQUIRED.

Authentic "dope" wax only. No spittin' or cheatin'!

ENTRY FEES: Plumas Ski Club Membership required: \$15 membership fee. \$10 race fee for Card Carrying Ski Club Members using private longboard skis, \$20 fee for Club Members using club longboards. Dope wax available. **ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST UNDERSTAND HAZARDS OF LONGBOARD USE AND MUST SIGN LIABILITY RELEASE.** Use of club "public" longboards on first come, first serve basis- sorry.. a limited quantity of club skis are available. Registration 9:30-11:00 an. Drawing of numbers at 11:30. Racing starts at noon.

For Information...

**Visitors Bureau 800- 326-2247,
E. Plumas Chamber 530- 832-5444**

The Outdoor Recreation Leadership Program at Feather River College will be assisting with the programming of the Longboard Ski Races. Students enrolled in Recreation Program Planning, under the supervision of Inge Stock, will give Rob Russell a break. Students will be involved in all aspects of planning and implementing the event. We would also like to thank the Clampers for their continued involvement.

QUINCY HIGH SCHOOL and PORTOLA HIGH SCHOOL SKI TEAM RACE SCHEDULE

Jan. 6	Slalom	@ Sugar Bowl
Jan. 13	Giant Slalom	@ Nortstar
Jan. 27	Giant Slalom	@ Northstar
Feb. 3	Slalom	@ Alpine
Feb. 10	Giant Slalom	@ Sugar Bowl
Feb. 14	Slalom	@ Boreal

State championships to be announced

JOHNSVILLE JUNIORS , THE OLD AND THE NEW

BY ELLIOTT SMART

Fresh off their championship of a year ago, the Gatebreakers will be looking for back-to-back championships as Johnsville Junior Ski Team opens its junior ski-racing season January 11th. Returning skiers Cody Anderson and Joe Murray will lead the Breakers as they defend the championship title.

According to team officials, Anderson and Murray came on strong toward the end of last season, earning the team's place at the top of the rankings. While the 'Breaker's title was earned in last season's final race by only a single point, their steady improvement over the course of last season makes them the team to beat.

The Gatebreakers will be challenged by White Lightening, who will be returning four skiers from last year's second place team. Led by Allen Gruner and Coral Rudholm, White Lightening will also get strong support from returning skiers Elliott Johnson-Smart and Henry Dillingham.

"Allen and Coral are both ready for breakout seasons", noted JJST officials. "And, kids like Henry and Elliott can be the key to White Lightning's success this year. They are much improved and could provide the Bolts with needed point support".

Race directors noted that It is often the third and fourth place skiers who earn valuable team points that mean a lot at the end of the season.

The Shredders also will return a strong core for the 2003 season. "Kyle Hemsley is one of the top Buddy Werner Skiers in the state in his age group", commented team officials. "Jack Kuipers and brother Jared will lend a lot of help in supporting roles. Jack is one of the most improved skiers over the past two seasons, and Jared is one of our most competitive kids", they added.

There will also be strong competition for second and third place teams. The Extreme Team will return two solid skiers in Kenny Wilson and Jamie Diggs. And Fire on Ice will return three veteran skiers in Ethan Morton, Karl Steidel and Katie Rahmeyer.

"Fire on Ice is probably our sleeper team", commented race director Smart. "They could wind up surprising everyone if a couple of their support skiers come on strong".

More than fifty junior skiers from the ages of 7 through 14 have signed up for ski racing. The 2003 season will be the sixteenth for competitive skiing under the JJST program.

"I'm thrilled with the turnout", commented race director Elliott Smart. "I was expecting between 36 and 40 kids this year". According to Smart, there has been very strong interest in the program from families in the Chester area. "Stover Mountain has really helped to create interest in our program for families in the Chester area", Smart added.

The JJST race schedule starts January 11th with team racing at the Homewood Mountain Ski Resort. That will be followed by races at Donner Ski Ranch and Sugar Bowl.

"We're getting great support from our sponsors in the community" Smart commented. "That is making it possible for us to go to places that we otherwise couldn't go to", he added. Sponsorship support offsets about \$2,500 of the annual cost of the team racing.