



# Kandahar

## News – Autumn 2012

Time to start planning your ski trip to Kandahar this year. Good news is that booking and subs fees remain the same as last year. 'Back to Perisher Weekend' over easter is coming up and Perisher's winter season kicks off on the June long weekend with the Snowy Mountains of Music Festival. This year we have set aside a week in July for 3rd generation members to ski together.

### Sports news

For a list of snowsport races and events, SLOPES website has a Sports page with descriptions and links to events during the year, including the Interschools Races, Perisher Cup, Perisher Blue Masters, Snowsports ACT and NSW Guide to Sporting Activities in NSW. You can access SLOPES website (Sports promotion page) via Kandahar's Feedback & Links page or go to [www.slopes.org.au](http://www.slopes.org.au).

### Club news

#### Subs and bookings

Kandahar subscription fees are due in by 31 March and remain the same – see information forms. As notified in last Autumn's newsletter, restricted and full membership fees have increased from \$1600 to \$1750. A \$100 late fee is imposed if you are slack with getting your subs in, so please post in by 31st March.

A 'Uni week' for 21-28 July has been set aside for bookings for our 3rd generation members. It's a good opportunity to make a booking with your peers and ski with members of your own generation.

For Canberra members, ACT holidays are 14-21 July.

#### Kandahar Picnic

All the planets aligned to produce a perfect day for Kandahar's picnic. Beautiful sunny weather with a storm breaking only after everyone had been ferried back across Pittwater to home. We had about 45 2nd-gen members, a handful of our pioneer members and 21 kids, who hit the water for hours, reappearing at intervals for BBQ'd sausages and chicken and delicious salads.

Maria and Scott Silk Young did another wonderful catering job, making the salads fresh and marinating for 65. Followed by cheesecakes and chocolate tortes for dessert. Rusty and Andrew's place at Elvina Bay is a magic venue with safe swimming off the jetty and a glorious view past Scotland Island across to Clareville. Special mention to the support crew, Peter MacDonald and Lewis Chandler and Glenn Richards as photographer. **Photos on Kandahar's Photogallery page and a few overleaf.**

### Perisher news

#### Back to Perisher Week 6–8 April 2012

This is a great 3-day event over Easter and wonderful for kids and families with plenty of activities including guided walks, Guthega Super Sleuth Easter egg hunt, mountain bike tour, The Great Perisher Duck Race. This year 200 ducks are for sale at \$2.00 with proceeds to the Perisher Volunteer Ski Patrol.

For any further information please see overleaf or contact David Read on 041841938.

#### Perisher Snowy Mountains of Music is Back!

**8-11 June** Now in it's 4th year, the Perisher Snowy Mountains of Music on the June Long Weekend will have over 100 shows across 10 venues. Tickets are \$99 for a 3 day festival pass if you book by 29 February, a fantastic saving of \$56.

Last year's festival not only attracted record crowds but also a mountain of snow with 43cm of snow falling at Perisher weeks before and included headliners Ash Grunwald, Christine Anu, Eric Bogle with Speed Skating Olympic Legend Steven Bradbury as the star MC.

For more information, call 1300 811 324 or email [info@snowymountainsofmusic.com.au](mailto:info@snowymountainsofmusic.com.au) or see link on Kandahar website, News page.

#### Proposed Perisher Fire Station closure over summer months

SLOPES is representing our interests trying to prevent Fire & Rescue NSW from closing Perisher Fire station in summer. Some progress was made at a community consultation meeting held on 20 January in Jindabyne, when a 1 month extension was granted which means the fire station will be manned until 23 March. Continued efforts are being made to keep the station manned all year. Please send an email if you have not already done so.

*Wishing for sun & snow in the right order,*



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## Back to Perisher Weekend



**SLOPES and the NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) are holding the "Back to Perisher Weekend" over the 2012 Easter period.**

For further information please contact David Read on 041841938

### Friday 6th April.

Informative bush walks under the guidance of NPWS. The final time and meeting place for the walk on this day will be emailed later. These free walks (see also Monday 9th) are exclusively for members/guests of SLOPES affiliated lodges.

### Saturday 7th April.

\* The Perisher Fun Run (Walk).

Start 9.00am just past Eyre "T" bar at the Perisher Gap. Registration from 8.30am on site.

RTA approved, fully insured by All Class Insurance. Attended by members of the Perisher Volunteer Ski Patrol.

Finishes at Charlotte Pass where the Chalet will be open for coffee and drinks and the chair lift operating.

\* The Great Perisher Duck Race

Start 4.00pm on Perisher Creek next to the centre. This year 200 ducks are for sale at \$2.00 with proceeds to the Perisher Volunteer Ski Patrol.

\* JAX

JAX will be open on Saturday afternoon starting at 1600hrs. There will be the presentation for the winners of the "Fun Run/Walk". Nibbles provided by SLOPES.

Please support JAX by staying for a few hours, last year they ran at a loss and we may lose the evening get together. Prize draw at 7.00pm

The Kosi Bar at Charlotte Pass will be open on the Saturday and Sunday.

### Sunday 8th April

\* Guthega Super Sleuth

11.00am at Guthega, the Guthega Super Sleuth Treasure Hunt. A fun event where a walk around Guthega will reveal some interesting facts while children collect Easter Eggs. The Guthega Hotel will be open. Prize draw after the event.

\* Guthega or Perisher Bike Ride

Starting around 2.00pm and led by NPWS officers. An informative ride around the range where Environment Officers will explain and show both the flora and fauna of the area. Not to be missed.

### Monday 9th April

\* Perisher Range Bush

Includes the Porcupine track with NPWS which is one of the Perisher areas most interesting walks. Exclusive to SLOPES lodge members. Walks commence at the NPWS office in Perisher.

### Vehicle entry

NPWS have agreed to "pay for two get three" or "pay three days get four" days of park entry. To register Lodges must email David Read on [djread@bigpond.com](mailto:djread@bigpond.com) at least a week before arriving giving driver's name, Vehicle Registration, dates in/out and lodge name.

Thanks go to:-

- Perisher Resort for providing day tickets.
- The Guthega Hotel for providing private ski lessons and lunch. The Hotel will also be hosting a free sausage sizzle after the Super Sleuth event. They are kindly donating \$5 to the NPWS for research for every person who enters the SS event. The hotel will be open over Easter for food and beverages.
- Charlotte Pass Resort for providing "Day Tripper" tickets.
- All Class Insurance for insuring the Fun Run.