

POWDERLINES

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Back in business!!!!

After almost a year, Powderlines is back and under new management. My name is Dan Robinson and I am the new editor of this newsletter. This is the first project of this kind for me so please don't hesitate to send some feedback.

A little information about me to start things off. I have been on the Granite Peak Ski Patrol for 3 years now and ski primarily Saturday nights. I am also an instructor for OEC and have done that for 2 years. I work at Aspirus Wausau Hospital as a CT scan technologist so I get to scan many of the patrons that have unfortunate accidents at our hill.

I am very excited about this opportunity to create this newsletter for our region and hope you all enjoy it as much as in years passed.



My daughter Olivia and I at Granite peak last year! Excited to get back out there!

Welcome Back Whitecap!

Whitecap Mountains Resort is under new management, and the entire resort is being upgraded!

With new First Aid facilities, equipment, gear, and supplies Whitecap Mountains Resort welcomes National Ski Patrol back to the mountain. We are welcoming applicants for paid patrol positions. We also welcome Volunteer Patrollers anytime, so please contact us and let us know when you're coming to visit. We'll have some limited overnight accommodations available. Volunteers will also get an employee discount on food and one guest lift pass for each day they patrol.

The Food and Beverage facility has been entirely re-modeled. We have leased space to a great new local gear and clothing outfitter and are putting together a newly stocked rental equipment facility. Our chairlifts are being tested, maintained, and upgraded. We are putting a new drive system in our main chairlift and after a long nap our awesome 3 person C-tech chairlift has the new parts it's been waiting for! Between all that lake affect snow we are forecasting and our snow guns back in action, conditions should be great! New

expert gladed areas are being developed. We have also reconnected to the great network of snowmobile and atv trails that Iron County has to offer. New underground fiber-optics will be bringing WIFI to the mountain.

We'll see you on the slopes!



YAP Program for NSP

It's an exciting time for young patrollers!

Does your patrol utilize young patrollers? Our patrollers are quickly aging without new youth waiting in the wings to take their place. What percentage of your patrol own or are qualified for AARP cards? Have you worried that some patrollers will retire leaving you with holes in your roster. Start recruiting NOW to bring in new patrollers; new patrollers that can help



us for many years!

The North Central Region Board has voted to change the name of the Young Adult Patroller (YAP) program to the Ski Patrol Youth (SPY) within our region to alleviate concerns about the negative connotations by the youth of the "YAP" title. This change also allows us an opportunity to create themed events for the youth. **"SPY School" will be hosted by the Pine Mountain Ski Patrol on January 26-27, 2019.** We will have skiing and toboggan lessons as well as on-hill first aid practice with a LOT of FUN! There will be events for the parents as well. Please help me get the word out to all NSP youth age 15 through college.

A new OEC method was tried this summer with great success. Using a flipped classroom, we can now have SPY (or young at heart) patrollers watch online videos of lectures and take quizzes on their own time and then work on hands-on skills at our resorts during the season.

We've also been working on students receiving 4 college credits through Bellin College in Green Bay for successfully passing OEC. These credits will help college-bound teens looking for careers in Public Safety, Medicine, the Military or Management.

Please consider contacting the guidance counselors at schools



near your resort and set up an informational night to draw in new young adults. I can help your instructors with setting up an OEC class that you can run during the season or extend out to fit your student's needs.

I would also suggest that you create an Explorer Post through the Boy Scouts to help you with recruiting and provide additional liability coverage for the youth and instructors who teach them.

SPY into our future to see how we'll grow. SPY will be with us a long time, AARP not so much. (Full disclosure, I own an AARP card too and feel younger every day I ski).

If you would like help setting up a SPY program, or working with your management to accept these well qualified and respectful youth, please contact me at spy@pinemountainkipatrol.com.

Jay Van Zeeland
Ski Patrol Youth (SPY) Regional Advisor



"Yoooo-hooo! Has anyone seen a ski pole that I dropped when I was on the chairlift?"



1-800-362-7853 www.skibrule.com

13th Annual Ski Brule Ski Patrol Snowsports Enhancement Seminar

NOVEMBER 17-18, 2018

SPONSORED BY SKI BRULE SKI PATROL

If you are a current ski patroller, candidate or thinking about taking your senior evaluation, plan to attend this exceptional and fun Snowsports Enhancement Seminar.

Alpine/Tele/Snowboard training groups formed based on participants' learning desires

Fee: \$35.00/person – Includes lunch and pizza party on Saturday, along with both days of training. Meet 3rd Floor Brule Lodge

Saturday, November 17 – Check in 8:00am to 8:45am with group training completing at 4:00pm

Sunday, November 18 – Check in at 8:30am with group training finishing by 1:00pm

Register by November 12 at <https://www.nsp.org/> for course # C018180004

For more information contact Brian Lord at mqtmishap@gmail.com or 920.265.3987

397 Brule Mountain Road, Iron River, Michigan 49935



Lodging for this event

Chicaugon Lake Inn (12 miles from Ski Brule)

1700 County Road 424

Gaastra, MI 49927

906.265.9244

<http://www.chicaugonlakeinn.com/>

Contact Colleen for NSP discount (2 People – 2 Queen Beds for \$65.00 plus tax)

Lakeshore Motel (10 miles from Ski Brule)

1257 West Ice Lake Road

Iron River, MI 49935

906.265.3611

<http://lakeshoremotelicelake.com/>

Standard room rates:

1 Person - 1 Queen Bed for \$53.00 plus tax

2 People – 1 Queen Bed for \$60.00 plus tax

2-4 People – 2 Queen Beds for \$69.00 plus tax

**NSP/patrollers get 10% off during winter

Pizza Party - November 17

Ski Brule Main Lodge - Third Floor

5:00pm Social Hour

6:00pm Pizzas Served

7:00pm White Elephant Gift Exchange

Feel free to bring a snack to share



AmericInn (8 miles from Ski Brule)

40 E Adams Street

Iron River, MI 49935

906.214.2308

<https://www.wyndhamhotels.com/americinn/iron-river-michigan/mericinn-lodge-and-suites-iron-river/overview>

Room rates - vary based on weekend events/availability

Standard 2 queen bed room for \$122.90 to \$127.90

**No discount given for NSP/patrollers

SMR Flowchart for 2018

Another ski season is quickly approaching, the checklist starts patrol pack, skis waxed, boots fit, etc. but it's important to look back as well forward, the looking back to our refresher season to the OEC skills that still need a little brushing off before we get back out on the slopes. This is especially true for any new equipment that our patrols have upgraded in the summer season. Also for any new national standards that may have been introduced this season, we all know that the SMR protocols rolled out with some hiccups but it's here to stay. As always follow your local protocol, but if you need a quick reference guide do not be afraid to print this flow chart and carry it with you (just another tool in your tool box). Utilize your hill instructors for questions that have and stay safe out there. HAPPY SKIING!!

Spinal Motion Restriction (SMR) Key points

Determine the Mechanism of Injury

- High Speed collision? Falling from a ski lift?
- Avalanche burial? A fall greater than 2.5-3 times a patient's height?
- High speed motor vehicle accident with fatality, ejection, or unrestrained occupant?
- Pedestrian or bicyclist struck by a motor vehicle?
- Major bicycle or motorcycle wreck?
- High-voltage electrical shock or lightning strike?
- Other serious mechanism of injury

If mechanism of injury supports possible spinal injury



Reliability of Assessment

- Is the patient alert and oriented?
- Responding normally to verbal commands?
- Can they respond appropriately when asked about sensory stimulus?
- Can you rule out all signs of intoxication with alcohol or drugs or any altered mental status?
- Can they respond appropriately to questions and your exam?
- Can the patient focus on your questions, rather than a distracting injury? (i.e. severe pain from fracture)
- Can a younger pediatric patient answer your questions appropriately?

If you answer **NO** to any of these

Needs SMR
Including c-collar and head blocks.



Exam Findings

- Deformity or step-off of spinal alignment
- Midline tenderness over the spine, not flank, or rib tenderness
- Loss of sensation (numbness) or motor function distal to possible injury
- Flexor or extensor posturing to painful stimuli
- Skull irregularities or evidence of trauma
- Cerebral spinal fluid leak from nose or ears
- Sacral or posterior pelvic pain when side to side compression is performed

If the Exam reveals any of these

Needs SMR
Including c-collar and head blocks.

Use the Form Below to Nominate Section
Chief for
North Central Region Section II
Nominations Due April 1, 2019

2018 - 2019 SECTION CHIEF

ELECTION OF SECTION II

National Ski Patrol System
Central Division, North Central Region

The North Central Region of the Central Division will hold an election in the spring of 2019 to elect the
Section Chief in Section II

Minimum Qualifications

1. Must be registered NSP member in the section.
2. Must have been NSP Patrol Director for one year or NSP member for five years.
3. Must be familiar with the national policies as defined in the NSP Officer's Handbook and the Ski Patroller's Manual.
4. Must be familiar with Division and Section policies as applicable.

Recommended Qualifications

1. Served as Patrol Director one year
2. Logged at least 45 active days patrolling (Excluding refreshers, tests, etc.) with at least one third in section.
3. Experience working with management at ski area in the section.
4. Participation in Region activities (meetings testing/training, events, etc.)
5. Should be registered in the Division and senior patroller in any discipline.

Duties and Responsibilities

1. Serves term in accordance with Central Division by-laws NSP.
2. Supports and fosters NSP mission statement. Promotes NSP education programs within Section to

maintain integrity of NSP training and promote efficient delivery/service.

3. Cooperates with Region Director and other NSP officers in maintaining rules, regulations, and standards of the NSP.
4. Submits annual activity report to the RD and if necessary financial report to the Region Treasurer.
5. Facilitates communication to and from the Region Director, NSP Unit Rep, Ski Area Patrol Rep and NSP members and any other duties assigned by RD or Region Board of Directors.
6. Works cooperatively with Unit Reps to facilitate registration, dues payment and financial reports in a timely manner.
7. Actively participates in region func-

tions.

8. Maintains Section records as directed by the RD or Region Policy.
9. Perform as mentor and coach to prospective NSP leaders in Section.
10. Visit each unit in section annually.

Nomination Procedure

Any active patroller in good standing may nominate or make self-nomination. Fill out form below and send to Region Elections Coordinator. Form must be post marked by April 1, 2019.

Electorate

The electorate, having one vote each, consists of Unit Representatives as of December 31, 2018.

Region Elections Coordinator verifies and notifies all candidates. Ballots will be mailed to eligible voters by April 1, 2019. Ballots must be mailed by April 5, 2019. Ballots returned postmarked by April 15, 2019.

Results will be announced April 20, 2019.

Section Chief Nomination National Ski Patrol System, Central Division, North Central Region Section Chief Nomination for 2019 Elections, I hereby nominate: Name: _____ of the _____ (Patrol and State) For the office of Section Chief, NC Region Section II.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Print Your Name: _____ Address: _____

Mail To: Carolyn DeJongh, 2562 Ryan Rapids Bluffs, Rhinelander, WI 54501 Nominations Must Be Post Marked by April 1, 2019 Email: cdej@charter.net Phone: 715-369-1563

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10/27/2018

Name	Phone Number(s)	E-Mail	Region Title	Comments
Anna Aldrich	906-869-0871	an-nie_1966@chogmail.com	Patrol Director Mount Bohemia/ NCR Women's Clinic Administrator	OEC Instructor
Patty Asselin	906-370-3070	paass@mtu.edu	NCR Toboggan Administrator	OEC / OET Instructor OEC Instructor/ Toboggan IT/ Senior Toboggan Evaluator/ Chair Evac Instructor
Steve Beil	715-892-0433	NSPSTEEVB@GMAIL.COM	NCR OEC MSP Administrator	OEC Instructor/ CPR Instructor / Senior (MSP) OEC Evaluator
Julia Belej	906-231-1450	jimbelej@mtu.edu	Patrol Director Mont Ripley	OEC Instructor-IT/ Senior (MSP) OEC Evaluator
David Callaghan	906-281-5140	dtkalla@gmail.com	NCR Region Skiing Administrator	Toboggan Instructor-IT/ Toboggan Instructor/ Senior Ski trainer/ Certified Tester/ NSPC Ski School PSIA
David Dahl	715-536-4705 - H 715-551-9951 - C	dcdski@hotmail.com	NCR Assistant Region Director Alpine/ PR Marquette Mountain	OEC Instructor/ Toboggan Instructor/ Division Toboggan IT OEC and Toboggan Instructor/ Senior Ski Tester
Jim Grundstrom	906-360-8600	jimgrundstrom@friechevy.com	NCR Section 1 Chief	OEC Instructor/ Senior (MSP) OEC Evaluator/ OEC IT
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Brett Hamlin	906-370-1753	bhhamlin@mtu.edu	Patrol Director Ski Brule'	
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Sarah Hull	715-432-7879	Sg.hull@outlook.com	NCR Treasurer	OEC Instructor
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Nancy Imm	906-360-1310	namimm@aol.com	PR Superior Nordic	
Joe Matuszak	920-865-7608	JMTOOZ@Yahoo.com	NCR Section 2 Chief	OEC and Toboggan Instructor/ Senior (MSP) OEC Evaluator/ Senior Toboggan Evaluator
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Dan Robinson	715-803-0858	robinson-dan31@yahoo.com	NCR Patroller Communications	OEC Instructor OEC and Toboggan Instructor/ OEC and Toboggan IT/ Senior Ski Tester/ Senior (MSP)OEC Evaluator/ Senior Toboggan Evaluator
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Jay Van Zeeland	920-662-0625	jay@pinemountainskipatrol.com	Patrol Director Pine Mountain/ YAP Advisor	OEC Instructor/ OEC IT/ Senior (MSP) OEC Evaluator