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KIAMA ALPINE CLUB NEWSLETTER



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Welcome NEW Members

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**2011 Interclubs**

Kiama had a great result finishing 8th overall in the Thredbo Senior Inter-Clubs. With a host of new faces experiencing all the joys and elements that Thredbo Mountain could throw at us. Driving rain, gusty winds, melting snow, but there was still lots of laughter. With the focus being on participation and fun, the Senior Inter-Clubs race handicap system favours small clubs like Kiama. The handicap system is based on ski times, sex, age and size of ski lodge, resulting in a great team effort from our Kiama skiers ranging in ages from 18 to 73 years. It was also good to see Sven Lindell finish 4th fastest Male overall behind several Olympians and Ian Boxsell taking out the Telemark award.

From the Mountain, to the cocktail party, to finishing up dancing the night away at Ski Club of Australia, the Kiama team did us all very proud on and off the slope.

Those keen to join us next year please make sure you let Sally and Rob know you are racing when you make your booking.

**Club Weekend**

Blue skies, top to bottom skiing with a cold night offered some fun spring skiing. Unfortunately our Club Weekend had a very poor turn out with only half the lodge full. But for those that did attend, they witnessed the Presidents Stack! Liz showed her figure skating style with a beautiful little fall on the Rossi race track, with the style and grace that only a President can achieve!

**Club Champions**

- Senior Skiing Mens - James Garner
- Senior Skiing Ladies - Sally Walker
- Senior Snowboard - Gavin Telford
- Junior Skiing Boys - Josh Telford
- Junior Snowboard Boys - Cameron Telford

It was a great result by the Telford family with the fastest Senior, Junior Snowboarders and Junior Skier's titles. We all had lots of fun from racing and skiing on the mountain, fireworks & sparklers followed by Toga dress up and a traditional Kiama Lodge communal feast.

Look forward to see you all next year.

Cheers Anton



Photos courtesy Emma Lindell

**Outstanding Subscriptions – Reminder and new late fee**

Thank you to all those members who have paid your annual subscriptions on time – almost 95% have paid which is great news.

The Board have long taken a proactive approach by applying guest lodge rates to unfinancial members and cancelling membership for prolonged unpaid status and in the July newsletter we advised we would introduce a late penalty for outstanding subscriptions. We have now considered all member feedback and will introduce the following fees.

Late Fees effective from 1 Dec 2011

- A late fee of \$50 will apply if your annual subscription remains unpaid by 30 November 2011
- Plus a further \$50 late fee (i.e. \$100 in total) will apply if your annual subscription remains unpaid by the 2012 AGM (to be held in May)

Payment reminder letters are currently being sent to around 25 members who have outstanding payments reminding them of their unfinancial status. However, we fully understand members may experience financial constraints from time to time, overlook payment reminders or forget to update their address details and we are more than happy to consider requests from members requiring individual payment terms.

Liz Wynn - President

**2012 SUMMER RATES**

Season	Dates	Member Adult	Member Child*	Guest Adult	Guest Child#
<b>Summer Special</b> ^see exceptions in Summer Festivals	2 Jan – 8 Jun ^ 2 Oct – 23 Dec	<b>\$25</b>	<b>\$15</b>	<b>\$30</b>	<b>\$20</b>
	Group Special Min 10 Adults	Book 2 nights and stay 3 nights Maximum 1 free night			
<b>Summer Festivals Christmas, Easter and Thredbo Festivals</b>	24 Dec – 1 Jan 13 – 14 Jan (Blues) 15 - 16 Apr (Jazz) 6 – 9 Apr	<b>\$32</b>	<b>\$16</b>	<b>\$46</b>	<b>\$25</b>

\* Member Child rate applies to children whose parents are both Members

# Guest child age applies to children 3 - 15 years inclusive

^ See exceptions in Summer Festivals

<b>Linen</b>	<b>Single \$22 per bed Queen \$27.50 per bed Towels \$11 each</b>	<b>Room Cleaning</b>	<b>\$22 per room</b>
For duration of stay. Subject to higher charge if frequent washing required.		Give yourself more time on the mountain!	

**Exclusive Use** Exclusive use of the Lodge applies with a group booking of 24 beds or more – EXCEPT during the winter season and all Thredbo special public event weekends such as Easter, Christmas, Blues Festival, Jazz Festival etc where exclusive use of the Lodge is not available.  
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## Thredbo Historical Society and Ski Museum

### Thank You

Over the winter months we were able to meet a very high 94% of our advertised opening commitments – being unable to open 5 afternoons out of 80 planned.

We are most grateful to our many volunteers who make this possible and Kiama Club members have been most generous in volunteering their time when visiting Thredbo.

Our thanks to Jane Carroll, Bernadette Walker, Ray Mildren, Brian Lubczyk, Margaret and Bruce Piggott, Lois Woollams and Peter Henry, all of whom have kindly contributed to this result.

### Thredbo to Kiandra Bus Tour

We are in the process of organising a 1 day return bus tour in the second half of March 2012 to historic Kiandra. It is planned that the tour would leave Thredbo around 8.00am, travel to Adaminaby to visit Stewarts Gallery with its Old Adaminaby photo collection and memorabilia and enjoy morning tea there. Then onto historic Kiandra to inspect the restored Courthouse, check out the old chalet now proposed for restoration and the NPWS interpretive historic sites walks, the remains of a store once owned by the Chinese Yan family, also the last remnant of the Post office – a snow measuring device!

Then onto 3 Mile Dam (built by the Chinese) and the goldfields sluice and race remains.

Around 1pm Lunch would be taken at the Cabramurra General store before a visit to Cabramurra's own (now private) ski field and lodge.

Then on return a "drive though" to Mt Selwyn, continuing on with a brief stop at Providence Portal to see the water release/chute there (maybe in action).

On returning via Adaminaby we will visit the recently opened (by the Governor General on 16 October) Snowy Scheme Museum there and partake in afternoon tea. It is envisaged we would return to Thredbo at about 6pm.

The tour would be guided by Ross McKinney of Snowy Mountains Touring Company. Ross is a member of THS, a former General Manager of NPWS Snowy Region and also former GM of Snowy River Shire.

Lunch and morning / afternoon teas would be at each individuals cost (or bring your own). Costs are likely to be approximately \$70 to \$75 per head.

This could be a great opportunity for members to spend a few autumn days at the lodge complimented by this 1 day bus tour. Stand by for more details.

### LATE NEWS

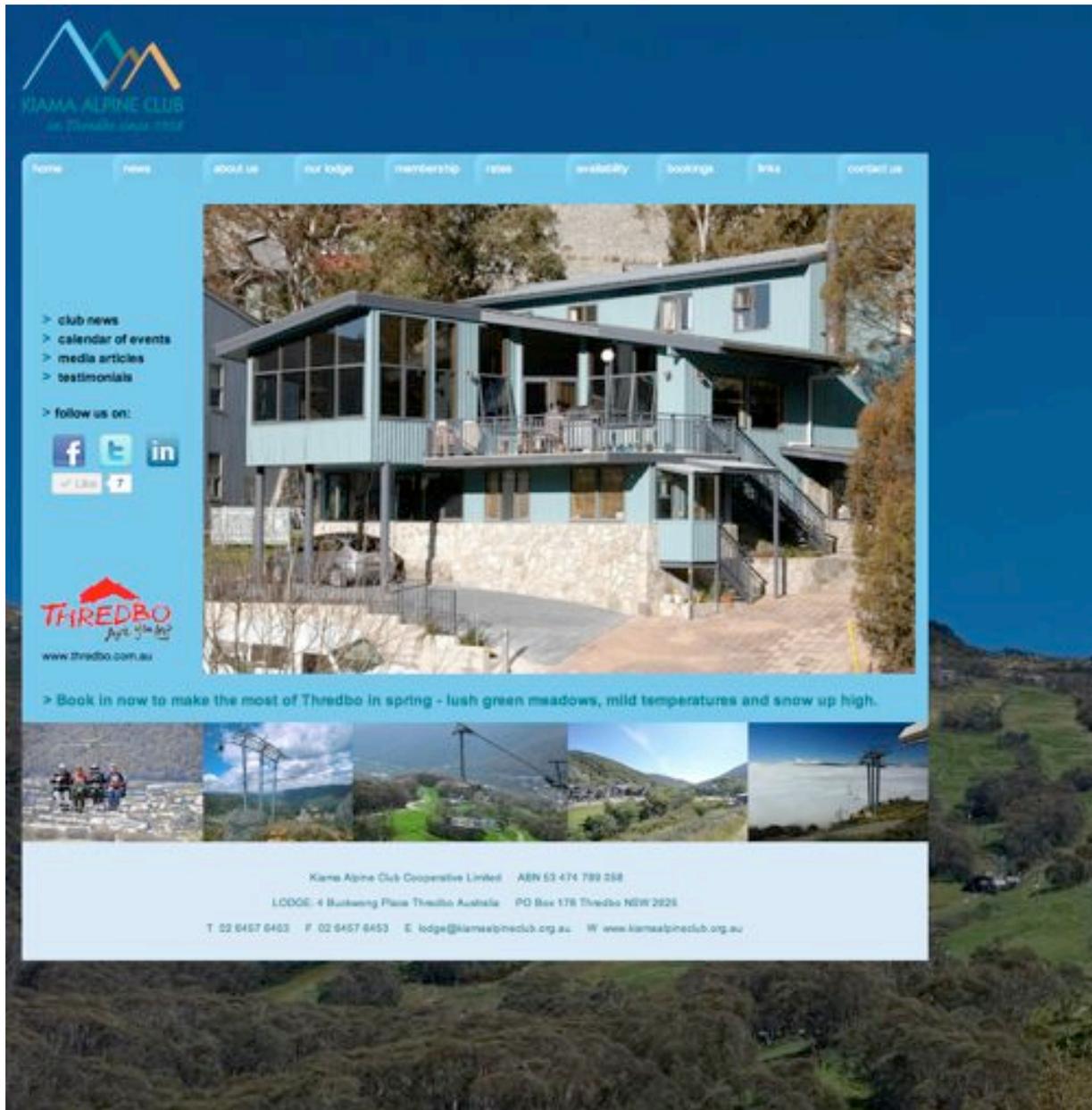
Thredbo Ski Museum has won a highly commended award in the NSW Museums and Galleries 2011 IMAGINE AWARDS in the Exhibitions and Public Engagement Category, (which had 30 nominations) for the "Kiandra Story – Celebrating 150 years of Alpine Skiing in Australia". This exhibition will remain in place until the Easter weekend next year – so if you have not viewed it yet – there are still many months of opportunities ahead.

Alan Fredericks – President  
Thredbo Historical Society



Photo courtesy [www.thredbo.com.au](http://www.thredbo.com.au)

## The New Website has been LAUNCHED!



[www.kiamaalpineclub.org.au](http://www.kiamaalpineclub.org.au)

It's LIVE!

James has continued to work very hard on the new website. It is now live. Please enjoy the new site and the information it has to offer. Follow the links to all the social networks.

A very big "THANK YOU" must go out to James for all his hard work.



## Welcome New Members

**Cameron McKnight**  
Seaforth  
NSW

**Alexandra De Zwart**  
Lindfield  
NSW

**Jackson Anderson**  
Kiama



Our happy Lodger Managers Photo courtesy Emma Lindell.



Photo courtesy Liz Wynn

## October Working Bee

Come along and help James Spring clean the lodge on 29-30th October.

We also need help cutting down the big tree behind the lodge. Please let James know if you are able to help.

Remember there is a working bee credit of \$125 off next year's subscription.

Please contact James  
[james.garner@kiamaalpineclub.org.au](mailto:james.garner@kiamaalpineclub.org.au)

## 2012 Jazz Festival Tickets

Through our membership of Thredbo Chamber of Commerce we have two complimentary tickets to the Thredbo Jazz Festival (April 15-16) to give away. Those tickets will be given to the first group to make a booking for the jazz festival, so get in quick!

Please contact Rob and Sally for accommodation details

[lodge@kiamaalpineclub.org.au](mailto:lodge@kiamaalpineclub.org.au)

## We need you!

After more than 10 years as Club Secretary, two building projects, 10 AGMs and numerous rule changes, Julie Christensen has decided it is time to focus on other things and has advised will not be seeking re-election to the Board in 2012.

If you are interested in taking on the role of Club Secretary from May 2012 please contact President Liz Wynn  
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