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Correction

The editor regrets that in the *DOWNHILL* September issue, the Ohio Region Outstanding Student Patroller, Steve Hater (PNS) was incorrectly listed as the Division Outstanding Student Patroller.



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From the top.....by Jim Woodrum



By the time you read this, the season may have started. We are ready. All our refreshers are complete, the skis are tuned and now for the first sore muscles of the season. On November 30 to December 2 we scheduled a SS&T clinic for 40 plus trainers at the Boyne Highlands to ensure we are all on the same pages in our toboggan and skiing skills. My hat is off to Jay Zedak and Layton Ives for pulling this all together and for getting this many people to wander up the road so they can be ready to teach the rest of us all we need to know. It clearly speaks to the commitment of our SS&T trainers in the Ohio Region.

We are all proud of the immediate and continuing response by Americans to the September 11 attacks. A similar feeling of pride in a job well done comes to us when we feel "Proud to be a Patroller". Our pride shows in the way we volunteer our emergency care, in how we polish our toboggan, snowboard and skiing skills, when we prepare for CPR, and when we go beyond our local requirements like learning of mountain travel and rescue and avalanche rescue capabilities. Don and Cathleen Phipps plan to highlight pride in patrolling at the September 2002 Division Meeting in Dublin. The Show your pride in how you patrol. Share your thoughts and feelings on why you enjoy patrolling.

You can show pride by renewing some old rusty skills. Have you been to the Mountain Travel and Rescue or an Avalanche class in a while? Things have changed since most of us

tried staying warm in wool and the days when we thought the St. Bernard was carrying wine in that small barrel under his chin. Why not refresh those old skills with a few new ones by taking a level 1 class again or checking out the advanced class in these two programs. I just know you'll enjoy it! Even with overnight temperatures at last years MT&R field session down to zero degrees, I saw smiling faces every where I turned. (Must have been the great cooking in the morning.) If you want to give it a go again, feel free to call Rick King or Dale Grugle. I am sure they will welcome your enthusiastic return to the MTR and avalanche classes.

I'm writing this just before Thanksgiving. The temperature outside is nearly 70 degrees. What gives? I would like to add a little cold weather and snow to the long list of things for which I am thankful. As one of our country's heroes said, and the President reiterated, "let's roll". Bring it on and lets boogie!

Jim



SPICY RUN CLOSED THIS SEASON

Spicy Run will not open this year!! I have waited until the last minute to send this note in hopes that it would not be needed.

We intend to go to our plan of last year. We have registered the patrol for this year and intend to remain a patrol. We will, however, need a place to patrol, so please welcome Spicy Run Patrollers at your resorts.

Each patroller has been given a verification sheet with patrol representatives names and

phone numbers. I have asked them to call the patrol rep. before visiting. Any questions you may have about individuals I will be more than happy to answer.

I intend to visit each ski resort in the Ohio Region this winter. That should take most of the season. See you on the hill.

Ed Allhouse, Spicy Run Patrol Representative

2001-2002 Ohio Region Calendar

No Snow Dates

Prolonged warm weather may delay many December scheduled on-the-snow events. Alternative dates are shown as (Wx alt Dates) on the calendar. The Region Ski School's first alternative dates are one week postponements. If there is a question, check with listed event leader.



December 2001

- 8 OEC Senior Clinic - Mad River - 7:30AM - 4:30PM
Prior registration (Nov 8) required - Ed Humphrey
- 9 Snow Trails - Frosty Refresher - 8 AM - (Wx alt Dec 16)
- 10 Central Division PSIA Level II Prep - Set 1 - 6:30 PM
Perfect North Slopes - Dale Mihuta (Wx alt Dec 17)
- 12 Clear Fork - Frosty Refresher - 6:30 PM (Wx alt Dec 16)
- 15 Mad River Mountain - Junior Patrol Day - 9 AM
Scott Momburg
- 15 Mad River - "Cafeteria-style" clinic - 8:30 AM -
Chris Raudabaugh -
- 15-17 BM/BW - Frosty Refresher - all day (Wx alt 22-23)
- 16 Region Extrication Clinic - Mad River - 10 AM to 12 noon
Rick King
- 17 Central Division PSIA Level II Prep - Set 1 - 6:30 PM
Perfect North Slopes - Dale Mihuta
- 19 Central Division PSIA Level II Prep - Set 2 - 6:30 PM
Perfect North Slopes - John Cole (Wx alt Jan 2)
- 22-23 BM/BW - Frosty Refresher - alternate date - all day
- 26 BM/BW - Frosty Refresher
- 29 Mad River - Toboggan Phase II - 9 AM - Jim Vickroy
- 29 Perfect North - Ski Enhancement Seminar - 9AM -4 PM
John McGoff

January 2002

- 2 Central Division PSIA Level II Prep - Set 2 - 6:30 PM
Perfect North Slopes - John Cole
- 2 Mad River - Snowboard Clinic - Frank Ujvari
- 5 Central Division PSIA Level II Prep - Set 3 - 8:30 AM
BM/BW - Ohio Staff
- 5 Basic Mountain Travel & Rescue - classroom - 8 AM Pugh Cabin,
Malabar Farm State Park - Jane Price
- 5 - 6 Testing and Training Clinic - BM/BW
- 9 Central Division PSIA Level II Prep - Set 2 - 6:30 PM
Perfect North Slopes - John Cole
- 12-13 Basic Mountain Travel & Rescue - Field Session - 8 AM
Caesar Creek State Park - Rick King
- 12-13 Testing and Training Clinic -
Perfect North Slopes
- 12 Central Division PSIA Level II Prep - Set 3 - 8:30 AM
Perfect North Slopes - Ohio Ski School Staff

- 13 Testing and Training Clinic - South
- 13-16 BM/BM - PSIA Demo Team - (Sun & Tue Patrol)
- 15 BM/BW - PSIA Demo Team -
(with Patrol at Holiday Valley NY)
- 18-20 Advanced Mountain Travel & Rescue -
Mohican State Forest - R. King (advance registration req.)
- 19 Central Division PSIA Level II Prep - Set 3 - 8:30 AM
Perfect North Slopes - Ohio Ski School Staff
- 19-20 Certified Clinic - PNS - Bob Rosselot
- 23-25 Brandywine - Special Olympics - 9 AM to 3 PM
- 26 Clear Fork - "Cafeteria Style" clinic - 8:30 AM

February 2002

- 2 Central Division PSIA Level II Prep - Set 4 - 8:30 AM
Alpine Valley - Ohio Ski School Staff
- 2-3 Clear Fork - Winterfest
- 3 Extrication Clinic - Perfect North Slopes - Rick King
- 3 Perfect North - Toboggan Enhancement Seminar - 9 AM
John McGoff
- 9-10 Region S&T Clinic - Perfect North Slopes
- 23 Region Award Nominations deadline
- 24 American Birkebeiner Nordic Race - Hayward, WI
- 25 Nomination for Region Dir. & Section Chief O-3 due

March 2002

- 4 Level 1 (Basic) Avalanche - Boston Mills
- 15 DOWNHILL v29.3 (April issue) Deadline -
- 25 Level 1 Avalanche - Perfect North Slopes

April 2002

- 7 Level 1 Avalanche - Snow Trails or Clear Fork
- 20 Election Ballots due for Region Dir and Sec Chief O-3

May 2002

- 5 Region Meeting and Awards Banquet
- 11 Phase 1, Instructor Development - PNS - Ed Humphrey
- 15 DOWNHILL v 29.4 (June issue) Deadline -

June 2002

- 20-24 NSP National Conference - Garmish Germany

September 2002

- 12-14 Central Division Fall Meeting & Awards Banquet -
Dublin Ohio - Don & Cathleen Phipps
- 22 Region Fall Meeting

Patrol & Section News

MRM Ski Patrol -The MRM Annual swap was once again a success. We increased our sales volume by 14% from the last year. We could not have done this without the hard work of several MRM patrollers, the great support from the MRM ski resort, and all the Ski Shop vendors that attended the swap.



Our 4 basic candidates are now OEC certified and anxiously awaiting the ski season to start. Congratulations goes to Tamara Brown, Mark Fogt, Thomas LaVergne, and Lynn Roberts for completing the first phase of their candidate training.

MRM will be hosting the Senior Emergency Management clinic on Dec 8th. Those patrollers wishing to help with the evaluation as instructors or patients should contact Ed Humphrey. We will also need help with other tasks related to organizing this event. Please contact Cheryl Raudabaugh or I if you wish to lend a hand.

The PNS Junior Patrollers will be ganging up with our Junior Patrollers to kick off the ski season at MRM. We have a list of activities planned, including a training session, cookout, and a good dose of FUN. If any other patrollers from other Ohio ski areas would like to attend, please let us know.

Chris Raudabaugh - Mad River Mountain Patrol Representative

SECTION O-3

SNOW TRAILS - Snow Trails welcomes three new candidates this season: Jason Eckert, Lynn Kapple, and Harry Oettinger.

Eight of our patrollers have attended the Phase One, OEC, and have been busy helping Bill Harkins with teaching our OEC classes. Many thanks to Bill for all his work before the ski season even begins.

Our hut cleanup is complete. Patrol hut is looking good, we are ready for the coming season. I love this weather though. Hill captains meeting over with, and thanks to Gary Bentelsen from TAASC for being there to explain chair evacuation of the handicapped sit-down devise.

Scott Kinnamon, Phil Lamp and their crew replaced and re-built ski racks for our ski room. Good work.



My Assistant Patrol Representatives are Scott Kinnamon and Kathleen Turner. We are electing a third Assistant Representative at this time to replace Brent Bowman who is moving to Atlantic, Georgia.

Frosty Refresher: Sunday, December 9, 2001 at 8 am. If it is not held then because of weather conditions, it will be help on December 16, 2001, 8 am.

Section O-3 received high grades for our OEC Fall Refresher; thanks to all who helped with that.

Doris Noe - Snow Trails Patrol Representative

CLEARFORKERS -Greetings one and all, by now you've had enough turkey to last a while and the Christmas shopping days are numbered in your newspaper. I hope everyone has found all (or at least most) of your ski gear and are waiting for cold and snow making. Greg Bartlett (one of your brethren & Clearfork Mountain Mgr.) has just purchased a special snow making jacket ... so he's ready to go!!



Dec. 1st. @ 2:00PM, Hill captains meeting and candidates Hut cleanup. A quick meeting, should not take long. Meet the candidates and go over things while they pack the toboggans.

Dec. 12th. 6:00 PM, Frosty or on the hill refresher, pizza/refreshments meeting, this is mandatory. Be there or deal with Ken Radke's refresher!!

Dec 19th Frosty make up if no snow for Dec. 12th.

Remember Jan 5th at Pugh Cabin Malabar Farm, Mountain travel and Rescue classroom secession. Any interested persons contact Jane Price.

Feb. 2nd. Winterfest weekend.. Need people to volunteers to help.

Mark Reisdorf -
Dick James -

Clear Fork Patrol Representative
Section Chief - 0-3

2002 REGION ELECTION NOTICE

Elections will be held in 2002 for the Ohio Region Director and Section Chief for 0-3. These elected line officers will serve a three-year term starting on July 1, 2002. Both officers can serve a maximum of two consecutive terms.

The qualifications and responsibilities of these office holders are printed in the NSP Policies and Procedures manual, sections 6.4.1 and 6.4.2. Briefly, both must have been NSP members for at least 5 years or have served a year as Section Chief (for RD candidate) or PR (for SC candidate). RD candidates must have been senior or certified patrollers for at least a year and held a region or higher office for at least two years. NSP recommends that candidates for both offices have at least a year's experience as Patrol Representative. Both candidates must be familiar with the NSP Policies and Procedures (P&P), Division P&P and the Region Operating Policies. Patrollers interested in filing as a candidate for this election should read the entire list of qualifications and responsibilities.

Candidates can be self nominated or nominated by an active patroller from the region/section. The Region Director or a special nominating Board can also nominate section Chief candidates.

Section Chiefs are elected by the section's patrol representatives.

Region Director electors are the region section chiefs and patrol representatives plus additional election representatives from patrols having more than 51 members (see section 11.3 of Central Division Bylaws.)

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Region Elections - continued from page 3

Candidates submit a resume and a position paper to the Region Elections Officer who sends copies to the electors.

Ohio Region 2002 Election Calendar

February 1	Election announcement deadline (This article is the election announcement.)
February 25	Nomination deadline
March 20	Candidate resumes' and position paper(s)
April 1	Ballots, resumes, position papers e-mailed to electorate
April 20	Completed ballots due
May 5	Election results announced at Region Spring Meeting

Please submit (USP or email) nominations, candidate resumes and position papers to the election officer not later than Feb 25, 2002.

Nancy Kohlrieser, Ohio Region Elections Officer
1466 W. Market St.
Lima, Ohio 45805
419-227-9009
ndkohl@woh.rr.com

OHIO REGION AVALANCHE

In response to the large number of patroller requests, three Level 1 (basic) Avalanche courses have been scheduled this spring in the Ohio Region.

BOSTON MILLS MARCH 3, 2002
PERFECT NORTH MARCH 24, 2002
CLEAR FORK APRIL 7, 2002

All of the courses are from 8 Am to 5 PM.

Patrol Representatives received registration forms at the Fall Region meeting for your use. Early registrations are very helpful for planning the course and ordering materials.

The Level I course is FUN and has INFORMATION vital to anyone who goes West or East to Ski/Snowboard. You will be introduced to snow conditions, mountain weather, search and rescue, You will work with avalanche rescue beacons. Come join us for a GOOD TIME.

This year the Central Division WILL NOT have a Level II Avalanche course in Utah due to the Winter Olympics, however they have already started planning for year 2003. Anyone interested in taking the Level II course in 2003 please contact me by this spring. I will notify our Division Avalanche Advisor of your interest. The space is very limited and fills up quickly.

Dale Grugle - OHIO REGION AVALANCHE ADVISOR

**Brad Glass New Region Alumni Advisor**

Brad Glass from Mad River Mountain Ski Patrol is well qualified to assume the responsibilities of Alumni Advisor. He is familiar with role of active patrollers and patrol and region officers and he was an alumni member.

Four years after becoming a candidate in 1979, Brad completed his senior requirements. During those first years he completed the basic mountaineering (MTR) and avalanche courses and was an ARC Advanced First Aid and CPR instructor until the introduction of WEC in 1987. He served as Region treasurer four years 1981-85, was the region registrations officer during that time and an ARD. He was an assistant PD and held several advisor positions in the MRM Ski Patrol. MRM patrol awarded him a Bravo three times and designated him Most Valuable Patroller and Outstanding Patroller in 1982 and 1983. He received the Region Dick Schleicher Award (84) and a Yellow Merit star in 1985. A few years later he retired from the NSP and in 1993 registered as an alumni patroller. In 1996 Brad was back as an active patroller. A Patrol Director's Award in 2000 and various certificates of appreciation attest to his reactivated support level.

From personal experience Brad recommends alumni registration for any patroller who can no longer remain active but wants to keep in touch with friends and the NSP. "I enjoyed receiving the *Ski Patrol* magazine and the *Rusty Parka* while I was an alumni."

Brad will be working with Patrol Reps, Region advisors and officers and Central Division's new alumni advisor, Delma Robinson (also from MRM)* to encourage patrollers leaving active status to register as alumni. Complete retirement by alumni is optional. Brad encourages continued participation by alumni in NSP events and as course instructors.

* For any who missed the article in the last *Rusty Parka*, Delma Robinson, our recent Region Recording secretary, was selected by the Division Director to be the Division Alumni Advisor. Congratulations Delma!

Level 1 Avalanche Course Registration

Name _____ Patrol _____
NSP ID # _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ ZIP _____
Phone _____ email _____

I will attend the following Level 1 course (select one)

- ___ Mar 3 at Boston Mills
___ Mar 27 at Perfect North Slopes
___ Apr 7 at Clear Fork

Course Fee: contact Avalanche Advisor

Mail or email this registration information soon to
Dale Grugle
33792 Hanover Woods Trail
Solon, OH 44139
Dalegrugl@aol.com



The snow will soon be flying. It's time to train and tune up for your next rating. In December the ski school is offering the first cafeteria (station) style of training. Each unit will probably last about 90 minutes with about four topical sessions available. These sessions are designed for all patrollers and they are loads of fun. The registration details are as follows:

Place: Mad River Mountain

Date: December 15th

Time: Meet at 8:30 AM on snow soon after

Cost: \$10/person (mini or junior patrollers no charge)

Contacts: Chris Raudabaugh (directions and RSVP)

chris@infomentum.com

(H) 740-369-9634

Two three-session level II evaluation preps are scheduled at PNS on the following dates.

Set One - Dec. 3rd, 10th and 17th at PNS 6:30 - 9:30 PM Instructor, Dale R. Mihuta

Set Two - Dec. 19th, Jan. 2nd & 9th @ PNS 6:30 - 9:30 PM Instructor, John Cole

If a session cannot start due to a lack of snow the entire set will pushback one week.

Additional preparation course sets shown on the calendar are available on request by contacting Dale R. Mihuta at drmihuta@concentric.net or Jay Zedak at bbuster@concentric.net.

Sep 2002 Division Meeting, continued from back cover

We are planning to offer Mountain Travel and Rescue, basic Avalanche, American Heart and Red Cross CPR/AED refreshers, how to start an active Jr. Patrol, radio protocol, a class geared to the Jr. Patrol, OEC instructor and evaluator seminars, and possibly other classes.

A trip to Longaberger Basket Co. and the Homestead is being planned for anyone interested in some great shopping. The Columbus/Dublin area offers many other recreational opportunities like the Columbus Zoo, COSI, and the Ohio Historical Society's Ohio Village.

Vendors serving the ski industry and the NSP will have displays of the newest products on the market as well as providing some awesome prizes for the region to raffle.

On Saturday evening the Embassy Suites ballroom will be a beautiful setting for the awards banquet. Jr. patrollers will host a separate pizza party for the younger crowd who may not be

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OEC Update

WOW we have a great region! The OEC refreshers went extremely well. Thanks to all the folks who took on the responsibility of OEC Refresher Instructor of Record (IOR). (Tom Ciranna at Boston Mills / Brandywine, Dave Walker at Alpine Valley for section 0-4, Max Davis at PNS, Tom Tavenner at Spicy Run, Bill Harkins at Snow Trails for section O3 and Troy Green at Mad River, Joann Chess-Carter at Cuyahoga Nordics). Thanks to the hundreds of OEC Instructors who made the refreshers a success. Finally thanks to the Instructor Trainers (IT) who observed the refreshers (Max Davis, Paul Swanson, Don Phipps, Bill Harkins, Rick King, Rob Hovanec and Ed Humphrey). An IT observed all of the instructor refreshers, and an Instructor Trainer from another slope in the region observed every patroller refresher. The excellent IT observation evaluations make me proud to be a part of the Ohio Region. We do good work.

The next big OEC event is the Senior Emergency Management Clinic on December 8, 2001 at Mad River Mountain. At the time of writing we have 12 candidates for the clinic. To make the event a success every patrol is to provide one qualified evaluator for each candidate they send. OEC instructors that are not qualified evaluators should volunteer to help as patients to get their feet wet. As in past years, the senior clinic emphasizes three aspects of Emergency Management; decision making, problem management and leadership.

We are looking to expand our ranks of OEC instructors. To become an instructor, patrollers must complete the Instructor Development Course (Phase 1), using the text, "Training Patrollers Effectively", followed by a mentoring program. An Instructor Development course is scheduled at PNS on May 11, 2002. We will try to set some dates in the north as well.

If you have questions or suggestions please let me know. EdHumphrey@AOL.COM or 513-831-0344.

Ed Humphrey Region Instructor Development & OEC Administrator



Instructor Development

Starting January 1 the NSP Instructor Development program changes. Instructor Development, Phase I will continue. All Phase II courses will convert to a new mentoring program. Instructor candidate mentoring will not count as a senior credit. Instead, patrollers can get senior credit for becoming a certified NSP instructor. Details about the mentoring process are being distributed now [see the *NSP Guide to Mentoring New Instructors* available on the NSP Instructor's Web (www.patrol.org/instructor)] and will be available to order from the NSP catalog in January as the new *Instructor Development: Instructor's Manual*. The Phase I program is being rewritten. For the present, *Training Patrollers Effectively* will be used as the text for this senior credit course that is the gateway to all NSP instructor development. Ed Humphrey is the Ohio Region Advisor for Instructor Development.

Mountain Travel & Rescue

With the OEC/OTH Refreshers, OEC classes, Ski Swaps, and meetings, the season is already under way and we don't even have any snow. The Mountain Travel & Rescue program is in full swing. See the course schedule in the next column.



If you think these are the only classes that the MTR program offers, think again. We have scheduled Extrication Clinics at Mad River Mountain on Sunday, December 16th, Perfect North Slopes on Sunday, February 3rd. To schedule other Extrication Clinics contact Rick King. Extrication Clinics are free. They only last from 10:00am to noon. Everyone gets a chance to try out some new rescue techniques in some very tricky locations at our ski areas, such as in the trees or in icy ravines. If you think your area doesn't have them, take a hike around and see for your self. To sign up contact me or your local patrol's MTR Advisor. To keep you better informed about MTR, each patrol has been requested to designate a local MTR advisor. So far our list looks like this:

Mad River Mountain	Dan Moss montoza00@aol.com
Perfect North Slopes	Ray Martodam rrmartodam@aol.com
Spicy Run	Kraig Johnson kraig@macaplastics.com

Kraig Johnson is also the Ohio Region MTR Assistant Advisor. Kraig was at Spicy Run for four years. He is one of the few Level 1 mountain military instructors in the eastern US.

Jim Vickroy (Mad River Mountain), our region web designer, will be updating the MTR page of the Ohio Region website so that we will have course descriptions, on-line registration for classes, outdoor tips, and links to other mountaineering related websites. If you have any suggestions or comments please let me know.

Rick King - Region MountainTravel & Rescue Advisor

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interested in the dinner and awards presentation.

Our host hotel for this event is the Embassy Suites Hotel in Dublin. This new facility is located just off I-270 and Rt 161. Each suite consists of a private bedroom and living room with a sofa-bed. In-suite movies, two 2-line phones with computer data ports and MANY other amenities make this a great place to stay. The Embassy features a COMPLIMENTARY full cooked to order breakfast and complimentary evening manager's reception each day. The NSP rate is \$109 per night. Call 1800EMBASSY to make your reservations.

The theme for this meeting will be PRIDE IN PATROLLING.

Watch for registration information in the winter edition of the Rusty Parka News and on the Ohio Region website. If you need more information, would like to sign up for broom hockey, or would like to know how you can help; contact Don Phipps at (937) 593-9527 or daphipps@2access.net This is an excellent opportunity for your business or company to make a tax deductible donation and help the NSP. The very best way to show your PRIDE IN PATROLLING is to attend.

Cathleen and Don Phipps

Div Meeting Event co-chairs

Mountain Travel & Rescue Courses

Have you ever read in the news about groups of hikers or climbers that have just been rescued after having been stranded out in the middle of nowhere and wondered how they survived or how rescuers found the survivors? The Mountain Travel & Rescue courses teach the art of traveling, surviving, and rescue techniques in the backcountry. In this class you learn about proper clothing and gear, extrication rescue techniques, map & compass skills, search & rescue, nutrition for the backcountry, survival skills, and a whole lot more.

Don't think that these courses are just for the extremists that want a campout. Many of these skills carry over to our normal patrol duties at our own local areas. What if little Johnny got lost at your ski area. Would you know the most efficient way to find him? What if your Region Director was having a heart attack in a ravine? Would you know how to save his life and prevent injury to yourself while getting him out? What if your car got stuck in a blizzard and you needed to find a way to survive the night? Would you know how? Last season's class found out how to do this and much more. Who should attend?

Experienced outsiders and those wanting to learn about survival outside the "civilized" world.

Patrollers wanting Senior elective credits.

Any patroller looking to have a great time camping out with other patrollers!!!

Locations & Dates:

Nine students attended the first Basic MTR Classroom at Perfect North Slopes on Dec. 1. The next basic MTR Classroom is at Malabar Farm State Park (Pugh Cabin) on Sat., Jan. 5, Classroom sessions start at 8:00am and go till about 4:30pm. (You must attend one of the Classroom Sessions to attend the Field Session!!!)

Basic MTR Field Session, Caesar Creek State Park, Sat & Sun - Jan 12-13, 2002. The field session starts at 8:00am on Saturday and runs throughout the day, followed by a camp out that evening and wrap up with a live search & rescue operation on Sunday morning, using all the skills that have just been learned. The course should be completed by noon on Sunday.

The cost of the basic course is \$25 and includes the NSP Mountain Travel & Rescue book.

Advanced MTR Course Mohican State Forest Friday - Sunday, January 18-20, 2002 You must have completed Basic MTR before you can attend the Advanced MTR course!!!

The cost of the advanced course is \$20.

Course Registration Information is printed on back cover of this *DOWNHILL* issue.

Rick King - Region MountainTravel & Rescue Advisor

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2001-2002 MTR Course Registration

Name _____ Patrol _____
NSP ID Number _____
Address _____
City _____ State ____ ZIP _____
Phone number _____
Email address _____

I will participate in the following MTR course activity

- Jan 5 basic MTR class Malabar Farm State Park
- Jan 12-13 basic MTR field session Caesar Creek State Pk
(must have completed basic MTR class session)
- Jan 18-20 Advanced MTR Mohican State Forest
(must have completed basic MTR)

Course fees: Basic MTR \$25, Advanced MTR \$20

Mail or email MTR registration information to:
Rick King
6397 Clough Pike #6
Cincinnati, OH 45244
Email rkingpatroller@yahoo.com

Central Division 2002 Fall Meeting Update

The Ohio Region will host the Central Division fall meeting and awards banquet September 13-15, 2002.

This weekend will offer a variety of fun and informative activities for everyone. Friday afternoon will include a golf scramble at the nearby Timberview Country Club. In the evening transportation will be provided to downtown Columbus to the CoreComm Ice Haus. You can enjoy tours of the NHL hockey arena, skating and dinner. After dinner some of your fellow patrollers, region and division officers will face off in a friendly game or two of broom hockey (no skates). There are plenty of spots available to join a team or form your own team and challenge another patrol. Saturday's schedule begins with the general session Division meeting. All patrollers are invited to observe and participate in the workings of the NSP. Also available on Saturday will be education classes (many designed to help you meet requirements for annual refreshers and the senior program).

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Changing Your Address?

DOWNHILL USPS deliveries can continue as normal if you send a change of address notification. The post office has cards for this purpose. You can send the notification by mail directly to DOWNHILL, 2396 Barnett Drive, Bellbrook, OH 45305, by e-mail to hmdavis@erinet.com (a quick and easy way!), or by telephone by calling (937) 848-4184, and if no one is home, leave a message.