**2023 – 2024 Planning**

Testing dates are confirmed for the Senior Program 2023 – 2024 season.

* Senior OEC: Saturday, December 2nd, 2023 Location: Mad River Mountain

Additionally, there we have confirmed that the Senior OEC Candidate Calibration event will be held on Saturday, November 11th, 2023 in the Columbus area. Precise location is in process with a space held at the Dublin Public Library. Confirming with the Library that our event can be held there. We are exploring other space for this event.

To ensure clarity, November 11th is a ***Senior OEC Candidate calibration***. The focal audience is the Senior OEC and ARM Candidates and our agenda, much like last year's Region Calibration event, is aimed at reinforcing the Leadership, Decision Making, and Problem-Solving skills for our candidates. There is a need to have Senior T/E's in attendance, supporting our Candidates and this will be one of the opportunities for Senior T/E recertification. This is NOT the traditional Evaluation Calibration, which immediately precedes the Senior OEC and ARM evaluations where Evaluators, Patients, and Trained Help are introduced to the Testing Scenarios and KPI's for a successful evaluation.

For planning purposes, we are asking each patrol to submit their number of potential Senior OEC and ARM candidates by November 1st, 2023. This will ensure we can enlist the needed support for testing. Early estimates for Senior OEC and ARM Candidates are indicating a challenging evaluation process.

Perfect North Slopes 12 Candidates

Mad River Mountain 8 – 10 Candidates

Snow Trails 3 – 4 Candidates

Paoli Peaks 2 Candidates

Boston Mills, Brandywine, Alpine Valley 2 Candidates

**Total**  **27 – 30 Candidates**

Please also ensure that all Senior OEC and ARM applications and associated paperwork is complete and submitted 2-weeks prior to testing. That date will be Saturday, November 18th, 2023 and should be sent to Chris Miller @ [lastchair23@outlook.com](mailto:lastchair23@outlook.com)

Patrol leadership should also identify and communicate who, from their patrol, will be the primary point of contact for Senior OEC & ARM related information including ongoing training, testing updates, potential Senior OEC T/E Candidates, and general Senior OEC / ARM communications. As of now, the contacts of record are:

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| Name | NSP # | Email Addrs | Resort |
| John Herchl | 246666 | [joshherchl@gmail.com](mailto:joshherchl@gmail.com) | BMBWAV |
| Vickroy, Jim | 175131 | [jimvickroy@gmail.com](mailto:jimvickroy@gmail.com) | Mad River Mountain |
| Nassar, John | 252598 | [jmn4097@gmail.com](mailto:jmn4097@gmail.com) | Paoli Peaks |
| Rankey, Kevin | 237268 | [kerankey@outlook.com](mailto:kerankey@outlook.com) | Perfect North Slopes |
| Hayden, Dave | 220192 | [19turbo87@gmail.com](mailto:19turbo87@gmail.com) | SnowTrails |

Please send any revisions to these contacts to Whitney Eakin @ [weakin123@gmail.com](mailto:weakin123@gmail.com)

A reminder, patrols sending Senior OEC & ARM candidates for testing must send support personnel. These support personnel DO NOT include Senior T/Es who will be recruited by the Region Senior Training Coordinators. These support personnel will be asked to act as patients, trained help, station managers etc. The number of support personnel must be in proportion to the number of candidates that are being sent to the test. If we don’t secure appropriate support personnel, it may be necessary to limit the number of candidates an area will be able to participate in the test.

*Senior OEC T/E Recertification*

Process to recertify and engage the Senior OEC T/E team has started. Two recertification meetings have been scheduled. Meetings will be held via Zoom.

Senior OEC T/E recertification dates are

* Tuesday, October 10th 7:00 - 8:00 PM via GoogleMeet (Virtual)
* Thursday, October 19th 7:00 - 8:00 PM via GoogleMeet (Virtual)

Following these two recertification clinics, we will send a complete attendee roster to Chris Miller of 2023 – 2024 Senior OEC T/E’s.

NSP Learning Management Center Courses Created:

**OEC Senior Trainer Evaluator Clinic non credit**

Program: Senior  
Ohio Region  
Start Date: 2023-09-11 End Date: 2023-12-10

**OEC Module Senior Evaluation**

Program: Senior  
Ohio Region  
Type of Course: In-person  
Start Date: 2023-09-11 End Date: 2023-12-10