2023-2024 Mad River Mountain Ski Patrol

Report for 2024 Ohio Region Spring Meeting

Mad River Mountain opened for the 2023-2024 Season on Saturday, January 6, 2024. It closed for the season on Sunday, March 10. During this timeframe, it was open all or part of its scheduled hours for every day. MRM/Vail management is advertising that it was open for a 65-day season.

Patrol supported the area all along the way. There were 102 active Patrollers/Candidates and 12 active Mountain Hosts.

Highlights of the season included:

The patrol logged over 9,900 hours of shift time supporting the area.

8 Candidates passed the OEC Practical Test in November 2023.

5 new Mountain Hosts were onboarded.

8 candidates upgraded to Alpine Patroller.

4 patrollers passed the OEC Module of the Senior Program (Senior OEC Test.)

3 patrollers passed the Senior ski/ride test.

Many MRM T/E's and other patrollers supported Senior OEC test at MRM, and Snowsport, and Toboggan tests at Boston Mills.

Several patrollers led or supported modules at the Certified test.

MRM Trainers ran SES's and TES's at other areas.

The Junior Patrol continued to flourish – meeting for 7 Saturdays.

The "off-season" has now started, and we have 14 individuals enrolled in our 2024 OEC class.

In March, the Logan County Chamber of Commerce approached Mad River management and asked if MRM could be opened for the public as an eclipse-watching location. The management team agreed to open the facility and offered the opportunity for a fundraiser to the Ski Patrol. The initial plan was free parking, clean restrooms, food trucks and Eclipse Sunglasses. After the devastating March 14 Tornadoes in Logan County, Ski Patrol decided to use the event to give back to the community. The plan was modified to add donations for parking, Eclipse T-shirts, 50/50 Raffle, water bottle sales and of course Patrol Recruiting. We had over 1400 attendees, sold 145 T-shirts, and the 50/50 Raffle pot was over \$1K. Our winner gave back \$200. We donated \$4500 to the United Way of Logan County, Tornado Relief.

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