

# El Dorado Nordic Ski Patrol

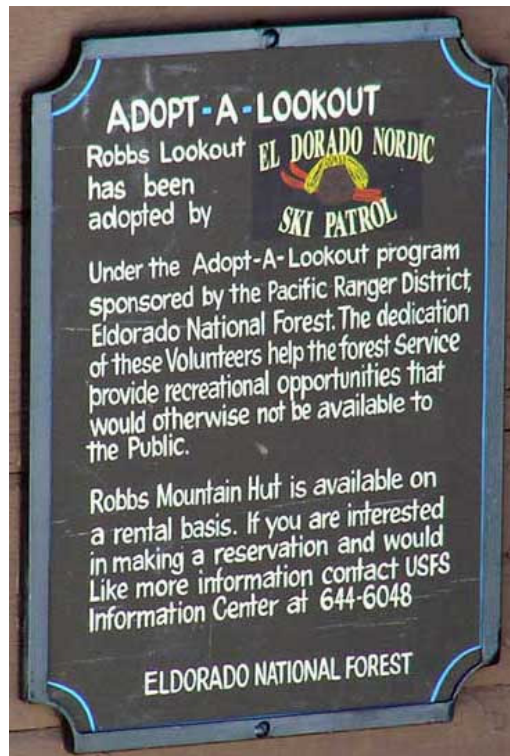
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## Robbs Hut Workday

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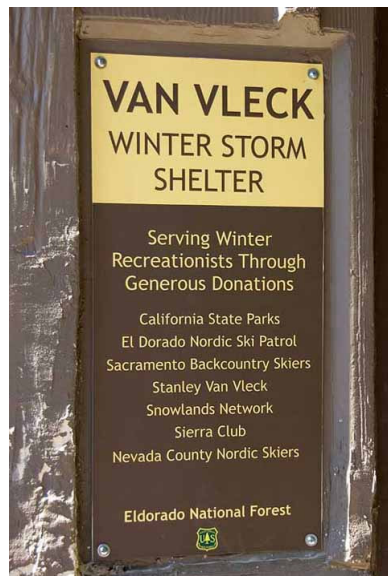


Sign at the entrance to Robbs Hut

Saturday, Sept. 22nd is our annual workday at Robbs. We paint, clean, and do other repairs to help get the Hut ready for winter. This year we are also inviting folks from the public to show up and lend a hand. Posters were e-mailed to members and available at the Sept. 4<sup>th</sup> meeting. Please post at work, local stores, or appropriate spots. Please leave your name on the Patrol's message phone, 530-647-1825, if you will attend. You'll need work gloves and clothes and a lunch. The Hut is also available for Patrol members overnight use Friday & Saturday. We may plan a group meal for Saturday evening. This has always been a great day of working together and getting some nice work done for the public's benefit! Sign up today!

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### Signs Are Up & The Lights Are On!

The placement of the Winter Storm Shelter made winter rental of the Van Vleck Bunkhouse possible. Not only did the Patrol play a big role in helping get all the pieces together so did many others. In recognition for all donated a sign is now on the Shelter. On August 25th several Patrol members helped get the signs up and also installed solar lights at the Shelter and the outhouse at Robbs Hut. Thanks to all who were able to attend! It was another great day!

### New Sign at the Storm Shelter

It's that time of year again—Dues (\$25), Emergency Contact Forms, Roster Updates, and current copies of EMS and CPR cards are due.

## UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

### SEPTEMBER

GPS TRAIL MAPPING TRAINING: To be scheduled end of September

### OCTOBER

CAMINO DISPATCH ORIENTATION TRAINING: Saturday, Oct. 20<sup>th</sup>. Mark Stanley has set up a training for patrol members to become familiar with Camino and how they work with us. More information to follow at the Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting.

### NOVEMBER

WINTER SAFETY CLASS: Saturday, Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>. We will need patrol members to volunteer to teach sections of the class. Sign ups and more information and posters will be available at the Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting. It was decided to try to have the class earlier as a "preparation for Winter safety and recreation".

FIRST RESPONDER RECERT COMING IN NOVEMBER: We are currently setting up an 8-10 hour recert with Julie Buel sometime during the week of Nov. 12<sup>th</sup>. We hope to have "set dates" at the Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting. Please be sure to let Julie know if you are interested and mail a copy of current first responder and CPR card to her. (CPR RESERT TO BE SCHEDULED IN MAY)

### DECEMBER

ON THE HILL REFRESHER: Saturday, Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>

HELICOPTER TRAINING AND SAFETY: We are working on a air medi-vac scenario as part of the On The Hill Refresher. This is an important skill for Patrollers.

### **FEBRUARY ACTIVITIES:**

LOON OPEN HOUSE: Weekend of Feb. 2 & 3

AVALANCHE CLASS: To be scheduled mid to late February. This will be open to the public.

## PROFORM

**PROFORM:** Susan Minneman has kindly offered to coordinate this once again and will have more information at the Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup> or November meeting.

## In Honor of Mike Peart

The board has been working on a recognition memorial for Mike and has come up with the plan of replacing the flag pole at Wright's Lake. It will be in honor of his volunteer service for the Forest Service and ski patrol. We are currently researching styles and costs.

## COMMITTEE SIGN UPS NEEDED

Please e-mail Julie the committee or committees that you would like to be on. The committees are:

- ✓ TRAINING & PUBLIC EDUCATION
- ✓ MECHANIZED & EQUIPMENT
- ✓ MEMBERSHIP & HANDBOOK (&WEBSITE)
- ✓ TRAILS & PATROLLING & HUTS

## USFS Radios

We need all Patrol members who have a USFS radio to please get it to Julie or Monte immediately after you read this. All radios need to be reprogrammed with new frequencies and groups. Please be responsible with this valuable equipment. Thanks.

**THANKS TO MONTE FOR HIS POWER POINT PRESENTATION** at the September meeting. It was an informative and excellent **REVIEW OF THE PATROL'S MISSION, PROCEDURES AND RECORD KEEPING!**

**YAHOO GROUP:** The YAHOO Group is up and running! Add adventures, pictures, and any other information about fun activities!

The next **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING** is Tuesday, Sept 18<sup>th</sup> @ 7 PM in Bldg A

The next **GENERAL MEETING** is Tuesday, Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 7 PM in Bldg C

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The El Dorado Nordic Ski Patrol was started during the winter of 1982 by a small group of cross country skiers working as volunteers for the US Forest Service. EDNSP has evolved into a non-profit corporation that works as a volunteer group with the Eldorado National Forest. The Patrol's primary objective is public service and education associated with winter mountain recreation.

EDNSP monthly meetings are the FIRST Tuesday of every month from September to April at 7 PM in the hearing room of Building C, in the EL Dorado Government Complex located on Fair Lane in Placerville.

Dues are \$25 annually with membership subject to approval by the Board of Directors.

## The President's Corner

As we look to the upcoming season ahead of us and wonder if the long term forecasts for a colder and wetter winter will really be true, I want to take a moment and look back. It has been my honor to serve on the EDNSP Board many times. One thing that has always struck me is the genuine talent of the other board members I have served with. Last year the Board and the Patrol faced two important challenges: Sheriff's Department Search & Rescue call outs and the future of the Echo to Kirkwood Race. I was impressed that the Board wanted to tackle and resolve these touchy issues. Also, they had to wisdom to clearly take these issues before the general Patrol membership. Although the entire Board was involved, I believe it is more than due to recognize three very special individuals. With the El Dorado Sheriff Department's decision that EDNSP could no longer be called out as a unit, the Board still wanted to explore all potential options. Mark Stanley and Ken Kirk put in countless hours meeting with representatives. Ken Kirk also spent much time putting together and presenting the plan at the Patrol's meeting by Ken for consideration by the general membership. The time and dedication put in by Mark and Ken was outstanding. Thank you, guys! After the Board discussed and explored options with the future of the E2K, Jerry Plummer offered to put it all together in the ballot form that was part of our last election. Jerry, thank you! Talent, wisdom, and dedication—these are indeed pretty special qualities!

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