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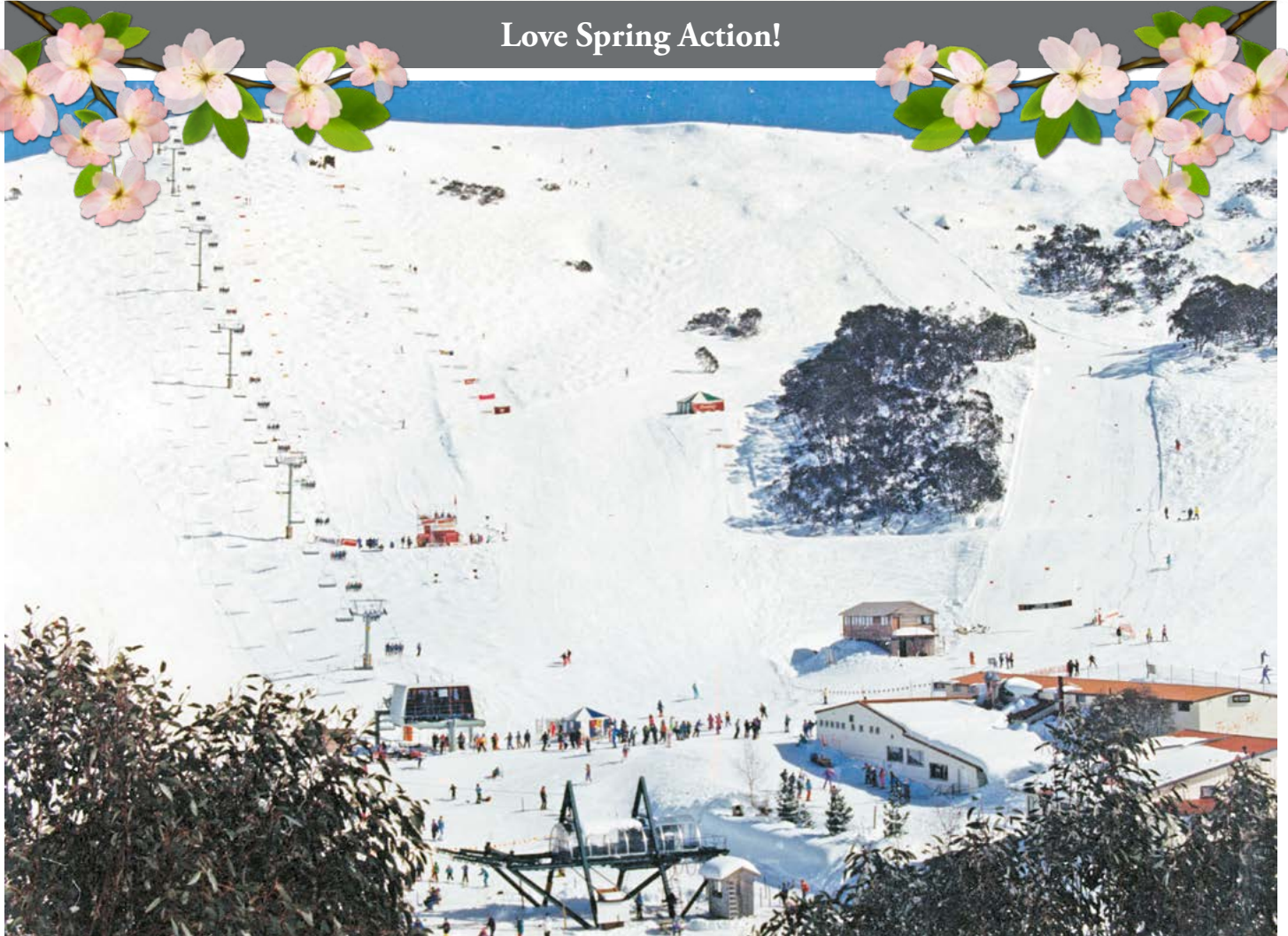
# THIS WEEK

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WINTER EDITION TWELVE

FRIDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER 2022

Love Spring Action!



The Bumps Run on the Summit for a Summit Masters competition around 1992 – 93. Pic – Courtesy FC Museum

Left: Hoppet winner Peter Wolter (USA) did the 42km in a time of 1:28:08.02. Pic – Ken Bell

Right: A close battle between Lars Young Vik (AUS) (eventually 3rd) and Campbell Wright (NZL) (eventually 2nd). Pic – Ken Bell

# FROM THE CEO

## The Bumps are Back

As written in last week's article, spring skiing and après goes hand in hand. This weekend, there'll be the opportunity to partake in both and contribute to not just a great cause, but a Falls Creek legend, and watch some of Falls Creeks best skiers participate in the Summit Masters (Sept 3rd, Village Bowl, bottom of the Summit Chair/Frying Pan Inn).

Springtime and mogul skiing have a long association. Moguls can form anytime of the season, most notably after great dumps of fresh powder, however, during Spring when the snow softens quickly, the forming of 'bumps' becomes more pronounced, particularly late in the day, as skiers create valleys down the steeper runs from their sharp turns.

Many skiers have a love/hate relationship with moguls. To quote the great mohawked mogul icon Glen Plake, "can't ski

moguls, can't ski!" To many, moguls are intimidating. Not just because crashing out on moguls hurts! Those 'bumps' are unforgiving. But staring down a run strewn with moguls usually causes most to overthink it. Do I go over the top, or in between? Do I pole plant, if so, when? What line do I take? Will I find a rhythm? Etc. The most important element is to simply relax and focus on getting to the bottom (in one piece).

Falls Creek has a very proud history of producing great mogul skiers. Lynne Grosse was the driving force during the pioneering days of freestyle skiing in Australia and especially at Falls Creek. The Summit Masters is a tribute and a legacy to her stamp on the sport.

Lynne's early influence on the sport, particularly here at Falls Creek has seen many more locals follow in her footsteps. The Costa brothers being the most prolific, with all the boys, Paul, Adrian, Simon

and Tom representing Australia either at the Olympics or other international mogul skiing events. However, in terms of international success, the mountains most decorated athlete in the sport is none other than, Brit "Mogul" Cox, 4x Olympian, World Champion, and World Cup Champion.

This year's Summit Masters will be a cracker, let alone colourful. With a retro theme for on and off field fashion being the order of the day. So, dust off that onesie, squeeze into the spandex and bring out your best fluoro combo. Or, as was also popular in the 80's, Texas Gor-tex (aka denim jeans) with a pair of gators... wear whatever will help get your 'hot-doggin' moves' on.

For those more interested in 'gates' and skin-tight body suits, the Giant Slalom will also be held during the morning session. Vintage race skis are optional, but with the speeds the competitors will be reaching, any crashes are sure to be spectacular – hence helmets are compulsory (in both events).

A huge shout-out to Falls Creek Ski Lifts and Vail Resorts who are donating all entry fee revenue to the #steveleeightback campaign. <https://asf.org.au/projects/snow-australia/steve-lee-fightback>. In addition, the Frying Pan Inn will donate funds raised during Happy Hour (between 4pm-6pm) on the day too. Support the venue by booking in... breakfast from 8am, or do lunch, followed by dinner (see Foodie Tip of the Week for more).

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The day rate is \$62. If you opt to print your permit at home you will receive a discounted fee. If arriving after 5pm and departing prior to midnight on the same day, entry is free.

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### PLAN YOUR TRIP

Pre-purchasing tickets and printing at home makes it faster for you to get into the resort.

### Visitor Information Centre

The Falls Creek Visitor Information Centre is located in the Resort Management Office, upstairs on the corner of Slalom Street and Snowgum Lane.

Open 8am – 5pm daily for visitor information and gym memberships. Ph: (03) 5758 1200 (Map ref. E4).

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Of course, Steve Lee needs no introduction, but just in case, he's a Snow Australia medal recipient, 3x Olympian, World Cup winning Super G champion, sporting commentator, magazine mogul, stunt double, lifetime member of the Falls Creek Race Club and past President... and a true Falls Creek legend in every definition of the term. For that matter, the Lee family are effectively pseudo royalty on the mountain. There aren't too many things the family haven't done to help promote, photograph, entertain, house, train, take out into the backcountry and teach generations of Falls Creek skiers (and students) and contribute to the rich history of Falls Creek pioneering and present days.

Make sure you head over to the Summit this weekend to catch some of the action.

And while you're there...

### Foodie Tip of the Week:

The Frying Pan Inn, another institution on the mountain, having opened its doors for the start of the 1965 ski season, it has been going strong ever since. I would not hesitate to say, that the food offering and service, however, has never been better.

An extensive menu covers pretty much all tastes and all times of the day. For lunch, the McKay burger is hard to beat, although with a wood-fired grill the Pork Ribs are worth a shot if you're hungry (400gm!). There are healthy bowls and kids' options too, so all options are well catered for. The fire is always stoked, much like the vibe. The ME&U ordering systems is great and convenient for table service. Bookings are highly recommended to avoid any disappointment. The drinks menu is peppered with local brews and wineries from across the region, so enjoy a taste of what the North East has to offer.

Now, get out there and show us your best 'truck driver,' 'd spin 10' and those 'rodeo 7s'...

Stuart Smythe, CEO  
Falls Creek Resort Management



From the very early Summit Masters competitions in the 80's, Donnie Brown (nearest camera) competing with Katie Steven. Pic - Courtesy Falls Creek Museum

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# KANGAROO HOPPET 2022

## US Sweep As Hoppet Fires Again

Nearly 1,000 cross country skiers from 22 countries descended on Falls Creek last Saturday for the 30th staging of the Kangaroo Hoppet XC Ski Marathon.

The Hoppet, part of the prestigious Worldloppet Ski Federation of marathon events, is the largest annual snowsports event in the southern hemisphere and attracts elite and citizen skiers from around the world.

Perfect weather and tracks greeted the skiers as they wound their way through the course from the Falls Creek Nordic Bowl across the Bogong High Plains.

The USA took out the men's and women's main 42km events with Jessie Diggins and Peter Wolter making it a US double. Diggins positioned herself well in the lead pack on the tough Paralyser climb and was

able to get a break on teammate Julia Kern as the skiers descended from the Bogong High Plains. Kern was able to put a good break on Casey Wright, third place, after Wright and Kat Paul battled hard for the final podium placing.

In the men's event, a large pack skied together for 10km before Wolter put the foot down at the top of the course and was able to break the pack after 15km. Campbell Wright from New Zealand and Lars Young Vik from Australia battled for the minor placings before Wright was able to edge ahead of Vik coming into the finish.

In the 21km women's Pheobe Cridland, Heli Laajoki and Emily Champion took the podium places and Noah Bradford, Declan Bourke and Adam Bennet took out the podium in the men's.

In the 7km, which highlights the Australian skiing stars of the future, victory in the women's went to Damika Morton ahead of Maddie Hooker and Rosie Franzke. The men's podium was filled by Jayden Spring, Alberto Allan and Clancey Harvey.



Peter Wolter (USA) blitzed the field prior to his first descent of Heathy Spur – roughly two minutes ahead of the field at this point. Pic – Ken Bell

After a two-year hiatus due to COVID restrictions, it was great to have the Hoppet back on the international stage. Race Director, Ben Derrick, paid tribute to all the volunteers that come together for the event. "We have over 100 volunteers involved in staging the event that are made up of local skiers and non-skiers alike. After a couple of years of forced cancellation it was great to see the enthusiasm and passion that our community brings to the sport."

The 30th staging of the Hoppet is an amazing achievement for all involved in the event. "The far-sighted and aspirational dreaming and planning from the Birkebeiner Nordic Ski Club in the late 80's has really paid enormous dividends for the sport and the local community. It is a celebration of everyone who has been involved in the event."

The Worldloppet series move on to New Zealand for the Merino Muster this weekend. •

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# KANGAROO HOPPET 2022

## AGL Scholarship Winners

The 2022 Kangaroo Hoppet attracted almost 1000 skiers from 22 nations to the Falls Creek to take part in the southern hemisphere's largest annual international ski festival. With three events covering 42km, 21km and 7km, the Hoppet festival gives skiers of all ages and abilities the opportunity to take part in their event of choice.

Eight AGL Scholarships are awarded at the Kangaroo Hoppet to the first Australian man and woman in the following categories. First Australian man & woman in the 42km main event of the Kangaroo Hoppet, the first U23 man & woman in the 21km event, and the first U18 and U14 boy & girl in the 7km.

AGL, owner and operator of the Kiewa Hydro Electricity Scheme, is Australia's largest generator of renewable energy.

Head of AGL Hydro, Simon Kelley, said "We recognise that participating in top flight sport comes at a financial cost, which is why we created these scholarships that provide funds for our younger developing skiers to assist with training and development and, for our elite skiers offer a reward for the immense effort and dedication needed for these athletes to reach the top of their field."

Finn Marsland, Snow Australia Cross Country Skiing Program Director, praised the generous offer from AGL. "These scholarships represent the great community spirit from AGL that has been genuinely appreciated by many of our skiing community over the last decade, from past Olympians down to the developing skiers coming through our pathway programs. Support from AGL, not just to stage the event, but to also develop and grow our sport is a wonderful contribution to what is for so many people a lifetime sporting and recreational activity."

### Recipients of the AGL Scholarships are:

**Kangaroo Hoppet:** Lars Young Vik and Casey Wright.

**Australian Birkebeiner:** Noah Bradford and Phoebe Cridland.

**Joey Hoppet: U18:** Jayden Spring and Damika Morton. **U14:** Alberto Allan & Thea Harvey. •



AGL scholarship winners (from L to R): Jayden Spring, Casey Wright, Lars Young Vik, Phoebe Cridland, Damika Morton, Noah Bradford, and in front Alberto Allan and Simon Kelley, AGL Head of Hydro. Pic – Ken Bell

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# CLOUD 9 REDEVELOPMENT

## Endorsed by the Minister

Last week, Falls Creek and Traverse Alpine Group were proud to host The Victorian Minister for Tourism, Sport and Major Events the Hon Mr. Steve Dimopoulos, as well as CEO of Tourism North East, Bess Nolan-Cook on a visit to the High Country and to be briefed on the exciting redevelopment and plans for Cloud 9. The Minister said he endorses the project put forward by Traverse Alpine Group, describing the development as a wonderful concept for visitors and the community to enjoy.

Tourism North East CEO, Bess Nolan Cook agreed. "This will redefine the on-mountain visitor experience and further build Falls Creek's credentials as one of Australia's most iconic alpine destinations," Ms Nolan-Cook said.

Traverse Alpine Group (TAG) are moving forward with their ambitious plan to redevelop the iconic mountain top

destination Cloud 9 at Falls Creek. Cloud 9 is the ski lift drive terminal and amenities hub at the top of the Halley's Comet chairlift. When finished, the new building will be one of the greenest hospitality venues in the Australian snowfields.

The extensive refurbishment of Cloud 9 will transform the venue to a year round amenity for snow sport and outdoor enthusiasts. The new access points will also make it much easier for disabled skiers to use the venue. Plans include a sheltered Wintergarden overlooking Spion Kopje with a snow bar. Public facilities will be built as well as a dramatic increase in capacity for lunch and dinner dining. The café in the clouds will overlook the slopes and guests will be able to make the most of those bluebird days. The family friendly, yet grown-up ambience of the mezzanine and mountainside deck will create the perfect location for an après ski experience. Work will commence in October 2022.

"We've adapted the best of contemporary European snowfield design into this project," says lead designer Andy Mero. "Cloud 9 will have an airtight envelope to maximise heat retention and we've also



From left: Victorian Minister for Tourism, Sport and Major Events the Hon Mr. Steve Dimopoulos, Lee Duggan, Andy Mero and Shannon Exelby. Pic - Matthew Smithwick

incorporated passive solar into the northern aspects of the building," he adds.

TAG principal Rosy Seaton says the company is excited to reimagine Cloud 9 with environmental performance central to the design approach. "We will maintain our uncompromising commitment to excellence in our food and beverage offerings," Rosy says, "but we won't compromise on sustainability either." Particular attention is being paid to reducing waste and minimising the carbon footprint of the operation. "Not only are we using green design principles," says Rosy, "we apply the same thinking to our food preparation and our supply chain logistics."

This redevelopment is something the whole resort can be proud of. Stay tuned for more information. •



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## Join the Fun!

Gay Ski Week Australia finally returns, with a program bursting with fabulous fun and entertainment.

Bringing the LGBTQ+ communities to Falls Creek, Australia's ultimate Winter Pride Festival's opening weekend kicks off with Karaoke, Cabaret and a Onesie Party with entertainers Frock Hudson, DJ Cliterally, Miss Jay and Sugar Plump Fairy, but it's the free events we are also excited for.

Transforming 1550 Bar & Cafe AT St Falls into an entertainment venue, The Drinks Palace and Dance Bar that is fit for a queen (or two), where you can grab a drink, have a boogie and mix and mingle with the Gay Ski Week crew daily.

As one of the alternating Après venues serving libations with drag in tow, it's going to be a hub of rainbow fun, as Disco Pop takes over in the evening, offering free DJ and drag entertainment for all. Located in the St Falls complex, it will operate as a café during the day but come 4pm, the queers take over and the party begins!

Nelse Lodge is also a hub for the festival, as this cosy bar (located near the middle of the village) transforms into Frock

Hudson's Cabaret Lounge and Piano Bar from Tuesday 6th September. Frock will be hosting events such as bingo and a queer film night, then from 9pm you'll get to wind down as Cameron Thomas serenades you with whimsical tunes and popular hits of today and yesterday as he flies back from Edinburgh Fringe and heads straight to Falls.

Join us Wednesday 7th Sept for a special free high-light to our daily Après program, as we head to Cloud 9 and enjoy stunning views and cool tunes with DJ Kate Monroe on the decks. Plus pop-up drag shows with Frock and Freddie Merkin as you watch the sunset across the mountain. What better way to take advantage of Night Skiing and sneak in a few more runs on your way home.


Saturday 10th Sept is our Pride Day across the resort, with The Picnic On The Peak lunch, The Rainbow Run, and then the Farewell To Falls Party at The Palace - the perfect way to finish our 12th festival.

We can't wait to show our pride at Falls Creek. Be sure to say when you see us round the resort, and with event tickets now on sale, come join in all the fun.

Full event listing: <https://pointsofdifference.com/snow>. •



Frock Hudson & DJ Cliterally are ready to entertain at St Falls Resort. Pic – Courtesy the organisers.


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# FOOD FOR THOUGHT

## Failure!

Very few of us set out to fail, but failure is, like death and taxes, part of the human experience. For a lot of my life, I believed that failure was bad. At school, university, and work the common message I received was that I was somehow weaker and lesser if I experienced failure. In Australian society we idolise winners, we celebrate winners, we want to be winners. Social media is filled with millions of posts applauding those who have won or succeeded in life, in their own minds at least.

But what if always winning doesn't make us better? What if success is more nuanced and complicated than simply coming first all the time?

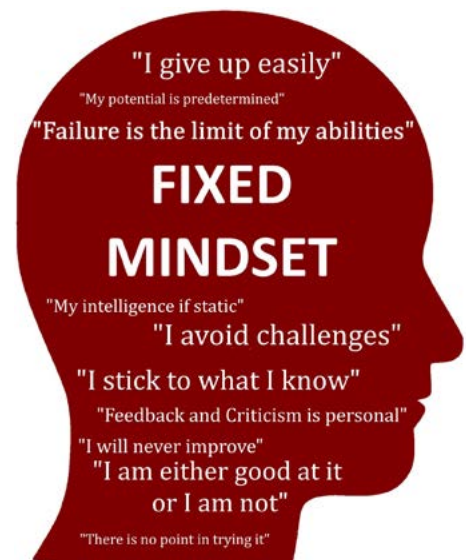
What if frequent easy achievement makes us smaller, meaner, compassionless, and intolerant individuals?

What if, to be the best at what we do, we need to experience failure to achieve real growth?

Two world-renowned psychologists, Daniel Kahneman and Amos Tversky, who won the Nobel Prize for their work identified why we hate failure, finding that the effect of a loss is twice as great as the gain from a win. This indicates the pronounced negative impact a loss has on us as individuals, which is much bigger than the impact of a win. It explains why humans go to lengths to avoid a loss or a failure.

I could rabbit on here about the difference between fixed and growth mindsets, failure creating opportunity for growth, and so on. But the importance of failure for individuals and organisations is more nuanced than these bland phrases.

Many managers and executives believe that all failure is bad, albeit usually providing lessons, and that learning from failure is pretty straightforward. Amy C. Edmondson, a professor at Harvard Business School, thinks both these beliefs are misguided. In organisational life, she says, some failures are inescapable, and some are even good. Successful learning from failure is not simple. It requires context-specific strategies.



However, first leaders must understand how the blame game gets in the way and work to create an organisational culture in which employees feel safe admitting or reporting on failure.

Failures fall into three categories: preventable ones in predictable operations, which usually involve deviations from spec; unavoidable ones in complex systems, which may arise from unique combinations of needs, people, and problems; and intelligent ones at the frontier, where 'good' failures occur quickly and on a small scale, providing the most valuable information.

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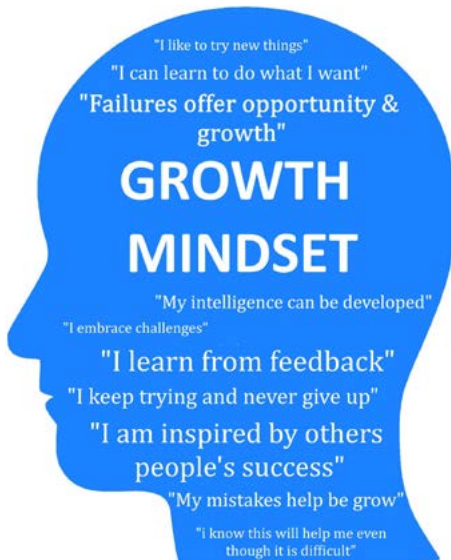
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Over the next 10 days, many snow sports instructors will be taking part in exams to progress to their next level of certification. These exams are not easy. The Australian Professional Snowsports Instructors Inc (APSI) have exacting technical requirements that must be demonstrated to achieve their certifications. A highly experienced level 4 instructor and examiner once told me that they know of people who've competed on the world cup circuit who couldn't meet the APSI's rigorous snowplough standards the first time around.

Last year, I failed a component of my Level 2 alpine exams. The result wasn't pretty: trying to muffle loud hiccup sobbing crying isn't easy when you're trying to say congratulations to your friends who did pass. Plus, I didn't have any tissues on me...

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I may have used a neck buff in my moment of need. At that moment in time, I felt like a failure and not just because I was using a neck warmer as a snot rag. At that time, I felt the double whammy of failure for that single component I didn't achieve. Passing the other four of the five elements became irrelevant.

It didn't matter that everyone was telling me the same thing: it's common for people to fail one section of their exams, lots of people sit a level multiple times before passing, you've only been doing this for one year, look at what you've achieved as opposed to what you didn't. All I could see was failure.

One of the things that impresses me about the Snowsports Instructing profession is how it has evolved to accept failure as part of its professional development process. The APSI gives credit for the component of the exam that is passed, so you must only work on & resit the component you failed instead of the whole exam. The APSI uses failure as an opportunity to build skills and knowledge with context specific strategies. It acknowledges success while at the same time recognising failure. A juxtaposition, but one that progresses with a culture of learning.

Strong compassionate leadership can build a learning culture, one in which failures large and small are consistently reported and deeply analysed, and opportunities to experiment are proactively sought.

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Management commonly and understandably worry that taking a sympathetic stance toward failure will create an 'anything goes' work environment, but in my experience this is rarely the case. Perhaps we could all take a leaf out of the APSI's playbook and instead recognise that while failure is inevitable in today's complex work organisations, it can also lead to remarkable and exciting growth.

Good luck to all the instructors who are undertaking exams over the next 10 days. You've got this. •

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Today, I'm Ben, one of your local snowmakers. When I'm not lost in the foggy darkness building a mountain, I use my time to express creativity in an array of mediums.

My creative alias is Beniisquiggles and I'm a South Aussie artist on a journey to provide heaps of green, eco-friendly and sustainable art for my fellow Earth-nauts to enjoy!

I draw inspirations from my travels and things that excite my soul which has led me to reside in Falls Creek.

The Frying Pan Inn have been kind enough to host my first ever exhibition where I will be introducing my main character 'B the Bear' who chases the white fluffy stuff in the same nooks of Spaceship Earth as I do.

My exhibition will consist of sweet organic

cotton apparel, eco-prints, stickers, canvas' and more so I hope you enjoy his adventures as much as I do and find something you jive with. Much of it will be up for sale with proceeds going towards future local artistic projects to brighten our gorgeous village.

If you are interested in having a mural painted in Falls Creek or surrounding suburbs over this summer please contact me on 0481 162 642 or [benii@beniisquiggles.com](mailto:benii@beniisquiggles.com)

I would be grateful to those who share their time credits with me and allow your eyeballs to feast on these delicious creations I have spent many hours with over the winter.

Stoked to be in your presence at 8pm Wednesday 7th September - at the Frying Pan Inn.

Heaps of love, Benii. •



*B the Bear on Eagle Rock - a sample of the 'Beniisquiggles' work on display at the Frying Pan next Wednesday 7th. Pic - Beniisquiggles*

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A group of six students from Mount Beauty Secondary College attended the School for Student Leadership in Marlo during Term Two. As part of this experience, we were required to plan and complete a community learning project to help

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DWA are pleased to formally, and on-snow, thank AGL for their support through the granting of \$10,000 from their 2021-2022 AGL Hydro Community Fund for the purchase of a Dynamique Bi Ski for use at Falls Creek by DWA members. In thanking AGL's Simon Kelley for the ski, DWA's Falls Creek Manager Min Middleton said, "The new versatile and much-needed Bi Ski will enable DWA to better meet the needs of our members who attend snow sports camps at Falls Creek. DWA operates a full program of camps each ski season for a range of disability organisations. The new Bi Ski will enable people who are unable to ski standing up to equally participate in snow sports activities" she said.

The purchase of the Bi Ski will directly benefit some of the almost 20 per cent

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Ross Passalacqua DWA Board member (left) and Min Melinda Middleton DWA Manager Falls Creek with Simon Kelley Head of Hydro AGL Energy trying out the Bi-Ski which AGL graciously contributed the money for DWA to purchase and to be able to off more service for clients. Pic – Ken Bell



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Therefore, everyone is invited to attend the official 75 years of Falls Creek celebrations. Join us for a night of fun as we shine a light back on the history, iconic figures, and classic Falls Creek moments we have shared over the last seven and a half decades. Expect plenty of laughs, giveaways, prizes, and exceptional company.

**Where:** The Frying Pan Inn

**When:** Tuesday 13th September, 7pm

**What:** Trivia Night! Through the decades of Falls Creek hosted by The Falls Creek Historical Society.

**Tickets:** \$30pp (includes 1 x drink on entry). Must have team of 6-10 people.

**Dress code:** "Through the decades"

Drinks and meals will be available at bar prices. All ticket proceeds will be donated to the Falls Creek Historical Society. Buy tickets now at: [https://events.humanitix.com/falls-creek-history-trivia-night?mc\\_cid=a06dc72deb&mc\\_eid=b590f69583](https://events.humanitix.com/falls-creek-history-trivia-night?mc_cid=a06dc72deb&mc_eid=b590f69583).

*Pictured: Early 60's with Diana, Kiwa Valley and Winterhaven in picture. Pic – Courtesy the FC Museum*



## WHAT'S ON IN 2022

**COVID-19 Restriction changes and weather may impact some of these events.**

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Night Skiing as Wombat's Ramble lights up, 6pm to 8:45pm allowing you to continue your ski and snowboard adventures.

#### TWILIGHT TUESDAYS

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**SEP 3 & 4** Australian Junior Sprint (Sat 9:30am) & Distance (Sun 10am) Championships. Nordic Bowl. Ann Bellingham 0427 006 246.

**SEP 2-11** Gay Ski Week at Falls Creek. Go to <https://pointsofdifference.com/gay-ski-week-australia-2022/> Refer Notice this Edition

**SEP 13** Trivia Night! Through the decades of Falls Creek hosted by The Falls Creek Historical Society. The Frying Pan Inn. 7pm. Tickets: \$30pp (includes 1 x drink on entry). Must have team of 6-10 people. Dress code: "Through the decades"

**OCT 15** Mount Beauty Writers Festival- attracting some very interesting and prominent personalities. For more detail, go to: <https://www.mountbeautywritersfestival.com/>

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