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2019 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

2019 was a busy year for the Club. Members enjoyed a successful snow season with good snow coverage (albeit too much for the Interclub Ski Race – cancelled for the first time in history!) followed by a pleasant spring time where fly fishing and backcountry tours were on the agenda. Towards the end of the year there was a real threat of destruction at Thredbo with bushfires raging across the country and throughout the National Park. We are thankful to the NSW Rural Fire Service for their work in saving the resort from ruin, as unfortunately nearby Selwyn was not as lucky.

I am happy to report annual lodge capacity was at one of the highest rates ever, showing Members continue to enjoy the comfort of the lodges, the thrill of the sport and the Club culture.

The Committee has continued to work hard this year on improving the lodges to maintain the standards Members expect. The major project and focus for the year was the cladding and semi-insulation upgrade of the Perisher Lodge to protect and prolong the structure of the building whilst also making it more efficient and comfortable. Ross Stanton has managed this project tirelessly on behalf of the Club, and is commended for his efforts in pulling all the pieces and stakeholders together to get it off the ground! The project is set to be completed by the 2020 season and will dramatically improve the longevity of the building.

A project to update and improve the Thredbo bunk room has commenced which will, when complete, provide a convenient multipurpose room that meets our high standards for members comfort.

We farewelled Lilly Bengtsson, Thredbo Caretaker (2018-19), who left to travel overseas at the end of the season. We thank Lilly for her excellent work and wish her all the best for her future. Emma Martin was swiftly recruited for the 2020 season in Thredbo, and we look forward to working with her to maintain the lodge and be there for Members' convenience. Keith

Hill remained on at Perisher and did another fantastic job of helping Members enjoy their ski holiday and maintained the up keep of the Perisher lodge.

With major building projects in the works, the Club's financial reserves were reduced this year, as expected. I commend the Committee for their carefully planned fiscal management that has allowed the Club to spread this risk safely and sustainably. The Committee aims to have reserves replenished within two years via a healthy membership plan, lodge usage, and frugal spending.

It gives me great pleasure to see Geebung Ski Club thrive, with a healthy waiting list of 21 people at present, we must be doing something right! I would like to thank all members of the present Committee for their generous donation of time, skills and expertise to the Club. It has been a pleasure to have you at the table.

Yours in skiing,
George Hamilton
Chairman