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Dear V.O.C. Grads

Time has come to send you the V.O.C.'s latest news. All in all, this was quite a good year. We are presently having a particularly active membership and our various activities seem to be all the more successful.

Thanksgiving saw the building of a cabin in the Overseer area by the north end of the Pemberton ice cap, at a cost of \$7000. This three day weekend was enough for more than twenty of our members to complete its construction. This hut can accommodate up to nine people and has a stove with an abundant wood supply. It has been named after Julian Harrison, past club President, who was killed in an avalanche last spring. This area has a lot of skiing potential and is due to become very popular for spring outings.

Unfortunately all our projects did not turn out so well and the Mt. Brew cabin, built in fall '82, turned out to be a major headache. Last spring snow creep started to crush it and we had to send teams in regularly to dig it out and minimize the damage. We were planning to move it to a more suitable spot before the first snow, but could not find a helicopter in time. We finally decided to dismantle it and shall rebuild it next summer.

We have a last cabin kit which we plan to assemble in 1985 or 1986, probably in the Meadow Dome area. However, our cabin fund is running low and we need to find some money to finance the logistic part of the enterprise. Any donations would be welcome and if you plan to do so, please send it directly to us, indicating what the money is for.

In view of the success of the first edition of our ski guide, the printing of a second edition was decided and is presently in its final draft. It will be published by Gordon Soules and should be very useful to the local back-country skier with intermediate abilities. It will be available in the stores this winter.

To end and keep an old "tradition" I shall mention that we still sell bronze pins, songbooks, journals, T-shirts, decals and of course ski guides, at a price which may not be traditional but still reasonable. You will also find enclosed a letter from our Publications Officer, concerning the latest issue of our annual Journal.

This year's banquet will be held at Cecil Green Park (UBC) on Saturday, March 10th and will cost \$15.00.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Yours sincerely



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Archivist