

Mission Statements (defines the primary purpose and who it serves)– of the National Ski Patrol

Ski Patrol Manual – 1st edition – dtd – 1941 – page 3 Chapter 1 - The Organization of the National Ski Patrol System – “Principles and Purposes” -

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Ski Patrol Manual – 2nd edition – dtd – 1956 – page 9 Chapter 1 - Introduction

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Mission Statement from NSP Officer’s Handbook page 1-4 Revised 11/93

“To serve the public and ski industry by providing exceptional educational services for our members so they can deliver quality emergency care and promote ski safety”

One of the First Published Mission Statement – Board meeting in Chicago Oct. 7-8, 1994 – taken from the Patrol Magazine page 44 Winter 1995 issue.

“We are a member –driven association. We surpass member expectations in support of participation in, and service to, the ski and outdoor recreation community. We do this through:

- an esprit de corps that inspires members to belong;
- exceptional education programs;
- dynamic communications;
- outstanding membership support services;
- energetic interagency relations; and
- a strong financial position.”

Article from the Patrol Magazine page 38 of the Spring 1995 issue - Revised due to input from the patrollers to the National Board of Jan 13, 1995 as this Jack Mason’s article states “When developing the mission statement (above) the articulations of the board members focused entirely on what our “association” does and how it ought to view itself. ... but we did not reveal in the mission our common bond with each other as ski patrollersBecause the mission was silent on the topic of what type of work ski patrollers do, most of you who wrote back thought the mission was deficient.”

Revised Version:

“We are a member – driven association. Our members support and participate in the ski and outdoor recreation community by providing emergency care, rescue, and education services. Our association supports us by surpassing member expectations through:

- an esprit de corps that inspires members to belong;
- exceptional education programs;
- dynamic communications;
- outstanding membership support services;
- energetic interagency relations; and
- a strong financial position.”

Jan. 2004 – from the Ski Patrol Magazine Spring/Summer issue 2004 page 4; an article titled - NSP’s master plan: new mission, new vision by Bill Sachs. “NSP provides education and training in safety, credentialed outdoor emergency care, and transportation services. This enables members and other stakeholders to serve the outdoor recreation community. NSP continually explores new opportunities for membership and association enhancement.”

2005 Revised – taken from the Ski Patrol Magazine Winter 2005 page 2– “NSP provides quality focused education and training in safety, credentialed outdoor emergency care, and transportation services. This enables members and other stakeholders to serve the outdoor

recreation community. NSP continually explores new opportunities for membership and association enhancement.”

VISION STATEMENT (defines why an organization exists)

One of the First Published Vision Statement – Board meeting in Chicago Oct. 7-8, 1994 – taken from the Patrol Magazine page 44 Winter 1995 issue.

“We are a leading partner in the ski and outdoor recreation community as an adaptable resource of valuable individuals benefiting this community.”

Jan. 2004 – from the Ski Patrol Magazine Spring/Summer issue 2004 page 4; an article titled - NSP’s master plan: new mission, new vision by Bill Sachs.

“NSP’s vision is to be the premier provider of outstanding education programs and services benefiting the global outdoor recreation community.”