

Tēnā koutou,

This letter has been prepared by Tukino Alpine Sports Club to express the current vision that our club holds for the present and future direction of TMCA, as well as the "Wild Side" as a whole. This is a living document and as member feedback is received to secretary@tukino.nz we will update this document as required.

Objectives

- Operate a ski field that allows for and encourages participation in snow sports including skiing and snowboarding.
- Provide instruction products including dedicated ski squad, group and private lessons at an appropriate price.
- Support other outdoor activities such as climbing, tramping and snow play.
- Support and collaborate with external outdoor organizations which provide instruction and education.

Environment

- Respect from the Maunga and commitment to protecting the natural environment. We have a duty as the de facto custodians of Ruapehu's wild side.
- Acknowledging the effects of global warming and commitment to mitigating Tukino's footprint in future planning.

Relationships

- Respect for tangata whenua and commitment to a relationship of partnership and participation.
- Respect for DOC and the concession. Collaboration with DOC on infrastructure, access and future planning.
- Engage with the local business community and the wider snow sports industry.

Atmosphere

- Maintaining a friendly and positive social atmosphere for club members and the general public.
- Provision of services that maximise the experience of all those who visit the field.
- An atmosphere of mutual respect for all by all including but not limited too, organizations (DOC, Iwi), general public, club members, volunteers, paid employees and TMCA executive.
- Respect for the clubs, their members and other individuals who have contributed to the field.
- Clubs and members are involved in decision making and field operations in and out of season.

Winter operations and facilities

- Ski field operations meet industry best practice of a club field. This includes SOP's, EOP's, equipment, training and documentation as per industry best practice standards.
- Facilities such as toilets, shelter, food and drink are provided and maintained to industry standard.
- Field operations are audited to ensure best practices are maintained.
- The field and facilities are primarily operated by paid employees, with support from volunteer staff.

Access

- Access road is proactively improved in collaboration with DOC including major works.
- Access road is maintained throughout the ski season by TMCA including snow clearing.
- When snow clearing cannot be undertaken alternative public access will be facilitated such as shuttle services.

Future proofing

- Long term vision and strategy for 5 and 10 year periods.
- Primarily funded by ticket sales which are appropriately priced to fund capital investment and employment.
- Proactive planning for effects of global warming and its effect on snow base such as extending ski area boundaries.
- TMCA is structured to ensure the long term existence of the three clubs and the field as a whole. This includes succession planning.

Legal

- Compliance with NZ law at all times including H&S and employment.
- Work towards charitable status

We hope that this letter will provide a better understanding of what our club hopes to achieve this season and in the years to come.

TASC would also like to encourage the fellow TMCA members to share their vision for Tukino so that we can work together towards a common goal.

Ngā mihi nui,

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