

CONNECTICUT REGION – NATIONAL SKI PATROL SYSTEM, INC.
PROGRAM REPORT

SENIOR OUTDOOR EMERGENCY CARE (SR OEC)

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MISSION STATEMENT

NSP: TO HELP KEEP PEOPLE SAFE ON THE MOUNTAIN AND DURING OTHER OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES.
PROGRAM MISSION STATEMENT: TO HELP CANDIDATES ACHIEVE THEIR SR OEC CERTIFICATIONS AND HAVING NEW INSTRUCTOR CANDIDATES OBTAIN THEIR T/E CERTIFICATIONS, ALL WHILE STAYING SAFE, MEETING NEW FRIENDS AND HAVING FUN.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY: 2022-23 SEASON

The season started as expected with an Orientation in November, a number of clinics were held throughout the season at 4 different ski areas, as well as some smaller training sessions, then the program culminated with a successful Final Evals in early February. In addition to the current TEs, a number of Seniors (potential new TEs) and other patrollers (potential Seniors) took part and helped throughout the program including the Final Evals. For the Final Evals, the CT Region program took part in the BETA Test Track from National; which was an upgrade to the Sr OEC Module that National has been working on. All 4 of the CT Region candidates who took the Final Evals were successful. There was also a visiting Sr OEC candidate from WMASS who also took the Final Evals and was successful.

PROGRAM GOALS: 2022-23 SEASON

The plan was to hold multiple clinic sessions culminating in a Final Evaluation in the beginning of February.

- 1. Recruit qualified candidates who show promise of being good Sr OEC's. This recruitment will start over the summer and proceed through the beginning of the clinics in November 2022. Goal was met with 4 CT Region candidates successfully taking the program and passing the Final Evals.*
- 2. Host a Senior OEC T/E Clinic – for both current TEs and at least 4 new candidate TEs. A T/E Clinic was held and was successfully attended by all but one of the current TEs still active. Because of a National mandate, no new T/Es were allowed to take the Clinic.*
- 3. Have an introduction meeting of all participants in November 2022 to “kick off” the program – Goal was met with 5 candidates starting out in the program*
- 4. Host a minimum of 5 clinics to be run between mid-November 2022 and January 31, 2023. Clinics are expected to be held at 3-5 of the major Alpine ski areas in CT – Goal was met with 6 clinics held at 4 different ski areas*
- 5. Meet with every candidate individually minimum of twice during the season, once prior to the start of the program and once at the near end of the clinics prior to the final evaluation – While not all candidates were met with prior to the start of the program, multiple communications*

were held with each candidate throughout the season; also, mentors were assigned to each of the candidates who helped with the communications

6. *Host a final evaluation in early February 2023* - Goal was met with Final Evals held on February 12

ACTIVITIES / PARTICIPATION

Activity	# Instructors/ Other	# Participants
Orientation Sunday 11/13/22 Mt Southington	11	5
Clinic1 Saturday 11/19/22 Ski Sundown	5	5
Clinic2 Wednesday 12/07/22 Mt Southington	12	4
Clinic3 Sunday 12/11/22 Mohawk Mtn	11	3
Zoom Tuesday 12/20/22	3	4
Clinic4 Saturday 01/07/23 Mt Southington	13	5
Clinic5 Saturday 01/21/23 Powder Ridge Park	6	4
Clinic6 Saturday 01/28/23 Mt Southington	11	6
Final Evals 02/12/23 Mt Southington	29	5

PROGRAM GOALS: 2023-24 SEASON

The plan is to start off with some of the training and paperwork items first, and then to still hold multiple clinic sessions culminating in a Final Evaluation. Also, at this time it is expected that the CT Region will be using the updated Sr OEC Module. These updates are expected to include some new training aids to help TEs and candidates with the adjustments to the program core objectives. There is also some program logistics updates which is why the program is expected to start earlier in the Fall.

1. *Recruit qualified candidates who show promise of being good Sr OEC's. This recruitment has started and will proceed through the early part of Fall 2023.*
2. *Host a Senior T/E Clinic – OEC for at least 3 new candidate TEs and any current TEs needing a refresh.*
3. *Have an introduction meeting of all participants in late August or early September 2023 to “kick off” the program.*
4. *Host a minimum of 5 clinics to be run between mid-November and January 2023. Clinics are expected to be held at 3-5 of the major Alpine ski areas in CT.*
5. *Meet with every candidate individually minimum of twice during the season, including once near the end of the clinics prior to the final evaluation.*
6. *Host a final evaluation in either January or February of 2024.*

RECRUITMENT

A note will be sent to all CT Region PDs with information on the Sr OEC Module program. All candidates who indicate an interest will be contacted and given information about the program. It is also planned to reach out separately in the Fall to each of the patrols to see what interest might exist for others that would be interested in helping out with clinics and/or Final Evals.

SUCCESSION PLANNING

I plan to continue to work with Peter Bayer (ROA), Skip Mudge (RD) and Paula Knight (Asst Division OEC Supv) about finding possible other TEs who might have interest in helping out and then possibly have interest to take on the STC position. For success of the program it would be advisable to be prepared.

PROGRAM BUDGET

BUDGET PERFORMANCE (2022-23 SEASON)

Please provide the \$ amount of your approved budget for the prior fiscal year. Please note if this budget included any unusual and/or one-time expenditures. For travel expenses, please specify trips/nights/people/rates, etc., as appropriate.

	APPROVED SEASON BUDGET	SPENT TO DATE	ANTICIPATED REMAINING TO SPEND	VARIANCE (OVER/ UNDER)
Mileage				
Meals				
Lodging (# trips/people/nights/rates)				
Printing	\$40.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$40.00
Postage				
Equipment	\$30.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$30.00
Supplies	\$30.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$30.00
Textbooks/Instructional Aids				
Awards specific to program (e.g., Instr. Service Awards)				
Other (unusual or one time, explain in "Prog. Goals")				
Revenue (Expense Offset)				
Total	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00

Notes: Please explain variances (i.e., over/underspending your approved budget by >10%).
OVERSPENDING OF BUDGET ALLOWED ONLY WITH PRIOR APPROVAL OF REGION DIRECTOR.

BUDGET REQUEST (2023-24 SEASON)

<i>Please provide a brief comment on any increase or decrease, such as unusual or one-time expenditures. Explain basis for travel expense request.</i>	REQUESTED	APPROVED
Mileage: State Mileage , not dollar amount (round trip 100 miles or more) ¹		
Meals		
Lodging (# trips/people/nights/rates)		
Printing	\$40.00	40.00
Postage		
Equipment	\$30.00	30.00
Supplies	\$30.00	30.00
Textbooks/Instructional Aids		
Awards specific to program (e.g., Instructor Service Awards)		
Other (unusual or one time, explain in "Program Goals")		
Revenue (Expense Offset)		
Total	\$100.00	100.00

Notes:

1 If multiple trips, list mileage separately, either in Notes section (above) or as separate lines in Budget Request form.

