

**POSTION STATEMENT OF CALVIN R. GOLDSMITH
EMARI REGION DIRECTOR**

To the Patrollers of the EMARI Region:

I have been privileged to have served two terms as your Region Director. The EMARI Bylaws allow a Region Director to serve up to three two-year terms, and I am asking for your support in this fall's election to be elected to serve a third term.

I have enjoyed my term to date, and have been able to contribute to the Region as our Director:

- * Administering the EMARI Region organization to continue to build our financial health, while providing first class programs and services to our EMARI patrollers;
- * Maintaining communications with individual patrollers by means of emails and articles in the Region newsletter;
- * Working with Ingrid Shuttleworth to publish an excellent regional Newsletter several times a year;
- * Working with our newest webmaster, Brian Chase, on the maintenance and improvement of the EMARI website, including a new platform to make it more mobile friendly for ease of use of our patrollers;
- * Working consistently to support the various programs the Region offers its patrollers, including the Senior Program, both the OEC and the OET (S&T) modules, and attending/participating in the final evaluations for both;
- * Attending and participating as a judge at the Division YAP Seminar every year in support of our Region's extremely accomplished Young Adult Patrollers;
- * Working with our region Patrol Directors to support their efforts to learn and use the new IT system for patrol rosters and registration, including holding several training sessions in the evenings to teach the use of the system;
- * Leading the charge to get out the EMARI Region vote for the National Board of Director's elections each year at this critical time in NSP's existence (EMARI had the second highest voting percentage of any region in NSP this past year!)
- * Serving as the Chair of the OEC Committee at the Division level to help continue to provide the excellent OEC courses and refreshers our patrollers expect every year;
- * Attending and providing training on the IT system at last summer's Eastern Division OEC Continuing Education seminars in CT and NH;
- * Serving as the Assistant Division Director of the Eastern Division in support of our Division Director, John Kane of the Maine Region and Blue Hills in EMARI.
- * Bringing some notoriety to the EMARI Region by negotiating the service of EMARI Patrollers as the Fenway Park Ski Patrol at last year's Big Air Competition held at Fenway Park in Boston. This was a significant public relations coup for EMARI and NSP, and through Chris Pringle's excellent video of our service at the event, we were able to publicize our role in the Big Air event nationally. Every downhill patrol had representation at the event. And, it was a thrill unlike any other for patrollers from the EMARI Region to patrol and ski the Big Air in Fenway Park. It was pure magic.

Every Region Director in the Eastern Division also has the responsibility to serve on the Eastern Division Board of Directors. We each have responsibility for our own region, as well as for the governance of the Eastern Division. We each chair a Committee (mine is the OEC Committee) and are involved in other committees. We are also frequently given other tasks by our Division Director.

EMARI is a very strong region, made up of extremely talented and dedicated patrollers serving on the 7 patrols within the Region. EMARI has distinguished itself by consistently providing some of the most influential and effective leaders both at the Eastern Division level and the National level. Three patrollers from EMARI currently serve on the National Board of Directors (NBOD), which is truly an extraordinary accomplishment for one Region at the National level. They are Ed McNamara, Dave Walker, and Chris Pringle. All 3 are making extremely important contributions toward the future health and effective governance of the National Ski Patrol.

We believe this year's election is critical to the Eastern Division's proportional, effective representation on the National Board of Directors. Decisions are being made at the National level that could dramatically affect NSP as we currently know it. Largely because of both my position as Assistant Division Director, and due to the success the EMARI Region has had getting out the vote, I have been tasked by John Kane to lead the charge for the Eastern Division in getting out the vote Division-wide. We are engaged in planning that effort now. You will hear much more about it as we approach the Oct. 15th election opening date.

I truly appreciate being allowed to serve as the EMARI Region Director for two terms, and humbly ask to be able to serve out a third term. There is work still to do for the EMARI Region: the further integration of the new NSP website into individual day-to-day patrol operations; further improvements to the EMARI website; integration of the newsletter with the website; and of course, the on-going management of the business of the EMARI Region, to name a few tasks currently on my to do list. I hope you will give me the chance to continue working for the EMARI Region as your Region Director.

I ask for your vote. Thank you.

Cal Goldsmith

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