



TAM MUSEUM REPORT FOR THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING SATURDAY 19^H NOVEMBER 2022 prepared by Christina Webb, TAM Museum Administrator

This is the TAM Museum Report for TAM year ending June 30th 2022, in which it has been a year of consolidation.

During the year we had 4036 visitors to the museum, despite the 2021 COVID closure during the 2021 ski season – all over an increase of roughly 25% over the previous COVID year in 2019

The special feature display of our unique and colourful Winter Olympic Collection together with items on loan from local Olympians was a big drawcard this year. The next feature display will focus on youth ski development programs in Thredbo. This will incorporate the 50th anniversary of the Thredbo Ski Racing Club.

A big thank you to the local and visiting volunteers during the year. Without them we cannot share our unique collection with Thredbo visitors.

We invite more of our members to spend an afternoon or two in the Museum over the summer (or winter) – it is not difficult work as many of our visitors know very little about the sport of skiing or the area, and all they need is a bit of information and a chance to talk to someone. TAM Volunteer Coordinator Alan Fredericks is always happy to take “expressions of interest.”

The Museum has benefited greatly from government grants. The Federal Government funded Australian Museums & Galleries Association (AMaGA) Chart Program grant for \$3,000, facilitated the purchase of a new computer. It has an expanded memory capacity which will enable opportunities to share Thredbo’s past and present with the “digital” generation.

The 1 security camera system purchased through a Small Museums Grant of \$1,500 and funded by the NSW Museums & Galleries, ensures the safety of the Museum’s collection and equipment.

This year the TAM Collection increased by 50 items – one of the highlights being the donation of Bob Arnott’s 1952 Winter Olympic team blazer by his widow Simone Arnott.

The Mosaic data program is being reviewed and the number of item categories has been reduced although the number of sub-categories have been increased. The large clothing collection is being reduced, with duplicate garments and items not related to Thredbo looking for new homes.



Museum enthusiasts from Thredbo's Mountain Ski Academy "checking out" the TAM "Winter Olympic Collection" featuring memorabilia from 1962 to 2022.



Past & present local Winter Olympians:
Front Row: Sam Tait (Sitting Alpine), Abbey Harrigan (Freestyle), Manuela Bertchtold (Freestyle), Alice Jones (Alpine),
Back Row: Amelia Hodgson (Sighted Para Alpine P Jenson), Josie Baff (Snowboard), Sami Kennedy Sim (Freestyle), Adam Dickson (Snowboard), Kim Clifford (Alpine), Jono Brauer (Alpine). *Photo courtesy Monaro Post*