

## **Maine Women's Program**

The 2020 ski season was a rough one indeed, a rocky start with an abrupt finish. In between we did however have two really good months. Let's hope next year brings us early snow, sunny skies and many days of skiing.

Once again a Women's Program component was offered at the Patrol School. Unfortunately our Maine women patrollers did not find their way to join us this year. We will continue to promote both Patroller School and the Women's Program throughout the year.

The Women's clinic at Shawnee turned into a snowboard clinic taught primarily by Bob Hoot with a little help from yours truly. We all had a great time and learned a lot. I was actually tempted to take off the skis and try out a board. Hoot made it look so fun and easy.

Meredith Currier and myself took the show on the road and joined Wayne on his yearly trek north. We had a great time working with the patrollers at Lonesome Pines and Big Rock. "You can take a girl out of the county but you can never take the county out of the girl." So good to go back and ski once again at Big Rock. We highly recommend a county trip to everyone. Good folks, good food and good snow. Just remember to bring your suitcase.

The National Women's Program is working with She Jumps and their Get the Girls Out initiative to introduce girls to all aspects of ski patrol in a fun adventure full one or two day camp. I have reached out to the Maine She Jumps coordinator, Amy Ricci, and we hope to be able to offer a Get the Girls Out day in 2021.

The NSP Maine Region Women's Program FB page is being kept current and the primary source of communication within the program. Please like our page if you have not already done so.

See you all on the slopes in 2021.

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