PVS MEETS TUESDAY, 16 JANUARY, AT THE CHARNITA SKI AREA.

TOOT explained in the November 1967 issue that the sun was in a "cooling" phase and that waist deep powder was a good prospect in the "banana belt." Exaggerated? Maybe. At last measure, nearby ski resorts (Blue Knob, Round Top, Charnita, etc.) were boasting a foot or more of snow cover with more yet to come.

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Jack Fox and Dick King recently made contact in Saigon. They will represent PVS at the next Ski Club of Saigon meeting (so they say).

PVS MEETING AT CHARNITA WILL FEATURE A BASIC TEST (POSSIBLY), A FUN RACE (FOR SURE), AND APRES SKI CONVIVIALITY (MOST CERTAINLY).

Meg Anderson's eligibility for PVS membership is confirmed. Formal endorsement by the membership will take place at the next meeting.

Ann Jones has a new job with more respectable hours. We expect to see more of Ann at future PVS meetings.

Bill Stecher recently had a ski accident and sustained an "unmentionable" injury. Painful, yes, but not so serious as to affect his and Elke's European trip to Klosters in February. Bill blames the accident on a single point ski strap which caused his ski to windmill when he fell. His safety tip is to be sure your boards are fastened at two points to prevent any flailing of the skis when you tumble.

PVS now owns a LIPE RELEASE BINDING TESTER which Brooke Armat will demonstrate at next Tuesday's meeting at Charnita.

Most New England ski resorts report good to excellent ski conditions. But the weather there is C-O-L-D!!

Billie Pease is working on a new PVS telephone tree. She also reports that the Stowe Ski Area provides cost free (no toll charge) snow reports to certain Eastern Seaboard cities but does not know whether the Washington area is included. She is checking.

TOOT urges all Potomac Valley Skiers to get an early start for the Charnita meeting. The area is open from 6 to 10 p.m. with double chair lift and two rope tows operating under good lighting. The restaurant and bar are open evenings. Rental equipment is available. Dressing facilities are available and parking is ample. Route to Charnita is straight north via 70S from the Capital Beltway, then on Route 15 to Emmitsburg turnoff (left off 15). Charnita is about 4 miles west of Emmitsburg on Penna. Route 116. Follow the signs. Bill Goodell and Bruce Harstad are in charge of the skiing activities which will begin about 7 p.m. See you there.

A new roster of PVS officers will be voted in at the April meeting. Brooke Armat is now selecting a Nominating Committee. More details in the February issue of TOOT.

RTICIPATION is the keynote of PVS activities. So be there (CHARNITA) for next Tuesday's MEETING ON SKIS.