

NEW Southern
Division Website!
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SOUTHERN DIVISION NEWSLETTER



OPEN POSITIONS

DIVISION HISTORIAN

We are looking for a Division Historian to keep track of our history! We want to integrate this role into our new website. Have an interest in building stoke while remembering our past?

ASSISTANT AWARDS ADVISOR

Acknowledging our impact is vital! Our Awards Advisor is looking for an Assistant to help guide patrols as they apply for awards to recognize their patrollers value.

*For more info on these roles, email
mlegg@nspsserves.org*

INTRODUCING!!

Division Avalanche Supervisor – Michael Olive

Michael is an alpine AND nordic patroller; he serves on three patrol rosters. He joined Massanutten Mountain Patrol a few years ago after moving here from Alaska. Michael has been mentoring as our Assistant Avalanche Supervisor and now steps in to lead the program for our Division.



2025 PATROLLER CONFERENCE WRAP-UP

Aug 22-24th: the Southern Division Annual Patroller Conference brought together patrollers and their families from across the Division to beautiful Wintergreen Resort in the heart of Virginia.

By the numbers:

- 220 attendees; almost 15% increase from our 2024 conference.
- Over 75% of survey respondents said they will attend again next year!
- Plus, fun stuff like: golf, mtn biking, brewery/winery tour, and more!
- 30% of this year's attendees did not attend in 2024.
- 20 learning opportunities for 25 bucks!
- We are currently looking for host mountains for 2026! Let us know if you want to host.



MINNIE DOLE AWARD #33

A special moment in the Southern Division's history occurred at the Annual Awards banquet on the evening of 8/23. Several members of the National Ski Patrol's highest offices took the stage to honor one of our own with the highest award anyone can receive in NSP. The Minnie Dole award was given to our own Morgan Armstrong from Wintergreen Mountain.

This extremely rare award recognizes those exceptional few patrollers who, over the years, have closely exemplified the long-term dedication, devotion, and self-sacrifice of the founder of the NSP, Charles Minot "Minnie" Dole. We are so proud to have Morgan as a member of our Division. Thank you for your service!

Keep on top of our latest social media posts on Facebook:
[Southern Division NSP](https://www.facebook.com/SouthernDivisionNSP)

2025 Southern Division Refresher Schedule

Instructor Refreshers:

OEC Refreshers:

9/6 Sugar/Beech
9/20 Timberline
9/27 Appalachian
9/27 Cataloochee
9/27 Wintergreen
10/4 Hatley Pointe
10/4 Bryce
10/5 Massanutten
10/18 Snowshoe
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Patroller Conference 2026:

Think your mountain would be a great host location for our annual patroller conference? Are you willing to pitch in and make next year's conference an event to remember? Reach out to us at:
conference@nspssouthern.org
We'd love to have you on our conference planning committee!