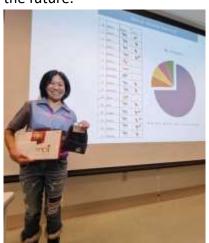
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With February kicking off, the firstyear SROAMies are well underway into their new subjects. Dipping their toes in subjects such as Accounting, Grooming, Guest Services & Ski School, Technology & Solutions, Special Events, Leadership, Snowmaking and Snow Safety.

The Leadership Class took a different approach this year with our very own first-year student Venice Lam stepping up to the plate using her finger profiling skills, to conduct a leadership workshop. Venice took the time to look at each student's fingerprints and analyze characteristics that were inherent. These characteristics are categorized into 7 different animal leadership types, based on their personality traits. That information was then used by the class to elevate their communication, teamwork, management skills. As you could imagine, the majority of our class is a pack of fun-loving puppies and innovational reverse-thinking bats. We're sure all the resorts out there are needing more dogs and bats in the future.



Second-year visits are well underway at the moment with Rosco heading towards the big smoke of Vancouver visiting Jack at Cypress, Hannah at Sasquatch, Ethan at Revelstoke, Jacob in Whistler, and Eli at Keefer Lake Lodge. Robyn kept it local visiting Logan at Whitewater, Noah at Village Ski Hut, Savannah at Retallick Ski Lodge, Maddy at Shambala Music Festival, and Liam at Snowwater Heli-Skiing. All have been reported to be settling well in the industry with a few "Proud Teacher" moments for Ross and Robyn with 2 generations of SROAMies working together.



(Liam, Class of 2023 with Pasha Class of 2015)

We were also lucky enough to be able to do our Avalanche Skills Training Level 1 (AST1) for our Snow safety class. On day one we had a lesson in the classroom where we learned about the theory behind avalanches looked at images of different snowpacks and even looked into the different types of snow slabs that can be the cause of avalanches.

On the second day, we went up to Whitewater to expand more on the knowledge we had gained in class.

We were able to meet with some members of the Whitewater ski patrol team who taught us about weather recording up at whitewater and how they look at the snowpack. We then went on to practice the compression test to look at the different layers in the snowpack this season.



On the final day, we were lucky enough to visit Snowwater Heli and CAT skiing. To do the final exercises for our AST. In the morning we were shown around the lodge to see what the operation looked like then we were driven up in the CATS. Where we were able to practice companion rescues and further perfect our compression test skills. To top off an already amazing day Snowwater took us on a helicopter ride to show us some of their summer operations. It was a day we will never forget.



We would like to thank Snowwater Heli-skiing and Whitewater ski resort for having us and Martin Kayserlingk for running the course.

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Meet the SROAMies



Name: Ben Kuntz Age: 20 Hometown: Ottawa, ON Home Hill: Mount Tremblant

Goals in the industry: I would like to either become a guide so I can ski everyday and meet new people or a CAT mechanic and learn more about the mechanics of a ski hill



Name: Leif Xavier Vanden Burg

Age: 19

Hometown: Calgary, AB Home Hill: Pass Powder Keg

Goals in the industry: My plans for the future involve digging deeper into aerial ropeways by applying my hands-on mentality

to acquire a millwright ticket.



Name: Jackson Weichel Age:22 Hometown: Edmonton, AB Home Hill: Sun Ridge

Goals in the industry: I would either like to work in indoor operations or as a freestyle coach. I've worked in the industry for the past couple of seasons and I'm passionate about working with

kids and customer service.

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