

Clean-up day at Rotarun Ski Area.



SVSEF Executive Director and Rotarun Ski Area manager Scott McGrew.

For generations, individuals and businesses have pulled together to improve and preserve Rotarun Ski Area as a place for locals to celebrate winter sport. In the spirit of Rotarun's roots, the community is once again rolling up its sleeves and investing in the ski area to ensure its longevity.

Thirty years in the works, Rotarun is finalizing its initial phase of installing snowmaking. For the 2019/20 season, the nonprofit ski area will have snowmaking on the lower section of the hill, enabling Rotarun to establish a base of snow on the lower skier's left of the mountain. There has been a significant amount of work done behind the scenes to ensure that the

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From left clockwise, Scott Curtis carries lumber for Rotarun Ski Area clean-up, Rotarun Ski Area head of patrol Ryan Rosmann, Scott McGrew, and coach Chad Pringle, and Rotarun Ski Area lodge.

upcoming changes to the Rotarun property are appropriately scaled and engineered for the betterment of both the Rotarun Ski Area and the Sage Springs neighborhood.

"Installing snowmaking at Rotarun has been a dream for our community for over 30 years," says Scott McGrew, Rotarun general manager. "The aspect of the hill and its consistently cold temperatures make it an ideal location. The vision has been to create a system that is both efficient and aligned with the local spirit of the area. Through the incredible generosity of the Nancy Eccles and Homer M. Heyward Foundation, The Janice Seagraves Family Foundation, generations of Rotarun board members, Lunceford Excavation, Rixon Excavation, and a great many others, we are ecstatic that this

incredible community asset will continue to provide a place for all of us to enjoy the winter in an authentic and inspired way, for generations to come. This is a magnificent step forward to further inspire our winter-loving community."

Rotarun is planning its annual family-friendly New Year's Eve event and hosting free community ski and ride sessions throughout the upcoming winter. Visit **rotarun.org** for more information and ways to get involved.

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