

Summit Ski Club – Weekly Update February 12th, 2013

Last weekend those of us in Bottineau were treated to some beautiful weather with warm temperatures, no wind and clear blue skies. Heavy frost on Saturday morning made for some very cool scenery. Summit families enjoyed a great weekend with two full days of activities at Bottineau Winter Park. Athletes trained in anticipation of the Kombi Race and took part in the Snow Stars Stations on Saturday. Our U12 and under athletes were awarded medals based on their results in the pole jumping station and the kids seemed to enjoy the activities. After the lifts closed, they hosted a tubing party for the athletes and their families, with a snack to follow. The rest of the evening was spent socializing back at the Quilt Inn. I am not sure who had more fun the kids or the parents.



Saturday afternoon Snow Stars medal presentation



Thanks to the coaches who were in attendance including Tom DeNardi, Jon Cuddy and Rob Eby. We had numerous Summit parents volunteer during the race. It was great to see such an effort from the parents.



Our enthusiastic speedsters preparing to take on the Kombi course

The U10 and under athletes competed as teams and the U12 athletes were in the running for medals. Congratulations to all of the Summit skiers, you really performed well and the coaches were happy with the results. Haleigh Eby, Jack Healey and Carter Grycko made it to the podium in the U12 age categories. Way to go!



While the events at Bottineau took place Summit also had six athletes taking part in a series of USSA races at Giants Ridge, MN. The courses were very challenging and we had some very solid runs. Great job by all of those attending!

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- If you have photographs from any events, I would really encourage you to forward them to me, so that they can be utilized in these weekly updates and posted on our website.
- I received an email from another club indicating their member had accidently packed someone else's ski boots at the Minnedosa race, if yours are missing or if you child has the wrong boots, please let me know.
- Summit grocery cards, another round will be organized shortly, watch for an email.
- Banff.com is the company that has been graciously hosting our Summit Ski Club web site for quite a few years. As Banff.com is a friend in skiing please consider reviewing their web site ... especially if you may be considering a Rocky

Mountain vacation this spring or summer. This site contains hotel discounts, direct bookings to hotels in addition to other very useful information. visit www.banff.com

Looking Ahead this week –

Thursday, February 14th, **Valentine's Day** and our annual Parents Kick Butt vs. Kids Race. Parents strap your skis on and show your kids how it's really done or at least find out how your \$ has gone into making your child a much better ski than you are. This is open to all Summit families, including Sunday only registrants, so please come and join us for what is always a very special evening for the kids.

Friday, February 15th, Pre-race training for Dual SL. U12 and up invited (U16 and up participating in race the following day). 1:00 – 4:00 pm at Springhill.

Saturday, February 16th, MB Cup 4, Dual SL @ Springhill ages U16 and up. Summit is hosting this race in conjunction with Winnipeg Alpine Racers and we will need volunteers to help make the event a success.

Sunday, February 17th, Springhill training, all levels, 10:00 – 1:00.

Sunday, February 17th, Summit Family Fun Ski Night. Thanks to everyone who has contacted me for tickets. I will have additional tickets available Thursday night and at Saturday's race. If need be tickets can be reserved for pick-up at the door. If possible please provide ticket sale monies or unsold tickets to me on Thursday February 14th, so we have an idea of our attendance. *Another fundraising component of that evening is our silent auction. Prizes, donations and volunteers, we are looking for all of the above in order to make the Summit Family Fun Ski Night a huge success. If you or your company can make a donation for our auction we would greatly appreciate it. We will be accepting items starting Thursday February 14th.* Finally, last year I was contacted by numerous moms' to encourage families to bring baking for the Summit Family Fun Night, so we are accepting donations again this year. Please confirm to me by email if you are able to bring some baking to be offered to our guest's following the snack Sunday evening.



Rob Grycko