



Summit Ski Team Update – January 14, 2015

1. **Canada Winter Games**

Congratulations to the following Summit athletes on their selection to the Manitoba Canada Winter Games Alpine ski team: Callie Hislop, Claire Healey, Jack Dunlop, Jacob King, Neill Telles-Langdon and Jack Healey. These athletes will be training with the rest of the CWG for the next month and a half. They are off to compete at the Canada Winter Games in Prince George, BC from February 13-20, 2015. Former Summit Ski Team athlete and Canada Games competitor, Samantha French, will accompany Bob Lawrie as a coach with the team. ***Go Team Toba!***

2. **Summit Fundraiser – Summit Family Fun Night (aka Summit Ski Social)**

Our biggest FUNdraiser of the year is on Saturday, January 24, 2015 from 6:30 to 9:30 (doors open at 5:30 for those guests needing rentals). The good news is that we are almost sold out of tickets with 35 tickets remaining. I will be at this Thursday's training at Springhill to get the remaining tickets to families. If you have already emailed/contacted me about the tickets be assured that they have been allocated to you and are not included in the remaining 35. Always a very fun event let's hope the weather cooperates. I will be looking for some volunteers to help with the door and the food. In the past some families have brought baking, if you are so inclined we would be thankful. Also, the silent auction is a big part of the fundraising, so if you have any items you feel would be appropriate please feel free to bring them on the 24th or alternatively to training if you are unable to attend on the 24th.

3. **Training – Thursday, January 15, 2015 – Springhill – All Ages**

Looks like the weather is going to cooperate. Just a reminder that training is on for this Thursday night for all ages at Springhill. Hope you can make it.

4. **Training – Saturday, January 17th and Sunday January 18th – Asessippi (“ASE”) – U12 and older**

Training is on for this weekend at ASE. Looks like the weather is going to cooperate. This is for those athletes U12 and older (that is: 10, 11, 12, 13, ..., 18, 19+ year olds). Unless you are advised otherwise, please be prepared for warm-up at 9:15 am each morning as the new operating hours of the chair lifts at Asessippi begin at 9:30 AM.

5. **Parent Meeting – Thursday, January 15, 2015 – Springhill**

Brian Hatherly, Summit Head Coach and I will run a parent meeting at this Thursday's training starting at 7:30pm in the back room (behind the ticket window). This is an opportunity for Brian to provide details on our program and answer any questions that you may have.

6. **Email Notification**

Please feel free to provide additional email addresses (work, home, etc.). As our activities are weather dependent sometimes we need to cancel events. Just provide an email to me with the email address and I will add to the Summit group.

7. **Summit Goals**

Please see attached the Summit coaching goals as prepared by our head coach, Brian Hatherly and approved by the Summit Board.

8. **Summit Schedule**

For your convenience I have attached the current Summit calendar. It is also available from our website.

9. **Weather Cancellation Criteria**

Just a reminder that the criteria we use to cancel due to weather is a forecast for time of training of -32C or colder factoring in the wind chill, Environment Canada website, Winnipeg Airport. Please check your email prior departure for training. We will do our very best to get the information out at least 2 hours prior to scheduled training.

10. **Summit Mountain camp in Banff-**

For athletes who participated in the mountain camp with Dan Blankstein and Glenn Allen ... what an experience! Successes included:

- Variation in AM courses on mountain terrain
- Guest coach from Banff Alpine Racers and former Summit Coach Joe Swieciecki was able to provide a different perspective
- Group dinner plans by parents
- Maintenance of overall theme (family time & fun & skiing and ski racing improvement can mix)

Recommend for the next mountain camp:

- Earlier signup required means a commitment to the dates regardless of division plans.
- Possibly open to other clubs and individuals to help reach critical number needed for 3 groups and three coaches to enhance this camp.

-Huge promotional opportunity to market Summit Ski Team as the best organization!

11. If you have **questions or concerns** at any time, please contact myself or if programming information is required, Brian Hatherly, Head Coach, at hatherly@mymts.net

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