Ski Hawks Ottawa Fall Newsletter

Registration for the ski season 2020 is now open

Hello everyone!

Although winter is not yet upon us, we've been getting things ready for the upcoming season. Here is some important program information.

Registration is now open until November 30

Registration is now open to all members until November 30.

Online

- If you are a visually impaired or blind skier, you will need to fill out the <u>Student Registration</u> Form.
- If you are a guide, please fill out the Volunteer Registration Form.
- If you are a CADS, CSIA and/or CASI-certified instructor AND guide, please fill out the <u>Certified Instructor Form</u>.

In person

If you prefer to register in person, no problem! Join us at the **Heart and Crown on Preston St.** (353 Preston St., Ottawa, on **Wednesday, November 13, starting at 5:30 p.m**. Everyone is welcome – even those who have already registered online. It's is great way to catch up with old friends and meet new members too!

About the program

Our weekly program will run at Camp Fortune, on Wednesday evenings, starting on January 8 until March 11, weather permitting.

We ask that everyone be ready to hit the slopes by 7 p.m. and return to the main lodge by 9 p.m. We encourage you to arrive at by 6:30 p.m. to give you enough time to get ready.

There will also be two weekend events in March in addition to the Annual CADS Festival in Sun Peaks, BC, in March.

For a full listing of upcoming events, consult the <u>Calendar of events</u> available on our Web site.

Guide training - Saturday, December 14

All guides must complete a mandatory training every year. The full-day training will be held at Camp Fortune, on Saturday, December 14 (postponed to Sunday, December 15 in case of bad weather).

Guides who are unable to attend this training day must contact <u>Robin Morrin</u>, Technical Director, at (343) 998-6200 to make alternate arrangements.

Safety first

As an important reminder, helmets, vests and lights are **MANDATORY** for all members. We also have headsets for those who are interested.

Pre-season headset set-up

For those of you who are eager to get ready for the season, bring your helmet at the registration night or at the guide training day, so we can set up the radio headset before the season starts. This will help us save time on the first evening of the program.

Skier/Guide pairing

As a reminder, skiers and guides are paired, based on experience, skill levels and personal compatibility. While significant effort is made to accommodate personal preferences and pairing continuity, every skier and guide must be prepared to ski with whomever they are assigned.

Call out for drivers

We are calling out to volunteer drivers who can provide transportation to skiers. If you are available to pick-up and/or drop-off a skier (even just one way), please let Murielle Arseneau know via email at marseneau@bell.net.

We need your help!

As a registered Canadian non-profit charitable organization (899680961 RR 0001), Ski Hawks Ottawa relies primarily on membership fees and individual and corporate donations to operate from year-to-year.

Please help support our program and spread the word to your family, friends, neighbors and colleagues. Donations can be made by cheque, eTransfer (email skihawksottawa@gmail.com) or online, through CanadaHelps.

Special events and outreach

If you are passionate about adaptive skiing, outgoing and interested in helping us promote our program at special events, we want to hear from you.

Stay connected

Visit our <u>Web site</u> to find useful information, including key contacts, calendar of events and the operations manual. Also Follow us on <u>Facebook</u> for special announcements, event reminders or program cancellations notices.

If you have any questions or feedback about the program, please let us know.

Thank you and see you soon!

Kim Leahy President, Ski Hawks Ottawa