

## ***Mt. Holiday Race Team***

Welcome to the Holiday Race Team, where kids have a blast going fast!

The Mt. Holiday Race team is dedicated to providing a safe, quality ski racing program for your child. This is not a “learn-to-ski” program; skiers must be able to ski, turn, stop and ride a chairlift independently (or be assisted by a parent.)

Racers will participate weekly, for eight weeks, in a challenging, fun, supportive race atmosphere. Each Sunday racers will have the chance to participate in a race at Mt. Holiday or an invitational race at another local resort.

Our program goals adhere to our mission statement: *To promote skiing and ski racing by providing the latest technical knowledge using enthusiastic coaches who emphasize proper training in a positive manner.*

Our first goal is to provide individual development, coupled with teamwork and sportsmanship during training and racing. This is a team goal for both athletes and their parents. Secondly, we are a community-based program that nurtures the relationship between the Holiday Race Team and other ski teams throughout our area.

We have six instructional programs, all based on the racer’s age and ability:

### **Option One - \$175**

Two days of practice and Sunday team race

(Open to 0-6 age racers)

Practice Thurs 5:30-7pm, Sat 10:30-12pm and race on Sunday

### **Option Two - \$175**

Two days of practice and Sunday team race

(Open to 7-8 age racers)

Practice Thurs 5:30-7pm, Sat 10:30-12pm and race on Sunday

### **Option Three - \$175**

Two days of practice and Sunday team race

(Open to 9+ age racers)

Practice Tues 5:30-7pm, Sat 10:30-12pm and race on Sunday

**Option Four - \$195**

Three days of practice and Sunday team race

(Open to 7-8 age returning racers)

Practice Tues 5:30-7pm, Thurs 5:30-7pm, Sat 10:30-12pm and race on Sunday

**Option Five - \$195**

Three days of practice and Sunday team race

(Open to 9+ age racers)

Practice Tues 5:30-7pm, Wed 5:30-7pm, Sat 10:30-12pm and race on Sunday

**Middle School Race Team - \$215**

Four days of practice and Sunday team race

(Open to 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> graders of all middle schools)

Practice Tues 4-6pm, Wed 4-6pm, Thurs 4-6pm (practice or meet), optional Sat 10:20-12pm and race on Sunday

*There is a \$15 non-refundable racer registration fee for each program.*

**Parent Volunteers**

Each family is required to volunteer to work two HRT races held at Mt. Holiday during the eight week racing season. Training is held for all positions and volunteers do not need to know how to ski. This offers the entire family an opportunity to participate and support the Holiday Race Team.

**Season Details**

Weather permitting, our 2010 season will begin on Tuesday, January 5<sup>t</sup>. We are scheduled to race through the month of February, ending with a family awards day and Tecnica Cup at Boyne Highlands on March 7, 2010.

Lift tickets are not included and must be purchased directly from Mt. Holiday. We suggest you purchase them early to take advantage of the early bird rates for season passes.

**Invitationals and How Your Child will Qualify**

Invitational races are held at local resorts and we participate in at least two per year as a team. Generally, each team is allowed to bring their top five

racers in each age division. Standings from home races determine which racers can attend. Racers who do not qualify in their age division can race in an older age division if space is available. Invitational schedules are determined prior to the start of the race season and may require additional fees. Transportation to all meets is the responsibility of the racer.

**Holiday Race Team Head Coaching Staff**

*Race Program Director – Eric Shutler*

**2008 Asst. Coach TC Central**

**USSCA Level 100 Coach**

**Member, Nubs Nob Race Team Coaching Staff**

*Head Coach – Ben Ferris*

**Present Asst. Coach at TC Saint Francis**

**2008 Head Coach for TC Central Men’s State Champions**

**2008 Head Coach for TC Central Women’s Class “A” Runner-up**

**2008 Division 1 Men’s Regional Coach of the Year**

**2003 Class “A” High School Men’s Coach of the Year**

**USSCA Level 100 Coach**

**Member, Nubs Nob Race Team Coaching Staff**

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