



Members Newsletter

Skid Marks Rail Jam!

Saturday 17 September 2011 at Aberdeen Snowsports Centre saw the first junior Club Member ran event when skid marks kicked off! The boys had been promoting the event hard and all the work paid off with sponsors like Ride, Bawbags and Quicksilver contributing to the massive prize fund. Their hard work was also reflected in the turn out on the day with over 40 competitors and a large crowd of spectators. It was a drizzly day but that didn't dampen peoples spirits with A Line providing a delicious BBQ, Andy Torrance banging out the beats and Nicol's usual banter on the mike. There was a good mix on the mat with both seasoned pro's and groms hitting the features, thanks to the boys setting up a pro & rookie line. First off was the snowboard jam and with a huge field to choose from, judges Grant Donald and Andy Laird had their work cut out. In the end, the trip from Speyside was worthwhile for Jamie Trinder taking first place in the senior category with stylish back 4's, back 2's and huge gaps, and younger brother Angus also grabbed 1st in the junior category with a series of stylish spins on and off the rails. The kids category was well fought with Zarack Samdani eventually taking 1st. With only three girls in the category it was a straight fight between Katie Boyd, Beth Woodall, and Lara Wood with the later coming out on top. The skiers weren't letting the snowboarders have all the action and again the standard was high. Lewis Wilson nailed 1st in the senior category with a sick 2 on/4 off. In the juniors Andrew Hadfield secured gold with front side switch ups. For the under 12's, it was Fin Jacobs who took the glory with a classic 2 on, switch up and 2 out. Competition newcomer Ramone Waters showed what she was made off with a well deserved 1st in the kids girls category. Katie Boyd and Beth Woodall came back for a second grab of the prizes in a dual for glory. Katie edged Beth out and went home with her second prize of the night. A final shout out to Rowan, Angus and Fin for their hard work in organising the comp and thanks to Granite Reef and Transition Extreme for rewarding the guys hard work and with a surf lesson and BMX lesson! For full write up, and links to photos, see the goat post.



Aberdeen Snowsports Club **SKI ★ MART**

Hilton Community Centre
Hilton Road, Aberdeen, AB24 4HS
Buy and sell quality used ski and
snowboard equipment and clothing
Saturday 5th November

Equipment drop off 9am - 12pm
Sale starts at 1pm

Something for all
ages and abilities

£1 entry
for buyers

All goods not sold
to be picked up
by 4.30pm

www.aberdeensnowsportsclub.org
Email - info@aberdeensnowsportsclub.org

15% commission goes to
club funds



Ski Mart

Aberdeen Snowsports club will be holding its annual ski mart again this year. This is an opportunity for anyone who wants to get rid of any old ski or snowboarding equipment and maybe even make a few extra pennies before Christmas arrives. For more info, see www.aberdeensnowsportsclub.org/Ski-mart We will need around 20 volunteers to make the day a success. If you can help out, even for a short period, get in touch with Neil at nell@ncameron01.plus.com

New benefits

Here at club HQ we have a sharp eye out for money saving offers when your on the mountain. Next time your up at Cairngorm why not try the following for some apres ski!

Coylumbidge Hilton Wood Shed Bar & Restaurant 15% off food.

Cafe 22 (formally Pancho's Pizza), Grampian Road, Aviemore (Take away available) - 10% off

OWN IT 2011

Lowlander/Highlander
Aberdeen Snowsports Centre
22nd October 2011



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Own it is back! And this year is part of the lowlander/highlander series. There are a few changes this year with regards to registration and costs. Follow the link for more info.
<http://www.aberdeensnowsportsclub.org/Lowlander---Own-It>

Season Pass Fundraisers

Way back in April we gave all our junior members the chance to raise funds to get themselves season passes for the 2011/12 season. Well 12 of our members signed up and between April and September they packed bags, flipped burgers, skied and boarded the height of Everest and ran their own camp 'Skid Marks'. As a result they will each get themselves a Ski Scotland All Area Season Pass! The guys are all really thank full to everyone who put their hands in their pockets and plans are in place for next year already. If your a junior member and you want to earn some money and get your pass for 2012/13 then e-mail Nell at nell@ncameron01.plus.com before the 30 November 2011.

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Special olympics

Current members may not be aware but some of the club's latest recruits are athletes of Grampian Special Olympics. The Alpine ski team has been in training here on a Wednesday evening for the last 18 months. They carried out snow training last January at a camp held in Pila, Italy and are now preparing for the British National Championships to be held in Pila again in January 2012. There are currently four regular athletes; Ruth Barclay, Kristen W rate, Steph Salvesen and Luke Purdie, (all going to Pila) and Arghmehr Zariss who unfortunately can't manage the snow trip. Training is being taken seriously because good results in Pila could mean selection for the Korean Special Olympics in 2013. Our athletes compete in Special Olympics by virtue of their having a recognised learning disability and can be any age from 8 years upwards. The team was set up by Andy Wrate who has been a lynchpin of Grampian Special Olympics supporting equestrian as well as alpine skiing. The work load is growing however and there are three parents currently helping with the organising of events for the skiers - finance, funding, entry forms (currently 5 per athlete, sponsorship and travel arrangements including flights, transfers, accommodation, insurance, equipment hire, etc. We also have had 10 aspiring school age athletes in for taster and assessment sessions and they will hopefully commence training when the winter season kicks in at the end of August. The 1st team will be heading down to Birmingham for the West Midlands Championships in October and last year's trip brought back a host of medals in the various race categories. However, the more training we carry out and the more trips and competitions we attend raises the age old problem of funding and we are now looking at the various options for fund raising much as the freestylers did last month. Mac & Bob Thow head up the training but couldn't survive without the help of additional volunteers, namely Liz Robb, Jane Hall and John McDonald. The potential increase in numbers will inevitably put a strain on the whole organisation, coaches and parents alike, including finding sufficient mat time and space at a reasonable hour of the day. If any members know of any potential athletes with a learning disability who can already ski or indeed, who have never skied but are interested, can I suggest that in the first instance you contact either Andy on wrate@ohfrail.com or Jim on jim.purdie@btinternet.com. A word of caution however, because without more coaches and mat space it's doubtful that we could cope with more skiers at present, but that doesn't stop anyone expressing an interest. Visits can be arranged to see a training session and talk to coaches and athletes for familiarisation purposes.

Craigdon discount night

Craigdon Mountain Sports in Aberdeen are hosting an exclusive Aberdeen Snowsports club discount night on Tuesday 25th Oct from 6pm-8pm. The shop will open exclusively for ASC members, who can all receive 20% off! Ski Films will be shown and Vin Chaud will be served! Check out their website at <http://www.craigdonmountainsports.com/> Remember and bring your membership card, so if your membership has expired, get down to Aberdeen Snowsports Centre and renew it!

OPEN 331

We are having our last open day of the year on Saturday the 22nd of October. There will be our usual tasters, but this time round we are introducing telemark tasters. These will run on the Dendix Slope for ages 14+. Previous skiing experience an advantage but not essential. As usual, pre booking is required so call the centre on 01224 810215 to try out this exciting sport! There will also be the usual trade stalls, bouncy castle, face painting, cake bake and the Own it comp to watch.

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SSS AGM

We can confirm that the Snowsport Scotland "Annual Gathering" will take place on the 26th & 27th November 2011. They have put on a weekend of information, workshops and socialising at Glenmore Lodge, Aviemore. On the Saturday afternoon, the official Gathering Lunch and Annual General Meeting will take place in the Dining Hall and Lecture Theatre respectively at Glenmore Lodge. Then on the Sunday morning there is a number of free information and training workshops, available for all. They are hoping to include all of the subjects on the list below but they have also intentionally kept slots free so you can tell them what you would like to see in this program. Get in touch with Snowsports Scotland and let them know which of the workshops you would like to attend and any other subjects you feel should be included by emailing info@snowsportscotland.org. These workshops are provisional at the moment and timings will be released at a later date.

- Introduction to On Hill Officiating at an Alpine Ski Race
- Introduction to Freestyle Judging (Ski & Snowboard)
- Introduction to Alpine Ski Racing Timing and Calculations
- Alpine Ski Race Officials Update
- Freestyle Judges Update/Forum
- Alpine Ski Race Timing and Calculation Update/Forum
- Alpine Ski Coaching Update

As part of the gathering SSS have secured a great accommodation deal with Glenmore Lodge with two options: En suite at £30pp in the new south wing or £22pp in the shared north wing. This discount will also apply to large groups who want to stay together and take one of the chalets. All accommodation is to be booked through Glenmore Lodge quoting "Snowsport Scotland AGM" in order to redeem the discount. In addition to the extended program, they are aiming to reinvigorate the social side of the annual gathering as was traditional on this weekend in times past. The office are taking bookings for an informal "Curry and a Céilidh", on the Saturday night at Glenmore Lodge. The evening will cost £15pp. To book call the office on 0131 625 4405. Any enquiries relating to the AGM set up should be emailed to Dave, david@snosportsclub.org