

WEASEL NEWS

Whistler Weasel Workers

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Dedicated to the promotion, co-ordination, and improvement of ski racing in B.C.

ALPINE CHAIR REPORT

The 2008 Whistler Alpine events were a success. The Nationals were challenging for our crews with the changing weather patterns, however all races were run with a safe and consistent course, through a lot of hard work by the Weasel Workers. The World Cup events were certainly luckier with the weather, our challenge was in the running of two courses at once, with limited resources. This was a test event, from the outside it was fantastic, from the inside there were lessons learned and better planning will occur.

As we build up for the 2010 games we will be working as a team with VANOC to ensure the best delivery of the Alpine Sport events. VANOC is very open to working with our group of volunteers. Most recently VANOC has appointed a Volunteer Liaison Committee (members being myself, Bob Miller, Dave Shefley and Pat Taylor).

This committee will be consulted on all aspects of the Volunteers issues and needs. We will be matching up our experienced volunteers to work with VANOC staff in the planning of upcoming Alpine events and 2010. VANOC are also committed to appointing key positions that will carry forward to 2010 so that this planning can begin sooner and our volunteers will know their own role sooner.

If you are wishing to volunteer in 2010 (or in 2009) please register on the vancouver2010.com site and ensure that you put in the volunteer code that identifies you as an Alpine Canada Sport Volunteer (this is entered on the last page of the application form - if you do not know it call Pat Taylor 604 892-5675).



Next year Whistler will be hosting the IPC Paralympic World Cup on the Ladies Course in March, as well there will be FIS races scheduled for the Men's course to give our local athletes some more training on the hill. These races will be confirmed at the upcoming May meetings, more details to follow.

Skiing is about over, but with the spring comes the golf tournament, I look forward to seeing everyone there, enough work now we can play.

Owen Carney, Alpine Chair



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Attention Weasels!!

Weasel Annual Golf Tournament, BBQ and AGM is happening on Saturday, May 3rd in Squamish at the Squamish Valley Golf Club.

Tee times begin at 11 am with the BBQ and AGM at Owen's house starting at 5 pm.

You don't have to golf to attend the BBQ & AGM, but you do have to let us know that you will be attending.

Golf & BBQ is \$70 and the BBQ only is \$10.

Go to
http://www.weaselworkers.com/SidePages/Weasel_Golf_Classic.html
for details, directions and how to sign up.

We need you to sign up before April 30th.

See you all there!

**Maria – Your Golf Host
Nice Cookies!**



Message from the President:

Pat O'Connell



The Olympics are coming, the Olympics are coming, the Olympics are coming ... most of us don't go a day without some topic of discussion around the future 2010 Olympics!

Before I get into this subject, I would like to welcome all the new volunteers that arrived in Whistler this February to help out at the Canadian Nationals and the FIS World Cup/VANOC Olympic test event. You have joined a fraternity unlike any other club in the Alpine ski-racing world... "The Whistler Weasel Workers". I hope your future in alpine ski volunteering is as fulfilling and rewarding as it has been for all of us. I hope you gain the friendships, camaraderie and skiing buddies that separate us from most other ski clubs around. Look for us on the slopes, look for us at Dusty's for après and look for us at other off mountain functions; like the Weasel golf tournament and AGM this May, in Squamish, you are all invited.

Getting back to the Olympics and more importantly the Weasel Workers, there have been and will continue to be many topics of discussion around the planning, organizing and implementation of the Olympic Winter Games. The Weasel's executive met early this month to discuss our future direction. The Olympics will come and go.... we will remain. The Weasels are now over 28 years young; our legacy of supporting alpine ski racing and our continued commitment to volunteerism must remain our primary focus as recognized by your executive team. We are currently planning new ideas that concentrate on a more social focus on & off the ski hill, which will enhance our history and develop into the future. Please share with us any thoughts or ideas you may have...it's your club!

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