

Jasper Freeride 2016-2017 Season

Family Volunteer Requirements

At Jasper Freeride, we recognize the importance of making your child's freestyle learning experience a complete developmental experience including learning, training, competing,...and most importantly having fun. To accomplish this objective, the Jasper Freeride club has always depended upon families and parents to help volunteer with several requirements around the club. We need every family helping to participate in these volunteer requirements.

This volunteer commitment does not only ensure that our kids have the best training facilities and competitions, but is also a significant revenue stream for the club. It helps keep your registration fees low. Last year, we had 3 main fundraisers: January Club Comp, March Alberta Championships, Raffle tickets. These events require a significant amount of volunteer effort, raised over \$20,000 for the club which is about equal to half our total registration revenue. Without this volunteer revenue stream we would need to increase registration fees by 50% in order to continue offering our high quality programming, and this would restrict many of our families from being able to participate in this great sport.

For the 2016-17 season, we will be instituting a few changes around the volunteer requirements to ensure that this effort that we all benefit from is shared by all.

1. We will host 1 competition event only this year; a BIG Jan 6/7/8 Club Competition that will be open for ALL our athletes to ski in. This will ensure that all families are motivated to help support this event as it will be a province wide event. We will need maximum volunteer effort to pull this off, and each family will be required to contribute 2 days of volunteer time to this effort. There are many roles from on-hill to setting up banquet facilities, so there is opportunity for all to help. A volunteer coordinator will be assigned to help manage this, but please set this weekend aside as we'll need your help.
2. We'll be holding our annual raffle event again this year. Each family will be required to sell one complete book of tickets, or 2 books if you have more than one child in the program. This year, we will require that each family submit a post-dated check (Feb 25, 2017) for the complete amount of your tickets. The check will only be cashed if you do not sell your tickets.
3. Our silent auction is a big revenue generator and we'll be holding one again for our January Club Comp at the Saturday banquet. Each family will be required to donate one new item of \$50 or more. Please start canvassing your favorite vendors for really great items that will make us lots of money. We will require that every family submit a \$50 post-dated check (Jan 7, 2016) as part of registration which will only be cashed if you do not contribute a silent auction item.

Finally, there are weekly requirements around course maintenance, competition coordination, etc... We need more people contributing here and we really encourage parents to help where they can. It is a lot of fun to spend some time working on the course, getting to know the other families and creating new ski buddies that you will likely hold for life. It is a big part of the success of our club and we need everyone's help. So just ask "HOW CAN I HELP"!

Thank You,
Jasper Freeride Board of Directors