



Dear MHRC Members and Families;

September 23, 2009

Welcome to the 2009–2010 ski season.

I hope that you have all had a tremendous summer, albeit a very wet one and are looking forward to another exciting new racing season with lots of snow.

### **REGISTRATION IS OPEN! REGISTRATION IS OPEN!**

Our website has been up and running for the last week. **Register now** and take advantage of our **Early Bird Specials**. Do not forget to get your season passes now as Glen Eden also has Early Bird Specials.

Please follow the instructions and complete the process by filling out all the fields. The **Profile** page is vital to the registration process being completed properly. Please fill out the **Volunteer form** and the **Name Badge (only if required)** forms. Follow the instructions on all the pages, print out all the forms and mail them to the address indicated, complete with your payment.

This year we will again be set up in the clubhouse for registration. It will be during Dryland training, starting Sunday October 18<sup>th</sup> for registration. If you have or had any difficulty registering, we will have computers and members to assist you for registration on the spot. This will go on for 3 Sundays.

Our Membership Coordinator is Sharon Norris. Telephone : 905-337-9470  
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#### **JUNIOR HOUSE LEAGUE**

The MHRC Race Committee is hosting an information night for Junior House League Parents to "demystify" the Nancy Greene Ski Racing League for racers ages 8 - 10. Please join us on **Thursday September 24, 2009 at 7:00pm** in the **MHRC Club House** to get all of your questions and concerns addressed.

#### **MHRC BOARD**

The club's board members have been working hard to be ready for the new season. There have been some changes on our elected volunteer board. Martin Hirniak has accepted the position of Race Director, Tom Hayes will be responsible for our Ski Swap. New members of the board are Richard Mason and Kim Dickens in Fund Raising, Suzanne Bristol in the position of SAMS and also Club Ski Trip, Paul Dandy and Randy Church in Special Projects and Miriam Swartz as Social Coordinator. The returning board members are, Stephen Blythe as Vice President, Lee Smith in Special Projects, Louise Rayner as Treasurer, Lynne Robichaud is our new Program and Volunteer Coordinator, Ivo Kucirek – Website, Tom DaSilva in fund raising and website.

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This year we welcome all members that are interested out to our board meetings. These will be held every second Monday of the month and if a holiday, then the Tuesday following. This will permit everyone's feedback and "demystify" the Board. Our next meeting will be held at the Clubhouse on Tuesday Evening, October 13<sup>th</sup>, between 7:00PM – 9:30PM.

## **WEBSITE**

We again will rely on both email and the website for communication. We would ask all members, new or returning to continually check the web site for information about the club as all events and recent news will be kept up to date.

## **VOLUNTEERS**

As you all know what makes MHRC a great club are the volunteers. Please view the "Contact Us" tab on the web site for any contacts that you might require, especially that of our Volunteer Coordinator. There is a volunteer form on the website profile page, part of the registration package that all members must fill out so that we can continue to be the Best Racing club in Ontario.

We are especially excited about the new members joining our club this year. As a club, it is very important to make our new members feel at home. If you are an existing member, please do take time helping new members to "learn the ropes".

Here is a quick list of upcoming events: (more details are available on the web site):

- Dryland training starts Oct 18th
- Early bird registration ends November 8th, (same time as the Glen Eden's - Early Bird discount)
- Ski swap is on November 6-7-8th. Pre Christmas camp dates:
- Mt. Tremblant Trip (optional) is Dec 4th to 6th 2009
- Pre Christmas camp dates are Dec 13th, and Dec 19-20th.
- Christmas Pre-Season camp starts Sat Dec 26th to Dec 31st.
- Wine and Cheese Dec 29th.
- All programs start Jan 2-3rd 2010 except House League Jan 9th
- Family fun Race March 7th, 2010
- March school break trip (more details will follow) March 15th
- MHRC Banquet April 3rd 2010 at 5PM.

## **SKI SWAP**

Our SKI SWAP is our biggest fundraising event and it will be held on November 6-7-8<sup>th</sup> at the Gambrel Barn. This event requires over 100 volunteers to run and again is a great opportunity to meet members and new friends. Come and bring your friends, volunteer to help in the event, bring in your old equipment and buy new equipment.

## **DRYLAND TRAINING**

Dryland training starts October 18<sup>th</sup> and is included in your membership cost. We encourage all members to join in. Meet us in the parking lot from 10:00 AM through to 12:00 PM.

I look forward to seeing you all. It is a great opportunity to meet our Head Coach and some of the coaching staff, members of the Board, Race Committee and dedicated volunteers.

## **MOUNTAIN BIKING CLUB**

As you are aware we have had a very successful Mountain Biking Program for the last three summers at Milton Heights. Thanks to all those that were involved and to Brook Rayner – coordinator for the program.

## **CLUBHOUSE DECK**

Construction for the deck will be in full swing this fall. Contact Lee Smith if you would like to help out. Contact information on website.

I welcome your feedback on the way we run this club, and the events that we have planned for this season. Please feel free to contact me,

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