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## A Preview of 2009-10 Feature Events

by Mickey Sullivan, PSIA-E/AASI Director of Education & Programs

**T**his year we've put the BIG in our Big Events!

- Pro Jam at Killington!
- Spring Rally at Mount Snow!
- Children's Academy at Stratton!
- End of season Alpine exams at Sunday River!

And, this is only the start to a GREAT Snowsports season. With events held at local ski areas and big resorts from North Carolina to Maine there's something for everyone. Be sure to mark your calendar so you don't miss your favorite one.

For a complete look at all of the events be sure to look closely at the Events Schedule in this issue of *SnowPro*. Following are highlights of the "Feature Events:"

**\*Snowsports School Management Seminar – Mount Snow, VT On Any Gear! December 1-3, 2009**

The 2009 Snowsports School Management Seminar will be held at Mount Snow, VT, on December 1-3, 2009. Even though it's only early December, Mount Snow is the "Snowmaking Fan Gun Capital of North America." With only a little cold weather Mount Snow can pound out tons of snow and provide excellent skiing in the early season.

The Snowsports Management Committee has put together a great schedule of educational sessions and on-snow clinics for this year's event. New for this year: The opening session and Keynote address will be held on Tuesday evening at 7:30pm. This year's address will feature National Ski Areas Association President, Michael Berry. Michael will share with us the current trends in the industry and how snowsports schools play a significant role in

the business of skiing. On-snow and indoor sessions will take place during the day on Wednesday and Thursday.

A great line-up of educators is being scheduled, including numerous National Team members. The seminar will include optional special "tracks" for AASI members and Adaptive members. A delicious banquet is planned for Wednesday evening, with special awards to be presented at that time, including the Einar Aas Memorial Award.

Complete details, lodging information, and a session schedule will be mailed to each school director in early October. If your mountain employment does not begin until late fall, please be sure to look for the mailing at that time or check the website under the Snowsports School Directors Help Desk.

**Important note:** There is no Southern Snowsports School Management Seminar scheduled for the 09-10 season. Directors that were planning to attend a Southern Seminar can fulfill their member school education requirement by attending either the Management Seminar at Mount Snow or one of the ART workshops for this season.

**\*AASI Rider's Rally Weekend – Killington, VT December 5-6, 2009**

If you're an AASI Level II or Level III member and want to ride with a member of the AASI National Team, this is your opportunity. And, the possible bonus this year is that Lane Clegg, AASI National Team coach will be in the East at this time. We can't guarantee it, but you might just pull that lottery ticket and ride with Lane for two days!

And, for AASI Registered and Level I members, there is an event for you as well. Plus, here is your possible bonus - since the East is lucky enough to have a few AASI National Team members, it is likely

you will also get to ride with a Team member as well! If I were you, I'd take the gamble; hey, what do you have to lose? Two days at Killington with any of AASI Eastern Education Staff sounds like a winning ticket to me!

**\*Ride with the Coach-Killington, VT Monday, December 7, 2009**

Special Opportunity for AASI members: Add an extra day to an already great weekend and you will be guaranteed to "Ride with the Coach." Yes, it's open to Registered through LIII members who attend Rider Rally weekend. Limited to the first 10 who register – you are guaranteed to have an awesome day at Killington riding with Lane Clegg, AASI National Team coach!

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## Is this your last issue of the *SnowPro*?

Have you paid your 2009-10 association dues? If not, your name is no longer on our active roster of members for PSIA-E, PSIA and AASI. This means you will no longer receive division or national benefits and your certification status is no longer current. If you find yourself in this situation and want to stay involved, call the office at (518) 452-6095 as soon as possible to pay dues. ■

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Guest Editorial

## Addressing the Challenges of an Inclusionary Model in our Snowsports Schools

### Two New Programs to Meet this Need

by Leslie White and Mary Ellen Whitney

A history of unsuccessful segregation of some students with special needs in educational environments has led to a model for delivery of educational services called inclusion. Including students who have been medically or educationally diagnosed into the regular or able-bodied curricula is happening more and more frequently, particularly as we see a rise in the incidence of children in the autism spectrum. This model creeps into our ski and snowboard lessons, sometimes without identifiable knowledge of the special student's needs, and can cause uncertainty about the roles and responsibilities of the snowsports pro instructor. Success in our lessons is determined by the ability of professionals to integrate special instructional methodology with the total group lesson. Just how this will unfold depends upon many factors.

Within the United States educational systems, "inclusion" has become a standard where students with special needs (physical or mental disabilities) are educated with their peers. Levels of inclusion vary among school systems and the nature of the student's disabilities. Full inclusionary education blurs the roles between special and regular teachers. Defining the roles of regular and special education teachers is critical in determining how inclusion will function in a school system. In a segregated adaptive program the roles are clear. In an inclusion model, where the parents of a student expect an inclusionary model, the adaptive instructor can play a significant role as a member of the team, and may co-teach with the regular instructor.

The dilemma facing snowsports schools is that parents may place a child with special needs in a non-adaptive lesson – a "regular" ski or snowboard lesson either as a part of a group lesson or a private lesson. The parent may not disclose that the student has special needs or may disclose it but expect your school to include the student in a group lesson. This situation can create a problem for the unsuspecting instructor – the special needs student may behave inappropriately and could create chaos within the lesson. When this happens, not only may the identified student become unsuccessful but the other class participants and the instructor may not leave with a positive experience.

The philosophy of inclusion of a student with special needs within regular lessons has taken firm root in many school systems across America, and the expectations of the families who believe in it are invading our snowsports industry. However, it is not the law.

In order to meet these needs better, the Adaptive Board of Educators (ABOE) will offer a one-day consult session event for non-adaptive instructors, supervisors and trainers to develop teaching techniques for a class that may include a student with special needs.

In addition, the ABOE is developing a session for the Snowsports Management Seminar on how to address and serve families who have expectations for inclusionary programs. The session, The Goals and Challenges of Inclusion: Managing the Mainstreamed Student, offers guidance on how to identify key learning needs and techniques for identifying and managing the situational behaviors for positive results. We encourage school directors and trainers to attend this session to learn how to handle the realities of inclusion and identify with expectations of parents and students who believe in inclusionary models for fun, productive lessons. Through this session we hope to expand the possibilities of serving a broader segment of individuals with positive experiences in snowsports.

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## ■ Editor's Desk, continued

*Ed. Note: The previous is a guest editorial. We thank Leslie and Mary Ellen for sharing their professional thoughts on this important and timely topic. Members may feel free to contribute to this column. Please label the article, "guest editorial". Use of such articles for this column is at the discretion of the editorial staff.*

## Updated Guidelines for Writing for the *SnowPro*

Greetings! We would like to sincerely thank the many hundreds of members who have written and submitted articles over the years for the "Your Turn" section of the *SnowPro*. They have provided insight and valuable information, generated discussion, and generally added value to our newsletter. Thanks to all who have participated and who will participate in the future.

As you may have read in the Summer *SnowPro*, necessary budget adjustments have limited the size of future issues of the *SnowPro* to 32 pages. This results in savings of about \$5000. However, along with it will come a greater limit on our ability to publish some member articles in future issues.

What we don't want is for members to stop writing. We continue to invite your submissions. We have had a policy of limiting "Your Turn" submissions to about 1000 words. We have sometimes compromised on that policy, but we will now need to strictly adhere to the 1000 word limit. Plus, no photos or graphics, please.

## ■ Preview, continued

### **Eastern Children's Academy - Stratton, VT Mind, Body, and Snow**

**December 7-8, 2009 (Two day event)**

**December 7-9, 2009 (Three-day event; Registered Member participants wishing to complete the Level 1 exam must attend the Level 1 Exam held in conjunction with the Academy three-day event.)**

This year's Eastern Children's Academy will be held at Stratton, VT. Children's Committee Chair, Jeffrey "Jake" Jacobsen, and his committee are planning an exciting and valuable training event for this December. ACE Coach Mac Jackson and his ACE Team are preparing to deliver this highly educational and fun event. You definitely want to put this event on your schedule in order to keep up with the latest in children's snowsports education. The Academy is staffed by a select group of the Eastern Division's best children's educators (the Advanced Children's Educator squad - ACE Team) and strives to deliver the most up-to-date information on teaching kids. It's also an absolute blast and a boost for any children's instructor! Check out the article in this *SnowPro* for more details.

### **PSIA National Adaptive Academy (Hartford Ski Spectacular) - Breckenridge, CO**

**December 6-13, 2009**

The Ski Spectacular Hartford is now in its 22nd year! Join us at Beaver Run Resort in Breckenridge, CO, December 6-13, 2009 and be part of one of the nation's largest winter sports festivals for people with disabilities. The PSIA National Adaptive Academy is one of the three components of the Ski Spectacular and offers continuing education for all levels of adaptive instructors. Although it involves traveling farther than other events on our schedule, if you can make it you will remember it for a lifetime. Check out the schedule and details on the Disabled Sports USA website at ([www.DSUSA.org](http://www.DSUSA.org)). Click on "The Hartford Ski Spectacular."

This will provide the best opportunity for publication of your article at some point during the year, and will allow the greatest opportunity for the greatest number.

Also, as we noted in the Spring issue, we've accumulated a large number of submissions for the "Your Turn" section. If your article has not yet been published, it is either because of this backlog, or because it does not meet submission requirements for some reason – most likely length. This new need to limit length will make it even more likely that many past articles may not be published.

As possible, we will continue to publish some articles that meet the length policy. However, please be aware that many "Your Turn" article submissions may not be published in the newsletter, but will be available on the PSIA-E website ([www.psia-e.org](http://www.psia-e.org)) at: <http://www.psia-e.org/ms/eastbenefits/snowpros/> This is a special service to provide the opportunity for more member articles to appear, in addition to the newsletter.

If you have a question about these new policies, please feel free to inquire at ([psia-e@psia-e.org](mailto:psia-e@psia-e.org)), Attn: *SnowPro* Editor. Thanks for your cooperation.

BH – Editor ■

### **\*Mini-Academy for Alpine and Telemark - Killington, VT December 12-13, 2009**

Can't arrange for five days away? The Mini Academy may be for you! If you're an Alpine Level III instructor and want to ski with a member of the PSIA Alpine National Team, this is your opportunity. Telemarkers will have the opportunity to ski with some of this country's best Nords. Prepare for the season, get some valuable feedback, and have fun doing it, all on the weekend without missing any work! Attendance is limited by the number of team members available, and the event often closes before the deadline, so make your plans early.

### **\*Snow Pro Jam, Master's Academy and Telemark Pro Jam – Killington, VT December 14-18, 2009**

We're back at Killington, the largest ski resort in the east. The Killington Grand Hotel, great ski terrain, the most snow and tremendous hospitality will make this year's Pro Jam at Killington one to remember. Our staff for the week includes a great mix of exciting PSIA-E examiners and National Team members.

Any veteran Pro-Jammer can enlighten you about the "Pro Jam experience." There's almost always good early season snow, great Pro Jam dances, interesting weather, super duper "Ed Staff," great vendor support and demos, and everything else the event involves. As the season approaches, anticipation is high, our minds (and hopefully our bodies) are ready to go, and all we need now is a good start to the season. The Snow Pro Jam/Master's Academy is an excellent way to lock in your focus. There are groups for those who want to gear up for the season, or for people who want to begin preparing for exams. Regardless of which type of group you choose, you can expect to have a great time.

New this year will be an additional afternoon of "Optional Sessions." The popular optional sessions that have been held on Wednesday afternoon will also be held on Thursday afternoon. This will give everyone greater opportunity to attend the session that they want and the ability to attend more than one of the popular sessions.

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## ■ Preview, continued

Also new for this year will be the opportunity to incorporate the Children's "Intro to Kids Zone" course into your Pro Jam or Master's Academy week. This normally 2-day course will be given on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons from 1–4pm. An additional indoor session may be held on Wednesday evening. Members wishing to incorporate this into their Pro Jam week will leave their regular groups for those afternoons and join the Children's course, led by one of the PSIA-E ACE Team members.

If you haven't attended this event before, here is a little of what you can expect: Pro Jam is the gathering spot for nearly 500 snowsports instructors, sponsors and guests from all over the East Coast. It's an opportunity for Alpine Registered, Level I, and Level II members to ski with course conductors from the Eastern Educational staff. Level III members ski in the Master's Academy with members of the National Alpine Demonstration Team. Nordic members will also ski with some of the best ski coaches in the country. Most days include an après-ski activity, culminating in a dinner and dance on Thursday evening.

There's also a "super raffle" - with exceptional prizes - held during the Thursday evening banquet to benefit the Education Foundation and Membership Scholarship Fund. Our sponsors and industry partners have provided some exciting and unique items for the raffle. You won't want to miss this fun and important element of the evening. Please see the special registration policies outlined in the Summer 2009 *SnowPro* (also available online at [www.psia-e.org](http://www.psia-e.org)). If you can't find your issue, or don't have access to the Internet, feel free to give the office a call for more information on registration.

**Note: There are several Killington lodging options available. Please check the PSIA-E website for details.**

### \*PSIA-E Race Camp – Okemo, VT January 11-13, 2010

The very popular PSIA-E Race Week is a great way to kick off your race season and get ready for the gates. Last year's camp featured Olympic Gold medalist Diann Roffe as our guest coach. She was accompanied by the best race coaches that PSIA-E has to offer. This year we're working hard to line up another great coaching staff for this event. The Okemo race camp is for advanced skiers who desire to learn how to race, or who already have race experience. There will be lots of coaching on both ski technique and race tactics along with timed runs through the gates. Participants should be prepared for both GS and slalom training. Groups are divided according to ability and needs. You can choose a two-day camp or a three-day camp. Check the PSIA-E website for guest coach announcements.

### Alpine Women's Seminar for Skiers - Windham Mountain, NY

January 13-14, 2010

It's all women, all the time, at the Women's Seminar. Two super days this year in order to make it more convenient to attend. The Women's Seminar will be open for skiers only. Groups will be formed according to skiing ability level. This is a great two days to be with female snowsports educators and boost your skiing skills.

Check out the article in this *SnowPro* for more details.

### PSIA-E Spring Academy – Mount Snow, VT March 25-28, 2010

It's all about the SNOW. And Mount Snow has plenty. Alpine members should definitely put the Spring Academy on their schedule this season. With Eastern Team members and National Team members at the peak of their game and ready to share with you, this will definitely be a highlight event of the season. The Spring Academy has been a huge success and this year the spring skiing at Mount Snow will be spectacular. If you are looking for a fun, dynamic and educational event for the end of the season, then this is it. Four days of skiing with our Eastern Team members and additional members of our Eastern Education staff! The groups will be small with a maximum of 8 members per coach.

A new event format this year will include optional sessions on days 2, 3 and 4 of the Academy. This will give all groups consistent training with the same coach each morning while having the opportunity to explore different programs each afternoon.

The Spring Academy will include participation in the Spring Rally weekend activities. There is no better way to finish your season than this.

### \*PSIA-E/AASI Spring Rally – Mount Snow, VT On Any Gear!

March 27-28, 2010

Most everyone knows by now not to miss this event. Great sun, great snow, great mountain, great friends and Mount Snow is a great resort! A super weekend of skiing, riding, training and skill improvement! There will be an "Après-Ski Party" and spring celebration on Saturday afternoon at the mountain. And, don't forget the Hannes Schneider Memorial Race held on Sunday. Mark your calendar and meet your friends in March at Mount Snow!

**\* This event is made possible in part through a grant from the PSIA-AASI Education Foundation. ■**

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## President's Message



by Dutch Karnan  
PSIA-E/AASI President

### It's Winter!

This may seem somewhat strange to ponder as temperatures hover in the mid nineties and the humidity makes the air weigh a ton, but I'm telling you, it's winter. I know because the first issue of "Ski Magazine" has been delivered to my house. This makes it official.

We waited all that time for summer to show up, but enough of that. Winter is on! Time to check out this year's new stuff. Snowsports are activities which are stuff-intensive, and manufacturers and R&D departments never fail to roll out a sea of new wares which immediately make us think about the stuff we already have. Can my eight-year-old skis go another year? Should I scarf up another snowboard to go with the three I already have? Do you think that new knee-friendly binding really does anything? Have you seen the new boot made of recycled textiles, foams, and bamboo?

These and many other questions need answers. Brutal work, but someone's got to do it. Yes, it's still warm out, no one has burned any wood yet (except maybe up in Maine), and the leaves haven't begun their annual display, but winter requires careful planning and preparation, plus the accumulation of more stuff. Most of us remember the so-called "shaped ski revolution", which changed our ideas about what a ski should look like and how it should perform. Ski shapes have continued to evolve, growing an ever wider foot, yet somehow establishing grip on firm snow. Hard to believe, I know, but just try the stuff, see how it works for you. Some manufacturers have widened tips, but narrowed tails. Does this actually allow easier turn entry and a smoother release from the turn? Who knows? You gotta try the stuff to see. Other innovations include knee-friendly flat stance bindings, lighter but warmer helmets, and binding plates that accept a multitude of bindings. What will they think of next?

Well, I'd love to stay and chat, but time is not on my side. The winter is getting shorter every day, as they say, and I have important things to do. I've got to start finding all my stuff. See you on the hill, sooner than you think. ■

## The Zipper Line



straight talk from the association

### What's up with Alpine Written Exams for 09-10 season

by Peter Howard  
PSIA-E Alpine Education and Certification Committee Chair

As you may have noticed in the Summer *SnowPro*, there has been a change in when the written test will occur at exams. The written test will now take place on the afternoon of the second day of the skiing exam. This change was made for the following reasons:

People sometimes have trouble getting to the area early in the morning if they have a long commute and the weather is bad.

We know that the Part Two Exam days can be long and that the early morning written testing just adds to the length and stress of the day.

We also know there is down time before the end of the second day of the skiing exam when staff and candidates have most of an afternoon available.

It seemed logical to move the written testing to this time slot. This will also give people more time to take the test.

So, travel problems are lessened, stress is lessened, and, when Part 1 and Part 2 exams are run together in the same location, the results will come out about the same time.

Perhaps a few questions come to mind if you are contemplating certification this coming season or if you have been through part of the certification process during the past two seasons:

Do I have to pass Part 1 (the skiing exam) in order to take the written test?

No, you no longer need to pass Part 1 (The Skiing exam) to take the written test. In fact we will begin the test right after lunch and post the Part 1 scores after the written test is complete. We will also post the written exam scores as soon as we can correct them. This is very much like what is done in most other divisions now. In some of the other divisions a member must pass the written

exam before he can take any other part of the exam. In other divisions they provide several testing sites throughout the season that are not associated with the on-mountain exam sites where candidates can take the written exam.

When will I take the written exam if I already passed the Part 1 skiing exam?

Members who passed Part 1 during the past two seasons and sign up for Part 2 of the exam will be able to take the written exam on the second morning of the Part 2 exam. This should relieve some of the stress of the long first day and possible travel issues.

What if I need to retake the written test? When will I have a chance to take it again? Will I have to travel to another place that has the Part 1 exam and take it on the second day, or will there always be the option to take it on the morning of the second day of a Part 2 exam?

If someone needs to retake the exam they will have several options. They could register to take the exam at another exam site. But, often, we make arrangements with the member and an examiner to give the test at a convenient location. We are very good at making accommodations for this.

In summation, giving the written exam in the afternoon of the second day of the ski exam does two things: It makes much better use of the available exam time; and, it follows more closely what other divisions are successfully doing with their exam process.

For this season some of the Master Teacher Program testing will be done on-line. If this goes well, on-line testing may be viable for all our exams in the future. ■

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## Two-Day Women's Seminar

by Mickey Sullivan  
Director of Education & Programs

### Calling all Alpine Women Members!!!

It's "only women" for 2 days.

Plan on attending this year's Women's Seminar at Windham Mountain, NY – January 13-14

Participants will receive great training from our awesome staff of PSIA-E female Examiners and coaches. You can expect great camaraderie, excellent skiing, and, of course – our finest female coaches giving you lots of personal attention. The clinicians work to put together a great educational event and deliver a fun on-snow format as well as indoor lectures and presentations. This has always been a great social event, a chance to rekindle old skiing friendships, make new ones, and have an awesome time doing it. Apply early!

The Women's Seminar is open to only current PSIA Members. All participants are invited to attend an optional dinner on Wednesday night at a local restaurant. What better way to end the day? ■

## What's New with Events for 09-10?

by Mickey Sullivan  
Director of Education & Programs

**Y**ou talk, we listen. We get great feedback and suggestions from you, the member, regarding what you like and don't like about our events. In response to some of this feedback we are adding some new events and adjusting current ones for the coming season. Check out the following event descriptions for highlights. When you're ready to sign up take a look at the events schedule for event dates and location.

### Off-Piste

Open to Level I, Level II and Level III members. Participants will explore the mountain and seek out ungroomed terrain while skiing within the boundaries of the ski resort. Safety and endurance are strictly adhered to in these clinics. Both technique and tactics will be taught and explored during this course. You'll take home some valuable tips and suggestions to make your off-piste experience more enjoyable. This course can be taken many times as the excitement of off-piste skiing is that conditions are seldom exactly the same.

### U30

Open to all Level I, Level II and Level III Alpine, Snowboard and Tele members under the age of 31. Exploring the mountain with your peers is the focus of this course. Skill improvement, tactical choices for given situations and understanding the how and why of contemporary sliding is what you can expect.

You may ride as a pack on skinny boards and wide boards, one plank or two. And you may split up into groups of riders and skiers. The group and the instructor will decide this at the event. In any case, "it's all downhill and it's all sliding." Of course you get your 2-year PSIA-E/AASI continuing education credit too.

### Sunday-Double Workshop/Rider Update

Open to Level I, Level II and Level III Alpine & AASI members. This two-day event covers the same material as the Workshop Clinic, BUT, will be held on two consecutive Sundays. Participants MUST attend both days to receive educational credit - no exceptions.

### In Search of Corduroy

Open to Level I, Level II and Level III members. Participants will ski all available groomed terrain, with particular attention to developing the skills and techniques preferred with the modern ski designs. This popular Senior event is now open to all ages.

### Level II - Part 1 Practice Exam with Video

Open to Certified Level I members and Trainees, this course can be used as a prerequisite for

the Level II exam. This event is conducted as a series of mock exam situations and gives you the opportunity to perform in exam conditions. Included is professional video taping of your skiing during the session. The trainer/examiner can then review with you your performance and your skiing skills, both on the mountain and during video review sessions. A plan for exam strategies and training activities will be developed for you. This 2-day course is an excellent way to prepare for the exam, especially if you are uncomfortable in exam situations. The video tape will be available to you after the clinic.



### Level III Exam Clinic for the Part 1 Skiing with Video

Open to Level II instructors who plan to take the Part 1 of their Level III exam. This course is an optional clinic that covers material relative to the Part 1, skiing evaluation of the Level III exam.

This workshop will focus on refinement and mastery of the skills and tactics needed for high level skiing situations and accurate performance of demos and tasks. Included is professional video taping of your skiing during the session. The trainer/examiner can then review with you your performance and your skiing skills, both on the mountain and during video review sessions. Bump skiing will be included but will not comprise a major part of the workshop. Movement analysis skills will be practiced and coached during skiing improvement activities. ■

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# Master Teacher – Back to Basics

By Melissa Skinner & Mickey Sullivan,  
PSIA-E Education Department

**W**e have all been there at one time or another.... You find yourself struggling to get to the next level. You change your thought process, your equipment, your surroundings, yet that next level is just out of reach. Then you realize and stop... you return to the basics and everything seems so clear.

The Eastern Division introduced the Master Teacher Program in 1999. Over time, the program has grown from only three accreditations to eight different specialty accreditation options. In addition, several new one-day optional courses have been added. As a result, the program can seem overwhelming for members interested in this advanced education option. There may be too much to consider and too many options to choose from. So, over the summer months we just said “STOP”, think about what is most important to the membership, are there positive changes that can be made to this program and how is the program integrated with our current event selections? With much input from many of our professional staff, we have updated and revised the requirements that make sense to our mission and goals while keeping the integrity of the program intact. We also recognize that some members are in partial stages of the Master Teacher process. We will be working with each one of these members so that they may complete the Master Teacher program and not have taken one single course taken away from them towards their Master Teacher certification.

Changes to our Alpine Level II and Level III Exam Part 2 Teaching exam process took effect in 2007. This change adopted the Children and Youth module to the exam process. Since Master Teacher satisfies the requirements for the Alpine Level III Part 2 exam, we felt the Master Teacher Program should also require Children and Youth education in the process. Therefore, Intro to Kids Zone and Intermediate Kids Zone has become part of the core courses that all participants must attend to achieve Master Teacher Certification.

Several new courses have been added or replace old courses. And there are a few accreditations that have not been well attended that have been eliminated in the new Master Teacher program.

Here is a summary of how the program is re-designed and the requirements necessary for Master Teacher:

## Master Teacher Requirements

### Core Courses:

#### Required On Snow Courses – 10 Credits

- History Comes Alive – remains as currently offered
- Movement Analysis – remains as currently offered ,may be used for Level II Pre-requisite
- Foundations of Teaching – remains as currently offered, may use for Level II Pre-requisite
- Intro to Kids Zone – new requirement
- Intermediate Kids Zone – new requirement

#### Required Indoor Courses – 4 Credits (4 one day courses)

- At Your Service – remains as currently offered
- Communication Station – remains as currently offered
- 2 Optional Courses of your choice – remains as currently offered (all 15 courses and their descriptions can be viewed on the psia-e website)

### Accreditation:

#### Members choose one Accreditation consisting of three 2-day on-snow courses – 6 Credits

This season there are five accreditations to choose from

- **Coaching Advanced Skiing and Racing** – Remains as currently offered  
Coaching Tactics, Techniques and Methodology  
Advanced Movement Analysis  
Course Setting and Drills
- **Adaptive Accreditation** –Remains as currently offered  
3 Track / 4 Track Skiing  
Visually Impaired and Developmentally Delayed Skiers  
Sit Down Skiing
- **Backcountry Accreditation**– Remains as currently offered  
Snow Sense and Planning  
Collecting Data  
Putting It All Together
- **Special Populations Accreditation** – Replace Childhood Development Course with one Adaptive Accreditation courses as part of this selection  
Adult Development and Aging- Remains as currently offered  
Teaching Women- Remains as currently offered  
Third required course: any one of the three Adaptive Accreditation courses qualifies for this Accreditation. Member may choose which Adaptive course they wish to attend.
- **Sports Science** -Replace Sports Psychology course with the Science of Skiing  
Biomechanics  
Exercise Physiology  
Science of Skiing - new course offering; incorporates information from former “Get in Gear” course; see website for complete description

The following Accreditations have been discontinued from the Master Teacher Program Offering

- **Teaching Beginners Accreditation**-Much of this information is incorporated into many of our course offerings
- **Freeride Accreditation**- A new “Park Skills” event has been added to the regular alpine schedule
- **Children’s Specialist**-Children’s courses integrated into the Master Teacher required courses

Courses that have been discontinued or revised:

- **Get In Gear** – Incorporated into the Science of Skiing course
- **Knee High Knowledge** – material covered in required Children’s “Zone” courses
- **Physical & Mental Disabilities** – Material covered in Adaptive Accreditation courses

## Master Teacher Exams

New for this season - Exams will be administered online. For \$25 per season, participants may attempt an unlimited number of exams online during one season. Master Teacher participants are no longer required to accumulate a minimum number of credits before attempting any exam. When a course is completed, the exam can be taken on line by the course participant. Each exam consists of ten multiple choice questions and all members will be required to successfully pass all exams to achieve Master Teacher.

**All requirements must be completed within the six season time frame to satisfy the Master Teacher Certification. For members who are using Master Teacher Certification to satisfy the Alpine Level III Exam – Part 2 Teaching, they must be Alpine Level II Certified. Master Teacher Certification may not be used to satisfy any exam in any other discipline. Complete and detailed information about the Master Teacher Program, courses, exams and processes can be viewed on the PSIA-E website. ■**



Want to know what PSIA-E/AASI privileges you get as a member? Look for this column in each SnowPro and we will let you know what is new – or remind you of things you should be sure to take advantage of.....

## SPECIAL EDITION!!

Here is your 2009/2010 **Eastern Only** membership benefits and promotions update. There is no rest for the weary here at PSIA-E when it comes to member benefits, so we hope to have further updates in the Fall VIPrivileges column. Most importantly, **PLEASE go to the Eastern Division website Member Benefits section often to see what's new and for more details, forms, etc. on all of the programs mentioned in this article.** Focusing on keeping our website up-to-date with the details allows us to get the timeliest info possible to you. Beginning this season forms for these programs will not be included within the SnowPro, but, instead, will be downloadable from the website. THANK YOU! We hope you take advantage of all of these great programs!



### The VIPrivileges Partner Savings Program

This is the program to watch! The VIPrivileges Partner Savings Program offers members discounts at your favorite resorts on all sorts of activities. Discounts on everything from lift tickets and lodging to golf and water parks. Discounts are available at resorts up and down the east coast – all year round! These discounts are offered simply by showing your PSIA-AASI membership card!

For the most up-to-date listing of VIPrivileges Partner Savings Program (for our purposes “officially” abbreviated to VIP-PSP), be sure to check the VIP-PSP page of the Eastern website often.

**This program will grow with your support. Please patronize participating Eastern Division VIPrivileges Partner Resorts.**

**Click on the program logo on our homepage and start saving!**



**Avalanche Skiwear – High performance PSIA-AASI logo ski clothing at up to 40% off retail.**

For details, see this season’s Avalanche brochure inserted in your membership card mailing or the Eastern Division website.



### BJ's Wholesale – Fuel Your Fundraiser Program

Yes, this popular program is back and **will now be running TWICE during the 09-10 season.** The current program is available to both members and non-members, and will be running through November 30, 2009. The next term of this program will be announced in the Spring SnowPro and will most likely run through May and June.

Print, fill out and submit the application provided on the Eastern Division website to get \$10 off and an additional 3 months of membership at BJ's. Your application will also support the PSIA-E Education Fund. For each BJ's application submitted through the PSIA-E/AASI program, BJ's will donate \$5 to the Education Fund.

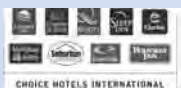
Over the past few years this program has generated more than \$1,500 for the EF.

Please keep in mind – you can also help by telling a friend about this great deal! If you have a non-member friend who is a BJ's member (or wants to be one), consider sending them an email about the program and attach the application. You will save them 30% off their membership cost and help us reach our goal.



### Burton – AASI Certification Recognition Program

We've been having an absolute BLAST with Burton these past two years (of course! What else would we expect from Burton???) Burton is once again teaming up with us and there is a recognition drawing for all who attain their next level of AASI certification. As you would expect, the prize opportunities get bigger as you move up in certification level. For details about the 09-10 Burton promotions for Level I, II and III, go to the member benefits area of the Eastern Division website.



### Choice Hotels – Usage of this great member benefit program just keeps growing!

As an Eastern Member using our PSIA-E Promotion ID, you get a 15% discount when you book online for reservations at hundreds of Choice Hotel locations (including Comfort Inns, Clarion, Quality Inn and Econolodge) – plus, take advantage of their Choice Privilege promotions to earn free rooms, etc.

Be sure to tear off the Choice Hotels wallet-sized discount card which you will receive in your membership card mailing. Keep the card handy and book online through the link at the Eastern Division website.



### Green Mountain Orthotic Lab (GMOL) – Announcing a new, improved pro-discount program and a chance to win free GMOL footbeds!

It's the Fall – new boot and boot-fitting season - and Green Mountain Orthotic Lab has a few things going on which you should be aware of.....

- GMOL has a new and improved pro-discount program.
- GMOL is again running their annual fall promotion to our members.

Simply purchase boots and footbeds from GMOL between October 1, 2009 and November 30, 2009, send in your proof of purchase and promotion submission, and be entered to win a rebate on the cost of your footbeds- a \$199 retail value!

To download the submission form and get all the details about the new GMOL pro-discount program, go to the new GMOL page of the Eastern website. Good Luck!



### Reliable Racing – Again offering a discount to PSIA-E/AASI members!

Reliable Racing is again providing support to the Eastern Division racing program as well as again offering our members the opportunity to get 10% off purchases of \$100 or more. The discount is available for on-line orders via the Reliable Racing website or for orders placed by phone





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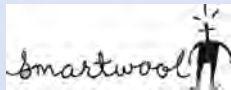


directly to them. Please go to the Eastern Division website for the 09-10 Promotional Code which you must reference to receive your discount.



**SkiPal – Back this year and again offering member and snowsports school discounts.**

SkiPal, the ski/ride teaching tool, will again be offering two programs this season; a discount offer to members on individual orders as well as a volume discount offer to Snowsports schools. See the SkiPal advertisement in this *SnowPro* and the Eastern website for more details.



**SmartWool – This popular Pro Purchase Program which provides 50% off retail is again available to Eastern members!**

See the SmartWool banner and link to their site from our Event Schedule page to see their great products. Access the SmartWool page and details on how to get your 50% discount in the Member Benefits section of the Eastern website.

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**Vew-Do – Balance Boards at 30-35% off to Eastern Members**

Vew-Do Balance Boards is again offering a great member discount on their many products. Again, go to the Eastern Website for an order form and pricing details.

**PSIA-E/AASI Logo Business Cards – high-quality, well-priced**

Through our long-standing partnership with Keystone Printing, we are again offering high-quality, well-priced personalized logo business cards. You can create your cards, preview them, and place your order directly from the Eastern Division website. Order now and get ready for the season!

**PSIA-E/AASI Gift Certificates**

Don't forget when you are looking for a unique and useful gift for an employee, parent, spouse or child who is a member; gift certificates toward dues or events are available. To purchase a gift certificate, please call the office at 518-452-6095 and ask for Colleen Plante.

For the latest information about PSIA-E/AASI Eastern and National Member Benefit Programs and Promotions be sure to check often at [www.psia-e.org](http://www.psia-e.org) - Member Services.)

## National Report

by Bill Beerman

PSIA-E Representative to the National Board of Directors

### Multi-Divisional Spring Symposium

A Multi-Divisional Spring Symposium will be held at Sun Valley, Idaho, April 9-11, 2010. Three divisions have in the past held this spring event that is open to their respective members: The Northwest, Northern Rocky Mountain and division host Northern Intermountain have planned the three-day event.

At the last National Board meeting I inquired regarding the possibility of Eastern Division members being able to participate this spring. We have been in contact with the Director of Education and Programs from the Northwest Division, which has taken the lead on setting the event up with Sun Valley. The Spring Symposium will host four to five hundred participants and their families.

We are currently working on logistics for our Eastern members to be able to attend, as it will be limited regarding the numbers we can register. Further details such as event cost, lodging, and registration will be provided as they become available. You might want to consider joining in at Sun Valley for the last week and weekend of the season. It will be an exciting time at one of the oldest and most heralded areas in the U.S. ■

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## Around the Regions



### Region 1 (NH & ME)

**Tom Butler, Regional Director, and Ross Boisvert, Regional Representative, report:** Hello, Region 1. Without repeating everything already mentioned in this edition, here are a few things about our members that you may not have realized...

Jenni is helping children who need the most help.

Linda and Kit are hopefully having a German Pizza at the Red Onion.

Natalie continues to be one of the strongest women I've ever known.

Liz is making fabulous jewelry.

Gordon is putting the smackdown on the big C.

Capron is reversing the effects of greenhouse gasses.

Stevie D must be having a dog and a beer at Fenway.

Skelvis is going to prove the doctors wrong!

Nate is powersliding (or is it drifting?).

Bobby is skiing at Hood (lucky dog).

Matt is working on his house.

Greg is mowing the fairways at Bretton Woods Resort.

Grace is riding her scooter to work or on the lake paddling her kayak.

Bertie is sitting at the lake with a margarita (sweet!).

Tom is getting ready for college.

Arielle is doing Yoga.

Lindsay is really enjoying her summer and could be grounded.

Jen is trying to get as many Facebook friends as possible.

Lorraine is paddling her kayak.

Jodi is teaching riding.

Phil is installing irrigation systems somewhere.

Donna Kaye is wowing the guests at the Balsams.

Madness is trying to catch the big one.

Rocky is riding very well this summer.

Sue is paddling.

Turbow is going to make the world a better place.

Coach Reynolds is bringing the course to its knees.

Leigh will never give up on the UMF Ski Industries program (that's a good thing too).

Greg wants the grass to grow.

Tinker is leading campers on hiking trips.

El Presidente is catching a delicious bass.

Pete is trying to make his boat go faster.

Bruce is helping people take much needed vacations.

Ross is hanging out in the 207.

Jake is helping out at Timberman.

Troy is ducking range balls (unsuccessfully).

505 is helping 504 at his restaurant.

Tom is trying to keep his killer dogs from barking at the people getting their mail.

Dow continues to enjoy his witness protection status (oops was that a secret Rik?).

Steve is taking real nice care of his yard.

Tappa is right out straight.

Mr. Dave is hitting range balls (not at Troy I'll have you know).

Jake is thinking of fish.

Hans is enjoying his kids.

Terri Ann blitzed it at the Bethel Triathlon.

Goofy is getting closer to Region 1.

.....And, I am spending way too much time on Facebook!

Thanks for reading, and we hope that you enjoyed our one week of summer!

### Region 2 (VT)

**Steve O'Connor, Regional Director, reports:**

New member inspiration! I recently spent time with two skiing friends who are converting some of their free time to our profession. We met during a season-long skiing program at Killington, Vt. The program was designed to be affordable, fun and socially vibrant. What was deemed to be an exciting program that would lure new prospects into our programs was also a recruiting scheme. We offered those interested a chance to join our in-house instructor training as a bonus, and, with that, the possibility that some would get hooked. The program was a success in many ways. My friends: Jennifer and Rick (and several others) took to the added training with a vengeance. As spring approached and the season closed, their thirst for more increased. Rick is very inquisitive and has a sports oriented mind. He listens, watches, asks a lot of questions and then tries to put it all together. Jennifer watches intently and jumps right in; she is more trial-and-error in her approach. We have absorbed them into our staff and they are both new members of PSIA-E. Last week we got on the subject of skiing and it seemed as though the season was already starting. I realize this happens often with all of us, but for me it was great that the inspiration came from these two new members.

Since I am on the subject of winter, snow and everything else that comes with it, now is a good

time to re-visit your end-of-the-season goals and make them happen. I took the plunge! Lake Placid and the jumping venue were pretty cool and wet. As always, Mickey Stone facilitated a highly energetic and informative event. The range of ages was 16 to 60 and the interaction was good from all. Jumping into the pool off the ramp was easy in comparison to practicing on the trampolines. I am chicken at first when trying new things and self-conscience when being watched (sound familiar?) by peers and a coach. As it turned out the feedback and coaching came from many sources; sometimes it was timed well and other times it was distracting. Overall I'd say there was ample time for everyone to get what they needed before taking the plunge for the first time. The over-riding theme for this event became: Its all about the take off. Anyone working on freestyle maneuvers in the air will tell you that first you must get up before attempting a trick or the consequences may be harsh. We all found that out in a hurry. My goal was to be more comfortable in the air and try a helicopter. I accomplished both mostly by self-imposed peer pressure; I simply could not be outdone by my friend Joe. Joe was focused and really trying hard and he took several harsh crashes in the water. I just watched him, observed his misjudgments, swallowed hard and went for it. It was awesome! Lesson learned for me was this: If a coach creates an atmosphere where everyone is comfortable and safe, learning takes place without a whole lot of effort. The atmosphere is the key. The willingness of the players to engage with others is an element that only makes it better. In the spring issue I spoke of making a plan to make a change. This jumping event will no doubt help me make better decisions regarding air time, but also has re-energized my understanding of how people learn and are motivated in challenging situations.

By the time this gets to you the fall schedule of events will have been posted. Make a plan; pick some events that will help you get where you are going and think outside of your box. Please feel free to contact me: oconnor@together.net or 802-234-4032. Thanks for reading, look forward to hearing from you.

### Region 3 (MA, CT & RI)

**David Welch, Regional Representative, reports:** With the first signs of fall upon us it's time to wake up your thoughts of making those first turns down the mountain for the 09-10 season! It's also time to start planning which AASI/PSIA-E event(s) you'd like to attend during the season. Whether it's an update, an exam or Master Teacher Course, one of the fine areas in our region will likely host it during the upcoming season. So, get out and take

advantage of some great educational opportunities!

Each season the PSIA-E Education Foundation offers scholarships that are available to members in all disciplines; check out the article in the summer issue of SnowPro for all the details. The deadline to apply for this year is Friday, October 9, 2009, so don't delay or you'll miss out on this valuable benefit.

I'd like to remind you that Region 3 has a Facebook page called PSIA-E Region III group. We hope you will take advantage of this great way to communicate with other members in your region.

Get out and enjoy what's left of the warm weather. You'll be making those first turns before you know it!

## Region 4 (PA & NJ)

**Steve Kling, Regional Director, reports:** Our region seemed to survive the recession better than other parts of the economy and country. Perhaps it was our guests giving up the big trip out west or up north for the weekends or snow days closer to home, but resorts in Region 4, on balance, had a good season last winter. Here's hoping 09-10 works out at least as well.

And, while it's still warm and the days are still relatively long, it really is the perfect time to start organizing your next ski season. New equipment? If you missed the industry trend, many manufacturers sell out their pro stock in the fall. Chances are you don't have the luxury of waiting for demo days to find the perfect board or boards, and picking them up mid-season.

Is this an update year for you? Are you thinking about a certification exam? Now is the time to get organized. The event calendar is published in this SnowPro, and it's available on-line. We are fortunate to have "Elk Week" in late January; a varied assortment of educational events that attracts the biggest concentration of our members, behind only ProJam. You should be able to find a top notch event close to home, on an excellent mountain with very good conditions. Also, remember that if you check the educational schedule on-line, you can sort it by event type, location, etc.

This is also a good time to start, or perhaps intensify, efforts to recruit new instructors. We are the best source for new staff at our schools and new members for PSIA. And, a few more bodies will always come in handy on those busy weekends next winter.

(Pssst, it's also OK to look at a manual or check out the Movement Matrix before the first frost.)

## Region 5 (Western NY State)

**Steve Howie, Regional Director, and Ron Kubicki, Regional Representative, report:** With winter fast approaching we still have plenty of op-

portunity to participate in some summer activities. After several communications about a golf outing this fall, we have decided to try something a little different. On Sunday, October 11, Bristol Mountain will be having their annual fall festival, starting at noon. In conjunction, we will hold a Region 5 membership meeting at 1:00pm at the area. Prior to the meeting, for those interested, we will host a mountain biking tour at Ontario County Park right next to Bristol, and a road biking ride around the Canandaigua Lake area; routes will be planned based upon ability. For those that do not bike, bring the family and enjoy the fall festival activities at Bristol Mountain. To better plan the rides please contact me at showie1@rochester.rr.com or call 585-750-0242. If you are not sure in advance, all rides, including the mountain biking, will meet at Bristol Mountain at 10:00am and leave from there. I will have extra water and carb-fuels available at the area. If you have not toured the Finger Lake Region by bike, you'll have great new experience and find some great views.

We are still working on pre-season indoor clinics that will be open to all members. Our goal is to have them be all-day sessions, including lunch, for a very minimal fee. We are currently working on presenters for both skiers and riders. If everything works out we will email the details to everyone.

The deadline is quickly approaching for all scholarship applications for this season. To apply for all funds, eligible members can obtain a scholarship application by calling the PSIA-E office at 518-452-6095, or visiting the PSIA-E web site at: www.psia-e.org. You will find information on the scholarships under the "Member Services" heading and "Eastern Benefits" tab. Complete the entire application and mail or fax it to the PSIA-E office, postmarked no later than Friday, October 9, 2009. If you fax your application, please call to confirm receipt. The PSIA-E fax number is 518-452-6099. Don't miss out on this opportunity.

We hope to see you at Bristol for all the activities. As always, if you have any feedback or concerns, please contact any of the following Region 5 Representatives.

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Lee Dame - Children's Committee  
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## Region 6 (Eastern NY State)

**Scott Allard, Regional Director, reports:** No news is good news. Nothing significant to report in Region 6 at this time.

No locations have been set for our two membership meetings, as of yet. Any input from the members of the region would be great. We have some ideas and are thinking that on-snow events may be the best approach for the meetings. Please share any thoughts you may have.

Have a great late summer and early fall.

Contacts:

Scott Allard, Regional Director: allardc@frontiernet.net

Cherisse Young, Regional Rep: Young@mhccable.com

## Region 7 (States south of PA & NJ)

**John Cossaboom, Regional Director, reports:** Time for a Change? We are hearing a lot about change right now, both in our lives and those around us. Change is a funny thing, and we all react differently to it. For some, change is a welcome addition, full of hope for the future. For others, it is something to dread, and we resist against it. And, for a few, change is great, as long as it doesn't affect them. We do love our routines and it's hard to give them up.

How does change apply to snowsports? I know that in my own 30+ years of teaching, I've had to constantly change to meet the guests' needs, as well as keep up with current trends. Certainly, our equipment has changed during this time, and my skills have had to change and improve just to keep up. I can attest that that my skiing doesn't look anything at all like the movements I first practiced - for the better, I might add.

So, is this the year for you to change? You know that the season is upon us when the first ski magazine arrives in the mail. There is a wealth of new equipment out there. Is yours due for a change? How about your teaching? If you are bored utilizing the same old routines, how interested do you think your students are? Dig out those manuals, seek out another pro and ask what they do; or, better yet, go and observe them. Eavesdrop (with permission) on another sport being taught, and see what those instructors do. See if there aren't some things you can change. Finally, what about your own skill development? Is it time for you to change your certification status, or your commitment to the sport, or to your school?

Change can be scary and uncomfortable at first, and takes a true effort. But, before you know it, it's a comfortable routine. However, be careful, because once it's comfortable, it's time to change again.

Have a great season on the slopes! ■



# Snowsports School Management



## Update from the Snowsports School Management Committee

by *Debbie Goslin*  
Chair, Snowsports School Management Committee

Like most of us in the Northeast, this has been a summer with hit-or-miss weather! And, just like those winter days when the weather forecaster insists that everyone should “stay off the roads,” I am pretty confident that most of you took the weather in stride and have been able to enjoy a few months of the warmer temperatures!

That said, the first of my “Gear Guides” was delivered yesterday, and I found myself devouring all of the information and new products on each and every page. And, so it continues... the passion for the sport of skiing and snowboarding and our passion for teaching.

The Snowsports School Management Committee (SSMC) met in June to discuss their thoughts for the Management Seminar as well as many requests for sessions from Eastern Directors. Several key issues were also discussed that were addressed and discussed at the June Board of Directors Meeting.

The Snowsports School Management Seminar (SSMS) will be held at Mount Snow, VT, December 1, 2 & 3, 2009. We will host our Keynote Speaker (NSAA President Michael Berry) on Tuesday evening, December 1, thereby opening the door for earlier on-snow sessions and additional indoor sessions. For many of you who have enjoyed the Personal Skiing/Riding on-snow sessions, these sessions will be offered on the last day, early in the afternoon. What a perfect opportunity for critique and a starting point for the new season!

Every region has a SSMC Representative that is appointed by their elected Regional Director. The job of the SSMC Representative is to report back to the committee the needs and comments from the directors and managers in their region. Following is a list of the members of the SSMC. Feel free to contact them with your management issues/needs. We'll do our best to bring your concerns to the table for discussion.

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By Kim SeEVERS, Adaptive Sports Foundation

The first AAPAR Get Out! winter sports conference will be held at Gunstock, NH from December 3rd – 5th, 2009. The purpose of the Get Out! conference is to provide outdoor and adventure practices for professionals interested in leading winter snowsports programs. The conference is presented by the American Association for Physical Activity and Recreation. AAPAR is dedicated to enhancing quality of life by promoting creative and active lifestyles through meaningful physical activity, recreation and fitness experiences across the lifespan with particular focus on community-based programs. Participants will include physical educators, teacher preparation instructors, undergraduate and graduate students, ski/snowboard instructors, outdoor/recreation specialists and community leaders.

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## “Problem Solving” ...Let Go and Empower Your Students for Creative Outcomes

by Mark Garon  
AASI Examiner  
Trainer  
Stowe, Vermont

*Note: This is the third of a three-article series written by AASI Examiners on using different teaching and learning styles. The first two articles appeared in the Spring and Summer 2009 issues of SnowPro.*

Some of the most amazing ideas and inventions have come from the need to solve a problem. Using “Problem Solving” as a teaching approach can also result in some pretty awesome and unexpected outcomes! Tapping into the collective creativity of a group of people, or individuals, to figure something out can take you to unexpected places.

Using a “Problem Solving” style of teaching can sometimes go against our instincts as instructors. Often we may feel the need to solve all the problems for our students, provide all the answers, and point them directly towards the most effective solution. Think of school homework as a problem solving scenario. How involved was your teacher when you were doing your homework at home? Who actually solved the problem? Who was grinding the mental gears and taking ownership of the process of figuring it out, even though your teacher may have exposed you to the information or process necessary to find the answer? You were the one that had to apply those bits of information to get to the end result. Do you recall the feeling you had when you figured out a particularly challenging problem at some point in your life? Pride, ownership, relief, sense of accomplishment, confidence? Not a bad lineup of feelings if you ask me.

To apply this to snowboard coaching, try exposing your students to a variety of skills, then

prompt them to figure out which ones work best. For example, let's say you worked on rolling the board onto its new edge before, at, or after the fall line. Then, ask the question, “Which approach works best in powder?” This example is focused on what the board is doing. You could easily apply the same idea to a variety of specific body movements, then prompt your students to figure out which movements work best for them in certain conditions or specific types of turns. Other problem solving questions could be: “How can we slow ourselves down in a carved turn?” “How can we get more air off of rollers?” “What can we do to stomp our switch landings better?” “What size turn works best in these bumps?” The options are endless. Suggesting a focus that's appropriate to the ability of the rider(s) works best. Encouraging students to figure out bump tactics when they've only ridden groomers will be a recipe for disaster.

Be careful not to switch into guided discovery mode with prescriptive comments like, “Try to match your board to the terrain on those landings by bending both knees instead of just your back knee. This will help you to distribute pressure across the whole board, not just the tail.” This would be guiding people toward a specific answer. Instead, encourage your students to watch each other, feel different sensations and come up with their own conclusions with lots of practice time. “Did that landing feel better than the last one?”, or, “What did you do different?” might be more appropriate comments to stay consistent with problem solving. “Is there another place we could practice this that might allow you to be more successful?” would be better than “Let's try this off of some rollers before bringing it into the park.”

In order to avoid the black hole of explorations to nowhere with totally ineffective conclusions, make sure the topics you throw out work with the terrain you're on, conditions of the day, and experience of the group. When the conditions are icy you could suggest a topic like, “How can we position our body to keep from falling in these challenging conditions?” If you have a group that's solid at freestyle with a handful of tricks they are all comfortable doing, you could suggest a fun topic like, “Let's figure out how to do the steeziest back side 180's on the planet”. This will draw on the skill of the group and their interpretations of what's styley and what's not. Encourage conversation and demos to clarify everyone's ideas. Then, you could finish the lesson with a mock steeze competition. By all means jump into the mix and play and explore with your group! If done well this can turn into a good 'ol fashioned ride'n-with-your-buds session.

With a group that's more limited in their skills, this approach may work better: You've been working on the finer points of pivoting the board on beginner terrain, complete with skills, drills, feedback,

emos, practice, etc. Ask them, “What happens to our turns if we make that movement last 3 seconds vs. 1 second?” You are still presenting a problem for your students to figure out, but the parameters are smaller, more controlled, and the options more limited, as well as using terrain and skills they are already familiar with. The group is still free to explore the idea and figure it out.

The “Problem Solving” style of teaching can be a lot of fun for your students. It can also cause frustration for students with less experience to draw from, say in a first time lesson. Some people may feel they are not getting their money's worth because you are not providing them with the info they need to learn to ride. Be careful to read the situation and your students and use it appropriately. Simple problems to solve for beginner riders might be, “How would you stand on your board in order to keep your balance, if I were to try to push you over?”, or, “Let's try to figure out how to press down harder on our toe edge without falling over in these J-turns”.

Let go of the temptation to control every variable. Listen and learn from your students with an open mind as they share their world of snowboarding with you, from their perspective. Be careful, you may just learn something new, and have a blast doing it! ■

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The **Sugarbush Freestyle Team** is looking for coaches for the 09-10 season: **Freeride Ski Coach**, experienced in Park & Pipe competitions, must be willing to travel to competitions throughout ME, NH, VT, & NY. **Freestyle Ski Coach**, experienced in mogul skiing, must be willing to travel throughout Vermont to competitions. Also interviewing snowboard, and weekend development ski coaches. We are looking for committed individuals to work weekends, some Fridays, and some mid-week afternoons. Pay based on experience, but commitment and enthusiasm are most important.

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# The Down Low and Where to Go...aka... AASI Update and Event Highlights for '09-'10

by Ted Fleischer  
Eastern AASI Advisor

Greetings from the Great White North ...or at least it will be soon. Right now, the Green Mountain State is still the great GREEN north, but with nighttime lows starting to drop and leaves starting to change, the white can't be far behind. The animals are all scurrying around feverishly trying to prepare for the long winter and I feel no different, since, for some reason, the woodshed still has some space left in it. Hmmm ...might have something to do with too much time spent fishing this summer. Progress on my preseason checklist is looking good but I always feel the combined sense of urgency of the change of seasons and the ridiculous excitement that precedes snowboarding. If you're anything like me you're already beginning to plan for your winter season: Looking at new decks, loading new playlists on the mp3 player, trying to find my left gloves (why do I only lose left gloves?), and figuring out which mountains and AASI events I really want to hit this year.

I'm settling into my new role as AASI Advisor, and I'm really looking forward to the upcoming season - even more than seasons past, perhaps. We've got a few fresh changes and a few new items that I'd like to clue you all into...

First, the Rider Rally. It returns to Killington and this year we're gonna rock the K-rock! That said, make this your year to join us. With two National Team members right here in the East (Tommy Morsch and Dave Lynch) and Lane Clegg's confirmation to be here in the East in December - it is likely you will ride with a National Team member whether you are a Registered, L-I, L-II or L-III member! Attendees at the Rally weekend will also have an opportunity to add on a special one-day "Ride with the Coach" Premium Event and be guaranteed to tear up the slopes with the man himself, AASI National Team Coach Lane Clegg! This one-day event is limited to 10! Get those event apps in! Rally 09-10 is sure to provide a great opportunity to get in a lot of awesome coaching and riding and to get to know the "ins and outs" of this multi-faceted mountain.

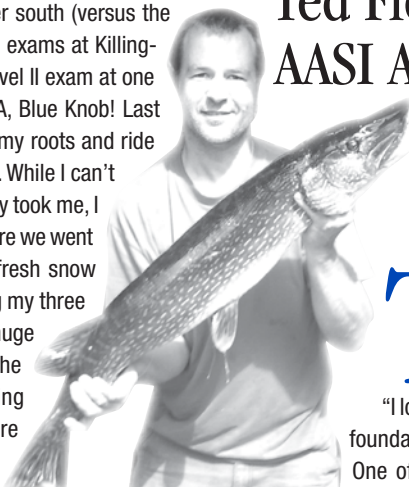
Next, L-II Exams for 09-10. If you prefer to ride your exams a little farther south (versus the traditional end-of-season exams at Killington) we'll be holding a Level II exam at one of my favorite spots in PA, Blue Knob! Last year I got to go home to my roots and ride with the instructors there. While I can't divulge exactly where they took me, I can tell you that everywhere we went it was in over a foot of fresh snow which we received during my three day visit! Stellar snow, a huge variety of terrain, and all the makings for a challenging and really fun exam there this year.

You asked for them.....This season you'll also find we've added more Level II preps and lots of weekend events. One of the new weekend events is a Rider Update - Sunday Double Event that's held on two consecutive Sundays. You won't have to take time off of your "real job" and we'll avoid the heavy crowds on Saturdays. We'll be holding a Sunday Double at Holiday Valley and at Okemo.

Totally new, check out the U30 event designed for da yoots under thirty. This is a mixed-discipline event for Alpine, Nordic, and AASI members of a similar age and who think with a similar mind-set - regardless of the gear they arrive with. Should be fun!

We'll also still have the ever popular Jay Trees event, Stowe Steeps, the Resort Trainers Clinic (within the Snowsports School Management Seminar) and all of the other events you're familiar with. We've tried hard to pack as much into this upcoming season as possible. So, talk to your friends, git yer decks ready, add that extra sag to your thrift store one piece and join us on the hill again this year. We'll see you there! ■

## Ted Fleischer is new AASI Advisor as of Season 09-10!



Ted not only caught a big fish this summer, he also accepted the position as AASI Advisor beginning this season.

"I look forward to building on the strong foundation that those before me began. One of my goals as the AASI Advisor is to create an even better environment in

which our members and our staff can achieve their goals. Communication, creativity and fun within our organization are key to our success."

With thoughts such as these, we are sure Ted will do a "ripping" good job as the AASI Advisor just as he has done as an AASI examiner!

Some of Ted's responsibilities include working with the Director of Education and Programs (Mickey Sullivan) and the AASI Education & Programs Associate (Eileen Carr) on such things as developing the annual AASI Schedule of Events, planning and implementing AASI steering committee meetings and reporting committee needs and findings to the appropriate office staff, attending B.O.D. meetings, and working to maintain, update and revise AASI Educational materials as required, such as Study Guides, Event Descriptions, and other member affecting documents - and more!

WELCOME TED! ■



AASI events with limited attendance this season - be sure to sign-up early! These events may fill BEFORE the event deadline. If you want to be assured a spot, sign up for these events asap!

AASI Level II Exam Prep	Killington, VT	February 25-26
AASI Level III Exam Prep	Killington, VT	February 25-26
AASI various events	Seven Springs, PA	February 27-28
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## Kids. Kids. Kids.



# It's Back to the Academy!

by Jeffrey W "Jake" Jacobsen  
PSIA-E Children's Committee Chair  
ACE Team Member

**M**ind, Body, and Snow...sounds like deep snow doesn't it? The key word in the theme of the PSIA-Eastern Children's Academy is **BODY!** For years now the ACE team has been telling participants (perhaps preaching is the better word) that any activity presented to our guests (regardless of age) needs to elicit, target, create, or enhance one or more of the fundamental movements involved in skiing or riding. In prior Academy sessions the mountain was explored for use in our presentations. We have created presentations based on movie themes, games, and current literature. Using themes, props, and prior experiences are very valid vehicles to the creative process and can lead to some amazing activities that improve skier/rider performance. The danger to all the creative thinking in snowsports education for children is that there is a chance to lose sight of the movements being addressed. I imagine creating activities can be like creating music...do the lyrics come first or does the melody come first? Elton John composes the music to fit the lyrics that Bernie Taupin writes. Some writers have a melody in their head long before the lyrics are written. In the end, it doesn't matter the order of movement as long as the result is a fun activity that elicits, targets, creates, or enhances one or more of the fundamental movements involved in skiing or riding.

This year (**just for fun**) we are going to write the melody first! The plan for the Academy 2009 is to ski/ride (**a lot**) with a focus on the K of V.A.K. Taking a Kinesthetic Approach to working with children, participants will explore Stratton Mountain with the ACE Team: What that split second of free fall down the steeps feels like, or, fly through the air off a jump or off a half pipe wall. How to get kids ages 4 to 18 to enjoy these sensations while they improve on their movements to make skiing and riding an amazing experience. The mountain is an enormous playground

and we will discover how varying terrain may (or may not) affect the sensations felt by the movements. We will explore the "Real" vs. "Ideal" movements of children in different ages and stages of development.

Takeaways from this Academy will include the camaraderie of the children's snowsports world, an increased understanding of the fundamental movements, the "real" vs. "ideal" movements of children at different stages of development, and an enhanced ability to create age-appropriate activities based on the movements. You will most likely take home some sensations you've never had before as well!

### You are cordially invited to the 2009 PSIA-E Children's Academy

Where: Stratton Mountain Resort  
When: 3 Day – December 7-9, 2010  
2 Day – December 7-8, 2010  
What Else: Alpine Level 1 Exam December 7-9, 2010  
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**Alpine and AASI Level 1 Exam participants please note: Days 1 & 2 will consist of the exam and day 3 will be the third day of the Children's Academy.**

**NOTE: Stratton Mountain Resort has blocked off several rooms for this event.** Guests should call 1-800-STRATTON to make reservations and state they are with PSIA-E Children's Academy to receive special rate. Not available online. Rooms will be released November 15, and regular room rates apply after that. ■

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# 15 Below "Bring it On" Event coming to Killington

(To run in conjunction with the Mini-Academy weekend on December 12 – 13, 2009)

The early season 15 Below "Bring It On" event is a great way for the kids to tune up their skiing and riding with the pros and to get ready for the season. If the Spring Rally last season at Killington was any indication of the young talent out there and the fun that can be had, we're sure this 15 Below event will be a blast! Gary "Griz" Caudle and others from the ACE staff look forward to seeing the "gang" in early December at Killington.

Check out the 15 Below event application on the Eastern Division website in the "Forms" section. See you when the snow flies! ■



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# Slalom or Giant Slalom

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by Brian C. Smith

PSIA-E Examiner

Race Programs Coordinator

Eastern Team Member

If you're wondering whether or not people still like to race, you should have been at last year's Okemo race camp. With coaches like Diane Roffe and more than 35 participants, it was a great 3 days of fun, education and competitive racing.

For years I have worked race camps, and the most commonly asked question by participants is, "What are we running, slalom or giant slalom?" Every time there is a split in the group. To accommodate everyone's needs, this year we are adding some slalom-only and giant slalom-only events to the 2009-10 schedule. The PSIA-E race committee decided that by offering a choice of discipline-specific race camps combined with the two-day format will allow more time for increased learning and performance.

The goal is to continue providing quality coaching at all events. The Eastern division's most experienced coaches will staff all race events. Also, as in years past, we will be inviting the country's top former Olympians, PSIA's National Team members, and special guests to coach at the scheduled events. We will be announcing details at a later date.

If you have never taken a race camp event, this is the year to try it out! Racing is an excellent way to add excitement and variety to your skiing performance. It is a great way to develop the fundamental movements required to have a solid foundation of skills for all types of skiing, not just racing.

Stretch your comfort zone and take the "intro" event if you have never raced before. If you are an avid racer, continue to challenge yourself and take a Slalom or GS event. If you're like me and like both disciplines, take one of the multiple 2-day events. Remember, all race events are also open to non-members of the association. Spread the word and bring family, friends, or fellow race coaches to an event for great coaching, skiing and racing!

The Eastern division remains committed to supporting the race programs and our member's needs. I would like to thank the Board of Directors for their continued support.

In addition, I would like to thank the PSIA-E race committee members who contribute insight and experience to our programs each year. A special thanks

to John Jacobs and the team at Reliable Racing in Glens Falls New York for sponsoring our events with timing equipment, gear, and discounted catalogs for all event attendees.

Enjoy the fall and get in shape for a great season! ■

## 2009-10 Race Event Disciplines and Schedule

Jan 11-12 / 11-13	Okemo, VT	Slalom & Giant Slalom
Jan 19-20	Butternut, MA	"Intro" to Racing
Jan 24-25	Waterville Valley, NH	Slalom & Giant Slalom
Feb 1-2	Bristol Mt, NY	Slalom Only
Feb 9-10	Gore Mt, NY	Slalom & Giant Slalom
Feb 11-12	Gunstock, NH	Giant Slalom Only
March 9-10	Hunter Mt, NY	Slalom & Giant Slalom



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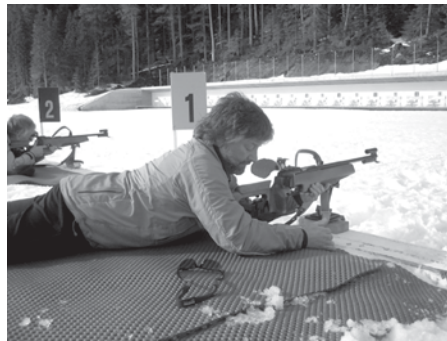
## Getting Ready for the Season

by Mickey Stone  
PSIA-E Nordic Coordinator

Everything is on the way and so is our anticipation of being on snow. Here are a couple of pics of the New Olympic Nordic Biathlon Center at Whistler/Blackcomb. The Cross Country Ski Areas Association held their National Convention there this past April and we had the chance to ski and shoot the firing range. There are 15 km of trails for the Olympics in less than 10 square km. The trails were designed by John Aalborg with constant change in elevation and direction to mitigate the opportunity for racers to draft each other. Go to [www.whistlerolympicpark.com](http://www.whistlerolympicpark.com) to check out the venue. Be sure to watch the Olympics this year!!!



*Matt Sebastiani from Pinelands Farm in Maine manages the touring center and summer activities as well as being an International Biathlon Official. Matt gave us pointers and world class rules at the Olympic Center in Whistler.*



*Mickey Stone, Nordic Coordinator, shooting 10/10 and breathing heavily at the Olympic Nordic Center.*

For you FreeHeelers out there here is a USTSA Team Member rounding a gate at Tamarack Resort 2 years ago. Notice the form and discipline. If you were to look at the Matrix for Nordic Downhill or the Telemark Components from PSIA-E you will see he fits the mold. This is a great visual for entering the season.



*USTSA Team Member."*

Just a few pictures to get you excited about the season. Check the event descriptions below and sign up for one of these, no matter what. The best training technically and endurance-wise is to participate in one of these great events. Enjoy the last of the summer and step it up so you are ready for the snow.

### EARLY SEASON EVENT DESCRIPTIONS

#### Nordic Downhill

**Snowsports Management Seminar: 12/1-3 @ Mount Snow, VT.** There will be a learn-to-tele and a train-the-trainer portion again at this year's seminar. Information on rentals, pricing and lessons will also be available. Other topics like using tele to improve Alpine for Level II and III certification and teaching kids on Nordic gear will also be available.

**Mini Academy: 12/12-13 @ Killington, VT.** This is for all levels also and you can obtain Level I as in the Sno Pro Jam. Skier improvement with video and a quicker version of teaching activities for you to use to teach other students will be reviewed.

Movement analysis of other skiers with description/prescription will be utilized throughout the two to get you ready for the season. Nordic surprises here too. Mostly geared to skier improvement for yourself.

#### Tele Sno Pro Jam: 12/14-18 @ Killington, VT.

This 5-day event will take students through beginner to advance teaching activities and progressions. Practice time for the student to actually teach tele and do movement analysis with video will also take place. Personal skiing improvement with video and specialized activities for each individual is another topic for the week. Lots of skiing and repetition of good movements to get into shape and perform efficiently will be included in a relaxed atmosphere and pace. Special Nordic surprises, as usual.

**Early Season Primer: 12/12-13 @ Sunday River, ME and Seven Springs, PA.** Teaching methodologies, strategies, description/prescription for movement analysis, along with the best teaching activity for the level of student will be reviewed and practiced by all. Progressions for beginners and intermediates as well as some personal feedback for your early season skiing skills will be included. This event is guided by the group's topics and questions also.

#### Kids Academy: 12/7-8 @ Stratton, VT.

Nordic Downhill participants only. Mind/Body/Soul is the theme for this year's academy. Kids age-specific exercises that involve how the body makes things work physically will be the theme for this year. Lots of tricks, exercises, and involving their mind to overcome and understand snowsports at their level will be the topic.

#### Cross Country

**Instructor Training Course: 12/15-17 @ Bretton Woods, NH.** This 3-day course will review beginner to advanced teaching activities and strategies with your students. Practice teaching time and how to make an effective change in a student's skiing will be a major part of the clinic. Movement analysis with video for yourself and of others to unlock the secrets of the intermediate rut will be reviewed. A great way to buff up on the skills and techniques from the new Matrix, plus new information for the beginning of the season. Lots of skiing, a great way to start the year.

**Early Season Primer: 12/7-8 @ Trapp Family Lodge, VT, and 12/19-20 @ Lapland Lake, NY.** These two-day events will go snow, rain or sun. Be prepared for indoors and outdoors, if need be. An early season review of the skills, techniques, Matrix, teaching activities and personal skiing improvement to prepare you for the season of teaching. You may obtain a Level I, if need be, upgrade, or teaching practices to use during the season. These events are geared to the needs and questions of the group. Bring Classic and Skating gear. ■



# Congratulations to 20, 30 & 40 Year Members

The following PSIA-E member have completed either 20, 30 or 40 consecutive years of membership in PSIA as of the end of the 2008-2009 season. We congratulate these individuals on this outstanding accomplishment and thank them for their dedication to snowsports education. All qualifying members have received a commemorative pin and a letter of recognition directly from the national PSIA office.

## 20 Year Pins

### Level III

Stephen Ames  
Robert Beers  
Robert Borchert  
Louis Brawerman  
Thomas Chase  
John Chiarella  
Christopher Clarke  
Douglas Daniels  
Harriet Deverry  
Nicholson Eastman  
Henry Forman  
Ole Gonsholt  
David Grygiel  
Joshua David Haagen  
Douglas Hammond  
Todd Harris  
Robert Hodgkins  
Sonja Johanson  
Valerie Johnson  
Eric Jordan  
Michael Kemmer  
Robert King  
Gregory Klusewitz  
Susan Kramer  
Ron Kubicki  
John Kurowski  
Douglas Laursen  
Jeffrey Lea  
Duncan MacDonald  
Joseph Mahon  
Pamela McAfee  
William McSherry  
Matt O'Donnell  
Bonnie O'Hara  
Andrew Pearson  
Mary Philbrick  
Suzanne Newsom  
James Pottinger  
Robert Powell  
Virginia Prince  
Merrill Rollins  
David Simoneau  
Chandler Simpkins  
Edward Skwira  
Scott Studer  
Thomas Vickery  
Ronald Weaver  
Hal Westwood  
J. Frank Williamson  
Richard Wyman  
Jeffrey Zarse

### Level II

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David Bartlett  
Louis Beardell  
Alfred Bevington  
Marty Blank  
Ray Block  
James Bosco  
Dona Bowman  
Steven Buhrman  
Kevin Burgess  
Jack Caunter  
Gary Chimerane  
Mary Clark  
John Cochran  
Mary Coker  
Eugene Connors  
Martin Conroy  
Donna Cooperman  
Carmine Crescente  
Jack Cushman  
Kevin Dibb  
Richard DiGiovanna  
Wendy Dodge  
William Dunstan  
Maureen Forestell  
Richard Thomas Fox  
Sharon French  
Elizabeth Gill  
Jerry Gilliam  
Daniel Gliwski  
Kathleen Hartman  
Eliza Haselton  
David Hill  
Howard Horn  
Tim Hutchisen  
Lecia Inden McDermott  
Christine Irwin  
Joseph Kerrissey  
Janina Kusielewicz  
Thomas Lacey  
Vicki Lacey  
Jim Laroche  
Philip Laursen  
Robert Levenoood  
Bruce Lewis  
William Litts  
Rosalind Lowen  
Michael Luca  
Claire Mandel  
Stan Martin  
Roland Mattison

Ileana Maza  
James McCormack  
Kathy McGregor  
Debbie McNamara  
Penelope Moore  
Dean Morakis  
Gregory Nitz  
Timothy Panger  
William Parlett  
Fred Perrone  
Barbara Pinkham  
Joseph Piombino  
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Steven Rubin  
Martin Ruglis  
Cynthia Sanstrom  
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Peter Scheetz  
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Richard Sirois  
Kris Sjoström  
Bruce Smith  
Gerard Snee  
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Peter Stapell  
William Starr  
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Joe Stoebenu  
Mark Taylor  
Todd Vibert  
Christopher Vitali  
Ronald Wayda  
David Wensel  
William Wenton  
Curtis Witherow  
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### Level I

Carol Anderson  
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Stephen Belskis  
Anita Buyers  
Heather Buyers  
Richard Cloud  
Lauretta Conlon  
Robert Daley  
Cathleen Driscoll  
D. James Ezrow

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Carol Gregg-Weberg  
Albert B Harvey  
Stu Hochron  
Pamela Ickes  
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M. Kelly Joyce  
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Maria Kosatschkow  
George Lemerise  
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Harry Marshall  
Thomas McDermott  
Virginia Merson  
Rosemary Mitchell  
Norman Mitnick  
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Douglas Palmer  
Robert Pellegren  
Bernard Pistilli  
Robert Podewils  
Carl Ragland  
Fred Riccobono  
Ernie Rohr  
Ray Rossa  
Kirsten Ruglis  
Russ Selsor  
John Senneff  
David Silber  
Julia Silber  
Alan Sills  
Susan Smoll  
Clifford Toye  
Paul Tracy  
Dick Walters  
Virginia Walters  
David Warren  
Myron Watkins  
Marylyn Westervelt  
Jack Wintersteen  
Henry Zeloye

## 30 Year Pins

### Level III

Lloyd Alexander  
Henry Anthony  
Robin Brodbeck  
Michael Brown  
Raymond Curtis  
Gregory Davis  
Andrew Davis

Eric Dow  
Peggi-Beth Doxsee  
Donald Eatmon  
Ernesto Fagnelli  
Charles Frahm  
David Gregory  
Jock Harvey  
Ronald Hawkes  
Bruce Heine  
Mark Holmes  
Martha Kegeles  
Kenneth Kimball  
Sam Lotto  
John Macaulay  
Julien Mathieu  
Jeffrey McKinney  
Gary Schifff  
Richard Schoeller  
Lisa Shrive-Morris  
Willi Singleton  
Barry Stout  
Richard Svencer  
Paul Volkman  
James Vorozilchak  
Patricia Weisel  
Bede Wellford

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Ronald Adinolfi  
Roger Baldwin  
Tom Bickauskas  
Bob Billy  
Martha Byron  
Robert Cahill  
Nora Clements  
Julia Dutton  
Lester Faulkner  
David Flatt  
Jack Flynn  
Robert Freed  
William Gross  
Susan Hawley  
Dwight Horan  
Barbara Hyde  
Michael Leger  
Jerry Lindsley  
Armand Marchand  
Robert Marston  
Michael McGinn  
Barbara McHale  
Mary McNamara  
Erik Mentelcki  
John Morgan

Gregory Mumma  
William Pierpont  
Ray Plewacki  
Doug Renalds  
Joe Ritzo  
Stewart Roberts  
Peter Schwarz  
Mark Searle  
William Sikorski  
Jim Stith  
Robin Thomson  
Michael Tuchak  
Jack Tworek  
David Van Tassel  
Laurie Wilson

### Level I

Vilija Lescinskis  
Carol Spinrad  
Mary Sue Tanis

## 40 Year Eastern Lifetime Members

### Level III

Robert Amrein  
Peter Audet  
James Connelly  
Patricia Healey  
Ian Lipton  
Gary MacDowell  
Betsy Moody  
Richard Morris  
Sue Moses  
Leonard Pires  
Harry St Clair  
Kenneth Varney  
Richard Waryasz  
Michael Workman  
Paul Hogg  
Ted Sutton  
Reginald Willcocks

## In Memoriam

**Richard J. Bertrand**, of Braintree, MA, has passed away at the age of 60. He was an Alpine Registered member of PSIA-E, having joined in 2008. He taught at Blue Hills Learning Center, MA.

**Arnold Grant Koehler**, of Erie, PA, passed away on August 4, 2009, at the age of 62. He was an Alpine Level III member of PSIA-E, having joined in 1993. He taught at Peek 'n Peak Snowsports School, NY.

**Gordon McKenney, Jr.**, of Goffstown, NH, passed away on May 9, 2009, at the age of 76. He was an Alpine Level II member of PSIA-E, having joined in 1975. He taught at Pats Peak Ski & Snowboard School, NH. Gordon's daughter Lauren shares these thoughts: "My father taught skiing for the 42 years at Pat's Peak in Henniker, NH . . . . . (He) taught part time - but EVERY single weekend - until he retired as an engineer; he then taught full time. . . . .no one was more of an optimist, no one more eager to show up for line-up each day ... with as much vigor last year as he had 42 years ago."

**Eric J. Westerdahl**, of Williamstown, MA, has passed away at the age of 44. He was an Alpine Registered member of PSIA-E, having joined in 2006. He taught at Jiminy Peak Ski & Snowboard School, MA.

*PSIA-E/AASI extends its heartfelt sympathy to family and friends of our passing members.*

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# Alpine Schedule for 2009 - 2010

Key: # = Events non-members may attend for \$25 additional fee \* = Events with limited attendance; may fill prior to deadlines!  
 R = Events Open to Registered members ^ = Night event are 4pm – 10pm – Register at 3pm  
 P = Qualifies as Exam Prerequisite Weekend events are highlighted in blue.  
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If openings are available after the deadline date, members may be admitted based on availability.

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Absolutely no walk-ons will be admitted to any event.

## FEATURE EVENTS (Open all members and some open to non-members for an additional \$25)

Key	No	Event	Description	Location	Price	Dates	Deadline
R #	015	Snowsports School Management Seminar	For Directors & Supervisors - 2 1/2 days, banquet	Mount Snow, VT	\$225	Dec 01-03	11/11/09
R #	401	Safe Coaching	1 day; for All disciplines	Mount Snow, VT	\$105	Dec 04	11/11/09
R #	703	Children's Academy	2 days - Keynote	Stratton Mountain, VT	\$155	Dec 07-08	11/16/09
R #	702	Children's Academy	3 days - Mind - Body - Snow	Stratton Mountain, VT	\$205	Dec 07-09	11/16/09
R	701	Alpine Level I Exam	3 days at Children's Academy	Stratton Mountain, VT	\$205	Dec 07-09	11/16/09
*	021	Mini Academy	2 days; for Level III members	Killington, VT	\$195	Dec 12-13	11/20/09
*	023	Masters Academy	5 days,banquet/video,Level III	Killington, VT	\$469	Dec 14-18	11/23/09
R P *	024	Snow Pro Jam	5 days,banquet/video, Reg-L2	Killington, VT	\$409	Dec 14-18	11/23/09
R	057	Women's Seminar	2 days; female members only	Windham Mtn, NY	\$150	Jan 13-14	12/23/09
	246	U30 – Alpine	Certified Members 30 & Under	Mount Snow, VT	\$138	Mar 13-14	02/19/10
R P	279	Spring Academy	4 days; Eastern Team staffed	Mount Snow, VT	\$335	Mar 25-28	03/05/10
R	281	Alpine Spring Rally	2 days; Après Ski party	Mount Snow, VT	\$180	Mar 27-28	03/05/10

## TEAMS (Open to Level III members) DCL Exam –\$225, E-Team Exam - \$195, Prep – 2 days - \$148

Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline
	029	DCL Prep	Hunter Mtn, NY	Dec 21-22	11/30/09		169	DCL Prep	Snowshoe, WV	Feb 22-23	02/01/10
	071	DCL Prep	Cannon Mtn, NH	Jan 21-22	12/30/09		173	DCL Prep	Gore Mountain, NY	Feb 24-25	02/03/10
	086	East Team Prep	Sugarbush, VT	Jan 25-26	01/04/10		174	East Team Prep	Gore Mountain, NY	Feb 24-25	02/03/10
	088	DCL Prep	Elk Mountain, PA	Jan 27-28	01/06/10		217	East Team Prep	Whiteface Mtn, NY	Mar 04-05	02/11/10
	092	DCL Prep	Stowe, VT	Jan 27-28	01/06/10		236	DCL Exam	Hunter Mtn, NY	Mar 11-12	02/18/10
	114	DCL Prep	Mount Snow, VT	Feb 03-04	01/13/10		272	East Team Exam	Whiteface Mtn, NY	Mar 18-19	02/25/10

## RACE EVENTS (Open to all members – Open to Non-members for additional \$25) 3 days - \$250 / 2 days - \$180

Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline
R #	755	Slalom & Giant Slalom	Okemo, VT	Jan 11-12	12/21/09	R #	765	Slalom Only	Bristol Mtn, NY	Feb 01-02	01/11/10
R #	756	Slalom & Giant Slalom	Okemo, VT	Jan 11-13	12/21/09	R#	772	Giant Slalom Only	Holiday Valley, NY	Feb 03-04	01/13/10
R #	758	Intro To Racing	Butternut, MA	Jan 19-20	12/29/09	R #	766	Slalom & Giant Slalom	Gore Mountain, NY	Feb 09-10	01/19/10
R #	761	Slalom & Giant Slalom	Waterville Vly, NH	Jan 24-25	01/04/10	R #	767	Giant Slalom Only	Gunstock, NH	Feb 11-12	01/21/10
						R #	770	Slalom & Giant Slalom	Hunter Mtn, NY	Mar 09-10	02/16/10

## LEVEL I VALIDATION (Open to PSIA, NYSSRA, NHARA, PARA or USSA, members ) 2 days - \$130

Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline
R	751	NYSSRA- USSA	Windham Mtn, NY	Dec 05-06	11/13/09	R	754	PARA-USSA	Blue Mountain, PA	Jan 05-06	12/15/09
R	752	NYSSRA- USSA	Holiday Valley, NY	Dec 12-13	11/20/09	R	760	NHARA-USSA	Waterville Vly, NH	Jan 24-25	01/04/10
R	753	NYSSRA- USSA	Labrador, NY	Dec 19-20	11/27/09						

## SPECIALTY EVENTS (Open to all members) 2 days - \$145

Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline
R	033	Search Corduroy	Bromley Mtn, VT	Jan 07-08	12/17/09	R	162	Trees & Steeps	Gore Mountain, NY	Feb 22-23	02/01/10
R	047	Search Corduroy	Wisp, MD	Jan 11-12	12/21/09	R	172	Search Corduroy	Attitash, NH	Feb 24-25	02/03/10
R	042	Off Piste	Smugglers, VT	Jan 11-12	12/21/09	R	195	Trees & Steeps	Mad River Glen, VT	Mar 01-02	02/08/10
R	049	Search Corduroy	Holimont, NY	Jan 13-14	12/23/09	R	212	Search Corduroy	Liberty Mtn, PA	Mar 03-04	02/10/10
R	053	Trees & Steeps	Jay Peak, VT	Jan 13-14	12/23/09	R	216	Search Corduroy	Mt Sunapee, NH	Mar 03-04	02/10/10
R	066	Search Corduroy	Cannon Mtn, NH	Jan 19-20	12/29/09	R	208	Park Skills	Holiday Valley, NY	Mar 03-04	02/10/10
R	089	Search Corduroy	Elk Mountain, PA	Jan 27-28	01/06/10	R	227	Stance & Alignmt	Bromley Mtn, VT	Mar 08-09	02/15/10
R	094	Off Piste	Stowe, VT	Jan 27-28	01/06/10	R	233	Search Corduroy	Blue Mountain, PA	Mar 11-12	02/18/10
R	115	Search Corduroy	Mount Snow, VT	Feb 03-04	01/13/10	R	241	Off Piste	Mad River Glen, VT	Mar 11-12	02/18/10
R	125	Park Skills	Mtn Creek, NJ	Feb 07-08	01/18/10	R	270	Search Corduroy	Windham Mtn, NY	Mar 17-18	02/24/10
R	138	Search Corduroy	Jiminy Peak, MA	Feb 09-10	01/19/10	R	267	Park Skills	Whiteface Mtn, NY	Mar 17-18	02/24/10
R	152	Search Corduroy	Camelback, PA	Feb 11-12	01/21/10	R	287	Park Skills	Killington, VT	Mar 31-Apr 1	03/10/10

## SENIOR TOUR (Open to all members - Recommended for members age 55 and over) 2 days - \$138

Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline
R	035	Senior Workshop	Bromley Mtn, VT	Jan 07-08	12/17/09	R	184	Senior Workshop	The Balsams, NH	Feb 27-28	02/05/10
R	043	Senior Workshop	Smugglers, VT	Jan 11-12	12/21/09	R P	253	Senior Bumps	Belleayre Mtn, NY	Mar 15-16	02/22/10
R	069	Senior Seminar	Bretton Woods, NH	Jan 21-22	12/30/09	R P	299	Senior Bumps	Sunday River, ME	Apr 05-06	03/15/10

## REINSTATEMENT EVENTS 3 days; Call for requirements - \$205 plus dues and reinstatement fee

Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline
	250	Reinstatement	Belleayre Mtn, NY	Mar 15-17	02/22/10		278	Reinstatement	Mount Snow, VT	Mar 24-26	03/03/10

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## ART – ALPINE RESORT TRAINER (Open to Level III members) 2 days - \$183

Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline
	046	ART Workshop	Wisp, MD	Jan 11-12	12/21/09		106	ART Workshop	Mount Snow, VT	Feb 01-02	01/11/10
	048	ART Workshop	Holimont, NY	Jan 13-14	12/23/09		170	ART Workshop	Attitash, NH	Feb 24-25	02/03/10
	070	ART Workshop	Cannon Mtn, NH	Jan 21-22	12/30/09		179	ART Workshop	Wintergreen, VA	Feb 24-25	02/03/10
	082	ART Workshop	Elk Mountain, PA	Jan 25-26	01/04/10						

## WORKSHOP CLINICS (Open to all members) 2 days - \$138

Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline
R	022	Workshop Clinic	Killington, VT	Dec 12-13	11/20/09	R	168	Workshop Clinic	Snowshoe, WV	Feb 22-23	02/01/10
R	028	Workshop Clinic	Hunter Mtn, NY	Dec 21-22	11/30/09	R	176	Workshop Clinic	Snow Ridge, NY	Feb 24-25	02/03/10
R	031	Workshop Clinic	Wildcat Tracks, NH	Jan 05-06	12/15/09	R	180	Workshop Clinic	Wintergreen, VA	Feb 24-25	02/03/10
R	056	Workshop Clinic	Timberline, WV	Jan 13-14	12/23/09	R	183	Workshop Clinic	The Balsams, NH	Feb 27-28	02/05/10
R	059	Workshop Clinic	Bear Creek, PA	Jan 19-20	12/29/09	R	187	Workshop Clinic	Labrador, NY	Feb 27-28	02/05/10
R	067	Workshop Clinic	Bretton Woods, NH	Jan 21-22	12/30/09	R*	189	Workshop Clinic	Seven Springs, PA	Feb 27-28	02/05/10
R	075	Workshop Clinic	Catamount, NY	Jan 21-22	12/30/09	R	198	Workshop Clinic	Shawnee Mtn, PA	Mar 01-02	02/08/10
R	098	Workshop Clinic	Titus Mountain, NY	Jan 30-31	01/08/10	R	220	Workshop Clinic	Mount Peter, NY	Mar 06-07	02/12/10
R	112	Workshop Clinic	Kissing Bridge, NY	Feb 03-04	01/13/10	R	223	Workshop Clinic	Ski Sundown, CT	Mar 06-07	02/12/10
R	120	Workshop Clinic	Ski Beech, NC	Feb 04-05	01/14/10	R	245	Workshop Clinic	Middlebury, VT	Mar 13-14	02/19/10
R	124	Workshop Clinic	Mtn Creek, NJ	Feb 07-08	01/18/10	R	248	Workshop Clinic	Toggenburg, NY	Mar 13-14	02/19/10
R	148	Workshop Clinic	Bolton Valley, VT	Feb 11-12	01/21/10	R	258	Workshop Clinic	Wachusett, MA	Mar 15-16	02/22/10
R	156	Workshop Clinic	Mclntyre, NH	Feb 20-21	01/29/10	R	264	Workshop Clinic	Ragged Mtn, NH	Mar 17-18	02/24/10
R	159	Workshop Clinic	West Mountain, NY	Feb 20-21	01/29/10	R	304	Workshop Clinic	Sugarloaf/USA, ME	Apr 08-09	03/18/10
R	164	Workshop Clinic	Saddleback, ME	Feb 22-23	02/01/10						

## SUNDAY DOUBLE WORKSHOP CLINIC (Open to all members) – 2 days - \$138

Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline
R	079	Sunday Double	Holiday Valley, NY	Jan 24	01/04/10	R	249	Sunday Double	Okemo, VT	Mar 14	02/22/10
			Holiday Valley, NY	Jan 31					Okemo, VT	Mar 21	

## MOGUL SERIES (Some open to Registered members, all open to Cert members) Senior - \$138; 2 days - \$145

Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline
P R	091	Intro to Bumps	Elk Mountain, PA	Jan 27-28	01/06/10	P R	226	Intro to Bumps	Bromley Mtn, VT	Mar 08-09	02/15/10
P	090	Intermediate Bumps	Elk Mountain, PA	Jan 27-28	01/06/10	P	225	Intermediate Bumps	Bromley Mtn, VT	Mar 08-09	02/15/10
P R	108	Intro to Bumps	Mount Snow, VT	Feb 01-02	01/11/10	P R	251	Intro to Bumps	Belleayre Mtn, NY	Mar 15-16	02/22/10
P	107	Intermediate Bumps	Mount Snow, VT	Feb 01-02	01/11/10	P	254	Intermediate Bumps	Belleayre Mtn, NY	Mar 15-16	02/22/10
P	105	Advanced Bumps	Mount Snow, VT	Feb 01-02	01/11/10	P R	253	Senior Bumps	Belleayre Mtn, NY	Mar 15-16	02/22/10
P R	109	Women Only	Mount Snow, VT	Feb 01-02	01/11/10	P R	255	Women Only	Belleayre Mtn, NY	Mar 15-16	02/22/10
P	194	Intermediate Bumps	Mad River Glen, VT	Mar 01-02	02/08/10	P R	298	Intro to Bumps	Sunday River, ME	Apr 05-06	03/15/10
P	193	Advanced Bumps	Mad River Glen, VT	Mar 01-02	02/08/10	P	297	Intermediate Bumps	Sunday River, ME	Apr 05-06	03/15/10
P R	207	Intro to Bumps	Holiday Valley, NY	Mar 03-04	02/10/10	P	294	Advanced Bumps	Sunday River, ME	Apr 05-06	03/15/10
P	206	Intermediate Bumps	Holiday Valley, NY	Mar 03-04	02/10/10	P R	299	Senior Bumps	Sunday River, ME	Apr 05-06	03/15/10
						P R	300	Women Only	Sunday River, ME	Apr 05-06	03/15/10

## DEVELOPMENT SERIES SKIING (Open to Registered & Level I members) 2 days - \$145

Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline
R P	037	Development Series	Shawnee Peak, ME	Jan 07-08	12/17/09	R P	200	Development Series	Whitetail, PA	Mar 01-02	02/08/10
R P	093	Development Series	Stowe, VT	Jan 27-28	01/06/10	R P	239	Development Series	Loon Mtn, NH	Mar 11-12	02/18/10
R P	122	Development Series	Appalachian, NC	Feb 06-07	01/15/10	R P	261	Development Series	Whiteface Mtn, NY	Mar 15-16	02/22/10
R P ^	140	Development Series	Pats Peak, NH	Feb 09-10	01/19/10	R P	285	Development Series	Killington, VT	Mar 31-Apr 1	03/10/10
R P	144	Development Series	Sno Mountain, PA	Feb 09-10	01/19/10	R P	291	Development Series	Sunday River, ME	Apr 03-04	03/12/10

## MASTER SERIES SKIING (Open to Level II & III members) 2 days - \$145

Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline
	039	Master Series Skiing	Shawnee Peak, ME	Jan 07-08	12/17/09		240	Master Series Skiing	Loon Mtn, NH	Mar 11-12	02/18/10
	072	Master Series Skiing	Cannon Mtn, NH	Jan 21-22	12/30/09		262	Master Series Skiing	Whiteface Mtn, NY	Mar 15-16	02/22/10
^	142	Master Series Skiing	Pats Peak, NH	Feb 09-10	01/19/10		286	Master Series Skiing	Killington, VT	Mar 31-Apr 1	03/10/10
	145	Master Series Skiing	Sno Mountain, PA	Feb 09-10	01/19/10		292	Master Series Skiing	Sunday River, ME	Apr 03-04	03/12/10
	202	Master Series Skiing	Whitetail, PA	Mar 01-02	02/08/10						

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## LEVEL II TEACHING SEMINARS (Open to Level I members) 2 days - \$138

Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline
P	018	Level II Teaching	Stratton Mtn, VT	Dec 10-11	11/19/09	P	137	Level II Teaching	Jiminy Peak, MA	Feb 09-10	01/19/10
P	055	Level II Teaching	Timberline, WV	Jan 13-14	12/23/09	P	147	Level II Teaching	Bolton Valley, VT	Feb 11-12	01/21/10
P	063	Level II Teaching	Cannon Mtn, NH	Jan 19-20	12/29/09	P	178	Level II Teaching	Wintergreen, VA	Feb 24-25	02/03/10
P	078	Level II Teaching	Ski Roundtop, PA	Jan 21-22	12/30/09	P	215	Level II Teaching	Mt Sunapee, NH	Mar 03-04	02/10/10
P	111	Level II Teaching	Kissing Bridge, NY	Feb 03-04	01/13/10	P	210	Level II Teaching	Liberty Mtn, PA	Mar 03-04	02/10/10

## LEVEL II PRACTICE EXAMS (Open to Level I & Trainers) 2 days - \$138

Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	
P	017	Practice Exam	Stratton Mtn, VT	Dec 10-11	11/19/09	P	146	Practice Exam	Bolton Valley, VT	Feb 11-12	01/21/10	
P	045	Practice Exam	Wisp, MD	Jan 11-12	12/21/09	P	214	Practice Exam	Mt Sunapee, NH	Mar 03-04	02/10/10	
P	062	Practice Exam	Cannon Mtn, NH	Jan 19-20	12/29/09	P	209	Practice Exam	Liberty Mtn, PA	Mar 03-04	02/10/10	
P	077	Practice Exam	Ski Roundtop, PA	Jan 21-22	12/30/09	P	232	Practice Exam	Blue Mountain, PA	Mar 11-12	02/18/10	
P	103	Practice Exam	Massanutten, VA	Feb 01-02	01/11/10	P	259	Practice Exam	Whiteface Mtn, NY	Mar 15-16	02/22/10	
P	119	Practice Exam	Ski Beech, NC	Feb 04-05	01/14/10							
P	136	Level II Practice Exam - Part 1 Skiing with Video – price is \$180 – see website for details								Jiminy Peak, MA	Feb 09-10	01/19/10

## LEVEL III EXAM CLINICS (Open to Level II members) 2 days - \$138

Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	
	013	Part 1 Skiing	Hunter Mtn, NY	Dec 21-22	11/30/09		131	Part 1 Skiing	Elk Mountain, PA	Jan 27-28	01/06/10	
	014	Part 2 Teaching	Hunter Mtn, NY	Dec 21-22	11/30/09		132	Part 1 Skiing	Bristol Mtn, NY	Feb 01-02	01/11/10	
	064	Part 1 Skiing	Cannon Mtn, NH	Jan 19-20	12/29/09		133	Part 1 Skiing	Gore Mountain, NY	Feb 22-23	02/01/10	
	129	Part 1 Skiing	Stowe, VT	Jan 27-28	01/06/10		260	Part 1 Skiing	Whiteface Mtn, NY	Mar 15-16	02/22/10	
	130	Part 2 Teaching	Stowe, VT	Jan 27-28	01/06/10							
	113	Level III Exam Clinic - Part 1 Skiing with Video – price is \$180 – see website for details								Mount Snow, VT	Feb 03-04	01/13/10

## MASTER TEACHER CERTIFICATION Kids Zone - \$155, 2 days - \$148

Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline
P	019	Movement Analysis	Stratton Mtn, VT	Dec 10-11	11/19/09	R #	713	Intro Kids Zone	Sno Mountain, PA	Feb 09-10	01/19/10
P	032	Movement Analysis	Wildcat Tracks, NH	Jan 05-06	12/15/09		154	History Comes Alive	Sno Mountain, PA	Feb 09-10	01/19/10
P	034	Movement Analysis	Bromley Mtn, VT	Jan 07-08	12/17/09	P	153	Movement Analysis	Camelback, PA	Feb 11-12	01/21/10
P	038	Foundations of Teach	Shawnee Peak, ME	Jan 07-08	12/17/09	R #	715	Interm Kids Zone	Bousquet, MA	Feb 11-12	01/21/10
R #	705	Interm Kids Zone	Smugglers, VT	Jan 11-12	12/21/09	P	165	Movement Analysis	Saddleback, ME	Feb 22-23	02/01/10
R #	706	Interm Kids Zone	Wisp, MD	Jan 11-12	12/21/09	R #	717	Interm Kids Zone	Saddleback, ME	Feb 22-23	02/01/10
P	041	Movement Analysis	Smugglers, VT	Jan 11-12	12/21/09	R #	718	Interm Kids Zone	Gore Mountain, NY	Feb 22-23	02/01/10
P	052	Movement Analysis	Jay Peak, VT	Jan 13-14	12/23/09	P	171	Foundations of Teach	Attitash, NH	Feb 24-25	02/03/10
	068	History Comes Alive	Bretton Woods, NH	Jan 21-22	12/29/09	P	181	Movement Analysis	Wintergreen, VA	Feb 24-25	02/03/10
P	073	Movement Analysis	Cannon Mtn, NH	Jan 21-22	12/30/09	P *	190	Movement Analysis	Seven Springs, PA	Feb 27-28	02/05/10
R #	708	Intro Kids Zone	Catamount, NY	Jan 21-22	12/30/09	P	201	Foundations of Teach	Whitetail, PA	Mar 01-02	02/08/10
P	083	Movement Analysis	Elk Mountain, PA	Jan 25-26	01/04/10	R #	719	Interm Kids Zone	Whitetail, PA	Mar 01-02	02/08/10
P	100	Foundations of Teach	Titus Mountain, NY	Jan 30-31	01/08/10	P	234	Movement Analysis	Blue Mountain, PA	Mar 11-12	02/18/10
P	097	Movement Analysis	Mount Abram, ME	Jan 30-31	01/08/10	R #	722	Intro Kids Zone	Loon Mtn, NH	Mar 11-12	02/18/10
R #	709	Intro Kids Zone	Mount Abram, ME	Jan 30-31	01/08/10	R #	723	Intro Kids Zone	Blue Mountain, PA	Mar 11-12	02/18/10
P	104	Movement Analysis	Massanutten, VA	Feb 01-02	01/11/10	P	252	Movement Analysis	Belleayre Mtn, NY	Mar 15-16	02/22/10
R #	710	Intro Kids Zone	Massanutten, VA	Feb 01-02	01/11/10	R #	724	Intro Kids Zone	Wachusett, MA	Mar 15-16	02/22/10
P	116	Movement Analysis	Mount Snow, VT	Feb 03-04	01/13/10		269	History Comes Alive	Windham Mtn, NY	Mar 17-18	02/24/10
P ^	141	Foundations of Teach	Pats Peak, NH	Feb 09-10	01/19/10	P	271	Movement Analysis	Windham Mtn, NY	Mar 17-18	02/24/10

## MASTER TEACHER EXAM (Open to Certified members, must be Level II to attempt final) - \$25

Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline
	399	Master Teacher Exam	Online	2009 - 2010 season	4/1/2010						
Master Teacher Exams are \$25 per member, unlimited access											



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## ACCREDITATION PROGRAMS (Open to Level I, II, or III members) 2 days - \$175

Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline
<b>Backcountry Accreditation</b>						<b>Special Populations</b>					
	651	Snow Sense & Plan	Mount Snow, VT	Nov 07-08	10/16/09		502	VI & DD Skiers	Catamount, NY	Dec 19-20	11/20/09
	657	Collecting, Data	Maple Wind, VT	Jan 30-31	01/08/10		060	Teaching Women	Bear Creek, PA	Jan 19-20	12/29/09
	662	Putting It All Together	Maple Wind, VT	Feb 27-28	02/05/10		511	Sit Down Skiers	Mount Snow, VT	Jan 25-26	01/04/10
<b>Adaptive Accreditation</b>						<b>Sport Science</b>					
	502	VI & DD Skiers	Catamount, NY	Dec 19-20	11/20/09		095	Teaching Women	Stowe, VT	Jan 27-28	01/06/10
	509	Sit Down Skiers	Mount Snow, VT	Jan 25-26	01/04/10		529	3 Track / 4 Track Skiing	Jiminy Peak, MA	Feb 20-21	01/29/10
	529	3 Track / 4 Track Skiing	Jiminy Peak, MA	Feb 20-21	01/29/10		185	Adult Dev. & Aging	Labrador, NY	Feb 27-28	02/05/10
<b>Coaching Advanced Skiing and Racing</b>						<b>Adult Dev. &amp; Aging</b>					
	757	Course Set & Drills	Okemo, VT	Jan 11-12	12/21/09		256	Adult Dev. & Aging	Wachusett, MA	Mar 15-16	02/22/10
	759	Course Set & Drills	Waterville Vly, NH	Jan 24-25	01/04/10		050	Exercise Physiology	Holimont, NY	Jan 13-14	12/23/09
	762	Tactics & Techniques	Bristol Mtn, NY	Feb 01-02	01/11/10		061	Biomechanics	Butternut, MA	Jan 19-20	12/29/09
	763	Tactics & Techniques	Gunstock, NH	Feb 11-12	01/21/10		117	Exercise Physiology	Mount Snow, VT	Feb 03-04	01/13/10
	768	Adv Move Analysis	Attitash, NH	Feb 24-25	02/03/10		151	Biomechanics	Camelback, PA	Feb 11-12	01/21/10
	769	Adv Move Analysis	Hunter Mtn, NY	Mar 09-10	02/16/10		161	Biomechanics	Gore Mountain, NY	Feb 22-23	02/01/10
	771	Adv Move Analysis	Whiteface Mtn, NY	Mar 17-18	02/24/10		224	Science of Skiing	Bromley Mtn, VT	Mar 08-09	02/15/10
							238	Biomechanics	Loon Mtn, NH	Mar 11-12	02/18/10
							237	Science of Skiing	Hunter Mtn, NY	Mar 11-12	02/18/10

## LEVEL I EXAMS (Open to Registered members) 2 days - \$130

A new member application and current dues payment must be submitted prior to, or at the same time as Level I Exam Application.  
 Snowsports Director Signature is required on both applications.

Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline
R	701	Alpine Level I Exam	Alpine Level I Exam at Children's Academy	3 days - \$205					Stratton Mtn, VT	Dec 07-09	11/16/09
R	016	Alpine Level I Exam	Stratton Mtn, VT	Dec 10-11	11/19/09	R	177	Alpine Level I Exam	Wintergreen, VA	Feb 24-25	02/03/10
R	020	Alpine Level I Exam	Killington, VT	Dec 12-13	11/20/09	R	182	Alpine Level I Exam	Willard Mtn, NY	Feb 25-26	02/04/10
R	025	Alpine Level I Exam	Hunter Mtn, NY	Dec 21-22	11/30/09	R	186	Alpine Level I Exam	Labrador, NY	Feb 27-28	02/05/10
R	030	Alpine Level I Exam	Wildcat Tracks, NH	Jan 05-06	12/15/09	R *	188	Alpine Level I Exam	Seven Springs, PA	Feb 27-28	02/05/10
R	036	Alpine Level I Exam	Shawnee Peak, ME	Jan 07-08	12/17/09	R	196	Alpine Level I Exam	Shawnee Mtn, PA	Mar 01-02	02/08/10
R	040	Alpine Level I Exam	Smugglers, VT	Jan 11-12	12/21/09	R	199	Alpine Level I Exam	Whitetail, PA	Mar 01-02	02/08/10
R	044	Alpine Level I Exam	Wisp, MD	Jan 11-12	12/21/09	R * ^	203	Alpine Level I Exam	Bristol Mtn, NY	Mar 03-04	02/10/10
R	051	Alpine Level I Exam	Jay Peak, VT	Jan 13-14	12/23/09	NOTE: Mar 3 is 4pm-10pm and Mar 4 is 9am-4pm					
R	054	Alpine Level I Exam	Timberline, WV	Jan 13-14	12/23/09	R	204	Alpine Level I Exam	Hidden Valley, NJ	Mar 03-04	02/10/10
R	058	Alpine Level I Exam	Bear Creek, PA	Jan 19-20	12/29/09	R	205	Alpine Level I Exam	Holiday Valley, NY	Mar 03-04	02/10/10
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R	084	Alpine Level I Exam	Sugarbush, VT	Jan 25-26	01/04/10	R	219	Alpine Level I Exam	Mount Peter, NY	Mar 06-07	02/12/10
R	087	Alpine Level I Exam	Elk Mountain, PA	Jan 27-28	01/06/10	R	221	Alpine Level I Exam	Mount Pleasant, PA	Mar 06-07	02/12/10
R	096	Alpine Level I Exam	Mount Abram, ME	Jan 30-31	01/08/10	R	222	Alpine Level I Exam	Ski Sundown, CT	Mar 06-07	02/12/10
R	099	Alpine Level I Exam	Titus Mountain, NY	Jan 30-31	01/08/10	R	228	Alpine Level I Exam	Greek Peak, NY	Mar 08-09	02/15/10
R	102	Alpine Level I Exam	Massanutten, VA	Feb 01-02	01/11/10	R	230	Alpine Level I Exam	Mohawk Mtn, CT	Mar 08-09	02/15/10
R	110	Alpine Level I Exam	Kissing Bridge, NY	Feb 03-04	01/13/10	R	235	Alpine Level I Exam	Dartmouth, NH	Mar 11-12	02/18/10
R	118	Alpine Level I Exam	Ski Beech, NC	Feb 04-05	01/14/10	R *	242	Alpine Level I Exam	Liberty Mtn, PA	Mar 13-14	02/19/10
R	121	Alpine Level I Exam	Appalachian, NC	Feb 06-07	01/15/10	R	243	Alpine Level I Exam	Loon Mtn, NH	Mar 13-14	02/19/10
R	123	Alpine Level I Exam	Mtn Creek, NJ	Feb 07-08	01/18/10	R	244	Alpine Level I Exam	Middlebury, VT	Mar 13-14	02/19/10
R	128	Alpine Level I Exam	Thunder Ridge, NY	Feb 07-08	01/18/10	R	247	Alpine Level I Exam	Toggenburg, NY	Mar 13-14	02/19/10
R	135	Alpine Level I Exam	Jiminy Peak, MA	Feb 09-10	01/19/10	R	257	Alpine Level I Exam	Wachusett, MA	Mar 15-16	02/22/10
R ^	139	Alpine Level I Exam	Pats Peak, NH	Feb 09-10	01/19/10	R	263	Alpine Level I Exam	Ragged Mtn, NH	Mar 17-18	02/24/10
R	143	Alpine Level I Exam	Sno Mountain, PA	Feb 09-10	01/19/10	R	266	Alpine Level I Exam	Whiteface Mtn, NY	Mar 17-18	02/24/10
R	149	Alpine Level I Exam	Bousquet, MA	Feb 11-12	01/21/10	R	268	Alpine Level I Exam	Windham Mtn, NY	Mar 17-18	02/24/10
R	150	Alpine Level I Exam	Camelback, PA	Feb 11-12	01/21/10	R *	273	Alpine Level I Exam	Cranmore, NH	Mar 20-21	02/26/10
R	155	Alpine Level I Exam	McIntyre, NH	Feb 20-21	01/29/10	R	277	Alpine Level I Exam	Mount Snow, VT	Mar 24-25	03/03/10
R	157	Alpine Level I Exam	Snowshoe, WV	Feb 20-21	01/29/10	R	288	Alpine Level I Exam	Killington, VT	Apr 03-04	03/12/10
R	158	Alpine Level I Exam	West Mountain, NY	Feb 20-21	01/29/10	R	289	Alpine Level I Exam	Stratton Mtn, VT	Apr 03-04	03/12/10
R	160	Alpine Level I Exam	Gore Mountain, NY	Feb 22-23	02/01/10	R	290	Alpine Level I Exam	Sunday River, ME	Apr 03-04	03/12/10
R	163	Alpine Level I Exam	Saddleback, ME	Feb 22-23	02/01/10	R	293	Alpine Level I Exam	Waterville Vly, NH	Apr 03-04	03/12/10
R	175	Alpine Level I Exam	Snow Ridge, NY	Feb 24-25	02/03/10						

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## LEVEL II EXAMS (Open to Level I members) 2 days - \$183

NOTE:				Level II Part 1 Skiing includes written exam on day 2									
Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline		
026		Skiing – Part 1	Hunter Mtn, NY	Dec 21-22	11/30/09	027		Teaching – Part 2	Hunter Mtn, NY	Dec 21-22	11/30/09		
080		Skiing – Part 1	Elk Mountain, PA	Jan 25-26	01/04/10	081		Teaching – Part 2	Elk Mountain, PA	Jan 25-26	01/04/10		
126		Skiing – Part 1	Pico, VT	Feb 07-08	01/18/10	127		Teaching – Part 2	Pico, VT	Feb 07-08	01/18/10		
166		Skiing – Part 1	Snowshoe, WV	Feb 22-23	02/01/10	167		Teaching – Part 2	Snowshoe, WV	Feb 22-23	02/01/10		
191		Skiing – Part 1	Bristol Mtn, NY	Mar 01-02	02/08/10	192		Teaching – Part 2	Bristol Mtn, NY	Mar 01-02	02/08/10		
275		Skiing – Part 1	Mount Snow, VT	Mar 22-23	03/01/10	276		Teaching – Part 2	Mount Snow, VT	Mar 22-23	03/01/10		
295		Skiing – Part 1	Sunday River, ME	Apr 05-06	03/15/10	296		Teaching – Part 2	Sunday River, ME	Apr 05-06	03/15/10		
231 3 Day Exam Part 1 & 2 – Alpine Level II 3-day Exam – pre-requisite is required - Price is \$320											Waterville Vly, NH	Mar 08-10	02/15/10

## LEVEL III EXAMS (Open to Level II members) 2 days - \$183

NOTE:				Level III Part 1 Skiing includes written exam on day 2									
Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline		
085		Skiing – Part 1	Sugarbush, VT	Jan 25-26	01/04/10								
282		Skiing – Part 1	Killington, VT	Mar 29-30	03/08/10	283		Teaching – Part 2	Killington, VT	Mar 29-30	03/08/10		
302		Skiing – Part 1	Sugarloaf/USA, ME	Apr 08-09	03/18/10	303		Teaching – Part 2	Sugarloaf/USA, ME	Apr 08-09	03/18/10		
229 3 Day Exam Part 1 & 2 – Alpine Level III 3-day Exam – Price is \$320											Hunter Mtn, NY	Mar 08-10	02/15/10

# Children's Schedule for 2009 - 2010

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## CHILDREN'S ACADEMY (Open to all members – Open to Non-members for additional \$25)

Key	No	Event	Description	Location	Price	Dates	Deadline
R #	702	Children's Academy	3 days - Mind - Body - Snow	Stratton Mountain, VT	\$205	Dec 07-09	11/16/09
R #	703	Children's Academy	2 days - Keynote	Stratton Mountain, VT	\$155	Dec 07-08	11/16/09
R	701	Alpine Level I Exam	3 days at Children's Academy	Stratton Mountain, VT	\$205	Dec 07-09	11/16/09
R	704	AASI Level I Exam	3 days at Children's Academy	Stratton Mountain, VT	\$205	Dec 07-09	11/16/09

## CHILDREN'S EVENTS (Open to all members – Open to Non-members for additional \$25) 2 days - \$155

Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline
R #	705	Interm Kids Zone	Smugglers, VT	Jan 11-12	12/21/09	R#M	715	Interm Kids Zone	Bousquet, MA	Feb 11-12	01/21/10
R #	706	Interm Kids Zone	Wisp, MD	Jan 11-12	12/21/09	R #	716	Advanced Kids Zone	McIntyre, NH	Feb 20-21	01/29/10
R #	707	Kids Race	Butternut, MA	Jan 19-20	12/29/09	R #	717	Interm Kids Zone	Saddleback, ME	Feb 22-23	02/01/10
R#M	708	Intro Kids Zone	Catamount, NY	Jan 21-22	12/30/09	R #	718	Interm Kids Zone	Gore Mountain, NY	Feb 22-23	02/01/10
R #	709	Intro Kids Zone	Mount Abram, ME	Jan 30-31	01/08/10	R#M	719	Interm Kids Zone	Whitetail, PA	Mar 01-02	02/08/10
R #	710	Intro Kids Zone	Massanutten, VA	Feb 01-02	01/11/10	R #	720	Kids Bumps	Holiday Valley, NY	Mar 03-04	02/10/10
R #	711	Advanced Kids Zone	Mount Snow, VT	Feb 03-04	01/13/10	R #	721	Kids Bumps	Bromley Mtn, VT	Mar 08-09	02/15/10
R #	712	Advanced Kids Zone	Mtn Creek, NJ	Feb 07-08	01/18/10	R#M	722	Intro Kids Zone	Loon Mtn, NH	Mar 11-12	02/18/10
R#M	713	Intro Kids Zone	Sno Mountain, PA	Feb 09-10	01/19/10	R #	723	Intro Kids Zone	Blue Mountain, PA	Mar 11-12	02/18/10
R #	714	Kids Race	Gunstock, NH	Feb 11-12	01/21/10	R#M	724	Intro Kids Zone	Wachusett, MA	Mar 15-16	02/22/10

## 15 BELOW (Open to Sponsored Youth ages 10-15) 2 days - \$155

Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline
M	726	Bring It On	Killington, VT	Dec 12-13	11/20/09	M	727	Wrap It Up	Mount Snow, VT	Mar 27-28	3/5/2010

# AASI Snowboard Schedule for 2009 - 2010

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## FEATURE EVENTS (Open all members and some open to non-members for an additional \$25)

Key	No	Event	Description	Location	Price	Dates	Deadline
R #	015	Snowsports School Management Seminar	For Directors & Supervisors - 2 1/2 days, banquet	Mount Snow, VT	\$225	Dec 01-03	11/11/09
R #	015	AASI Resort Trainers	For Directors and Supervisors	Mount Snow, VT	\$225	Dec 01-03	11/11/09
R #	401	Safe Coaching	1 day; for All disciplines	Mount Snow, VT	\$105	Dec 04	11/11/09
*	404	Rider Rally	2 days, Level II and Level III	Killington, VT	\$195	Dec 05-06	11/13/09
* #	405	Rider Rally	2 days, Registered/Level I	Killington, VT	\$195	Dec 05-06	11/13/09
* R	407	Ride with the Coach	National Team Coach!	Killington, VT	\$105	Dec 07	11/16/09
R #	703	Children's Academy	2 days - Keynote	Stratton Mountain, VT	\$155	Dec 07-08	11/16/09
R #	702	Children's Academy	3 days - Mind - Body - Snow	Stratton Mountain, VT	\$205	Dec 07-09	11/16/09
R	704	AASI Level I Exam	3 days at Children's Academy	Stratton Mountain, VT	\$205	Dec 07-09	11/16/09
	477	U30 – Snowboard	Certified Members 30 & Under	Mount Snow, VT	\$138	Mar 13-14	02/19/10
R	487	AASI Spring Rally	2 days; Après Ski party	Mount Snow, VT	\$180	Mar 27-28	03/05/10

## FREESTYLE ACCREDITATION EVENTS (Not Alpine MTC Accred) (Open to all certified members) 2 days - \$175

Key	No	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	Key	No	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline
	423	Fundamental	Mount Snow, VT	Jan 31-Feb 1	01/11/10		456	Intermediate	Seven Springs, PA	Mar 01-02	02/08/10
	434	Fundamental	Blue Mountain, PA	Feb 09-10	01/19/10		472	Intermediate	Loon Mtn, NH	Mar 11-12	02/18/10

## SPECIALTY EVENTS (Open to all members) 2 days - \$155

Key	No	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	Key	No	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline
R	416	Get 'Em Stoked - Teaching Levels 1-4	Kissing Bridge, NY	Jan 25-26	01/04/10	R P	455	Skills for Riding Pipe	Seven Springs, PA	Mar 01-02	02/08/10
R P	418	Low Key It - Park & Pipe	Holimont, NY	Jan 27-28	01/06/10	R P	470	Skills for Riding Pipe	Okemo, VT	Mar 10-11	02/17/10
R	424	Ladies Choice	Mount Snow, VT	Jan 31-Feb 1	01/11/10	R P	485	Skills for Riding Park & Rails	Cranmore, NH	Mar 22-23	03/01/10

## RIDERS UPDATE (Open to all certified members, some open to registered members) 2 days - \$155

Key	No	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	Key	No	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline
R	414	Sunday Double	Holiday Valley, NY	Jan 24	01/04/10		444	Trees / Steeps	Gore Mountain, NY	Feb 22-23	02/01/10
			Holiday Valley, NY	Jan 31			445	All Mountain Focus	Snowshoe, WV	Feb 22-23	02/01/10
	430	All Mountain Focus	Bellearye Mtn, NY	Feb 04-05	01/14/10		471	Cord & Carve	Okemo, VT	Mar 10-11	02/17/10
	432	All Mountain Focus	Attitash, NH	Feb 06-07	01/15/10	R	479	Sunday Double	Okemo, VT	Mar 14	02/22/10
	433	FreeStyle	Mtn Creek, NJ	Feb 07-08	01/18/10				Okemo, VT	Mar 21	

## 200 LEVEL COURSES (Open to all certified members) 2 days - \$155

Key	No	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	Key	No	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline
P	419	Steeps	Stowe, VT	Jan 28-29	01/07/10	P ^	460	Movement Analysis	Bristol Mtn, NY	Mar 03-04	02/10/10
P	439	Riding Concepts	Hunter Mtn, NY	Feb 11-12	01/21/10			NOTE: Mar 3 is 4pm-10pm and Mar 4 is 9am-4pm			
P	446	Movement Analysis	Wintergreen, VA	Feb 24-25	02/03/10	P	465	Trees	Jay Peak, VT	Mar 08-09	02/15/10
P *	453	Riding Concepts	Seven Springs, PA	Feb 27-28	02/05/10	P	467	Moguls	Okemo, VT	Mar 10-11	02/17/10
						P	473	Riding Concepts	Bretton Woods, NH	Mar 13-14	02/19/10

## 200-300 LEVEL COURSE (Open to all certified members) 2 days - \$155

Key	No	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	Key	No	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline
P ^	436	Teaching Concepts	Pats Peak, NH	Feb 09-10	01/19/10	P	440	Teaching Concepts	Hunter Mtn, NY	Feb 11-12	01/21/10
P	437	Teaching Concepts	Wintergreen, VA	Feb 09-10	01/19/10						

## 300 LEVEL COURSES (Open to Level II or III members) 2 days - \$155

Key	No	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	Key	No	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline
P	420	Steeps	Stowe, VT	Jan 28-29	01/07/10	P	468	Moguls	Okemo, VT	Mar 10-11	02/17/10
P *	454	Riding Concepts	Seven Springs, PA	Feb 27-28	02/05/10	P	474	Movement Analysis	Bretton Woods, NH	Mar 13-14	02/19/10
P	466	Trees	Jay Peak, VT	Mar 08-09	02/15/10						



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## BACKCOUNTRY ACCREDITATION EVENTS (Snowshoes or split-board required - Cert Members only) 2 days - \$175

Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline
	651	Snow Sense & Plan	Mount Snow, VT	Nov 07-08	10/16/09		662	Putting It All Together	Maple Wind, VT	Feb 27-28	02/05/10
	657	Collecting, Data	Maple Wind, VT	Jan 30-31	01/08/10						

## EXAM PREP (Open to Level I or Level II members) 2 days - \$155

Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline
P	415	Level II Prep	Kissing Bridge, NY	Jan 25-26	01/04/10	P	442	Level II Prep	Snowshoe, WV	Feb 20-21	01/29/10
P	427	Level II Prep	Blue Knob, PA	Feb 02-03	01/12/10	P*	448	Level II Prep	Killington, VT	Feb 25-26	02/04/10
P	428	Level III Prep	Blue Knob, PA	Feb 02-03	01/12/10	P*	449	Level III Prep	Killington, VT	Feb 25-26	02/04/10
P	412	Level II Prep	Ski Beech, NC	Feb 04-05	01/14/10	P	463	Level II Prep	Sunday River, ME	Mar 07-08	02/15/10

## LEVEL I EXAMS (Open to Registered members) 2 days - \$130

A new member application and current dues payment must be submitted prior to, or at the same time as Level I Exam Application. Snowsports

Director Signature is required on both applications.

Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline
R	704	AASI Level I Exam	Snowboard Level I Exam at Children's Academy – 3 days - \$205						Stratton Mtn, VT	Dec 07-09	11/16/09
R	408	AASI Level I Exam	Shawnee Peak, ME	Jan 07-08	12/17/09	R	458	AASI Level I Exam	Whitetail, PA	Mar 01-02	02/08/10
R	411	AASI Level I Exam	Canaan Valley, WV	Jan 13-14	12/23/09	R ^	459	AASI Level I Exam	Bristol Mtn, NY	Mar 03-04	02/10/10
R	417	AASI Level I Exam	Holimont, NY	Jan 27-28	01/06/10	NOTE: Mar 3 is 4pm-10pm and Mar 4 is 9am-4pm					
R	422	AASI Level I Exam	Mount Snow, VT	Jan 31-Feb 1	01/11/10	R	461	AASI Level I Exam	Mount Pleasant, PA	Mar 06-07	02/12/10
R	429	AASI Level I Exam	Elk Mountain, PA	Feb 02-03	01/12/10	R	462	AASI Level I Exam	Ski Sundown, CT	Mar 06-07	02/12/10
R	431	AASI Level I Exam	Thunder Ridge, NY	Feb 04-05	01/14/10	R	464	AASI Level I Exam	Sunday River, ME	Mar 07-08	02/15/10
R	413	AASI Level I Exam	Appalachian, NC	Feb 06-07	01/15/10	R	469	AASI Level I Exam	Okemo, VT	Mar 10-11	02/17/10
R	421	AASI Level I Exam	Titus Mountain, NY	Feb 06-07	01/15/10	R*	475	AASI Level I Exam	Liberty Mtn, PA	Mar 13-14	02/19/10
R ^	435	AASI Level I Exam	Pats Peak, NH	Feb 09-10	01/19/10	R	476	AASI Level I Exam	Loon Mtn, NH	Mar 13-14	02/19/10
R	438	AASI Level I Exam	Bousquet, MA	Feb 11-12	01/21/10	R	478	AASI Level I Exam	Toggenburg, NY	Mar 13-14	02/19/10
R	441	AASI Level I Exam	Snowshoe, WV	Feb 20-21	01/29/10	R	480	AASI Level I Exam	Wachusett, MA	Mar 15-16	02/22/10
R	443	AASI Level I Exam	Gore Mountain, NY	Feb 22-23	02/01/10	R	481	AASI Level I Exam	Ragged Mtn, NH	Mar 17-18	02/24/10
R	447	AASI Level I Exam	Wintergreen, VA	Feb 24-25	02/03/10	R*	482	AASI Level I Exam	Cranmore, NH	Mar 20-21	02/26/10
R	450	AASI Level I Exam	Willard Mtn, NY	Feb 25-26	02/04/10	R	488	AASI Level I Exam	Stowe, VT	Mar 22-23	03/01/10
R	451	AASI Level I Exam	The Balsams, NH	Feb 27-28	02/05/10	R	486	AASI Level I Exam	Hunter Mtn, NY	Mar 25-26	03/05/10
R*	452	AASI Level I Exam	Seven Springs, PA	Feb 27-28	02/05/10	R	493	AASI Level I Exam	Killington, VT	Apr 03-04	03/12/10
R	483	AASI Level I Exam	Mtn Creek, NJ	Feb 28-Mar 1	02/08/10	R	494	AASI Level I Exam	Waterville Vly, NH	Apr 03-04	03/12/10

## RIDING ASSESSMENT / RETAKES (Open to Level I or Level II members) 1 day - \$105

Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline
	409	Lvl II Assess/Retake	Stowe, VT	Jan 11	12/21/09		410	Lvl III Assess/Retake	Stowe, VT	Jan 11	12/21/09
	425	Lvl II Assess/Retake	Blue Knob, PA	Feb 01	01/11/10		426	Lvl III Assess/Retake	Blue Knob, PA	Feb 01	01/11/10
	491	Lvl II Assess/Retake	Killington, VT	Apr 01	03/11/10		492	Lvl III Assess/Retake	Killington, VT	Apr 01	03/11/10

## EXAMS (Open to Level I or Level II members) 3 days - \$275

Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline
	457	AASI Level II Exam	Blue Knob, PA	Mar 01-03	03/08/10		490	AASI Level III Exam	Killington, VT	Mar 29-31	03/08/10
	489	AASI Level II Exam	Killington, VT	Mar 29-31	03/08/10						

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R #	703	Children's Academy	2 days - Keynote	Stratton Mountain, VT	\$155	Dec 07-08	11/16/09
R	704	AASI Level I Exam	3 days at Children's Academy	Stratton Mountain, VT	\$205	Dec 07-09	11/16/09

## CHILDREN'S EVENTS (Open to all members – Open to Non-members for additional \$25) 2 days - \$155

Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline
R#M	708	Intro Kids Zone	Catamount, NY	Jan 21-22	12/30/09	R#M	719	Interm Kids Zone	Whitetail, PA	Mar 01-02	02/08/10
R#M	713	Intro Kids Zone	Sno Mountain, PA	Feb 09-10	01/19/10	R#M	722	Intro Kids Zone	Loon Mtn, NH	Mar 11-12	02/18/10
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## ADAPTIVE FEATURE EVENTS (Open all members and some open to non-members for an additional \$25)

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R #	015	Snowsports School Management Seminar	For Directors & Supervisors - 2 1/2 days; banquet	Mount Snow, VT	\$225	Dec 01-03	11/11/09
Register @ DSUSA		Adaptive National Academy	Disabled Sports USA and PSIA Event	Breckenridge, CO	Varies	Dec 06-13	see DSUSA website
**see Disabled Sports USA website at www.dsusa.org, click on winter Sports/programs and then on The Hartford Ski Spectacular for details and application							
R	572	Adaptive Spring Rally	2 days; Après Ski party	Mount Snow, VT	\$180	Mar 27-28	03/05/10

## ADAPTIVE SPECIALTY EVENTS (Some open to non-members for an additional \$25) 2 days - \$154

Key	No	Event	School	Resort	Dates	Deadline
#R	501	ATS – Personal Skiing Improvement	Vermont Adaptive Ski & Sports	Bolton Valley, VT	Dec 19-20	11/20/09
#R	576	Working with Sit Down Skiers (Not Accred)	Vermont Adaptive Ski & Sports	Bolton Valley, VT	Dec 19-20	11/20/09
#R	504	Intro to Adaptive World	Gore Adaptive Program	Gore Mountain, NY	Jan 20-21	12/30/09
#R	505	Tethering Improvement Stand-up & Bi-Ski	Lounsbury Adaptive Ski	Holiday Valley, NY	Jan 23-24	01/04/10
#R	523	Everything Bi Ski From Beginning to End	Holimont Adaptive Program	Holimont, NY	Feb 01-02	01/11/10
#R	551	Dealing with Autism Spectrum Disorder	Okemo Ski & Ride School	Okemo, VT	Mar 08-09	02/15/10
#R	552	Experiential Mono Skiing	Okemo Ski & Ride School	Okemo, VT	Mar 08-09	02/15/10
	545	ATS – Personal Skiing Improvement (Level II Focus)	Lounsbury Adaptive Ski	Holiday Valley, NY	Feb 28-Mar 1	02/08/10

## ADAPTIVE ACCREDITATION EVENTS (Open to all Certified members) 2 days - \$175

Key	No	Event	School	Resort	Dates	Deadline
	502	Visually Impaired/Develop Delayed Skiers	Catamount Learning Center	Catamount, NY	Dec 19-20	11/20/09
	509	Working with Sit Down Skiers	AbilityPlus Adaptive Program	Mount Snow, VT	Jan 25-26	01/04/10
	529	3 Track / 4 Track Skiing	STRIDE Adaptive Sports	Jiminy Peak, MA	Feb 20-21	01/29/10

## ADAPTIVE EXAM PREP (Open to Registered, Level I or Level II members) 2 days - \$154; 1 day - \$92

Key	No	Event	School	Resort	Dates	Deadline
R	510	Adaptive Level I Exam Prep–Skiing Focus	AbilityPlus Adaptive Program	Mount Snow, VT	Jan 25	01/04/10
	511	Adaptive Level II & Level III Exam Prep	AbilityPlus Adaptive Program	Mount Snow, VT	Jan 25-26	01/04/10
R *	527	Adaptive Level I Exam Prep–Skiing Focus	Liberty Mtn Snowsports School	Liberty Mtn, PA	Feb 06	01/15/10
*	528	Adaptive Level II & Level III Exam Prep	Liberty Mtn Snowsports School	Liberty Mtn, PA	Feb 06-07	01/15/10

## LEVEL I EXAMS (For registered members) 2 days - \$189

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 Snowsports Director Signature is required on both applications.

Key	No	Event	School	Resort	Dates	Deadline
R	506	3/4 Track	New England Handicapped Sports	Mount Sunapee, NH	Jan 23-24	01/04/10
R	507	Blind/DD	New England Handicapped Sports	Mount Sunapee, NH	Jan 23-24	01/04/10
R	508	Mono/Bi	New England Handicapped Sports	Mount Sunapee, NH	Jan 23-24	01/04/10
R	516	3/4 Track	Adaptive Snowsports Program	Holimont, NY	Jan 30-31	01/08/10
R	517	Mono/Bi	Adaptive Snowsports Program	Holimont, NY	Jan 30-31	01/08/10
R	518	Blind/DD	Adaptive Snowsports Program	Holimont, NY	Jan 30-31	01/08/10
R	524	3/4 Track	Maine Handicapped Skiing	Sunday River, ME	Feb 06-07	01/15/10
R	525	Blind/DD	Maine Handicapped Skiing	Sunday River, ME	Feb 06-07	01/15/10
R	526	Mono/Bi	Maine Handicapped Skiing	Sunday River, ME	Feb 06-07	01/15/10
R	530	Snowboard Outrigger	STRIDE Adaptive Sports	Jiminy Peak, MA	Feb 20-21	01/29/10
R	531	Snowboard Sit Down	STRIDE Adaptive Sports	Jiminy Peak, MA	Feb 20-21	01/29/10
R	532	Snowboard Stand Up	STRIDE Adaptive Sports	Jiminy Peak, MA	Feb 20-21	01/29/10
R	537	3/4 Track	Wintergreen Adaptive Sports	Wintergreen Resort, VA	Feb 27-28	02/05/10
R	538	Blind/DD	Wintergreen Adaptive Sports	Wintergreen Resort, VA	Feb 27-28	02/05/10
R	539	Mono/Bi	Wintergreen Adaptive Sports	Wintergreen Resort, VA	Feb 27-28	02/05/10

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# Adaptive Schedule for 2009 - 2010

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 Absolutely no walk-ons will be admitted to any event.

## LEVEL I EXAMS (For registered members) 2 days - \$189

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Snowsports Director Signature is required on both applications.

Key	No	Event	School	Resort	Dates	Deadline
R	542	Snowboard Outrigger	Wintergreen Adaptive Sports	Wintergreen Resort, VA	Feb 27-28	02/05/10
R	543	Snowboard Sit Down	Wintergreen Adaptive Sports	Wintergreen Resort, VA	Feb 27-28	02/05/10
R	544	Snowboard Stand Up	Wintergreen Adaptive Sports	Wintergreen Resort, VA	Feb 27-28	02/05/10
R	545	3/4 Track	Vermont Adaptive Ski & Sports	Sugarbush Resort, VT	Mar 06-07	02/12/10
R	546	Blind/DD	Vermont Adaptive Ski & Sports	Sugarbush Resort, VT	Mar 06-07	02/12/10
R	547	Mono/Bi	Vermont Adaptive Ski & Sports	Sugarbush Resort, VT	Mar 06-07	02/12/10
R	550	3/4 Track	Whitetail - Schools at Whitetail	Whitetail Mountain, PA	Mar 14-15	02/19/10
R	551	Blind/DD	Whitetail - Schools at Whitetail	Whitetail Mountain, PA	Mar 14-15	02/19/10
R	552	Mono/Bi	Whitetail - Schools at Whitetail	Whitetail Mountain, PA	Mar 14-15	02/19/10
R	561	3/4 Track	Adaptive Sports Foundation	Windham Mountain, NY	Mar 20-21	02/26/10
R	562	Blind/DD	Adaptive Sports Foundation	Windham Mountain, NY	Mar 20-21	02/26/10
R	563	Mono/Bi	Adaptive Sports Foundation	Windham Mountain, NY	Mar 20-21	02/26/10

## LEVEL II EXAMS 1 to 4 day events - \$110 for first day; \$105 for each consecutive day

Key	No	Event	School	Resort	Dates	Deadline
	512	Mono/Bi	New England Disabled Sports	Loon Mountain, NH	Jan 30	01/08/10
	513	3/4 Track	New England Disabled Sports	Loon Mountain, NH	Jan 30	01/08/10
	519	Blind/DD	New England Disabled Sports	Loon Mountain, NH	Jan 31	01/08/10
	520	Skiing	New England Disabled Sports	Loon Mountain, NH	Jan 31	01/08/10
	533	Snowboard Riding	STRIDE Adaptive Sports Program	Jiminy Peak, MA	Feb 20	01/29/10
	534	Snowboard Stand Up	STRIDE Adaptive Sports Program	Jiminy Peak, MA	Feb 20	01/29/10
	535	Snowboard Outrigger	STRIDE Adaptive Sports Program	Jiminy Peak, MA	Feb 21	01/29/10
	536	Snowboard Sit Down	STRIDE Adaptive Sports Program	Jiminy Peak, MA	Feb 21	01/29/10
	541	Mono/Bi	Wintergreen Adaptive Sports	Wintergreen Resort, VA	Feb 27	02/05/10
	546	Blind/DD	Wintergreen Adaptive Sports	Wintergreen Resort, VA	Feb 27	02/05/10
	540	3/4 Track	Wintergreen Adaptive Sports	Wintergreen Resort, VA	Feb 28	02/05/10
	547	Skiing	Wintergreen Adaptive Sports	Wintergreen Resort, VA	Feb 28	02/05/10
	556	Blind/DD	Adaptive Sports Foundation	Windham Mountain, NY	Mar 18	02/26/10
	557	Skiing	Adaptive Sports Foundation	Windham Mountain, NY	Mar 18	02/26/10
	560	3/4 Track	Adaptive Sports Foundation	Windham Mountain, NY	Mar 19	02/26/10
	561	Mono/Bi	Adaptive Sports Foundation	Windham Mountain, NY	Mar 19	02/26/10
	567	Blind/DD	Adaptive Sports Foundation	Windham Mountain, NY	Mar 20	02/26/10
	568	Skiing	Adaptive Sports Foundation	Windham Mountain, NY	Mar 20	02/26/10
	571	3/4 Track	Adaptive Sports Foundation	Windham Mountain, NY	Mar 21	02/26/10
	572	Mono/Bi	Adaptive Sports Foundation	Windham Mountain, NY	Mar 21	02/26/10

## LEVEL III EXAMS 1 to 4 day events - \$110 for first day; \$105 for each consecutive day

Key	No	Event	School	Resort	Dates	Deadline
	514	3/4 Track	New England Disabled Sports	Loon Mountain, NH	Jan 30	01/08/10
	515	Mono/Bi	New England Disabled Sports	Loon Mountain, NH	Jan 30	01/08/10
	521	Blind/DD	New England Disabled Sports	Loon Mountain, NH	Jan 31	01/08/10
	522	Skiing	New England Disabled Sports	Loon Mountain, NH	Jan 31	01/08/10
	558	Blind/DD	Adaptive Sports Foundation	Windham Mountain, NY	Mar 18	02/26/10
	559	Skiing	Adaptive Sports Foundation	Windham Mountain, NY	Mar 18	02/26/10
	562	3/4 Track	Adaptive Sports Foundation	Windham Mountain, NY	Mar 19	02/26/10
	563	Mono/Bi	Adaptive Sports Foundation	Windham Mountain, NY	Mar 19	02/26/10
	569	Blind/DD	Adaptive Sports Foundation	Windham Mountain, NY	Mar 20	02/26/10
	570	Skiing	Adaptive Sports Foundation	Windham Mountain, NY	Mar 20	02/26/10
	573	3/4 Track	Adaptive Sports Foundation	Windham Mountain, NY	Mar 21	02/26/10
	574	Mono/Bi	Adaptive Sports Foundation	Windham Mountain, NY	Mar 21	02/26/10



# Nordic Schedule for 2009 - 2010

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 Weekend events are highlighted in blue.

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## NORDIC DOWNHILL FEATURE EVENTS (Open to all members and Non-members for an additional \$25)

Key	No	Event	Description	Location	Price	Dates	Deadline
R #	015	Snowsports School Management Seminar	For Directors & Supervisors - 2 1/2 days, banquet	Mount Snow, VT	\$225	Dec 01-03	11/11/09
R #	703	Children's Academy	2 days - keynote	Stratton Mountain, VT	\$155	Dec 07-08	11/16/09
R P #	604	Nordic Mini-Academy	2 days, open to all members	Killington, VT	\$148	Dec 12-13	11/20/09
R P #	605	Downhill Pro Jam	5 days, includes banquet	Killington, VT	\$329	Dec 14-18	11/23/09
	627	U30 – Nordic	Certified Members 30 & Under	Mount Snow, VT	\$138	Mar 13-14	02/19/10
R	632	Nordic Spring Rally	2 days; Après Ski party	Mount Snow, VT	\$180	Mar 27-28	03/05/10
R#P	633	Ski Improvement	Spring corn and bumps	Whiteface, NY	\$115	Apr 03-04	03/12/10
R#P	634	Norwegian Tele Fling	Spring corn and bumps	Sugarbush, VT	\$115	Apr 10-11	03/19/10

## NORDIC DOWHILL UPGRADES (Open to all members and Non-members for an additional \$25) 2 days - \$115

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Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline
R#P	602	Early Season Primer	Seven Springs, PA	Dec 12-13	11/20/09	R#P	616	Lvl I Upgrade Festival	Sunday River, ME	Feb 06-07	01/15/10
R#P	603	Early Season Primer	Sunday River, ME	Dec 12-13	11/20/09	R#P	617	Video Alpine X-over	Mtn Creek, NJ	Feb 06-07	01/15/10
R#P	606	Video Ski Improve	Bromley Mtn, VT	Jan 09-10	12/18/09	R#P	618	Teaching / Skiing	Wildcat, NH	Feb 08-09	01/18/10
R#P^	607	Ski Improvement	Bolton Valley, VT	Jan 13-14	12/23/09	R#P	619	Off Piste Adventure	Timberline, WV	Feb 09-10	01/19/10
R#P	608	Teaching / Skiing	Okemo, VT	Jan 21-22	12/30/09	R#P	620	Trees/Steeps All Lvl's	Gore Mountain, NY	Feb 22-23	02/01/10
R#P	609	Alpine X-over	Mount Abram, ME	Jan 23-24	01/04/10	R#P	621	Video Ski Improve	Blue Knob, PA	Feb 22-23	02/01/10
R#P	610	Video Ski Improve	Elk Mountain, PA	Jan 25-26	01/04/10	R#P	622	Bump/Tree Adv/Int	Mad River Glen, VT	Feb 24-25	02/03/10
R#P	611	Adv/ Interm Glades	Jay Peak, VT	Jan 27-28	01/06/10	R#P	623	Intro to Trees	Bretton Woods, NH	Feb 27-28	02/05/10
R#P	612	Alpine X-over	Holiday Valley, NY	Jan 28-29	01/07/10	R#P	624	Off Piste Adventure	Smugglers, VT	Mar 03-04	02/10/10
R#P	613	Learn to Tele	Gunstock, NH	Jan 30-31	01/08/10	R#P	625	Video Ski Improve	Sugarloaf/USA, ME	Mar 13-14	02/19/10
R#P	614	Teaching / Skiing	Stratton Mtn, VT	Feb 02-03	01/12/10	R#P	626	Lrn to Alpine X-over	Wachusett, MA	Mar 13-14	02/19/10
R#P	615	Lvl I Upgrade Festival	Seven Springs, PA	Feb 06-07	01/15/10						

## NORDIC DOWNHILL EXAMS (Open to all members with appropriate prerequisite) 2 days - \$140

Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline
	630	Level II Exam	Gore Mountain, NY	Mar 20-21	02/26/10		629	DEV Exam	Gore Mountain, NY	Mar 20-21	02/26/10
	631	Level III Exam	Gore Mountain, NY	Mar 20-21	02/26/10		628	DCL Exam	Gore Mountain, NY	Mar 20-21	02/26/10

## BACKCOUNTRY ACCREDITATION EVENTS (Open to all certified members) 2 days - \$175

Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline
	651	Snow Sense & Plan	Mount Snow, VT	Nov 07-08	10/16/09		662	Putting It All Together	Maple Wind, VT	Feb 27-28	02/05/10
	657	Collecting, Data	Maple Wind, VT	Jan 30-31	01/08/10						

## NORDIC TRACK SKATE FEATURE EVENTS (Open to all members and Non-members for an additional \$25)

Key	No	Event	Description	Location	Price	Dates	Deadline
R #	653	Instructor Train Course	3 days; Level I Exam	Bretton Woods, NH	\$148	Dec 15-17	11/23/09

## NORDIC TRACK SKATE UPGRADES (Open to all members and Non-members for an additional \$25) 2 days - \$105

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Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline
R#P	652	Early Season Primer	Trapp Family Lodge, VT	Dec 07-08	11/16/09	R#P	660	Video Ski Improve	Waterville Vly, NH	Feb 04-05	01/14/10
R#P	654	Early Season Primer	Lapland Lake, NY	Dec 19-20	11/27/09	R#P	661	Lvl I Learn To Classic	Gunstock XC &	Feb 09-10	01/19/10
R#P	655	Skate Skiing / Teach	Oles XC Cntr, VT	Jan 14-15	12/23/09	R#P	663	Skiing / Teaching	The Balsams, NH	Feb 27-28	02/05/10
R#P	656	Classic Ski / Teach	Bolton Valley, VT	Jan 20-21	12/30/09	R#P	664	Light Backcountry	Garnet Hill, NY	Feb 27-28	02/05/10
R#P	658	Level I Teaching / Skiing	Bristol Mtn, NY	Jan 30-31	01/08/10	R#P	665	Adv Skiing w/ Video Skate/Classic	Mt. Van-Hoebenber, NY	Mar 06-07	02/12/10
R#P	659	Movement Analysis with Video	Jackson XC Ski Touring Center, VT	Jan 30-31	01/08/10	R#P	666	Light Backcountry	Bolton Valley, VT	Mar 13-14	02/19/10

## NORDIC TRACK SKATE EXAMS (Open to Level I, II, or III members with appropriate prerequisite) 2 days - \$119

Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline	Key	No.	Event	Location	Dates	Deadline
	667	Level II Exam	Mtn Top XC, VT	Mar 13-14	02/22/10		668	Level III Exam	Mtn Top XC, VT	Mar 13-14	02/22/10
	669	DEV-TEAM Exam	Mtn Top XC, VT	Mar 13-14	02/22/10						



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# The AEC Method to Dialing in a Trick

by Danny Murawinski

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**F**reestyle snowboarding is huge these days, and the competition to become the best is unreal. Pros are throwing tricks that were unimaginable five years ago. Snowboarders who watch the pros on ESPN and all the snowboard videos feed off of the pros' progression. However, what most riders don't see is how much time and effort the pros put into each trick that they learn and how many times they practice the same trick to make it look as good as it does.

Progression is a big part of the enjoyment of snowboarding. Progression can be anything from learning a new trick, to becoming more dynamic, to learning how to do a J-turn. It can fuel a rider's ambition for the sport, but freestyle riders can become obsessed with progression. Once they learn a new trick they immediately move on to the next big trick. Yet, in that process they become sloppy with the tricks they already know. Sloppy tricks can be extremely dangerous and can result in injury.

As a freestyle coach I have seen many riders become obsessed with progression. To help cope

with this situation I developed three steps to dialing in a trick. I call it the AEC method, where "A" stands for accomplishment, "E" for efficiency, and "C" for consistency.

### Accomplishment

The first step to dialing in a trick is accomplishing the trick. Landing a new trick is very exciting, and normally results in an increase in the rider's confidence. The goal now is to take that excitement and confidence and to transform it to making that rider efficient at that trick.

### Efficiency

Efficiency is defined as being "effective without wasting time or effort or expense" (web definition). If a rider is efficient at a trick, the trick looks effortless, and effortless tricks tend to look the best.

This part to the AEC method focuses on tweaking that maneuver to look great, whether that is poking a grab, stalling a rotation, or simply changing their approach slightly. As a coach it is our job to come up with new ideas to make our rider's tricks look awesome.

The important thing to remember, from a coaching perspective, is to start small. Offer the rider small adjustments and only offer one idea at a time. It is easy for coaches to over-analyze the maneuver and pick out multiple things that the rider could improve on. To give successful feedback it is important that we recognize all the things that affected the rider's maneuver and pick the one thing that will have a cascading effect on the other potential problems.

Now, once the student has become efficient with a trick it is time for them to focus on consistency.

### Consistency

Consistency comes from muscle memory. Muscle memory comes from practice. As coaches, we should be watching our students during the efficiency stage for the one time they stick the trick where it looks best. At that point we should encourage the rider to perform that same trick, the same way they just did.

Once they have reached this point it is time to practice that same trick over and over, until, as Ian McAlexander, professional photographer and founder of [itmexposures.com](http://itmexposures.com), stated, they can put the trick on "autopilot". Autopilot means to perform the trick with as little effort as possible. Once they have the trick on autopilot they will become consistent with that trick. Consistency is extremely important when it comes to competition. Judges look for consistency and control, and if a rider is consistent with a trick they are also in full control of that trick as well.

In summary, honing in the skills learned from the AEC process teaches better board control, better understanding of where the body is in space, and a better feel for upper and lower body separation. In other words, if I accomplished a J-turn and I practiced it until I was consistent with it, the knowledge of how the board works and the muscle memory I gained from turning the board so many times will help me immensely when learning S-turns.

The AEC method does not make a maneuver perfect. There is no such thing as perfection in snowboarding. It is simply a way to break down the process of dialing in a maneuver. ■

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