



YOU'RE INVITED! THE 2018 FREESTYLERZ FESTIVAL AND SLOPESTYLE CLUB COMP

Dates: Saturday Feb 3, Freestylerz Festival – Sunday February 4th, Slope Comp

Location: Mt. Norquay, Banff, AB

Meeting Area: Kika's (upstairs at lodge)

Cost: \$75.00/participant for both events (including a Freestylerz Festival t-shirt)

Coaches: please provide one cheque for all team members at time of registration.

Banquet: Saturday 4 - 7:30 pm BBQ Buffet Kika's Lounge \$30/adults \$15/kids.

Registration Deadline: Entries must be received by January 26th (Max 80 athletes)

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Freestyle Canada,
AND Bow Valley Freestyle
invite you to be a part of the
2018 Freestylerz Festival Series

What is a Freestylerz Festival?

A **NEW** Freestyle Canada program designed for athletes aged 8 – 13, to experience the fun of freestyle specific terrain, have fun, make new friends, and develop skills for freestyle skiing.

Skiers will rotate through four stations (The Box/Rail, The Air Show, The Roller, The Switch) that facilitate acquisition of targeted skills. Experienced and qualified evaluators at each station will assess and mentor both athletes, and provide mentorship for supervising coaches. Each athlete will get an individual report with their scores, and a certificate celebrating their teams' accomplishment (e.g. most creative, most supportive, best effort). For those that attended last year's event, Freestyle Canada has made significant improvements to this process.

This is a team event, designed to promote positive social relationships between athletes and coaches.

Format for Freestylerz Festival:

Athletes aged 8-13 (U14) will be randomly grouped in teams of 8 with an assigned coach.* A head coach and club coach will be assigned to each of the 4 stations. A detailed schedule of the day will be provided to the teams.

***Club Requirements:**

- ✓ Clubs must send at least 1 coach/8 athletes (minimum FUNdamentalz/Club Coach trained)
- ✓ The competition will run according to the schedule which will be sent out closer to the event.
- ✓ Bibs must be worn at all times and clubs must provide their own bibs.
- ✓ Participants must hold at least Freestyle Canada 1&2 license.
- ✓ Participants must be between 8 – 13 years of age. (at dec 31)

Note on Forming Teams:

The Teams will be formed by random draw, BUT clubs should communicate if there are athletes who need extra support, or specific coach or athlete pairings needed in order to participate successfully.

Try to ensure that there is a minimum of **two (2)** athletes of the same gender together in a group. It is OK to have groups by single gender.

Why participate in the Freestylerz Festival?

- ✓ Athletes understand what skills they should work on, and what they are doing well in the Freestylerz Program.
- ✓ Parents can better understand and follow the progress of their children through detailed criteria.
- ✓ Coaches can plan subsequent training opportunities based on athlete results.
- ✓ All athletes experience personal accomplishment, while testing and learning new skills.

How Freestylerz Festivals Were Formed:

Top technical leaders from across Canada developed the FZ Festival format as an educational platform for coaches, athletes and volunteers to better understand optimal long-term development of athletes at the Learn To Train stage.

Sport Development experts collaborated for 2 years to reimagine competitions where children of all abilities could feel successful while getting a lot of mileage and feedback throughout the event.

Looking forward to seeing you at this exciting new event!

Format for Slopestyle Club Competition (Sunday):

The slopestyle course will have two air tables (small and medium) and two rail/box sections (one easy and one more difficult feature per section), making the level of difficulty well below a provincial level competition. Coaches should ensure that all athletes registering for the event can safely ski the venues.

Slopestyle will follow conventional scoring - best of two runs. Medals will be awarded for U10, U12 & U14.

A more detailed schedule will follow, but athletes will have an opportunity to ski the course on Sunday morning prior to the competition. Run 1 will be before lunch, Run 2 after lunch and medals will be awarded on the deck in front of the main lodge approximately 30 minutes after completion of the second run.

Athlete CFSA License/Membership: All athletes must have a valid CFSA license to compete.

Payment: Team Representative/Coaches are required to submit payment, providing one team cheque for all registration fees. Cheques should be submitted at the registration desk in Kika's lounge, second floor - Mt. Norquay Main Lodge.

Bibs: Clubs are asked to provide their own athletes with bibs and indicate each athlete's bib number on registration form. If clubs do not have access to bibs, there will be a limited number of loaner bibs available. A deposit of \$20.00 per bib is required and will be refunded upon bib return. One cheque for all loaned bibs is preferred.

Bios: Please submit completed athlete bios at time of registration. Bio sheet is included in email invite.

Lift Tickets: Competitors Tickets may be purchased at the Mt. Norquay Administration Building (beside the rental shop – across from the Cascade Lodge) - **Child (6-12) 24\$ + GST; 13-18 \$48 + GST** - Night Skiing will be available on Friday and Saturday for an additional **\$15.00** per participant.

Season pass holders (from a ski hill with reciprocal agreement) will receive the applicable discount as per the reciprocal agreement. Please refer to this link for further information on Mt. Norquay:

<http://winter.banffnorquay.com/>

Team Coaches: For every 8 athletes registered from your club, 1 complimentary ticket is available for a team coach.

Volunteers: Bow Valley Freestyle will have a limited number of complimentary lift tickets available for volunteers. Volunteer tickets will be provided to volunteers at the Registration Desk.

Event Cancellation: If an event is cancelled on the weekend of the event, each athlete registered will be refunded all but \$20 of their entry fee. This is because the organizing committee still needs to recover costs paid in advance.

Injury Refund: Should an athlete get injured during training for the event and cannot compete, the athlete will be refunded everything except a \$20 administration fee. Injured athletes must be a scratch at previous day's team leaders meeting to be eligible for a refund. An injury refund request must be accompanied by a CFSA accident report from the coach. Requests for refunds for other extraordinary circumstances will be considered at the discretion of the organizing committee.

Liability and Accident Insurance: All athletes, officials and other members who attend and participate in the event shall do so at their own risk. Competitors are required to have his/her own medical and life insurance and a valid competitor license. The organizing committee, Bow Valley Freestyle Ski Club, Mount Norquay, the Alberta Freestyle Skiing Association, and the Canadian Freestyle Ski Association shall not be responsible for accidents, injuries, damaged equipment or third-party claims arising from training or competition during the event.

Hotels/Accommodation:

There are many hotels in Banff, however we have secured discounted pricing at the INNS OF BANFF during the competition.

INNS OF BANFF

Superior Limited View - \$89.00 Thursday / Friday
\$99.00 Saturday

\$15.00 Upgrade for Superior Mountain View

Booking Conditions:

- Rates are Subject to 11.18% Tax
- Rates are based on Single/Double Occupancy
- Additional Adults \$20.00 / Night
- Children 16 years and under stay free when sharing with parents

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Additional Adult \$20.00

Children under 16yrs stay free when sharing with parents

Minimum 2 night stays may apply

Guestroom Reservations:

*Guests can book their individual reservations based on our availability by calling 1-800-563-8764 and referencing the **group #2210391 Bow Valley Freestyle Ski.***

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Address: 600 Banff Ave, Banff, AB T1L 1H8

Phone: [+1 800-661-1272](tel:+18006611272)

More information on the room types at the Inns of Banff is available at <http://innsofbanff.com/>

RIMROCK RESORT

Please call the Reservations team any time between 7am-11pm at 1.888.Rimrock (746-7625) or 403-762-3356 and quote group name Bow Valley Freestyle Ski Club.

Standard rooms with 2 queen beds start at \$179.00 per night, plus applicable taxes and fees and go up from there based on category.

You can also inquire about the current promotion the "Rise and Shine" package. The Friday night rate is \$198.00 and \$275.00 for Saturday night. This Package includes breakfast for 2 adults in the Primrose Restaurant.

Greg Neil

Freestylerz Festival Event Manager