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WHEN COMMUNITIES COME TOGETHER And Parents Keep Ontario Ski Racing Strong

Last weekend, while guest coaching at **Camp Fortune Ski Club**, I offered to help a parent volunteer move the rolls of B-Nets being laid on the race hill. To my surprise, they told me they didn't need any help — that they had plenty of people to manage the task — and encouraged me to continue coaching while they prepared the hill for a long season of racing.

Camp Fortune Ski Club is part of the **National Capital Division** of Alpine Ontario Alpin. Though located in Quebec just outside Ottawa, within the Gatineau Park lands of the National Capital Commission, the club traces its roots back to the **Ottawa Ski Club**, one of Canada's oldest ski clubs.

Also in the NCD Division is **Calabogie Ski Resort**, situated near Renfrew, Ontario, about an hour west of downtown Ottawa. Due to unforeseen circumstances during the 2024–25 season, the Calabogie Racing club became a travelling club, temporarily leaving its home hill. Over the summer, **Camp Fortune Ski Club welcomed Calabogie Racing** to team up with its organization, giving those families a hill to call home this season.

Back at Camp Fortune last weekend, I watched parent volunteers — including many

...races happen, and serving on committees and boards that support clubs, regions, and provincial programs.

To all the parents who installed the B-Nets on the Chute last weekend: **you are the reason ski racing remains a special sport**, and why this challenging race track continues to host some of Ontario's most memorable races. **The collaboration between Camp Fortune and Calabogie parents demonstrates the spirit of volunteerism** that defines the National Capital Division.

Thank you, to all parents, for being part of the fabric that makes ski racing so special in Ontario!
- Jacques Reid, Manager Coach Development - Alpine Ontario Alpin



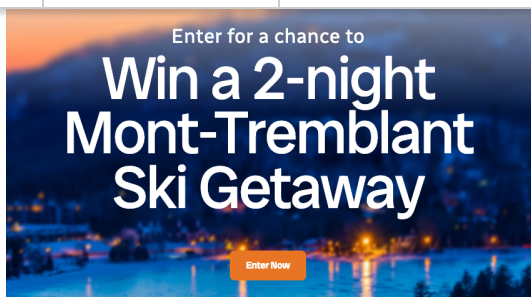
KARBON and Alpine Ontario **A Shared Vision for Ski Racing Excellence**

Karbon has become a **familiar and trusted presence** across Ontario's ski racing community — from training lanes at Searchmont to podium moments on the Mackenzie Cup circuit and the jackets worn by **Ontario Ski Team athletes**. As a Canadian leader in **high-performance alpine apparel**, Karbon's partnership with Alpine Ontario supports athletes and coaches across **every stage of the development pathway**.

Rooted in **shared values of innovation, resilience, and long-term athlete development**, this collaboration extends far beyond outfitting teams. It reflects a commitment to creating the conditions for **Ontario athletes to train, compete, and progress at the highest levels**.

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UNIVERSITY SKI RACING

Plan Early, Keep Options Open

For **teen athletes (U14-U21)**, **ski racing and academics can coexist** with the right planning. Exploring university ski racing early gives families the chance to **create a roadmap that keeps competitive goals alive while preparing for post-secondary education**. Success on the slopes and in the classroom isn't an either/or choice—it's about **balance, long-term development, and building the skills** needed for both sport and life beyond skiing.

Post-secondary programs in Canada and the U.S. offer **top-tier coaching, team environments, and competitive opportunities** that help athletes continue progressing into their early twenties. Canadian pathways focus on national competitions, including the **Canadian University Championship**, while U.S. programs range from **NCAA varsity teams to USCSA** options. Understanding these pathways early helps athletes and families make **informed choices for their future**.

Learn more: [Read the full article HERE](#)





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WOMEN IN COACHING WEBINAR
Featuring Marie-Ève Bouillanne
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Leading Alpine Canada's Women's Development Team
February 2, 2026

Join us as we meet Canadian Development Alpine Ski Team coach Marie-Ève Bouillanne, who will share insights from leading Alpine Canada's Women's Development Team. This session explores **building competence and confidence in high-performance coaching**, navigating the challenges and triumphs of stepping into a lead role, and continuing personal development on and off the snow. Marie-Ève will also reflect on **self-awareness and her personal coaching dashboard**, offering practical takeaways for coaches at every level.

Coach education credits will be available for participants

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WOMEN IN COACHING ON-SNOW SESSION **ACA | CSIA Collab**

February 2, 2026

Join us for a dedicated day of **inspiring on-snow sessions, targeted for women coaches, professional development, and mentorship that features additional crossover sessions with** CSIA Women in Skiing. This collaborative event brings together women coaches and instructors from across the country and province to learn from experienced leaders, share knowledge, and build connections that strengthen confidence, competence, and community in coaching.

[Register for WIC ON-SNOW HERE](#)

If you are dual certified ACA/CSIA, check out the three-day Women in Skiing Summit below.



**ATTENTION : CSIA | ACA CERTIFIED FEMALES
WOMEN IN SKIING SUMMIT**

February 3–5, 2026 | Collingwood, Ontario

Happening in Collingwood is a three-day Women in Skiing Summit designed exclusively for **CSIA female ski instructors** and **dual ACA-certified coaches**. From **February 3–5, 2026**, connect with **top Level 4 course conductors** from across Canada for inspiring on-snow sessions, professional development, and meaningful mentorship.

This immersive event blends **high-level skiing, skill progression, leadership development, and community building**—all wrapped in an atmosphere of collaboration, confidence, and fun. Come ski, learn, connect, and celebrate women shaping the future of Canadian skiing.

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EARLY SEASON DL TRAINING

Bringing Coaches Together

During the holidays, a group of **coaches and facilitators** helped spread the spirit of coaching by taking part in a Development Level Coaching Course at **Craigleith and Beaver Valley** from December 20–24. **Fifteen coaches** took advantage of this early-season opportunity, and we are grateful to both ski hills for supporting their training.

Over five days, the coaches free-skied, set and skied courses, coached others, attended lectures, collaborated on group tasks, and were evaluated on their skiing and course-setting skills. It's always inspiring to see a group of coaches build rapport and teamwork in such a short time.

What stood out most was their **collective spirit**—they set aside egos to create a shared commitment to working together for the greater good.

Thank you to all the coaches who participated, and to our facilitators:

Rick Cook – Lead Facilitator

Richard Vendrig – DL Facilitator in Training

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