



Dear Parent / Guardian,

Welcome and thank you for enrolling your child in our Big Ben Ski and Snowboard School Program this season. Most of our ski school instructors who will be teaching your children are graduates of the ski program.

This season will be our 36th season in operation in Cornwall!

Our Ski and Snowboard Program will commence on the following dates:

Thursday, January 5th, 2012	Snowboarding	Beginner	5:45 - 6:30 p.m. Max 7
	"	Beginner	7:00 - 7:45p.m. Max 7
	"	Beginner	8:05 - 8:50 p.m. Max 7
Saturday, January 7th, 2012	Group 1 - Mighty Mites (Beginner)		11:30 - 12:15 a.m. Max 8
	"	Group 2 - Mighty Mites (Novice)	1:00 - 1:45 p.m. Max 8
	"	Group 3 - Sno Owls (Beginner)	2:15 - 3:00 p.m. Max 10

Note: If classes are filled, other classes may be added to the program

Please Note: In the event of unfavourable weather for skiing, e.g. heavy rainfall, icy conditions, on your lesson day, please contact our facility at 933-6377 for up to date information on ski conditions.

Please keep in mind that children will progress at different rates and we encourage you to praise their efforts and acknowledge their achievements. In addition to learning how to ski, this program will provide your children with a healthy form of exercise and the opportunity to make new friends.

Lessons will be only made up when the facility is closed due to poor ski conditions. Please ensure that your child attends all of his or her lessons if possible. Please notify the ski facility if your child is unable to attend his or her lesson.

If you have any questions please call our ski line and we will be glad to answer any inquiries about our programme and any other questions regarding ski or snowboard equipment.

Reminder: In order to progress as a skier and/or snowboarder you must attend all lessons and practice regularly! The lift ticket that you receive on the day of your lessons is good for the time before and after the lesson; Use this time to practice and enjoy the hill!

Contact Big Ben at **613-933-6377** for any further information.

See you at the hill.

Sincerely,
Jack Ruest
Leader Sports

Please return your registration form and payment to:

Leader Sports
c/o Jack Ruest
6804 Riverview Dr.
Cornwall, ON K6H 7M1

Helpful Tips

Wearing an approved ski / snowboard helmet is highly recommended to help protect your skull. Helmets do however have limitations of which the user needs to be aware. Snowsport helmets are insulated for cold weather and provide the best impact protection coverage specific for this type of sport. Other helmets are designed specifically for the nature of cycling and do not provide the necessary protection required for snow sports.

How long before I know how to ski/board?

Time lines will differ for everyone but the determining factor is whether or not you take a lesson. Those who enroll in *private lessons* are given the skills needed to progress safely and quickly. Many people choose to do it alone and it can be done but it may be a longer and more painful road to enlightenment. Skiers who enroll in *ski lesson* programs will usually acquire fairly good balance along with the ability to stop and change direction on mellow slopes. The learning curve for snowboarding is a little flatter when starting off so you can expect to take a couple of days to master these same skills. Remember, everyone is different and will progress at different speeds. If you excel more quickly, try to spend time mastering the basics before you rush off to the steeper slopes so your progression won't be stunted by a lack of the basics. If it takes you a bit longer to catch on, don't fret. Enjoy being out on the slopes, do only what you are comfortable with and before you know it you'll be sliding circles around your friends ... *especially the ones that didn't take a lesson.*

REMINDER: IN ORDER TO PROGRESS AS A SKIER AND/OR SNOWBOARDER YOU MUST ATTEND ALL LESSONS AND PRACTICE REGULARLY! THE LIFT TICKET THAT YOU RECEIVE ON THE DAY OF YOUR LESSONS IS GOOD FOR THE TIME BEFORE AND AFTER THE LESSON; USE THIS TIME TO PRACTICE AND ENJOY!

- ❖ **ALL SKI AND SNOWBOARD EQUIPMENT MUST BE SUPPLIED BY REGISTRANT.**
- ❖ Students should arrive at Big Ben 15 minutes prior to lesson and report to the Snack Bar Attendant for attendance. It is suggested that some type of protective head gear for younger children be worn when skiing.

REFUND POLICY

1. A partial refund to be granted, other than for medical reasons, if notification received 48 hours prior to second lesson.
 2. All refunds subject to a \$5.00 Administration Fee and to be Pro Rated.
- ❖ **Depending on the snow and ski conditions, the Ski Program may be interrupted when lessons have been scheduled. Please contact our Ski Line for up to date information on whether your lesson has been postponed, 933-6377.**

Signature of Parent or Guardian

Signature of Applicant

Release of Liability, Waiver of Claims, Assumption of Risks and Indemnity Agreement

BY SIGNING THIS DOCUMENT YOU WILL WAIVE CERTAIN LEGAL RIGHTS, INCLUDING THE RIGHT TO SUE.

Please read carefully before signing.

Name of Participant _____

Address _____

Date of Birth _____ / AGE _____

To: Big Ben Ski Center , 1568607 ONTARIO INC, The Corporation of the City of Cornwall, 2113467 ONTARIO INC, and its directors, officers, employees, instructors, agents, representatives, volunteers, independent contractors, subcontractors, sponsors, successors and assigns (**hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Releasees"**).

I am aware that THE RELEASEES and their Ski and Snowboarding Programs have in addition to the usual dangers and risks inherent in the sport of snow skiing/snowboarding, certain additional dangers and risks including, but not limited to, the danger and risk of collision with natural and man-made objects with other skiers and spectators, and I freely accept and fully assume all such dangers and risks and the possibility of personal injury, death, property damage or loss resulting therefrom.

In consideration of the releasees permitting my participation in "the Program" and permitting my use of the lifts, ski runs, trails, terrain parks, race courses, restaurants, day lodge and other ski area facilities (hereinafter "the facilities"), and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is acknowledged, I hereby agree as follows:

TO WAIVE ANY AND ALL CLAIMS that I may have against the Releasees, the Program, the Program sponsors, and their directors, officers, employees, agents, and representatives, and any volunteers in any way associated with the Program, (all of whom are hereinafter collectively know as "the Releasees").

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TO RELEASE THE RELEASEES FROM ANY AND ALL LIABILITY for any loss, damage, injury or expenses that I may suffer as a result of my participation in the Program due to any cause whatsoever, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, NEGLIGENCE, BREACH OF CONTRACT, BREACH OF STATUTORY DUTY OF CARE OR OTHER DUTY OF CARE, INCLUDING ANY DUTY OF CARE OWED UNDER THE OCCUPIERS LIABILITY ACT, RSO 1990, C.02 OR ON THE PART OF THE RELEASEES, AND ALSO INCLUDING THE FAILURE ON THE PART OF THE RELEASEES TO TAKE REASONABLE STEPS TO SAFEGUARD OR PROTECT ME FROM THE RISKS, DANGES AND HAZARDS REFERRED TO ABOVE.

TO HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNIFY THE RELEASEES from any and all liability from property damage or personal injury to any third party, resulting from my participation in the Program or use of the Ski Area and its facilities; AND THAT, this Release of Liability shall be effective and binding upon my heirs, next of kin, executors, administrators and assigns in the event of my death.

I am the full age of 19 years and I have read and understood this Release of Liability prior to signing it, and I am aware that by signing this Release of Liability I am waiving certain legal rights which I, or my heirs, next of kin, executors, administrators and assigns may have against the releasees.

Signed this _____ day of _____

Witness

Signature of Participant

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian

THIS AGREEMENT MUST BE COMPLETED IN FULL, DATED AND SIGNED BY THE PARTICIPANT (AND PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN IF NECESSARY) AND DULY WITNESSED, BEFORE THE PARTICIPANT WILL BE PERMITTED IN THE PROGRAMS.