



# Volunteer Torch



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## Up Coming Events!

- ◆ November 1st to 6th - America's Cup Bobsled and Skeleton @ Verizon Sports Complex
- ◆ November 13th to 20th - FIBT AIT World Cup Bobsled and Skeleton @ Verizon Sports Complex
- ◆ November 26th - Smucker's Stars on ICE @ Olympic Center
- ◆ December 12th to 18th - Viessmann World Cup Luge @ Verizon Sports Complex
- ◆ December 19th to 23rd - 2005 Lamb Lumber FIS World Cup Nordic Combined "B" @ MacKenzie-Intervale Ski Jumping Complex
- ◆ December 30th - New Years Masters Ski Jump @ MacKenzie-Intervale Ski Jumping Complex
- ◆ January 5th to 9th—The Geoff Bodine Bobsled Challenge @ Verizon Sports Complex
- ◆ January 6th to 8th - Lake Placid Synchronized Skating Competition @ Olympic Center
- ◆ January 16th to 22nd - FIS Freestyle World Cup - Nature Valley Freestyle Cup @ Whiteface & MacKenzie-Intervale Jumping Complex
- ◆ January 21st - The 24th Annual Lake Placid Loppet @ Verizon Sports Complex X-Country Center
- ◆ February 10th to 26th - 2006 Winter Olympic Games in Torino, Italy, to volunteer visit [www.torino2006.com](http://www.torino2006.com)
- ◆ February 21st—Harlem Globetrotters 7pm @ Olympic Center
- ◆ March 6th to 12th - NOKIA Snowboard FIS World Cup/2006 State Farm US Snowboard Cup @ Whiteface
- ◆ March 17th to 19th - snow.down @ Olympic Center

\*\*Schedule is subject to change.



## Lake Placid Olympic Venues Information

Verizon Sports Complex  
Tony Carlino Venue Manager

*What happens at the Verizon Sports Complex?* The Verizon Sports Complex hosts a wide variety of activities. First as you enter the complex from Route 73, to your right is the Biathlon Area. This area hosts a biathlon range and waxing facilities that are utilized in the summer and winter. In the summer the mountain biking operation is based here and utilizes all of the cross country trails at the complex. In the warmer months, you can also try target shooting on the biathlon range. On the opposite side of the access road from the range is the cross-country area, offering over 30 miles of regularly groomed trails and lodge with a snack bar and ski shop. The road ends with the combination track, built in 1999– 2000 which allows bobsled, luge, and skeleton athletes to train from approximately October until April. The venue also offers rides to the public on the 1980 Olympic track in the summer and winter months.



*What types of events are held at the Verizon Sports Complex?* Almost every winter there are World Cup events held at these facilities. World Cups, America's Cups, World Championships, Junior Olympics, and public races are just some of the different events held in all the sports.



*What type of athletes will we see if we visit the venue?* You will see cross-country, biathlon, bobsled, luge, and skeleton athletes practicing daily at the facility. You will also see the general public cross-country skiing and taking rides on the bobsled track.



*Will I be able to see the athletes training?* There are various areas where you can see athletes training, especially at the combination track. There are great viewing areas. The best time to see athletes are during events.



*Are there any cross country races?* The cross country center has an annual race, The Loppet. It is a 25k or 50k race in classic or freestyle skiing. This is a great event and has upwards of 500 or more participants.



*How can you be a part of the excitement?* Volunteers are needed for all of the events that are held at the Verizon Sports Complex. At the cross country center they are in need of many people on the course for the Loppet. At the track we are also looking for stewards. These positions are mostly outside locations and in places where you can see most of the action. And sometimes you are even participating in the awards ceremonies where you will see these world class athletes up close and personal.





A big Thank You goes out to all the volunteers that helped execute the 2006 North Atlantic Figure Skating Championships from October 19th to the 22nd. All of the help was greatly appreciated. A great job was done by volunteers, judges, and competitors. It was truly exciting to watch all the skaters perform their numbers!



# Attention Sliding Sports Volunteers!



**FIBT  
AIT  
WORLDWIDE**



**Bobsleigh & Skeleton  
World Cup Tour  
Verizon Cup**

At the Verizon Sports Complex from November 13th to the 20th there will be athletes from all over the world training and competing in the FIBT AIT Worldwide Bobsleigh & Skeleton World Cup Tour - Verizon Cup. These World Cup athletes are all vying for a spot on their respective Olympic teams. So this will make for very exciting sliding! We are looking for steward volunteers during competition days. So what do stewards do? They are the ambassadors for the track, informing the general public of the best viewing and making sure the patrons do not inhibit the competition. Here are the dates and times we are looking for.

- November 17th 8:30am to Noon
- November 18th 8:30am to 4pm
- November 19th 8:30am to Noon
- November 20th 8:30am to 12:30pm



And then in December we have the 5th Viessmann World Cup Luge from the 12th until the 18th, with athletes hoping to make the Torino Winter Games. Compared to the last couple of years there will be more teams participating.



The following are the dates that we are looking for more stewards.

- December 16th 10:30am to 3:30pm
- December 17th 9:30am to 3:30pm

Finish times are approximate, weather and track conditions permitting. There is no need to pack a lunch as we will provide one for you. If you are interested please contact us at [volunteers@orda.org](mailto:volunteers@orda.org) or 1-800-462-6236 ext 286 and give your name, phone number or email and available dates. We will be in touch with you as soon as possible. There are only a limited number of volunteering spots available so please sign up soon!



## 2005 Lamb Lumber FIS World Cup Nordic Combined "B"

The weather was outstanding for training during the Flaming Leaves Festival and the jumping was awesome despite the change to cool, damp conditions. Once again our volunteers withstood some unpleasant weather and made the best of the day for the international jumpers. Some of the same athletes will be coming back compete in our Nordic Combined World Cup "B" in December. The schedule is short and sweet - the athletes are training on the 19th of December and competing December 20th and 21st from 10am to 3pm. So take a break from all of the shopping and baking for the holidays and watch some great ski jumping and cross-country racing at the Olympic Ski Jumping Complex.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact us at [volunteers@orda.org](mailto:volunteers@orda.org) or 1-800-462-6236 ext 286 and you will be contacted by our volunteer coordinator for the event!

