



Volunteer Torch



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Up Coming Events!

- ◆October 1st & 2nd - 13th Annual Oktoberfest @ Whiteface
- ◆October 7th, 8th & 9th - 5th Annual Flaming Leaves Festival & Continental Cup @ MacKenzie-Intervale Ski Jumping Complex
- ◆October 18th to 22nd - North Atlantic Figure Skating Championships @ Olympic Center
- ◆November 1st to 6th - America's Cup Bobsled and Skeleton @ Verizon Sports Complex
- ◆November 13th to 20th - World Cup Bobsled and Skeleton @ Verizon Sports Complex
- ◆November 26th - Smucker's Stars on ICE @ Olympic Center
- ◆December 12th to 18th - World Cup Luge @ Verizon Sports Complex
- ◆December 19th to 23rd - World Cup "B" Nordic Combined at the MacKenzie-Intervale Ski Jumping Complex & Verizon Sports 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 13th to 15th - ISIA Figure Skating Competition @ Olympic Center
- ◆January 16th to 22nd - World Cup Freestyle @ 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

- ◆March 6th to 12th - World Cup Snowboard @ Whiteface

**Schedule is subject to change.



Lake Placid Olympic Venues Information

Whiteface
Venue Manager Jay Rand

Who goes to Whiteface? Skiers, Snowboarders and just about anyone that would like to see the Adirondacks from a bird's eye view. Whiteface's Cloudsplitter Gondola allows skiers and non-skiers to ride up to its scenic overlook at the top of Little Whiteface.



What type of events does Whiteface offer? Whiteface has events almost every weekend in the winter, such as halfpipe and rail jams, slopestyle and NASTAR races. Whiteface also hosts alpine NYSEF (New York Skiing Educational Foundation) races for athletes in their programs around the northeast area and beyond. World Cup freestyle and World Cup snowboard events are also coming back to Whiteface for this winter.



Tell us more about the World Cup events at Whiteface? World Cup freestyle has its competitions in moguls on January 20 and 22 on the Wilderness trail. World Cup snowboard has its competition for Parallel Giant Slalom on March 9th, Halfpipe qualifications on the 10th, Halfpipe finals and Snowboardcross women's qualifications on the 11th, and Snowboardcross qualifications and finals on the 12th. The trails being used for World Cup snowboard are Draper's Drop for PGS, Bear for Half pipe, and Boreen for Snowboard Cross.



Can I learn to ski or snowboard at Whiteface? Whiteface has an excellent Snowsports School and Kids Kampus learning area. Learning to ski is easy for everyone with the Parallel from the Start program, and snowboarding has been easier with the Learn to Ride program with Burton. So mix it up on one of our learning trails, the Mixing Bowl. Kids Kampus is specifically oriented for children ages 3 to 12 to learn to ski or to snowboard, with an entire trail system and lift designated for their learning. The Snowsports School and Kids Kampus are open daily, during holidays they are particularly busy, and it's highly suggested to make reservations for private lessons or Kids Kampus programs.



What can you do at Whiteface in the spring, summer and fall? The Cloudsplitter Gondola runs to the top of Little Whiteface and allows you to see the beautiful surrounding area. Along with the view, you could also do some downhill mountain biking or even go on a guided hike through some of Whiteface's great hiking trails. The Veteran's Memorial Highway also leads visitors to the very highest of the two peaks of the ski area where there is an awesome elevator to the top or hiking trail. And yes, the elevator is in the middle of the mountain! Also the mountain rents its space for social gatherings such as weddings. So don't be surprised to see a bride and groom in the summer or even the winter!

What can a volunteer do at Whiteface? In different areas of the World Cup competition, skiers and snowboarders and volunteers that do not know how to ski at all are encouraged to volunteer. We normally look for volunteers to assist in the following areas stewards, hand timing, scoring, chaperones, gate keepers, side-slippers, and much more.



Columbus Day weekend will be celebrated with the Flaming Leaves Festival, presented by Citizens Bank. There will be vendors, crafts, great food, games, a silent auction and musical entertainment with Dave

Nichols and Spare Change along with Roy Hurd and Frank Orsini. The athletic highlights will come in the form of three ski jumping events – a Super Tour event on Friday including the second leg of the Art Devlin Cup, and Continental Cup international ski jumping events Saturday and Sunday.

These jumping meets will feature many of the top athletes from the United States Ski Team, a group of elite jumpers from abroad and a contingent of USA women who are now recognized as the best women's ski jumping team in the world. For some of the men, this will mark an opportunity to begin qualifying for the 2006 Olympic Winter Games in Torino, Italy. In all, jumpers from 11 nations will participate.



Be part of the action, volunteers are needed; please contact Peter and Heidi Roland at hproland@northnet.org or here at the Olympic Center at 1-800-462-6236 ext. 286 as soon as possible.

The Flaming Leaves Festival, presented by Citizens Bank, will also offer the Great Golf Ball Roll, a fundraiser for the New York Ski Educational Foundation.

ORDA CEO Resigns

As you may know, Ted Blazer, ORDA President and CEO for the past nine and a half years, departed our organization on September 5. He is now working for the engineering firm of Clough Harbour and Associates, based in Albany.

Ted will be missed – he worked for ORDA for nearly 20 years – but remains a resident of Lake Placid. He is commuting weekly to Albany.

Meanwhile, Jeff Byrne, ORDA Senior Vice President, is the acting President and CEO until a permanent replacement is found.



The North Atlantic Figure Skating Championships is the first step for many skaters on the road to Torino. Taking place October 18-22 at the Olympic Center, skaters from the juvenile through senior levels will compete for the chance to move on to either the Eastern Sectional Championships or Junior National Championships. At Easterns skaters placing in the top four move onto the US National Championships and it is there that the US Olympic Team will be chosen.

The North Atlantic region covers New York, New Jersey and part of Pennsylvania. This year there will be 411 competitors making North Atlantic the biggest regional competition in the country. They will be competing in ladies & men's singles, pairs and ice dancing.

We are still looking for volunteers for the event so please contact us at 1-800-462-6236 ext 286 or email us at volunteers@orda.org. ~Contributed by: Mary-Elizabeth Wightman Olympic Center Department Assistant



The New York Olympic Regional Development Authority (ORDA) has announced that Whiteface, 10 miles from Lake Placid, will host its 14th Oktoberfest on Oct. 1-2 at the ski center.

Oktoberfest activities will include original vendors, arts and crafts, children's rides including the popular hayride, Bavarian food, drink and entertainment. Die Schlauberger will make its yearly trek to Whiteface and perform under the red tent outside the base lodge. Also performing will be the Lake Placid Bavarians, Ed Schenk on the accordion, Die Lustigen Almdudler, popular juggler Stephen Gratto and others.



A second entertainment tent, behind the Cloudspin Lounge, will feature Schachtelgebirger Musikanten (Scha-Musi).

The Cloudsplitter Gondola ride will bring visitors and residents alike to the summit of Little Whiteface for stunning views of the Adirondack foliage. The Whiteface Mountain Veterans Memorial Highway will also be in operation enabling visitors to journey to the top of the state's fifth highest peak.

Oktoberfest will be held Saturday from 10 am - 6 pm and Sunday from 10 am - 5 pm. A complimentary shuttle service will be provided both days. Departure from the Olympic Center Box Office in Lake Placid takes place at 11 am, 1 pm and 3 pm. The bus will depart Whiteface and return to Lake Placid at 2 pm, 4 pm and 5:30 pm.

The shuttle will also service Wilmington with stops at the Candyman, located on the corner of Routes 86 and 431, at 12 pm and 5:30 pm.

Daily admission for adults is \$10 for the festival; \$16 for the festival and a gondola ride. The junior and senior price is \$5 for the festival and \$11 for both. Children six years of age and under are admitted free of charge. Kodak Sites Passports will be honored for admission.

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