



*The Snowstorm Troopers:
Winners of the Midget costume
awards.
Photo: Jeff Bell*

General News

Race Season Magic!

We've had an incredible race season for all of Hollyburn (and it's not over yet)! Many other clubs have remarked about how positive and strong our club is these days. Big thanks to all the volunteers, coaches and parents that have been busy supporting our athletes.

We had over 30 Hollyburn kids attend the *Midget Champs* at Stake Lake. We saw some fantastic results and our club placed second overall. But it was really the Hollyburn spirit that made this event so special.

Our race team has been on the road nonstop this winter attending *BC Cups* in Salmon Arm and Prince George and many of our youth skiers have been coming home with some new hardware hanging around their necks! We also had eight of our race team youth attend the *BC Winter Games* in Fort St John.

Closer to home over the winter we've had fantastic club efforts and great results at our events at Whistler Olympic Park for *Coast Cups* and *Western Canadian Champs*!

Operation Snowball is Melting! PLEASE DONATE!

We are in the final phase of operation Snowball. **The club has raised just over \$4K and we need to get to \$10K** in order to unlock \$5K of matching funds. PLEASE...if you have not donated yet we need your help! All donations will receive a tax receipt. We are now targeting donations in the range of \$100-\$500...but any amount helps so please give what you can! Here is the link:

<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/cross-country-ski-de-fond-canada/p2p/the-100-campaign/page/operation-snowball-2020/>

Jackrabbit News

Our jackrabbits have been improving tremendously over the winter; in fact, everyone's technique was so good that they all escaped the trolls during the annual Birkie! On a separate note, it was so fantastic to see so many jackrabbits out at the February Coast Cups. We see a bright future for all these young up and comers!



Race Team Report

We are preparing for our most important races of the season: BC Champs and Ski Nationals. Our team has been following a very specific training plan and we are hoping to achieve our best results at these two races. Ski Nationals are being held at Sovereign Lake in late March. We are excited for BC to host! See more details here: <https://www.skinationals2020.ca/>

Dates to Note

Please get into the habit of looking at our website calendar to plan anything club related: <http://www.hollyburnxc.ca/events/>

March 7 & 8: Final Weekend Sessions

March 6,7 & 8: BC Champs in Kelowna

March 10-12: Final Weekday Sessions

March 25-April 2 : Canada Ski Nationals

April 3: Volunteer Appreciation Night at Wildeye Brewing

April 5: Fun Day up Cypress (race team hosts the jackrabbit/TA kids).

Speedy Jackrabbit at Coast Cup 4!



Track Attack Update

Our Track Attack program is thriving! 2020 Midgets was one of the most well attended Midgets in Hollyburn history. The collective effort was impressive. From early morning wax team, to crock pot stirrers to sibling babysitters to coaches...we really have something special going on with our Track Attack program. Big congrats to the sportsmanship of all our athletes too. This stage in development is all about kids finding true love for the sport!



2020 Midgets Crew!

Coaches' Corner

Thanks to all the coaches so far this season. If you would like to upgrade and enhance your skills for next year please reach out to Nancy at Nancy_e_h@yahoo.com. And we are also looking for an Assistant Coach Coordinator for next year. Please contact Nancy if you are interested in this role too!

