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## HAPPY CLOSING WEEKEND!!

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### RETURNING NEXT SEASON?

**CANADIANS & STAFF WITH YOUR OWN VISA:** Let your supervisor know—if you haven't already—that you plan on returning. **THAT'S IT! THAT'S ALL!**  
**NOT RETURNING?? WHAT THE...???** If you are not returning next season be sure to let your supervisor know so you will be removed from the recruiting email list.

### INTRODUCING... [www.wbsnowschool.ca](http://www.wbsnowschool.ca) (Don't forget to add it to your favourites)

We are so stoked to unveil our **BRAND NEW STAFF WEBSITE!!** It is officially live as of today! It's still a work in progress with new content and pages being added over the course of the summer and the fall so check back from time to time to see what's new.

Besides a fresh new look, there is the potential to add so much to this new site that will be beneficial to all of you.

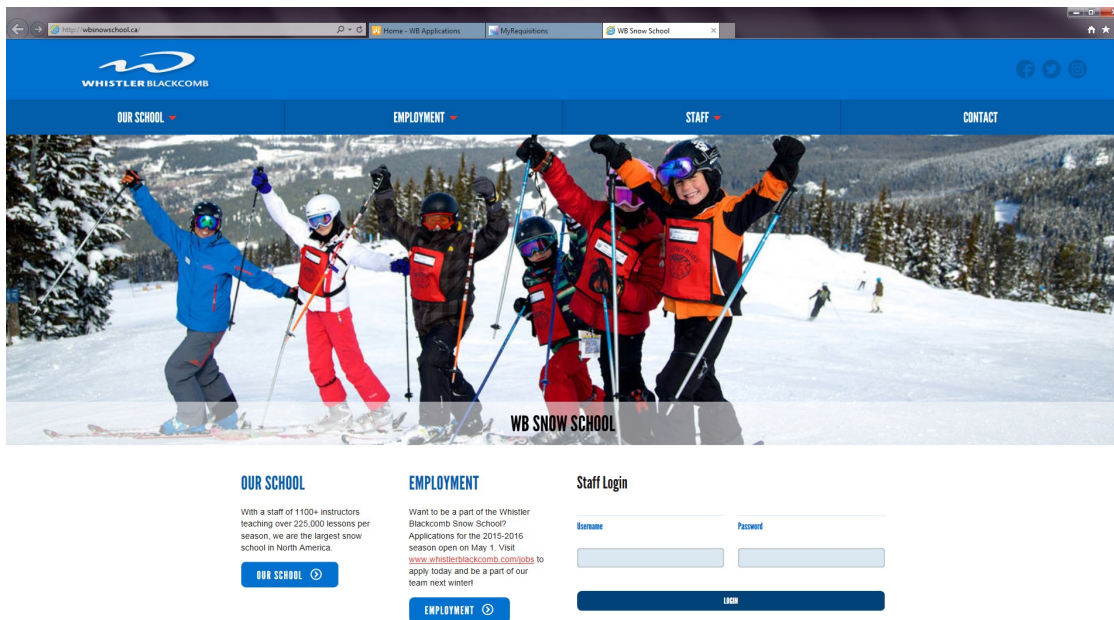
One major change is that **you will have to login to access the STAFF section.**

(Just like you do when you are checking your schedule). The username and password will remain the

same for the summer/off-season and we will notify you when it changes for next season.

**Here are your CASE-SENSITIVE access details: Username: [instructor](#), Password: [wb2015](#)**

If you have any feedback or suggestions on things you would like to see on the new site, please email them to [sschool@whistlerblackcomb.com](mailto:sschool@whistlerblackcomb.com).



## FOND FAREWELLS

### THE STRANGE AND UNUSUAL WINTER OF 2014/15

This winter will go down in the memory books as one of the strangest and most challenging in my 30+ years at WB.

Somehow, undaunted by Mother Nature's bizarre behavior, all of you found ways to make our Snow School guests' experiences extraordinary. I know I speak for the entire Senior Leadership Team, when I say that all of us truly appreciate your dedication to creating incredible memories for our guests – no matter what. Thank you! Enjoy the next few months and I look forward to seeing you back next winter.

RobMcSkimming

Can you believe it? We sure can't! It's over... and the fat lady is singing (with good reason!)

Despite the less-than-ideal weather and conditions, Snow School has once again risen to the challenge and insured great experiences to all of our guests. This might be egocentric, but where would Whistler Blackcomb be without us?!

Well, to be totally fair the snowmaking team, along with the grooming team, deserve a huge round of applause for providing us with the space and quality surface to do our magic.

We would like to thank each and every one of you for your dedication, professionalism and enthusiasm each and every day. That's right, even on 'Pineapple Fridays' we **killed it!** We are optimistic that the lack of powder skiing this year will only heighten the excitement for next season. This is our way of inviting and encouraging all you guys and gals to come back to the School. Remember what 'they' say, "Absence makes the heart grow fonder." ;)

In closing, we wish everyone a safe summer season and please stay in touch.

Bart & Russ



## DONNA'S (LAST) DISH

In 2 days we will be closing Whistler Kids for the season. No more morning meetings, no more gathering bibs and flaks and no more kids of all ages eagerly waiting to spend the day with us. The time has come.

It has been a crazy season. We have all talked about 04/05 when we had (what we thought was) lots of rain but then we had an April that snowed like crazy! Now we can't even compare to that! Even though we experienced terrible winter conditions Whistler Kids still proved to be a Snow School for children and teens that would persevere anything and come out strong!

We've had record breaking days, we opened a new facility during Christmas Break, we've had the most kids in our Club Programs EVER, we've seen beginner areas shrink before our very eyes and we've seen our ETC crew move snow with a wheelbarrow! Clearly these kinds of challenges are nothing for us!

We have had the most positive feedback from guests in years! I have seen 100's of Above and Beyonds cross my path before getting to you! It was a pleasure to see our "Instructors, Caregivers & Support Staff of the Year" at the Whistler Kids Pre-Party. There are close to 700 employees in Whistler Kids and you have all exceeded our expectations on the service and care you have provided to our families over the course of the season. Thank you all for showing the children in our programs the care they deserve and the opportunity to love the Mountains as much as you do.

Thanks to the Whistler Kids Supervisory Team! You all have big operations, big programs, lots of staff, you don't always get up the hill as often as you'd like but you always make time for your staff! Thanks Vandy, Sarah H. and Mev for working wonders at Base II and then always happy to go to other locations during the black outs! Thanks Alistair, Robin, Andrea and Patrick for all your work at the Creek! YAY Club!?! Thank you Sarah P., Laura, Julia, Sam and Craig for your smooth operations at Blackcomb Base and making the best of the "Double Black Diamond" Beginner Area! Thanks Andrea and Allison for your endless patience with the toddlers in our community and the families that use our daycares! You've helped raise some great kids! Thanks Stephen, Sean, Leila, Carly, Sarah D. and Lauren, Courtney and Becky for taking a peaceful Village, turn it into "Whistle Kids Crazy Town" and then back into the Village in just over an hour twice a day! You are all like MAGICIANS! Thanks Tracey for getting our staff ready for courses and setting up training sessions all season long! Thanks to the WKRT Scheduling Team you are incredible and have a way with making days that seem impossible some of the best days we've had!

HUGE THANKS to all our Whistler Kids staff! You are the ones who make memories for children in our programs, you instill confidence in the families that bring their children here to ski and you are a great group of people to work with! Thanks for all you do every day you are here!

Wishing you all a relaxing spring, a summer of great adventures, and I look forward to seeing you next winter! *Donna*



# ROCK STARS



The great feedback continues to pour in!

Here are this issue's

**ROCK STARS:**

Michael Sanderson

Ralph Forsyth

Andrew Logan

Peter Kargl

Tomi Todorov

Ed Jones

Tommy Simons

Jessica de Haan

Sven Donaldson

Yoshie Kii

Heather Bilodeau

Joanna Morello

Louisa Lukoschek

Takako Kato

Erikka Shepherd

Amanda Young

Rory Hannaford

Pei-Yin Lew

Josh Teitelbaum

Lubka Weisenpacherova

Dragan Lausevic

Normand Gravel

Javier Pavon Alvarez

George Tjelios-Nicholas

*...and the Swag winners are:*

**Lubka Weisenpacherova | Rory Hannaford |**

**Michael Sanderson**

Please collect your prize from reception at the SS Admin offices, G1



## Whistler Kids Rock Stars of the Year

Whistler Kids & Ride Tribe Instructor of the Year <b>AMY HABERFIELD</b>	Whistler Kids & Ride Tribe Support Staff of the Year <b>AN BEVERNAGE</b>
Whistler Kids & Ride Tribe Childcare Employee of the Year <b>KAREN CATOR</b>	Whistler Kids & Ride Tribe Instructor of the Year <b>ALEXANDRA MILITARU</b>
Whistler Kids & Ride Tribe Instructor of the Year <b>SCOTT CARTNER</b>	Whistler Kids & Ride Tribe Instructor of the Year <b>PAVEL MARUSOV</b>
Whistler Kids & Ride Tribe Instructor of the Year <b>DANIEL BUNTER</b>	Whistler Kids & Ride Tribe Instructor of the Year <b>SCOTT BOWIE</b>
Whistler Kids & Ride Tribe Instructor of the Year <b>BROCK MILLARD</b>	Whistler Kids & Ride Tribe Instructor of the Year <b>TOM HODGES</b>
Whistler Kids & Ride Tribe Instructor of the Year <b>BEL AREVALO</b>	Whistler Kids & Ride Tribe Instructor of the Year <b>DANIEL LIBMAN</b>
Whistler Kids & Ride Tribe Instructor of the Year <b>CHLOE GAFFEY</b>	Whistler Kids & Ride Tribe Support Staff of the Year <b>ELIZABETH LISNEY</b>
Whistler Kids & Ride Tribe Instructor of the Year <b>BRUCE SMART</b>	Whistler Kids & Ride Tribe ETC Employee of the Year <b>JAMES WILTON</b>
Whistler Kids & Ride Tribe Instructor of the Year <b>MATIC GOBEC</b>	Whistler Kids & Ride Tribe Instructor of the Year <b>CLAIRE FOOKS</b>
Whistler Kids & Ride Tribe Instructor of the Year <b>EMILIANO PINZI</b>	Whistler Kids & Ride Tribe Instructor of the Year <b>EUGENIO SALCINES</b>
Whistler Kids & Ride Tribe Trainer of the Year <b>ERIN KEAM</b>	Whistler Kids & Ride Tribe Instructor of the Year <b>TREVOR FERRAO</b>



## ADULTS & PRIVATES PRO & ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

# CONGRATS!



PRO OF THE YEAR	ROOKIE OF THE YEAR
WHISTLER BASE – SKI	
SAM COPSEY	HANNAH STUART
WHISTLER BASE – SB	
SIMON MOFFATT	NICOLE IVIMEY
WHISTLER ALPINE – SKI	
MAX BARBEAU	LUIS SANCHEZ
WHISTLER ALPINE – SB	
TREVOR FERRAO	n/a
BLACKCOMB BASE – SKI	
GEORGE TJELIOS-NICHOLAS	JUSTIN ABEL
BLACKCOMB BASE – SB	
COURT LARABEE	n/a
BLACKCOMB ALPINE	
JEAN CHAMPOUX	JOSH HANSEN
THE CAMP	
KEN PEDERSEN	KIM FOURNEL
LEVEL 1/GAP PROGRAMS	
NICK THOMAS	TOM FRANCIS
W.A.S.P.	
BECKY DALZIEL	TIM BOWERS
WHISTLER PRIVATES	
LUIS MIGUEL DEL CORRAL ROJO	SANNA VIKBERG
BLACKCOMB PRIVATES	
ERIC REY	JORGE "GNOMO" ESCOBEDO SILVELA



## SUPERVISOR & ASSISTANT MANAGER OF THE YEAR



Paul 'Shimmy' Shimizu



Sarah Harrison

**Congratulations to EVERYONE who was nominated!**

- Alistair Cray
- Allison Brooks
- Andrea Howes
- Andrea Kennedy
- Andrew DeBoer
- Ashlea Banman
- Carly Janz
- Christine Cuthbert
- Courtney Blann
- Craig Gorst
- Dave Hobson
- Francois Hebert
- Hanneke Snijder
- Julia Smith
- Justin Hartwell
- Laura Cofell
- Lauren Hetherington
- Leila Phillipson
- Luke Brooks
- Marc Emerson
- Marius Marginean
- Matt Mohr
- Marie-Eve Masse
- Natalie Morel Wood
- Omer Dagan
- Paul Sauve
- Paul Shimizu
- Paul Van Den Berg
- Rebecca Bowie
- Rebecca Seiler
- Robin Greig
- Sam Ozana
- Sarah Dyson
- Sarah Harrison
- Sarah Prunier
- Sean Gilbert
- Stephen Greig
- Wendy Robinson



Marc 'Tuckerman' Emerson



# RECRUITING UPDATE



**ARE YOU PLANNING TO RETURN FOR  
THE 2015-2016 WINTER SEASON?  
WE WANT YOU BACK!!**



**ALL ACTIVE SNOW SCHOOL STAFF** will be **AUTOMATICALLY REGISTERED TO RETURN** for next winter season and all **YOU** have to do is tell us if you are **NOT** planning on coming back.

If you tell them you are **NOT** coming back we will remove your registration at that time so you do not receive multiple emails from Recruiting.

If you **ARE** planning to return for 2015/2016, we will contact you by email towards the end of summer to confirm this is still your intention. If your plans have changed by then, you can let us know at that time. You can also let us know at any point over the summer if you are not returning by contacting us at either 604.938.7557 or [ee@whistlerblackcomb.com](mailto:ee@whistlerblackcomb.com).

If you have a **SUMMER JOB** at WB that you are planning on returning to, you will still need to register your intent online as usual. Visit [www.whistlerblackcomb.com/jobs](http://www.whistlerblackcomb.com/jobs) and click on the Return Staff tab after March 1 to do that.

**HELP WANTED**



## **MOUNTAIN BIKE GUIDES**

DFX is currently looking for experienced bike riders who have kids experience to be a bike guide this summer. Job is posted online at [www.whistlerblackcomb.com/jobs](http://www.whistlerblackcomb.com/jobs) until April 20.

## **2015-2016 SKI INSTRUCTORS WANTED**

If you have any friends or family who are interested in being a ski instructor next year, (you KNOW much fun this job is!!), tell them to apply online at, [www.whistlerblackcomb.com/jobs](http://www.whistlerblackcomb.com/jobs). 2015-2016 positions will be posted May 1st.

## **ADULT GROUPS & PRIVATE LESSONS ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT**

Interested in working behind the scenes with the Snow School management team?

Are you organized and detail-oriented with strong computer skills?

Ever wondered what makes this well-oiled machine of a Snow School run??

If so, then contact Kathryn at [kwatters@whistlerblackcomb.com](mailto:kwatters@whistlerblackcomb.com), for a detailed job description and watch [www.whistlerblackcomb.com/jobs](http://www.whistlerblackcomb.com/jobs) for the posting this summer.



# TRAINING UPDATE

## HERE'S THE WRAP UP!

**SESSIONS:** Full day sessions are officially over! The last AM session on Whistler will be Sunday April 19.

**COURSES:** Congratulations to all who have completed and passed courses lately. So proud of you guys!! The very best of luck to those of you still on the last few courses of the year. Hang in there! You can do it!

**SCHOLARSHIPS:** Unfortunately, we are not offering any internally this year, but the CSIA does offer some scholarship money to those looking to do a course next year. They award money in advance of a course, so this may help out for next year. Click here for more information:

<http://www.snowpro.com/index.php/en/membership/csia-scholarship-program>

## TECH CHAMPS!!

Thank you to everyone that helped out, sponsored, and attended this year's Tech Champs. As always it was a blast and we saw some amazing skiing!!

Video has been posted on the WB Staff Facebook page, (thank you Michel!),

[http://www.facebook.com/?ref=home#!/home.php?sk=group\\_106298792770158&ap=1](http://www.facebook.com/?ref=home#!/home.php?sk=group_106298792770158&ap=1)



The trophies are still leaking beer in my office....EWWWWW!

## HERE ARE THE RESULTS:

<p><b><u>MASTERS</u></b>                      First Place: Ken Chaddock                      Second Place: Mehdi Montazam                      Third Place: Gianni Seminari</p>	<p><b><u>AMATEUR WOMEN</u></b>                      First Place: Julie Anne Lacroix                      Second Place: Kim Clarke                      Third Place: Laerke Hansen</p>	<p><b><u>PRO WOMEN</u></b>                      First Place: Kayoko Okabe                      Second Place: Sanna Vikberg                      Third Place: Nat Morel Wood &amp; Katrine Moller Jensen</p>
<p><b><u>TELEMARK</u></b>                      First, Second &amp; Third Place:                      Yas Kawasaki</p>	<p><b><u>AMATEUR MEN</u></b>                      First Place: Christian Lauridsen &amp; Tobias Pedersen                      Second Place: Daniel Hunter                      Third Place: Ari Gabo</p>	<p><b><u>PRO MEN</u></b>                      First Place: Marian Treger &amp; Josh Duncan Smith                      Second Place: Josh Hansen                      Third Place: Wictor Lundstrom</p>

## SURVEYS:

I would really appreciate your feedback to help me shape the program for next year.

It's really quick and easy. Click here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/PZ8FLKK> for a survey for **OVER-ALL TRAINING.**

And here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/K3SWLYW> if you were a **new Whistler Kids Ride Tribe staff member this year to give us some feedback about your Pre-season Training.**

As far as I know, we will be sticking to a similar schedule for next year. If you have any session ideas or are talented in some way that you think would benefit our training program, please fill out the above survey or contact me via email, [tfraser@WhistlerBlackcomb.com](mailto:tfraser@WhistlerBlackcomb.com).

Thanks for the great season everyone, and for those of you sticking around, I'll see you up there.

Tracey

## HOUSE SPRING CLOSING DATES

Please contact the HOUSE Front Desk to arrange moves if you plan to stay with us for the summer. Building 1, Brio & Westside will remain open for the summer. **If you have any questions** or concerns please contact the HOUSE Front desk which is open 10-6 daily, [house@whistlerblackcomb.com](mailto:house@whistlerblackcomb.com) or 604.938.7500 ext. 1.

### CLOSING DATES:

May 8 – Building 2, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Floors

May 8 – Building 7

May 29 – Building 6

June 18 – Building 2, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Floors

June 26 – Building 5

### RTN STAFF IN HOUSE FOR WINTER 2015-2016 \*\*SPACE IS LIMITED & NOT GUARANTEED\*\*

Returning Staff in HOUSE = ANYONE hired prior to May 1, 2015 (Year-Round or Seasonal)

### HOW DO I APPLY?

There will be a limited number of beds in HOUSE for returning staff. Contact Shawn Harrigan at the HOUSE office via email, ([sharrigan@whistlerblackcomb.com](mailto:sharrigan@whistlerblackcomb.com)), to submit your request. Your name will be added to the Waitlist based on first come, first served. You will be notified at the beginning of July if your request has been accepted. Be sure to include the following details in your email:

1. Your Full Name |
2. Your Employee ID |
3. Your Job Title |
4. Your Phone Number |
5. Your Current Manger's Name

NOTE: In 2015-2016, ALL Returning Staff will be housed in our Westside location, in 2 bedroom shared units. Glacier and Brio will be reserved for first year staff only.

## EARLY BIRD EQUIPMENT ORDERS!

Demo 2016 Ski and Snowboard Equipment on top of Whistler Mountain during WSSF demo weekends!

April 11-12 & April 18-19

9am to 2pm

### DON'T MISS OUT..

- Place orders at the Referral Office by April 30th
- Complete order form for referral or pro deal equipment
- NO initial payment required
- Pay on collection for pro deal orders
- Pay off referral equipment with referral sales next season

If you have any questions please visit the Referral Office for more information. Or contact Steph Ball at [sball@whistlerblackcomb.com](mailto:sball@whistlerblackcomb.com) or 604.905.2021



#### Brands available through the equipment program are:

Apex, Atomic, Dynastar, Head, K2, Kastle, Nordica, Rossignol, Salomon, Technica-Blizzard, Volkl-Marker, 32, Burton, Capita, DC, Endeavor, GNU, Jones, Libtech, Never Summer, NOW, Ride, Salomon, Union, Vans, Yes.



## LOCKER UPDATE

All staff are required to empty their locker and return their lock to the Springs front desk as soon as they are laid off or by April 20, (whichever comes first), except full time 5+ year employees.

All full time 5+ year staff must confirm their locker with the Springs front desk staff or vacate it by April 20.





# FACE SHOTS



**HOT TUB TIME MACHINE**  
**SNOW SCHOOL YEAR-ENDER BENDER**  
April 9, 2015  
1986  
WHISTLER BLACKCOMB SNOW SCHOOL

The Photo Booth went OFF during the Hot Tub time Machine Year-End-Bender at the GLC on April 9<sup>th</sup>. Special thanks to **Erikka Shepherd** and **Amanda Young** for running the show! Tag or share your photos on Facebook here: [www.facebook.com/CheeseBox.ca](http://www.facebook.com/CheeseBox.ca) and download free digital copies from here: <http://cheesebox.smugmug.com/Events/WB-Snow-School-Year-End/>



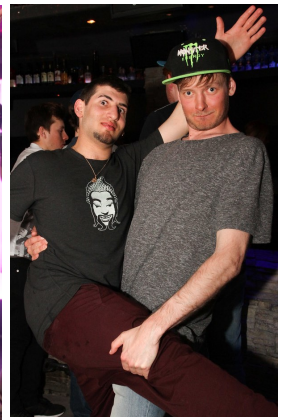
# FACE SHOTS-HOT TUB TIME MACHINE



Thanks to everyone who came out to the Hot Tub Time Machine Year-ENDER-BENDER at the GLC, April 9<sup>th</sup>. What a PAR-TAAAY!! Thanks to Graham from Coast Mountain Photography for doing the rounds and snapping up all the festive faces. Check out the rest of the photos here: <http://bit.ly/1FGhYcB>.



# FACE SHOTS—FINAL PAYDAY PARTY



The FINAL Payday Party of the season, April 10th @ Moe Joe's. Big thanks to Reggie for shooting all season long. View all the photos here: [www.smurfvillem.com](http://www.smurfvillem.com)



# FACE SHOTS—HARRY POTTER PARTY



WKRT "Harry Potter" Year-end Party @ Merlin's April 12th. Thanks AGAIN to Reggie and the CMP crew for being there to capture the fun. Check out all the photos here: [www.smurfville.com](http://www.smurfville.com)



**HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!**

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