



HALFPIPE

CARDRONA ALPINE RESORT, NEW ZEALAND
AUGUST 27th – 28th 2011

TEAMS INVITATION

Dear Snowboard Nations,

We are delighted to invite all nations to the LG Snowboard FIS World Cup in New Zealand. The event will be hosted at Cardrona Alpine Resort, Wanaka on the 27th and 28th of August 2011. We are pleased to announce that this year's event will again be part of the 100% Pure New Zealand Winter Games. The Winter Games NZ is an international elite winter sports competition featuring alpine skiing, snowboarding, figure skating, short track speed skating, ice hockey, curling, cross country skiing, winter triathlon and freestyle skiing that takes place over a 16 day period at various locations throughout the Otago and Canterbury regions in New Zealand's South Island.

Cardrona Alpine Resort is home to a 22-ft Olympic Super-Pipe. The nearest Township from Cardrona is Wanaka (34km, 35 minutes drive). The nearest major airport, Queenstown, is 50km (50 minute drive).

Entries for the LG Snowboard FIS World Cup Halfpipe will be open on the 20th of April 2011. Please find the athlete and team information listed below. For further information please contact Laura Hedley, Snowboard Manager, on laura@wintergamesnz.com.

We look forward to welcoming you to Wanaka and the 100% Pure New Zealand Winter Games.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Arthur Klap', is written over a light grey rectangular background.

Arthur Klap
Chief Executive, Winter Games NZ



Event Information

Dates and Venues:

The 2011 Winter Games NZ are held from the 13th – 28th of August. The LG Snowboard FIS World Cup Halfpipe dates are:

25th August – Official Training

26th August – Official Training

27th August – Qualification

28th August – Finals

Entry and Registration:

Entries will be accepted in accordance with the FIS quotas and rules for the World Cup. ***All entries for the LG Snowboard FIS World Cup Halfpipe must go through our online registration system.***

The main purpose of this online system is to replace the manual process of submitting paper-based entry forms by fax or email to the event.

The information you are required to enter is the same as on the FIS forms you would usually submit and you can print a copy for your own records. The link provided is only accessible to the National Sport Associations for submitting team entries.

The Registration process works as follows:

1. Click on the link provided to National Sport Associations
2. Create a user account for the online system.
3. Once activated you can create teams and add athletes and officials. After you submit a team, you can log back in and edit your team. You can add or remove athletes, edit athletes and officials at any time until registration closes. It will automatically update on our system.
4. To get confirmation of your entry send to your email, click the button "Send Teamlist as PDF".
5. Encourage your team riders to submit their athlete biographies at www.wintergamesnz.com/accounts/register/

This information will be used by our media and communication team to supply journalists and other media representatives with information about the athletes. The information will also be used for the MC information packs, as well as in live-to-web communication on the Winter Games NZ website, mobile sites and iPhone applications.

Deadlines for Team Entries:

Announcement of team size: 29th July 2011

Definitive registration: 20th August 2011

If you have any questions in relation to the online registration system, please contact raceoffice@eim-solutions.com.

Accreditation

The Winter Games NZ event office is located at the Lake Wanaka Centre and is open for accreditation and general information from Wednesday the 10th – 28th August 2011. The Lake Wanaka Centre is located at 89 Ardmore Street in the centre of Wanaka.

Team Captains Meetings

Team Captains meetings for the LG Snowboard FIS World Cup Half Pipe will take place at the Lake Wanaka Centre in Wanaka. Dates for the Team Captains Meetings are as follows:

TCM Schedule:

- 5.30pm Wednesday 24th August
- 5.30pm Thursday 25th August
- 4.00pm Friday 26th August
- 5.30pm Saturday 27th August

Public Bib Draw

A Public bib draw will be held to profile the sport and the LG Snowboard FIS World Cup Half Pipe in Wanaka Township at the Awards Stage at the Wanaka lakefront. The bib draw is mandatory for athletes and team managers.

The Public bib draw will be held at 5.00pm Friday 26th August, at the Lakefront Awards Stage, Wanaka

Lift passes and Competitor bibs

Winter Games NZ will provide lift passes for competitors on official training and competition days. Half price tickets can be purchased for athletes on non-competition/official training days at Cardrona Alpine Resort from 13 - 28 August 2011 inclusive (Winter Games NZ accreditation will be required to purchase discounted tickets).

Training and competition bibs will be allocated at the team captains meetings and for the Competition bibs will be handed out at the Public Bib draw on the 26th August 2011. A bib deposit of \$100 per team will be required. It is mandatory that all competitors wear their bibs during all official training, competition and award ceremonies.

Training Advice

Cardrona is home to an Olympic sized 22ft Halfpipe. For training information and rates, please contact Bridget Legnavsky on bridget@cardrona.com. Snow Park NZ also has a 22ft Half Pipe. For information and training rates, please contact ticketing@snowparknz.com.

Media

If you are planning to bring a media team with you, please note they must be accredited by Winter Games NZ Media Office. This applies whether they are editorial press or filming for promotional purposes. Please contact the WGNZ Media Manager, Victoria Murray-Orr, directly on +64 (0)3 4432700 or victoria@wintergamesnz.com for any questions or to request an accreditation form. Please note this form must be completed by 29th July 2011.

Downtown Sessions

We invite all athletes and team managers to attend the 100 % pure New Zealand Winter Games Downtown Sessions in Wanaka, Queenstown, Naseby, Methven and Dunedin from the 13th – 28th of August. Downtown sessions is the Winter Games NZ festival program. The program includes music concerts, downtown rail jams, adventure film festival, comedy roadshow and adventure Sports expo. The downtown awards ceremonies for Snowboard, Freeski and Winter triathlon events will all take place in Wanaka. They are scheduled for 5pm and will start with a busker style street performance and are followed by live music. For a full program please go to www.wintergamesnz.com/ party.

The Awards ceremony for the LG Snowboard FIS World Cup Half Pipe is on Sunday the 28th August at 5pm in Wanaka Township.

Closing concert

This year's closing Concert in Wanaka on the 28th August 2011 will feature a prominent New Zealand Band, The Black Seeds. Formed in 1998, The Black Seeds quickly developed a reputation as the NZ's ultimate good groove band. The Black Seeds produce a uniquely Pacifica blend of soul, funk, reggae and dub sounds that have cemented the band's position as one of the country's leading live outfits. Tickets will be available online through a link on the Winter Games NZ website www.wintergamesnz.com.

Travel, Transport and Accommodation

Air Travel

We recommend that you book your flights through our official airline, Air New Zealand. Please go to www.airnewzealand.com for online bookings and further information. For special rates on group bookings please contact Lauren Park, lauren.park@airnz.co.nz quoting Winter Games NZ or call +64 (0)9 3362408. We recommend that you fly into Queenstown.

Car/Van Transport

We strongly recommend that teams organize their own transport to ensure full control over movement to and from the resort. JUCY rentals is New Zealand's favorite and most trusted rental company. Kiwi owned and operated, JUCY can get you zipping around in one of their rides for a few days or touring our country for a couple of weeks or more. With a range of cars and campers, they have something for everyone's budget.

JUCY is stoked to be involved with the Winter Games and has an awesome JUCY deal for you. Use promo code WINTERGAMES when booking online at www.jucy.co.nz to receive 20% off any JUCY ride in New Zealand.

Accommodation

We strongly recommend the teams identify and book their own accommodation.

There is a variety of travel, transport and accommodation options in Wanaka. Please go to www.lakewanaka.co.nz for information about Wanaka and accommodation options.

The Accor Hotels are the official 3.5, 4 and 5 star hotel accommodation providers for the Winter Games. For more information on accommodation in Wanaka and Queenstown please go to www.wintergamesnz.com/accommodation

Official World Cup Accommodation Option

Athletes and team officials who wish to book through the official LG Snowboard FIS World Cup accommodation will be staying at the Wanaka Hotel, 71 Ardmore St, Wanaka.

As per FIS rules on accommodation and half board (breakfast and dinner), each athlete and team official will pay 50 CHF per person per night. Accommodation at the FIS recommended rate will be provided only for the nights of August 24th to August 28th 2011 inclusive.

A deposit of 50% per person will be required to secure the booking which is to be paid to Winter Games NZ **no later than June 15th 2011**. If this deposit is not received, no booking will be made.

Balance of payment must be made on the official arrival day by cash or credit card only. Each team will be held responsible for any damage incurred during their stay. Incidentals such as telephone, laundry, internet, etc must be paid by the teams or athletes themselves and a credit card will be required from each team when checking in.

1. Book by emailing jane@wintergamesnz.com indicating numbers requiring accommodation for the nights of August 25th to August 28th inclusive only. An invoice will be sent back to you by return email indicating the amount of deposit to be paid in New Zealand dollars.
2. Bookings and deposit of 50% per person must be made with Winter Games NZ no later than **June 15th 2011** (NZ time), to ensure availability and to secure the booking.

Visas

Visitors from certain countries must have a visitor visa to enter New Zealand. New Zealand has a special policy for athletes, coaches, administrators, officials and support staff visiting the country to participate in sporting events. Please check on:

www.immigration.govt.nz/migrant/stream/visit/visitors/quickcheck.htm to find out if visitors from your country require a visitor visa to enter New Zealand. Application forms for visitor visas are available on www.immigration.govt.nz or from New Zealand and Australian Consulates, Embassies or High commissions.

Liability

All athletes, officials and members of the National Associations who attend and participate in the event shall do so at their own risk. Winter Games NZ, sponsors and suppliers, their agents, employees and volunteers shall not be responsible for any losses or injuries incurred or suffered by the athletes, official or other person in conjunction with the organising or staging of the event. Public Liability Insurance (CHF) 3 million, for the period of the event, is in place.

If you are injured in New Zealand (including whilst competing in a ski race), you may need the assistance of the Accident Compensation Corporation (ACC), New Zealand's accident compensation scheme. ACC helps pay for your care – and that means paying towards the cost of your treatment and helping your recovery while you remain in New Zealand. ACC will not cover any medical or related costs arising from the accident after you leave New Zealand. You will accordingly still need to arrange your own travel and medical insurance. New Zealand's medical facilities are not free to visitors except as a result of an accident but even in the case of an accident, surcharges in private facilities will apply.

Provisional Schedule

Wednesday 24th August, Official Arrival Day

08.00-20.00	Lake Wanaka Centre Event Office opening hours
17.30	Team Captains Meeting at Lake Wanaka Centre, Wanaka HP Training Bibs Team Doctors Meeting after TCM

Thursday 25th August, Official Training Day

08.00-20.00	Lake Wanaka Centre Event Office opening hours
08.30	Lifts Open
09.30-11.00	HP Men's training
11.30-13.00	HP Ladies training
17.30	Team Captains Meeting at Lake Wanaka Centre, Wanaka

Friday 26th August, Official Training Day

08.00-20.00	Lake Wanaka Centre Event Office opening hours
08.30	Lifts Open
09.30-11.00	HP Men's Training
11.30-13.00	HP Ladies Training
16.00	Team Captains Meeting at Lake Wanaka Centre, Wanaka
17.00	Public Bib Draw, Wanaka Awards Location, Lakefront

Saturday 27th August, Competition Day - Qualification

07.30	Lifts open
07.55 – 08.15	Inspection/training H1 Men
08.30 – 10.15	H1 Men
10.15 – 10.35	Inspection/training H2 Men
10.45 – 12.30	H2 Men
12.30 – 12.50	Inspection/training Ladies
13.00 – 14.15	H1 Ladies
17.30	Team Captains Meeting at Lake Wanaka Centre, Wanaka

Sunday 28th August, Competition Day – Finals

08.00	Lifts open
09.15 - 09.45	Inspection/training Semi Finals Men & Ladies
10.00 - 11.00	Semi Finals Men & Ladies
12.15 - 12.45	Inspection/training Finals Men & Ladies
13.00	Finals Ladies & Men
17.00	Awards Ceremony, Lakefront, Wanaka
TBC	Black Seeds concert at the Lake Wanaka Centre

