Western Region 2021
U14 Spring Project, Squaw Valley CA, USA
Announcement

Project: Western Region U14 Spring Project Squaw Valley California

Dates: (Arrival April 14th) On-Snow April 15th – 18th, 2021.

Location: Squaw Valley California

Project Overview: The purpose of this project is to align a contact point within the Western Region that can assist our U14 athletes that are progressing through their divisional competitions by collectively working together in a training environment with the U14 age group.

Project Leader: Jeff Pickering, USSS, Western Region Development Coach, Troy Price (Rowmark), Jim Hudson (Squaw Valley) & Marco Sullivan (Squaw Valley & US Ski Team Alumnus) will assist Western Region along with coaches from all five divisions. Additional United States Ski Team and Alumni will be on site to share experiences with the next generation of athletes.

What to expect: An environment that brings top U14 Western Region athletes and coaches together for the first time this season to a World Class venue, to refine and improve upon tactical and technical aspects and gain personal confidence as they move forward. The training environments are designed to be a progression in GS tactics and technique and a variety of speed elements. We will have a total of 6 groups, 3 Women & 3 Men. Groups will be led by their Divisional staff’s. Athletes will be introduced to station training early on, then move into section training, and finally full length courses.

What to bring: GS & SG equipment (including a back protector) water bottle, all weather clothing, small note pad, athletic attire, homework and face covering (Covid mask).

Selection Method: Upon the completion of each division’s final qualifiers Divisional Managers will notify Program Directors & Coaches of their division’s selection. Each division will assign staffs to attend the project. The selection method is per each respective divisions policies (U14 only).

Project Size: 45 Women - 45 Men

Divisional Quotas:
- FW W 15 - M 14
- IMD W 15 - M 17
- PNSA W 8 - M 8
- AK W 3 - M 3
- ND W 4 - M 3

Project Fee: $245 (excludes lift tickets - see information, below)

Includes: Venue build & maintenance, project fee and project souvenir

Excludes: Lift tickets, travel, lodging, meals and Divisional fees
**Lift Tickets:** Squaw Valley is offering the child ticket to all athletes at $29.00/day. Squaw is also offering the One Parent Discounted Lift Ticket at $69.00/day. A 4-day lift ticket is not available. The IKON Pass is valid. Go to this link to pre-purchase tickets. The link will close on Monday, April 12th. 

**Lodging Options:**
Granlibakken Tahoe, 725 Granlibakken Road Tahoe City, CA 96145
Phone: 530-583-4242
Rates from $149 +tax per night (standard bedroom up to 2 people) are valid from 4/12 to 4/20 and only available online. Go to [https://www.secure.granlibakken.net/irmng/#/](https://www.secure.granlibakken.net/irmng/#/) or [https://l.ead.me/bookme](https://l.ead.me/bookme) and enter the Promo Code - **U14SPR**.

Village at Squaw Valley, go to: [http://www.squawalpine.com](http://www.squawalpine.com) or call 1-800-403-0206.

**COVID Pre-Screening:** Required of all athletes and coaches. The pre-screening questionnaire needs to be filled out between Tuesday, April 13th noon – Wednesday, April 14th noon.
[Covid Pre-Screen Questionnaire U14 Spring Project April 15- April 18th](http://www.squawalpine.com)

**Daily Symptom Screening April 15th - April 18th**. Required of all athletes and coaches. The daily screening must be completed each morning by 7:30am. There are separate links for each day.

[Covid Daily Symptom Screening Thursday, April 15th](https://www.squawalpine.com)
[Covid Daily Symptom Screening Friday, April 16th](https://www.squawalpine.com)
[Covid Daily Symptom Screening Saturday, April 17th](https://www.squawalpine.com)
[Covid Daily Symptom Screening Sunday, April 18th](https://www.squawalpine.com)

This project will observe and adhere to all of the CDC guidelines in place, as well as the State of California, Placer County, Squaw Valley and U.S. Ski & Snowboard guidelines regarding Covid-19.

**Note to Parents, Athletes and Coaches:** This project will be the first opportunity the Western Region U14 athlete’s and coaches have had to work closely together for over a year. An over-arching theme and project will be focused on team building and getting to know one another as Western Region. This is how we will continue to work and progress successfully now and in the future.

This project is a **day camp model**. All lodging and transportation will be with parents or with clubs. Communication will be critical. Note: We will be training at the highest point of the mountain. Athletes will be bringing GS/SG skis up daily. Plan to prepare your own lunch, snacks and water for the hill. We will not be returning to the base area for lunch.

Western Region would like to wish all U14 athletes the best of luck competing in their Divisional Qualifiers. Thank you to all of the western ski areas that are providing opportunities to compete and all the ROC’s, officials, coaches and volunteers for their efforts to give athletes great opportunities.

Sincerely,

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