



The days of summer appear to be far and few as we quickly move from summer into fall this year. We have Jack Frost already nipping at our noses and snow reported as close to us as Grayling. It is time to get the snowboard and skis tuned and waxed, make sure the winter weather gear still fits and get ready for another fun year with Blizzard's. Welcome back!!!

BLIZZARD OFFICE: (248) 677-9705

Welcome back to another fun filled Ski and Snowboard season. The office will officially open on October 31st, 2013. The office hours for the 2013/2014 season are Monday – Friday 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.. Starting December 14th the office will open on Saturday's from 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. during our ski and snowboard season. If you should have any questions and reach our answering machine, leave a detailed message with the best time and number to reach you at.

BLIZZARD NEW GOLDS:

Please help us congratulate Blizzard's newest **GOLD** members. Skier Kyle Newton and George T Lundin. Nice job to both of you on this accomplishment.

Changes to Our TOT's SKI PROGRAM (Ages 3-5):

This successful program has been expanded to offer you a morning (AM) or a afternoon (PM) sessions of your choice. Each session is limited to 20 members with the AM session at 10:30 AM-12:30 PM and the PM session at 1:30 PM-3:30 PM. This special 8-week program (AM or PM) is specifically designed for our youngest students to have fun and to allow them to develop their skiing skills at their own pace. Blizzard Tots are with a Blizzard instructor or adult supervisor for 2 hours on Saturdays.

WEB SITE, CALENDAR AND SCHEDULE FOR 2013-2014:

We have improved our Web Site, <http://www.skikids.us>, Please pardon our dust as we are continuing to update the web pages to help better serve you. Right now, you are able to register your children for Blizzard programs, obtain a copy of the Blizzard calendar for the 2013/2014 season, during the season please remember to check our website often. This will retain the most current information and each weeks trips lesson schedule. Blizzard general rule is if the resort is open for business, Blizzards will be going.

INSTRUCTORS WANTED:

The ski and snowboard programs are continuing to grow; we are looking for Ski and Snowboard Instructors. If you are serious about teaching and building your skiing and snowboarding skills, come and try out with Michigan's best organized school!!! Visit <http://www.skikids.us/instrapp.pdf> to obtain an application or call Jim at **(248) 496-6000**.

SUPERVISORS WANTED:

If you are serious about your skiing and snowboarding, come and be a supervisor with Michigan's best-organized school! Visit <http://www.skikids.us/superapp.pdf> to obtain an application or call George at **(810) 300-2597**

SPECIAL EVENTS:

During the Blizzard season we hold two special days for our members, The first is Blizzard Olympics for our Mini, Youth & Teen Programs, On this fun day we have a timed race and have fun in the lesson. At the end of the day we have a certificate presentation along with a tug of war with Blizzard instructors. The second is Valoween, this is a combination of Valentines and Halloween for our Tot and Mini members only. Your tot and/or Mini will get a special treat bag. This will allow your child(ren) to have a second chance to wear their Halloween costume,

BLIZZARD PROGRAMS

\$20 EARLY SIGNUP PROMOTION: Now thru November 10th, 2013

Online only at: <http://www.skikids.us/early-special>

BLIZZARD TOT SKI PROGRAM (Ages 3-5):

Blizzard Ski & Snowboard School has a special 8-week program (AM or PM) for our youngest students. Tot students have their own age appropriate skill level to allow them to develop their skills at their own pace. Blizzard Tots are with a Blizzard instructor or adult supervisor for 2 hours on designated Saturdays (see calendar for dates). This successful program has been expanded to offer AM or PM sessions this season. Tot classes average four students per instructor. "TOT-AM" or "TOT-PM" SKI PROGRAM (Limited to 20 members per session 10:30 AM -1 2:30 PM or 1:30 PM - 3:30 PM).

BLIZZARD MINI SKI PROGRAM (AGES 6-8):

This program offers all the benefits of our youth program while giving our younger participants the extra special attention they need. **Mini Blizzards are with a Blizzard instructor or adult supervisor for the entire day.** Adult supervisors take over during lunch, with coloring books and songs added to the lunchtime activities. After lunch it's back on the slopes with the instructor, Mini Blizzards have five skill levels of their own.

BLIZZARD YOUTH SKI & SNOWBOARD PROGRAMS (AGES 8-12):

Blizzard youth program was created to meet the request of our members to have a program that provides an easier transition from the Mini's into the Teen program while maintaining all day supervision. Members will attend their regular lessons and then participate in a supervised ski or snowboard group outside of their lesson. During their instruction there will be a combination of technical exercises and teaching games designed to develop their physical and mental skills needed to improve their abilities. In the supervised ski and snowboard session they will be able to put some additional practice on their lesson skills.

BLIZZARD TEEN SKI & SNOWBOARD PROGRAMS (AGES 9-17):

The Teen program is the original Blizzard program and remains the most popular today. The instruction is a ten level program that is a combination of technical exercises and teaching games designed to help members develop their necessary physical and mental skills needed to further their skiing or snowboarding abilities. Many participants quickly develop into accomplished skiers or snowboarders. They gain self-confidence along with taking pride in their skiing and snowboarding achievements. They enjoy associating with other Blizzard teens and form lasting relationships.

ADULT PROGRAM (AGES 18+):

This year Blizzard will only offer Saturday Adult lessons. The Saturday Adult program offers top notch lessons for all levels of skiers and snowboarders. In addition, we will continue to offer, "Train with the team". The "train with the team" lesson includes your participation in our instructor-training clinic. This is a great opportunity to train along with our staff, providing you with a larger knowledge base and a list of skills to help you to continue to improve. You receive quality instruction at a reasonable price and may lead to a position on our teaching staff.

PRIVATE LESSON and VIDEO:

Special Rate private lessons and/or Video sessions are available to members and their immediate family. Your lesson will be on a first come basis and taught by one of our highly qualified instructors on arranged days. Book your reservation in advance on our website <http://www.skikids.us> to request your private lesson.

MAKE A WISH FOUNDATION:

Team Blizzard has been riding since 2002 in the WAM300 charity bike ride for Michigan's Make-A-Wish Foundation. Team Blizzard contributed over \$250,000.00 for the Foundation over the 11 years, which help grant wishes to children with terminal or life threatening illnesses. Thank you for your support. We are already planning for the 2014 ride and are looking for more riders and volunteers to join our great team. If you wish to ride, volunteer or more importantly sponsor Team Blizzard please call Jim at (248) 496-6000. The 2014 ride is scheduled for July 25th – 27th, please come out and support the team if you can't ride <http://www.wishmich.org>.