



MEDIA ADVISORY

Friday, Oct 16, 2009

Canada Olympic Park Opens for the Season *Earliest opening in COP history*

Calgary, AB – After six full days of continuous snow making, WinSport Canada's Canada Olympic Park (COP) is ready to welcome the 09/10 season. As the first ski hill in Canada to open, guests will be able to hit the slopes a month earlier than expected.

Starting at 9:00 a.m. this Saturday morning, the doors will open and the lifts will begin to run. The main hill is groomed and ready, along with the First Turns area and the Gold Carpet. Due to the early opening, the 09/10 rental snowboards have not yet arrived. However, guests will have the opportunity to rent skis from the COP rental shop. Discover ski and snowboard lessons will also be available this weekend.

What: Canada Olympic Park Opening Day

When: Saturday, October 17, 2009
9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Where: Canada Olympic Park
88 Canada Olympic Road S.W.
Calgary, Alberta

WinSport Canada

The Canadian Winter Sport Institute provides world-class sport facilities where Canadian athletes can discover, develop and excel. WinSport Canada owns and operates Canada Olympic Park in Calgary, AB, the Bill Warren Training Centre located at the Canmore Nordic Centre, the Beckie Scott High Performance Training Centre on Haig Glacier, AB, and Camp Green on Farnham Glacier, BC and funds two-thirds of the Olympic Oval in Calgary. A not-for-profit organization, WinSport Canada supports national sport organizations, encourages educational opportunities and subsidizes the operation of unique training and recreational facilities used by the nation's top athletes and the general public. WinSport Canada also provides the necessary support to host major national and international winter sporting events at the various facilities, making the Calgary/Bow Valley Corridor home to high performance winter sport in Canada. For more information on WinSport Canada please visit www.winsportcanada.ca.

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