

## **CANADA OLYMPIC PARK IS PRIMED FOR SUMMER**

Calgary, AB – At 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 16, Canada Olympic Park (COP) will be opening their doors to kick off the '09 summer season. As Calgary's biggest outdoor playground, COP has an abundance of adventurous activities and programs that can satisfy any outdoor craving.

### **Mountain Biking**

The mountain bike park is ready to open – and it's better than ever. COP's bike park is one of only three Kona groove-approved bike parks in Canada; the others are at Whistler and Panorama. Last year's trail redesign by Whistler's Gravity Logic will enjoy its first full year of action with the new modifications. For riders new to the sport and looking for an introduction or seasoned pros looking to push their boundaries, COP has trails and terrain for all skill levels.

All of the trails in the east and west trees will be open, including BBQ Jell-o, Haircut Rabbit and Double Jeopardy. Due to the late spring melt, the dirt jumps, Strawberry Shortcake and the downhill course will not be ready to open.

Pass prices start as low as \$39. Student's can come to the Park after school and tear up the trails for as low as \$19. COP fans are encouraged to follow Canada Olympic Park on Facebook and WinSport Canada on Twitter for Park deals and discounts – including a special promotion for opening weekend.

### **Camp Torch**

Camp Torch is back with another great lineup of outdoor sport camps for kids ages 4 to 15. These week-long camps will keep kids entertained and engaged with fun activities including arts, crafts, biking, eurobungy, climbing, ropes challenge course, Olympic sports and much more!

### **Skyline at the Park**

Skyline at the Park is back for another season! Don't miss your chance to ride North America's fastest zipline as you soar off the 90 metre ski jump tower. Your skyline experience includes a zipline training session and a thrill ride you will never forget!

### **Mini Golf, Eurobungy and Climbing Wall**

Whether you're putting for the win on the 18<sup>th</sup>, triple flipping on the tramp or scaling the rock wall, COP has activities for the whole family. Join us at the Park this weekend to help celebrate the beginning of the COP summer season.

### **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. 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](http://www.winsportcanada.ca).