

Strathcona Nordic Ski Club Volunteer Policy

Please read this policy before completing registration.

Completion of registration is an agreement to all policies below.

Overview

Strathcona Nordic Ski Club's wonderful programs would not be possible without the support of volunteers. In fact, it is our volunteers who make our programs great! We need your help to ensure high quality Nordic ski experiences and opportunities for all Club members!!

Volunteer Bond

In previous years, we asked one adult member of each family to volunteer for a minimum of 6 hours per season. If a family was unable to commit to the volunteer requirement, they were asked to pay a \$100 volunteer fee. We will continue with this approach for the 2024 season; however, we have modified the minimum number of volunteer hours required for each program (see below). Club members who are unable to complete these volunteer hours (and who do not opt to pay the volunteer fee at the time of registration) will need to pay the non-prorated bond at the end of the season. We will charge the credit card on file for this bond. This approach is based on current volunteer policies of other ski clubs (e.g., Foothills Nordic and Hollyburn)

Should a family be unable to commit to either the volunteer requirement, or the volunteer bond, they can apply to the SNSC Board for relief of the volunteer requirement. There is a checkbox for this on the registration page, or families can email the Board President (president@strathconanordics.com).

Volunteer Time Commitment and Bond Value

The table below outlines the minimum number of hours required to volunteer for the specified programs and the corresponding volunteer bond if the required time is not contributed.

Program	Volunteer Time Required	Volunteer Bond
Bunny Rabbits	3 hours	\$50
Jack Rabbits, Youth Rec (FIT, SNAP, YLTS)	6 hours	\$100
Devos	12 hours	\$200
Juniors	24 hours	\$400

Families with more than one child in SNSC programs will be expected to contribute volunteer hours based on the child's program with the **highest volunteer time requirement**. For example, if a family has two children – one in Jack Rabbits Level 2 (6-hour time commitment) and one in Devos (12-hour time commitment) – they would be expected to volunteer 12 hours to fulfill their volunteer requirement for the year based on the highest commitment of the two children. If they contribute less than 12 hours, they will be charged the full (non-prorated) bond of \$200 at the end of the season.

Earning Volunteer Time

Volunteering for SNSC is FUN and is a great way to meet other families in the club while supporting our continued programming. There are numerous volunteer opportunities with SNSC. Some require you to be on your skis, while many others can be done either from the comfort of your home, or in Raven Lodge. The table below provides a small sample of current volunteer roles, and the corresponding volunteer time earned.

Volunteer opportunities are regularly listed in our <u>newsletter</u>, on our <u>website</u> and on our <u>Facebook page</u>. For most club activities/events, volunteers can add their name to an online sign-up sheet (i.e., <u>signup genius for Skill Development Program</u>). We also welcome new people to shadow some of the key roles (e.g., Race Officials) to build knowledge across the Club. Some roles can also be shared, so feel free to sign up with a friend!

Position or Activity	Time Earned	
Board member	Completing these roles earns the FULL	
Coach	BOND.	
Volunteer coordinator	These roles have a higher time commitment	
Vehicle safety manager	than the volunteer bond requires.	
Coast Cup race chief		
Loppet organizer		
Skill development program (SDP) coordinator		
Camp organizer		
Wax technician		
On-snow coordinator for SDP	Completing these roles earns hours towards	
Ski playground set-up	the volunteer bond. Time required for these	
Club clothing coordinator	roles is variable and should be documented	
Beckie Scott sprints coordinator	by those completing the activity; guidance is	
Race timer	available for all volunteer roles.	
Race marshall		
Race bib organizer	If you see a need for volunteer time for other	
Club photographer	club activities not on this list, please email us!	
SDP Year-end celebration coordinator		
SDP Year-end celebration station leader		
Cookie baker for loppet		

Meal prep for camps
SDP materials coordinator
Club laundry manager
Feed station at loppet
Maintain SNSC info board in Raven Lodge
Club social coordinator

Tracking Volunteer Time

Our club uses online sign-up sheets for most programs and events (e.g., <u>signup genius for Skill Development Program</u>). Information from these sign-up sheets will be used by the Club Administrator or specific program coordinator, who will compile summary assessments for the time spent by club members.

The Board suggests that families personally keep track of their time spent, for their own records. We ask that families please refer to their records before asking the Club Administrator how many hours they have completed and/or remaining.