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Editorial Maintenance

What with 2008 in the bag and 2009 zooming by already, we're barely keeping our heads on straight, how 'bout you? January hit us like a whirl-wind Storm Peak blizzard, returning from a very restful golf holiday in Myrtle Beach to the 4th Annual All Mountain Ski Camp and the 1st Annual Legends of the Deep Powder Invitational, we were smacked with our two biggest events of the year back to back. So it's not a coincidence that they make up the bulk of this year's Winter issue.



This year we're excited to add another new event to our docket, the 1st Annual Steamboat Kids Ski Camp, around the corner in March. We're also excited to make a lengthy trek down to Mexico for several weeks of both work and play. For those of our experts on Mexico, send your Puerto Vallarta and Cancun advise our way! Look for a spring Mexico issue next!

You may have noticed that 2009 brought more changes to our newsletter as well. We have gone from six bi-monthly issues to four seasonal ones, but hope to give you just as much information to chew on!



Andy Campbell spreads his wings on Soda Mountain
Legends of the Deep 2009

LEGENDS OF THE DEEP



Since mention in our last news-
letter, this event has already
undergone some changes for
the better, and we look forward
to all the changes that inevita-
ble come as we grow with this
awesome event.

Friday after our camp
we headed out with one cat
full of expert skiers eager to
try out some new terrain. 3
monoskiers, 2 three trackers,
and 1 blind skier made up the
mix this year, skiing in newly
opened terrain that even the
guides at Powdercats hadn't
skied yet this season.

A bright blue bird day
gave for 365 degrees of views,
suntan noses, and perfect con-
ditions for scoping, scouting,
setting up, and filming so Gen-
chi can create his videographic
magic, which will go back into
helping this event grow!

As always, a very special
thanks to all our sponsors for
this great day in the highcoun-
try.



- Best Overall Skier:**
Chris Canfield, Breckenridge
- Best Lookin w/o Seen:**
Luanne Burke, Denver
- Best Equipment Wreckage:**
Andy Campbell, UK
- Best Faceshots:**
Craig Kennedy, Steamboat
- Best Ridgeline:**
Lucian Smith, Philly
- Best Non Faceshots:**
Ron McMorris



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Athletes Foundation, Enabling Tech-
nologies, Adaptive Adventures, The
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4th Annual All Mountain Ski and Ride Camp January 12-15, 2008, Steamboat Ski Area

January marked the 4th year of our annual ski camp with Adaptive Adventures in Steamboat, and we welcomed the largest group yet.

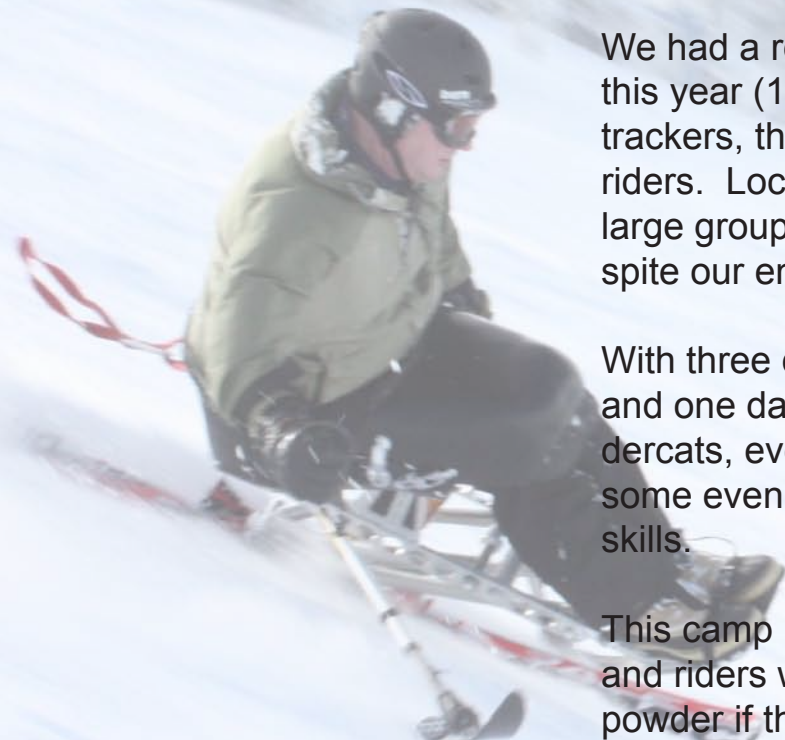
Despite the historic timing for deep powder days coinciding with this camp, the conditions cooperated very well. Each day brought several inches of snow and moderate temperatures (in past years it's gotten down to very frigid temps!), and even a little sunshine for lunchtime the last two days.

We had a record number of monoskiers this year (18!), as well as several three-trackers, three sight-assisted skiers and riders. Locals are still commenting on our large group; hard to miss on our hill despite our enormous terrain.

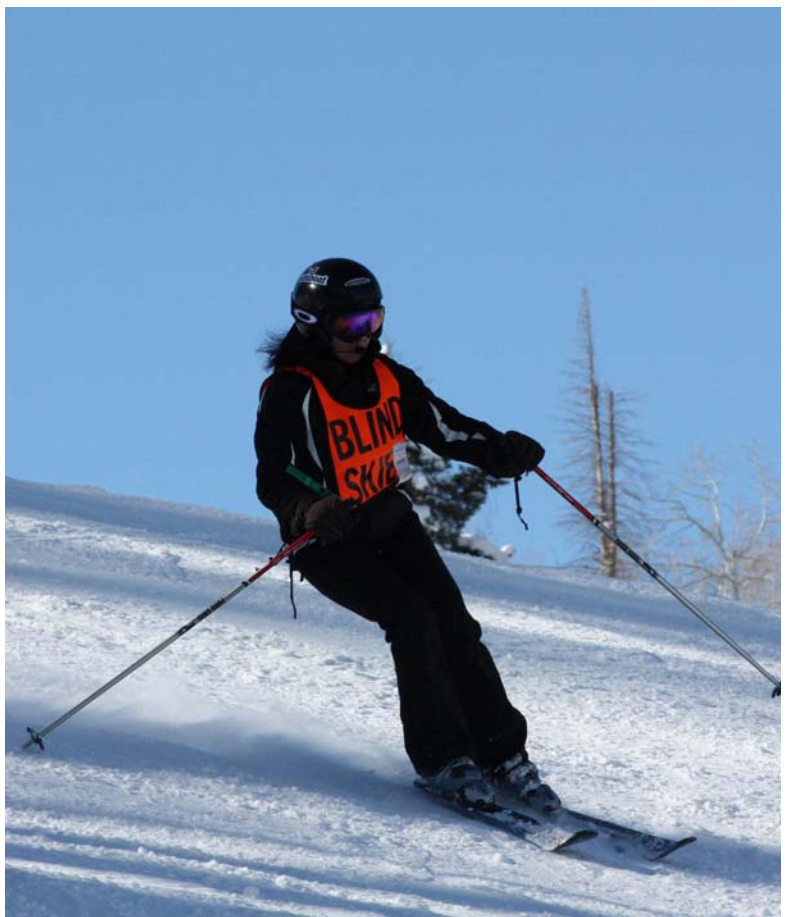
With three days on the Steamboat Ski hill and one day in the backcountry with Powdercats, everyone got their fill of skiing, some even staying longer to perfect their skills.

This camp is an advanced camp for skiers and riders with experience, focusing on powder if the weather allows us to. The camp fills up early, so if you're interested in joining us in future years, book before November. Space on the Powdercats trip is limited as well, and monoskiers especially are booked on a first come basis.

Additional photographs and videos are available online at our Flickr and YouTube locations.



Butch Butler from NC cruises down Storm Peak Face on day one of the All Mountain Ski Camp.



2009 All Mountain Ski Camp Media:

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Chris Canfield, Breckenridge CO

When asked what he skis Chris says, "Powder, just powder," to the obvious surprise of the interviewer, despite the circumstances. "Really, you don't ski anything else?" Canfield just replies, "Why?"

Singing along with the classic rock XM station in the cat, Canfield's excitement for the powder was evident, but his skills were still hiding beneath the quiet yet bubbling surface.

Letting it rip down the first chutes of South Soda Mountain however; Canfield was in his element on one ski and no outriggers. He says he learned that from the best, but I have a inkling that he's mastered plenty of that grace on his own.

Skiing the bowls and steep terrain of Breckenridge Canfield practiced for the 2006 Paralympics. Despite losing his leg over twenty years ago in a botched surgery, Canfield didn't get into racing until 2005. He does race, train, and coach with outriggers, but Craig and I were both highly impressed with Chris skiing with poles. Canfield is truly a ripping skier.



Traveler's Calendar

March

3-6: Continental Disability Advisory Board, Houston, TX

4: Arizona Disability Expo, Phoenix AZ

27-29: 1st Annual Kids Ski Camp, Steamboat Springs, CO

28-30: Abilities Expo NYC, Edison NJ

April

4: 10th Annual Scott Remington Fundraiser, Brant Lake NY

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TranquilityHill.biz

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WebbyTalents.com

Destinaton Motivation

“ Even the biggest iceberg will melt in the desert.”

Rami Mahfouz

The Crip's Tip

I have always been given old skis to ski on (and never intend to actually buy any new skis) because I break several each season. And because I have always skied on second hand skis I have never really worried about their condition. For those of you that are interested, I learned something new about my skis last week during our ski camps. Taking care of your base and edges is actually pretty important and with the right (inexpensive tools) you can do it yourself. All you need is an edging tool, a diamond stone, an iron, some wax, and a scraper. If you were taking your skis to a professional tuner, they would set your side edge angle at 2 degrees and your base angle at one degree. This will work for almost all skiers unless you are racing. Once they are tuned the first time, you can take your edging tool and diamond stone and give your edges a few quick swipes to get them ready. If you do this every day, you will notice a huge difference in the performance of your skis. To wax your skis, simply drip the wax onto your bases and spread with your iron. Then scrape all the wax off and repeat if necessary. And when it comes to waxing, remember that there should never be wax ON your bases. The wax is meant to be IN the bases, so make sure you scrape all excess wax before you go! See You in the DEEP!