

Western Region Alpine Toboggan Coordinator 2009/2010 Ski Season Report

The Western Region held the annual Alpine Instructor Development Clinic on January 9, 2010, at Sunlight Mountain. Three instructors attended the clinic; two from Ski Cooper, and one from Sunlight. This clinic is specifically designed to make sure all Sr. level Instructor/Evaluators are teaching the same techniques and evaluating on an equivalent basis. Basic level S&T instructors are encouraged to attend so that all levels are instructing the same skills.

This year, the Western Region held three senior clinics and one evaluation. Two clinics were held at Sunlight Mountain and attended by seven candidates. One clinic was held at Keystone and attended by three candidates. The clinics were well received by the candidates. The evaluation was held at Sunlight Mountain and attended by three candidates, all of whom passed.

The Western Region continues to keep our standards at a consistently high level for those participating in the program, and it appears the other two regions in the Division are doing the same. Ken Carson, Mark Vessely, and Scott Smith should be commended for bringing the Division to the same level with respect to evaluating the senior level alpine skiing and toboggan handling. All instructors from the Western Region look forward to a Division Clinic in the 2010/2011 ski season.

Respectfully submitted,

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