

# **RADFORD SNOWSPORTS TEAM**

## **CARVES FRESH TRACKS FOR 2010....**

A great weekend was had by all with 38 students from Years 4 – 11 participating in Ski and Snowboard Training and grading assessment with Perisher Race Dept. The team opportunity to get to know each other and bond was invaluable, with new friendships made and existing teams re-united. Accommodation was on the snow at Smiggin Holes, again this year at Illawarra Alpine Club and Snow Country Ski Club Lodges. Good food, warm lodgings with friendly hosts were enjoyed by students plus an accompanying support group of parents and Coaches.

We were able to complete our objectives of observing the team going through their Training paces with the makings of a very impressive Snowboarding and Alpine Skiing force that will be extremely competitive in 2010.

The first warm-up event will be the Scots College Snowsports Championships on July 12 at Perisher. Entries close this Friday 25th. This is an open invitational event hosted by Scots Sydney, and both students and Parents alike are welcome to enter. Details at <http://snowsports.tsc.nsw.edu.au/scots-championships/>

Cross-Country skiing will also feature this year with the Interschools Nordic events held on Sunday July 11. FORS welcomes interest from any student experienced in XC Skate or Classic technique wishing to join a team to represent the College. Nominations close this Thursday 24th June.

This year we salute new members to the Radford Snowsports Team – Lara Franks, Jennifer Kerr, Geoff Cox, Sebastian Cuschieri, Dylan Grubb, Paul Burns, Sam Whithear, Amelia Hodgson, Caitlin Evered, Billy Barron, Isaac Dugdale and Rebecca Brassler – WELCOME!

Parents play a key role in allowing our large Team to be supported in competition such as the annual ACT/Sthn NSW Interschools Championships. Not only do they assist by driving the Team in the mini-bus fleet to Training each Sunday, supervising safe movements around the resort in groups but also providing the support and co-ordination to make the whole operation run smoothly all season long – there's an awful lot to organise in the background and the workload is shared with appreciation.

Radford Snowsports are required to provide a volunteer Interschools race official for each student team we enter, and again this year our parent group will be rewarded by a free Perisher Resort lift pass (value \$105) for that day, snack pack and opportunity to see their child race with their team – a winning deal!

FORS recognises the ongoing support, assistance and commitment of the Radford College Sports Department team and looks forward to posting news in a further Newsletter update in July.

*See photos overleaf.....*

FORS Div 1 and Div 2 Ski Teams 2010



FORS Div 4 and Div 5 Teams with Perisher Instructor Mandy



Snowboarders Eric Mandl and Rebecca Brassler with Cameron from Perisher Race Dept

