



Special Perfect Turn Programs on tap for February

One of the signature programs of the Sugarloaf Perfect Turn Ski and Snowboard School is its Bubblecuffer program. The old Bubblecuffers used to be the brave souls who walked the logs when they floated downriver to the mills. It was their job to keep logjams from occurring. Today's Bubblecuffers are children who participate in Sugarloaf's season long junior programs. Under the Bubblecuffer umbrella are the Junior Pro and Big Mountain Program kids who range in age from 13-15. The vast majority of kids, 5-12 year olds, fall into the Bubblecuffer category. Our youngest skiers, 3-5 year olds are what we call Minicuffers.

For those children who weren't quite 3 at the start of the season or perhaps waiting for some friendlier temperatures, we have the Intro to Minicuffer program. This program meets on 5 consecutive Saturdays beginning on February 20th from 11:30 - 1:30. It is designed to get these future Minicuffers skiing and feeling comfortable in a group setting on the same terrain that they will be skiing come December. Learning how to ski during the warm mid-day hours of

early spring is perfect for these children and will really prepare them for Minicuffers.

Another unique program that we started last season is our Spring Academy. This program was designed with the big mountain skier in mind and proved so popular that it was incorporated into our Bubblecuffer lineup this season as the Big Mountain Program. Last season it was offered as a program just for teens however many of the kids' parents were asking how they could get in on the action. This year we are offering it to adults as well so now the kids aren't the only ones who have bragging rights.

Sugarloaf is a western mountain trapped in the east. We have the varied terrain and conditions that make a program like the Spring Academy so viable. Perfect Turn's Steve Moore, Matt Tinker, and Chase Bourgoin take the partici-

pants on every bit of terrain Sugarloaf has to offer, and then some. They work on backcountry skills and basic avalanche safety on two consecutive weekends, February 27th - 28th and April 3rd - 4th.

With backcountry skiing and riding growing in popularity, this program is perfect for the individual interested in getting the most out of their sport and their mountain. It is also a great opportunity for anyone planning to take a trip out west to have a basic understanding of what possibilities exist once they get there.

In order to sign up or receive more information for either of these unique programs, Intro To Minicuffers or the Spring Academy, please stop by the Perfect Turn office in the ground floor of the base lodge. You can also give us a call at 237-6924.

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