

Cochran's Ski & Ride Sale

Camel's Hump School
Richmond, VT

November 2nd & 3rd

Welcome to Cochran's Ski Sale Season to new and returning families!

We're writing to let you know a bit about our upcoming ski sale. This is a really well-established and FUN event!

What is the Cochran's Ski Sale?

Every fall, the Cochran's Ski Club holds a HUGE ski and snowboard sale for two days at Camel's Hump Middle School in Richmond. Our sale is known in our area as being the oldest and biggest of the ski swaps. We carry all kinds of winter gear: Alpine and Nordic skis, boots, poles, helmets, and goggles; snowboards and boots; hockey gear; snowshoes; winter boots; and clothing. We offer a combination of consignment items (used gear brought in by individual people) and vendor items (new gear from prior seasons brought by vendors who staff their own areas of the floor), so customers can find just about anything they need. We have a reputation for having a great selection of used gear, particularly kids' stuff. In addition, we staff our sale floor with friendly and knowledgeable folks who help families sort through the equipment to find what they need. It is a great sale!

When does the sale happen?

This year's sale will take place at the following times:

Consignment Drop-off: Friday, November 1st, 6:00 - 8:30 pm

Sale: Saturday, November 2nd, 8:00 - 4:00 and Sunday, November 3rd **8:00 - 1:00 (*NEW TIME!)**

Consignment Pick-up: Sunday, November 3rd, 1:30 - 3:00 pm (*NEW TIME!)

We have lengthened the sale hours on Sunday and eliminated the overlap between shopping and consignment pick-up. We hope that this will keep our Sunday sales strong while making the pick-up process smoother for consigners.

Volunteer hours are a bit longer, broken into shifts:

Friday 3:00 pm - 10:30 pm

Saturday 7:30 am - 4:30 pm

Sunday 7:30 am - about 5:00 pm

Why does the Ski Club do this?

The Ski Club families are the ones who staff the entire sale. We use the proceeds to fund our club and to make a significant donation to the Cochran Ski Area to maintain its operation. You have probably noticed that our club fees are significantly lower than those at other areas; this sale and our volunteer efforts are how we manage to keep our fees so low. It is part of our mission to make ski racing affordable for all children, so this is really important to us.

What does it mean for our family?

Most Club families make a weekend of staffing the sale. The adults and kids work together to make it all happen. We do everything: set up the sale rooms, accept consignment items, sort and display items, help customers, run registers, and provide security. We also run a weekend-long potluck for the volunteers and vendors: we all bring in real, home-cooked food in large quantities and some of our volunteers take over the school kitchen, warming and serving the meals so that we can all eat well while we are staffing the sale. We sign up for specific jobs on an online sign-up form.

How do we sign up to volunteer?

I'll send an additional email with instructions on how to sign up on our online Google sign-up sheet. Jobs and time slots will be listed on the sheet. It's easy! [Cochran's Ski Sale 2019 Volunteer Sign-Up Form](#)

How can we consign our old gear?

Club families can stop by the building next to the lodge early to get what we need: consignment tickets and forms will be available there this week. It is helpful to have our consignment stuff prepared ahead of time so that we can focus on helping the public on Friday night at the sale. Let us know if you need any help with the process!

Consignment for club members is from 5:00 to 5:45 on Friday. This allows us to let the public begin on time at 6:00.

When can we shop??

Because we work the whole weekend, we have a special Club-member-only shopping time after consignment ends on Friday night, from about 9:00 to 10:30 pm. You can also shop when you are not committed to a job later during the weekend. Please make sure to have your membership forms submitted before then!

What if I have questions?

Contact us with any questions.

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