

**2018**  
**2019** SVSEF





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## **SVSEF MISSION**

To provide exceptional snowsport programs for the youth of the Wood River Valley thereby enabling each participant to reach his/her athletic potential, while developing strong personal character through good sportsmanship, strong values, and individual goals.

# A LETTER

from our executive director



Dear SVSEF Community,

Looking back at my first year at the helm of SVSEF, it is incredible how much has transpired in a short while. The collage of events, the momentum of our athletes, and the focus of our staff inspired new frontiers. It was a year defined by athletic success (13 national and 39 regional champions), expanded outreach (700 athletes involved!), and the evolution of our venues and programming. Of the utmost importance to me, however, were not the seasonal highlights or the celebrated moments, but rather our collective respect for the past, and for those who helped build this foundation. Fifty-three years of vision, work, challenge, and community have helped create a worthy backdrop; one that so many generations of us can be proud of. Not only does it take a village to raise a child – it also takes generations of wisdom to make our children feel like they are part of something bigger than themselves. That is SVSEF at its very best, at its most impactful.

When I set out as executive director of SVSEF in July 2018, I outlined five guiding goals. These served as my strategic compass, my heavy keel in the times of choppy seas, and helped me keep perspective when challenges inevitably arose. Upon reflection, these personal tenets will remain with me for the duration of my time here.

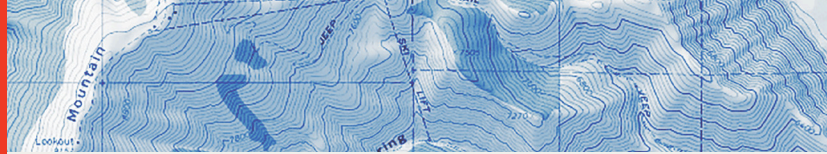
- 1) To expand the SVSEF narrative. To facilitate the telling of a story that begins with community, outreach, and children and culminates with excellence, growth, achievement, and realizing personal potential.
- 2) To build a deeper understanding of the executive and administrative roles within the coaching ranks. Mutual respect, support, and enthusiasm for every level of delivery is the foundation for our ability to make a difference in the lives of our athletes and families.
- 3) To make SVSEF the undisputed “keepers of culture,” and use that position to preserve, celebrate, and perpetuate mountain values and lifestyle.
- 4) To inspire a “frontier mindset” in the way we plan, train, and execute our mission. This translates to being leaders in thought regarding athletic delivery, community connection, and child development, to transcend sport.
- 5) To evolve the SVSEF business model into one that is sustainable, understood, and more robust. This will be done by inspiring the community to engage, exploring blue oceans of programming opportunities, and honing attention to detail.

I cannot say thank you enough to those who helped make this a successful organization. So many incredible minds have helped construct the framework, and so many incredible athletes have forged the legacy that is SVSEF. I’m proud and honored to be a part of this incredible organization, and look forward to the next frontier.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Scott McGrew'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Scott McGrew, SVSEF Executive Director



# STRONG MINDS

Essential to the SVSEF athlete experience is a commitment to the whole child. Winter sport is our vehicle for celebrating core values that inspire resilience, grit, creativity, and courage. These attributes lend themselves to athletes making more informed and healthy choices, pushing themselves towards their full potential, and realizing incredible opportunities along the way. We believe in developing mental capacity and awareness and providing continued education opportunities for both athletes and staff; we believe that the power of the mind is critical to achievement.

Total number of athlete contact hours with coaches:

**180,000**



**25**

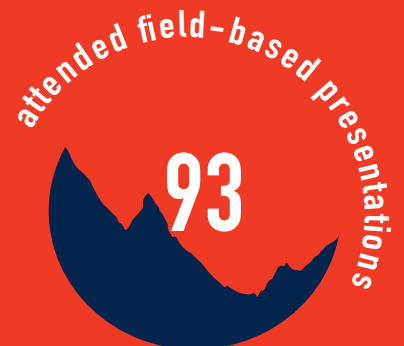
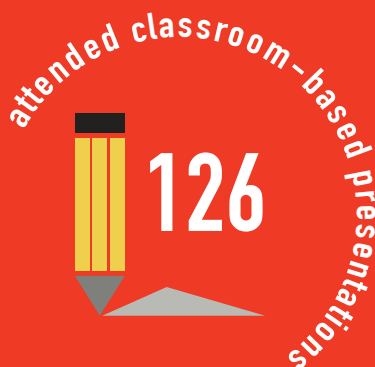
alumni skied for NCAA teams

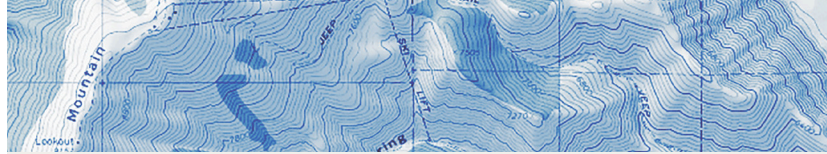
**100 percent**

of SVSEF coaches and staff were Safesport certified

**30** head coaches + core staff completed a mental health first aid class

**AVALANCHE TRAINING** for coaches and athletes: exposure to mountain awareness programs and education





# STRONG BODIES

It was a stand-out year for SVSEF athletes; the effort our skiers and riders put towards building solid training bases, developing technique and skills, and remaining committed to their sports throughout the season showed in results.

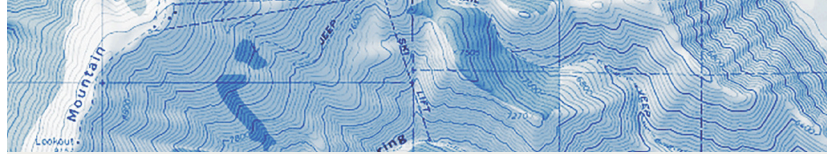


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# STRONG FUTURES

Our graduating athletes are set up for success, from years of practice in time management, positivity, problem solving, and hard work. We are proud to present the SVSEF graduating class of 2019 – a talented group of individuals, both on the snow and beyond.



**PAYTON BACCA**

**Snowboard**

Wood River High School  
Next: Westminster College



**BLAKE BATHUM**

**Alpine**

Sun Valley Community School  
Next: PG Year, then Williams College



**LILY BRUNELLE**

**Cross Country**

Wood River High School  
Next: Harvard University



**CAILIN CHANDLER**

**Alpine/Big Mountain**

Sun Valley Community School  
Next: University of Puget Sound



**HENRY CHERP**

**Big Mountain**

Sun Valley Community School  
Next: MSU Bozeman



**HUNTER DIEHL**

**Big Mountain**

Sun Valley Community School  
Next: US Air Force Academy



**MADDIE FERRIS**

**Alpine**

Sun Valley Community School  
Next: Cal Poly



**LILY FITZGERALD**

**Alpine**

Sun Valley Community School  
Next: UC Berkeley



**WILL GRIFFITH**

**Freeski**

The Sage School  
Next: Worcester Polytechnic Institute



**JOE HALL**

**Cross Country**

Sun Valley Community School  
Next: Brown University



**BRIDGER HARRISON**

**Alpine**

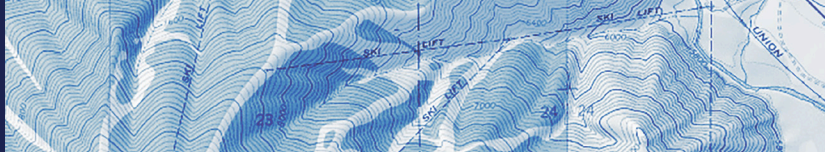
Sun Valley Community School  
Next: Western Region Elite Ski Team



**JAKE LUNN**

**Alpine**

Sun Valley Community School  
Next: Sarah Lawrence College



We wish the best to these remarkable, driven individuals as they take on whatever comes next.

CONGRATULATIONS to our 2019 graduating seniors.



**SOPHIA MAZZONI**

**Cross Country**

Sun Valley Community School  
Next: Michigan Tech University



**SARAH MORGAN**

**Cross Country**

Sun Valley Community School  
Next: PG Year



**JENNA NURGE**

**Cross Country**

Wood River High School  
Next: Cal Poly



**ADDIE RAFFORD**

**Big Mountain**

Sun Valley Community School  
Next: MSU Bozeman



**LUKE RIZZO**

**Freestyle**

Wood River High School  
Next: NYU



**JACK SMITH**

**Alpine**

Sun Valley Community School  
Next: US Ski Team



**BENNETT SNYDER**

**Alpine**

Sun Valley Community School  
Next: PG Year, then Williams College



**LIZZY VANDERKLOOT**

**Alpine**

Sun Valley Community School  
Next: Middlebury College



**RAINEY WILSON**

**Freestyle**

Wood River High School  
Next: Whatcom Community College



**ELLA WOLTER**

**Cross Country**

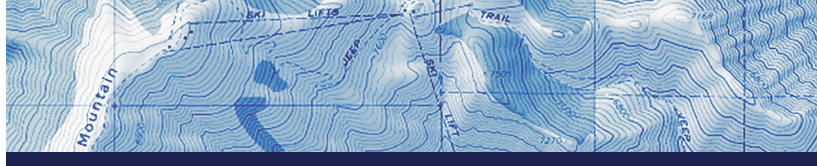
Sun Valley Community School  
Next: Bates College



**TED YEWER**

**Cross Country**

Sun Valley Community School  
Next: PG Year



## SPOTLIGHT

# MAP

(MOUNTAIN AWARENESS PROGRAM)

by mountain awareness coordinator Lindsay Mann

In its inaugural year, the SVSEF Mountain Awareness Program (MAP) was designed to provide experiences that both complemented and went beyond alpine, freestyle, freeride, snowboard, and cross country competition. The focus for MAP programming is to provide avalanche awareness training and education for all SVSEF athletes, coaches and parents.

The goal for the 2018–19 season was for all SVSEF athletes ages 14 and older to participate in an avalanche awareness classroom session and field session with their respective teams. All SVSEF teams who train on Bald Mountain met with Sun Valley Ski Patrol. In total, 109 SVSEF athletes participated in a one-hour classroom avalanche awareness session. Seventy-nine SVSEF athletes participated in a two- to three-hour field-based avalanche awareness session, which were held in-bounds on Bald Mountain.

The programs mentioned above are included as part of SVSEF programming and were all taught by certified avalanche instructors. The community partners for these programs include Sawtooth Avalanche Center, Sun Valley Guides and Sawtooth Mountain Guides. Any touring days were run through these partners and came at a cost to athletes.

In addition to providing education and raising awareness for athletes, MAP aims to support coach and parent education, as well. SVSEF subsidized a portion of an AIARE level 1 course for 11 SVSEF coaches and hosted a parents' Avalanche Awareness Night in partnership with Sun Valley Ski Patrol and the Sawtooth Avalanche Center. We also organized a Big Mountain team Avalanche 1 Course, Big Mountain team Avalanche Rescue Fundamentals Course, Big Mountain team touring days (eight in total) and an alpine U14 touring day.

Heading into MAP's second year, we are looking to increase participation in all of the avalanche awareness programs, continue offering a coaches' Level 1 and Level 2 Avalanche Course, and supplement opportunities for our athletes with avalanche awareness training organized through SVSEF during Thanksgiving Camp (alpine).







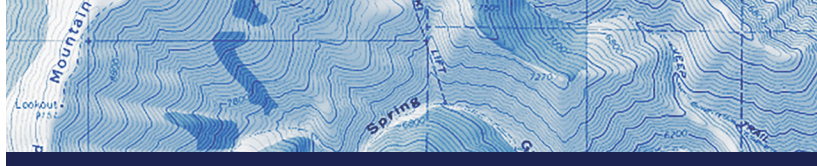
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## SPOTLIGHT

# GRASSROOT PROGRAMS

by head Baldy Devo and LASAR coach Brian Caulkins

We have seen a lot of growth in our development teams. By evolving how we coach and what we teach, we have seen large improvements in ski and snowboard skills. We strive to teach values and skills beyond sport; we focus on team building, etiquette and nutrition. Our goal is to grow good citizens.

### ROTA-RIPPERS

This was a fun year, with lots of new faces. Staffed with experienced coaches and volunteers, our athletes had the opportunity to learn to ski and snowboard on the incredible slopes of Rotarun Ski Area. With support from the newly-founded Cooper-Taché First Tracks Fund and the Kids Mountain Fund for equipment, athletes were set up for success.

### LASAR (Learn to Alpine Ski and Race)

This team is designed around making ski racing fun. We work on stance and balance, with a focus on going around gates and obstacles. LASAR also proved to be a great way for Baldy Devo and Mini World Cup athletes to gain confidence and skills at dual racing. The Cooper-Taché First Tracks Fund and the Kids Mountain Fund for equipment supported our LASAR participants, as well.

### BALDY DEVO

Baldy Devo had an incredible season. Our athletes have grown as a team, and their skiing skills were amazing thanks to our awesome coaching staff and a solid adherence to guidelines in our SVSEF coach handbook. In addition to teaching technical fundamentals, we teach etiquette, nutrition, being a good teammate and taking care of equipment. This year, we skied all of Baldy throughout the season, from the moguls to terrain parks, logging over 50 days of practice.





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# ALPINE

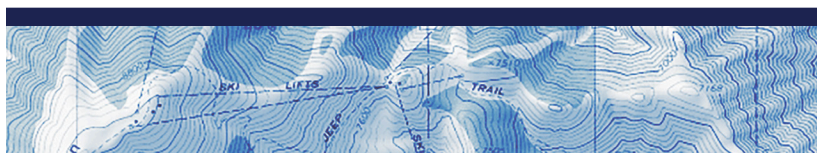
by program director Will Brandenburg

I am constantly in awe of the strength and reach of the SVSEF community. In the 2018-2019 season, we had over 300 athletes participating across nine teams, from grassroots to Post Grad. Over SVSEF's 53 year history, thousands of Wood River Valley kids have now made their way through this program. Our heritage and history speaks to why almost 50 percent of the current alpine staff are alumni, and why our staff works so hard to continue the tradition of building exceptional athletes on and off snow.

Seeing the foundation that Scotty and his predecessors created, I had a lot to learn coming into this position. I spent this first year trying to better understand the entire program by listening to and learning from longtime coaches, alumni, and the greater SVSEF community. There was no shortage of learning opportunities! This season, the alpine program hosted a Men's NorAm and U16 Western Region Championships (as well as six other events), sent athletes to over 60 camps and races across the U.S., Europe, Canada and South America, and had teams training on Baldy, Dollar and Rotarun almost every day. Athletes worked day in and day out to secure spots on the U.S. Development Team and NCAA Division 1 collegiate teams, and to qualify for races at the national, divisional, and regional levels. Every athlete was fighting to achieve their own goal.

SVSEF is about more than skiing. The staff works hard to create opportunities that broaden the athlete's experience, and one of my main goals was to facilitate more of these experiences in a cost-effective way. One example this year was Lindsay Mann launching the Mountain Awareness Program, which provides avalanche awareness training to all SVSEF athletes, across all disciplines, and is one of the first of its kind in the country. It's opportunities like these that build strong minds, strong bodies and strong futures for each of our athletes.

All in all, I am proud to wear my SVSEF hat, and will continue to do so for years to come. The alpine program is where it is today because of the support of the SVSEF family. Our foundation remains strong; I look forward to building upon it and elevating the experience of every SVSEF athlete. Thank you to the athletes, staff, parents, volunteers, supporters, and friends for a fantastic season!





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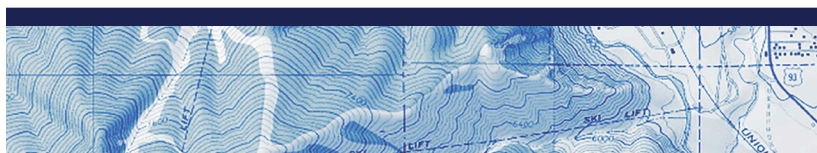
# BIG MOUNTAIN

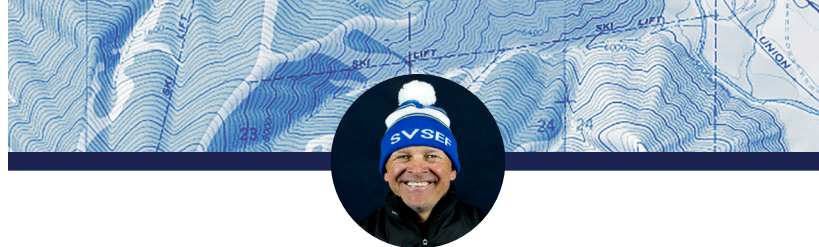
by head coach **Conor Davis**

This past season was the second year of SVSEF's big mountain programming. The team started the season off learning new skills with an Avalanche Rescue Fundamentals Course and Avalanche Level One trip at the Williams Yurt. The team took athletes touring / backcountry skiing 10 days with Sawtooth Mountain Guides, and about 75% of the athletes on the big mountain team finished the year with their Avalanche Level One Certification or higher.

The new year brought with it a trip to Japan for some, and the start of a busy competition schedule for others. From January to March, big mountain athletes competed at eight regional competitions and seven national level competitions in order to qualify for the championship in the spring. We scouted and skied sick lines, hucked cliffs into record breaking pow, made new friends at competitions, and had a blast doing it. In total, the team had 109 starts, 69 of which were in the top 50%. We had 20 top five finishes, and all five of our team's first place medals were taken home by the female athletes on our team! After all the qualifying was over, we were stoked to have three athletes qualify to compete at the North American Championships at Kicking Horse Mountain Resort. Toby Rafford, Addie Rafford, and Ethan Marx all skied tough snow conditions which caused some bobbles and falls, but in the end they all skied really well.

Due to the incredible support from the big mountain community, we were able to accelerate the infrastructure and program tools essential to delivering a world-class program. We want to thank the supporters, families, and enthusiasts who helped our program grow and evolve this past year. We are excited to continue creating amazing experiences for our athletes. Pray for snow!





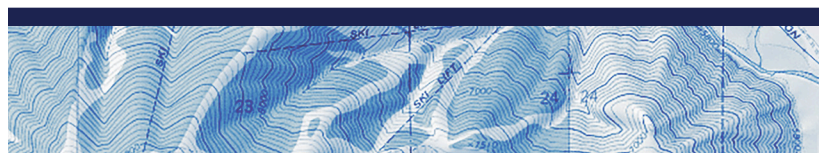
# CROSS COUNTRY

by program director Rick Kapala

Every ski season is an opportunity for our cross country ski program to grow and flourish. Some years we see growth in our entry level programs and other years we experience exceptional athletic accomplishment. This year proved to be a resounding success at both the grassroots level as well as on the race trails. As we finished up our dryland training efforts last autumn, we knew we had a strong team, but we also knew it can be hard to translate potential into results.

This year, however, we saw our cross country ski program accomplish results that were unparalleled. We had skiers racing at EVERY LEVEL of international and national competition, including; Nordic World Championships, FIS World Cup, World Junior and U23 Championships, U18 International Championships, US National Championships, US Junior National Championships, NCAA Collegiate Championships and numerous regional and divisional championships. When it was all said and done, SVSEF skiers came home with a GOLD MEDAL from World Junior Championships, World Cup points scored on the FIS World Cup, five US Junior National champions and the National Junior Team Championship. It does not always happen that potential translate into results, but when it does it's a fun ride.

On the home front, our cross country youth programming has continued to engage our entry level participants with the foundations of ski sport, and will hopefully instill in our kids a love of outdoor sport and adventure. One of our main messages to our skiers is to love the life of being a ski racer. Our gym is the mountains and ski trails, and many of our training sessions are full of new experiences as well as engaging challenges. In order to sustain our program's growth and success, we depend on the enthusiasm and commitment from our amazing coaches, as well as never ending support from our parents, supporters and sponsors. At the core, we are striving to build a culture where our program flourishes at every level, from the youngest children learning how to ski through our elite skiers striving for international excellence. Thanks to everyone who has supported SVSEF.











# F R E E S K I

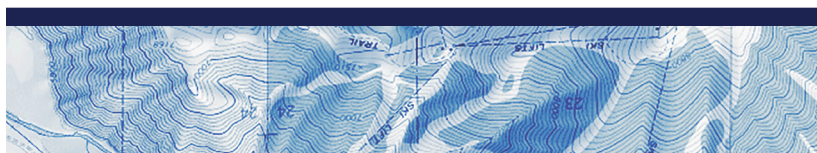
by head coach **Tyler Conway**

The Freeski program has steadily grown over the past couple of seasons. 2018-19 was one of the best, with elevated and varied training opportunities and a solid staff. We were able to renovate and update the Air Barn, adding new training elements and improvements, most notably the “super trampoline,” which allows for bigger tricks and more experimentation. We brought on a great new coach, Gui Mattheis-Brown (“Gui Ski”), who brings a great deal of professionalism and enthusiasm to the team. This season, we were able to take advantage of Rotarun and set up our air bag on snow, affording our athletes the opportunity to practice technical maneuvers in a safe, low-traffic environment. A great opportunity for our athletes to showcase all their hard work and progress this season came in the form of an under-the-lights Rail Jam showcase in downtown Ketchum.

The Travel (FIS) and Progression teams competed in USASA Big Mountain West competitions this season, which serves 300 athletes in the Intermountain West. The USASA Big Mountain West Series planned six weekends of events with 24 individual events, utilizing venues in five resort areas (Park City, Snowbasin, Dollar Mountain/Sun Valley, Snow King Resort/Jackson Hole and Grand Targhee). For the first time, U.S. Ski and Snowboard and USASA combined efforts to create one National Championship, which took place in March 2019; 12 of our athletes qualified.

The Travel freeski athletes looked beyond USASA and set course to take on some of the biggest competitions in the game. The Aspen Open event is held on the X-Games course, and includes big air, slopestyle and halfpipe; it was a real eye opener for the crew. Will Griffith was the standout in the big air with a Rodeo 1260 nose-grab, placing him in the top 10. Travel team athletes Ridge Dirksmeier and Harper Mallett participated in the Revolution Tour halfpipe at Copper Mountain.

Our team continues to adapt to the always-changing realm of freeskiing to create the best training experiences possible, and our athletes’ patience and growth this season has been amazing to see firsthand. Thank you to Gui Brown, Peter Rudman, Collin Collins and Michael Niedrich for the awesome year and great coaching. A big thank you, as well, to Galen Webster, who worked tirelessly to transform the Air Barn during the remodel – we could not have done it without him.





# FREESTYLE

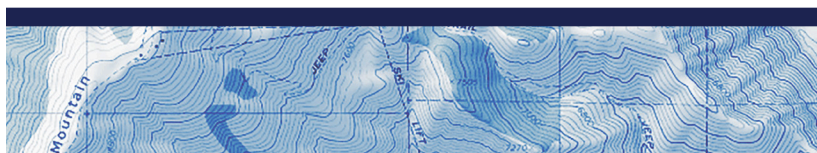
by head coach John Grigsby

At the end of every year as coaches, we look back and reflect on the past season – and man, what a season. This past season, the freestyle program has continued to grow in numbers, as well as year-round access to training venues. Athletes worked hard in the summer months with numerous trips to the Utah Olympic Park for our summer water ramp sessions. After many hours spent in the Air Barn developing new skills and air awareness, athletes finally had a chance to let their new tricks fly.

This past winter was all about EXPOSURE. It started off with the introduction of our Progression Team, a new level of programming that allowed younger athletes to increase their training. We were able to expose our younger athletes to regional development level competitions in places like Montana and Utah.

The competition season was filled with huge success. The annual Sun Valley Freestyle Spectacular SOLD OUT and continues to be one of the best venues in the west. Many thanks go out to the freestyle family and Sun Valley Company for helping SVSEF host such a great event.

The freestyle team saw a large number of podiums across the board from all levels. We had five athletes qualify for Junior Nationals, an event that invites the top 50 juniors in the country. This year, four of our athletes were ranked in the top 35 in the country, which qualified them for U.S. Nationals in Waterville Valley, NH. One of those athletes, Samantha Smith, was ranked top-15 in the country as a U16, earning her an invite to forerun at FIS World Championships in Deer Valley, UT.





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# MINI XTREME

by head coach Ben Schumacher

The Mini Xtreme (Mini X) program is designed to be the jump launching athletes toward SVSEF freestyle, freeski, alpine, and big mountain programs. Mini X seeks to safely guide the athlete's progression in a variety of training venues and terrain to accomplish a better understanding of these disciplines. This team is special because the athletes in this age group are stoked and ready for progression, while also eager to experience the diversity inherent in our program. At this age, practicing as many different new skills as possible keeps the program feeling fresh and fun.

We started out the year developing strength and balance. Early season hard snow kept us mindful of our technique as we practiced our carve. Skills were honed in the Air Barn with trampolines, rollerblades, skateboards, and skis, giving us more strength and balance in the air – after all, flying is what Mini X athletes love the most. From the Air Barn to the park (and a special practice at Rotarun), we developed the skills needed to jump and progress safely.

One often makes goals for themselves, but a goal without a plan is just a wish. One of the most important aspects of our sport is having a plan, whether it be a jump line in the park or the decision of what tricks to do on the mogul course. It's good to start learning how to make a plan early; when you visualize and focus on the problem at hand, you are better prepared when you do it. We help our athletes see how they are going to ski into a line or help them decide what trick to try and when. The plan for training is to practice a bit with every program in SVSEF, in order to give the athletes a view of what it looks like at the early stages, and what it looks like to train and compete at the higher levels. It's always good to see progression and what is possible.

Mountain awareness, from avalanche safety to line selection, is also a huge part of our program. Once off-piste lines start opening up, we wanted to be ready to explore. Mini Xers were exposed to patterns and ways of thinking about their line selection from the beginning. Our coaches consistently emphasized safety, and worked to improve the athletes' ability to observe our changing environments from first snow to last.





# SNOWBOARD

by head coach Andy Gilbert

The 2018–19 season was a transformative one for SVSEF snowboarding. The goal heading into the year was to re-establish the team’s identity within the organization. We focused on growth, particularly at the development level, and established some new programs and hired some new faces. While continuing to attend to the established athletes and their schedules and goals, we worked toward a cohesive culture that allowed for all the opportunities and experiences snowboarding offers.

By most measures, we were successful hitting our marks. Our Development Team ended the season with over 20 riders for the first time in many years. The Rota-Rippers program at Rotarun gained good traction and is poised to expand in quick order. Investment in new coaches and their education underscores an effort to position the program to have strong staffing for the foreseeable future. In true SVSEF snowboarding fashion, we continued to send competitive teams to all our regional events as well as USASA Nationals, where we shined once again.

All this said, there is still (as is always the case) work to do. While this season was focused on establishing an identity and culture, the coming seasons will be focused on the content and programs that come from the establishment and cultivation of that culture. The newly remodeled Air Barn will play a big role in this, as well as the investment in our infrastructure. New video review options, on-hill staff and athlete communication tools, as well as continuous cultivation of our partnerships within the community. We look forward to driving the story of SVSEF snowboarding into 2020 and beyond.

Big thanks go to: Beverly and Michael DeChevrieux and the William Carey Hay Foundation; Tiffany Curci (Team Mom) and all our parent volunteers; Julian Tyo, Nate Sheehan and the SV Park Crew; Quinn and Dave and the crew at the Board Bin; Bob Gundram/Coal Headwear/Union Bindings; Barrett Christy/GNU and Lib Tech Snowboards; City of Ketchum; Our incredible staff at SVSEF; SVSEF snowboarding staff!









2018-2019

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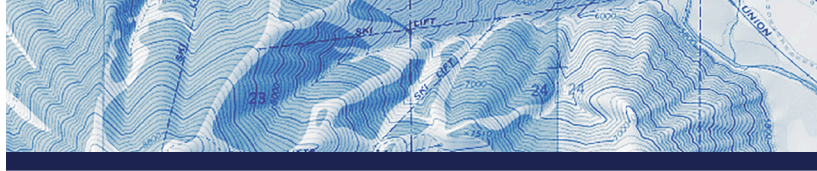
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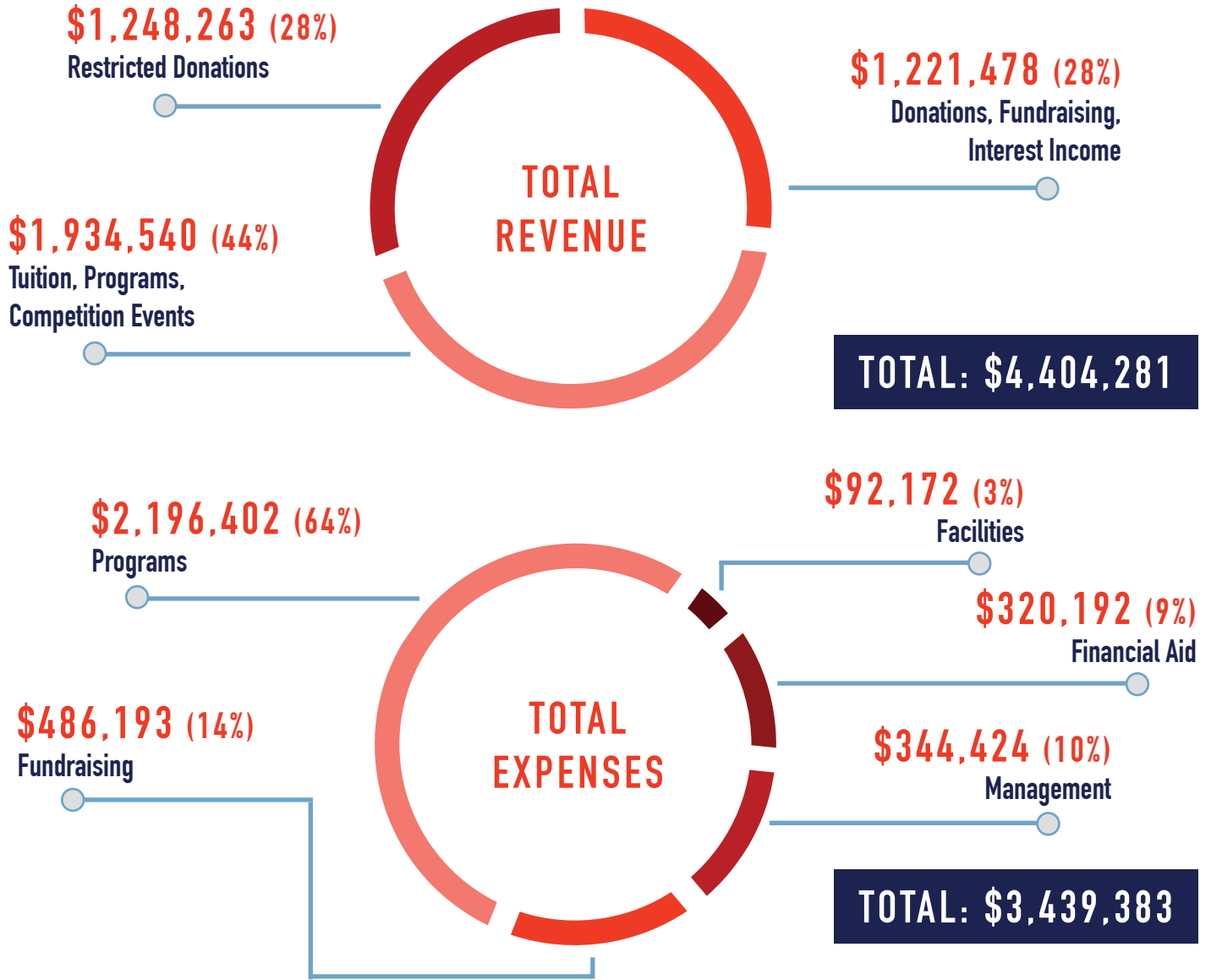
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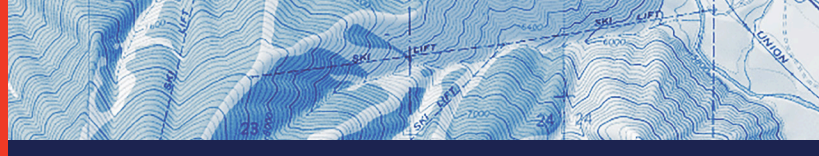
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**\$150,000**

CAPITAL INVESTMENTS:  
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**\$368,000**





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# DEVELOPMENT

Help ensure the future of Sun Valley Ski Education Foundation (SVSEF).

For 53 years, SVSEF has created opportunities for children to experience success through snow sports. Starting as a small group of athletes and coaches, SVSEF has grown to 700 athletes and over 120 coaches. SVSEF's athletes and their families are a part of the rich tradition of snow sport that our community embraces.

When you give to SVSEF, you ensure the future of an organization that creates opportunities for our athletes. Each athlete's experience in our program will vary, but the common denominator is personal and athletic development through the learning of a snow sport. Some SVSEF athletes strive to become Olympians (SVSEF has 22 Olympic alumni), and others have different aspirations, but all athletes develop strong personal character through participation on a SVSEF team.

Through donations, our donors touch the lives of our athletes and help fortify the economic sustainability of our community. Gifts to SVSEF can be in various forms; the Cooper-Taché First Tracks Fund targets our learn to ski and ride programs in the South Valley, the Leaving Tracks Society establishes estate gifts, Champions of the SVSEF Endowment ensures longevity, and the Summit Challenge serves as SVSEF's annual fund. Each of these opportunities, as well as those on the list below, are ways to support our athletes, ensure the future of SVSEF, and keep our community vibrant.

Please donate to the Sun Valley Ski Education Foundation; your contribution is tax-deductible. We are part of your community, we are the future of snow sports, and we provide all our athletes with lifelong skills to be successful. The Sun Valley Ski Education Foundation will continue to build strong minds, strong bodies, and strong futures with the help of your donation.

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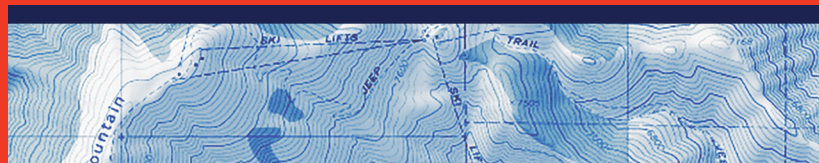


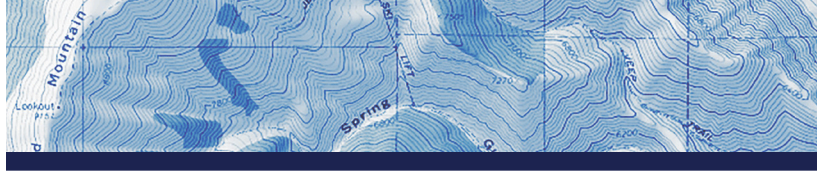
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- Stock Transfer
- 401(k) Donations
- Corporate Matching Funds
- Monthly Installment
- Estate Gifts: Leaving Tracks Society

Contact Cynthia Knight  
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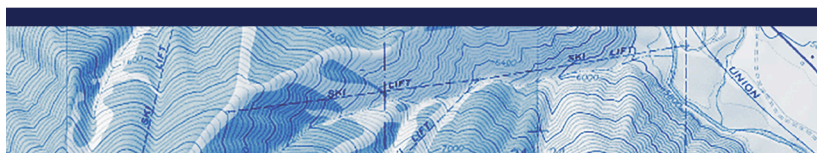
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# EVENTS

2019-2020

- September 28** Baldy Hill Climb
- October 19** Ski Swap
- November 15** Wild Game Dinner
- November 23-27** Pre-Thanksgiving Camp on Baldy (ALPINE)
- December 8** Winterstart race @ Galena (CROSS COUNTRY)
- December 14-15** SuperTour @ Lake Creek (CROSS COUNTRY)
- December 21** Holiday Bonfire Relays (alumni event) @ Lake Creek (CROSS COUNTRY)
- December 31** Rotarun New Years Eve Party
- January 4** Snowmaker Classic Race @ Lake Creek (CROSS COUNTRY)
- January 25-26** U14 Speed Project on Dollar (ALPINE)
- January 25-26** Sun Valley Spectacular (FREESTYLE)
- January 29** Ketchum Town Sprints @ Simplot Field (CROSS COUNTRY)
- January 30-February 2** USASA Big Mountain West Series @ Dollar (FREESKI/SNOWBOARD)
- February 7-9** U14 Qualifier (ALPINE)
- February 16** Arkoosh Cup at Rotarun (ALPINE)
- February 21-23** Laura Flood Memorial (U16 Qualifier) (ALPINE)
- February 29-March 1** Monroe Cup (U12 Qualifier) (ALPINE)
- March 1** Devo Fest @ Lake Creek (CROSS COUNTRY)
- March 7-11** Western Region Open FIS series (ALPINE)
- March 29** Gary Black Jr. Memorial (ALPINE)
- April 3-5** Janss Pro-Am Classic



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